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SOME GENERAL OBSERVATIONS,

AND

A DESCRIPTION OF EACH PLATE.

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TO
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS
GEORGE PRINCE OF WALES,

&c. &c.

SIR,

ALLOW me to express the grateful Sense I entertain of YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS's gracious Condescension, in granting Permission that this Work may be dedicated to so distinguished a Judge, a Patron of all that is elegant and usefully ornamental.

Already appointed Upholder Extraordinary to YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS, I feel an additional Pride from the Indulgence, and most respectfully subscribe myself, with all Deference and Humility,

SIR,

YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS's

Most humble and devoted Servant,

GEORGE SMITH.

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P R E F A C E.

THE taste and fashion in Furniture, and in the decorative parts of modern houses, have lately undergone so great a change, that an apology is not necessary for introducing this work to the public. The superb style in which Household Furniture, particularly the upholstery part, is now executed, and the classic elegance which guides the forms of Cabinet-work, render a publication of Designs on so important and costly a part of modern embellishment absolutely necessary, that the beauty and elegance displayed in the fittings-up of modern houses may not be confined to the stately mansions of our Nobility in the metropolis, but be published for the use of the country at large, as a guide to foreign nations, and as an evidence of the superior taste and skill exhibited in the manufactures of this country.

Change in fashion becomes a source of wealth and commerce, and contributes to those daily occupations which make life preferable in civilized society, and, when founded on true taste, should be encouraged with all possible care; as well by the Virtuoso as by the true Patriot. I must here beg leave to congratulate my countrymen on the propitious change which has taken place in our national taste of Furniture: this has arisen from a more close investigation and imitation of the beautiful remains of ancient sculpture and painting, which have been studied by enlightened travellers, and also been laid before the public in various books of great cost and elegance.

To HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES the highest praise is due, who has so liberally employed his elegant fancy and acknowledged good taste in promoting this noble pursuit after classic originals : and the elegant display of superior *virtù* exhibited in his palaces in Pall Mall and at Brighton, at the same time it evinces an enlightened and highly cultivated mind, has not failed of exciting many noble persons to follow so laudable an example ; and I am happy to say, that a corresponding taste and liberality has been shewn by various gentlemen of high rank, who have lately exercised the most liberal encouragement of the best artists in the different departments concerned in the embellishments of modern houses.

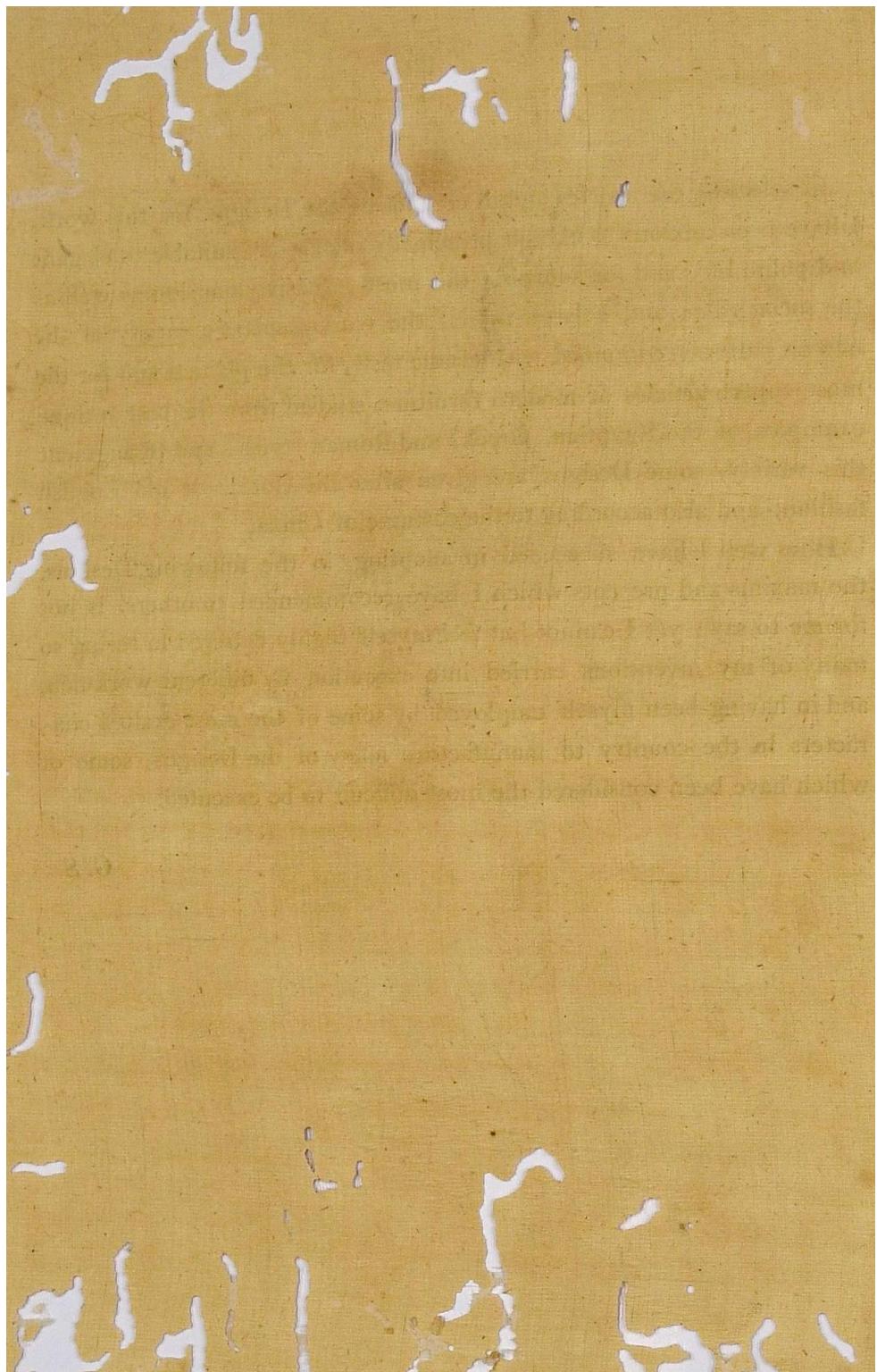
I cannot here do a better service to my brother artists, than by recommending them to study, with all care and assiduity, the numerous examples which may be selected from various antique specimens of sculpture and painting, which may be seen in the Galleries and Libraries of the curious : it is only by a minute observation of apparently the most trifling parts, that the studious artist becomes habituated to compare, to select, and to arrange ; taking not so much the mere pattern or imitation, but the spirit and principle on which the original was composed : hence will arise new forms and combinations in an endless variety, still keeping the original in view, according to the abilities of the designer and the skill of the workman.

It must be observed, that the enlightened artist can only find suitable encouragement under the fostering care of men of large fortune and liberal minds ; and I am happy to say that scarcely any article for domestic use, possessing beauty of form or elegance of workmanship, but has been bought with a liberality and eagerness which shews more want of able artists than of liberal patrons.

In selecting the articles and in composing the Designs for this work, I have been anxious to exhibit principally such as are suitable to elegant and polite life, and for adorning the most extensive mansion as well as the social villa: and I flatter myself the work displays a variety of the newest patterns, combined with classic taste, for the plainest and for the most superb articles of modern furniture, studied from the best antique examples of the Egyptian, Greek, and Roman styles; and to augment this variety, some Designs are given after the Gothic or old English fashion, and also according to the costume of China.

How well I have succeeded in adopting, in the following Designs, the maxims and precepts which I have recommended to others, is not for me to say: yet I cannot but feel myself highly flattered in seeing so many of my inventions carried into execution by different workmen, and in having been myself employed by some of the most exalted characters in the country to manufacture many of the Designs, some of which have been considered the most difficult to be executed.

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PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

THE following Designs are arranged under the two principal features of the business, viz: the Upholsterer's Work, and the Cabinet-maker's Work; and, previously to a description of each Plate, I shall offer a few remarks, which will, I trust, be considered both just and useful. The young artist, I must suppose, has attained sufficient knowledge of perspective and drawing to sketch any subject his eye may see, his fancy invent, or his employer suggest; for, without an early attention to the imitative art, his hopes of attaining to eminence in his profession must be considerably abated.

I shall consider the Upholder's Work under the general title of

DRAPEY.

In no part of his profession is the English Upholsterer more deficient than in the arrangement and in the forms of his Draperies, which arises entirely from the want of an attentive observation of what is easy and elegant: from this deficiency of knowledge, we often see silk and calico tormented into every other form than agreeable, natural Drapery. The mystery and difficulty of *cutting-out* would vanish, did the artist but apply his mind with resolution to conquer his established prejudices: to the workman very little knowledge is requisite beyond cutting-out what is usually called a festoon, the arrangement, whether for continued Drapery or for a single window, forming the principal difficulty; one festoon, well and properly cut out, will answer for the whole: this difficulty once overcome, a little ingenuity will readily accomplish whatever else may be required.

I must here observe, for the guidance of the workman, the utter impossibility of forming tasteful and well-flowing Draperies of the stiffened materials at present in general use; it is nearly as practicable to throw buckram into easy and graceful Drapery, as the modern high-glazed stiffened calicoes: the stiffening must be dispensed with, or the utmost effort of the artist will be in vain. The pleasantest materials are silk and fine cloth.

It may be proper here to mention the various sorts of materials used for the different descriptions of Curtains: for Eating Rooms and Libraries, a material of more substance is requisite than for Rooms of a lighter cast; and for such purposes superfine cloth, or cassimere, will ever be the best; the colours as fancy or taste may direct; yet scarlet and crimson will ever hold the preference: undressed morine may be substituted for cloth, although it does not suit for every description of drapery: calico when used should be of one colour, in shades of moroon or scarlet.

In elegant Drawing Rooms, plain coloured satin or figured damask assumes the first rank, as well for use as for richness: lustring and tabarays the next; the latter, however, makes but indifferent drapery. Calico, the next in choice, and of so great variety of patterns, should, where good drapery is required, be glazed mellow: the small chintz patterns hold a preference in point of effect, especially for draperies. Salisbury flannel has been much used, but is of too slight a quality for curtains of large dimensions.

The arrangement of Drapery for the different descriptions of apartments will ever be subject to the control of fancy; Dining Rooms and Libraries being simple and plain in their decorations, require less variety in the drapery for their curtain. What is commonly called Roman

drapery, and which in fact is taken from the Roman standards, may generally be adopted : a tasteful variety of forms lies entirely in the skill of the artist employed. For specimens I refer to Plates 2, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13.

For the decoration of elegant Drawing Rooms, the continuation of festoons, called continued drapery, holds a preference, the arrangement of which may be seen in Plates 1, 2, 4, 12, 13, 153. But as the decorations of almost every room will admit of change in form, and the great difference of windows may also require an essentially different arrangement, the artist will have ample opportunity of displaying his taste and fancy according as circumstances may direct, by a proper choice and combination of the various patterns here laid before him.

OF CABINET-MAKER'S WORK.

I have much pleasure in declaring, that in the operative parts of cabinet-work, the workmen of England excel those of every other country in the accuracy and precision of the joiner's part, which is truly admirable. The artisans of France, attentive more to exterior effect, have attended principally to forms, and what relates to outline ; and herein they certainly have attained pre-eminence.

It is to be regretted, that our higher class of artists do not give their attention, in some degree, to providing our manufacturers with patterns of tasteful outline for this species of furniture : their previous course of study, aided by a reference to books of antiquities, would enable them to supply Designs, which in execution would produce a pleasing effect, and merit the just praises of true taste.

In France the first-rate painters do not think themselves degraded by providing Designs for the Cabinet-maker or for the Upholsterer.

Why should they? Why should not our moveable furniture possess elegance, and give as much pleasure to the eye, as pictures or any other embellishment appropriated to the same apartment?

I have great pleasure in declaring, that very extensive and liberal encouragement has of late been given by our Nobility and Gentry to various artists employed in manufacturing cabinet-work, the good effects of which will, I doubt not, soon be felt in bringing forward a supply of able workmen, and in promoting an increase of skill and taste in their several departments: for as the beauty of the Antique consists in the purity of design, and what was pleasing centuries ago continues to be equally so now; so I do not despair of seeing a style of Furniture produced in this country, which shall be equally agreeable centuries hence.

The following practical observations on the various woods employed in cabinet-work may be useful. Mahogany, when used in houses of consequence, should be confined to the Parlor and Bedchamber Floors; in furniture for these apartments the less inlay of other woods, the more chaste will be the style of work: if the wood be of a fine, compact, and bright quality, the ornaments may be carved clean in the mahogany: where it may be requisite to make out pannelling by an inlay of lines, let those lines be of brass or ebony. In Drawing Rooms, Boudoirs, Anti Rooms, or other dressed apartments, East and West India satin-woods, rose-wood, tulip-wood, and the other varieties of woods brought from the East, may be used: with satin and light-coloured woods the decorations may be of ebony or rose-wood: with rose-wood let the decorations be *or nolu*, and the inlay of brass: bronzed metal, though sometimes used with satin-wood, has a cold and poor effect; it suits better on gilt work, and will answer well enough on mahogany.

DESCRIPTIONS OF THE PLATES.

PLATE 1.—*Drawing Room Window Cornices.*

THESE Draperies for Drawing Rooms should be made of satin or lustering, with under-curtains of muslin or superfine cassimere; the fringe, silk, &c. of one colour, in contrast with the drapery. The Cornices gold, without any mixture of bronze. Such Curtains should never be less than six feet in breadth, where it will admit.

PLATE 2.—*Window Cornices and Drapery.*

These Draperies are also intended for Drawing Rooms, and should be made of silk, to have a rich effect; or else of fine cassimere; and in both cases bordered with black velvet. The fringe on the second Design may be formed of two colours, of which there should be two shades in each, provided the contrast is not too strong. The Cornices would look best in entire gold, matt and burnish; or if variety is required, the ornaments may be matt gold, and all the ground imitation of bronze.

PLATE 3.—*Cornices and Drapery in the Chinese Style.*

The Designs in this Plate are calculated for apartments decorated wholly in the Chinese style, where grandeur and show are necessary; in which case the Curtains should be made wholly of silk or velvet, and in either case embroidered with yellows to imitate gold. The Cornices partly japanned, the rest in burnished or matt gold. These Curtains would have a very good effect in calico for secondary rooms: the grounds a dark green, and the ornaments of deep yellow.

PLATE 4.—*Window Cornices, A.*

The Cornices on this Plate are according to the Etruscan style, and are copied and coloured from antique fragments. This class of Cornice will answer for secondary rooms, where magnificence is not so much required; in which case the draperies may be of plain coloured calicoes, or small chintz patterns, and the fringe of worsted; the Cornices partly gilt and partly japanned in suitable colours.

PLATE 5.—*Window Curtain, D.*

This Design, after the Egyptian style, is proper for Dining Rooms or Libraries, and should be made of superfine cloth, scarlet or crimson; or, where expense is an object, undressed morine of a fine quality, will form a good substitute. This Cornice is intended to be part japanned; the heads carved and in bronze: the fringe should be of two colours opposed to the cloth, and will answer extremely well in worsted; the pattern on the drapery is drawn by hand.

PLATE 6.—*Window Curtain, B.*

This Curtain is proper for Morning Rooms or Boudoirs: the Draperies and Curtains may be of plain calicoes, with borders cut out in velvet, brown and green, and neatly sewed on; the fringe of worsted finely worked. A muslin Curtain is fixed on one side, to be drawn across the window during the time the sun shines or the light being too strong. The architraves of such rooms should be ornamented with carved work or painted, and crowned with an ornament instead of a Cornice.

PLATE 7.—*Window Curtain, C.*

Is calculated for Breakfast Parlors, and may be made of cloth or morine; the fringe of worsted; the Cornice and cloak-pins of carved work, in imitation of bronze.

PLATE 8.—*Window Curtain, A.*

This Curtain is appropriate only to rooms of consequence, and should be wholly of satin or damask, with an under Curtain of muslin, and a worked ornamental raised border bound with silk: the satin Curtains and Drapery to be bordered with velvet, cut out and neatly sewed on; the Cornice finished in bronze and gold.

PLATE 9.—*Military Window Curtain,*

Is appropriated to Dining Rooms or Libraries: the material may be of fine scarlet cloth, or morine undressed; the ornament on the vallens to be printed in black, and a similar border on the Curtains; the spears supporting the whole to be of mahogany and bronze, or gilt and bronzed.

PLATE 10.—*Continued Drapery and Window Curtains, A.*

Continued Drapery is suitable to Venetian, Bow, or large Windows; the materials may be of plain-coloured or printed calicoes; the Curtains to draw on rods after the French manner, and the Draperies suspended from an ornamental Cornice, which may be executed in gold and bronze; the fringe in silk and cotton. In Bow Windows the centre Curtains may hang down, as shewn in the Drawing.

PLATE 11.—*Continued Drapery and Window Curtains, B.*

This Design is for a Continuation of Drapery over Windows and Piers in one line, which imparts a grand and magnificent effect to a room: this may be made of superfine cloth, or undressed morine, and will answer either for Dining Room or Drawing Room.

PLATE 12.—*Continued Drapery,*

Suitable for a Drawing Room having two windows, and should be of silk, with rich fringe of the same; a muslin Curtain to each window.

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to draw on rods as usual. Curtains thus constructed require spring blinds of the same colour as the principal Draperies, to drop behind the muslin, and the Drapery to remain as fixed. The enrichments for the Cornice may be carved and gilt, or bronzed, &c.; the Drawing shews the Pier Glass and Table, behind which is a Glass to the floor.

PLATE 13.—*Continued Drapery,*

Proper for a Bow, having three windows, and may be finished agreeably to the foregoing description: the Drapery to remain fixed, and the Curtains to draw on rods as usual.

PLATE 14.—*Bed Pillars,*

Shews four Designs, which may be of mahogany carved, or satin-wood, with ornaments carved and bronzed, or japanned. Where the rails are carved, the bases must be tacked to slips fixed under them.

PLATE 15.—*Bed Pillars, with Foot-board, A.*

Design for Bed Pillars with Foot-board, and shews the arrangement for fixing the bases, as described before.

PLATE 16.—*Bed Pillars, with Foot-board, B.*

Agreeable to the preceding Plate. The Pillars are supposed of satin-wood, inlaid with ebony.

PLATE 17.—*Bed Cornices, B.*

Cornices and Draperies for elegant Beds, which may be of silk or calico, the colours at pleasure.

PLATE 18.—*Bed Cornices in the Gothic Style.*

Two Designs in the Gothic taste, and adapted particularly to houses where this style prevails in the interior. Such work should be wholly in gold, or in English oak, the ornaments and mouldings gilt: in state apartments, the furniture and vallens to such Beds require to be of velvet

or fine cassimère, with embroidered borders, and trimmed with rich deep silk fringe.

PLATE 19.—*Cribb Bedstead.*

Design for a Cradle Bed, in the Gothic style, suitable to many mansions in this country: should be of mahogany or oak, the enrichments carved, either plain or gilt; the furniture cotton or silk. This construction of Cradle Beds is of general use, and applicable to the simplest forms and ornaments.

PLATE 20.—*Tent Bed.*

The furniture calico, and trimmed with worsted or cotton fringe at pleasure.

PLATE 21.—*Field Bed.*

The furniture of plain or printed calicos; the border cut out in black Manchester velyet, and sewed on.

PLATE 22.—*Design for a Bed, B.*

This Design in the rustic style is suitable to a cottage or country residence; the furniture as usual; the pillars and rails may be selected from rough materials, cleaned and varnished.

PLATE 23.—*Military Officer's Bed.*

Design for a French Bed standing under a canopy, partaking of the military character, and raised on a platform; the furniture may be of yellow calico, lined with blue, the vallens blue, lined with yellow, the war trophies carved and bronzed.

PLATE 24.—*Design for a Dome Bed.*

The furniture may be of calico or silk, the exterior green, and linings yellow; the foot curtains are divided four feet from the ground, and

fixed at the top, the curtains drawing each way as required ; the head curtains should be full, to meet the foot curtain, the head cloth to be gathered in large plaits.

PLATE 25.—Design for a Bed, A.

A Design for a Dome Bed, with straight cornices and plain antique vallens ; the curtains to be looped up on the outside of the posts; the head board is stuffed and covered, to answer the exterior, in plaits similar to those in the head cloth : the furniture may be of crimson, lined with yellow, the bases and counterpane also yellow.

PLATE 26.—Design for a Bed.

Design for a State Bed : the tester is coved inside, and supported by mahogany pillars and figures carved and gilt ; the bedstead is after the French style ; the furniture should be of lilac silk, embroidered border and lining, with rose-coloured Persian ; the counterpane the same ; the outside of the cove may be japanned or velvet painted ; the ornaments and cornice gilt and bronzed.

PLATE 27.—Polonaise Bed.

The dome of this Design is circular, with an octangular tester ; the inside divided into compartments with painted ornaments, or quilled with silk or cotton ; the curtains of rich silk, yellow, and lined with blue, or crimson velvet, lined with garter blue silk ; the fringe and tassels of gold. The exterior of the dome, the vallens, and coverlid, to be of the same colour and material as the lining : the carved work should be gilt and bronzed. This style of Bed is calculated only for apartments of state and elegance.

PLATE 28.—State Bed.

There is no kind of work better calculated to produce a grand effect, far as relates to furniture, than what is usually called Gothic, as is

shewn in the present Design, admitting of a more abundant variety of ornaments and forms than can possibly be obtained in any other style: and as many of the mansions of our Nobility and Gentry are at this time finished in a similar taste, this Design may not be deemed unacceptable.

It is proper this description of furniture should be elevated above the floor, on a platform of two or three steps, which should be covered with carpet or cloth of an even single colour, adapted as circumstances may require, to accord well with the bedstead; which, if executed in gold, will admit of some of the heavier colours, and if in oak, the colours must be of a lighter cast.

Beds of this kind, from their expense, are confined to few individuals, but are highly in character in the mansions of our Nobility or Gentry, opulent through a long line of ancestry: the present Design is therefore well calculated to exhibit the different inter-marriages on the shields distributed throughout the exterior of the bedstead. The pillars which support the canopy are intended to be of open work the whole height above the pedestal, inclosing a wrought iron pillar adorned with ornaments in character. The curtains should be made of Genoa velvet, satin, or superfine cloth, a suitable border being worked round them on an embroidery of gold; the ground also of the tester must be of the same material and colour as the curtains, on which the carved work is laid, producing a splendid appearance. This species of Bed does not admit of drapery; the rods, &c. supporting the curtains are concealed between the outside and inside cornices. Within the canopy is placed the bedstead, suitably carved and decorated; the bedding consists wholly of mattresses, is covered with a velvet counterpane, pannelled out, and richly embroidered with gold.

The various ornaments of this Design should be well studied previously to being executed; and if correctly outlined, the carving also being well performed, the appearance will be not only pleasing but grand. It is needless perhaps to add, this style is applicable only in a real

Gothic mansion; if otherwise used, it would be highly improper and out of taste.

PLATE 29.—French Bed.

The tester with the dome is attached to the wall, and supports the curtains, which draw round the bedstead, which is in the form of a sofa. The furniture may be of rich materials as before described, such beds being calculated for elegant apartments.

PLATE 30.—French Bed for a Recess.

In the daytime this Bedstead, being low, for sitting on, is drawn into the room, and used as a couch; the frame-work is usually of mahogany, with the ornaments bronzed; the Recess is lined with calico, in antique drapery.

PLATES 31 and 32.—French Bed and Wardrobe.

This Design is suitable only to apartments of the greatest elegance; the Bedstead stands in a recess, which is lined with silk or calico, in large flutes, with antique drapery as a vallens; the ceiling coved and painted in colours to answer the linings; the coverlid, of which two Designs are shewn, may be of figured muslin, laid on a coloured silk; the frame-work of the Bedstead mahogany, with bronzed ornaments, standing on a platform; the curtains, which draw before the Bed, are of rose-coloured silk with black velvet border on a yellow ground; the outside vallens straw colour, and trimmed with deep silk French fringe; the recesses on each side the Bed are fitted up as Wardrobes; the upper pannels of the doors are looking-glass, the whole decorated with carved therm figures, and the moldings and ornaments *or molu* and bronze.

PLATE 33.—Bed Steps.

These Designs are made of mahogany or satin-wood, with the ornaments bronzed, and are suitable only to elegant chambers: the Steps should be covered with carpet.

PLATE 34.—*Hall Seats for Recesses.*

These are made of beech-wood, carved and japanned to imitate marble and bronze.

PLATES 35 and 36.—*Hall Chairs and Sofa.*

Mahogany will ever be a wood in general use for Chairs dedicated to the use of halls; their backs as well as seats are generally solid; but where the pattern is Gothic, and the backs partly cut through, oak is used with great propriety; the arms on the shield being emblazoned in proper colours: these kind of frames may also be executed in beech-wood and japanned stone colour, the moldings, &c. relieved in greys.

PLATES 37 and 38.—*Parlor Chairs.*

In mansions professedly Gothic these Chairs are the most appropriate, and should be made of brown oak varnished; the seats may be stuffed or have loose cushions, and in both cases covered with leather, the colour of no great consequence: mahogany is not to be recommended for this kind of work, which requires wood of a close and tough grain, being in places greatly undercut.

PLATES 39 and 40 A. *Parlor Chairs.*

The frames of these Chairs should be made of bright Spanish mahogany, the ornaments partly carved, and partly inlaid with ebony; or the ornaments may be executed with good effect, if inlaid with brass; the seats French stuffed, and finished in red morocco leather, on the border of which may be printed a Grecian ornament in black; over the heads of the tacks may be put a molding of brass, or of dyed wood in imitation of ebony.

PLATE 41.—*Library Seats.*

The frames may be of Mahogany or gilt, the seats of leather, and the mantle of cloth.

PLATE 42.—*Library Chair with Desk and sliding Footstool.*

These Chairs are used chiefly in Libraries of some extent, seeing they require to be made of large dimensions to obtain a good effect of outline as well as ease, when used for study; there cannot be a better material than mahogany for chairs, where bronze is likewise introduced, this colour harmonizing very well with such wood; the seats may be covered with leather, either stuffed to the frame, or used with cushions. The Desk attached to these Chairs is formed two ways: it may be fixed to the side of the elbow, and capable of elevation by means of a rack and spring; at the same time, acting on a centre, it can be used in all directions: another mode is, the Desk is fixed on the top of the stump or elbow of the Chair, and, although incapable of elevation, is equally useful, as acting on a centre similar to the former. This article should always be accompanied with a Stool as a rest for the feet, when used for reading or writing.

PLATES 43 C, 44 A, 45 B, and 46 D.—*Library Chairs.*

The frame-work of these Chairs is usually made of mahogany or any elegant wood, the carved ornaments gilt or bronzed, the seats and backs of morocco leather or velvet, according to fancy.

PLATE 47.—*Library Fauteuil.*

This article, which is of French invention, and adapted only to an elegantly furnished Library, is made very deep (two feet six inches) in the seat; a stand for a lamp and another for books usually accompany this piece of furniture, of which one should be on each side the fireplace; the whole stands on a platform in imitation of marble; the materials as before described.

PLATE 48.—*Library Furniture in Profile.*

Two Designs, to which the foregoing remarks are applicable.

PLATES 49 and 50 B.—*Footstools.*

Twelve Designs for Footstools, suitable to Parlors, Drawing Rooms, &c.; the frames may be of mahogany, gold, or bronze, and covered with leather, velvet, or printed cloth, suitable to the apartment.

PLATE 51.—*Tête-à-tête Seats.*

An article adapted to elegant apartments; the frames of rich wood, or gold and bronze; the covering of fine cloth, velvet, or calico; in dimension, it is calculated for two persons to sit on.

PLATE 52.—*Window Seats.*

PLATE 53.—*Drawing Room X Seats.*

The description to Plate 51 will answer to these Plates. The three last articles are intended as ornamental and extra Seats in elegant Drawing Rooms. See the Design and Description of a Drawing Room at the end.

PLATES 54, 55, 56 C, 57, and 58.—*Drawing Room Chairs.*

Chairs for Drawing Rooms admit of great taste and elegance as well as variety, and are constructed of rich and costly materials in accordance with the room; the frames of satin-wood, burnished gold, with parts of bronze, or otherways highly enriched; the seats covered with silks, painted satins, painted velvets, superfine cloth, or chintz. The Designs on Plate 54 in the Gothic style, as well as several of the others, are proposed to be elegantly carved and finished in matt and burnished gold.

PLATES 59 and 60.—*Sofas.*

Three Designs for Sofas, intended for Libraries, the frames of which should be of mahogany; or they may in part be bronzed, the covering of leather or cloth, with ornamental borders printed.

PLATES 61 and 62.—*Drawing Room Sofas.*

Two Designs calculated for first-rate houses, the frames of which should be all gold, or gold with bronzed ornaments; the covering of satin, silk, or velvet: the latter will admit of ornamented borders, painted in water-colours, and produce a very superb effect.

PLATES 63, 64 A, 65 B, and 66.—*Chaise Longue.*

Four Designs for *Chaises Longue*, an article admissible into almost every room. The present Designs are intended for Drawing Rooms, or Boudoirs, in which case the frames may be of satin-wood, inlaid with other woods, and the ornaments of bronze, as Plates A and B; or in gold, with bronzed ornaments, as Plates 63 and 64. For covering, silks or cloth may be used; and in more moderately furnished apartments calico may suffice, provided the pattern be small and of the chintz kind. The same Designs will answer extremely well for Libraries, Parlors, or Dressing Rooms, executed in mahogany, and divested of the ornaments.

PLATES 67 and 68.—*Ottomans.*

Two Designs of Ottomans for Galleries, which should be placed on the chimney side of the room, with similar seats on the opposite side: the frames may be of mahogany, with ornaments bronzed or carved clean in the wood; or they may be japanned to imitate bronze, and the ornaments in gold. Where show is designed, the covering should be of superfine cloth, or chintz-pattern calico; the fringe worked in fine worsteds. Ottomans are particularly useful in Picture Galleries, their projection from the wall preventing the pictures being fingered, which is too often practised.

PLATE 69.—*Dining Table.*

This Design is intended to do away the necessity of claw feet, and will answer as well for sets of Dining as for single Tables. A

rim, two inches in depth, is fixed all round under the top, which adds considerably to their solidity. These Tables will cost considerably more than those of the old form, but possess advantages over them, where large projecting claws are a great inconvenience.

In Fig. 1, the top remains fixed on the pillar, and does not turn up as is usual. The casters are contained in a brass case, concealed in the plinth.

Fig. 2 and 3 are on a lighter construction, and turn up as usual. The parts in line shew the block with a pin, on which the top turns: there is likewise a molded frame under the top, which conceals the block and clamps. The plinths are quadrangular on the plans, as shewn in Fig. 4.

PLATE 70.—*Harlequin Table.*

This elegant article, an appendage to the Ladies' Boudoir, is so contrived, as to form a Writing, Work, Drawing, and Breakfast Table, as occasion may require.

For the first purpose, a small Escrutoire, concealed in the body of the Table, rises by springs, a writing flap rising also in front; the drawer on the right hand of the Table containing the ink, pens, &c. The centre drawer is fitted up with the necessary apparatus to the Work Table. The left hand drawer is fitted up with the colours and other useful articles for Drawing. The two ends of the Table, forming flaps, are supported by lopers thrown forward by springs, when the flaps are raised up parallel with the top, making this article serve as the Sofa or Breakfast Table. The lopers are secured back by spring catches when the leaves are required to be put down.—This piece of decorative furniture should be made of rose-wood, the ornaments of real or molu, for the sake of durability; or it may be made of mahogany, and the ornaments of bronzed metal: the top should be covered with morocco leather, divided into pannels by gilt ornamental bordering, which will serve to conceal the joints made necessary in the top by the rising Escrutoire.

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PLATE 71.—*Gentleman's Dressing Table.*

This article should be made wholly of mahogany, without any inlaid or carved ornaments. The cupboard in the centre part is meant for boots and shoes; above are two drawers for linen, as are also the drawers in the left wing; the upper drawer in the right wing being fitted up with a variety of dressing apparatus.

PLATE 72.—*Dressing Tables.*

These Tables are intended for the piers in Ladies' Dressing Rooms, and contain five drawers in each, without any dressing apparatus; the ornaments are formed by an inlay of ebony, or carved in the mahogany; casters are concealed in the feet: the drawers, without handles, are locked with spring catches, and released by springs behind.

PLATE 73.—*Ladies' Dressing Table.*

This piece of furniture, and the Design following, are adapted only for decorated apartments, and to accompany State Bedchambers. The present Design, if made of mahogany, may have all the ornamental parts carved in lime-tree and bronzed, or carved in the mahogany with the rest of the Table: should rose-wood be preferred, the whole of the ornaments may be finished in gold. The centre of the top, as likewise the folding tops on the two sides, should be covered with leather, purple or red, with a border of gold: the standards of the Glass screw in and out at pleasure by a nut underneath, in which case the Table will answer as a Sofa Writing Table, the drawer in the centre part being fitted up with writing apparatus.

PLATE 74.—*Ladies' Dressing Table and Glass.*

This Design may be manufactured in mahogany or oak, the moldings and ornaments in gold, or of black rose-wood; the balls of ivory, the top, as in the preceding Plate, covered with leather. The

top of the centre divides, and slides under the end tops, uncovering a tray fitted up for dressing apparatus; the drawers, on each side the bason drawer, contain water bottles, boxes, &c. The Glass accompanying this Design is intended to be placed on the Table, and contains three drawers.

PLATES 75, 76, and 77.—*Work Tables.*

These articles of furniture should be made to imitate bronze and gold, with parts of antique marble. In Plate 75 the top should be covered with morocco leather, under which is a drawer for writing apparatus; casters are concealed under the plinths. The Work-bag in Plate 76 may be lustering or satin, round which is suspended a silk fringe. In Plate 77 the tops may be executed in *scagliola*, the edges secured by an *or molu* rim.

PLATE 78.—*Backgammon Work Table.*

This ornamental piece of furniture will admit of every variety in execution; and, where expense is not an object, the whole frame may be gold, and the ornaments in bronze. The inside must be covered entirely with leather, to prevent noise, when used for play. The ends contain concealed drawers, which hold the chess and backgammon men. The casters are concealed in the plinths, supporting the whole.

PLATE 79.—*Tea Poys, Quartetto Tables, and Canterburies.*

Tea Poys and Quartetto Tables are used in Drawing Rooms, &c. to prevent the company rising from their seats when taking refreshment. The Canterburies are intended for holding such music-books as are in constant use. All these articles may be manufactured in mahogany, rose-wood, or bronzed and gilt, to suit the different rooms they may be placed in.

PLATE 80.—*Screen Writing and Work Table.*

The Design in this Plate would answer best in gold and bronze; the bag of velvet or satin; the *sacque* of the same: the drawer contains

writing apparatus. Rose-wood would not be an improper material for this Table; but mahogany should be avoided, as least proper for elegant Drawing Rooms. Wainscot may be used, provided the whole fitting up of the room is of a same material.

PLATES 81 and 82.—*Dejuncé Tables.*

These Tables, adapted for a breakfast set of superb china, are used for Ladies' Boudoirs or Morning Breakfast Rooms, and therefore partake of the richest decoration. Those in the Chinese taste may be finished in green and gold, red and gold, or blue and gold, agreeable to the style of china placed on them. If used in rooms slightly decorated, they are made to imitate bamboo, or japanned black and gold. In Plate 82 the Table should be wholly made to imitate *or molu*, the top and plinth being of *scagliola*, to imitate red porphyry: the border round the top of *or molu*.

PLATES 83 A, 84 B, and 85.—*Sofa Tables.*

These Designs form furniture for the Drawing Room, Breakfast Parlor, or Library, and should be manufactured in mahogany, rose, or satin woods, and may be in part carved and bronzed, or gilt; the tops in the centre part sometimes slide out, and conceal a backgammon or chess board. Plate 85 will not answer so well in mahogany as other woods: the cushion under, at the time it gives strength to the Table, forms a rest for the feet, and should be covered with velvet; the foot-stool partakes of the same finishings.

PLATES 86, 87 B, 88 C, and 89.—*Library Tables.*

These Tables may be made of mahogany or other woods, as fancy dictates, and be covered with morocco leather or cloth. In Plate 86, the ornamental part of the drawers is intended as an inlay of ebony; the heads in metal, answering as handles as well as screening the keyholes; the chimeras may be carved in wood and bronzed. The same observations apply to the other Designs. Plate 87 shews a rising Desk in the middle.

PLATE 90.—*Dumb Waiters.*

These Designs, though Gothic, will admit of being made of mahogany, having less open work than some of the preceding Designs in this style; they would look extremely well in wainscot, darkened to imitate old oak. The rims round the shelves will answer best to be made of metal, pale lacquered, to imitate *or molu*.

PLATE 91.—*Legs for Sideboards.*

The observations on the following Plates, containing Designs for Sideboards, will apply to these six Designs, which offer a variety suitable to most occasions.

PLATES 92 A, 93 B, 94 C, and 95 D.—*Sideboards.*

These articles of so general use can scarcely be made of any other wood than mahogany, in which case the ornaments in bronze will have a good effect: Sideboards may each contain three drawers, for holding napkins, &c. One of the pedestals in Plates 92 A, 93 B, and 95 D, is lined with tin, with racks to hold plates, which are kept hot by an iron heater: the other pedestal should have a tray capable of holding six or eight bottles, which turns on a centre; also a drawer under, containing water to wash glasses during dinner. The figures holding lights are of plaster bronzed. Plate 94 C, being without pedestals, has a wine cooler under it, which must be lined with lead.

PLATE 96.—*Pedestals for Sideboards.*

The above remarks apply to these Designs.

PLATE 97.—*Celerets and Wine Cistern, in the Gothic Style.*

These pieces of furniture should be made of wainscot, varnished dark to imitate oak, in preference to using mahogany, for which this style of work is not so well suited. These articles should be lined with lead, if meant to contain water.

PLATE 98.—*Celerets.*

Mahogany will answer best for these Designs, the ornaments of which may be carved and bronzed; the interior finished as before directed. These pieces of furniture have all of them casters concealed in the plinths.

PLATE 99 A.—*Bookcase.*

This Bookcase would look well executed in rose-wood, the therm figures and pedestal carved and gilt in matt gold; or, if manufactured in satin-wood, the figures and pedestals being bronze would have an equally good effect; if mahogany is preferred, the less contrast that is used the better; the whole being kept in one wood produces a pleasing and solid appearance.

PLATES 100 and 101.—*Bookcases in the Gothic Style.*

The preceding observations may apply for these, excepting that there is no necessity for gilding any part of them. These two Designs contain a gentleman's wardrobe in each. The upper doors may be backed with lustring in flutes, if it is required to screen the books. This article of furniture, though in the Gothic style, may with great propriety be executed in mahogany.

PLATE 102.—*Library Bookcase.*

This Design is calculated for an extensive Library, where it can be carried round three sides of the room, and would answer best made of mahogany, in which case the ornaments may be of ebony inlaid; the figures in imitation of bronzed metal.

PLATE 103.—*Library Bookcase, with Wings and Secretaire.*

This piece of furniture, after the Gothic taste, may be manufactured, with good effect, in mahogany or oak. Under the Secretaire drawer is a wardrobe concealed with folding doors. The two Wings may contain drawers for linen, making this article very serviceable in a Gentleman's Library or Morning Room.

PLATE 104.—*Dwarf Library Bookcase.*

Literature and the fine arts going hand in hand, this kind of Bookcase is well adapted to the connoisseur in sculpture and painting; nevertheless, such Bookcases can only be applied with propriety in rooms on a large scale, and in Libraries of considerable extent. From the lowness adopted in the present Design, the walls remain free for paintings; at the same time, figures or antique sculpture, placed this height before the spectator, will afford the most pleasing appearance in galleries of any extent. This sort of Bookcase, finished on each side alike, and placed one at each end, centrically, in the room or gallery, with a Library Table between them, produces a grand and pleasing effect. In this Design mahogany alone should be used, and of the finest quality, free from any inlaid work; the ornamental parts to be carved, and finished to imitate bronze.

PLATE 105.—*Dwarf Bookcase.*

This Bookcase answers every purpose of the preceding; and being moderate in design, can be more generally adopted, especially where elegance does not become an essential requisite.

PLATES 106 and 107.—*Bookcase Doors.*

The first Plate contains three styles of design, Chinese, Egyptian, and Gothic; the second Plate, wholly fancy. Each of these Designs may be executed in woods or metal, and may be used with or without glass in the pannels, at pleasure; the doors having curtains of silk, to slide on rods, as occasion may require.

PLATES 108 and 109 B.—*Screens.*

These articles of general use admit of every species of decoration: viz. of entire gold, bronze and gold, or japanned; of mahogany, rose, or satin wood; as the apartment they may be destined for shall require. The mounts, if expense be not regarded, may be carved solid in wood,

and embellished with painted decorations; or painted on silk or velvet. Where the stands are wholly mahogany, the mounts may be covered with lustering in flutes, with tassels to suit.

PLATE 110.—*Drawing Room Cheval Screens.*

The Designs in this Plate are appropriate for Drawing Rooms, to be executed wholly in carved work and gilt, and varied with bronzed ornaments on a gold ground. If manufactured of mahogany, the frames may have the ornaments made out in an inlay of ebony, the carved parts in bronze, real, or carved in wood; the mounts of satin, lustering, or velvet, as occasion may require. This kind of Screen answers extremely well for Dining Rooms, made plain of mahogany, with frames to slide out on the sides, covered with plain coloured stuff.

PLATE 111.—*Tripod Stands, &c.*

These stands may be carved in lime-tree, and bronzed to imitate metal, or wholly gilt, agreeable to the rest of the furniture of the apartment they may be intended for. In addition to their use, as stands for Screens and Tables, they are calculated to form elegant supports for music-desks.

PLATE 112.—*Candelabri, B.*

This article of furniture, the Designs of which have been taken from antique examples in the King of Naples' collection, are used as stands for Candlesticks and Lamps, and are serviceable to stand at the corners of Card Tables, or on each side of Couches, or in the angles of rooms, staircases, &c. When used for lamps, they answer for staircases or halls of extent; in galleries, whether for antiques or pictures, these Designs will always have a classic effect.

PLATE 113.—*Candelabri, A.*

The Designs in this Plate are adapted for the angles of Drawing Rooms, or state apartments, to support silver Candlesticks, smaller Can-

delabri, or transparent alabaster vases, with light inside. They may be executed, where elegance is required, wholly in gold, or partly in imitation of bronzed metal.

PLATES 114 and 115.—*Chiffoniers.*

In almost every apartment of a House these articles will be found useful, whether decorated or plain; their use is chiefly for such books as are in constant use, or not of sufficient consequence for the library; on the same account they become extremely serviceable in libraries, for the reception of books taken for present reading. The most simple are manufactured in plain mahogany, or japanned in imitation of various woods; the more elegant in mahogany, with decorations in imitation of bronze metal: rose-wood and gold come under similar recommendation, and gold with bronzed ornaments, where expense is not an obstacle.

PLATE 116.—*Book-shelf and Brackets.*

Over a Console Table, in the pier between windows, this kind of Book-shelf is perfectly appropriate; and with silvered plate glass between the brackets would have a good effect. In point of finishing, what has been said of Chiffoniers will answer equally to these. The Brackets accompanying this Design are intended to support lights, clocks, &c. to be executed in gold, or bronze and gold, as may suit best the rooms.

PLATE 117.—*Drawing Room Commodes.*

These Commodes are intended for those Drawing Rooms used also as living rooms, and have therefore doors to screen or secure such articles as may be placed in them: they may be made of satin-wood, rose-wood, or in gold on a white ground, or japanned in imitation of the finer woods; the tops either real marble, or japanned in imitation.

PLATE 118.—*Commodes.*

These two Designs are intended for Ladies' Dressing Rooms, where a superior style of elegance in furnishing is adopted; they may be made of the finest rose-wood or mahogany; in the first the whole of the decoration should be executed to imitate *or molu*; in the latter, a mixture of gold and bronze would have a good effect.

PLATE 119.—*Commode for Drawing Room.*

This article may be executed in rose-wood or mahogany, and should be placed in an apartment of consequence; its situation is opposite the chimney, which should also correspond to it in form; the glasses over each producing a most charming effect. This piece of furniture would make an elegant case for an organ, to be placed at the extremity of a long apartment or gallery.

PLATE 120.—*Pier Table and Glass.*

What has been said in explanation of the foregoing Design in regard to situation may be applied to this, the chimney opposed to it partaking of the same design; it may be executed in rose-wood or mahogany, and decorated with gold or bronze after the manner we have before recommended, and as shewn on the Plate. The Glasses over these Designs, as well as the Chimney Glass, should not have any ornament as head pieces, but be carried quite to the cornice of the room.

PLATE 121.—*Console Tables.*

PLATE 122.—*Drawing Room Pier Table.*

These Tables, the decoration of apartments of consequence, cannot be too well attended to in the manufacture, their beauty consisting greatly in the execution and proper conception of the parts, ornaments, with chimeras; the Table may be rose-wood, or in imitation of marble; the whole of the decoration in matt gold, of even execution, to produce a

solid and metal-like appearance; or mahogany may be used, if the same material is otherways introduced in the apartments, in which case the decorative parts may be finished in imitation of bronzed metal; a silvered plate of glass is placed at the back, the pier being filled also with looking-glass above the book-shelf.

PLATES 123 and 124.—*Escritoire.*

This piece of furniture belongs chiefly to the Ladies' dressing room, or boudoir, in houses of consequence, and may be manufactured in satin-wood, rose-wood, mahogany, or India woods; the decorative parts executed in *or molu* or bronzed metal, in opposition to the other materials used; the lower part in these articles, when inclosed as Plate 123, is fitted up with drawers to contain coins or other articles of curiosity; the front of the upper part is hinged at the base, and falls forward, making when down a desk for writing, &c.; the inside is fitted up in part with small drawers, and in part with pigeon-holes; the frieze in each of these Designs forms a drawer, opened and secured by a private spring and catch. In Plate 124 the plinth at bottom, as also the block on the top, are supposed to be of black marble.

PLATES 125 B, 126 C, and 127.—*Cheval Dressing Glasses.*

The three Designs in these Plates are supposed to be manufactured of mahogany, although frequently made of satin or rose wood, and not unfrequently executed to imitate bronzed metal, the ornaments being then gilt; they should be made to move on casters concealed in the feet or plinths; the ornaments on the standards and round the frame of the Glass in Plate 127 are meant as an inlay of ebony or brass.

PLATE 128.—*Bason Stands.*

The three Designs on this Plate admit of the same variety in wood for their manufacture as the three preceding Plates; the first and third Designs have a drawer in the plinth over the chimera feet; the top, containing the bason, is of statuary or grey marble, let in and made level

with the top molding. The centre Design has its bason concealed by the ornamental frieze: supposing this to be stationary in the room where placed, the bason may be supplied with water by a pipe carried up the centre of the stem, and the water again carried off by a pipe with a plug at the bottom of the bason, concealed also in the stem.

PLATE 129.—*Night Tables.*

In both these Designs the bottom part draws out as is usual in such pieces of furniture; in the first figure the pannel under the top is hinged at bottom, and falls down as in escrotoires, being released by a spring catch behind the lion's head; the doors in the second Design are hinged, and open as usual; the top and shelves are of marble, a plate of glass being placed at the back of the upper one; the chimeras supporting the middle shelf may be executed in wood, bronzed or gilt, or made in metal.

PLATE 130.—*Pot Cupboards.*

These ornamental articles are calculated for dressed Chambers, to be placed on each side the bed; the upper shelf serving for china, either for ornament or use, and forming at the same time a Table useful in case of indisposition. Casters may be concealed in the plinths or feet, making them moveable at pleasure. The ornaments in these Designs are intended to be carved in wood, and bronzed in imitation of metal.

PLATE 131.—*Double Chest of Drawers.*

An article of such general use does not stand in need of description. This Design is made lower than is usual, to avoid the disagreeable alternative of getting on chairs to place any thing in the upper drawers; for common use, no wood can be more serviceable than mahogany; or ornament, rose-wood with brass inlay, or satin-wood with black, may however be adopted. This piece of furniture might also be placed on casters, a matter never attended to, though certainly with its advantages, where cleanliness is attended to.

PLATES 132, 133, 134.—*Wardrob's.*

These very useful appendages to the dressing room and bed chamber are made single or with wings: in the former, the lower part contains drawers, three or five at pleasure; the upper part is filled with sliding shelves for clothes: in the latter, the wings are usually calculated to hold dresses, to be suspended on arms sliding on an iron rod. In Plate 132 the drawers are concealed in the lower carcase by folding doors, and the same in Plate 133. In Plate 134 drawers are intended to be made in the plinth supporting the whole, as well as in the upper panels of the wings under the carved ornamental cornice. The decoration in the Designs 132 and 134 may be carved and bronzed, or executed wholly in mahogany; the ornaments on Plate 133 are supposed as inlaid with ebony.

PLATES 135 A, and 136 B.—*Mirrors.*

In apartments where an extensive view offers itself, these Glasses become an elegant and useful ornament, reflecting objects in beautiful perspective on their convex surfaces; the frames, at the same time they form an elegant decoration on the walls, are calculated to support lights. In Plate 135 the vases on each side are intended for this purpose. In Plate 136 Sconces are put as usual; profiles of the moldings for the circles are added to each Design, which should be bold; in general, they will admit of being executed in bronze and gold, but will be far more elegant if executed wholly in gold.

PLATE 137.—*Chandelier.*

This Design is intended to be manufactured for the chief part in wood, the eagle carrying it being suspended in the centre of the ceiling of the apartment where used. As in Mirrors, this article of decoration may be executed as shewn in bronze and gold, or wholly gilt. The dimension must be regulated by the size of the room such article is

intended for, the lowermost part placed at least seven feet from the ground. These Chandeliers will admit of twenty-four lights if required.

PLATE 138.—*Girandole.*

Different only in the mode of fixing from the preceding article; the use is the same; in rooms of considerable length, where a single Chandelier would not afford sufficient light, Girandoles are fixed at the extremities of apartments in pannels against the wall; they are equally serviceable in apartments where Chandeliers are not used. The manner of finishing them, either in bronze or gold, will be the same as those of the preceding Plates.

PLATE 139.—*Candelabra and Pedestal.*

These supports for Lights are placed in the angles of drawing rooms, and are used alternately for this purpose, as well as to carry transparent alabaster or glass vases. In apartments of state, where the furniture is made stationary, these Pedestals may be placed by the sides of large sofas, in continuation throughout the length of the room.

PLATE 140.—*Chandelier.*

What has been said on Plate 137 may be applied to the present subject, the use and manner of finishing it falling under the same regulation.

PLATE 141.—*Girandole, Vases, and Candlesticks.*

The particular Description of Plate 138 will answer for the Girandole in this: the Candlesticks and Vases are intended for chimney mantles, and should be executed in chased metal, imitating *or molu*.

PLATE 142.—*Pedestals for Statues, Busts &c.*

In galleries for pictures or antiquities these Supports are appropriate for Busts or Statues; they are equally useful in halls and on staircases,

and need not be rejected in drawing rooms, if executed in wood carved and gilt, in which case they answer conveniently to support vases of flowers, or figures carrying branches for lights. The Designs in the present Plate are supposed to be manufactured in wood, painted in imitation of antique marble.

PLATES 143 and 144.—Jardiniers, Flower Stands, &c.

These articles are appendages to drawing rooms, boudoirs, &c. and may be executed with every variety of taste and elegance agreeable to the rooms they are intended for; in mahogany they may be partly gilt or bronzed, in rose-wood part gold only; or they may be wholly gilt or japanned, as Plate 144, which Design is very well adapted for the ends of a long gallery or staircase, or to fill the space of a wide Venetian window, whether in a room or on the landing of an elegant staircase.

PLATES 145 A, 146 B.—Decoration.

These Plates are given as specimens of Designs, useful to the paper-hanger and decorator; the Egyptian style is chosen in the first, and in Plate 146 is given a specimen of decoration after the Etruscan, compiled from specimens discovered at Herculaneum. These two panels are appropriate for the ends of rooms, or the spaces on each side a chimney. In Plate 145 the cornice of the room should be finished in oil gold, the fringe painted a mazarine blue, the stars of composition, projecting and finished in clean matt gold. The dado of apartments thus finished should be painted to imitate antique marble.

PLATES 147 C, and 148 D.—Chimney Glass and Decoration.

These Plates represent part of the longest sides of an apartment, where the chimnies are usually placed, the arrangement and Decoration of which is now given, shewing likewise the mode in which the Looking-glass as also the frames are proportioned in respect to the chimney piece. The Decoration of the frame in Plate 147 is meant to be carved in wood,

and finished to imitate bronzed metal; the vases on the mantle-piece are intended to be real metal, part bronzed and part *or molu*; the ornaments on the chimney-piece must be of metal gilt or pale lacquered, where the expense is considered; the Decoration on the walls are on paper, and painted by hand. In Plate 148 the rustic frame is wood, carved and bronzed, the ornament at the top with its side ornaments are painted on the wall, with the other Decorations of the room; the vases suspended from the frame are intended to carry lights, and may also be executed in wood and gilt; the vases on the mantle-piece are supposed to be real Etruscan.

PLATE 149.—*Design for a Drawing Room in the Chinese Taste.*

This Design for an elegant Drawing Room comprehends the long side, containing the chimney-piece, which is made to represent a Chinese Temple: a large plate of glass fits exactly the space between the decorative pilasters of the room, against which Chinese Plants and Trees are fixed, carved in wood: a glass of similar dimensions and style being fixed on the opposite side of the room would produce a most pleasing effect from double reflection. As nothing contributes more to a real good effect than actual shadow produced by projection, the space on each side the chimney is made to recede, thus admitting of real architectural decoration, as Columns, &c. which are after the Chinese taste. These Columns may be covered with *scagliola*, or imitation of marble; the bases and capitals, as likewise the Decorations, are of gold: the opposite side of the room being in correspondence, will admit of twelve lamps for lights, in addition to the central chandelier, which may be uniformly suspended from brackets. In each recess should be an Ottoman.

The walls in this apartment should be painted to answer in every particular the window side, giving a Chinese landscape in the parts allotted to the windows, over which should be represented the Chinese blind or curtain when rolled up. The good effect of this Design

will depend much on the taste of the parties superintending its execution, who should be well versed in the Gothic style, and avoid introducing any species of ornament and arrangement not in accordance with this peculiar taste, which has been often improperly used in rooms too small and insignificant for any decoration to produce an imposing effect on the spectator. A room like this, set apart as a drawing-room, should be hung with rich one-coloured satin or velvet, the Chinese papers being better calculated for plain or secondary apartments: where expense is not spared and magnificence is required, a border might be worked in embroidery to surround each pannel: the carpets would answer best if made of the Wilton manufacture and of one colour, surrounded with a rich Chinese border, kept two feet from the wall.

PLATE 150.—Drawing Room Decoration in the Gothic Style.

This example has been composed under the same arrangement as the preceding Design, the only difference being in the style, which admits of more variety in point of finishing: for example, the walls of this room may be hung with satin or velvet, and covered with Gothic tracery work, carved and richly gilt; or the Gothic work might be executed in oak, the hollows being gilt, the wall or grounds picked-in a rich crimson colour. A rich candelabra might be placed with great propriety before each pier, joining the recesses. Great care should be taken in fitting up apartments after this fashion to adopt an uniformity of ornament, and not to introduce any melange of dates and styles. The florid Gothic has been chosen in this Design from its light effect, in preference to earlier examples, which, however much bordering on the Grecian style, are too massive for interior Decoration.

PLATE 151.—Boudoir with Ottomans.

In this Design the whole decoration is after the antique. The mantles on the fireplaces are meant to be real, and of satin, muslin, or superfine cassimere; the borders worked in needlework or printed; the staffs

supporting the drapery are finished in matt gold. Ottomans occupy the four sides of the room; the openings as doors and windows, having Chimeras on each side, executed in imitation of gold and bronze. The whole of this ornamental Design may be executed in water-colour, on the walls, by a skilful artist, with good effect. The floor should be covered with Wilton carpeting of a plain colour.

PLATES 152 and 153.—*State Drawing Room, shewing its Decoration and Furniture, with a Section and Plan of the same.*

These Plates shew how essential architecture is towards producing grandeur of effect in an apartment of elegance and consequence, without which, although beauty may be obtained, a grand style never can be produced. The business of Decoration being generally entrusted to the vender of paper-hangings, it is perhaps too much to expect any thing like arrangement or rule: the same happens repeatedly where the Decoration is entrusted to artists, who, although capable of producing good effects by the pencil, are totally unacquainted with any architectural rules by which to govern their proportions. A knowledge, therefore, of architecture, so far as relates to the general proportions of the Orders, as it gives a facility in making and arranging plans in proportion, becomes indispensable to the Upholder as well as to the Architect. The knowledge of this science once obtained will produce a taste for uniformity; and its rules, which are the groundwork of so much method and precision, cannot fail of producing a pleasing effect in the performances of those who devote a portion of their time to its study.

Of the present Design, the columns afford recesses, and give space for the reception of the Sofas, and thereby prevent them projecting into the room; a recess is made also between the pilasters, opposite the chimney, in which is placed a marble Table, supported on Chimeras carved and gilt; a subplinth is given to the columns and pilasters, equal to the height of the Chairs and Sofas, by which means the view of the

architecture is preserved entire. In rooms of large dimensions, a Table placed in the centre may be stationary, round which should be placed four Chaises Longue, and at each angle a Candelabra to support candles or lamps. The Chairs placed in this room are also supposed to be stationary, lighter ones being dispersed about the room for use.

A Drawing Room of such consequence should be hung with damask or velvet; the shafts of the columns and parts of the architecture, supposed to be statuary marble, may be finished in white, highly polished; the capitals and bases of the columns carved and finished in gold; the ornaments in the pilasters and frieze, as well as the moldings of the cornice, &c. all in the same style. For the windows, the Curtains should be crimson, to suit the walls; the Draperies blue, having a gold fringe to both: the opposite side to the windows being similar in its plan and arrangement, must have Draperies and Curtains attached to the walls behind the Sofas. The Glass over the chimney, is secured by the pilasters, and needs no other frame. The middle recess on this side of the Room, as shewn in the Section, is made into a window, having the Glass of one entire plate, without any sash bars: a plate of looking-glass slides within the wall, which at night is to be drawn over the window; the Drapery round which is made *en suite* with the side windows. The ceiling being painted as a sky, any Chandelier suspended from it has been avoided; instead of which, four smaller lights are hung from the soffit at the termination of the cove.

In Plate 153 a plan is given, which shews the arrangement of the Chairs, Sofas, &c. in which Candelabri are placed in the angles of the room. In the geometrical elevation of the side of this apartment, the Chandeliors suspended from the cove are omitted, as they would have greatly confused the pilasters, and their effect is clearly shewn in the perspective view. On the same account the Candelabri in the angles of the Room have been omitted, their places being shewn in the Plan. The Carpet in this State Apartment should be of a plain colour in the middle, and of Wilton or Axminster manufacture: a rich border in

gold-colour might be worked round to answer the cove, and set two feet from the wall, to be clear from the furniture.

Such a Room should not open immediately to the staircase; a circular or octangular vestibule is necessary, which should be fitted up equally well in its decorations, though plainer. At the opposite end should be a Withdrawing Room, opening likewise on a staircase, thus admitting the Company one way, and allowing their departure by another; all which is easily arranged in houses built expressly for persons of fashion, and by which the confusion attendant on large assemblies may be greatly avoided.

PLATES 154 and 155.—*Moldings for Glass Frames, &c.*

The first of these Plates contains Designs for Picture and Glass Frame Moldings, with the whole of their decoration, and profiles attached to each. For Pictures, all mixture should be avoided, the Frames executed solely in gold; for Glass Frames, a mixture of bronze may be admitted. In Plate 155, the arrangement is given for the mitre angles, on which are placed blocks admitting over them an ornamental termination. Profiles are given for the respective Moldings of these Frames, affording sufficient explanation to the workman.

PLATES 156 and 157.—*Profiles for Moldings for Cabinet Work.*

These Plates give an ample variety of Moldings for almost every sort of Cabinet Work, whether for cornices, filleting bands, or base moldings; at the same time they furnish sufficient examples to the Cabinet-maker for compilation. It will be needless to point out the kind of material they should be made of: it will ever be subject to circumstance and fancy. For general directions, the larger Moldings may be of mahogany, and the smaller in ebony or bronze: if the furniture be satin-wood, the larger members may follow the same arrangement.

PLATE 15.—*Fretts.*

This elegant ornament, of ancient invention, makes the happiest Design for borders, whether for our walls or floors; it is equally beautiful in friezes, and admits of being used as much by the Carver as by the Weaver or Printer. Nothing can be more appropriate, applied in narrow pannels, placed at the top and bottom of doors, to break their too great length. The Japanner and Painter will find in this ornament an endless variety, which, under skilful hands, may be conducive in producing a better proportion in Designs, otherwise defective from their too great length or breadth.

THE END.

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Drawing Room Window Cornices.

Plate 1.



Window Cornices and Drapery.



Canopies and Drapery in the Chinese style.





Window Cornices.

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Window Curtain.

Plate 5.



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Window Curtain

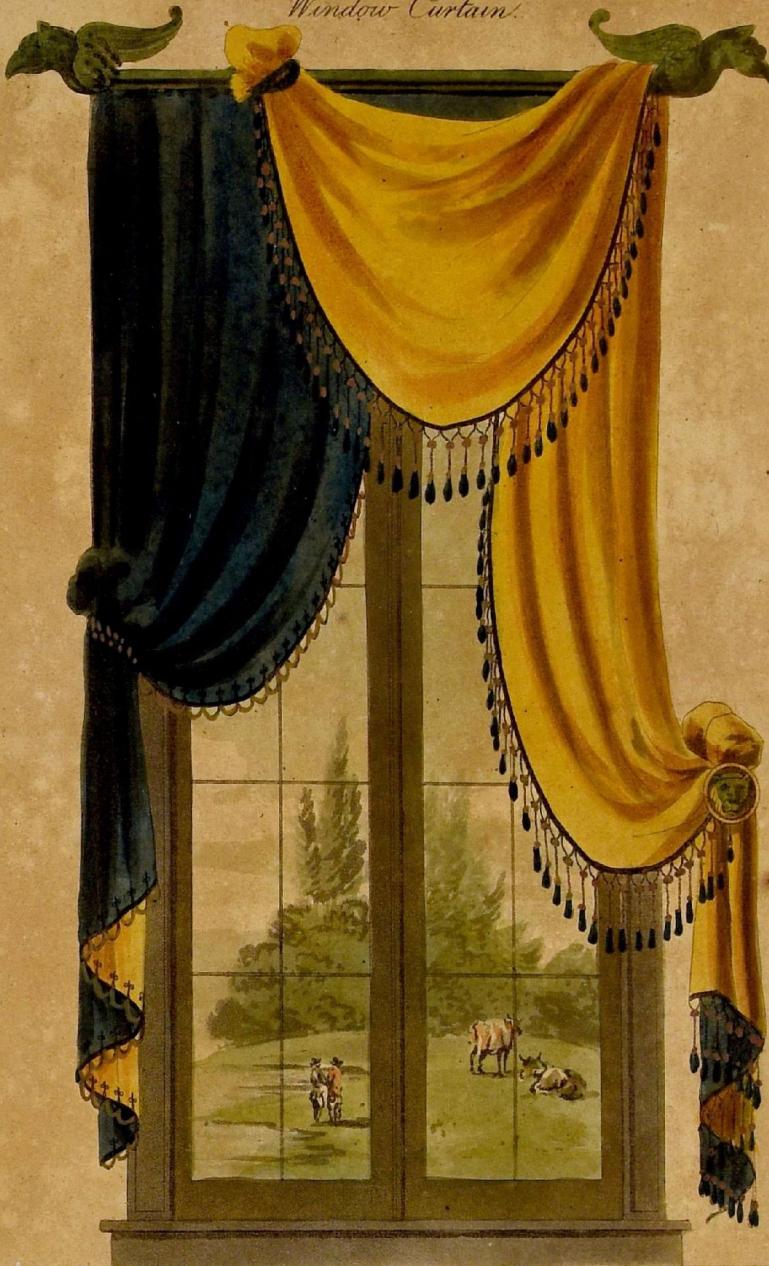
Plate 6.



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C Window-Curtain.

Plate 7.



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Window Curtain.

Plate 8.

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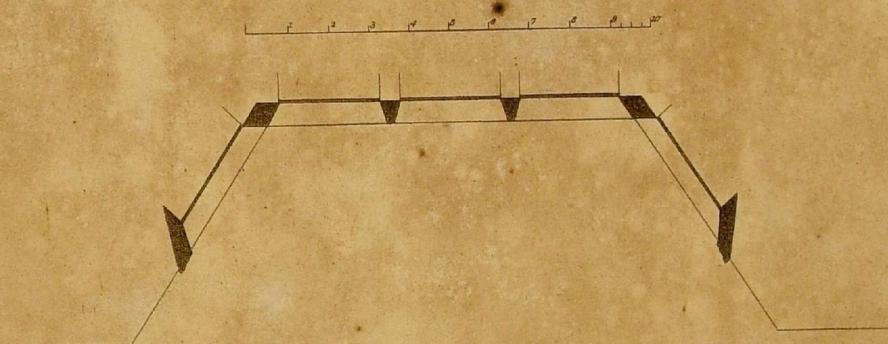
Military Window Curtain.

Plate 9.



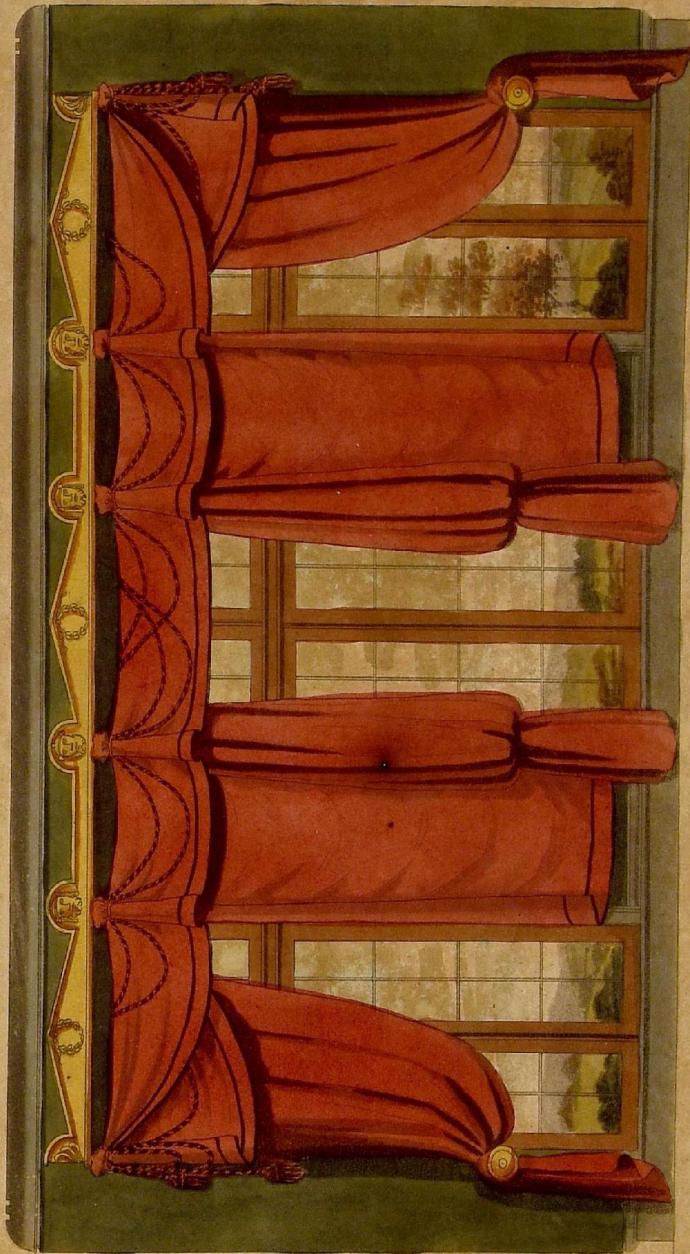
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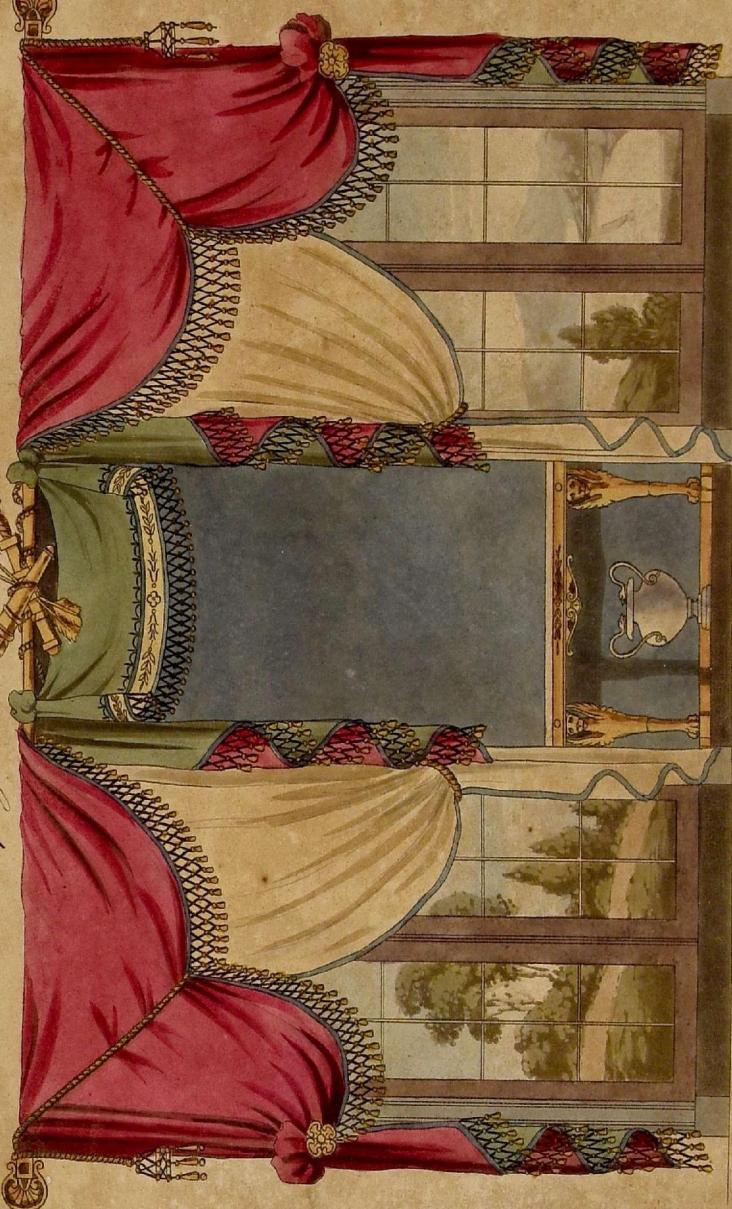
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Continued Drapery

Plate 12.



Continued Drapery

Plate 13.



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Bed Pillars.

Plate 14.



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Bed Pillars with Foot-board.

Plate 15.



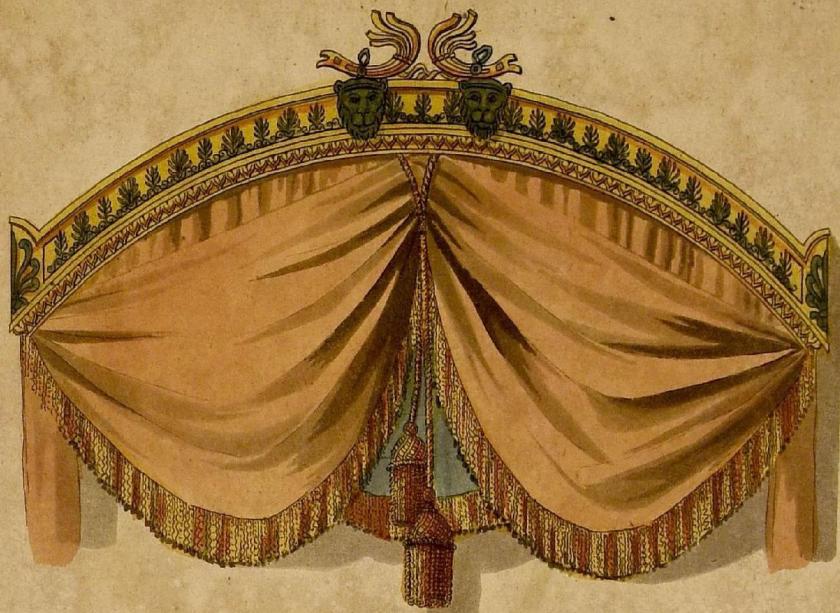
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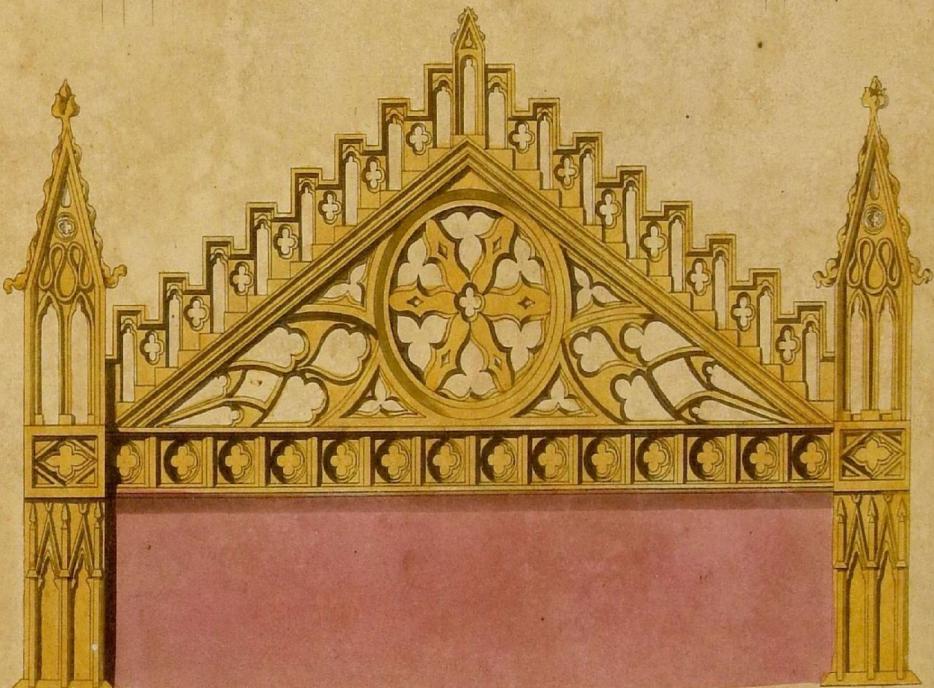
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Bed Cornices.

Plate 17.



Bed Cornices, in the Gothic style.



Crown Bedstead.



Tent Bed.



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Profile of Tent Bed.

Field Bed.



Profile of Bedstead

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Design for a Bed.



Military Officers Bed.

Plate 23.



Design for a Dome Bed.

Plate 24.



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Design for a Bed.



Design for a Bed.

Plate 26.



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Polonaise Bed.

Plate 27.



State Bed.



French Bed.

Plate 29.



French Bed for a Regal.

Plate 30



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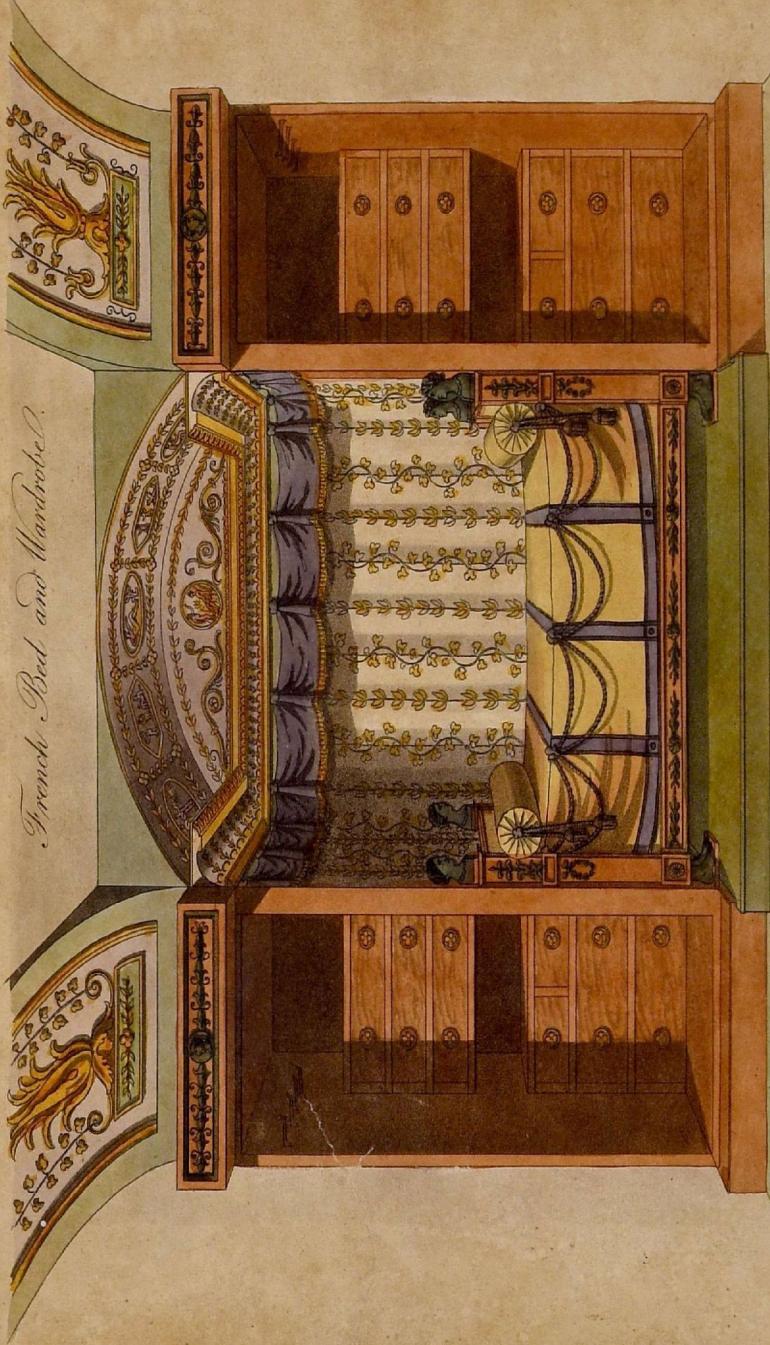
French Bed



and Wardrobe.

French Bed and Wardrobe.

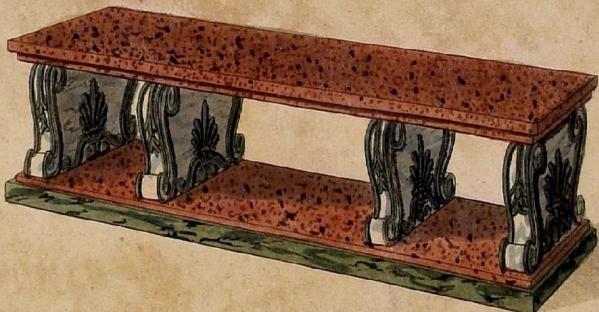
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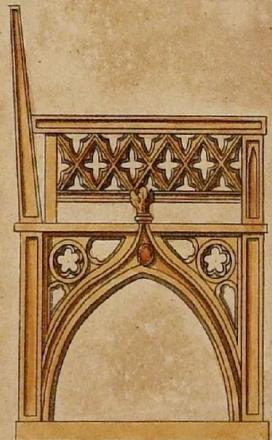
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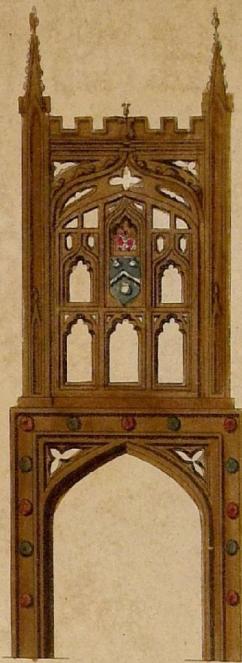
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Hall Chairs.



Hall Chairs.

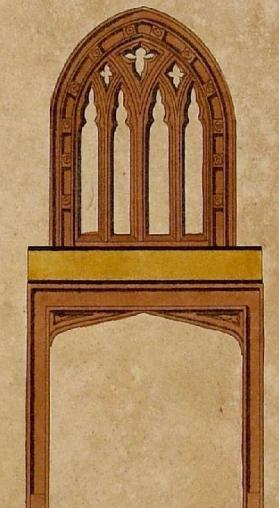
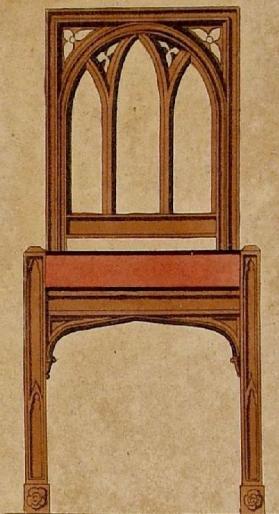


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Parlor Chairs, fronts & profiles.

Plate 37.



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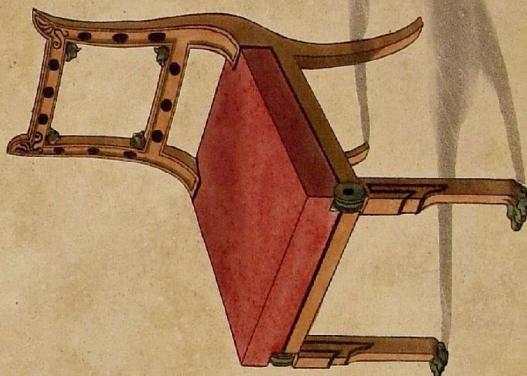
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Parlor Chair Fronts & profiles.

Plate 33.



Parlor Chairs.



Parlor Chairs.

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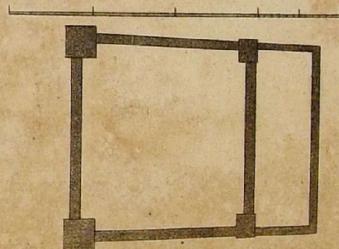
Library Seats



*Library Fauconet.
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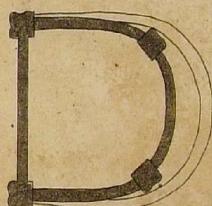
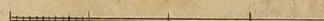
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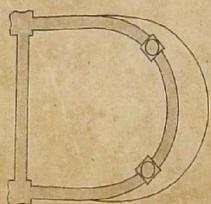
Library Chair

Plate 14.



Library Chair.

Plate 45.



Library Chair.



Library Fauconet.



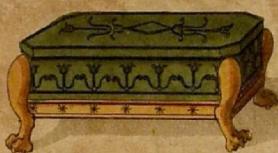
Library Fauteuils in Profile.



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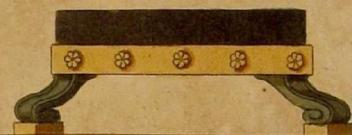
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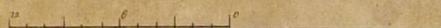
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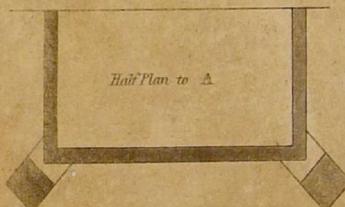
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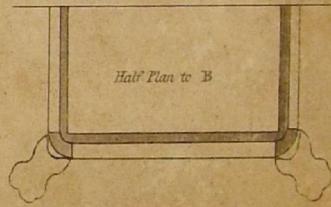
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Drawing Room X Seats.



Drawing Room Chairs, in Profile.

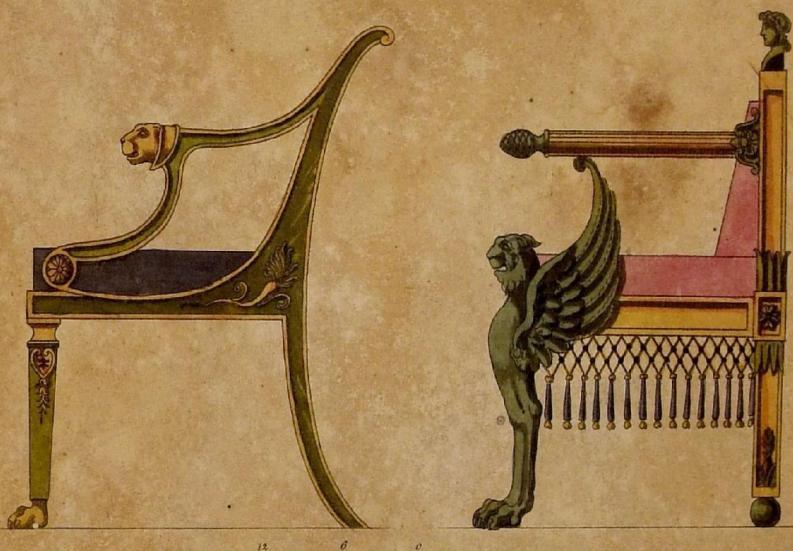
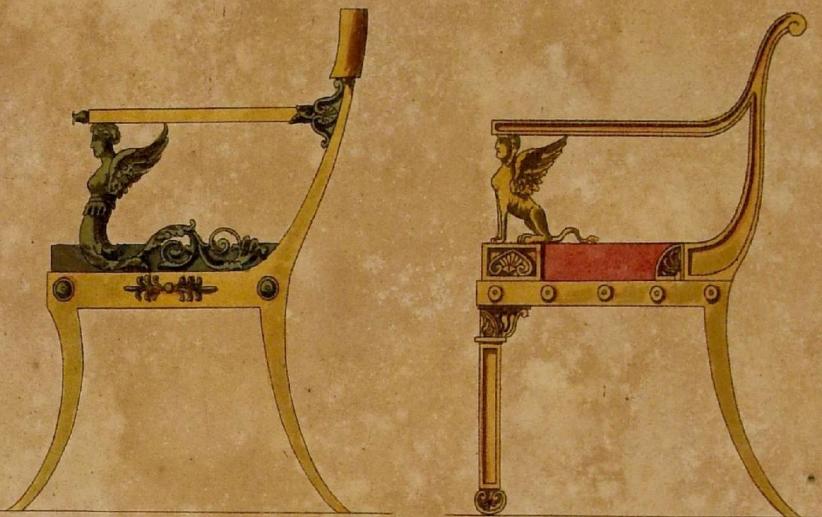
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Drawing Room Chairs in Profile.



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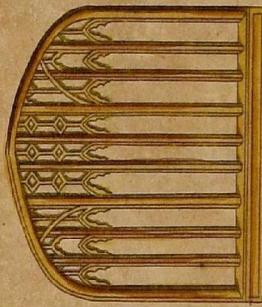
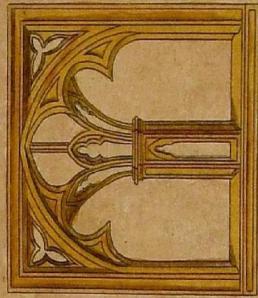
Drawing room Chairs.

Plate 56.



Drawing Room Chairs and Backs

Plate 57



Drawing Room State Chair.





Sofas.



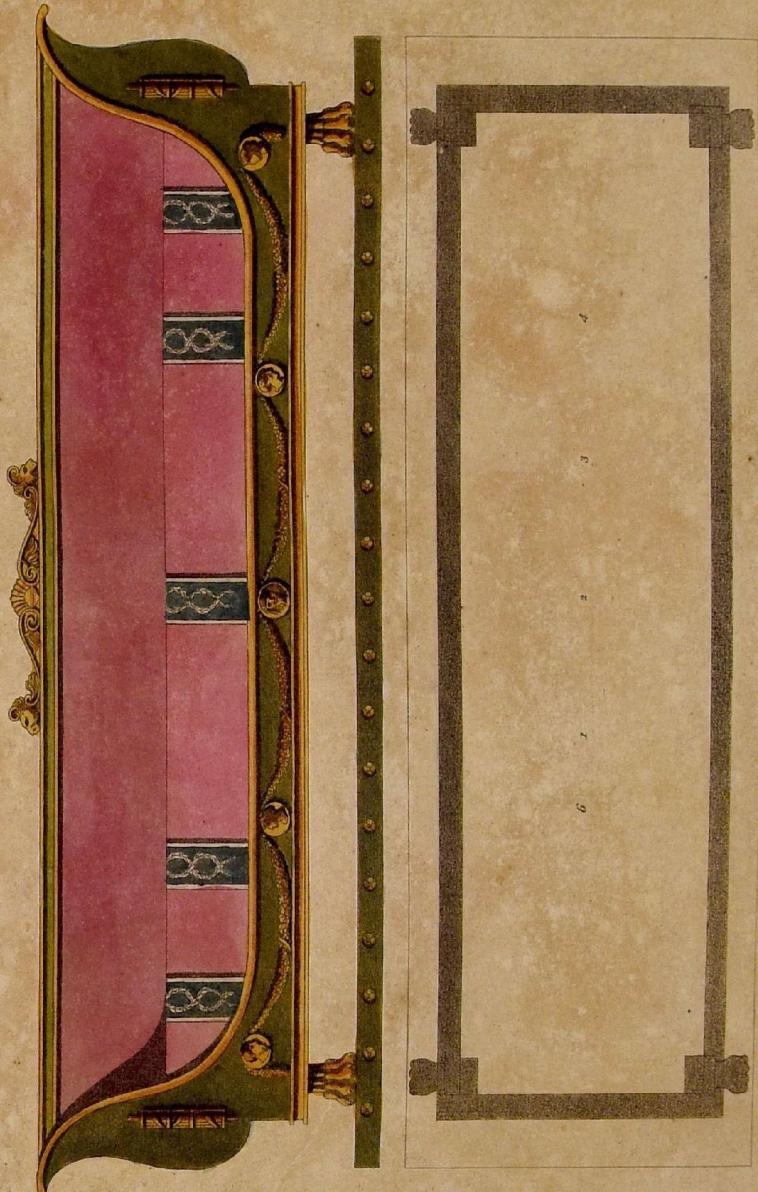
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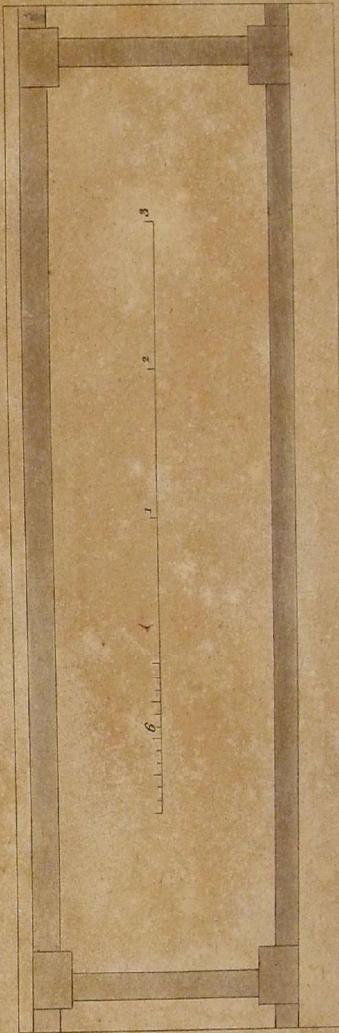
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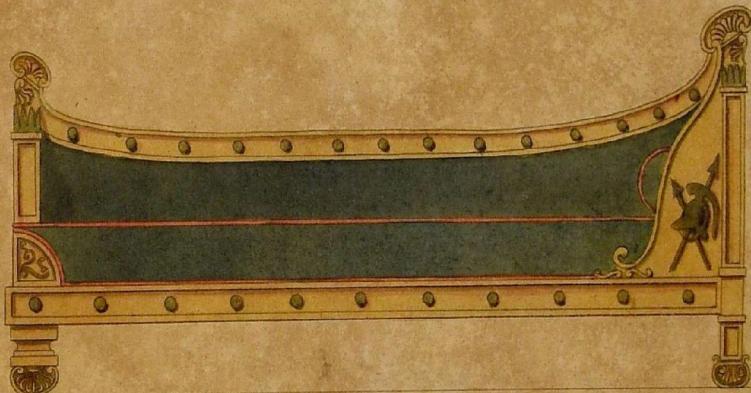
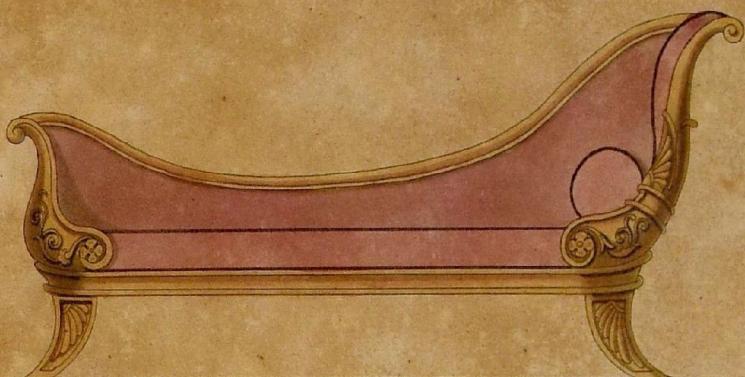
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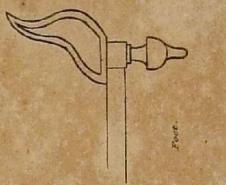


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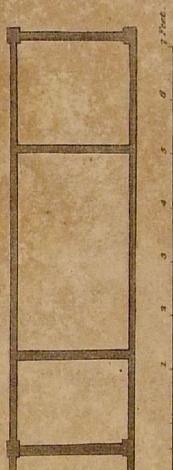
Chaise Longue.



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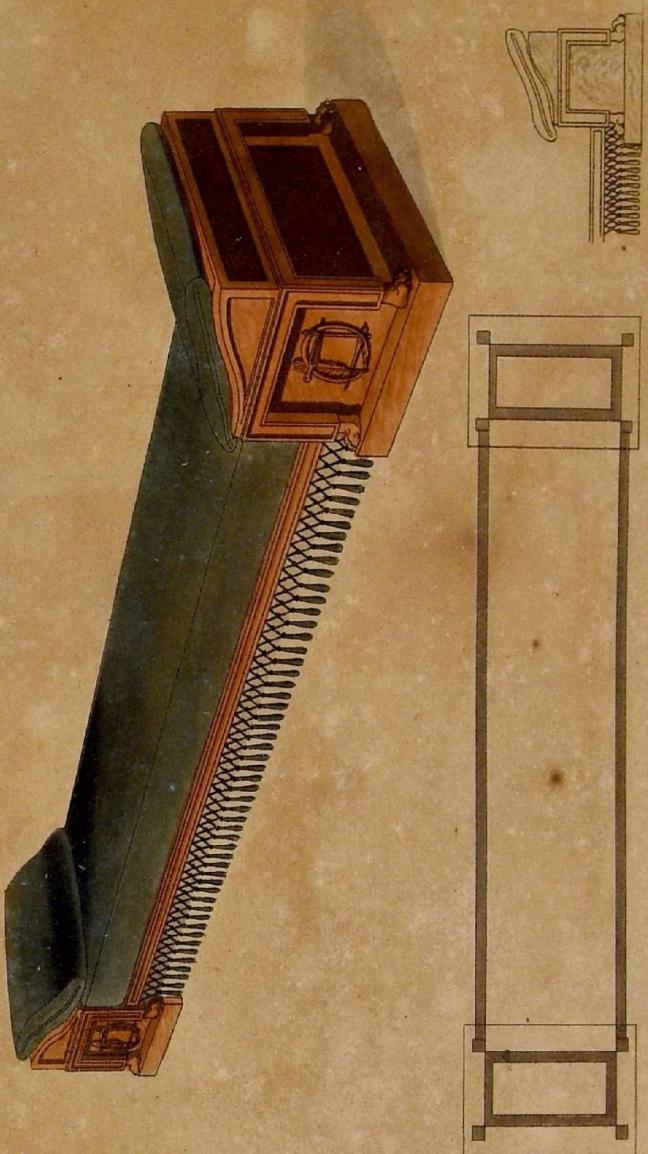
Chaise Longue.



Chaise à Saupiette



Ottoman for Gallery



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Ottoman for Music Room.



Pillar and Claw Table.

Plate 69.



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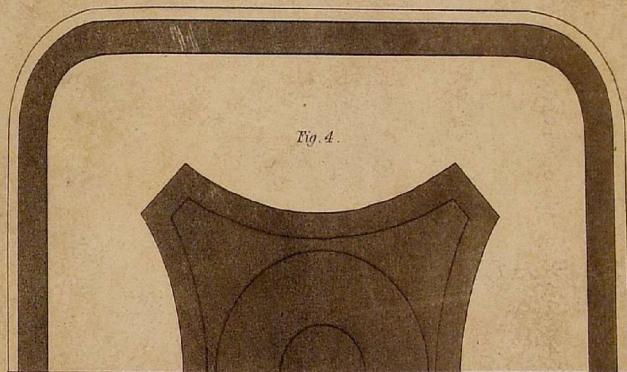


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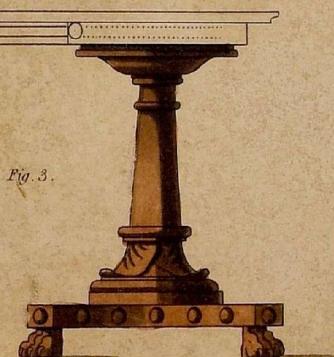


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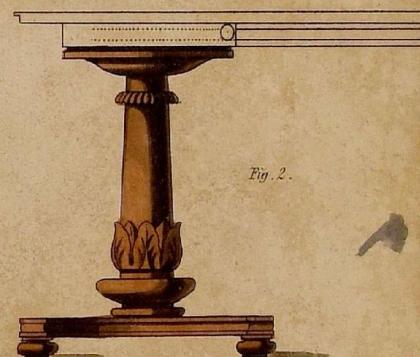


Fig. 2.

Harlequin Table.



Gentleman's Dressing Table.



Scale to Plan.



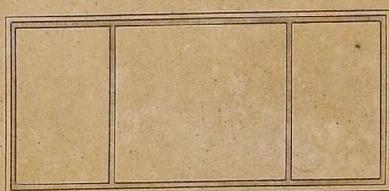
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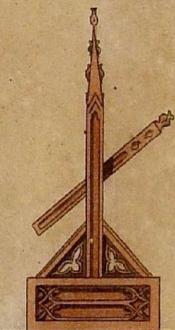
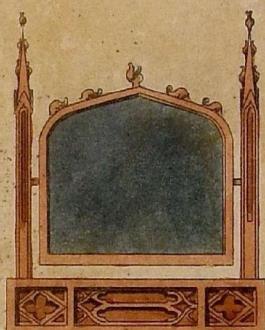
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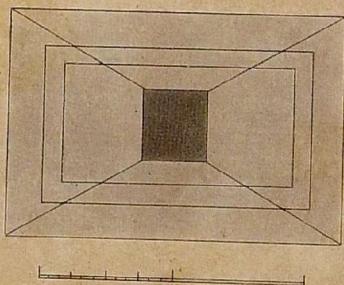
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Ladies Dressing Table and Glass.



Work Table.



Work Tables.

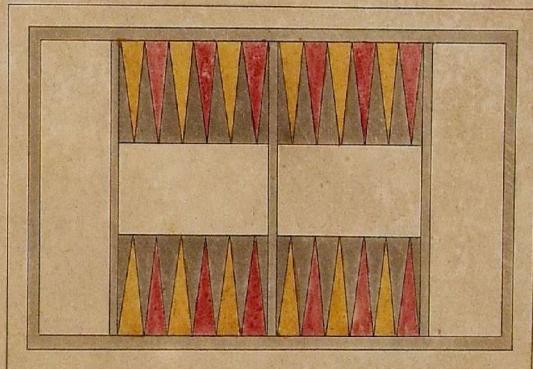




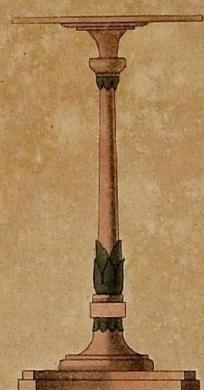
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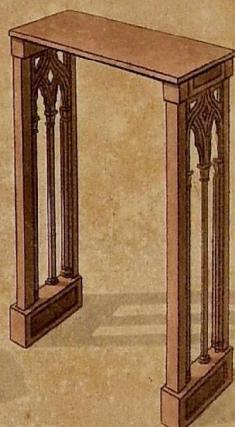
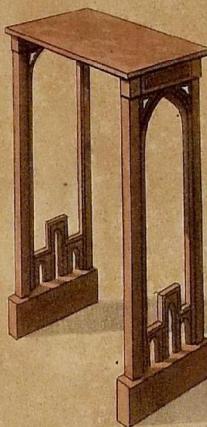
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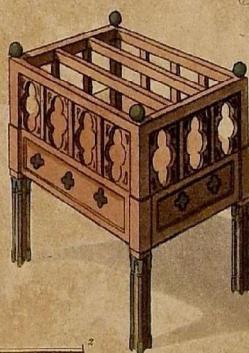
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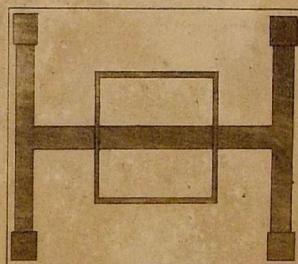
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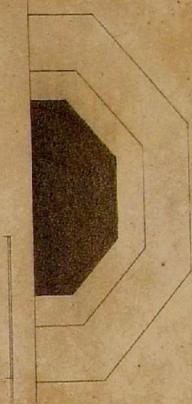
Canterburys.



Screen Writing & Work Table.



Degene's Tables, in the Chinese style.



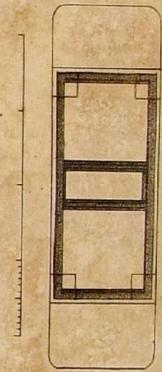
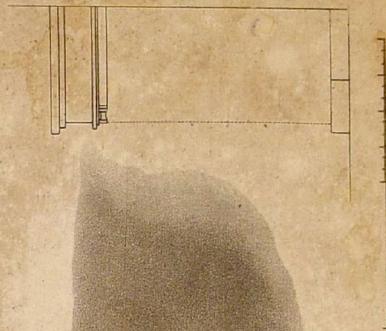
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Sofa Table.



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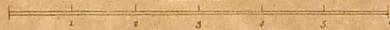
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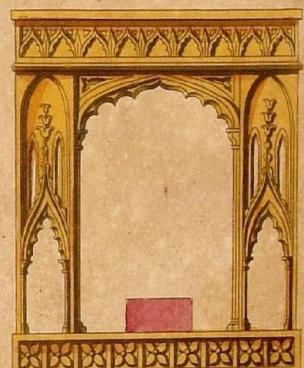
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Scale to Plan.



Footstool



Scale to Profile & Footstool.

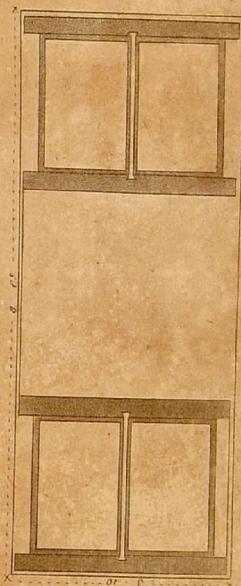


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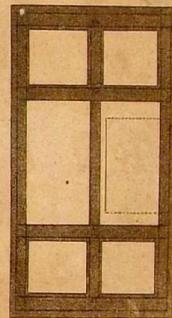
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Pl. no. 37.

Library Table



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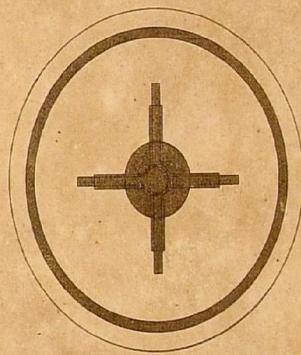
Library Table

Plate 88.



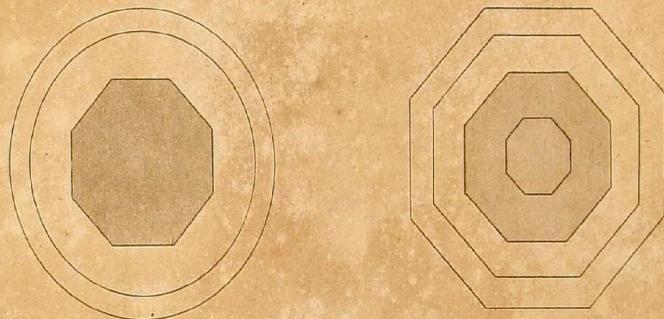
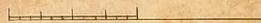
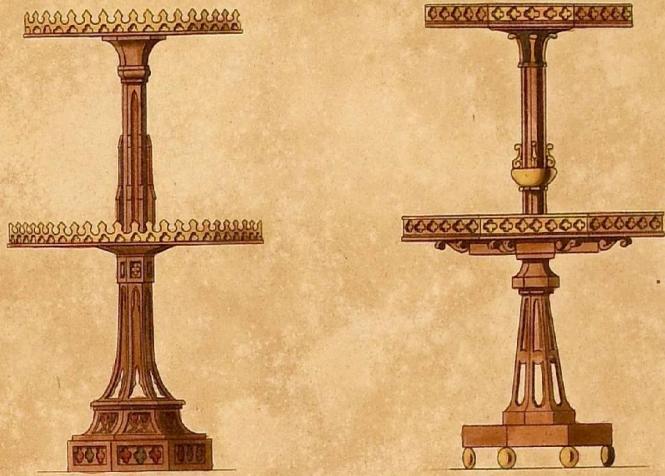
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Library Table.



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Dumb Waiters.



Legs for Sideboards.

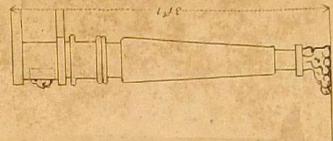
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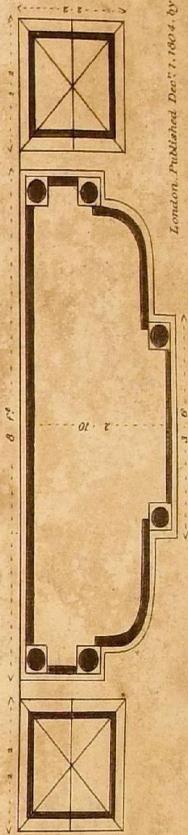
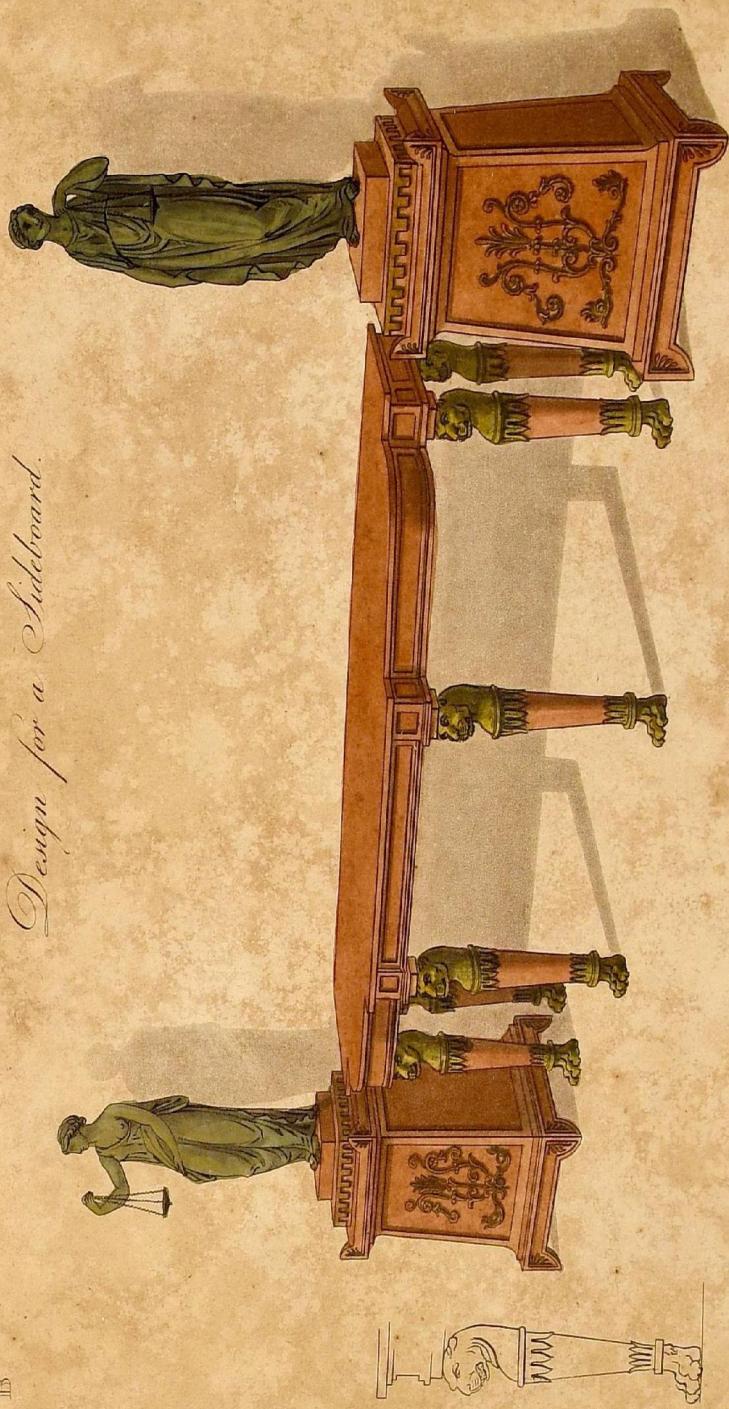
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Design for a Sideboard.



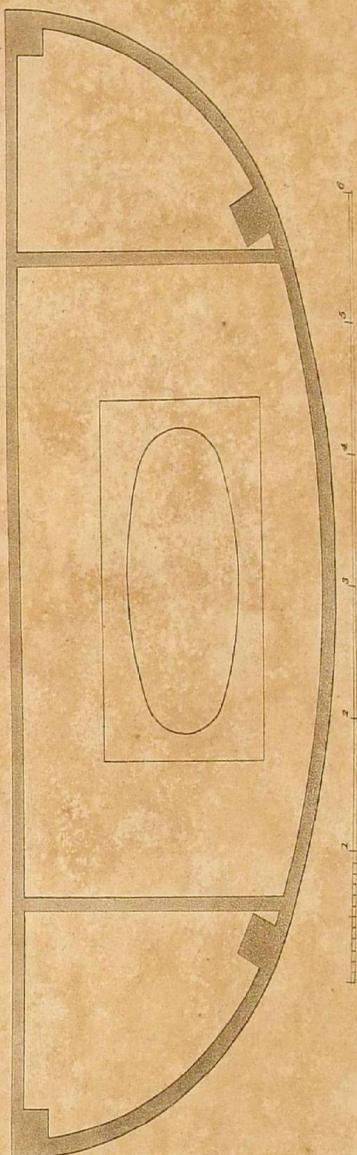
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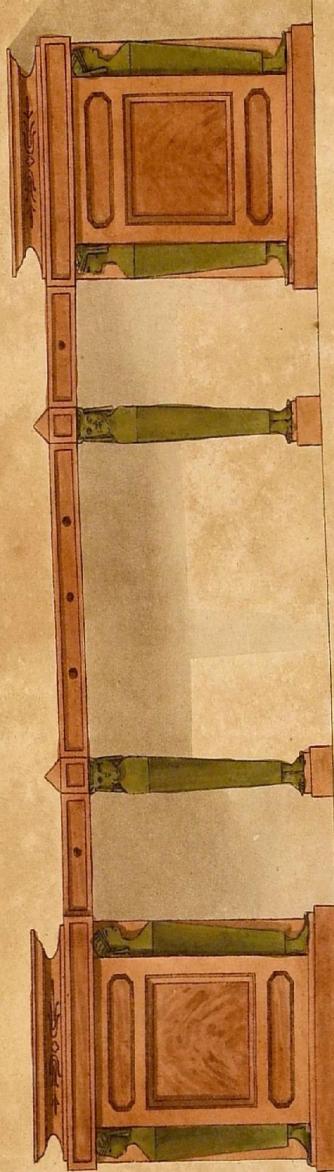
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Design for a Sideboard.

Plate 94.



Design for a Side Board.



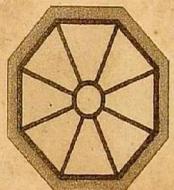
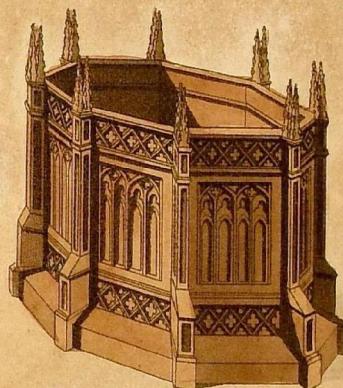
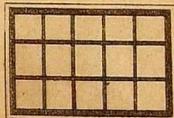
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Pedestals for Sideboards.



Cellaret & Wine cistern, in the Gothic style.



Scale to both Plans.

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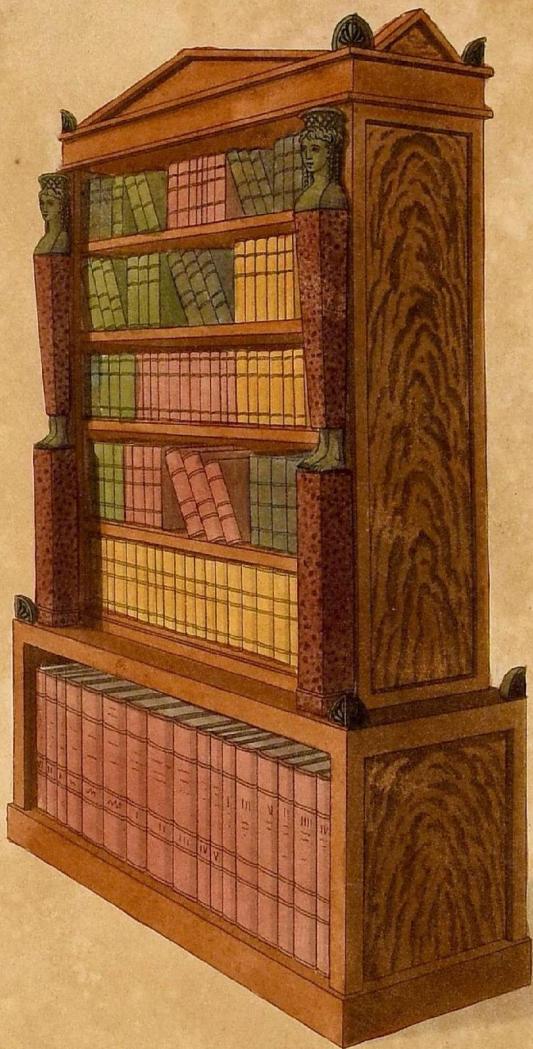
Celeretts.

Plate 98.



A

Bookcase A.



Cylinder Desk and Bookcase.



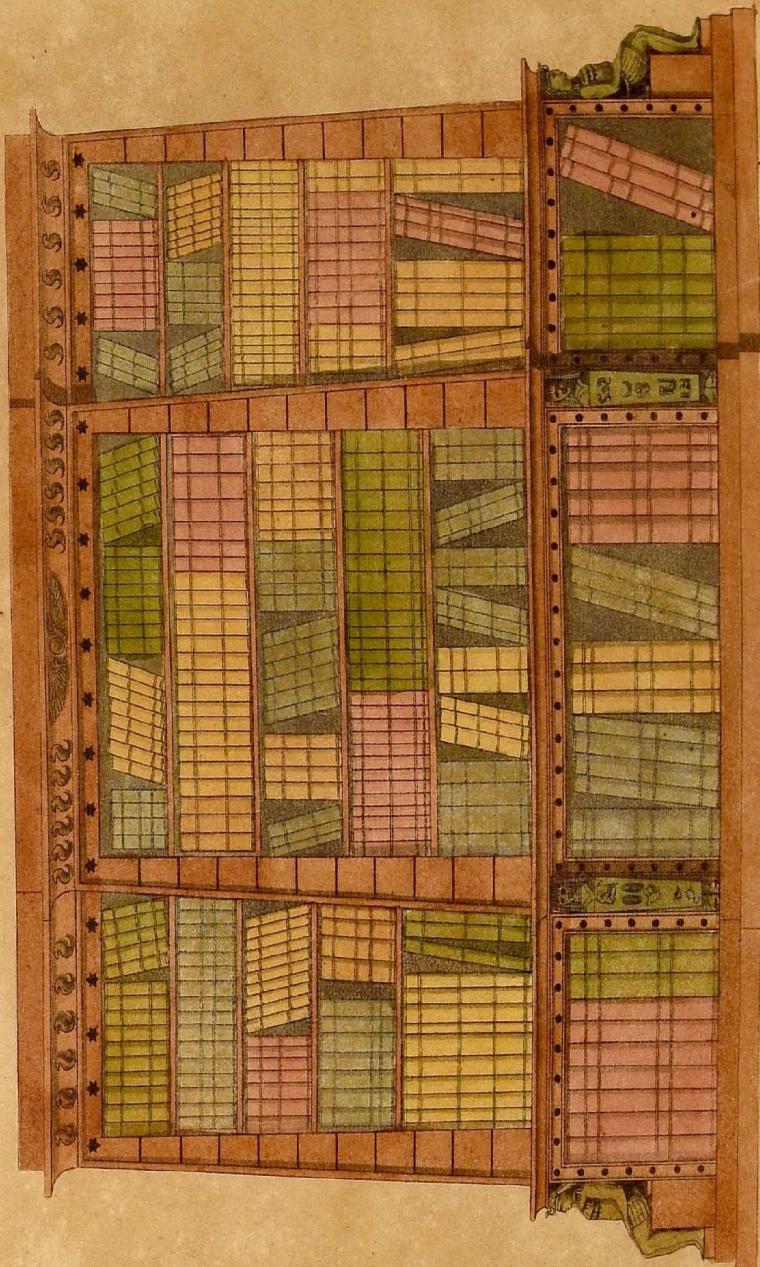
Secretaire Desk and Bookcase.

Plate III.



Library Bookcase.

Plate 102.



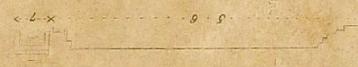
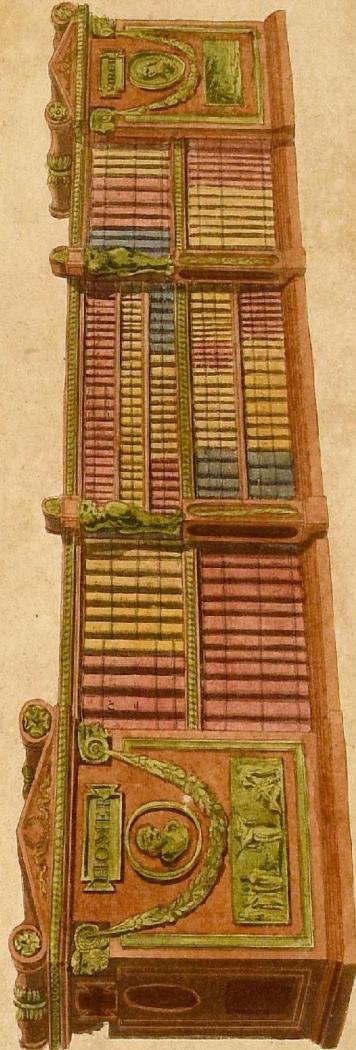
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Library Bookcase.



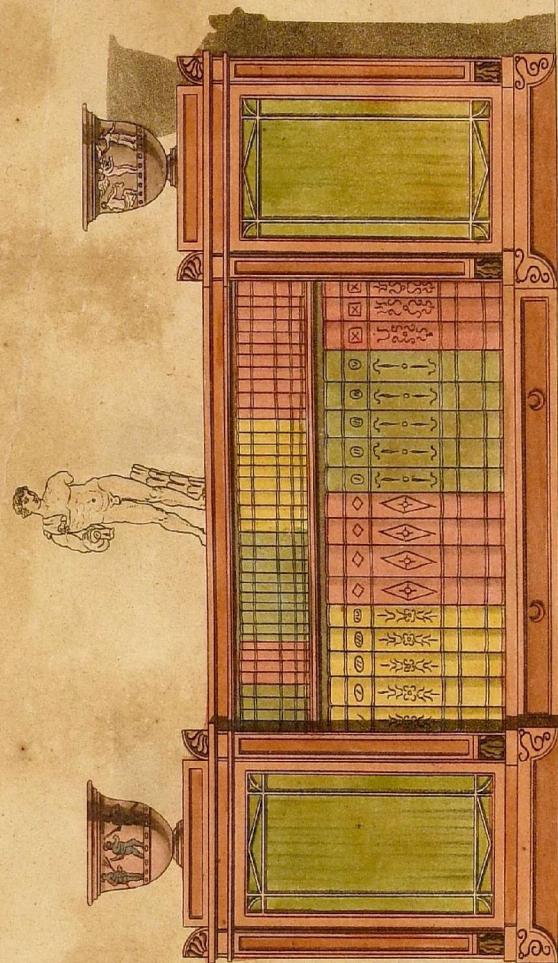
Dwarf Library Bookcase.



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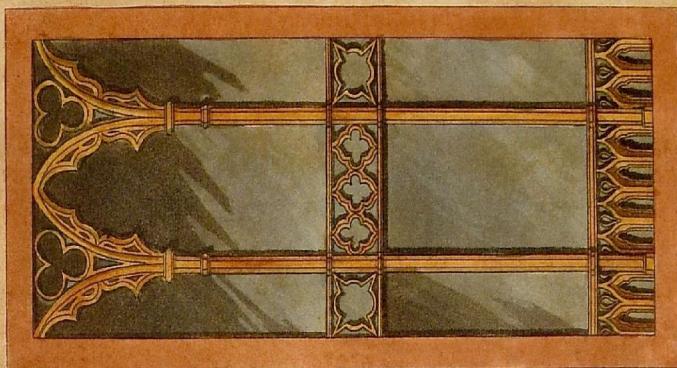
Dwarf Book Case.

Plate 1105.



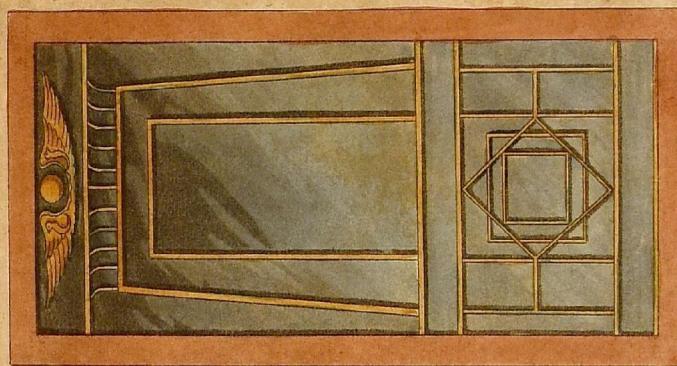
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Gothic.

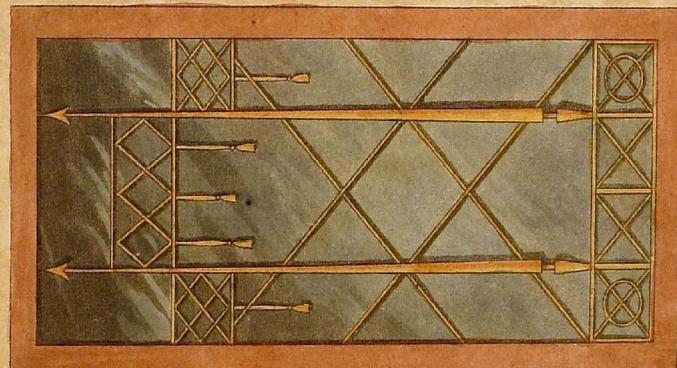


Book case Doors.

Egyptian.

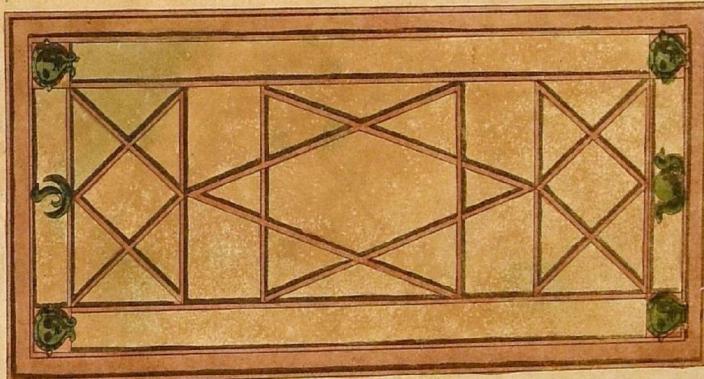
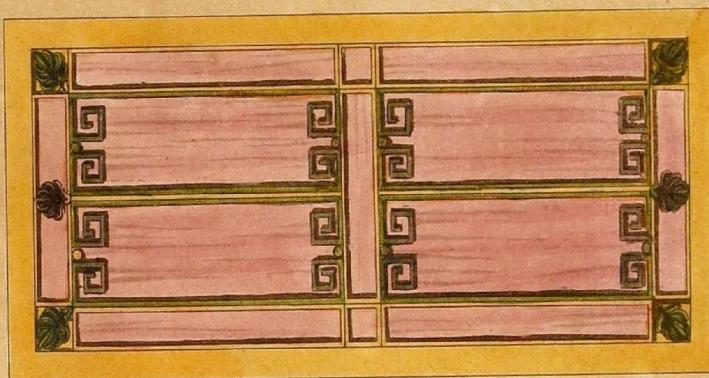
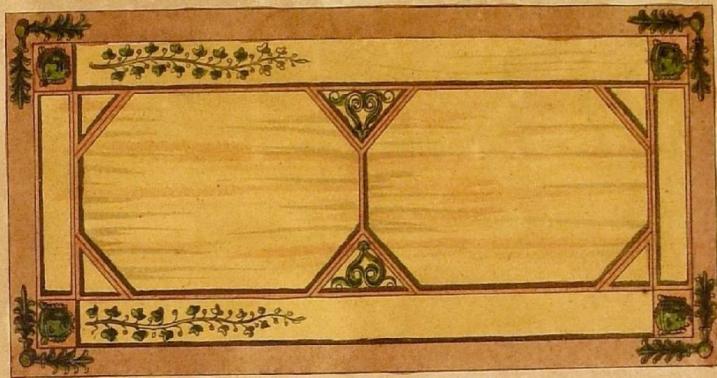


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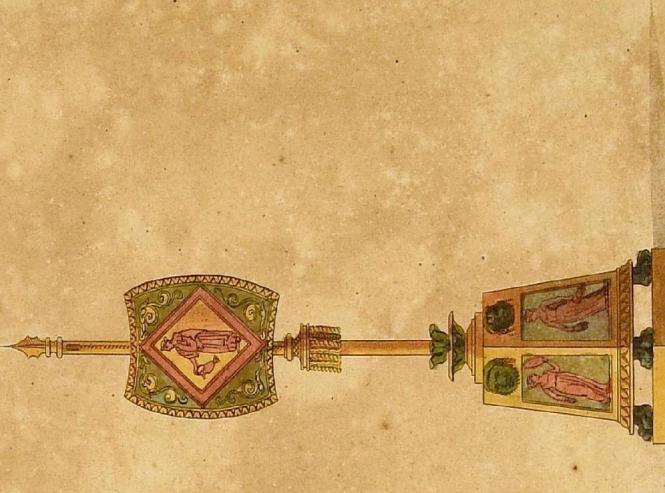
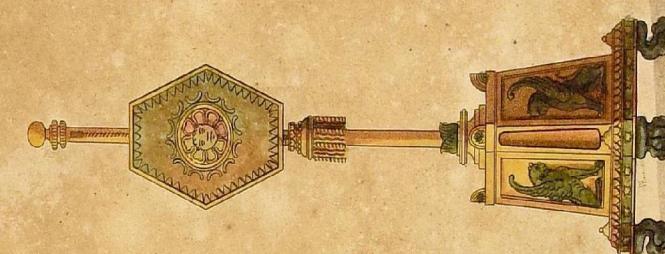


Bookcase Doors

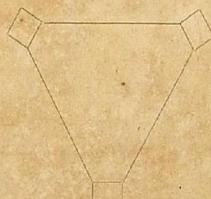
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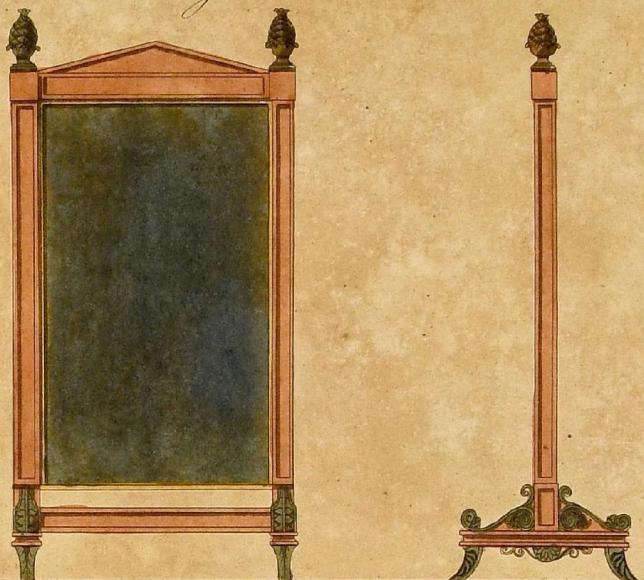


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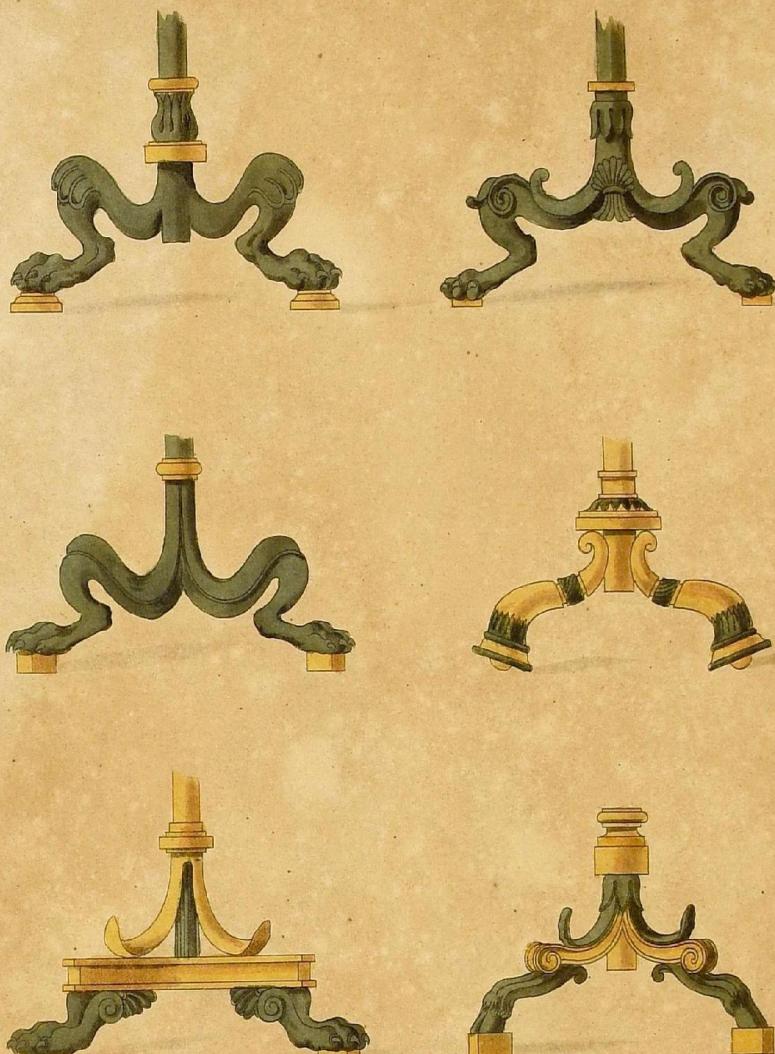
Fire Screens.

Drawing Room Cheval Screens

Plate 110.



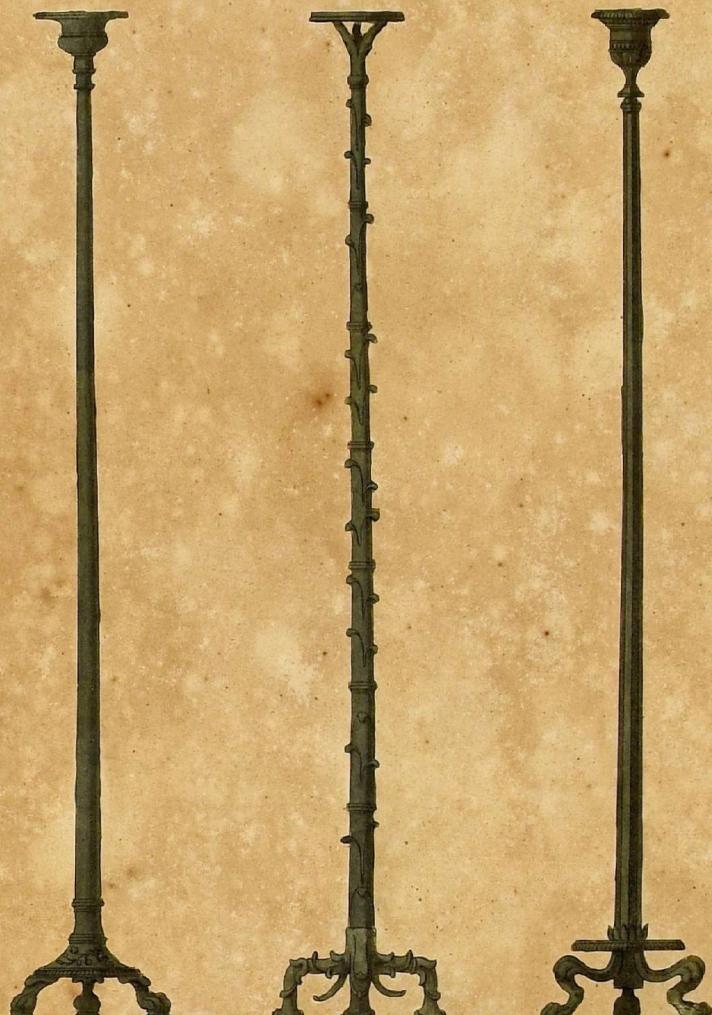
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Tripod Stands for Work Tables, Screens, &c Candelabri.

[Scale markings: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]

B

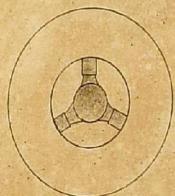
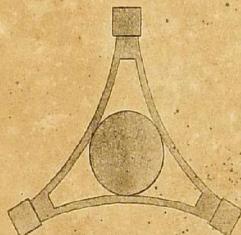
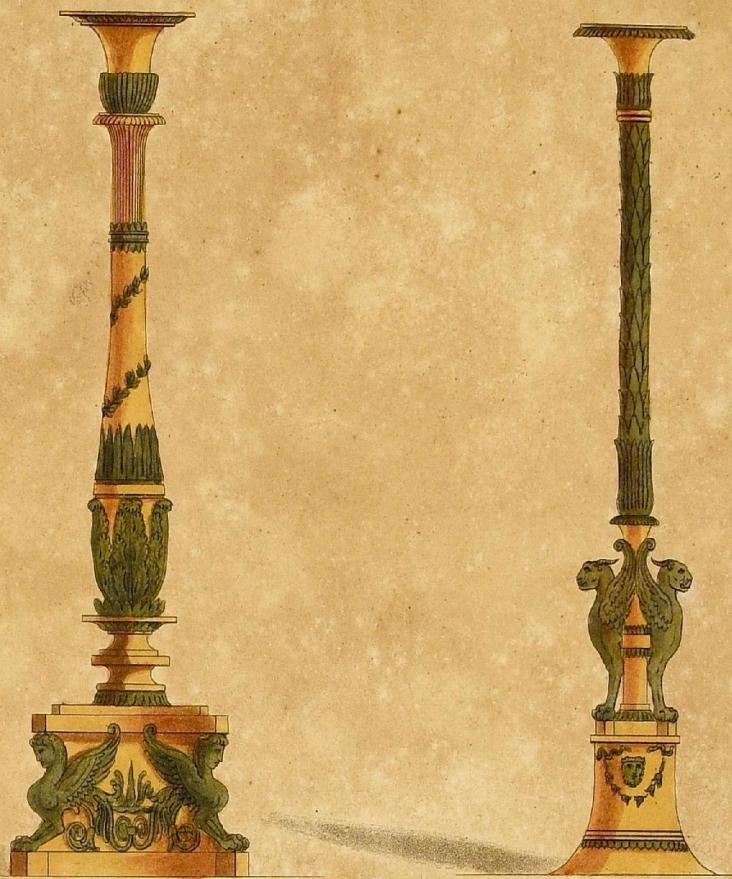
Drawing-Room Candelabri.



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Drawing Room Candelabri.

Plate II.3



Chiffioners.

Plate II4.



Chiffonier.

Plate II.5.



Scale for Plan.
1 2 3 ft.



2 3 ft.

Scale for Profile.

Pier Commode.



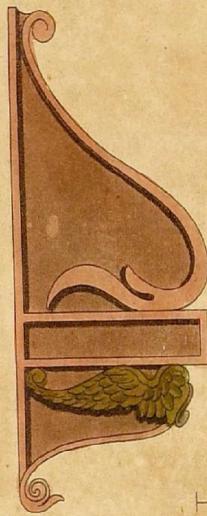
1 2 3 ft.



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Book shelf and Brackets.

Plate 116.

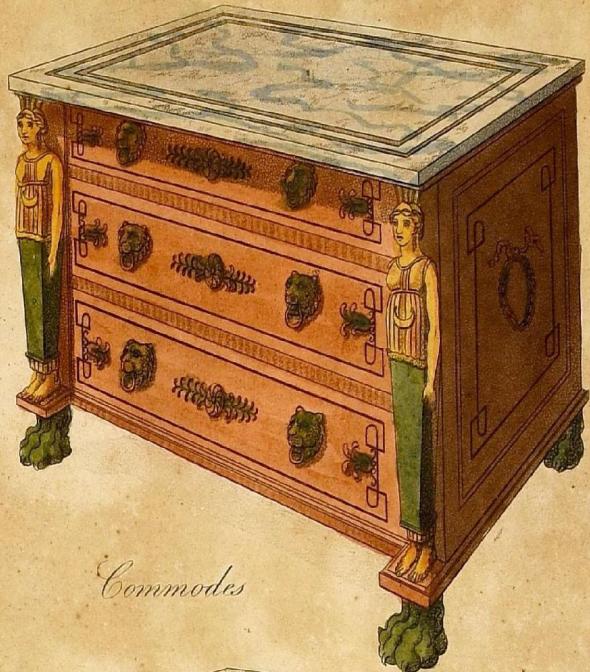


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Drawing Room Commodes.

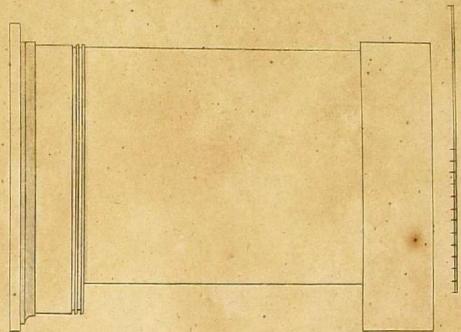




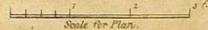
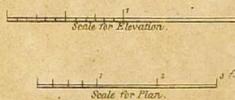
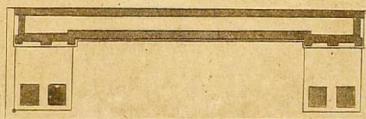
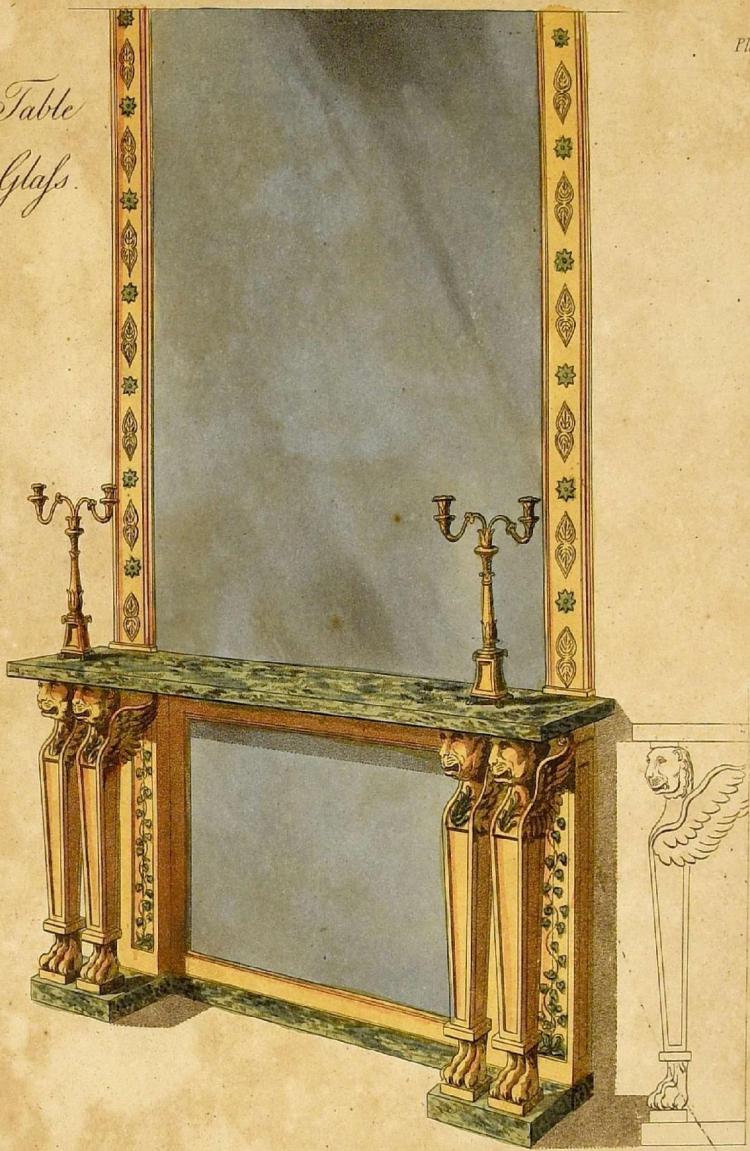
Commodas



Commode for Drawing room.



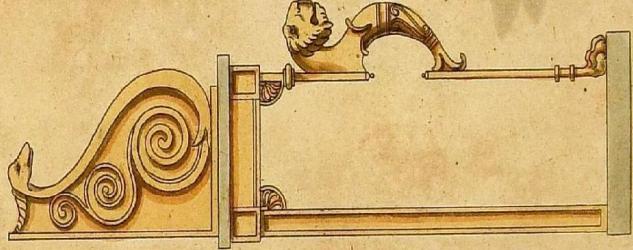
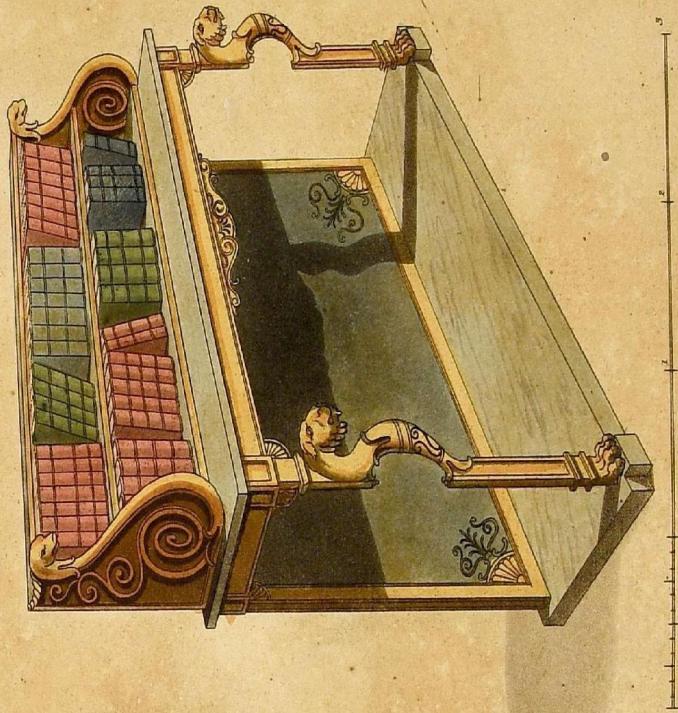
Pier Table
(and Glass.)



Console Tables.



Drawing Room Par Table.



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Escrutore!



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Cheval Dressing Glass.



6 10 12 13

C

Cheval Dressing Glass.



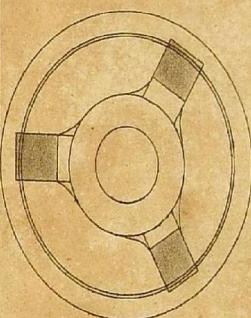
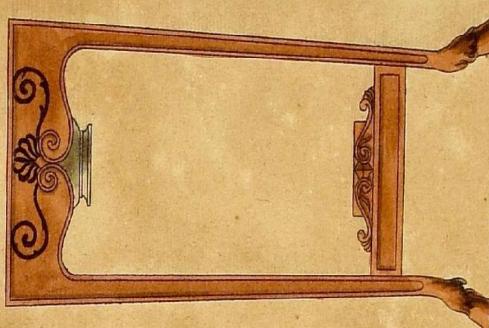
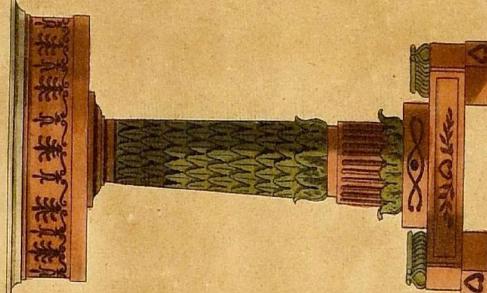
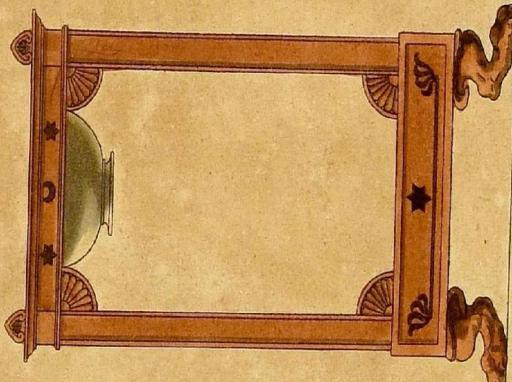
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Cheval Dressing Glass.



Bason Stands.

Plate 728



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Night Tables.



Pot Cupboards

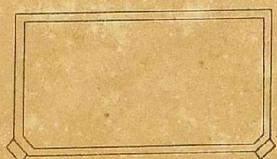
Plate 230



Double Chest of Drawers —



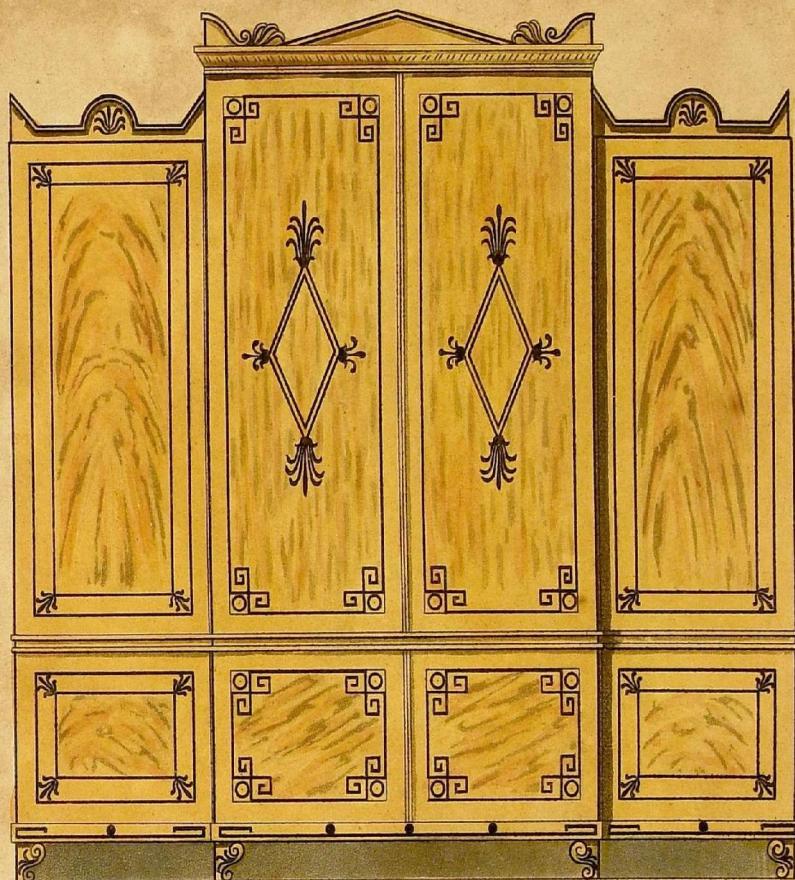
Scale to Plan.



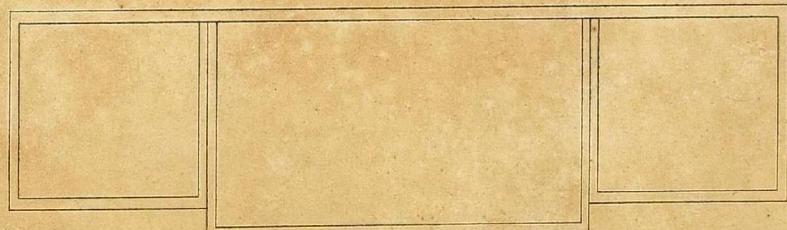
Ladies Wardrobe.



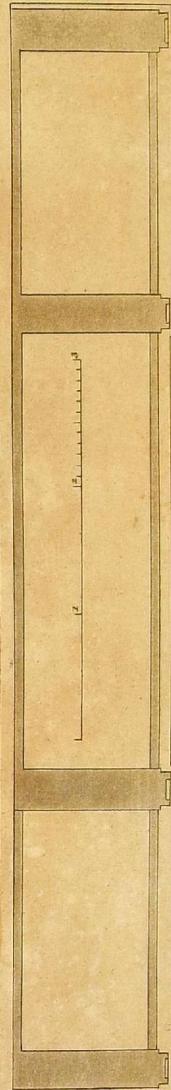
Wardrobe.



0 1 2 3 4



Dwarf Wardrobe



Mirror



B

Mirror



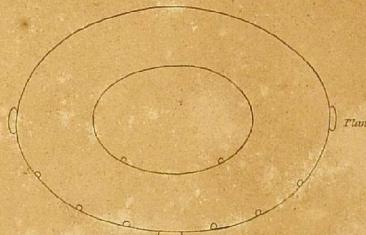
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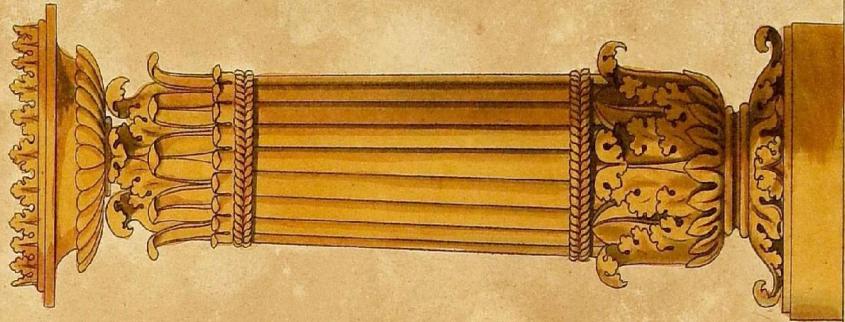
Chandelier.

Girandole



Candelabra and Pedestal.

Plate 739.



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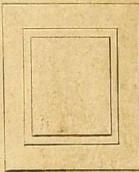
Chandlier.



Girandole, Vases & Candlesticks.



Pedestals for Statues, Busts &c.



Jardinierés.

Plate 143.



[Scale bar markings: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9]



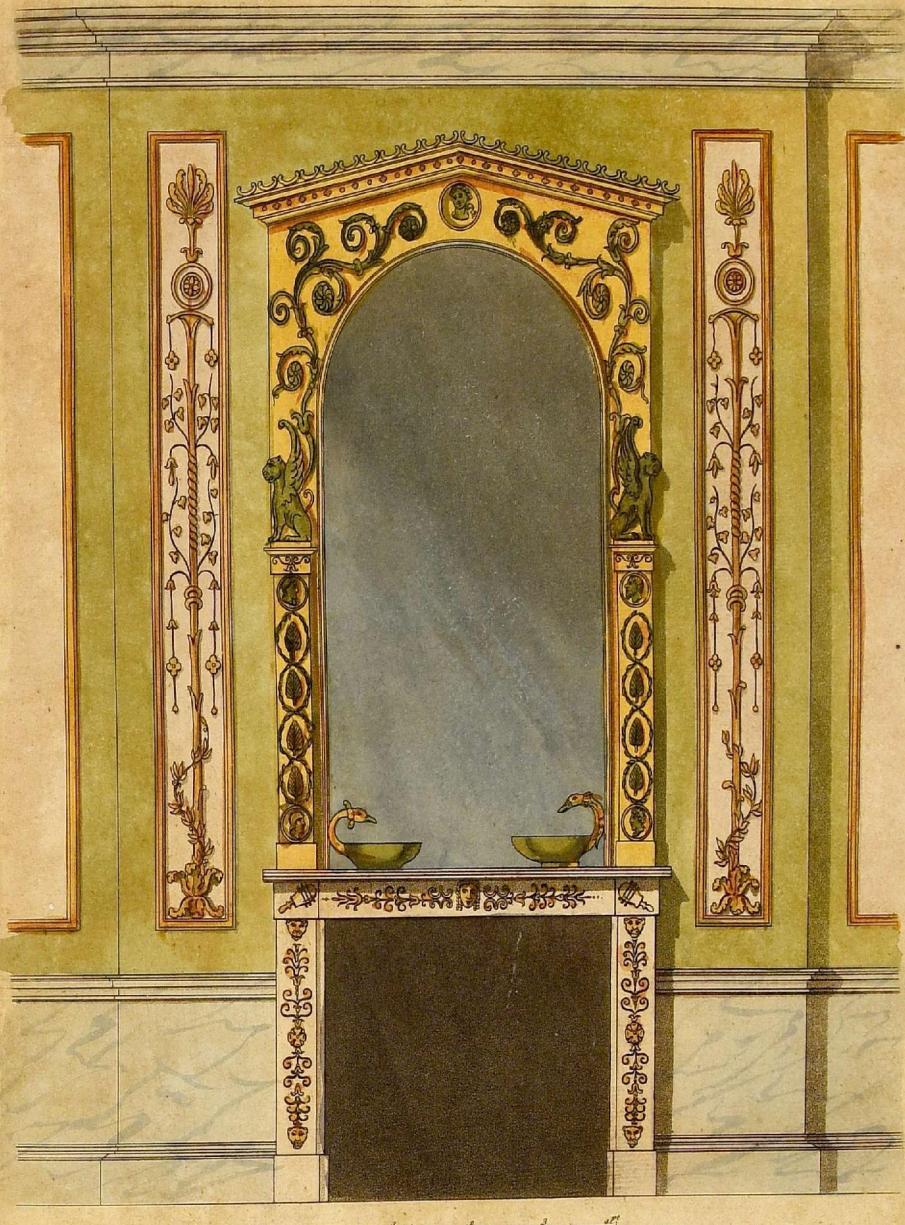


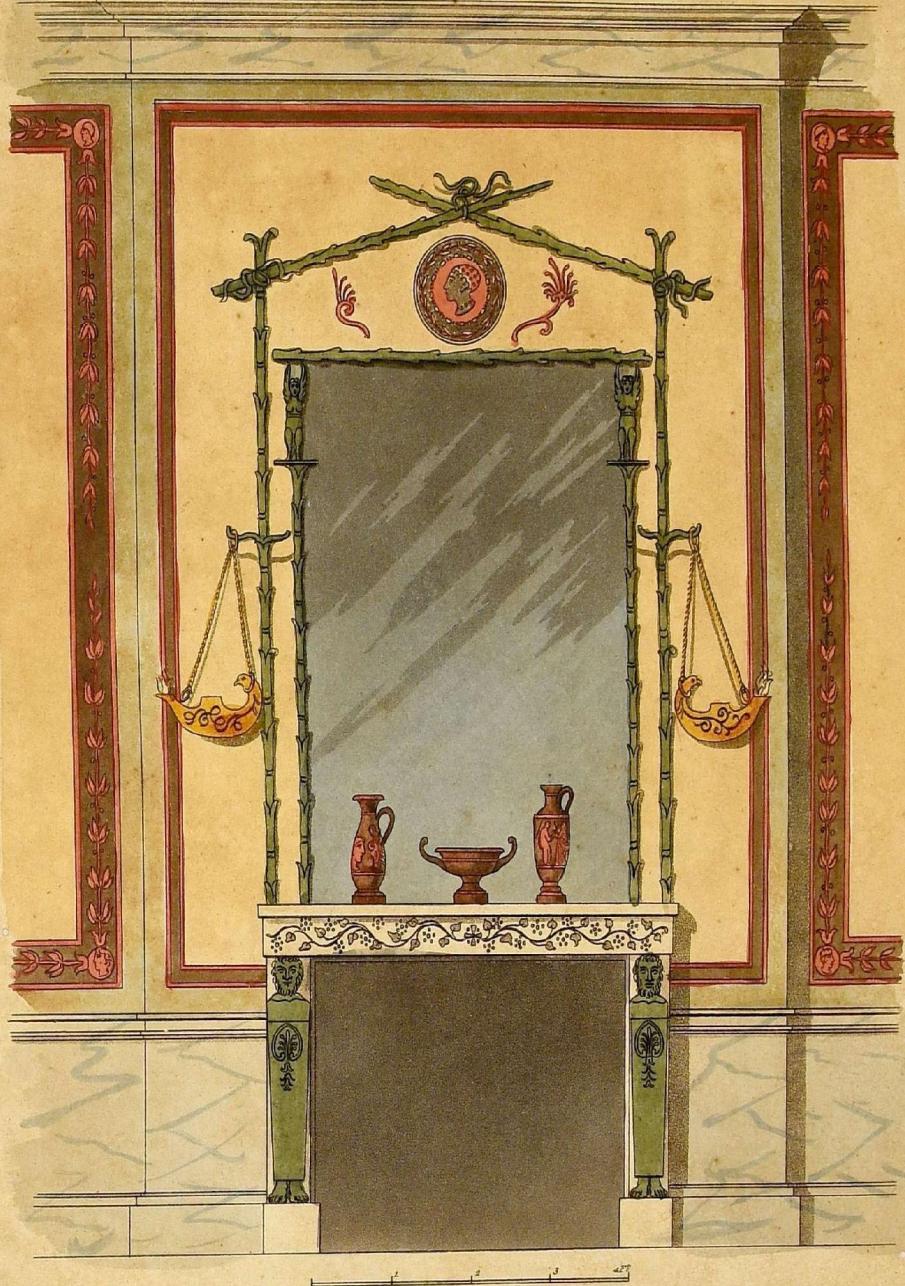
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Chimney Glass & Decorations.

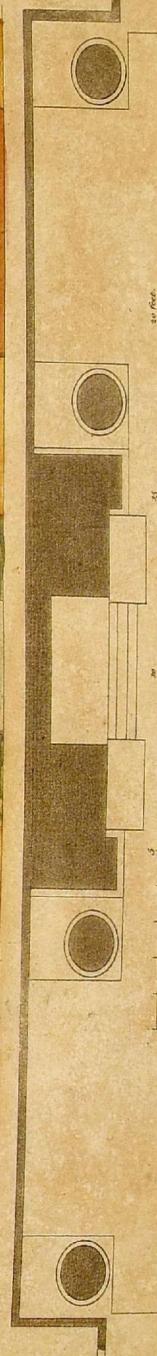
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Plate 111.

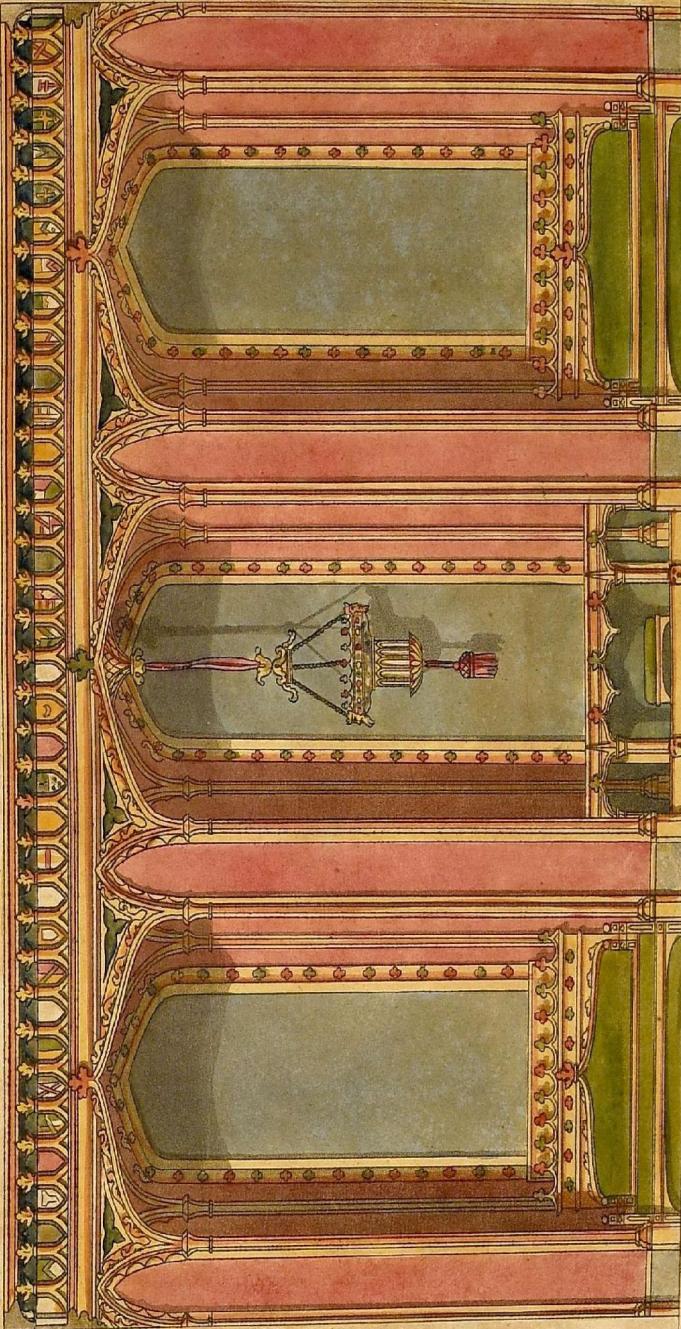




Decoration for a Drawing Room in the Chinese taste.



Drawing Room Decoration in the Gothic style.



Boudoir with Ottomans.

Plate 157.

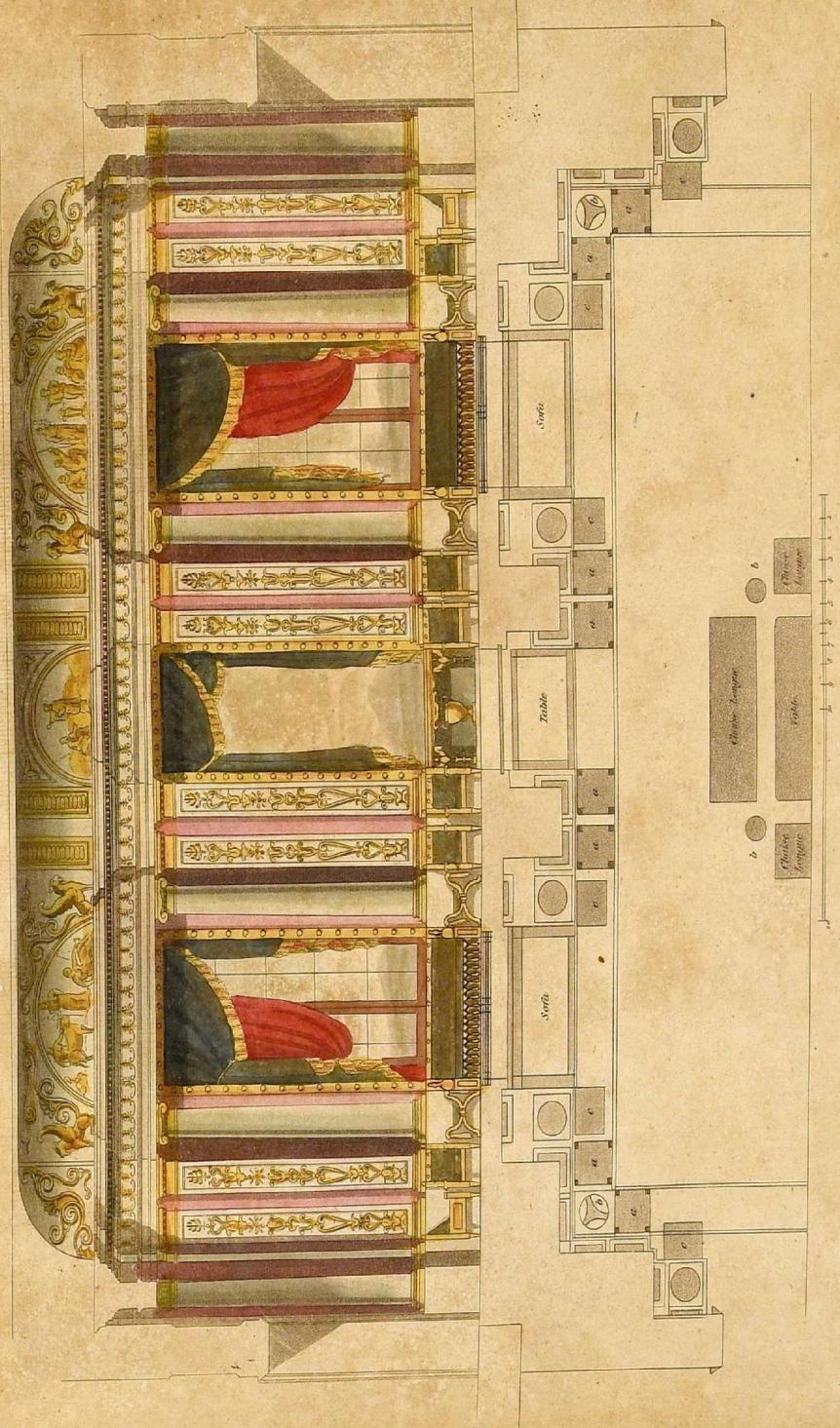


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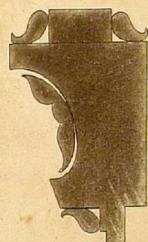
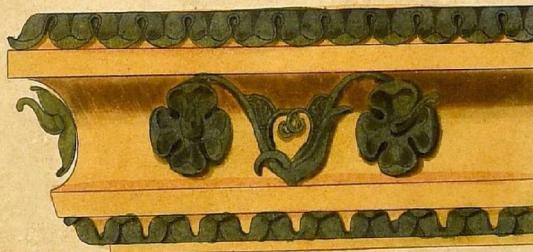
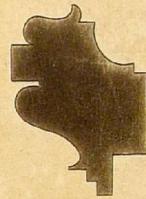
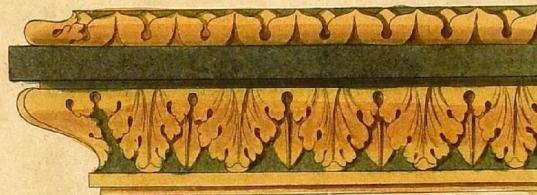
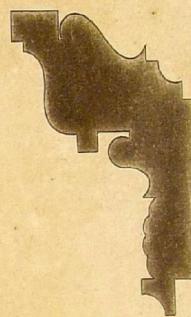
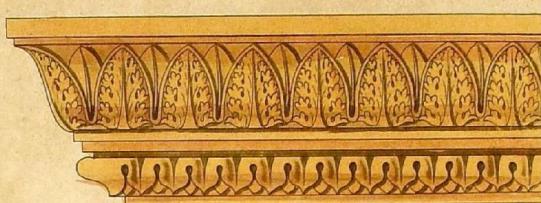
Section and Plan of a State Drawing Room.

Plan 153.



Moldings for Glass Frames and Pictures.

Plate 154.

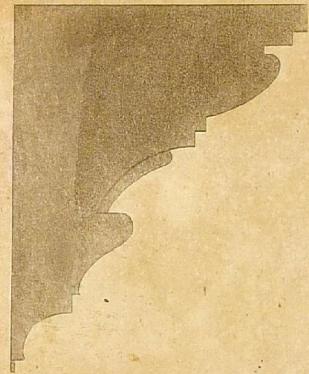
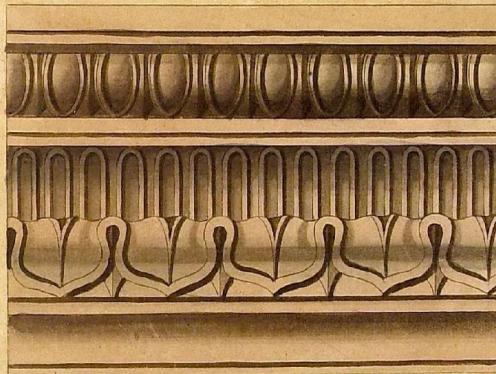
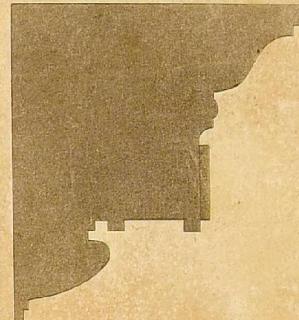
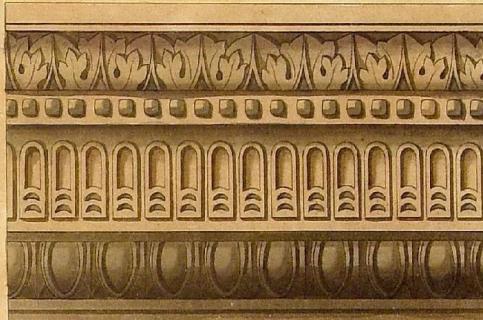
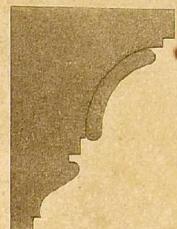
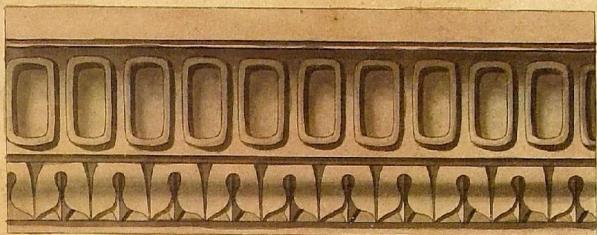


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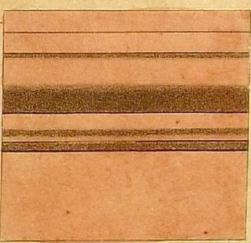
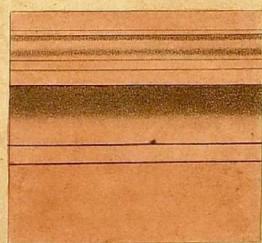
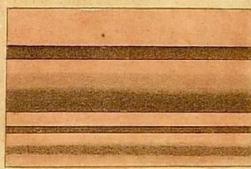
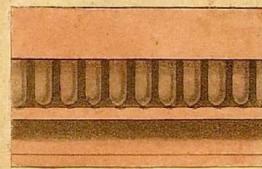
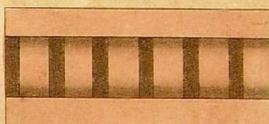
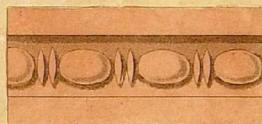
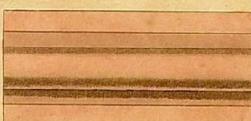
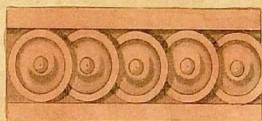
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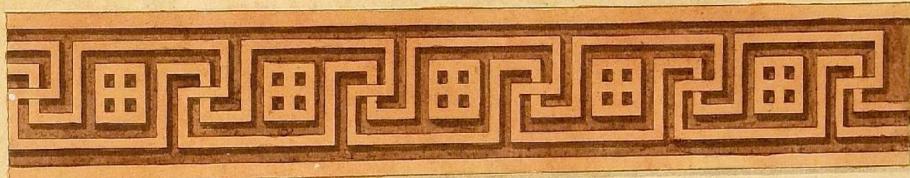
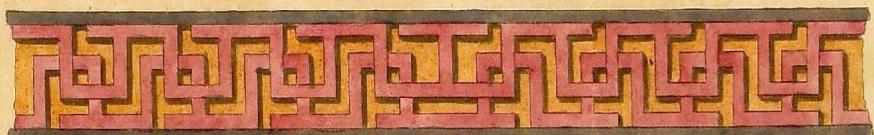
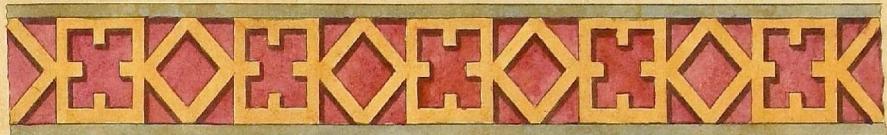
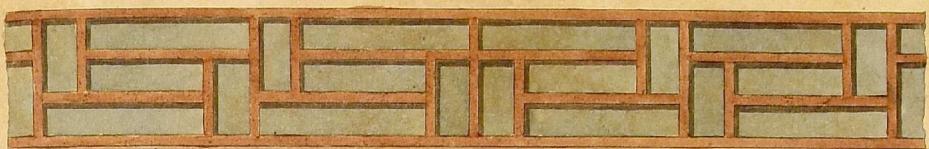
Large Moldings for Cabinet work, full size.



Small Moldings for Cabinet work.



Fretts.



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