

THE DUTCHMAN.



Amsterdam, the capital of North Holland, and largest and richest of the Netherlands, contains 220,000 inhabitants. The manners of the Dutch are very blunt; their answers short but not without civility and good sense. They are distinguished for their economy, love of gain, industry and perseverance. It is a rule with them to spend less than their income. They are remarkably neat, (like unto our Shakers.) The boors, or peasants, cultivate the land, and are slow of understanding. The custom of smoking is universal. If you ask a Dutch boor the distance to such a place, he will say it is so many pipes asunder, instead of miles. Thus,