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of Cuba, in 1492, where he was invited by a chief to partake of a cigar. In 1496, Romanus Pane published the first account of it as growing in St. Domingo, calling it cohoba, cohobla, and gioia. Sir Richard Grenville found it in Virginia, in 1585, when the English, for the first time, saw it smoked by the natives in pipes made of clay. It is believed to have been introduced into England by Raleigh's colonists on their return from Virginia, in 1586. Soon after the settlement of Jamestown, from the increased demand in Europe, and the peculiar adaptation of the soil to its culture, considerable quantities were raised, and numerous







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