

PLATE XLIX.

A flowering branch of *Acalypha rubra*, natural size.

Figure 1.—A piece of a male spike.

„ 2.—A male flower.

„ 3.—A stamen.

„ 4.—A female flower.

„ 5.—A mature capsule, seated in its enveloping bract, and lower portion of the male inflorescence.

„ 6.—A seed, natural size.

„ 7.—The same, very much enlarged.

„ 8.—An inflorescence with two female flowers, natural size.

Figures 1 to 5 all more or less enlarged.

The principal figure represents a specimen in Kew Herbarium collected by Mr Bennett, and the male inflorescence, flower, and anther are from the same. Figures 4 to 7 are from Dr Burchell's specimen; and figure 8 is from the specimen in the Sabine collection, on which there are four similar inflorescences.