



Fig. 245. A DIFFICULT ROAD FOR CAMELS.

The descent on the west was very little better than the ascent. At first it was easy, for we went down the gently inclined slope of the crest of the spur, but eventually we came to another place that was absolutely impassable for camels. The path clings like a coping to the side of a precipice, but it is too narrow for camels. Fortunately we were able to take them a roundabout way, though even that was down steep, barren slopes, until they reached the next level expanse of shore, and there we pitched Camp CXLVII. The locality is said to be called Schovoto, and there we found a well containing perfectly fresh water, and also some bushes and japkak scrub.