along the chain of lakes, situated at their northern base. In this introduction I shall desist from giving a general statement of their results. The Transhimalaya stands to the West in close connection with the Karakorum system, and on this account I have occasion to come back in Vol. IV of this work, as being the right place, both to a general view of the different chains of the Transhimalaya, described in Vol. III, and to their orographical relation to the mountains of the Karakorum.

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