## MEMOIR

## RELATIVE TO A SURVEY OF KEMAON;

Wilh some Account of the Principles, upon which it has been conducted. By Captain Webb,


11HE progrefs made in the furvey of $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{six}}$ иoninduces me to fubmit ati abfract of the refults before His Excellency the Commander in Chief, prefaced by a fhort memoir, not merely to exhibit, what has been done, but with a view to obtain inftructions, as to the degree of minutenefs, with which it may be deemed expedient, that the furvey in queftion . hould be made up.

The number of places, whofe latitudes, longitudes, and elevations, iare included in the annexed catalogue, is confiderably greater, than that "of places on, and near the Ganges river, by Mr. R. Burrow." which latter forms the bafis, on which the whole map of this fide of India has been made to reft.

Ir it is'not required, that the map of Krmaion fhould be more detail--ed, than thofe of other diftricts under this Prefidency, it may be fuffcient to fill up the work by routes and information: the prefent lift of - etevations may alone, be fufficient to convey a general idea of the phytral afpect of the country.

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But as great attention has been attracted to furveys of this nature, fince M. Humboldt's account of New Spain has been publifhed, and from other confiderations, it is probable, that the work will be thought incomplete, if not accompanied by vertical fections. Hitherto the want of barometers, none having yet reached me in ferviceable condition, has prevented my attempting a continued fection, which could fcarcely be effected by geomerrical methods only, as no continued lines 'of stations could be felected, the diftances of which can be determined with fufficient accur cy for this purpofe.

It might alfo be defirable, that fome approach to a phyfical map fhould be had, with a view to facilitate geological and mineralogical refearches, which may by poffibility, lead to important canfequences. It cannot be doubted, that the mountain diftricts contain the precious metals, from the well known fact, that the lands of almoft every mountain fiream are affiduoully wafhed for gold at the points, where their rapidity diminithes The tribe of people, who follow this avocation, are denominated Boksa, and their employment is by general report attended with ample profit. The gold dutt fupplied by the rivers of Africa, has long made an opinion current in Europe, that fome lofty central land exifts, which may rival South America in its mines of the precious metals-and the fame fpeculation feems no lefs applicable to the mountains of central Afia.

Ihave it alfo in view to point out a fervice of great practical uility. which may be derived to geography from a knowledge of the true pofition and elevation, of feveral fnowy peaks in the Himáláya chain, of which my furvey already includes upwards of thiry, and mof of them are vifible from the plains.

With fcarcely an exception, furveys in Bengal have been made by the compafs and perambulator only, and thofe who have had much
experience in meafurements of this defcription, are well aware, that five miles in an hundred is not an impolfible error.

The known pofitions of fnowy peaks afford a ready mode for deter-. mining the true geographical place of any fation, from whence they: are vifible, and may therefore be applied to the correqion of maps. compiled from raute furveys of the defcription juft named. It may. be well to detail the feveral cafes, in which they may be fo applied, and I have appended to this memoir examples of maft of them, from. which . a tolerably correct idea may be formed, of the degree of accuracy, which may be expected to attend the refults.

CASE 1stin:
Threr fnowy peaks, the geographical pofitions of which are known. being vifible from any place or ftation.-and the horizontal angles they $y_{4}$ fubtend at that ftation being obferved-the diftance of the fation from, each peak, together with its latitude and longitude, become known alfo.

## CASE 2 $\mathrm{Da}_{\text {an }}$

The latitude of 2 fation being oblerved, and allo the true azimuth: of a fingle known peak-the diftance between the peak and the:fation, and the longitude of the latier, become known alfo.
CASE 3D

The angle of elevation ofany peak; the heighth and pofition of which are known, being oblerved, and the heighth of. the ftation being alfa, known-thefe data are competent to give the diftance between the peak and the ftation; and if the azimuth of the peak be obferved, the latitude and longitude of the place of obfervation become known alfo., This cafecomprifes the methodiadverted to by Mumboldt in his " Geographical Effay," under the denomination of "Vertical Bales," and which he appears; to bave adopted very extenfively. . The furvey of a mountain province may thus be accomplifhed by aid of bao
rometrical oblervations only, and with extreme accuracy; if the flations be not very remote from each other, and are fo chofen, that their relative differeace of elevation fhall be confiderable.

CASE 4ta.
Ths diftance and heighth of a known peak, together with its obfervsed angle of elevation, give the abfolute heighth of the ftation of obferva-cion-or, if this be known, the prevailing degree of refraction may be obtained: which latter it may fomerimes be important to know; far to the weftward for inftance, where the furface of the country undulates confiderably, or within the mountains.

CASE 5 rf.

- As; by fome of the foregoing, the true diftance; and relative pofiuion of two or more ftations on the plains of India; may be correctly found, it follows, that the true pofitions of fnowy peaks, not at prefent known, as well as their altitude, may be found, and that fuch peaks will again enable an obferver to determine the pofition of any number of fations on the plain, or within the mountains, from whence they may be xiable.

Ir appears, therefore, that the pofitions of fnowy peaks, already obtained by my furvey, are amply fufficient to correit the geography of a vaft belt of country : the breadth of which, in a foutherly direction from the Himalija range, averages from one hundred to one hundred and thirty miles, and in length fomewhat exceeds that of the range dughe.

THe general direction of the Inowy chain is from W. N. W. to T. S. H. nearly, to which of courfe the belt is parallel, and if from fuch a dine even perambulator routes were furveyed in a foutherly direction, fo as to make but fmall angles with the meridian, the error in mea-
furement would not fenfibly vitiate the longitude of the place come to, which is the element moft difficult to obtain. That error would affect the latitude almof exclugively, and every tyro in practical aftronomy can correct the latitude by celeftial oblervation to withia a few fathoms of the truth; and thus it appears, that the limits of geographical correction, for which a means is offered by a knowledge of the pofitions of peaks in the Himálaye chain, may be made to extend far beyond the pointio, at which the peaks themfelves ceafe to be vifible.

## Principles upon which the Survey of Kemaon has been condu:Ted.

The bale is a line, nearly in the direction of the meridian. The latitude of the fation, at either extremity, having been carefully obferved with a circular inftrament, and the angle of an azimuth made by one of them with a meridian paffing throu,h the other, aftronomically determined, the length of the bafe was calculated with thofe data. The value of the meridional degree is allumed to be 60,600 fathoms.

From the bafe fo obtained, triangles were extended in the ufual manner, the three angles being obferved in all practicable cafes. : The fides of thefe were next computed in order, by plane trigonometry, the inftrument made ufe of being divided only to 20 of a degree.

The latitudes of the feveral ftations were now calculated, the angle of azimuth being in all cafes either referred to the orginal bale, or aftronomically computed. In every inftance of trial, the latitude computed from the furvey agreed with celeftial obfervation, fo nearly, as to leave it doubtful, which might be in error.

Bur it was defirable to have a fation of verification; if I mayy fos term it, as far fouth as poffible, and I felected Piltbit for this purpofe. The geographical pofition of the great mofque at that place fidd beengiven by Mri Burrowin this catalogue, and I puppofed adopting it, ass the firf meridian of my furvey; by which: means, my map would be. immediately connected with that of Rohilkhandi; and I referved the verio. fying of the abfolute longitude of Pilibhit, till leifure and opportuni-. ty fhould permit. me to make a: feries of obferwations, correfpondent: uith others at the Madras. Observatoay for that purpofe.

The fnowy peaks, Nos. XIII, XIX, and XXV, are diftinctly vifiblefrom a grove, near the town, which became meftation, and $F$ was enabledi to connect it with a minaret of the great mofque by a fingle triangle, one fide of which was meafured. The true azimuth of the minaret, and the diftance foo obtained, gave its difference of latitude from my flation $0^{\circ} 5^{\circ} \mathbf{0}_{4}$, foutherly. Alfo the latitudes of the fnowy peaks, as fixed by my furvey, were refpectively,

The horizontal angles, fubtended by the abovementioned peaks. mere obferved, and their feveral azimuths aftronomically computed.

Assuming the pofition of the fnowy pealk to have been truly given. by my furvey, I computed, ( as in Cafe 1 ft , ) their refpétive diftances . from my ftation; which came out by the calculation as under;

$$
\text { XIII }=97291 \text { fathoms. } \quad X I X=98340 \text { fathoms. } \quad X X V=90030 \text { fathoms. }
$$

These diftances, computed with the true angles of azimuth, gave their differences of latitude, and confequently the latitude of my ftam. kion, and that of the molque as follows:


. This very exact refult may be admitted, as a proof of the correctnefs of the bafe, the fimalleft error in which would have been fenfibly felt, when its operation was extended to diftances approaching to ten times its own length, or nearly one hundred thoufand fathorns.

I Next-computed the differences of longitude of all the fations from Pilibhit, ufing, what is generally-termed, a table of meridional parts for that purpofe. It was not till a month ago, that I was much gratified by finding, that M. Humboldr had adopted the fame method in his fuevey of Mexico, and that he had even ufed the fame table, that given by Mendoza de Rios...

Being now affured, that the diftances given by my furvey were truftworthy, it became neceflary to determine the heighth of the feveral ftations above Rohilkhand, and approximately above the fea; but the weather became hazy at Pilibhit, and it was not till my arrival at Cásipur; that a favorable opportunity for this purpofe prefented itfelf.

The fowy peaks, Nos. XI, XII, XHI; XIV, are diftinetly vifible from Cásipur ; and their refpective heighths above that'place; and allo above Cálí Mal'h; a high mountain near Almora, were calculated from their obferved angles: of elevation at each. The refraction being allowed at ${ }_{r}$ 'r of the intercepted arch, though it is not probable; that exachly the fame, degree prevailed at the mountain ftation, and that on the plain, gave refults as under:


The preceding differences, fhould, of courfe, be exactly equal to each other, but the uncertainty with refpect to the refraction due, together with the poffible errors of obfervation, at both ftations, are more than fufficient to account for the existing difcrepancy. The mean of the whole is taken as the heighth of Cali Math above the plains of Rohilkhand, and Casipur is ellimated to be 650 feet above the fea, which cannot be very wide of the truth.

Ale the heighths of places within the hills, have been referred to this alitude of Cáli Mal'h, either directly, or with intermediate flations; alfo ${ }_{T} \frac{2}{8}$ of the intercepted arch, has been uniformly allowed for the effect of refraction, in computing the altitude of fnowy peaks, and $\frac{1}{i^{2}}$ of the fame arch, for all points below the inferior limit of congelation.

Ir is at prefent my opinion, that both thefe quantities exceed the medium effect of refraction; under the circumftances, in which the oblervations are made, and though it is not necellary to exaggerate heighths, already enormous, I am inclined to believe, that all the elevationsे err a little in defect, in confequence of having ufed them.

Ir remains to thex examples of the cafes I have fuggeted, in which the known pofitions of fnowy peaks may be ufefully applied to the connection of geographical maps, conftructed from perambulator meafurements.

## CASE 1st.

Thit computations at Pidibhit, an abstract of which I heve already given, furnilh an example of this kipd; and it has been fhown, that the. latitudes of the place of obfervation as obtained feverally, from three. very distant fnowy peaks, da not differ from each other more than a fingle fecond. It may therefore be prefumed, thet the diftanceis and' equally correct, or that the error upon any one of them does not exceed. twenty fathoms.

On account of its great fimplicity, I fubjoin a graphical folution of the problem in that particular infonge.


Is the preceding diagram the fation near Pilibhit is reprefented by $P$. A, $B, C$, are the fnowy peaks, Nos. XIII, XIX, XXV, refpectively; $P A, P B, P C$, their diftances from the ftation; $P d, P d, P d^{\prime}$ their dif: ferences of latitude. PN is a meridiap pafing through the flation. The things known are marked with a line ( ${ }^{\prime}$ ) the things required with acypher (0).

> CASE 2D:

Is that mof likely to occur in practice, as it affords a means of coms puting the longitude of the fation from oblervations of a fingle known peak:

İ fuppores to be knowh, the co-latitude of the peak, the co-latitude of the fation, and the angle of pofition at the latter; to find the arch of diftance, and the angle made by their meridians at the pole, or which is the fame thing, their difference of longitude.

The following are inftances; in which I have computed the longitude of places in Rohilcuind by this method.

The firit ftation is a walled garden a little to the eaftward of the town of Cäsipur, four fnowy peaks were vifible and gave the longiude as below :


The longitude of Cásiftur according to Mr. Bursow is $78^{\circ} 5 t^{\prime}$ being $2^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$ more eafterly. But the longitudes given by Mr: Burrow are deduced from aftronimical obfervation entirely, and he himfelf fug. \#efts that fome of them miay be as much as five minutes in error.

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The next fation is the village Chemrowa, in the Rampur jaghir.


The third and laft example was obtained at the fort of Afrelgerh.


The frowy peaks, Nos. VI and Vilif, are comprifed in the cluftef fuppofed to be Badarinath, and by a reference to the conditions of the triangle, which affigns their pofition, they will be found fo unfavorable as not to promife a refult of great exactness.

Ir will allo be oblerved, that the angles made by the azimuths of the eaftern peaks with the meridian are very confiderable, and that the fmalleft error in the affumed latitude or azimuth, will produce a very fenfible effect, under thefe circumftances.

Thblongitude of Afzelgerh by Mr. Bunrow is $78^{\circ} 33^{\prime} 40^{\prime \prime}$, or calterly of mine $1^{\prime} 3 \mathcal{F}^{\prime \prime}$.

The difference of longitude between Pilibhit and Cásipur, is by Mr. Burrow $2^{\prime \prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$ lefs than by my furvey. And the difference of longitude between Cásipuir and Afzelgerk is $0^{\prime} 35^{\prime \prime}$ greater, than by me $\dot{j}_{j}$ although his fation at the former place, was to the wefiward of miné.

AND it is evident, that though the errors of aftronomical obfervations may be plus or minus, indifcriminately, fuch cannot be the cafe with
trigonometrical deductions from fixed points. I have ufed the fame peak No. XII and XIII both at Cäsïpur and Afzelgerńn.

CASES 3 and 4.
Idave already noticed that to attain great accuracy by thefe methods, the difference of heighth of the ftations fhould be confiderable, and the diftance not very great; efpecially when the angle of elevation or depreffion, can be obferved at one ftation only. Not being provided with barometers, I have no fuch example to offer, as I could wifh, or as the methods themfelves are fully fufficient to afford;

When the arch of diftance is very great, and the angle of elevation extremely fmall, the varieties to which the refractive fate of the atmofphere is fubject, will alone occafion difcrepancies of valt amount.' That this is the cafe, will be clearly feen by the following approximations, in which I have fuppofed the ftations to be precifely on the fame level with Cäsipur, which is not of courfe, ftrielly true.

## STATION AFZELGERH, EXAMPLE I.

| Hefraction. | - | $\frac{1}{12}$ | $\frac{1}{15}$ | $\frac{1}{17}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Distance No. XII. by rase 3il, ..... Pruc Distance of No. XII.......... | $\begin{aligned} & 77820 \\ & \mathbf{7 8 8 4 3} \end{aligned}$ | 80266 78843 | $\begin{aligned} & 79424 \\ & 78843 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 79018 \\ & 78843 \end{aligned}$ |
| Error | -1023 | +1423 | +581 | +175 |


| Refraction | - | $\frac{7}{12}$ | $\frac{1}{18}$ | $\frac{1}{2} 5$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Distance No. XIII. hy case 3J.d.... True Distance No. Xlli.....-大i... | $\begin{aligned} & 79779 \\ & 80895 \end{aligned}$ | $82310$ | $\begin{aligned} & 81403 \\ & 80895 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 80926 \\ & 80895 \end{aligned}$ |
| Errors... ........................... | -1116 | +1493 | +508 | +31 |


| Refraction. | $\bullet$ | $\frac{1}{12}$ | İ | $\frac{1}{24}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Distance No. XV. bv case 3d. l'rue Distance No. XV. | $\begin{aligned} & 87107 \\ & 89018 \end{aligned}$ | $00558$ $89018$ | $\begin{aligned} & 89371 \\ & 80018 \end{aligned}$ | 88812 89018 |
| Errors....d | -1911 | +1540 | +363 | -206 |

STATION CHAMROW A, EXAMPLE II:

| Refraction. | - | $\frac{1}{18}$ | $\frac{1}{15}$ | 17 | $\frac{1}{13}$ | $\frac{1}{12}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Distance No. XII. by Conse 3d...... Prue Distanca, of No. XII. | $\begin{aligned} & 94679 \\ & 98578 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 97397 \\ & 98578 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 97979 \\ & 98578 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 98252 \\ & 98578 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 98485 \\ & 98578 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 98831 \\ & 98578 \end{aligned}$ |
| Errere., | -3899 | -1181 | -699 | -326 | -93 | +253 |

The true diftances of the foowy peaks, which have been ufed as 2 . flandard of comparifon in the preceding examples, were derived by Cafe 2d.

Ir feems reafonable to infer, that the refractive fite of the atmosphere demanded an allowance, in the firft example, equal to about $\frac{1}{24}$ of the intercepted arch, and in the fecond to $\frac{1}{13}$ nearly.

Had the mean fate of refraetion; which I'allume to be $\frac{1}{10}$ for frowr peaks, been ufed in thefe inftances by a traveller, defirous to know his. place in the map, his conclufion would have been erroneous by about. $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile, at $A f z e l g e r h ;$ and by fomething lefs than $1 \frac{1}{2}$ mile at Chamrowa. He might fill, however, confole himfelf with reflecting, that; even were it poffible to find a level road to the Himailaya, a derambulator furveyor could not meafure the diftance, after many day's labor, with any chance of obtaining it focorrectly, as it had been thus acquired. by an obfervaton, which was made and computed in twenty minutes.

I cannor at prefent offer an example of the $5^{\text {th }}$ Cafe, as no fnowy peak is vifible from any purt of Rohilcund, where I have been, the pofistion of which is not already cilablifhed by my furvey of Kamaon.

## Catalogue of Places, with their respective Latitudes, Lengitudes, and

Elevation above the Sea, as derived from a survey of Kemaon.
By Captain W. S. Wbbb, Surveyor.


| No. Names of Places. - | Latitudes. | Longitudes. | Elevations |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Meighths above Aseot. (Station.) 0 eoo | 2945468 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \bullet \\ 80 & \text { © } \\ 50.8 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Fret. } \\ & 5502.9 \end{aligned}$ |
| Síacot Temple. .... ..... ...0.0 | 294828.9 | 8053 | 6809.1 |
| Bárah Bishí Peak. ... ..... ....0 | 2912499 | 80 ¢ 40 I | 78054 |
| Rúa Poik. .... .... .... .... | 295835.5 | 80638.9 | 9847.4 |
| 55 Cut ligerlo Fort, .... .... .... | 2924139 | 7953384 | 6321.7 |
| Bancu Penk. ..... ..... .... .... | 292036.1 | $\begin{array}{llll}80 & 3 & 7.3\end{array}$ | 6061.2 |
| Bynt'hari Fot. (Doteo.) | 29339.7 | 8015583 | 5543.2 |
| Calí Nágh Peak. ..... .... ....0 |  | $\begin{array}{llllll}79 & 57 & 13.4\end{array}$ | 7898. |
| Chará'ék'h P. (in Dulee.) ........ | 293455.9 | 80 is 0.4 | 6544.4 |
| 60 Roulacot. (Ditto.)... .. ....0 | 293316.7 | 802486 | 8291.2 |
| Go'al Lékb P. (Ditto.). . .... | 29291.9 | 801457 | 8194.8 |
| Chanmunis Temple. ..... ..... . . | 293641.8 | 791135.9 | 0.355 .7 |
| Gupat Gangá Peak. . . ... | 293731.9 | 796257.6 | 7192.2 |
| Asú Chúla Tomple. ...0. ....... | $\begin{array}{llllll} & 99 & 37 & 31.9\end{array}$ | $80 \quad 111.4$ | 7034.9 |
| 65 Cumbhpúr Temple. ..... ..... ..... | 293817.5 | 7915344 | 6306.9 |
| Cat'h rí Na'o Fort. | 2935467 | 79 0 32.4 | 4978.1 |
| Lobahger'h Fort. ...., | $\begin{array}{llll}29 & 58 & 4.3\end{array}$ | 791053.3 | 6357.7 |
| Ascet Village. ${ }^{\text {a }}$..... | 294517.5 | 801035.9 | 6016.7 |
| Chipala Peak. (Bătan.) .. .. .... | 295442.1 | 801659.5 | 13455.1 |
| 70 Ráníshica P. (Dotí) .... ..... | 2946415 | 80241.2 | 10132.3 |
| Shice P. (Dito.) ........... | 2944349 | 802110.5 | 9.76 .3 |
| Chand Nagh P. .... ........ .0. | 293737.3 | $80 \quad 356$ | 70787 |
| Mount Lébug (Snmmit of the Pass. (a) | 301943.3 | 802724.9 | 18870.6 |
| Goh Villuge. (Bútan.).... .... | 301440.5 | 802245.5 | 11488.8 |
| 75 Edge of the Calf R. below Ascot... |  |  | 3273.2 |
| Deo Dhúa Temple. ................ | 292433 | 794317 | 6669.6 |
| Khilpatí Stockado. .... . . . . . . . . . | 292130 | 80044 | 6324.8 |
| Chamával Cantonmeat. | 291945 | 795617 | 5467.5 |
|  | $\begin{array}{llll}29 & 25 & 27 \\ 29 & 38 & 20\end{array}$ | 79 <br> 9610 <br> 9 | 6837.8 3889. |
| Sitelí Stockade. | 293613 | 79298 | 5187. |
| Munat Brawne. | 293644 | 793046 | 5705 |
| St. Mark's Towe | 293540 | 793098 | 5104 |
| Eort Almora. | 293530 | 79300 | 6337 |
| 85 Cutár Mall. | 293722 | 79275 | 5144 |
| Simionca Peak. (Bứan\ ..... | 201846 | 802849.9 | 106092 |
| Jrútí Village. (Ditto, )..... | 29 57.40.1 | 809624.7 | 6310 |
| Soowy Peakab. Golaglíí (Himalaya.) | 29819 | 803238 | 21150. |
| Taugling Ghaí. (Búsan.) :...0 | 30112 | 802715 | 11651.6 |
| 90 Runju Village. (Ditto.) :... | 305748 | 602595 | 6779 |
| Saíusura Viilage. (Ditto, )....... | 295532 | 802845 | 6211.8 |
| Cíla, or Seealpant. (Ditto.) $\qquad$ Cíla Bridge over the Dhilí R. (Do.) | 295630 | 802536.8 | 5218.6 |
| Cíla Bridge over the Dhilí R. (Do.) Confluence of Réla Gher \& Calí |  |  | 3811.2 |
| R. (Ditto.) | 295356 | 80240 | 3721.8 3924.8 |
| 95 Camp below Láma. (Ditto ) •000 | 295418 | 802345.8 | 6564.8 |
| Júma Village, (Bootan.) .... | $\begin{array}{llll}29 & 58 & 57\end{array}$ | 802387 | 5886.5 |
| Rathí (Ditlo,) -0.0 | 296527 | 202415 | 5931.2 |
| Shacúrí ( $\mathrm{Di}_{\text {itog }}$ ) •.... | 294831 | 80016 | 44132 |
| Diogat'har, Village | 294793 | 795656 | 42248 |
| 00 Thal Debís Temple. | 294811 | 795252 | 5128.1 |
| Khene Village. •0.0. neoo..... ...... | 295043 | 795152 | 5717.4 |
| Mantu.cí Tíáo. (TemNo.) ..... ..... | 294810 | 798145 | 5703.5 |
| Odiarí Vlilage. .-... . . . . . . . . | 294612 | 795353 | 5375.3 |
| Dhandulú. Dilıo, ............ | 294643 | 795438 | 4341.3 |
| 0s Bédéra. Ditto, ャ... $0 \cdot \infty$ | 298031 | 795168 | 5730.6 |
| Loha Thed Ditto, ........... | 295081 | 795333 | 6734.8 |
| Desaulí Saulí | 295120 | 78120 | 5618.4 |


(d) 4 shihabutra, or Sat'hí at the southern extremity of the lake.

## REFERENCES.

No. 73, (a.) With extreme difficulty, and I may: add, with extreme peril, I was fortunate enough to accomplifh the paffage of Lébúg Gháti, without accident on the 6th of June 1816.

Nos. 324,125 , (b,) (c.) The new road from Bamauri to Almora, recently conftructed at the expence of the Britilh Government, croffes both thefe points.

No. 126, (d.) The fhape of the lake Bhim Tál approaches more nearly to a triangle, than to any other regular figure, the length of the - longeft fide is 'about a mile, and that of the fhorteft five furlongs. Its extent appears to have been much greater at fome former period; and the diminution it has experienced, is evidently to be attributed to de'polition by the ftreams flowing into it. There is fill depth of water
fufficient for a firlt rate line of battle fhip to ride at apchor: Lieut. Stepien, who had 2 fmall canoe on the lake, fruck foundings in 64 feet or nearly in fathoms, about the central parts, and the banks fhelve very rapidly.
'Approximation e; the pofition of the pafs leading to Taclacot is already given by my furvey; the direction.of Taclucot was pointed to The north $82^{\circ}$ eaft from thence, and its diftance from the eaftern defcent is one day's journey for laden goats; the above bearing, with a borizontal diffance of eight miles from the fummit of the pafs, cannot give a very erroneous pofition to Taclacot.

The direction of Manfaroour was alfo defaribed to me by many perfons, who had vifited it to be about north $30^{\circ}$ eaft from Taclacot and the diftance two day's journey, for laden goats, which as the road is level may perhaps be 14 miles.

By this information 1 have afligned, what I imagine to be the geo. graphical pofition nearly of the monafery, mentioned by Mr. Moorcrort, and which I conclude to be fituated on the weftern bank of the lake, but as Manfarovar is ftated to be of an elliptical fhape, and to have its diameters equal to eleven and feven miles refpectively, it feems at leaft probable that the latitude and longitude, I have given will fall fomewhere within the limits of the lake itfelf efpecially if it be remembered, that the place at which my information was obtained, is not fo much as twenty miles diftant from Manfarovar.

All the Tartars and Bhatias who were with me were of opinion, that the eaftern defcent of Taclacot Ghati was not greater than the wes* tern, and hence we may conclude that the elevation of the lofty table
land of central Afia is nearly the fame, as that of the Deba's camp. (No. 114 , ) or 14,500 feet above the level of the fea.

Although feveral of the preceeding latitudes, and longitudes, are inferted to the tenth part of a fecond, as given by the calculations, it is by no means intended to convey an idea, that the principles, on which this furvey is conducted, can attain to that great degree of exactnefs.

Every figure of even the most trivial computation will be found. in the field books, which I have tranfmitted to the Surveyor General's Office : in fo much work, when the furvey in the field and all its dependant computations reft with an individual, a few errors may be ex'cufed; fome I have difcovered and corrected, though none have been pointed out to me, fome may fill remain.

Upon the whole, I flatter my felf, that in the more effential parts, this furvey will bear comparifon with any, that have been performed in Bengal; and 1 can only lament that-I have not been able to collect the materials into a map of fuitable external appearance.

