has caused many extensive and elegant Bridges to be erected in different parts of the kingdom; and the world cannot parallel, for commodiousness, architecture and workmanship, those erected at Westminster and Black-Friars. Battersea, Putney, Kew, Richmond, Walton, and Hampton Court, have now Bridges over the Thames, and many others are projecting by the public-spirited proprietors of the grounds on each side the same river.*

**BRIDGE AT HAMPTON COURT.**

This is a most beautiful and picturesque structure: the part which spans the river is constructed of timber, but the two abutments are built of stone: it furnishes a pleasing appearance in perspective from the adjoining shores of the river.† The length is five hundred feet, and has seven arches. The piers are cases of timber filled with stone. Barges of one hundred tons burthen pass through this Bridge, by lowering down their masts; they are most commonly dragged by horses, which, on account of the shallow depth of water at certain times of the tide, are permitted to wade up the stream.

* Guthrie's Geography. † See plate XIV.