

trees, temples and monasteries, and on the tree⁵¹⁰ sides before mentioned it was enclosed by a sweeping and confused medly⁵¹¹ of low hills, which were now Covered with scanty tresbage⁵¹², and broken by numerous ravines through which I could trace the road leading to the petroleum wells not more than four miles distant, but I was unable to visit them. the whole area indeed looks very much like the bed of an ancient crater, when⁵¹³ summit had been Completely removed, the only open side of which is that next to the River, and resembles in some degree Doctor Danbery's description of the basins in Amergue⁵¹⁴, sand however almost amounting to a Coarse grit thickly interspersed⁵¹⁵ with quartose⁵¹⁶ pelibbs⁵¹⁷ Commotious⁵¹⁸ the extra soil and I saw Nothing in the Course of my short walk denoting volcanic Agency. Just before I set out the Tazee of Shombegnew arrived in a small boat padelled by ten or twelve men[.] he is evidently⁵¹⁹ a Chieftain⁵²⁰ and made great difficulty about sending a letter to the Resident which I was anxious to forward from hence but at last said he had nothing to say to it as Mounghmy akhla who had accompanied me from the Capital was the proper person[.] of this I was well aware and had been for some time[.] wondering at his impudence⁵²¹ in venturing to give opinions at all upon the Subject. there seemed however to be so much unwillingness on the point that I have given it up and will write to the Resident from Tsagoo, from whence Mounghmy akhla will return to Ava.-

<margin left: September 19th. 1830>

Mamboo⁵²² 18 Miles to Tsagoo Myoo about 9 ⁶/₁₀ Miles estimated distance.

We set out at 10 Minutes to 4 o'Clock this Morning and at 10 Minutes past 6 halted for breakfast at the village of wemazoot on the left bank which is more than half way to Memboo from hence⁵²³[.] I saw

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510. sic, three

511. var. of medley

512. sic, leafage(?)

513. sic, which

514. sic, America(?)

515. sic, interspersed

516. sic, quartzose

517. sic, pebbles or pellets

518. ???, *constitutes* or the like?

519. underline in text

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521. sic, impudence

522. spelling variant

523. sic, hence