

No. VI. and VII.

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THE CHUTA SUNA MASJID, OR SMALL GOLDEN MOSQUE.

THIS edifice is about seventy-seven feet long by fifty-eight feet broad in the exterior. It appears to have been founded in the reign of *Sultan Husain Sháh*, by *Muhammad*, the son of *Ali*. The interior is divided into three aisles, by arches, and the whole covered with domes. The area of the inside forms a parallelogram of fifty-three feet by forty-one and a half feet. The height of the arches is twenty feet, over which the domes rise ten feet. The sculpture on the left hand is in black hornblende, and the remains of gilding upon it is still visible, and may account for the epithet of *golden* given to this and the former edifice. The stone used in these mosques had formerly belonged to *Hindu* temples destroyed by the zealous *Muhammadans*, as will be evident from an inspection of Plates XVI. XVII. and XVIII. representing four slabs taken from this building.