thus increased, goes through the middle of Bradford, under a Bridge of eight arcs. The author of the tour through Britain observes in vol. ii, p. 31: "The river Avon, a noble and large fresh river, branches itself into many parts, and receiving almost all the rivers on this side of the hill, waters the whole fruitful vale: and the water of this river is particularly qualified for dying the best colours, and for fulling and dressing the cloth; so that the clothiers generally plant themselves on this river; but especially the dyers, as at Trowbridge and Bradford, which are the two most eminent clothing towns in that part of the vale, for the making Spanish cloths, and for the nicest mixtures." From Bradford it leaves Wilts and enters Somerset; then receiving the Froom from Froom-Selwood, and another river, it comes towards Bath. Here it runs through a fruitful vale, bounded on each side by lofty and magnificent hills; whence the subjacent prospect of the country, the Serpentine river, the fair beautiful buildings of Bath, and its sublime and venerable Cathedral, are quite enchanting. Here it runs under two elegant Bridges; the first has three equal arcs, with shops and houses on it, handsomely