



JAPAN.

NORTH-EAST COURT.

1. ALCOCK, R. Esq., H. M. Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of the Tycoon.

A.—*Specimens of Lacquer Ware, Lacquering on Wood, Inlaid Wood and Lacquer mixed, Lacquer on other materials, as Ivory, Shells, Tortoiseshell, &c.*

INLAID WOODS.

1. Very curious old lacquered cabinet in colours, with enamelled figures in basso relievo; richly chased bronze and metal handles.
2. Old lacquered cabinet, with gold leaves and figures.
3. Old cheffonier cabinet, with intaglios and carved figures in basso relievo inlaid; a very unique specimen.
4. Small toilet cabinet of red and carved lacquer, with carved ivory handles; the same sort of lacquer known in China as "*Soochow ware.*"
5. Large cabinet on hard wood, elaborately carved and lacquered, with cameos of finely-chiselled ivory, and embossed metal handles; very old, and perfectly unique of its kind.
6. Small carved cabinet of plain unlacquered cedar wood; brought from Osaca.
7. Small toilet cabinet and cheffonier; very fine lacquer.
8. Small cabinet drawers for toilet.
9. Ditto, ditto.
10. Lacquered cabinet stand.
11. Ditto, with globe-top imitation cracked china, fitted up elaborately with all the requisites for a luncheon party, plates, dishes, cups, and saké bottle. Cabinets of lacquer and basket work mixed.
12. Cabinet model of a Japanese tea-house and garden, used for luncheon baskets.
13. Ditto, ditto, another specimen.
14. Ditto, ditto.
15. Another cabinet model of a Japanese tea-house, &c.
16. Ditto, ditto.
17. Small cabinet of inlaid straw work.
18. Basket and lacquer cabinet. Cabinets of inlaid wood.
19. Small cabinet of inlaid wood.
20. Cabinet drawers of inlaid wood, from Hakoni, which open out, and form a portable writing-table.
21. Cabinet of inlaid wood.
- 21A. Ditto of carved wood, with folding top.
22. Small lacquer etagère, old pattern.
23. Cabinet drawers of inlaid wood, forming a portable writing-table.
24. Trays and stands.
25. Large circular lacquered tray.
26. Another specimen of large circular lacquered tray.
27. Small square lacquered tray.
28. Two lacquered round dishes.
29. Richly lacquered circular tray.