

ISLAND OF CUBA.

The last number of the Boston Monthly Magazine contains the first of a series of letters from Cuba, written, says the editor, by a person of great observation and acquirements.

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But it is not in aspect alone, that this island is delightful. The richness of the soil, and the salubrity of the climate, render it no less desirable to the lover of increasing wealth, than to the mere lover of nature.

Although within the tropics, yet we never experience the extreme heat of Boston. I have never, during the five years of my residence, known the thermometer (Fahrenheit's) over ninety, nor up to that but once, which was in May, 1820.

It has been calculated that seventy four inches of water fall annually in this island. But this is more than double what falls in St. Helena, and nearly three times what falls in London, where it is said to rain all the time.

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hundred yards in length, which opens into a spacious basin, so broad and deep, that the whole British navy might ride there unobstructed, and so perfectly secure from storms and squalls, that they need not cast an anchor. Yet this is not the largest, if the most secure harbour upon the island. Nature has made the Bay of Jagua, the southern part of the Villa Clara, almost as safe and protected, and at the same time more capacious.

EXTRACT FROM MR. M'DUFFIE'S SPEECH.

The following is the passage in the speech of Mr. M'Duffie, which caused such a ferment in and out of Congress, a short time since, as reported in the National Intelligencer.

I will suppose the election of the President to have devolved upon this House, and that the voice of the Nation had given one of the candidates a decided prominence, and thrown another of them—a member of this House—out of the competition.

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both make a common offering of the principles of the constitution and the most sacred rights of the people. But sir, as the gentleman from New York (Mr. Storrs) upon some principle of association, about which I have no right to ask him any prying questions, has been pleased to allude to the breaking up of the Council of Pandaemonium, after it had been resolved that Satan should undertake his fatal voyage for the purpose of seducing our First Parents from their allegiance; I will take leave, with his permission, to give a few additional touches to the picture which he has left unfinished.

LAW OF THE UNITED STATES.

An act to provide for the apprehension and delivery of deserters from French ships in the ports of the United States.

SCRAPS OF INFORMATION.

Sir—I sometimes amuse myself in collecting scraps of information, and you the following, if you think them worthy a place in your Paper—more than under, just as they offer.

Spain and Portugal. It remains to be seen what effect will be produced by the death of the King of Portugal. It will be remembered that the Prince Michael, who is consequence of the renunciation of his elder brother, Peter first, Emperor of Brazil, is heir to the throne.

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ANNAPOLIS. THURSDAY, MAY 18, 1826.

HYMENNAEAL.

Married, on the evening of the 4th inst. at Wye House, Talbot county, by the Rev. Mr. Hodgkiss, Lieutenant CHARLES LOWMYER, U. S. Navy, to Miss MARY S. second daughter of EDWARD LLOYD, Esq.

COUNCIL CHAMBER.

The Executive Council will meet on Wednesday the 14th day of June next. THOS. CULBRETH, Clk.

The bill to provide for the annual distribution of a part of the revenue of the United States, among the several states of the Union, to be applied by the latter to the purposes of Education and Internal Improvement, has been passed in the Senate of the U. S. to a second reading.

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EMIGRANTS.

From a report of the Secretary of State to Congress, it appears that the number of emigrants to the United States, during the year ending the 1st September 1825, amounted to 12,561.

SLIGHT BUILDING.

It is mentioned to us as a fact, that a gentleman who has occupied, since the 1st of May, one of a block of new three story houses, which rent at a high price, is attempting to drive a nail into his wall to hang his hat upon, actually drove a brick into his neighbour's parlour.

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