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Scientific.

THE DIAMOND.

This mineral which, on account of its
rarity and splendor, constitutes the lead-
ing subject in the regalia of princes, and
is ever regarded by the sovereigns of Eu-

Domestic.

STATES WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI.

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notice of a petition, circulating for signa-
tures, having for its object the formation
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Foreign.

TRINIDAD, OCT. 1, 1819.

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the queen of Portugal. It weighs nearly
23 ounces; but some have disputed whe-
ther it was the real diamond or the white
topaz, which approaches very near the
former in splendour and beauty. In the
crown of the emperor of Russia is a dia-
mond which though only of the size of a
pigeon's egg was bought by the empress
Catharine for twelve tons of gold, and an
annuity of 1,000 sterling. It was form-
erly one of the eyes of a Braminical
idol in India, whence it was stolen by a
French Grenadier, and after passing
through several hands at different prices,
came at length into possession of the Rus-
sian Empress, at the enormous price above
mentioned. But this diamond, though su-
perior in size, is said to be inferior in lus-
tre and elegance to the one which is so
celebrated among the crown jewels of
France. This was brought from India by
an English merchant, by whom it was
sold to the Regent Duke of Orleans, for
the moderate sum of 100,000, though
now it is estimated at more than double
this value. This mineral is of so rare oc-
currence, that a record is made of all the
most considerable diamonds hitherto dis-
covered, and whole volumes have been
written to afford the means of detecting
this mineral in its lurking places, to com-
municate the art of stripping off its dis-
guise and displaying its charms, and with
fruitless efforts to convey, by description,
an idea of its ineffable beauties.

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ed for its learning and ability, has added
the weight of its decision against the con-
stitutional obligation of the state to
enforce the penal laws of the United
States. This question has a broad bear-
ing upon the interests of the community,
as the effect of the refusal of the state
tribunals to execute the laws of the Union,
will be to devolve upon Congress the ne-
cessity of creating throughout the state a
large number of federal officers to enforce
its acts. Without presuming an opinion
as to the propriety of decisions, which
lead to this result, the result itself is cer-
tainly to be deprecated. The smaller the
number of officers by which the affairs of a
people are well administered, or the more
strictly executed, the better are their
entire interests consulted; and that
will certainly be deemed by the people of
this country an unfortunate necessity
which shall oblige the creation of such a
host of federal officers as will be requisite
to execute every where the laws of the
general government.—Nat. Int.

THE CRANBERRY DOMESTICATED.

At the meeting of the New York Coun-
ty Society for promoting Agriculture, at
the Lyceum, on the evening of Thursday,
November 4th, 1819, a communication
was received on the culture of Cranber-
ries, by Mr. Henry Hall, of Dennis, in
Barnstable county, Massachusetts, in
patches or gardens by themselves.—We
believe this is the first example of this na-
tive fruit, usually growing wild among us,
being brought under the dominion and
protection of man. A sample of these
Garden Cranberries was produced for the
examination of the members. Gentle-
men who have made trial of these re-
claimed Cranberries, find them remark-
ably high flavored and excellent. Several
barrels are expected from Mr. Hall's
plantation, for the gratification of the
housekeepers and connoisseurs in New-
York.

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which the emancipation of the new world
is insured beyond a doubt. The Gener-
al says he has found upwards of one mil-
lion of money in the mint, and that the
property of government and of individu-
als connected therewith is enormous.
Some accounts state the treasure at
\$3,000,000. The stores are filled with
every requisite to equip a large army,
and, no doubt, Bolivar will quicken his
march upon Venezuela after putting
things in order in the provinces. The
plan for the ensuing campaign is to un-
ite all the troops and make a dash upon
Morillo, who, it is said, is in Venezue-
la, bewildered. It is computed, that
the Patriot forces will exceed 12,000 men,
exclusive of any troops that Bolivar may
bring down with him. English's Brit-
ish legion are in our neighborhood, at
Matumi, and by letters of the 16th Inst.
400 men of Devereux's expedition had
arrived there, but in consequence of
Brien having allowed his squadron to
disperse to cruise, the Spanish fleet had
made their appearance and were actual-
ly blockading the Island, in order to in-
tercept the troops expected from Ireland.
The admiral sent me a Hechera to ad-
vice me of this circumstance, and I im-
mediately sent a fast sailing vessel to
cruise between this and Tobago, to
suppress all vessels coming that way
and to order them into this Gulf to join
the British troops in Matumi—and I
trust, we shall be in time to save many
of them from falling into the hands of
the Spaniards.

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swells with gratitude to the All-
Beneficent Disposer of Events
benefits bestowed on us, I feel too
respect for your intelligence and
mens to believe that you have seen
for the purpose of being congratulated
congratulating each other on the re-
of political happiness which we
while so much remains to be done
prove and ameliorate the condition
society. I shall, therefore, without
apology, address you frankly but re-
solutely, and submit to your delibera-
view and consideration, a few im-
portant in themselves and in their
sequences. And in the first place
claiming a pre-eminence above all,
allow me to call your attention to the
ject of the education of youth, the
durable basis of every thing valuable
government of the people, and to
on your attention the moral and po-
obligations which you are under,
and imposed by the solemn injunc-
the constitution, to patronize and
age a general diffusion of knowl-
For when we advert to the languid
dition of some of our nurseries of
and observe the apathy which pre-
regard to their advancement, it be-
a subject of no less a concernment
ret. It is the boast of a republic
government that all men are born equal
what is it that keeps them so? On
per solution of this question depend
perpetuation of the liberties of the
well as every other free govern-
Let the few monopolize the science
country and they at once monopolize
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