

followed up the Pa Chu, 20 or 30 yards wide, with a strong current and clear water. The valley was from 2 to 400 yards wide and the hills from 700 to 1000 feet high. In this valley were about a dozen small Tibetan villages, mostly of from six to eight houses, and small fields of barley. And Pereira saw a snake eighteen inches long, a marmot and three or four bittern. At 18 miles he passed Shin-tai, a village of forty houses, where there was a large square wall of stones which looked like a ruined temple. And at $22\frac{1}{2}$ miles he reached Jye-kundo, 11,820 feet, a poor city of mud houses built on the hill-side, the camp and the yamen being about half a mile off in the valley of the Pa Chu.

From Tangar to Jye-kundo was $518\frac{3}{4}$ miles, and Pereira had accomplished the journey in thirty-six stages exclusive of eight days' halt. But his horses and mules were thoroughly exhausted on arrival.