

This Author gives a like account of the culture of *Rice* in *Louisiana*, and of all the other staple commodities of our colonies in *North America*.

*Extract from a late French Writer,
concerning the importance of Lou-
isiana to France.*

“ONE cannot help lamenting the lethar-
gic state of that colony, (*Louisiana*,)
which carries in its bosom the bed of the
greatest riches; and in order to produce them,
asks only arms proper for tilling the earth,
which is wholly disposed to yield an hundred
fold. Thanks to the fertility of our islands,
our *Sugar* plantations are infinitely superior
to those of the *English*, and we likewise excel
them in our productions of *Indigo*, *Coffee*, and
Cotton.

“*Tobacco* is the only production of the
earth which gives the *English* an advantage
over us. Providence, which reserved for us
the discovery of *Louisiana*, has given us the
possession of it, that we may be their rivals in
this particular, or at least that we may be
able to do without their *Tobacco*. Ought we
to continue tributaries to them in this re-
spect,