Glossary of terms

**Tupi**: one of the main ethnic groups of Brazil.
**Gracchi**: the Gracchi were a plebian family in ancient Rome, two of the sons were important advocates for social reform.
**Saudade**: Portuguese term for yearning, longing for something that is gone, more of a fatalist sentiment.
**Great Snake**: the Anaconda??
**Mr. Levy-Bruhl**: “French philosopher whose study of the psychology of primitive peoples gave anthropology a new approach to understanding irrational factors in social thought and primitive religion and mythology.” (Encyclopedia Britannica). He also declared that the human being has two mindsets: “primitive” and “western”. The primitive mindset can’t differentiate the supernatural from reality and uses the mythical as a participant to the world.
**Ou Villegaignon print terre**: I believe it a description given to Brazil by Montaigne in his Essais.
**Keyserling**: “German social philosopher whose ideas enjoyed considerable popularity after World War I. Keyserling’s approach to philosophy was essentially nonacademic, and his ideas, which centered on the theme of spiritual regeneration, were often platitudinous or obscure.” (Encyclopedia Britannica).
**Father Vieira**: Jesuit missionary, known for his ability to convert slaves and native Indians, also known for his support of the Indians and their place in society. He also played a very important role in the politics surrounding the export of Brazilian sugar.
**Anthropomorphism**: the attribution of human form or other human characteristics to any nonhuman object.
**Pitt**: ??
**Alencar, José Martiniano de**: famous novelist, journalist and playwright. He initiated the vogue of the Brazilian Indianista novel (romantic tales of indigenous life incorporating vocabulary of Amerindian origin referring to flora, fauna, and tribal customs). Also known for creating/portraying a past for Brazil in European terms, dress, etc…
**Cape Finisterre**: “Land’s End”, peninsula at the uttermost west of Galicia, Spain. An important pilgrimage site.
**Viscount of Cairu, Jose da Silva Lisboa**: important economist, writer, tried to reconcile Portugal and Brazil after the independence to better the economy.
**Jabuti**: red-footed tortoise.
**Guaraci**: municipality in the state of São Paulo, the name of the place comes from the tupi language.
**Jaci**: municipality in the state of São Paulo, the name of the place comes from the tupi language.
**William James**: pioneering American psychologist and philosopher (1842-1910).
**Voronoff**: French surgeon of Russian decent (1866-1951)
**Pindorama**: Municipality in the state of Sao Paulo, tupi word for “Land of the Palms” the native name of Brazil.

**Iracema**: Municipality in the state of Sao Paulo.

**Joao Ramalho**: Municipality in the state of Sao Paulo.

**Bragantine**: ??

**Maria da Fonte**: name given to a rebellion in Portugal in 1846 against the potuguese conservative government.