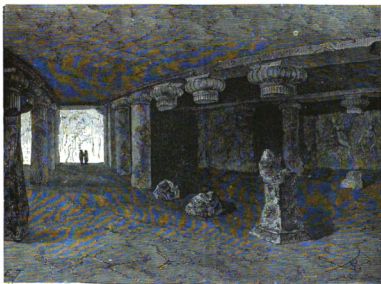


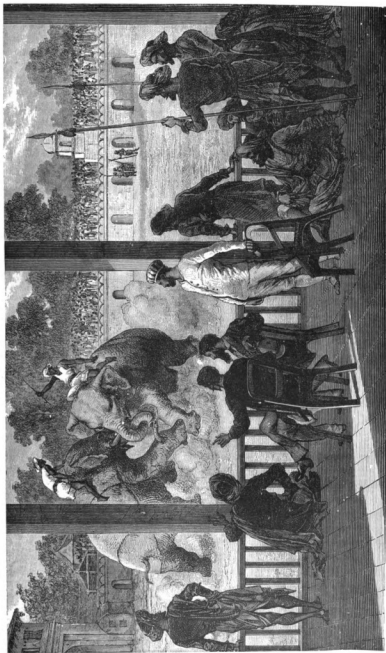
described on a later page. On November 12th the Prince paid a visit to the Caves of Elephanta, and banquetted in front of the famous carvings which represent the Hindoo Triad. On the 15th a military review was held at Poonah, and a great ball at Government House, Bombay, was given the next evening.

A visit was paid to Baroda, where the Prince witnessed a grand, if somewhat barbarous, display of elephant, rhinoceros, and buffalo fights. He took part in an expedition for hunting deer with the cheetah, and enjoyed the Indian sport of "pig-sticking." Returning to Bombay for a farewell visit, he proceeded to the Portuguese settlement of Goa, when he was received with royal honours,



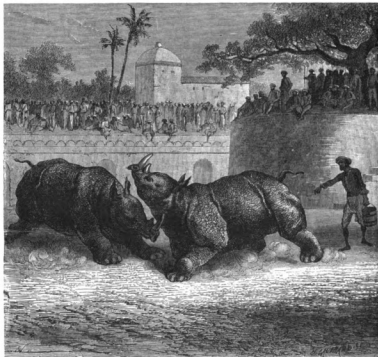
INTERIOR OF THE GREAT CAVE OF ELEPHANTA.

and arrived at Colombo on the last day of the month. In Ceylon, when he was elephant hunting, one of the infuriated animals made a dash straight at him, but the Prince fired and struck it in the head. It turned and escaped into the jungle. But he brought down another elephant, and "cut off the tail, according to custom, while the crowd cheered and cheered again as the Prince was seen standing on the prostrate body." At Madras he received the Maharajah of Travancore, the Rajah of Cochin, and the Prince of Arcot; at Calcutta, Scindia and Holkar, the Rajahs of Cashmere and Jeypore, and many other native potentates. On Christmas Day the Prince attended service at the Cathedral of Calcutta, and was entertained at dinner by the Viceroy, and on the last day of the year he went to a public ball held in that city.



HESTIANT FIGHT AT BARDOA.

It will be seen that in this journey of combined amusement and ceremony the Prince of Wales was enjoying all the opportunities sketched out in Lord Salisbury's despatch to the Viceroy, dated August 19th:—"Her Majesty's Government feel assured of the earnest and loyal desire of your Excellency, and of all officers under your control, to omit no circumstance which can contribute to His Royal Highness's comfort in visiting, as far as time allows, all that is most interesting in the provinces of the British Empire which are under your control. The sojourn



RHINOCEROS FIGHT AT BARODA.

which his Royal Highness purposes to make will only be sufficient to bring before him a small portion of the vast multitudes of various races who live directly under English rule. But he will doubtless have presented to him many of the most eminent officers, civil and military, European and native, who under your Excellency bear rule among them, and he will see some of the most important divisions of that great army to which the defence of the Empire is confided, and in which his Royal Highness now bears the most exalted rank. His Royal Highness will have the opportunity, which he will highly value, of personally