

# Political Essay

ON THE

## KINGDOM OF NEW SPAIN.

CONTAINING

Researches relative to the Geography of Mexico, the Extent of its Surface and its political Division into Intendancies, the physical Aspect of the Country, the Population, the State of Agriculture and Manufacturing and Commercial Industry, the Canals projected

between the South Sea and Atlantic Ocean, the Crown Revenues, the Quantity of the precious Metals which have flowed from Mexico into Europe and Asia, since the Discovery of the New Continent, and the Military Defence of New Spain.

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WITH

*PHYSICAL SECTIONS AND MAPS,*

FOUNDED ON ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATIONS, AND  
TRIGONOMETRICAL AND BAROMETRICAL  
MEASUREMENTS.

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