and other necessaries. Fortunately we were able to secure among them eight or nine porters, without whom it would have been quite impossible to transport our indispensable baggage and instruments over the very difficult ground before us. Our queer guide Pasa, the yak-hunter, had told me that the tracks by which we were to make our way to the glacier sources of the Yurung-kash would be practicable only for men and possibly donkeys. So I had the baggage cut down to the barest minimum, leaving everything the ten donkeys with us could not carry to be taken back by the ponies to our Ulugh-köl depot.

conflix or surreners it would take to explore all this worlde "I' use forbidding Alpine world in detail. The long hours spent at our stations over work with theodolite, planetales, and camera were made most trying by the icy blasts securing the caretts of the ridges, and our fingers were strumbed a hile hat alling the instruments. I he poor miners, too, whom we engaged to carry our insecured this sage televise exposure badly even while the sto share brightly, and the man whom I had to keep atouching levels the legs of who cament stand, to steady it, while the panetanic work slowly proceeded, had to be changed er ev ten numutog, or so to afford relief to his half-frozen but out reward was Ample, and to the miners, too, sheir well-paid exertions afforded a welcome change from their wretiked businging in dark pits. In the end I gained their confidence sufficiently to obtain information about retuin gold pits which were once worked at points lower down by the precipitous banks of the Yurang-kash, and also about a difficult foure, long suspected by ane, which led to the latter right Meross the main range moin, and heads witters of the Cenju Kiver. But we had neither timelities sur plies to waste over a descent down the valley, where the river still in full thood would make any crossing impossibles the Entite mines, accessible only during a few summer monute, are now aimost deserted, the total annual product tion of gold raised with difficulty, by the Amban's congression amounting to about 300 ounces. The small groups to miners tolight in this gloomy gorge are practically all bonds slaves of the contractor, who advances their supplies, alothing,