

Province, but the then governor was of the opposite faction and the Prince was not so sure of his position. He was under the new T'ao-chow city magistrate, who had fined him 30,000 taels. Pereira presented him with an electric torch of an ingenious pattern: if a handle was worked it would always give light. According to the Prince the Chinese place the Tibetans in two categories. In the first are the Shu Fan, the "experienced" Tibetans, who living directly under and near the Chinese are supposed to have learnt something of Chinese civilisation. In the second are the Sheng Fan, the wilder tribes who live behind. The name of the tribe of Tibetans who inhabit the country between Yang-pu Shan and Shui-pi-kou just passed through by Pereira is Hsia (lower) T'ieh-po. They are under the Prince of Choni, who also rules the Shang (upper) T'ieh-po farther to the north-west.

From Chengtu to Choni, Pereira estimated the cost at \$1287 and spent \$1244. The average cost per day was \$15.95. During the whole journey from Chengtu to Choni he met only four Europeans—all missionaries. At Choni he stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Hansen of the Christian and Missionary Alliance (American).

Leaving Choni on March 7, Pereira arrived that day at T'ao-chow, New City, 11 miles distant. The Prince insisted on coming to see him off outside the city and upon entertaining him in very comfortable "kung-kuan" in T'ao-chow. He also sent five mounted men under an officer as escort. It was a wretched, cold, dull, windy day. The snow was half thawed and the