OF BRIDGES.

over it, which is covered with shingles. The sound state of this Bridge is a striking instance of the durability of the turpentine fir; for, without the application of any composition in use for the preservation of wood, it has stood exposed to the changes of the seasons for near a century and a half, without exhibiting any symptoms of decay, or suffering any injury from the weather.” p. 133.*

“We crossed the Patchieu over a covered wooden Bridge, and turning to the right, passed through a doorway in a wall, that serves to part the courtyard from the Rajah's garden.” p. 138.

A BRIDGE AT TIBET,

CONSTRUCTED OF TIMBER AND STONE.

“At the foot of Painom, over the broadest part of the river, was constructed a long Bridge, upon nine piers of very rude structure. The piers were composed of rough stones, without cement, but, to hold them together, large trees, with their roots and branches, had been inserted; and some of them were vegetating. Slight beams of timber were laid from pier to pier; and upon them large flat

* See plate 9.