

with 900 inhabitants, who lived chiefly on fish and dates. In the neighbourhood a fine natural water reservoir where spring water bubbles out of the steep cliffs. There are several springs in the country. At Ormara itself good water can be obtained by digging wells $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet deep; it soon becomes brackish.

January 16. Swamp after the last rain; at the camp the river Bussole, plenty of water but muddy; fodder sufficient; natives scattered here and there; arboreal vegetation. The 17th: the chief branch of the Bussole delta had 3 feet of water, and was difficult for the camels to cross; tilled land, sand and alluvium alternately; the country is dependent on rain for its water, and its wheat is poor. At the camp a river-bed, water, grazing, and fodder in sufficient quantity; the neighbourhood is inhabited. The 18th: numerous rain furrows. Camp at a stream called Koondree with a natural reservoir which never dries up. Sufficient grazing. Camp at the Shori river; good water, fodder, and barley procurable. The 20th: very good river water. The 21st: Pussnee, a village of 70 huts of pole sand mats; brackish well. 24th: rain-water, or wells can be dug to a depth of 3 or 4 feet. Other necessaries in sufficient quantities. 25th: a swiftly flowing stream, the Shinzanee, renders a *détour* necessary. At the camp sufficient supplies of everything necessary.

26th. Several small brooks are passed, and the Savaru which is called "a formidable river." Cultivated land; fifteen inhabited places in the country; grazing camels in large numbers. At the camping-ground, rain-water, date palms, horse fodder and sufficient camel grazing. 28th: palms and other trees; fishermen and boatmen; the Barumba, a river with little water. On January 29, Gwadar was reached, a town with palm trees. "Here we found supplies of all necessary kinds, and abundance of good water from the wells."

It should be remarked that Goldsmid's journey was accomplished in a more favourable season than Alexander's. But the description of Captain S. B. Miles, who began his journey on October 14, does not give a worse impression