Jeppore Portfolio of Architectural Details.

PART VIII. WALL AND SURFACE DECORATION.

This Portfolio contains 61 Plates, representing 132 examples of Wall and Surface Decoration, of which 2 are coloured.

SHORT DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.

The following brief notes indicate the places and buildings from which each detail has been taken. For fuller descriptions of these buildings the reader is referred to Fergusson's Indian and Eastern Architecture; Tod's Rajasthan; Heber's Journal; the Reports of the Archæological Surveys by Cunningham and Burgess; Carr Stephen's Archæology of Delhi; Burgess's Architecture and Scenery in Gujarat and Rajputana; and the volumes of the Gazetteers of India, N.W. Provinces, Rajputana, &c.

Plate 1. From the Jug Mandir at Amber.

Amber was the former capital of the Jeypore State from A.D. 1037 to 1728. It is situated five miles north of the present capital. The Palace was founded by Maharaja Mansingh about A.D. 1592. In A.D. 1633 Mirza Raja Jaysingh built several of the more beautiful halls. In A.D. 1728 the capital was moved to the present city by Maharaja Sawai Jaysingh.

Plate 2. From the Jas Mandir at Amber. See remarks to Plate 1.

Plate 3. From the Diwan Khas in the Fort at Delhi.

The Diwan Khas was built of white marble by Shah Jahan, who ruled A.D. 1628-1658, and is one of the most highly ornamented of his buildings.

Plate 4. Figs. 1, 2, and 3. From the Purana Kila at Delhi.

The walls and gate of the Purana Kila or Old Fort are generally supposed to have been built by Humayun, who died A.D. 1555, and the buildings inside the Fort by Sher Shah Sûr, and are good specimens of the latest style of Pathan architecture. See Plates 5, 6, 7, 9, 10.

Plate 5. Fig. 1. From the Purana Kila, Delhi. See remarks to Plate 4.

Figs. 2, 3. From an Old Building at Fathpur Sikri. See remarks to Plate 15.

Plate 6. Fig. 1. From the Purana Kila, Delhi. See remarks to Plate 4.

" Figs. 2 and 3. From the Masjid of Firuz Shah at Delhi.

The mosque and tomb of Firuz Shah is said to have been built by Nasr-ud-din Tuglaq Shah, A.D. 1389. See Plates 8, 11, 12.

Plate 7. Fig. 1 From the Purana Kila, Delhi. See remarks to Plate 4.

" Figs. 2 and 3. From an Old Building at Fathpur Sikri. See remarks to Plate 15.

Plate 8. From the Masjid of Firuz Shah at Delhi. See remarks to Plate 6.

Plate 9. From Recesses in Wall of the Gateway, Purana Kila, Delhi. See remarks to Plate 4.

Plate 10. Fig. 1. From Raju Masjid, near the Qutb, Delhi.

This mosque is situated about a quarter of a mile south-west of the Qutb Minar. It was built by Daulat Khan, a noble at the Court of Sikandar Lodi, A.D. 1516. See Plates 11 to 16.

" Figs. 2 and 3. From the Purana Kila, Delhi. See remarks to Plate 4.

Plate 11. Fig. 1. From the Raju Masjid, near the Qutb, Delhi. See remarks to Plate 10.

Figs. 2 and 3. From the Masjid of Firuz Shah. See remarks to Plate 6.

Plate 12. Fig. 1. From the Raju Masjid, near the Qutb. See remarks to Plate 10.

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Plate 13. Fig. 1. From the Raju Masjid, near the Qutb, Delhi. See remarks to Plate 10.

Figs. 2, 3, and 4. From the Tomb of Khan Khanan, Delhi.

Khan Khanan was the Abd-ur-rahim of the Moghul historians. He had a high reputation for talents, valour, generosity, and learning, and died A.D. 1626. See Plates 14 and 17.





