

EPIDEMIC DISEASES IN CUBA.—Our news from Havana, published this morning, is somewhat unfavorable. Asiatic cholera has appeared in that city and on some of the gunboats, and is represented as raging violently in the interior. It is also stated that the ravages of the smallpox continue unabated. The presence of these epidemic diseases in Cuba admonishes us to the utmost caution in our commercial intercourse with the island. We possess in vaccination an effectual preventive of smallpox, but for cholera science has discovered nothing that can prevent and but few medicines that can cure. With this fact before us the greatest vigilance must be exercised lest this metropolis be visited during the present summer by the most terrible of all diseases.
