Brocade, (brə-kād) n. [Sp. brocado; Fr. brocart, from Oct. broc, a point, a needle.] A description of stout silk or stuff, variegated with gold and silver, raised and enriched with foliage, flowers, and other ornaments, and used for the dresses of both sexes during the 14th and 15th centuries. In an inventory of the wardrobe of Charles II., in the Bodleian Library, is mentioned “white and gold brocade at two pounds three and sixpence per yard, and colière-de-prince brocade at two pounds three shillings per yard.” Brocade was not known in England till after the 13th century, and was a great rarity and luxury upon the Continent in the 14th.