

hemp rags underneath. They wore turbans and had bare legs. The only woman Pereira saw close had a blue robe extending to the knee, hemp rags underneath, a red sash round her waist, and her hair, dressed as a pigtail, was coiled round her head. Another woman, better dressed, had a turban, but fled before Pereira could get near her.

A log hut occupied by a bachelor was inspected. The bed was an inclined plank with a piece of wood for a pillow. For furniture there were a few wicker baskets and some cooking pots. The man and a friend were just starting on a bird-shooting expedition and were armed with old Chinese flint-locks. Their chief food seemed to be maize.

The road continued along the ridge above this village at $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Pien-wu. At $11\frac{3}{4}$ miles Wei-sha, fifteen scattered houses, was reached, its elevation being 6745 feet.

On August 3 Pereira marched $20\frac{1}{4}$ miles to Ta-Liu. After a short climb and a very steep descent there was a bigger climb out of a very steep and rocky ravine to the Wa-la-p'ung slope, where there was an easy road along the top with hills on the left and grand views over the valley on the right towards ranges beyond. At $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles there were some very steep rocky ascents up a beautifully wooded glen, and then an easier climb to the top of the Ping-chün P'o, 8080 feet, at $6\frac{3}{4}$ miles, and a farther steep climb to the top of Yeh-ya-t'an Ya-k'ou, 8520 feet, at $8\frac{3}{4}$ miles. From the top there were more grand views down the valley, which was bounded by high ranges