

DORNOCK, in the *Manufactures*. is a species of figured linen of a very stout fabric, manufactured chiefly in the north of Scotland, and used for table cloths. It is the most simple in pattern of all the varieties of this manufacture, and therefore the fabrics are generally of the coarsest kinds, the finer sorts of table linen being usually more ornamented, and woven either as diaper, or damask. A large proportion of the dornocks, which are made in Scotland, are woven by those who are termed customer weavers, who receive linen yarn, spun from flax raised at home, from those who employ them, and return the cloth, charging a certain price for the weaving. In many districts, particularly the most remote ones, the greater part of every species of household cloth is manufactured in this way, a sufficient quantity of yarn being spun in most country families during the intervals of their other labour, to supply their own wants, and frequently a surplus to sell at some neighbouring fair, or market. This trade, however, seems much upon the decline.

Dornock, like every other species of fanciful twilled cloth, receives the figure by reversing the flushing of the warp and woof at certain intervals, which form square, or oblong figures upon the cloth. The most simple of these, is a succession of alternate squares, forming an imitation of a checker board, or mosaic pavement. The coarser kinds are generally wrought, as tweels of three leaves, where every thread floats over two, and is intersected by the third in succession. Some of the finer are tweels of four and five leaves; but few of more; for the six and seven-leaf tweels are seldom, if ever, used, and the eight leaf tweel is confined almost exclusively to damask. A representation of dornock, as it appears upon design paper, is given in *Plate A*, and the manner of mounting the loom in *Plate C*. *Plate VIII. Miscellany*. See *DRAUGHT* and *Cording*.