



24. PANORAMIC VIEW TAKEN FROM SNOWY COL ON WATERSHED OF MAIN K'UN-LUN RANGE, NORTH OF THE UPPERMOST KARA-KASH VALLEY, AT AN ELEVATION OF ABOUT 20,000 FEET ABOVE SEA-LEVEL.

The panorama comprises about half of the horizon, extending from east (left) to west (right). The approximate positions of the cardinal points are indicated above the panorama. On the extreme left are seen the snow slopes and the crest (A) of a high massif, culminating in a triangulated peak of 23,071 feet. The highest point of the crest visible from the col does not fall within the portion of the panorama reproduced. To the south-east, just by the slope of the great ridge, appears the triangulated peak K₁, 21,750 feet (B), and below it the valley which probably gives access to the 'Yangi Dawan' of Johnson. Beyond the valleys farther south (C) visibility extended to high Tibetan plateaux with dry salt lake-beds. Above the valley marked (D) appears the range flanking the uppermost Kara-kash River from the south. The snowy dome to the south-west (E) rises to over 21,000 feet and forms part of the crest-line of the K'un-lun. Below, in the foreground, is the snowy col of the watershed (F), overlooking névé beds which feed the glacier of an unexplored valley trending to the north.