No.11 View on the descent from Kalee Mundee Pass to Munsaree, the winter residence of the Bhoteahs of Juwahir (Kali Mandi Pass to Mansari in Johar pargana, Almora district)



Water-colour painting of mountains in Almora District by James Manson (1791-1862), c.1826. This image is from an album of 12 drawings of landscapes in Almora (Uttar Pradesh). Uttar Pradesh in northern India is bordered by Bihar to the east, Madhya Pradesh to the south, Rajasthan, Delhi, Himachal Pradesh and Haryana to the west and Uttaranchal and Nepal in the north.

The region has a rich variety of scenery encompassing open stretches of meadow, dense forests, snow-capped mountains and perennial rivers most notably the Yamuna and the Ganga, the two holy rivers of Indian mythology. This region has traditionally been a popular retreat from people escaping the heat of the Indian plains.