BRITISH COLONIES.

**9** Several Cabinets made of New Zealand Woods, and showing very high workmanship.

III.—RAW PRODUCE, including Kauri Gum, Whale Oil, &c.

1 WOOLS (in fleeces, with full particulars attached) in illustration of one of the principal industries of the Colony.

2 PHORMIUM FIBRE, in bulk and in sample.

**3** AN EXTENSIVE SERIES OF SPECIMENS to illustrate the qualities and capabilities of the Phormium Fibre.

IV.-MANUFACTURES :---

Woollen Goods, Tweeds, &c.; Mats and Cordage; Malt, Flour, &c.; Preserved Meats, Fish, and Fruits; Salt Beef and Pork; Soap and Tallow; Leather, Glue, &c.; Tobacco and Cigars.

V.-MISCELLANEOUS :--

Botanical Collections; Maps and Photographs; Skeletons of the Dinornis; Collections of Birds, &c.; Specimens of Native Manufactures.

## CEYLON

Is a magnificent Island off the southern extremity of Hindostan, containing about 15,808,000 acres. Part of it was taken possession of by England in 1795-6, but it was not till 1815 that the whole Island came under British Rule. Not a tenth part of the land is as yet cultivated. The population numbers 2,198,884. The revenue for 1871 was  $\pounds 1,121,679$ ; the expenditure,  $\pounds 1,064,184$ . The value of goods imported in that year was,  $\pounds 4,797,952$ ; of exports,  $\pounds 3,634,853$ . The principal articles of export are Coffee, Cinnamon, Tobacco, Plumbago, Cocoanut Oil, and Fibre. The Pearl Fisheries, which for some years were a source of revenue, have for the present failed. A great deal of jewellery is made in parts of the Island and worn by the natives. Specimens are exhibited.

A brief explanation of the use of the Peasant Jewellery sent to the Vienna Exhibition may be interesting.

## IEWELLERY WORN BY MEN.

1. A pair of Earrings, "Kuvalai," worn by all classes of the Tamils, though not by all individuals; the lobe of both ears are perforated, and the jewel is hung on the hole, so that the ball of the ring is facing. They are worn on all occasions, beginning from the time a young man passes his minority.

2. "Sevappoddu," as above.

3. Three pairs of Earrings, called "Naddokkadukkan." These are worn in the same manner as above by the Tamils, mostly by those of country parts; hence they are called "Naddokkadukkan," which means earrings of the interior.

4. Two pairs of Finger-rings. They are called, "Venmaddum" and "Kootheraykulampu." "Venmaddum" means plain work. "Kootheraykulampu" means horse-hoof. "Venmaddum" is worn in pairs, on the ring-finger, and the other on the little finger of the right hand.

5. Silver Waist-chain worn round the waist, inside the dress, to sustain a piece of cloth to cover the nakedness in bathing, &c.