



HAMI

Hami consists of 3 towns. *Sincheng* surrounded by quite a small, neglected wall with two gateways without gates. In the N, E and S it is enclosed by a large suburb, the houses of which come up to the very wall. The W wall facing the river valley is free and has a small annexe, in which there are a couple of Government buildings. The suburb ends in the N in an abandoned small impanj, the wall of which is partly in ruins. A small impanj, occupied by a cavalry tchi, stands W of the river valley. A small building, surrounded by a crenellated wall, is visible in a clump of trees to the NNW. NW of the cavalry impanj there are the remains of a fortress wall, the southern part of which has fallen to pieces. — *Laocheng*, the actual town, is surrounded by a wall, 3 1/2 fathoms