

not only of the lofty, snow-clad range separating Raskam from the Kulan Urgi valley, but also of the lofty peaks near the Kukalung Pass and of the range on the north-eastern side of the Kulan Urgi valley. By ascending a low peak close to the pass, Ram Singh was able to see mountains far distant in other directions, and easily identified Muz Tagh Ata. Having ascertained the altitude of the pass by means of the hypsometer, we began the descent, which for a couple of hundred feet was very steep, but afterwards became easier. A little beyond a spring of water the track left the valley and led up to another but easier pass, near which we suddenly came on a herd of burrhel. We were now approaching level ground, and, as we trudged on towards the end of our troubles, we thought with complacency of the eleven passes, averaging about 14,000 feet, which we had crossed in fourteen marches. We had still jungle before us, and this retarded the progress of the yaks along the narrow valley on the south side of the second pass, but at length, though darkness overtook us, we reached Issok Bulok Agzi without mishap.