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This little work on the Tibetan dialect spoken in the bikkim btate is dedicated, most respectfully,

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who has long manifested a special interest in linguistic and literary researches.

## TO THE READER.

THE writer of these pages has often wondered why those who spend so many months yearly at Darjiling never seem to take the slightest interest in the language spoken by the bulk of the population there. They may not be aware that the uncouth-sounding chatter of the Bhutias about the place is in reality a dialect of one of the great literary languages of Asia. differs in many particulars from Tibetan but on examination will be found full of interest, and by no means so barbarous a speech as is supposed. To acquire the Sikkim dialect might form a preliminary step to the study of the Tibetan tongue, which has been so long and strangely neg-Moreover, now that Sikkim is being fast opened out, the traveller, and especially the missionary, the sportsman and the soldier, will find a knowledge of this dialect most desirable. At any rate an exposition of this Bhutia speech, never previously analysed, is here made and presented to the public.

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The annexation of Sikkim has enhanced the importance of the language. In this Second Edition of my manual, the former issue (containing many errors unavoidable in the first investigation of a new tongue) has been revised throughout and the size more than doubled. Numerous sentences have been added to the colloquial exercises, together with several new sections. The lists in the appendix and the ample Vocabulary are likewise additional matter, now first printed.

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GRAHAM SANDBERG.

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#### INTRODUCTORY NOTE.

The state of Sikkim, which until 1801 was under the suzerainty of the Grand Lama of Lhasa, is that portion of the Eastern Himalaya Mountains which lies wedged in between the kingdom of Nepal and the independent territory of Bhutan. The northernmost point on the Tibetan frontier falls under Lat. 28°-7'30" N. and the southern apex lies in Lat. 27°5' N., barely ten miles north of Darjiling. Comprising as it does some of the highest and most rugged mountains in the world, as well as being rent and parcelled out in every direction by ravines and river-gorges of stupendous depth and labyrinthine course, the actual area of Sikkim cannot with certainty be estimated. However the theoretical superficies measured in one plane may be put down at 2684 square miles and not 1550 square miles as given in Hunter's Gazetteer. Moreover, before the Darjiling and Kalimpong districts were severed the area approached 4000 square miles.

"Sikkim" is only the Gurkha name of the territory we are dealing with. The Tibetan appellation is Dái-

jong (vulgarly *Dénjong*) or "rice district;" whilst the Lepchas or *Rong-pa* (i.e., "Ravine folk,") said to be the oldest occupants of the country, formerly styled it *Nelyang* but now call it *Ren-jong*.

In estimating the inhabitants of the country we shall naturally class with them the native population of Darjiling and Kalimpong, who, but for the recent overflux of Nepalese immigrants, are practically one with the Sikkim folk. Tribes of various races have settled in these mountainous regions; but the Déjong-pa or Bhutias everywhere predominate in Sikkim Proper; and these latter are being constantly augmented by accessions from their Tibetan and Bhutanese cousins. The rightful occupants of the country are apparently the Lepchas whose kings formerly were rulers here. But the Sikkim Bhutias can now fairly claim an historical connection with the land; and, though of Tibetan origin, by this time have acquired an autonomy and local characteristics of their own. This Tibetan race began to over-run Dén-jong or Sikkim some 350 years ago; and the first Bhutia King, P'unts'o Namgyal by name, assumed control here about the same year that King Edward VI. ascended the British Throne. These Bhutias came from the province of Tsang in Tibet and doubtless brought with them the then prevailing dialect of that province.

Both their sovereigns and their speech continued to the present day; but, alas, since the first issue of this little book, the kings have been suspended, and the Gye' po of Sikkim, whose ancestors so long had held the throne, is now a poor prisoner at Kursiong with less pay than a junior clerk in a Government office.

The Lepchas, also, have maintained their own language, and have a distinctive, and peculiarly beautiful series of characters in which it is written: nevertheless, the Bhutia folk being now in point both of numbers and of power the predominant people, we may, we think, not unreasonably speak of the Bhutia tongue as the Dénjong Ké or vernacular of Sikkim. The language in question is admittedly a Tibetan dialect-some doubtless would style it a corrupt Tibetan, because both in vocabulary and grammatical forms it differs from the speech of Lhasa. So far as pronunciation goes, however, it seems to be the speech of Lhasa which has acquired corruptions: whilst the Dénjong Ké, in common with the dialect of Balti beyond Ladák, has retained, in some notable instances, a purer method of pronunciation—at least a method more in accord with the ancient spelling.

It must not be supposed that the Dénjong dialect is the general speech of all Tibetans in Sikkim. Our tenancy of Darjiling has attracted many from the

mother country and elsewhere, who rarely use, though they may understand, the grammatical peculiarities of the Sikkim folk. In the Kalimpong district many families speak the Tibetan dialect of Bhutan. At Ghum are settled pure Tibetans and Wallung-pa from Nepal, who rather despise the Sikkim race. The Sharpa Bhutias, a cross race between the Lepchas and Bhutias, make use of the Dénjong vernacular.

The great divergence between the orthography and the pronunciation of Tibetan words is well known. In this respect the Sikkim speech has peculiarities of its own. Thus the kr. gr. &c., which in Tibetan are sounded as the cerebral t, d, &c., are here pronounced ky, gy, &c. As a dialect distinct from the general Tibetan language, the Dénjong Ké cannot claim to be called a written speech. Sikkim indeed in past years has been the native home of literary authors, both of the Lepcha and Bhutia race, who have issued works in their own respective languages. The heads of the two great Sikkim monasteries, Labrang and Tashiding, are always held to be incarnate lamas, having within them the spirits of two of the Buddhist apostles who converted the Lepchas (in part) and the Murmis to the latter faith. Two or three of the line of these incarnate ones have produced in their day religious works, written of course in classical Tibetan.

These were printed either at Nart'ang in Tibet or else in Khams. One popular Bhutia composition is said to be indigenous to Sikkim, where it is met with chiefly in M.S. form, namely, the *Bkrashis Gsung*. There also exists a Lepcha translation of the book.

The official language of Dénjong is Tibetan and in the Kalimpong and Darjiling districts our Government notices are printed collaterally in Bengali and Tibetan. Unfortunately the tendency under the new regime is to foist a foreign idiom on the people. Hindu clerks are employed in preference to Tibetans; and the "Bhutia Boarding School" has been turned into a mixed Hindustani academy!

The running hand employed in letters and business contracts, as written by the Lamas of Sikkim, appears to be rather different from that in general use in Tibet. We wish we could have reproduced a specimen epistle written to us by our friend P'unts'o Wangden, an accomplished caligraphist; but the expence of lithography must not be incurred, at least in the present form of this little book.

# **GRAMMAR**

OF THE

# DÉN-JONG LANGUAGE.

The sounds occurring in the Dén-jong dialect of Tibetan are these:—

#### CONSONANTS.

k; pronounced as the English k in "king."

kh; the aspirated k as in the Hindustani "khana."

g; as our hard g in "goat."

ng; occurring both as an initial and as a final; at the commencement of a word sounded something as our gn in "gnarled" but more nasal.

ch; as in our "church."

chh; the aspirated ch—as the ch and h taken together in sounding the words "reach-hither."

j; as in our "jam," but generally more aspirated.

ny; an initial whose sound may be learnt by pronouncing n and y together in such a word as "nyim."

t; as our t.

d; as in "den."

th; the aspirated t, not as our th but as t and h together in such a combination as "hit him" and as the Hindi: "thana." We shall represent this sound by t.

dh; d aspirated as the last letter, to be represented by d.

\*\* The four last-named letters sometimes occur with a slightly different sound. Instead of being pro-

nounced with the tongue touching the teeth or gums, they are varied by being sounded with the tongue put back and pressed against the front part of the roof of the mouth. They are then called *cerebrals*; and will be represented by the ordinary letters with a dot underneath.

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p; as in our "put."
ph: the last letter aspirated; not sounded as f, but
   as the p and h together in "top-heavy;" herein
   to stand as b'.
b: as the English b.
m; as in "mast."
ts: as in "lets," but always an initial, never a final.
ts'; same aspirated.
dz: our d and z sounded together as a rough z.
w; as our w in "woof."
zh: as the French j in "jujube"—a rough sh.
Z:
y;
        all as the English letters.
sh;
8;
 h:
        The k, g, and aspirated p, sounded with y
gy; immediately following; the last to be represented here by p'y.
hl; the l aspirated. Not unlike the sound of the
    Welsh double l.
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#### VOWELS AND DIPHTHONGS.

á; as a in "father."
a; as u in "fun."

- e; as a in "lane," but in 3-letter syllables as our e in "men."
- 1; as ee in "teem," but often as our i in "tin," e.g. in the Bhutia words min, rin, p'in &c.
- o; always as o in "stone," never as o in "pot," &c., except in potso "a boy" and about two other words.
- u; as oo in "Poona;" shorter than our oo in "pool"
- au; as au in "taught" or as ou in "ought."
- eu; as u in "cue."
- ai; the Tibetan mode of sounding their as; either like é as above, or more correctly as á followed rapidly by a very short i (ee). Thus nái "here."
- e'; represents the sound of a final ad in the original Tibetan spelling, and is heard as if ea; or perhaps as our ay in "may", only more prolonged.
- ö; is our o and e conjoined and sounded with the opening of the mouth narrowed as if about to whistle; or one might describe it as an e said with affectation. In German a well known sound.
- ü; as eu in the French word "feu," pronounced with the lips pointed and almost closed.

At first when speaking it will be found difficult to give the sounds the exact accent, or rather tone of the Bhutia natives. The two last mentioned diphthongs are puzzling sounds to imitate; and yet, if an ordinary o and u were to be used in their places, words would be understood perfectly different to those which were intended.

"Ng," though easy enough to say as a final, when occurring as the *first* letter of a word requires much practice to acquire. Two separate sounds must not be made of the n and g. It is one letter, and therefore a single nasal vowel sound, uttered with the roof of the

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mouth, must alone be heard. Practice "unga" and that will lead you to the correct sound.

To say "gy" rightly, personally I have found it almost advisable, strange though it may seem, to pronounce it as dy. Thus gyuk-she "to run" is almost dyuk-she.

Remember u is always nearly as long as our oo; not as our u in "duck," but as our u in "put."

In two-letter syllables ending in o, as bo, mo, the ois heard rather as an abrupt u (00) yet still an o sound.

Now and then in these pages we have employed accents to shew where the stress should be laid; but & merely indicates the long Irish "a" as given above.

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#### I.—THE ARTICLE.

The indefinite article a, an, is represented by *chik* placed after the noun or adjective. The final k is generally, however, left unsounded: *Pum chi'* a girl.

We do not often use this article except when the noun is in the nominative case, unless indeed it occurs in the sense of "one." Thus "a boy" will be Potso chi; "of a boy" Potso kyi; "of one boy" Potso chi yi.

The definite article is very much in use: di the. It is heard with the inflected noun as well as when the latter stands in the nominative. When the noun has a possessive pronoun attached we often find di still added. (see IV. I. d)

The plural of di is di-ts'o, as gyoma di-ts'o, the ants.

Di changes to te when something previously referred to is again mentioned.

Ordinarily di follows its noun; but where any singling out of the noun is desired we have one di placed before and another di after the word, e.g., di p'yá di the bird. (see also IV. 3. Exam.)

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#### II.—NOUN SUBSTANTIVES.

1.—In the Dénjong Ké the different cases of the noun are specified by means of short syllables, called postpositions, annexed to the words:-

#### Khim chi a house

Nom: Khim chi

a house.

Gen: Khim kyi or ki

of a house.

Dat: Khim lo

to a house. Accus: Khim or Khim lo a house.

Loc: Khim na

at or in a house.

Abl: Khim ne or le

from a house.

Agentive: Khim kyī

by a house.

Where the word terminates in g or ng a variation is made :-

#### Chá-dong di the tea-churn.

Nom: Chá-dong di

the tea-churn of the tea-churn

Gen: Chá-dong gi Dat: Chá dong lo

to the tea-churn

Accus: Chá-dong or

chá-dong lo

the tea-churn

Loc: Chádong na Abl: Chá-dong le

in or at the tea-churn from the tea-churn

Agen: Chá-dong gī

by the tea-churn

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Also with words ending with a vowel, the affixes of the genitive and agentive are rather different:—

### P'yá chi a bird

Nom: Pyáchi a bird
Gen: P'yá-i or P'ye of a bird
Dat: P'yá-lo to a bird
Accus: P'yá or P'yálo a bird

Loc: Pya na in or at a bird Abl: Pya ne or le from a bird Agent: Pya- $\bar{i}$  or  $k\bar{i}$  by a bird

But where a final consonant has been elided in the original spelling the genitive, &c. is not altered:—

## Khá-rü chi a snow-slip.

Gen: Khá-rü kyi of a snow-slip Agent: Khá-rü kyī by a snow-slip

After a final vowel the gen. affix ought to be "i" or "yi" sounded separately; but kyi is often employed especially after the article: e. g., di-kyi of the.

The Plural number is not often expressed; but where doubt would arise, the particles *cha* or *ts'o* may be added, *e. g.*, *nyi-lam* a dream *nyi-lam cha* dreams; *Gyá-mi* a Chinaman *Gyá-mi ts'o* Chinamen, Chinese. The case signs would follow the plural particle.

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Where any case other than the nominative occurs the definite article is not expressed, e. g.

Potso-kyi lu di: The song of the boy; the boy's song. Khyi di dlū lo so-tap ong: The dog will bite the cat.

In the latter sentence dlü lo is the accus. after the verb so-tap ong will bite, so-tap meaning tap strike, so (with the) teeth.

However the definite article is sometimes used with the accus. when the verb is in the Imperative Mood:—

Gom di p'i: Open the door! To-sa di tso: cook the food!

The other connections of nouns such as "with," "upon," "under," "unto," will be explained under the heading Postpositions. These are indeed at times added where we should not consider their introduction required, as where we should use only a simple case sign, e. g.

Shing audi teng-khá dzek: Climb this tree.

Here teng-kha "upon" is introduced in accordance with Tibetan idiom; and placed after Shing audi "this tree." The accus. case may be expressed by the simple word without the affix lo, where no ambiguity would result as to which were the nominative, especially in imperative sentences, as in the example given above—

Gom di p'i: Open the door.

But where a dative sense is implied in any way the lo must be used:—

Mi-lo lam di ten nang: Shew (to) the man the way.

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2.—A rather important case rule to be remembered however is this:—

Where both subject and object occur in any sentence, the subject is put in the agentive case, except where the verb of the sentence is part of the verb "to be."

Rule though this is, it is generally not observed by the uneducated; and therefore we shall not keep to it in our conversational examples to be given hereafter, the nominative being usually heard as in English. One example is now given:—

Bágrak kyī ts'áng chi p'yá chen du': A spider is making a web.

This is literally:

"By a spider a web (or "nest") is making."

We conclude the present section by appending a classified list of useful nouns:—

#### ANIMATE BEINGS.

tá horse
te mule
bong-gu ass
bháchu cow
jo-mo milch-yak
luk sheep
<i>rápo</i> goat
p'ag-mo pig

potso: boy pum: girl shempa: youth

\$\delta p'i : grandmother
\$\delta u : son

pum: daughter

pün: brothers, relatives

á-cho: elder brother

pün-gyá: younger brother kardi-pyu marmot

áji: elder sister

num: younger sister

singmo: a sister

homeka . bood se

bomsho: head servant beu (byu ku-nyer: temple chowkidar bep frog

båk-khen: coolie

p'i-pon: head of District. nyam-yo tree-cricket

tárpön: sub officer

*khyi* dog

álü or shim

*p'ö* calf *pitsi* rat

jág-ma squirrel

ám silver fox

dom bear

*karai-pyu* marmo

p'yá any bird p'yá-lák eagle

khim-p'yá domestic fowl

ok-lá crow

beu (byu) snake

p'yá-wang bat

simuk tree-frog

THINGS EATABLE. \*

#### Chá tea

de-chhang rice beer

<sup>\*</sup> Many herbs and so-called weeds, neglected in Europe, are cultivated in prepared soil as articles of vegetable food by the cottagers of Sikkim. These include large docks and Polygonum cymosum (known as Pu-lop-bi) boiled like our spinach; also shepherd's purse, various nettles, several balsams, Thlaspi arvense, mithridate cress, Galeopsis, two kinds of Cynoglossum, a purple Dentaria (styled kenrup-bi) common English Poa grass (for cattle) and especially the white radish

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*pá-leb* loaf *khu* cake

shurbu dough-balls in

tea or soup

singma murwar beer

chhu water

kyur-ru vinegar

om milk

gongdo eggs

*már* butter

*tukpa* broth

shá-chuk dry meat

chum rice

khim p'yá fowl

nyá fish

chu soft curds

chuzip dried curds, pulverised

to or to-zá victuals, dinner kyiu potato

tárulbák yam

dowa artichoke

rámpá Sikkim leek

khámbu peach

ts'á lumpá orange

kye-dong plantain ts'erlum raspberry

chukhá rhubarb

*kára* sugar

ts'á salt

khabzé twisted pastry-cake

#### HOUSE AND ITS CONTENTS.

khim house p'orpa bowl
nyuk-khim house of bamboo loknyo spoon
shing-khim hut of wood ki-chhung knife

(known as lapuk). Besides these, the tubers of several large arums are used as food (styled tong) after the poisonous juices have been extracted by boiling; also chokli, the flower-heads of a large pot-herb, a Smilacina.

do-chhál the pavement
gom door
khang-mik room
ge-kár window
entar floor
ker-khá stair ladder
mi fire
chent'e table
gyát'i chair
shu-ten cushion-seat
chhá cupboard
nyá-t'i bedstead
khyu-zhong bathing tub
de-cho W. C.

káryo cup
derma dish
tse-o basket
mezen blanket
kho-di teapot
dom or gum box
pallatúla scales
p'e-kyal flour-bag
sáng cooking-kettle, degchi
te-ko wash-basin
shel (glass in window, &c.)
gyimtse scissors
p'ákze brush
chumi lamp

#### NATURAL OBJECTS.

nyim sun
dau moon
kâm star
humpo cloud
ri mountain
gang hill-spur
kâng-chen glacier
rong ravine
sâ-rü landship
khâ-rü snow-slip

kya-ma fern
do stone
mukpa fog
khá snow
khek ice
tak rock
shá-mo fungus
soke shámo mushroom
shing-gi dáma tree-leaf
chha-rá evergreen oak

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tokpo deep gorge lam-tang cliff-ledge tokzár torrent-bed chhábo rain tsang-chhu river tsá grass shing tree pá-ma cypress
gomrok holly
shukpa juniper
yáli maple
gai dong india-rubber treekyön-me shing pine tree
p'yung smaller bamboo

dum-po tree-trunk

#### PARTS OF THE BODY.

zuk the body
go head
kyá hair
khádong face
khá mouth
dempo cheek
ná nose

mintak flower

mi-ko throat to-ko stomach kye-pa waist che tongue so tooth, teeth

le-dum leg (upper part)
kang-pa foot, leg ( lower
part):

námcho ear midŏ eye gyáp back lák-ko arm, hand dzum-mo fingers, toes kup backside

#### MISCELLAN EOUS.

chhá-kha a thing ming name ur noise kangshá funeral ceremony tárcho flag

dö magic stringed sticks

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má a sore sei gold lu song ngü silver he' market khyá blood ko-lák coat lapta school yi'khang post office torma trousers shám-ko lama's skirt gompa temple du-gang temple hall hlam boots chhör-ten sacred obelisk shámbu cap ku-ten images sungbu charm-locket

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#### III.—ADJECTIVES.

The adjective invariably follows its noun; and when the noun is thus qualified by an adjective the proper case-sign is affixed to the latter only, e.g.

P'iru noksup chi: a dark night.

Pötso tsok kyi lák-ko di: the hand of a dirty boy.

Pu lem chi: a good son.

Where the adjective is used as an attribute, the article is often placed before as well as after the noun; e.g.

P'i-ru di noksup be or Di p'i-ru di noksup be The night is dark.

Here is the adjective as a single attribute:

Ngá t'ang chhé-po yin: I am tired.

The adjective is rendered more intense by various words placed before it:—há-chang or nyogi=much, very. Mám and nyok=very; and follow the adjective. But these are properly adverbs.

Tá di háchang nyambu du': The horse is very quiet.

Rin di hachang be': The price is too much.

Di nyim di nyogi t'um-po be': The sun is very hot.

Tá-to nyogi khyá-bo be': It is very cold now.

Te-kha nyok: Very dirty.

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#### COMPARISON OF ADJECTIVES.

"Greater" is rendered te-le chhe "than that, great."

"Stronger",, ,, te-le she "than that, strong."

Pà-shing audi te-le she min du': This pole is not stronger than that.

"Strongest" is rendered gün le she "than all, strong."

Tsim p'idi gün le t'o be'. That peak is the highest.

Tse-o di lo riyung audi le ringkyam chi go pe: The basket requires a longer tie-rope than that: (lit: To-the basket, than this tie-rope, a long is wanting.)

The comparative form of sentence may be slightly varied by the insertion of the word yang after the particle le which stands for "than."

My heart is heavier than my load: Nge sem di nge toi di le yang ji-chen be'.

A common superlative expletive is *chhok*:

This is the best: audi lem chhok be'.

This way is the shortest: Di lam di t'ung-kvam chhok be'.

#### SOME ORDINARY ADJECTIVES.

Lem good chhempo or chhe great

Málep bad chhung small

yák po good of actions and nyok-ma muddy
wák po bad things tsok or te-khá dirty

shempa young tsangmo člean
ge-po old noksup dark

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nyom-chhung poor
ji-chen heavy
yang-ke or yang-mo light
jamtong easy
jam-po soft
takia hard
khe-li all, the whole
sarpa fresh, new
nying-po old, not new
tumpo hot
khyá-bo cold
ring-kyam long
tung-kyam short
kom-bo dry
pong-po wet

lo-chen lazy

dze-bo pretty

wö-chen light khé-ta or khésta clever shé strong hekta weak gyop fast bul-po slow bom-po thick (also "loud") sim-bu thin (slender) zhang-zhang broad zhangme' narrow máp red nák-po black káp white serp yellow leb-lep flat dálchen quiet, smooth kyur-po sour

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#### IV.—PRONOUNS.

1. PERSONAL PRONOUNS—a. These are subject to inflection of case as nouns and adjectives are.

Ngá or ngá-rang I; Nge of me, my; Ngá-lo, me, to me; ngá kī by me.

Chhö you; Chhö-kyi of you, your; Chhö-lo you, to you; Chhö-kī by you.

Kho: he; Kho-i of him, his; Kho-lo to him, him; Kho-yī or Khö by him. (Kho frequently sounds Khu).

Mo: she; Mo-i or  $m\ddot{o}$  of her, hers; Mo-lo to her her;  $Mo-y\bar{\imath}$  or  $m\ddot{o}$  by her.

Di: It; Di-kyi of it; Di-lo it, to it.

The use of *mo* as the feminine third personal pronoun is not universal, and *kho* in many parts of Sikkim as in Tibet represents both "he" and "she".

b.—The Plural forms are Ngácha we, Khong and Khocha they, Di-ts'o them; but, except where misapprehension might arise, the singular forms frequently stand in their place. There is, however, a special plural possessive of the first person, ngáchi our, invariably resorted to, as

Kho ngáchi lopön be': He is our teacher.

In many districts ngá-rang is always used in preference to ngá.

Examples:-

Chhö pum lem be': You are a good girl.

Kho pôtso málep be': He is a bad boy.

Chhö-kyi mi-do tsum: Shut your eyes.

Kho ngå-lo gongdo gu ts'ong she' in: He will sell me aine eggs.

Mo-i kyá ring-kyam du : Her hair is long.

Nga-rang rampa dama sá do' in: I am eating rampa leaves.

c.—The genitive affix is often omitted from *Chhö* and *Kho*, the simple pronoun being used to express the possessive as well as the nominative. So we hear—

Chhö lák-ko tsang min be': Your hands are not clean.

d—A curious point in the use of the possessive case of these pronouns must be noted. The noun may be accompanied (as in Italian) by both the possessive pronoun and the definite article.

Nge dom di'bák shok : Bring my box.

This is literally: "Bring the my box;" but the construction evidently arises from the pronoun being treated as a noun in the genitive case, and if a noun were to be substituted for the pronoun the above form would be perfectly regular. The rendering is really; Bring the box of me. The employment of this article in such cases seems often to be left to the choice of the speaker or else is ruled by the general custom in each individual instance. However the article must be used in this way where the intention is to particularise anything belonging to a person as apart from the property of others. Where no stress is laid upon the ownership the article may be omitted, e. g.

Moi pu shi song du': Her son has died.

Moi pu di ngá-lo ten nang: Show me her son.

#### Again :-

Di-kyi gong di nyok be': The price of it is much.

- N. B.—The pronoun di it, stands for "this" when the latter is used apart from any expressed noun, and is varied to te for "that" when similarly occuring.
- 2. DEMONSTRATIVE PRONOUNS—Although we have appended the foregoing note to the poceeding section, we find the article di often loosely conjoined to a noun to indicate both "this" and "that." In classical Tibetan we find the same practice; but, in the colloquial dialect of Sikkim, provision has been properly made for distinguishing the demonstrative pronouns from the mere definite article. The pronounsthemselves are

Audi: this. P'idi: that.

However where we should ordinarily say "that" we frequently find audi is the pronoun used. The fact is, this usage really arises from the accuracy with which Tibetans (in common with other orientals) employ their demonstrative pronouns to discriminate at once the proximity or distance in situation of the thing indicated. We on the contrary generally use "this" or "that" almost indiscriminately and more in relation to the priority of the time of mentioning a thing than in reference to its actual place.

In fact

Audi =this here; P'idi =that yonder

These pronouns are used both when conjoined tonouns and when pure pro-nouns, e.g.

Audi ke-kyi khim bo? Whose house is this (or "that near here")

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Khim audi ke bo: Whose is this house?

Chhō audi kam p'yá do': Why are you doing that ₹ (properly this)

Ngá-lo gompa p'idi nangsha tá go: I want to see within that temple (yonder)

[We may usefully construe the last sentence: Ngá-lo to me, go it is necessary tá (she) to see nang-sha within gompa p'idi that temple.]

In numerous instances, as in the case of the personal pronouns, the definite article is used in conjunction with the demonstative pronoun. The latter is then placed before instead of after the noun, e.g.

Audi ki-chhung di nyogi ring-kyam du': That knife is very long, (near at hand).

Audi dom di yá-te bák song: Take that box up-stairs.

Ngá-lo audi den di mingo: I don't want this carpet.

Where there is an interrogative pronoun also, the di by custom is placed after the latter: e.g.

Audi pum ká di bo: Who is this girl?

3. Relative Pronouns.—These which hardly occur at all in literary Tibetan are perhaps altogether absent from Dén-jong ke', except in a few correlative phrases which need not be particularised here. However, all the purposes of our relative pronouns are fitly compassed by means of participial clauses. The participial clause is introduced immediately in front of what would in English be the antecedent of the relative pronoun, and stands as if it were a huge compound adjective qualifying the antecedent noun to which it refers. Thus the sentence "The man who

lived in that house died yesterday" would take the form: "The living-in-that-house man died yesterday." Here "living-in-that-house" is the big adjective qualifying "man." In literary Tibetan this participial clause might be placed, like any ordinary adjective, either following the noun to which it was related, or else before it with the participle of this clause inflected in the genitive case. In the Sikkim colloquial the latter alternative seems to be the only admissable practice, the genitive inflection being, however, dispensed with.

The participle is formed by merely affixing the the syllable khen to the root of the verb; and, save in a few exceptional instances, we find no difference in expression between the present and the past participle. The context must determine the time to the English speaker; for the Tibetan sees no necessity to discriminate between a present and a past in mere dependent clauses. Thus we have:—ts'ong nyi to sell; ts'ong khen, selling, who sells; ts'ong khen, having sold, who sold.

The participles passive would even be loosely rendered by the very same expressions as the foregoing; although if precision were required we should probably find the distinction marked by the addition of zhé or kyap to the verbal root, thus:—ts'ong zhe' khen being sold, which is sold; ts'ong zhe'khen having been sold, which was sold, which had been sold. Kyap is used only with certain verbs. "Had been sold" might be further discriminated by the insertion of song, thus: ts'ong song zhe khen; but this compound would only be used where particular stress as to time and manner of the transaction was thought to be desirable.

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### Examples of Relative Clauses.

- a. Chhö tásong nyo khen om di ngá-lo nang. Give me the milk which you bought this morning.
- 6. Khim lo luk bák yong khen shempa di-yi potso-i hlam ku bák song: The butcher who brought the sheep to the house stole the boy's boots.
- (N. B. Shempa di-yī the instrumental case as given in this sentence is grammatically correct; but commonly, as we have sufficiently shewn, the nom. is always used and thus the yi would most likely not be said.)
  - 7. Konchhok lo de-pa kye khen di-ts'o nga nyinpo kya-nyi:
    I want to love those who have faith in God.
  - 8. Di p'iru kyang áb khen khyi di sung-khyi málep be': The dog who barks all night is a bad watch dog.

(Here we find the definite article placed at the commencement and close of the relative clause, thus neatly marking it off. This is only as expansion of a similar use of the article already noticed in § I)

4. INTERROGATIVE PRONOUNS. These are ke or ká who, kan or kam which, what, kambe why, ke or ke-kyi whose, ke-nái from whom? All such have been sufficiently illustrated under § 2 of this chapter. One further Example

P'idi álü ke-kyi bo: Whose cat is that ?

Kam supplants Kan when initial of word following is b, m, or p.

5. INDEFINITE PRONOUNS. We may mention khe-li all, átsichi some, any, reshi, some, zhüma others zhen chi another, ts'angma the whole, chhábu part.

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### V.—THE VERB.

We find in the Sikkim Dialect a fairly systematic method of expressing the various phases of the verb. In fact the different tenses are particularised in this dialect with greater accuracy and regularity than are to be found in the book language of Tibet. variety in the affixes appended to the verbal roots is met with according to the locality of the speakers. the Darjiling and Kalimpong districts we find certain strange affixes which disappear as we proceed north of Tamlong. On the Tibetan frontier moreover the verbal inflections assimilate entirely with those peculiar to Tsang. We believe however the southern manner of inflexion to be that proper to the Sikkim dialect and to be generally comprehendible to natives and itinerants in the northern districts. Nevertheless all variations shall be noted below.

- 1. Infinitive.— This is formed by adding she or nyi to the root of the verb, e.g., kap-she or kap-nyi to cover. She is the usual affix throughout Tsang and equally common in Sikkim. Nyi is peculiar to the Darjiling district.
- 2. FUTURE TENSE.—From the Infinitive the future tense is formed by adding 'in (really yin) for the first person and be' or sometimes du' (duk) for the 2nd and 3rd person. But frequently when the 3rd person future has to be expressed the regular Tibetan future, formed by the addition of ong not to the infinitive but to the root, is resorted to.

Examples will make this sufficiently understood:

I shall drink : { Ngå t'ung she 'in. or Ngå t'ung nyi 'in

Ong becomes yong in northern Sikkim as in Tibet. Elsewhere always ong as in Balti.

The formation of the future from the infinitive, it will be noted, is very natural; for 'in=am, be'=is. So we have t'ung she to drink; t'ung she 'in am to drink = will drink; t'ung-she-be' is to drink = will drink.

3. PRESENT TENSE.—The root with do 'in annexed (probably du' 'in or duk yin) is generally heard when the first person occurs. The root with chen du' or chen be' for the 2nd and 3rd persons. Thus—

I am eating rice : Ngá chum-lo sá do 'in.

He is coming home: Khu khim-lo ong chen du'.

You are beating the horse very much Chhō tá di lo nyogi tip chen du'.

But in many districts of Sikkim do be' or to be' would be employed with the 2nd and 3rd persons; to being used for do when euphonically more suitable:—

He is sitting on the ground: Kho sá-lo dù to be'.

He runs like a horse: Kho tá dem chhong do be'.

The water is freezing: Chhu di khek gyu do be'.

The lama is speaking: Láma di lap to be.

Sometimes the be' is omitted:—

I am sinking into the snow: Ngá khau-á nangsha nup gyu do.

The use of the present tense in do is, as we shall see, common throughout Sikkim in the interrogative form. (See V. § 9.) Often be for pe alone, added to the root, stands for the simple present; e. g.

The yak grunts loudly: Yak di bompo nguk be'.

You look very clean to-day: Chhö thring tsang mam tam-pe'.

4. Perfect tenses.—The past definite form generally can be expressed by the root of the verb with zhe, che, or jhe (variously sounded) annexed. The past indefinite requires song zhe or song du'. Thus—

He wrote a letter: Kho yige chi p'i she.

To-day the sun has shone: Taring nyim dilshaishe.

He has written a letter: Kho yige chi p'i song du'.

Sometimes with du' alone:

Mo sung du' she seized, did seize.

Mo or mo-i chhak du': She broke.

There seems no decided distinction between Active and Passive voices: chhak song du' has been broken; but gyu chung often indicates the Passive, e.g., sá gyu chung has been eaten.

Certain styles are preferred for certain verbs. Thus shi she to die, always forms the past tense with song.

shi song, died; shi song she has (quite) died, is dead.

shi song du' did die (emphatic)

t'ong che, saw; t'ong song she has seen

Other verbs have special past forms:-

gyu-she, to go; song went

bák do nyi, to take, take away; bák song she has taken.

pyā-she, to do; she or che: did: she song has done. And a few others.

5. IMPERATIVE.—The simple root; or else the root with tang and, as a politer form, with nang or nyá added.

Eat this: andi sa. Open the door: gom-di p'i/ Cook food: to tso tang / Fasten the dog: khyi tak tang /

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Please show the way: Lam di ten-nang.

Please give me a rupee: Ngá-lo tiruk chi p'in nang or p'in tang.

Look for it: Ts'ol nyá.

Please assist him: Kho-lo rok be' nyá.

A favourite inperative affix with many persons is me', used in both positive and negative sentences:—

Ask him: Kho-lo di me'.

Don't kill the bird: P'yá di ma se' me'.

Be quick: Gyop be' me' !

6. POTENTIAL MOOD.—The root, or sometimes the infinitive, with *chog* or *ts'uk* annexed. The better form is the latter verb, *chog* or *chok* being provincial.

I can run quickly: Ngá gyop chong ts'uk. He can climb up the tree: Kho shing di dsek chok.

The interrogative form is most frequently used and differs from the ordinary interrogatives to be explained hereafter:—

Can you read the book: Chhö chho di dok ts'uk ká?
Can you see the gentleman: Chhö kusho di t'ong chog-gá?
Is he able to use a gun: Khu mindá chi kyi p'ent'o p'yá shechog-gá?

Are you able to fight: Chho t'abmo kyap chhug-gá? Can the boy sing a song: Potso di lu kyap ts'uk-ká?

Does he know: Khu she'ká?

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### THE SUBSTANTIVE VERB.

In the Sikkim district be' (really bad) is the common word for "is"; but be' is often varied to me' and pe'. When used interrogatively "is" takes the form bo or mo.

Ngá or ngárang 'in: I am. Ngáchá 'in: We are.
Chhö or chhörang 'be': Thou art. Chhō be': You are.
Kho or korang be': He is. Khong be': Khong-ts'o be': 

They are.

I am very wet: Ngå nyogi bong-bo' in.

I am sorry: Ngá-lo sem duko be' ("there is sorrow to me.")

You are a bad girl: Chhö pum malep be.'

The book is easy to read: Di chho di dok-nyi jam-tong be'.

You are a clean boy: Chhö potso tsang-mo be'.

You are a filthy girl: Chho pum tsok be'.

He is an idle man: Khö mi shé-lo be'.

The woman is pretty and dirty: Di pum di dsebo tarung malebo be.

The other form of be' namely me' might be heard in the above. We find occasionally du' substituted for be' by the more Tibetanized folk.

That girl is my wife: Audi pum di nge mobi du'.

That pretty girl is to be my wife: Pum dsebo audi nge mobi chung she du'

She is unmarried: Mo menshar du'.

The interrogative form of the verb "to be" runs-

Ngà yō' ta: am I? Chhō bo: are you? Kho bo: is he?

A common alternative form of bo is mo:

Where are you? Chho ká-khá mo?

Who is that lama behind the house: Audi lama khim di se-lo di ka mo?

Are you young: Chhō shempa bo?
Is the horse cold: Tá di khyābo mo?

Where is the man who came | Nái khásong ong khen mi here yesterday | di ká-khá be'? or ká-khá bo?

Who is out there: P'á-ki p'ila ká mo?

8. The Possessive verb "TO Have."—As in Russian, Hindustani, and many other languages the possessive verb is rendered by the circumlocution "There is near——" or "to——there is." Thus: I have three children" becomes "to me three children are" "Ngá-lo pugu sum be." Again: "you have a warm dry coat" is best turned "near you a warm dry coat is" Chhö zá ko-lák tum-po kambo du'." Interrogatively: "Have you three children" Chhö-lo pugu sum bo? "Have you any boots to sell:" Chhö zá di tsong-khen hlam kan di bo? Here note how the double article di—di is used to bind the participle ts'ong-khen to its proper antecedent.

Where *have* is a simple auxiliary joined to another verb, it is usually represented by *du*'.

### 9-GENERAL INTERROGATIVES.

a—The primary mode of expressing these is by the addition of the particle bo or mo to the proper tense of the verb required, thus

Did you go to the bazaar Chhö khásang he'-lo song bo? yesterday:

Will you sell me that sheep: Chhö nga-lo luk p'idi ts'ong she mo?

When the present is used interrogatively, that form of the tense is chosen which takes do or to (ante §3):

Are you drinking beer: Chhō chhang t'ung do bo?

Are you fetching the bellows: Chhō bipa bák nang do bo?

 $\beta$ —By custom the interrogative particle is abridged into  $\rho$  with certain verbs ending in k (really g):

Did you break the dish: Chhö derma di chhák-o?

Where have you put the oranges: Chhō ts'á-lumpa te kána
shak-o?

Have you read it : Chhö di-lo dok-o ?

γ—Except when it is itself the verb substantive, the interrogative particle can be omitted if an interrogative pronoun occurs:—

Why are you doing that: Chhō audi kam be p'ya chen du?

What are you throwing away: Chhō chhá-la kan ko
tang do?

Who teaches you at school: Chhō lap-ta-lo ke-kī hlap to?

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However the particle is as frequently heard with such pronouns in many common phrases:—

Who is living in the white house: Khim kap na ke dū

From where are you driving Chhō audi dso di-ts'o kanale those dzo (cross-breed yak): da to bo?

8.—Sometimes the interrogative perfect requires a further affix sounded nyá as well as bo:

Have you come from Darjiling: Chhō Dorling-le ong bo-nyā?

Did he get a dog for me: Kho nge ton-le khyi chi t'op bo-nyá?

Also, when the concluding affix of the perfect is the or che, a particle nd is substituted for bo:

Has the lama sold my horse: Lámá di nge tá di ts'ong she-ná?

Did you see it there: Pina di-lo t'ong che-ná?

ε.—With a Potential auxiliary the interrogative seems always to follow the ordinary Tibetan style:

Can you read: Chhō yi-ge dok chog-gá

Can you come with me: Chhö nge nyambu ong ts'ug-gá

We have also heard the Tibetan form in other expressions, such as "do you like": go-pe-ka or ga-ei-ka?

#### 10-NEGATIVES.

The negative verb is expressed by the particle  $m\alpha$  with the perfect or imperative and by mi with the present or future tenses:

Don't talk nonsense: Chhöl-khá ma lap!

He did not give me one rupee: Kho ngá-lo tiruk chi' p'in ma che.

The girl will not come with me: Pum di nge nyambu ong nyi min (or m'ong nyi'in)

He will not bite: Kho so tap mi ong.

He is not reading your book: Kho chho-kyi chho di dok chen min du'.

He is not eating now: Tá-to sá do min.

It will be observed from the above examples that the negative is either compounded with the auxiliary member of any verb or placed immediately preceding the last syllable of the verb. With the past tense the latter course is always pursued: e.g., Kho shi ma song: He has not died. With the infinitive form of the verb we find the negative placed last: e.g.,

The idle man has nothing to eat: Mi shélo di sá nyi mi.

- 11. PARTICIPLES.—The syllable khen added to the verbal root forms the participle. This important branch of the verb is fully illustrated under § iv, 3.
- of certain brief particles to the verb of the gerundial clause. These particles are to foten vulgarly ti), ne, jang, and par or war.

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a.—The first two are commonly employed to express clauses such as in English are introduced by the words "when," "as," "having." Examples will best illustrate our meaning:—

Having eaten his food, he desired the remainder: Ri-kyi to di sá song-te hlak-ma dö zhe du'.

(N. B.—Ri-kyi is here used for khoi because the possessor is also the acting subject of the sentence § iv, I, b.)

When you have done, come to me: Chhō-kyī she song-ne ngá-lo shok.

(Chhö-kyī is the agentive case which should always be used with transitive verbs instead of the nom. case; but colloquially the rule is only in a few such instances as the present one commonly observed. Zhe song is the past tense of p'ya she to do).

Go and fetch it (i.e., "going, fetch it"): Gyu-ti di-lo bak shok.

(This form is exactly parallel to the Hindustani jakar usko le-ao).

Since then he has been sick and has left his employment: Te ôná-le khu ná-ti yok tang-bo-be'

b.—Tang joined to the infinitive best interprets short dependent clauses:—

On my firing the gun, three men fell: Ngå mindå kyap-pa tang, mi sum hlum song she.

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(Kyap-pa is the Tibetan form of the infinitive which in our dialect should be kyap-she; yet this is the form we generally hear with tang, which, be it noted, invariably requires the infinitive when used as a gerundial particle.

Hearing you call, I came: Chko ké kyap-ne ngá nyen a tang ong she. (Lit: "you calling, I on hearing came.")

Looking down the kud, I saw the man lying: Kad di tenglo mik th-ne ngh di nye-khen mi di t'ong she.

c.—We find par or war joined to the repeated root to express concurrent clauses introduced in English by the word "while."

While I am sleeping, don't make a noise: Ngå nye nye par ur ma kyap.

While I am going to the market, you must dig up the artichokes: Ngá he' la gyu gyu war chhōrang do-wa ko go.

While I am gone, watch: Ngá song song par kug tang !

This section may be concluded by the enumeration of certain of the more commonly occurring verbs:—

Pin-she to give
nd-nyi to bestow
gyu-she to go
dul-nyi to walk
chong-she to run
hlum-she to fall
ong-nyi to come

Tong-she to see tip-she to beat ko-tung she to throw away ten-nyi to show mik tú-nyi to look at kön-nyi to wear, put on zhak-she to place, put

sá-nyi to eat t'ung-she to drink hlap-ngo-she to learn küm ghá nyi to choke nye-she to lie down nya'-do-nyi to sleep dö or dü nyi to sit, or remain nyo-nyi(or nyu-tita she) to buy ts'ong-she to sell khyu-she to wash, bathe vige-dok-she to read b'i-she to write pi-she to open teum-she to shut dzung-she to consider dzung-she to hold káp-she to cover nven-she to listen, hear khá nyen she to obey bak ong nyi to bring bák nang nyi to fetch bák gyu nyi to take away

p'yá-nyi to do, make tsuk-nyi to strike, push ts'uk-she to be able chhog-she to be able top-she to obtain ko-nyi to dig kyap-she to throw ts'ol-she to seek ngoshi-she to know kyamba gyushe to walk gü-she to stay, wait shi-nyi to die lap-she to speak ser-she to tell, to name gau-deb-she to laugh gyo do shor-she to laugh go-she to want tabmo kyap-she to fight ne' kyap-she to become ill tok-nvi to cut dzek-she to climb lem-she to crush den-she to pull, draw sik-she to hoist, shove up.

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### VI.—ADVERBS.

. I. In the Sikkim colloquial we find no distinction made between the adjective and its corresponding adverb. Thus jampo=both "soft" and "softly;" sarpa=" new" and "fresh" "newly;" jam-tong=" easily" and "easy."

However, in addition to the adverbs derived from adjectives, there are in use a number of primitive adverbs, both simple and compound—adverbs of time and place.

A few of these may be noted here.

"Always" is rendered by átang máche; "often" by átang.

"Never" is expressed by átang or ná-mong, with a negative before the verb, thus:

Ngá ná-mong chhá-kha málep mi ts'ong: I never sell bad' things.

The past sense requires ma nyung after this verbwithout any prior word as:

Chho ngá-lo lakta chi p'in ma nyung: You have never given me any present.

Other temporal adverbs are gyop soon, lok-te-again. mölá immediately, har suddenly, táto now, lately, and se-lo afterwards. Also those in connection with the measurement of time:—

Tá-ring to-day Tásong this morning; táring p'iru to-night. Khásang yesterday; dang last night; nyim-

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kyang all day. Ngaru: to-morrow (morning); forang to-morrow; nang day-after-to-morrow.

Adverbs of Place:—Nái here, p'áki yonder, háki over there, t'ekya-lo straight on, forward ma-ki below, at bottom, yá-ki up there khor round, khor-khor around, pang-kha outside, nang-kha inside, ts'angma-la everywhere, di me'lo the lower part, di yen-lo the upper part. Oná here; p'iná there.

2. INTERROGATIVE ADVERBS.—These are name when, ka-khá or ká-na where, ká-na whither, ká-na-le whence, jhi-tar how, in what way, ká-dem how, ká dzü (mo) how much, ká dzü sánte how long (i.e. time) tu-tu how many. They are employed precisely as the interrogative pronouns; in the sentence generally standing next before the verb. (See § v, 9).

### Examples:-

Dumra nang-sha sigmo tu-tu t'ong bo: How many porcupines did you see in the garden?

Kho nam shi song she: When did he die?

Chhö Dorling-lo kâ dsü sante dü she mo: How long shall you remain in Darjiling?

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### VII.—POSTPOSITIONS.

These are simple and compound; the first being merely the case-signs already enumerated. On the former however a few remarks may be made here. Lo the dative and accus affix rarely signifies "to" except after verbs meaning "to give." The locative na is of course the proper affix to use in those cases where we should say "at" or "to." However for "at" the postposition za="near" is sometimes employed, just as pds is used in Hindustani. The best form for "from" is le pronounced lái in Tsang. The Tibetan terminative case is hardly heard at all in southern Sikkim.

Compound Postpositions are very frequent. Some of the chief are these :—

nang-shd or in, into.

ten-le for, instead of.

teng-kha or on, upon.

khd teng-lo.

dem like, such as.

tönda le because of, on account of se-lo behind, after.
dün-tu before.
buna in the middle of khá-wak under, beneath nyam-bo with, along with sán-te up to, unto.
tengkha le from off

On the above let us remark teng-kha is sometimes used for "up," e.g. Shing di teng-kha dzek: climb up the tree; sánte when combined with a negative is the method of expressing "until." The latter usage is worthy of note. Thus: "I shall wait until you return" is rendered chhö loki ma ong sán-te ngá gü she'in. Often we hear this chhö lok mong sánte ngá gü she'in. Again: Walk on until you see a bamboo house chhō

nyuk-khim chi ma t'ong sante long dul. Literally of course this would express the reverse of what is really understood, namely "Until you do not see a bamboo house, walk on." When sante has the signification of "as far as" or "to" the negative does not occur.

Properly all the compound postpositions govern the genitive case and ought to be preceded by nouns so inflected; but in practice such a rule is rarely observed, the simple nouns or adjective standing uninflected and followed by the governing postposition. e.g.,

Khim nang-shá gyu: Go in the house.

Ngá tiruk nyi p'in she 'in khyi di tönda le: I will give two rupees for the dog.

But we have heard :-

Taring mi chi ta-i tengkha le hlum jhe: A man has fallen from his horse today.

Nge tsákha ma ong: Don't come near me.

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### VIII.—CONJUCTIONS.

Rarely used; the gerundial affixes usually supplying their place when coupling clauses or sentences together. Thus "Go and tell him" becomes "going, tell him" gyu-ti kho-lo ser just as in Hindustani we should say Jákar usiko bolo! "Come and look:" Ong-ti tá!

A copulative conjunction for coupling nouns is however, in use: Tárung—and, e.g., khyi tárung álü dog and cat. When no stress is laid on the conjunction it is readily omitted: ngá lo már gongdo chá bák shok Bring me butter, eggs, and tea. Tárung means really "still more" "yet."

The conjunction "if" is rendered by ne or nu placed after the verb, as in the following sentences:

Nyim kyang yige dok nu, chhö kyi mik suk kyap ong: If you read all day, your eyes will ache (feel pain).

Pidi sà ne, chhō shi she be: You will die if you eat that.

Chhō lem min nu, ngá tip she 'in: If you are not good, I shall beat (you).

Chhō audem gyop sa takye nu, kyōm ghá ong: If you continue eating so fast, you will choke.

Sometimes the regular Tibetan form na is employed instead of the corrupted form nu. Moreover every Daijong man would, when writing, put na not nu.

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"Although" is expressed by rung placed similarly to nu. Thus:—

Ch'io né kyī kvap rung, sá go be': Though you are ill, you must eat.

Khu nyim ts'án kyang sá rung, ná-mo gyak-shá mi ong: Although he ate all d vy and night, he would never become fat.

(Note here the absence of "and" between nyim and ts'án; also use of ná-mo with negative for "never.")

When rung occurs with the verb "to be," the intensive form of that verb is generally resorted to namely the Tibetan mod-pa "to be indeed," sounded mö-pa:

Ri-kyi ro di dur buna mō pa rung, chhō lok-te lang nyi 'in: Though your body is indeed in the grave you shall rise again.

The conjunction "or" is rarely translated, the alternatives being arranged consecutively so as to imply the intended contrast. Thus:

Is your father alive or dead: Chhö apo do yo bo shu bo?

Will you eat rice or potatoes: Chum kyiu chho kan sá-she-bo? (lit: "rice, potato, which will you eat."

But in such a sentence as "Bring either beef or mutton," the conjunction must be introduced, and is therefore thus expressed: bá-shá in-na-yang luk-shá bák shok.

### IX.—FORMATIVES.

That which is treated of in Grammars under the head of "Derivation" may be very briefly disposed of here.

1.—Certain adjectives are formed or derived from nouns by the addition of the syllable chen to the noun. e.g., rin price, rin-chen expensive; ts' erma thorn ts'erma-chen thorny, prickly, khyo anger, khyo-chen angry; khyá blood, khyá-chen bloody. In fact most of our adjectives ending in "y" or "ous" are formed in Dénjong Ké thus from substantives.

The negative formative corresponding to *chen* is  $me^r$  "without"

- 2.—The affix chhok added to a verbal root goes to form those adjectives which signify capability of suffering anything, or fitness for being made use of. Sá-nyí to eat, sá-chhok eatable; tong she to see, tong chhok visible, capable of being seen, chhák-she to break, chhák-chhok breakable, &c. The negative form takes mi, as tong mi chhok invisible.
- 3.—A third formative is khen signifying chiefly the doer of any action, much akin to the Hindustani wala; as pyá-khen doer, maker, dok-khen reader, bák-khen carrier. Like wala added also to substantives; as toi a load, toi-khen bearer of a load, hlam-khen bootmaker, tá-khen a groom, sa'is.

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## NUMERALS.

Chi	one	Khe-chik	twenty
Nyi	two	Sum-chu tamba	thirty
Sum	three	So-chi	thirty-one
Zhi	four	So-nyi, &c.	thirty-two,&c.
Ngá Ţuk	five six	Zhib-chu tamba:	forty
Dŭin	seven	Zhe-chi,&c.	forty-one, &c.
Gye	eight	Ngábchu	fifty
Gu Chu-tamba	nine ten	Khe-sum or Ţukchu	sixty
Chu-chi	eleven	Re-chi	sixty-one
Chu-nyi	twelve	Re-nyi,&c.	sixty-two, &c.
Chu-sum	thirteen	Dünchu	seventy
Chub-zhi	fourteen	Don-chi	seventy-one
Chengá	fifteen	Gye'-chu	eighty
Chu tuk	sixteen	Gu-chu	ninety
Chubdŭin	seventeen	Go-chi	ninety-one
Ch egye	eighteen	Gyá	one hundred
Chu-gu	nineteen	Tong-ta	thousand

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### DAYS OF THE WEEK.

Sá-nyim : Sá-dou :

Sá-mikmár Sá-hlák-bo

Sá-p'urbo : Sá-pásang :

Sá-p'embo:

Sunday

Monday Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday Friday

Saturday

Nái sá-pembo shok:

Chhō- lo ka dsü som-bo: Ngá-lo khe chik 'in: Come here on Saturday.

How old are you?

I am twenty years' old.

Gantak-lo mákmi páo tongrok chi da gyá da ngá-ṭuk Dorling-le lep song : Eleven hundred and fifty six brave soldiers have arrived at Gantak from Darjiling.

# COLLOQUIAL SENTENCES.

Note.—These sentences are nearly all in the Sikkim colloquial or Dén-jong Ké. Accordingly when Tibetans from beyond the Jé-lep, Dongkya, Kangla, and other passes, are communicated with, the following rules may be observed: For be (is, are) use du' or yin; for bo or mo say du-ká or yötam or yin ná. Bák song and bák sho' should be avoided, and khyer song "take away" and khyer sho' "bring" should be substituted. The future tense may be rendered by means of yong or gyu du' added to the verbal root: ten yong "will shew," dzek gyu du' "will climb." Song for the past tense is very universal, but chung or jhung is the commoner affix in Central Tibet, e. g. Ná-la di nang jhung du': "The rent has been paid;" bu: in Sikkim colloquial: Ná-la di p'in song zhe.

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### BRIEF ORDERS.

Come here: Nái shok!

Come back Lokte shok!

Don't come now: Tâto ma ong!

Come with me Nge nyambu shok!

Come near me Nge tsar-ka (or zá) shok!

Come to-morrow Torang-ra shok!

Speak slowly Kulyu lap!
Go awaay Long song!

Go at once Hlem song !

Go to the market: He' na gyu!

Go and fetch some water: Song-ne chhu atsichi bak

shok!

·Go outside: Pang-khá song !

Go and tell him what Gyu-ne nga ser-khen di lap!

I say:

Go home again: Khim-na lok song!

Go in front: Hen-le gyu!
Go behind: Gyap-le gyu!

Go behind him: Kho gyap-le song me.'

Go further: Par-tsam gyu!
Go gently: Kále gyu!

Bring me some tea: Cha ngá-lo bák shok!
Bring more water: Chhu hláko bák shok!
Fetch the horse here: Tà di nái t'i shok!

Take away those things: Chha-ka di-tak bák song!

Take the coat and dry it: Di kolak di bák song di

kamb**á** sho**k**!

Throw it away: Di t'u ko tang!
Search for it: Ts'ol nyá!

Send word (Give notice) Lon ser!

Send him here: Kho-lo nái tong.

Make haste: Gyop be' me' /

Take care: Uit/

Be steady (or careful: Riko gyim
Sit down now: Tá-to dü /

Remain here: Oná dö nyá!
Wait a little: Gü átsichi

Say that again: Lok-te lap

Don't tell a lie: Há ma kyap!

Open the door: Gom di p'i.

Put my box on the ground: Ngé dom di sá lo zhok.

Lift up this box: Gum di yâte t'o

Take this letter to the Yige di yi-khim na bák

post office: song.

Light the fire: Mi di par /
Don't forget: Manje'

Don't bother me: Ngá-lo duk ma p'i

That's enough: Audi dik-é /

That will do to-day: Táring audi dik shé be'
Now it is time to go: Táto gyu renpo tsũ 'in.

Never mind (kuchch parwa Nang tá mi né):

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Now you may go: Tâto chhô gyu ts'u pe : T Don't come late in the Ngâru p'ip-na ma ong morning:

Wake me early in this Torang tole ke' tong ny á. morning.

# USEFUL QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Can you speak Hindu- Chhö Hindu-i ké lap stani: ts'ug-gá?

Yes; a little, a little: Lás; átsichi, átsichi

Can you speak English: Chhö Ingréji ké lap

ts'ug-g**á** ?

No; not at all: Mem-bé; kan de mi
Who is this boy: Potso audi ká mo?

He is my younger brother: Kho nge pün-gyá be'.
What are you doing: Chhö kam p'yá do mo?

Why are you doing like Chho audi dem kambe

that: p'yá do?

Why are you asking: Chhö kambe t'e do

I want to know: Ngá she' go

When did you see him: Chhö kho-lo nam t'ong bo?

Where did you see it: Chhö di-lo kána t'ong bo?

Behind the temple: Gumpe gyáp-na

Did you see a silver fox: Chhö ām chi t'ong-che-na? Look! do you see that Tá! p'idi shing-lo t'ong be

tree: *bo?* 

Why? where? Kam p'yá te! Ká-kha?

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Is he dead: Kho shi song zhe bo?

Chkö ká-khá song zhe? Where have you been:

From where have you Chho káná-le ong bo nyá?

come:

What do you say: Chhö kan lapto? Chhở kam go she bo? What do you want:

I do not understand you: Ngá chhö-ke di há-ma-ko.

Have you any rice: Chhö-lo chum võ'-ga No: I have none: Men: ngá-lo tsal-le mi

I have nothing to give Ngá-i chhö-lo p'in-she kan

de mi vou:

Chhö ming kam bo? What is your name:

Where do you live: Chhö ká-khá dü to bo? Down this hill in the Ri ma-lo: Do-tsuk na

Bhutia village:

Who lives in that house: Khim p'idi na ke dü to mo?

Where are you going: Chhö káná gvu do bo?

When did you come to Chho Dorling-lo nam ong

Darjeeling: b6 ?

I arrived here last year: Ngá nái lo p'ámu hlep che

Where have you put my Chhö nge hlam ka-khá zháko?

boots:

Where have I put my Ngá ri-kvi dimi kána zháko ? keys:

you? What Chhö ká mo? ming kam Who are ho ?

Why have you come here: Chhö nái kambe ong mo?

I have come to see you: Ngá chhö tá ong che.

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### ON A JOURNEY.

Make everything ready for Chhá-kha kheli t'áltik p'yá starting:

Pack up the tent:

Kūr gyuk tok.

Roll up the rugs:

Chhá-li di gvil p'vá

securely than that:

Fasten that bundle more Di t'um-po di te-le tang dam

You carry the tent-poles:

Chhö gur-shing bak song?

That is your load:

Audi chhö-kyi toi di du'

Your load is not heavy:

Chhö kyi toi di jimpu mem he'

Now we must set off:

Tá-to gyu go-pe' Gyu-nyi tü cho be'

It is time to go:

Go in front: I will walk Pina song; ngárang chhö behind you:

kyi sole gyu she 'in

Lift up that box:

Di dom di yá t'o Tà di khor kyap

Turn the horse round: Walk quickly:

Gyop gyu kyamba

Hold the bridge firmly:

Sampa di tangpo chhin You go over the bridge Chhö sampe tengle henle

first:

gyu

Are you tired:

Chhö t'ang-chhe-po nyá?

We have not travelled far: Ngácha t'a ringkyam ma

song

I am tired:

Ngá t'ang-chhe-po yin

You can climb as quickly Chhö tà chi dem gyop dzek as a horse:

ts'uk be'

Carry that slowly up the Di chhá-kha di gang tenghill: kha kalyu bák song

Tell him to come here Kho-lo gyoba nái shok lap quickly:

Can you see the top of the Di-ne laptse di mik ta ts'u'pass from here:

ga?

The path is dangerous; Lamkhá di nyenchen be'; don't fall: chhö ma rī

I am slipping; seize my Ngá dre'tak shor do'in; hands:

nge lák-ko zim tong

I have let fall my staff; Ri-ki yuk-shing lhum chuk; hand it to me please: di ling tong zhu

That leech is sucking your Audi pü-po di chhö-kyi khya blood: jip chen du'

Sit down: Sá dü!

Go into that house and Khim p'idi nang-sha gyute buy some food:

to á-tsi-chi nyoba sho'

Do you see many leeches Chhö pü-po nyok tså audi on this grass: tengkhå tong-che-na?

I am lame: Ngá kang kyo be'

Do you see any leeches on Chhö pü-po átsichi nge lémy leg:

dum tengkha t'ong-ga?

How far can you walk: Chhö ta ring-tung ká dzu

kyamba gyu ts'u-pe?

Now it is time to halt: Tá-to ngál-so renpo tsii be..

### ASKING THE WAY.

Whose house is this: Khim audi ke bo?

What is the name of the Yults'o kyi ming ká mo? village:

Is that a temple on the Pidi gompa gang tengkha hill:

di bo?

Show me the way to Nga- Ngá-tong-ki lam di ngá-lo tong:

ten nang

I don't understand you: Ngá chhỏ ke' di hámáko

Say that again: Lok-te lap Speak slowly: Kulyu lap

Where is the bridge: Sampa ka-khá mo?
To where does that road P'idi lam di ká lo?
go:

Is the path difficult: Lam-khá di khákpo mo?

It is an easy path to Namgá na lam di jam-tong

Namgà:

How far is it from here to Nai-le Tumlong sán-te t'á
Tumlong?

ring t'ung ká dzo mo?

du'

How far is it from Dorling-le Sargong-lo t'à Darjiling to Sargong? ring t'ung kà dzo mo?

Is it a long way to a Làchhung sánte lam ring-Làchhung: kyam bo?

Which is the way: Di lam di ká mo?

The village is near that Chhoide p'idi tsa-né tongmonastery; gu di dü

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Do you know the way to Chhö-kyī gyu-she lam di go? she-sa?

The path goes round the Lamkhà di gang kor kor hill:

ran chen du'.

By which way shall I re- Lam kan-le lok-she bo? turn back:

I am going to the Je-lep Ngárang Je-lep lá lo gyupass:

do'in

It is a district full of Yul rong-yul be' ravines:

Where are you coming Chhö ká-le ong do mo? from:

Where are you going: Chhö ka-khà na gyu do 'in

That is all deep snow: Pidi khau-a ting-ring-po-

## THE WEATHER.

The night is very dark: Piru di nyogi no ksu be'

Rain is going to fall: Chhábo báb she 'in

The rain will not cease Chhábo di táring chhé mí to-day:

I see the mist rising: Ngå humpo di longpo tong

The ground is wet now: Sá di tá-to bong-bo du'

The rain will soon come: Di chhabo di gyoba ong

she 'in

Can you run quickly: Chhö gyoba chong ts'ug-ga (or chhug-ga)

The pass is filled with Lá di khau-kyī kangbo be' snow:

I am sinking in the snow: Ngárang khau-kyi buna fimbo be'

A man was killed down Máki khári' ki mi chik se there by a snow slip: bo be.'

There is too much rain: Chhábo mám kyap-to; ngá I cannot go out at ting-sang gyu mi ts'u-pe. present:

To-day the sun will not Taring nyim sha she min be.' shine;

When the rain ceases the Di chhábo di chhé-ne ngúra air will grow clear: salwa ong she du'

The sun is very hot: Di nyim di nyogi t'sapo be'

The sun will cause pain Di nyim di chhö-kyi go nàin your head: sha suk kyap be'

There is no moon to- Taring p'iru dou kan de me' night:

The wind is rising: Lung di lang chen du'
Put wood on the fire: Shing mi-na t'suk

Shake the cloak well: Chháb-khebma zob-zob kyap

The wind is very cold: Lung di nyogi khyàbo be'

The air will be mild at Ngá-ra di Narling zá jampa Nar-ling: ong she'in

The ground is very wet: Sá di mám p'ongpo be'.

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### BUYING AND SELLING.

I want to buy some milk: Ngá um nyo go be'

These Lepchas sell eggs: Di Rong-pa di gongdo ts'ong

What will you sell me: Chho ngá-lo kan ts'ong she

bo?

How much is the price of Audi gong ká dzu mo?

this:

What do you want: Chhö kan go she bo?

What have you got: Chho-lo kam bo?

Nothing to-day: Táring kan de mi'. (or)

Táring mipo :

I want nothing: Mingo (" not wanted.")

Do you sell tea, butter, Chhö chá, mar, ts'á ts'ong bo? salt:

C in you get me any meat: Chhö ngá-lo shá t'op tsug-ga? You ask too much: Chhö nyogi gong zhu do' in.

(or) zhu chen du.'

Your price is very high: Chhö-kyi rin di kyapo

be'.

1 cannot give that price: Ngá gong te p'in mi ts'uk.

That man is a rogue: Mi p'idi kunchhe be'

I will give you 10 rupees Ngå chhö-lo tiruk chufor this book; tamba p'in yong audi

chho di tönda lé.

I want twenty rupees for Nga di ten-le tiruk kheit; that is the exact chik go; audi gong di price; ts'ampo be'.

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Go away: I dont want the Long song: ngá-lo chháthing: khà di mingo.

What have you got in this Chhö audi bakhu buna bag: kam bo?

'Show me some other Ngá-lo chhá-khá zhü-ma di things: ten tang.

I want to buy a knife: Ngá-lo ki-chhung chi nyo go.

This is not a good goat: Audi rama di lem mem be.

Give me two rupees for Nga-lo tiruk nyi p'in tang
it:

di tenlé.

Have you any boots to Chhö ts'ong-khen hlam sell:

Give me another: Zhen-chi ngá-lo tong.

Are you a Wallung man or Chhö Wallung ki mi bo, a Sikkim man:

yá-men-ne Dai-jong ki mi bo?

Come again to-morrow: Ngá-ru lok-ti shok.

I want nothing to-day: Ngá táring kan de mingo.

I have not any money: Ngá-lo ngữ kan de mi.

Have you any dried curd: Chhö-lo chu atsichi do bo

(or yö'gá?)

No; I have none; Men! ngá-lo tsal-le mi.

# PREPARING AND EATING FOOD.

What have you got for Chhö táring to-na kan t'opfood to-day:

che?

Make the water boil: Chhu kü be' me'

Makethe fire burn brightly: Mi di leba par zo'.

Bring the fish in a basket: Nyá di tséó ná-sha bák shok.

Bring the eggs: be care- Gongdo di bák shok: Uip f

ful:

Bring some hot water now: Tá-to chhu t'um chi bak nang.

Washing the rampa stalks, Rampa khyu-ti, mi tengkha put them in the soup- ki tsüm-ki sáng-na hluk. kettle on the fire:

Put tea in the tea-pot: Chá, chámbing ná-sha kyap.

I do not want tea to-day: Ngá tàring chá mingo pe.' Will you eat tsampa in the Chhö tsampa chá nyámbu

tea: sà she bo?

Give me some bread: I Ngálo khu atsichi nang: don't want pak (sops): ngá pák mingo pe'.

I shall dip bread in the Ngá khu di shá-ruk ná-sha meat-gravy.

pák she 'in

It is now time to eat dinner: Táto sum sá ren do.

Toast this meat at the fire: Di shà di mī dün-tu sák p'yá.

Place the dishes on the Pakna so-só di chent'etable: tengkha zhák.

These are me at-puffs: Di-ts'o mokmo be.'

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I shall eat rice this evening: Ngå tåring p'iru chum så she in.

Have you any: Chhö-lo atsichi bo?

Make the dumplings hot: Shurbu di ts'ábo pe' me'

I am eating dinner now; Ngá tá-to to (or sum) sá do go away:

in; lok song?

She cannot eat rice: Moi chum sá mi ts'uk be.'

Shut your eyes; open your Chhö mi-do tsum; chhö khá mouth:

gyang.

Pour the soup in the Tsüm di p'urpa-na hluk. bowls:

Give me the cup which is Chen-t'e tengkha karyo' di on the table: ngá-lo nang tang.

Do you drink tea or beer: Chho chhang t'ung do bo, chá t'ung do bo?

I do not like sugar in tea: Ngá chá-na kára kyap min go pe.

Cover the ashes: bank up Mi-dak kap; mi nyal zhák. the fire (lit: "put the fire to bed.")

Call the servant to light Yo-ko di ke' kyap mi par the fire:

she lo.

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#### HORSES AND GUNS.

Is this a quiet horse: Tá audi nyambu bo?

Sir, it is: Lhá: la-so. (or) Kusho. la

du'.

Can it run quickly: Di gyop chhong chhog-ga. How old is the horse: Di tá di-lo ká dzü som bo?

It is four years' old: Di-lo lo zhi 'in. Give the horse its food: Tá-lo ri-kyi to tong.

"Get bamboo leaves for Nyuk kyi dámá t'op tá di

the horse: ten-le

Tá di t'al-tik pe' me'. Make the horse ready:

Put on the saddle: Tá-gá di gyap.

Have you the whip: Chhö-lo buiko di yöp nyá'?

Have you the whip: (less Chhö-lo buiko di do bo?)

politely)

kolàk t'sápo chi Bring me a warm coat: Neá-lo

bák shok!

Where is my gun: Nee mindå ka-khå mo? The gun-stock is dirty. Gumdá di malebo be'.

Lengthen the stirrupstrap: Yob-t'ák di ring-kyam p'yá.

Tá-to, zhü-ma-di. Now, the other one:

Bring the powder: Be Médze bák shok. Riko careful:

evim!

·Can you shoot with a Chhö minda kyap ts'u-ga. gun:

There are tree-leopards in Pidi gang di teng-kha sájuk t'op be'. that hill:

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Come behind me; don't Nge se-lo shok; ur mamake a noise: kyap /

That is a tiger-cat; it is P'idi Zikmar di be'; mamvery fierce.

ngárpo be'.

#### SHOOTING IN THE HILLS.

See! a leopard: Tá! sá chi.

He went behind that Tak-kyi gyab-lo song.

rock:

Go softly like a snake: Byü dem jampo gyu!

Carefully! Don't cough: U'ip! lo-cham ma kyap. Stop! Come back here: Khok! nái lóke-te shok.

I have hit him: Ngá kho-lo tip ché. Give me the other gun: Mindá zhü-ma tong.

Take care! He is coming Riko gyim! kho nga chhok at us: lo ong chen du'.

Beat the long grass: Di tsà ring kyam di tip

tang.

Take your bamboo stick: Ri-kyi pà-shing bák song.

We must climb up this Gang audi tengkha dzek hill:

I am going down the Ngá ghad teng-lo gyuchen kud:

Sit down! Wait till I Sà du! Ngá ma ong sànte come: gü.

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When I fire my gun, you Ngá mindá kvap-pa lang, run quickly towards chhö ngá-lo gyop chhong me: song.

Wait here and watch: Nái kug-te dü.

Yes, Sir, yes: Kà so, kàs.

iI have seen some musk Ngá lá-wa t'ong-chê. deer;

Wnen? Just now: Nambo? Tá-to, tá-to.

Is the ground firm: Sá di taktà bo?

Do you see peacocks in Mábja di sà chhà audi l'ong this part:

chen bo?

Wnat other birds are P ya zhü-ma nài kam bo? here:

·Go out of the way; Lam-khá long song!

.Here's my hat: Catch Audi nge shamo; audi she!

#### ENGAGING COOLIES.

I want twelve coolies Ngá-lo bàk khen chu-nyi go (carriers): be'.

You will need twenty for Chho-lo audem toi mam so much baggage: tönle khe-chik go she be'.

How much will each Bák-khen re-re-i ká dzü bák coolie carry:

she bo?

Thirty seers each coolie: Bák-khen re re-lo sir sumchu so-so.

Dossers and pack-cradles Tongma khur-shing go she

will be necessary; bring be'; te-ts'o bák shok. them:

How much will you give Mi re-re lo nyim di nyim each man per day:

di gong kà dzü nang she bo?

I will give wages and Ngárang là to p'in she'in. food:

I will give each man four Ngá mi-tso lo nyim di annas a day:

nyim di anna zhí re-re p'in she'in.

The custom in Sikkim is Shrol di Denjong-kyi anna five annas:

ngá du'.

Your load is light: Chhö-kyi toi di vang-ke be.

This is not a heavy box: Di dom di jhimpu mem be'.

Lift up the box: Di dom di yà t'o

Load up that pack- Khurshing p'idi kal tong! cradle:

Can this old woman carry Gem audi bák-khen chi dem like a coolie: bák chog-ga.

She can carry more than Mo-kī mi lé hláko bák a man:

Where is your tie-rope: Chhö-kyi go-t'á di kà-khà

Start now; make haste: Tá-to song: gyop p'yà.

I shall want two mules: Ngá-lo te nyi go nyi 'in.

Wait at the bridge until Ngá ma lep sån-te sampa I arrive: di za gü.

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Wait at the temple until Chhö ngá-lo ma fong san-teyou see me; gompa di zá gü.

You are an idle man: Chhö mi shailo (shé-lo) chi me.

You sleep all day: Chhö nyim-kyam nye bo é.

Lift up this packet on her Tsé o audi fu-ti mo-i gyap back:

You are always sitting Chhö átang-máche sá dü down: chen be'.

#### A NIGHT'S LODGING.

Where is the landlord: Nā-bo di ká-na du'.

I am the landlady; Sir Ngárang nā-mo yin, ku-Salaam; sho, chhà' pe.

I want lodgings this night Ngá-lo năts'ang táring please: piru di go nyà.

Sir; you are welcome: Ku-sho; chhà pe' zhü nyá.

Many thanks: T'u je chhe.

Where have you come Chhö ka na-le hlep che-ná? from:

I have come from Dar- Ngá Dorling-le hlep che. jiling:

I am tired: please shew Ngá t'ang chhe po'in; nyethe bed: sa di ten-nang.

Is there a bathing-tub: Chhu tumbe chi mo;

The bed is very hard: Nye-sá (or nyá-ti) di nyogi takta be'.

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The bed is not clean: Nye-sa khe ma kyap bo be'.

There is no other: Zhen átsichi mem be'.

There are lice—bugs—on Di tengkha ō-chhō—deshi

it: -du'.

Call my servant to light Nge yoko di ke kyap, mi

a fire: par-she lo.

Please shut the door: Gom di tsum nang.

Shake the coverlet well: Khebma zob-zob kyap!

Give me a light: Ngá-lo chhū-mi p'in tang.

What is the charge: Ná-la ka dzü mo?

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# UP TO THE DONG-KHYA PASS BETWEEN SIKKIM AND TIBET.

Of all the passes from Sikkim into Tibet this one is the most distant from Darjiling, being 78 miles therefrom in direct line; and is also the loftiest, having an altitude above sea-level of 18,170 feet. Dr. Waddell states that the name Dong-khyá (signifying "frozen wild-yak") was given to the Pass in remembrance of the fact that a herd of wild yak was once frozen to death in crossing it. The route to Dong-khyá La is to make first for the village of La-chhung, which lies on the terraced flats of a wide open valley and consists of about 100 wooden houses built on piles. The La-chhung river, here some 40 feet broad, runs down from a branch valley which opens to the N. W. 5 miles from the village. Ascending this valley, Yumtong, on a flat by the La-chhung and 11,020 feet in altitude, can be reached the next day. Thence the way lies to Momi Samdong (15,362 feet), from which the Pass, 7 miles to the N. E., can be gained in one march.]

La-chhung is a warm Lá-chhung sá-chha töm-mo place; much grass is be'; ts'á nyogi nai be'. here:

The place is damp and Sá-chha di bong-bo p'yá-ti, fever arises:

rong-ts'e chung (lit: "the place making damp, fever arises.")

We start to-morrow morn- Ngáru gyu-she'in; p'ip'u ing; do not be late: p'vá-ti ma ong (lit "tomorrow morning shall go; making late don't come.")

Bring the boxes out of Gum di nyuk-khim le bá the shed: shok

Tell the coolies to lift up Bák-khen-lo lap; toi di vá t'o. (lit: "say to coothe loads: lies; lift up the load.")

That man's load is too P'idi mipo-i toi di nyogi yang-ke be'. light:

Never mind; that will do: Nang-tá mi; audi dik-she be'.

start—quick, Tá-to gyu ts'u-pe-gyop, Now we gyop!

We shall quickly escape La-chhung tsen di-le gyop from the La-chhung doi-she 'in demon:

No matter the demon; Tsen-lo mi t'ok; ri-dák shi' are there any wild ani- sá-chha di-lo dö to bo? mals here:

go-a deer and snow leopards:

Down here musk-deer Di men-lo lá-wa wok-dongand racoons; up there kha be'; p'idi yen-lo go-a dhárung sá be.'

Now we turn up this val- Tá-to yön-lok-ki lung-pa ley to the left, we shall audi lo kyok-ti. find much mud and bog:

damsok dá chhu-pang mám ong-she be'.

The tree trunks are buried Dumpo di dampárak tukpoin the thick mud: lo kung song zhe.

Here the ground is dry; Nái sá di kam-sá be'; audī place the baggage on do lo khur-shing sho'. these stones ·

I must stay here for to- Ngá audi p'iru naí dö go; night; make a fire: mi par chik.

will burn quickly:

Bring some more water; Dhárung chhu bák shok; is the fire burning mi di song-ngá? up:

It is very cold; I will give Nam mám khyábo be': you each some tea from my pot:

Please give us the re- Ngá-lo chaklü di so'sang-le mains in the pot:

Why! Oh, you want to Kam p'yá-te! á-la-lá chrö eat the tea-leaves:

after three hours:

Yum-tong lies on a flat Chhu tsákhá near the river; there are many flowers and rhubarb and fir-trees:

We can remain in that Pidi shing-khim-na little distance from it:

there is danger in this shed:

You can get rhododen- Chhö mi tönda-la takta dron-wood and dháli shing dháli chukma t'op twigs for the fire; they chok; te-ts'u gyop ts'ikshe be'.

chhö re-re lo chá p'in she 'in nge so'-sang-le.

b'in tong zhu.

chá lo-ma sá go pe'. We shall reach Yum-tong Chhu-ts'ö sum gyap-lo Yumtong-na lep-she 'in.

> lep-lep-na Yum-tong dö to be'; f'i-na mhm mintok chukhá dünshing be'

hut; the village is a ts'u-pe te-le dong-gu t'ak t'ung-kyam be'.

See the steep cliffs above; Di yen-lo gang sár tá shik; audi khim-na nven-chen do 'in

Slips of earth and rocks Sá tak rii gyel-ti kheli ngácha se she he'. will fall and kill us all:

If the rain falls much, Chhábo di mám bap-ne, rü slips will come; there is no rain now:

ong-she be'; tá-to chhábo mem be'.

I will stay in the shed to- Ngárang p'iru di shingnight; I will not stay in the tent:

khim buna dö she'in: kur na dö she min.

beneath that rock over there; then the slips cannot fall on you;

You coolies can lie down Chhö, bák-khen-ts'u, p'áki tak te-i wákna nye ts'uk ne : te tön-le rü-ts'u chhö teng khá hlum ma ts'u'pe.

What is the name of that Kang chen-ki with the mountain glacier:

ri ming di kam bo?

Which mountain?

Ri-ga kan?

That one up there to the Yá ki p'idi chang-lo; ngö glacier on its side:

north; it has a huge khá kangchen chhe di be'.

go kang:

The name of that is Chan- P'idi ming di Chángo-kang ser be'.

Many yaks graze at Yum- Yumtong-lo günka-na yak tong in the winter: in summer they are driven up to Momé Samdong:

mám so do be; yárka-na Momi Samdong-lo she he'

Momé this morning:

I will ride a yak up to Ngá tásong Momi tuk yak chi tengkha zhon-ti gyu ong.

It is time to go now; see Tá-to gyu renpo be'; tö shik. a snow-storm is rising:

khá-tsup di lang-chen-du.

it is always snowing and raining:

It is never fine up here; Di yen-lo nam di tang kap námo min be': chhá-bo átang-máche babchen-du'.

seen such big ones:

What huge boulders in Rong audi ná-sha p'o-long this valley; I have never chhe chhe be'; p'i-dem chhe di-lo ná-mo t'ong ma che.

Now we must cross the Tá-to chhu di gál-ti do-rü steep slip of stones:

river, and ascend you zár-zár p'idi yá-te gyu go pe'.

These stones are from Audi do di ri-ki tsim-le rocks which have fallen from the top of the mountain ·

hlum-ki tak-le ong che.

to; not a tree, not a mintok chi mem be'. flower:

It is bleakness itself in Ká-ru hlep che tong-pa nyi this part we have got mo' be'; shing chi mem be',

three tall juniper trees juniper-trees over there:

See! there are two or To tang! p'á-ki shukpo shing ring-po nyi sum be'.

Now we Momé:

are nearing Tá-to ngácha Momi tsáka ong do'in.

of three rivers: There is a hut here with Shing-khim chi nai be' tang plenty of grass for

cattle:

At Momé is the meeting Momi-lo tsang-chhu sum ki do di be'.

tså mám tundro töndá-

From here I can Dongkhya but not the Pass:

le. see Di-na-le Dongkhyá mountain t'ong ts'u' pe, wonte La di t'ong mi ts'uk.

How long shall you stay Chhö laptse di-lo ká dzü sante dö she mo? at the Pass-top:

Kam p'yá-ti? Why?

If you remain long, we Nyok tui dö ne, ngáchc tong-mo kī da ládug-ki shall die from the cold and from Pass-poison: shi-she 'in.

When will vou return Chhö nam lok-she mo? back .

Don't bother me! now Ngá-lo duk ma p'i! Tá-to start; you are standing chhö gyuk; chhö lam in the middle of the buna long do du' wav:

Those peaks are very high: Pidi ri-tsim te mám t'o be'.

Look up that valley to Nup-ki lung-pa-na yá-ki-lo on the east of Kinchin- gyau-ki shar-ngö-lo. ihow:

the west, that mountain to chik! p'á-ki ri te t'onis the highest; it is sho be'; p'idi Tomo Chácalled To-mo Cha-mo, mo ser be', Kangchan-

We have come now to Tá-to látsa-lo lungpa t'ámathe last valley at the na hlep song zhe. foot of the Pass:

See! a storm is rising; it Tö tang! ts'ubma lang chen is beginning:

grows dark; the snow be'; nam mun-nák gyu do be'; khau di go-dzuk to be'.

Listen to the thunder:

How quickly it comes. Gyop-gyop ong chen be! Druk-ke'-lo nyen chik.

speaking to one another: lap to be'.

And now the rocks are fal- Tá-to yang tak-tak di hlum ling; the mountains are do be'; ri-ts'u di re-re-lo yon boulder; it will offer shelter:

We will creep beneath Ngácha p'á-ki p'ong-gi wákna to p'e she 'in; te chhábyáp p'in ong.

rises quickly and departs quickly:

The storm has ceased; it Ts'ubma di chhe song du'; di gyop lang-té, gyop nup

The snow lies thick here; Kháu nái bompo be'; p'áice blocks:

and beyond are great kháru khekrom chhe chhe be'.

Now the river is frozen, Tá-to tsang-chhu di khek and the water runs underneath the ice:

song-ti, khek-ki wákna chhu di gvun chen be'.

We can cross the river on Tsang-chhu di-lo gál ts'u'pe that snow-bridge.

khau-sam tengkha

On the left that glacier is Yön-ngö-lo kangchen p'idi very blue; it is beautiful:

mám ngömbo be'; dzepa be'.

Can we ascend the Pass; Lá di teng-khá dzek ts'ugthe snow is thickest at afterwards at the top it na zimbu ong she be'. will be thin:

gá; khau di Lá-kye-pa-lo the waist of the Pass; bomsho be; se-lo laptse-

Be careful of holes; they Biang-ts'u riko gyim; kap are sometimes covered with yielding snow:

kap-lo khau kampu kī tets'u káb song du'.

flowers, do not pick them, do not smell them:

If you see any yellow Chhö mintok serp átsichi t'ong-ne, te-ts'u ma druk, ma num!

If you smell them, the Chhö-kī mintok Pass poison will injure ládug chhö-lo mám nö pa

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you more and make kyap-ti chhö kyuk-she-lo you sick: p'ya ong.

It is difficult to breathe Tá-to hu hu kyap-she kánow; I am gasping, I le khákpo be'; ngá higam panting: hig kyap-to-be', ngá hangdo-be'.

I cannot speak; my head- Ngá lap mi ts'u'pe; nge aches badly; I am with- go-na mám zuk be'; ngá-out strength: lo hal me' pe'.

But no matter; it will pass Kaltē nangta mi; audi háaway: la gyuk she be'.

Here is the Pass-top; Nái laptse di yö'; p'áki there I see the máni- ngá máni dobong tong cairns:

#### TEACHING IN SCHOOL.

It is time to begin: Go tsuk renpo be'.

You have come late to- T'áring chhö p'ip-na hlep day:

Come in time; don't come Ts'u-na shok; p'ip'u p'yá-late:

ti ma ong.

When did you start from Khim ne nam gyu song bo? home;

First we will offer prayers Tangpo, Konchho- lo moto God: lam sál-she 'in (or kyapshe'in.)

Be silent; shut your eyes; Khá tsum; chhö mik tsum.

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Bring my chair: Nge gyá-ti bák shok.

You look very clean to- Taring chhö tsang mam day: tam-pe.

Your face and hands are Chhö khádong lák-ko tsok dirty:

be'

You ought to wash face Chhö nyim-atang khádong and hands every day: lakko khyu men ne chhö and your whole body go-bo ts'angma di dünt' á once a week: chig-bo.

Begin to say your lesson; Chhö chho-gyuk lap-she ki go tsuk.

I have not learnt my Ngá chho-gyuk ma hlaplesson; ngo che.

Say the Tibetan num- Pö'pe angki di lap bers:

Can you read and write: Chhö yige dok she da pishe-gá?

Go on—take care: Lap—riko gyim.

What do you say: Chhö kan lap-to?

I don't understand you: Nga chhö ke di há má ko. You speak too loudly: Chhö ke bombo kyap be' Don't make such a noise: Ur audem ma kyap.

You are always laughing: Chhö átang-máchha gau be'.

Does he know; say it Kho she'-ká; lokti lap. again:

Who is this little girl: Audi pum chhung ká mo?

She is my younger sister: Mo nge num be'

Where did you learn to turn Chhö ka-khá hlap bo, le-zhuround the handspindle; di kor kyap-she?

When I learnt to turn Ngá-kĩ le-zhu kor kyap-she round the hand-spindle, hlap-bo gang-lo ngá pum I was a very little girl: chhung chhung 'in.

Last night I had head- Dang p'iru ngá go ná zhe. ache:

I am sorry you are ill: Sem duko be', chhö ná-o-le

I cannot leave my book Nai nge chho di zhák mi here:

ts'u-pe.

I cannot let you go home Ngá chhö·lo khim-na gyu mi until you have finished chuk, audi tsi ma ts'ar these sums: barpo.

Do you like to learn Chhö chho-gyuk hlap-ngo lessons:

go be-ká.

If you will not learn, I Hlap-ngo ma ong-ne, ngá-kī must beat your hands chhö lak-ko dá gyap tipand back; she go-pe.

Don't trouble me like this: Ngá-lo au-dem duk ma p'i.

Let me see your sum: Chhö tsi tá chuk

That's enough; now you Audi dik-ke; ta-to chhö gyu may go: ts'u-pe'.

Who teaches you at Chhö lap-ta-lo ke-kyī hlapschool: to?

Our head-teacher being Ngáchi lopön bomsho di sick, has obtained ná-ti, gongpo tang zhe. leave:

Our third master has re- Ngáchi lo-pön sumpo di lok turned; he is teaching hlep zhe; kho tá-to hlap now. to be'.

When will you return to Chhö lap-ta-na nam lok she school:

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Read this sentence care- Lo-gyu audi rik-rik dok. fully:

Spell the letters of these Audi tsik-ts'u-ki yigé chikwords . chik lap.

#### TALK ON RELIGION.

Shall we have a chat on Ngácha chhoi-ki lapchhá Religion: kyap she bo?

We both have faith in Chhörang, ngárang, nyi-ka Konchho-lo de'pa zin zhe. God:

There are not many Gods: Lha-ts'o mángho mem be'. You speak of Konchho; and Chho audem lap-to-kon. we will give that name chho; ngácha tárung ming to the One True God: te táb she'in lhá ngotok chikpo-lo.

You worship Shákva T'ub- Chhö Shákva-t'up ki kurim pa calling him Buddha; I worship the One True God calling him Konchho:

kyap-to Sang-gye ser-ti; ngårang Konchho ser-ti hla ngotok chikpo-i kurim kyap-to-'in.

There is only one God:

Di Konchho di chikpo kharkyang be'.

There is none besides that Konchho tē man-na min du.' God:

God made everything: Konchho-kī kheli zo zhe.

God made the things of Konchho-kī namkhá-i chhákha jik-ten-ki chhákha Heaven and earth: zo zhe.

God is king of the world Konchho jik-ten-ki gye'po, and Protector and gov- gompo du'-ti, te-lo gyur. erns it:

God is like a father to us: Konchho yáp chik dem be' ngácha tönda-lé.

Christians call Him "Our Ngáchi yáp-p'idem Máshi-Father:" ka-pa-po ser.

God pities us when we Ngácha duk-ngál rakti, Konare in trouble: chho-le nying-je du'.

We ask; then he gives Ngácha-kī shu-wa táb-ti, help: roram ter she be'.

Iesus Christ came from Yé-shu Máshika torī-ne Heaven to tell us about God:

p'ep che Konchho-ki lön bák nang-she tön-lé.

where man are to go on dying:

Jesus Christ came to say Yé-shu Máshika p'ep song du', audem she' pe tönlé: mi-ts'u shi-ne káru gyushe be'.

Jesus Christ became a Yé-shu Máshika kye-bo chik human being and dwelt in the world:

gyur-ti jikten-na zhū do be'.

to speak tidings from God:

He came upon the world Kho jikten tengkha chung zhe, Konchho kyi lön sernyi.

better world than this present world:

Christ told men of another Jikten zhen chi audi jikten di le lem be; p'i-dem Máshika-i sung song zhe.

When we die we shall Ngácha shi-ne, ts'e sarpo chi enter a new life in namkhá buna t'op nyi in. Heaven:

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We shall not enter another Audi jikten di tengkha, ngácha pumpo zhen bu-na body in this world: gyu ma ong.

We shall not be born again Ngácha ts'e zhen tön le nái here for another life as one of the six classes of animated beings:

kyu-she min, semchen-ki rik tuk le pungpo chik buna.

in the bodies of beasts or birds:

We shall not be born again Ngácha cholsong p'yá-i rona táng kyu chung she min.

Jesus Christ was killed for Ye-shu Máshika se' po be' chhö tönda-le.

for your sins:

He died to make payment Khorang shi song zhe, chhö kyön-ki lu-rin p'in-khenki tön-le.

All are pure & good in Namkhá Heaven; and you may not enter there because you are evil and impure:

nangsha dákmo yakpo be'; chhorang ngempo ma dák yö' pe, teru zhuk ma ts'u pe.'

But Jesus offered his life Onte Ye-shu ri-kyi sok sál a ransom to redeem all sinners.

jhe, dikchen mi khéli luna lu-tsap.

soul from impurity; and God lets you enter Heaven:

Thus He cleanses your Pidem chhörang-gi semnyi kyuk-do-le khyu-ti, Konchho-gī chhö namkhá buna gyu chuk.

I believe in Jesus Christ:

Ngá Ye-shu Máshika-lo yichhe do 'in.

Alas! you do not believe: A-tsa-má! chhö yi mi chhe-SO.

Pray to God to shew you Könchho lo mölam kvap

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the real truth:

tàng chhö lo empa ngotok di ten-nvi.

Christ is the true thing Màshika di ngá-wo and He died as substitute for all:

rang di be'; kho yang mi t'am-che ki ts'abpo shi song.

man; but he never obtained happiness.

Buddha became a good Chomdende mi lem chi chung song; kalte ná-mong gámochen top ma che

your sins have been forgiven:

You reach happiness when Chhö-kyi dikpa di sál chung ne chhö kī gàmochen dub song.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER IN DENJONG KE CHO-OI MONLAM.

Námo ngáchi Yáp! Nyi'rang ting-sang námkhá-i náshá zhū be'. Nyi'kyi ming di dámbu ser go-pe'. Nyi'kyi gye-si gyop p'ep she gong tang! Námkhá-i náshá nyi'kyi ká-gyur di dub-te; p'idi dem jikten-na nyen she go-pe'. Nge to-za nyim-re di ngá-lo nyimtang-nyim p'in-tang. Mi-ts'o-kī dák-lo nö'pa kyal-ne te-ts'o-lo zö'pe; audi dem dák-ki dikpa sál p'yá sollo! Ngá-lo dikpai ts'ö zung-khen di ma nang. Ontengempo-le ngá-lo tol nyá. Gye-si, wangbu, rákchen, kheli nyi'rangchen du.'—Amén.

#### MISCELLANEOUS SENTENCES.

Will the Raja grant ad- Gye-po di ku dün-lo gongpa mission to his presence: nang she bo?

My wife is dying: Nge mobi di shi dap be'.

What is the name of that Gang-tse p'idi ki ming ká peak?

de'su?

What is the use of that Pidi tárchho di ki kho kan flag?

do ko?

That woman wears a long Pum audi kyá hlow-wa chi plait of hair: kün chen du'.

What is the use of putting Lâk-koi tengkha fung di the shell on your hand: chhuk-te, p'ento kam bo? Paint worn by Tibetan Tüi-ja. women on their cheeks:

Shell worn on wrist:

T'ung-khá.

Long plait of hair worn: Kyá hlow-wa.

Charm round neck:

Sung-bu.

Hand-spindle:

Le-zhu.

Dandi bearer (of Darjil- Dandi bák-khen.

ing):

Cholera:

Gyá-nak-pa; or Gyá-mi.

A China-man:

Nyá-lok.

Revenue Superintendents Ká-zi (Bká-gzigs). of the twelve districts

into which Sikkim is divided:

Village head-man:

P'i-pön.

The Raja or ex-king of Gye'-po. Sikkim:

# III. SIKKIM - BHUTIA VOCABULARY.

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#### ENGLISH-SIKKIM VOCABULARY.

Able to be ts'uk she chak

Able, to be ts'uk she, chok she

Above (adv.\ yá-te, yá-ki

Above (prep.) yen-na Accident gálkyen

Accompany, will nyambu

gyu-she be'

According to dem

Account of, on tön-le

Across fe-lo

Afraid, he is she' chen be'

After gyap-le

Afterwards se-lo

Again yang-char

Ague rongts'e

Alive is sombo

All khe-lé

Alone chig-bo
Always átang máchhá (pa)

Ancle pulongmo

Angry zhe-dang

Another zhüma; zhen-chi

Ant gyoma Any atsichi

Apple debu

Appointment yok

Arm lang-ngá

Arrange for! che' kang

kyap!

Arrangement che' kang

(Hind: bandobast)

Arrive, to hlepshe

As dem

Ask, to dishe

Assemble, to (intrans.)

ts'okshe

Assist, to ro-be'she

Attack, to zingshe

Avalanche khárü

Avoid, to che'tangshe

Axe tepo

Back, the gyap

Back (adv.) lokti

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Backwards gyap-gyap-lo Bad males Bag gyép, bákhu Bake, to byupshe Bamboo vessel pádün Bank (of river) chhu-dam Baptize, to tui solshe Bark, to háb kyapshe Barley ne Basket tse-o Basket for back gådechikmo: ts'áktse Beast, any tundro Beat, to tipshe Bed, to go to nyésá buna gyushe Bedstead nyá-ťi Bedding nyá-chhá Beetle burpa Before henle Beggar pang-go Begin, to go-dzukshe Beginning, the goma Behind se-lo Believe, to sem de'pa be'-

she

Bell tilbu Belly ku-chhal Bend, to kug-kuk tongshe Beneath wákna Bent, has been gum kyap zhe Best, the chhok Better lem dhárung Between hrakna Big bompo Bird p'yá Bird, little p'ichhung Bit (horse's) sap-chak Bitter kyur-ru Black nákpo Blanket mesen Blood khyák Blue ngömbo Body (dead) ro Body (living) zuk Book chho Born to be kvushe Bottle shel-bum Bow dá Bowl (or cup) p'orpa Box dom, gum

# [ 103 ]

Boy potso Cat alü. shim Brandy dön-rák Catch to she'-she Breathe, to hu kyapshe. Cavern tak-p'uk Chain chák-ť á Bride a pagma Bridle (horse) to sap kyap-Chair gya-t'i she Cheap Rye-po Bring, to bák nangshe Cheese chu Broth tsüm Child pugu Bucket (bamboo) sem China gyá-nák Choke, will küm ghá-she be' Buckwheat dráo Buddha Sang-gye Choose, to damga tangshe Burn, to ts'ikshe, sekshe Churn, to chu kyokshe Burnt, has been sek song Circle round, to kor-kor gyushe zhe Claw dermo Bury to báishe Butcher shempa Clean tsangm keho, Button tokchi Clean, to make tsang khyushe Buy, to nyu-nyi Cloth (cotton) re-gá Clothing ko-lak, dum Cairn (on Pass-top) dobong, Poyor Cloud trin Call to, to ke kyapshe Coat ko-lak Cold khyá-bo, kyangmo Candle ts'ildong, mum-Cold, is khyáb me' dong Carrot lá-p'u-ser Colour ts'ön

Cash (money) ngü

Comb, a so-mang

# [ 104 ]

Come to ongshe Dark, it is nam noksup Companion lam-rok be' Conscience pye-chhö Daughter pum Consequence of, in tönda-Day nyim le Day, all nyim-kyang Contract, a chhe'-yik Day, every nyim-nyim Cook, a sö-pön Dear (costly krápo Cook, to soshe Deep ting ringpo Coolie bák-khen Delay, to p'ip'u práshe Correct ts'ampo Die, to shishe Cough, to lunyi Difficult khákma Count this! gyangka tang Dinger sum Dirty tsok, te-khá Courtyard tangra Cow bá-lang Dish derma Crawl, to p'e-p'e-she Dismiss, to gongy ok tang-Crevasse kang-serkhá Crops tön-tok Divide, to shá-shá-su tang-Cup (china) káryö she Current of river, chhu-Do to, pyáshe Doing, is pyá do gyün Cut, to toknyi Done, has been zo che Cut off (chop, to tok tang-Done, is finished) jom she song Door gom Damp be'chen Downwards már

Dangerous nyenchen

Drag, to tenshe

#### [ 105 ]

Drink, to fungshe
Drive, to dá-nyi
Drive them dá tang
Drowned, will be ts'upti
shi ong
Dry kam
Dry, to kam pyáshe
Dung (horse, &c.) chá

Ear namcho Ear-ring e'-kor Early ngáru Easy lápo Eat, to to sá she Eatable to sá-chok Edge, on the sur-ka Egg gongdo Empty tong-po End t'ama Engage, to borshe Enough, is dik'e Evening p'iru Everywhere sá kheli Explain, to she pa tangshe Expenses kyá-go

Eye mi-do

Face khådong Faith sem·lo de'pa Fall, to hlumshe Far. how t'á ring-t'ung ká dzü mo? Fasten, to chingnyi Fat 'of meat) ts'illu Father áp'o Feel, to sem rakshe Fence rau-á Fern kye-ma Fever rong-t'se Fight, to dzingshe Find to Popshe Finger dzüm-mo Finished, it is ts'ar songzhe Fire mi Firm sarten Fish nyá Flag tarcho Flower mintok Fog humpo Follow, to gyap-le gyushe Food to-ze

Foot kangpa

#### [ 106 ]

For (you, it, &c.) tön-le Gold ser Forget, to jeshe Good lem Freeze, to khek gyushe Goose hángtse Fresh sarpo Government zhung, jong Frighten, to jik-ta kyapshe Grass tsá From off tengkha-le Great chhe Frost khek kholma Ground sá Frozen, is kholma tön song Full tem-tem Full, is kangbo-be'

Game (wild) ridá
Get, to t'opshe
Getting, are you t'op do bo? Half p'ye'ká
Girl pum
Hammer t'a
Give, to p'inshe, nangshe
Give up, to tangshe
Given, was p'in song
Hard tákya
Glacier kangchen
Has shám
Glass shel
Head go
Go, to gyushe
Goot rápo
Hear, to ny
God Lama Könchho
Hearth t'ap
Going, I am gyu-do 'in
Heaven nan
Goitre shámen
Heel kang-he

Guide lamkhen Gun minda Gunpowder midze Hail ser-do Hair kyá Hammer Po-á Hand lake Hang up, to zhü'she Hard tákya Hat shám Head 20 Head (chief) bomsho Hear, to nyenshe Hearth Pap Heaven namkhá Heavy jhimpu Heel kang-ting

# [ 107 ]

Hill-spur gang Into nangshá Hold, to zinshe Hold fast she me' nyá! Tackal kipchang Tar dzábum Hole, a bupa Tesus Yeshu Home khim Honey rangtsi Join, to jarshe Hoof mikpa Jump, to jongshe Horse tá Hot ts'ábo Keep, to (retain)dzinshe House khim Kernel sigu Kettle sång How much ká dzü-mo? Hungry tok-ri Key kulik Hut chilbu, dzi-kor Kick, to dung-gyak tangshe Kill, to se'-she Ice khek, chhábrum King gyepo Icicle kangihau Knife ki-chhung Ice-field khek-t'ag Know, to sheishe: ngo-Ill am ná-o-'in sheishe Ill, are ná-o-le Know, do you shei-ká? Ill, am not ná-o-mi Image (idol) ku-ten Ladder kerkhá Important to-gál Lake chho India Gyá-gár Lamb lugu Ink nák-ts'á Lame, is kang-kyo be' Lamp ö'-kor Insect shik-bu Land-slip sá-rü Inside buna (postp.)

#### [ 108 ]

Language ke'; khá. Late, (you) are p'ipna hlep che Lazy lo-chen Learn, to hlap-goshe Leave go tang tang ! Leave 'a thing), to zhákshe Leave, to obtain gongpo tangshe Leech püpo; simpa Leg ledum Lesson chho-gyuk Letter chhák-ri Lie, a há Lie down, to nyá-ti kyapshe Lift, to kelshe Like, do you gai-e-ka? Light, to parshe Light (not dark) *tang* Light (in weight) yang ke Little, a átsi-chi Little chhung Live 'dwell', to do'she

Living, is he dö yö bo?
Load, a toi
Load, to p'apshe
Long t'a ringpo
Look for, to ts'olshe
Loosen, to hlö'she
Loudly bompo
Love, to nyingpo pyanyi

Maize kándzom Make, to pyáshe, zoshe Man mi Many mám Market he' Marriage, a nyen Mat ten Measure (amount), to sher kyapshe Meat ská Meet, to tang t'ukshe Messenger hun tingkhen Midst of, in the bu-na Middle, in the kiltu Milk om Miserable duk-nge-chen Mist humpo

### [ 109 ]

Money ngü

Month dau

Moon dau More kláko

Morning, in the forang-lo

Morrow, to t'orang Mother ámo

Mountain *ri* Mouth *khá* 

Move, to nurshe

Mule țe

Must go-pe

Name ming Near tsáká

Necessary, it is go-pe

Nettle shá-tsá

Night ts'en

Night, to audi p'iru

Noise ūr

None tsal-le mi

Not at all kyön-ne me'

Nothing, is kan di mi Not. is mem be'

Now tá-to

Number angki

Nun áni

Offer, to pinshe

Oil márnák

Old man gep

Old woman gem

Once, at lamsang

Once len-chik

Only chiko

Open, to p'ishe
Orange ts'álump a

Our ngáchi

Outside pang-kha

Over there p'ina

Overcoat chhupa

Pack-cradle khurshing

Pain zuk

Paint ts'ön

Pan (flat) lang-ngá

Pant, to buhák kyapshe

Paper sho-gu

Pass (mountain) lá

Pass over, to gálshe

Pass top laptse

Peak kang-ri; tsim

#### [ 110 ]

Pen nyigu Petticoat shamko Piece a chhádum Pig p'ákmo Pillow u-nge Place sá-chhá Place, to zhákshe Place down, to p'apnyi Plain a fang Plane, a bu-hlén Plate (of tin' a t'áli Pointed peak zoktse Poison duk Post office yi'khim Potato kviu Pour in, to hlukshe Price gong Prop (for back) kuptek Pull, to denshe Puppy dyo Push in, to tsuknyi Put on, to kelshe Put into, to hlukshe

Quarrel, a ts'arpok Quickly gyop-gyop Quietly kulyu Quite tsåwa-ne

Radish láp'u Rain chhábo Raining, it is chhábo báp to Raise, to tushe, zhengshe Rat dzátsi Ravine bi-tangkha Read, to dokshe Ready tel-tik Real ngö; ngüne Receive to, lenshe Redeemer kyapgön Reins (or bridle) sap-t'ak Remains (of food) hlakma Resting-place lamtek Resting-crutch ngá-tek Return, to lokshe Rice de Right tsampo Right, to the ye-ngö-na River tsang-chhu Rock tak Rock-shelter tak-kyip

#### 111

Room khang-mik Sheers jemtse Rope tá-ko Sheep luk Rule, to darnvi Sheep-fold luk-kor Rude chheluk ngempo Shine, to sháshe Run, to chhongshe Shoot, to mindá kyapshe Rupee tiruk Shoe hlam Short t'ung Saddle gá Show, to tenshe Saddle-cloth gá kep Shut, to tsumshe Salt Psá Shuttle (in hand) le-zhu Sand pema Side ngö Saviour kyapgön Sin dik Say, to lapshe Sinful dikchen School lap-ta Sing, to lu kyap-nyi Scissors gyimtse Sink, to nupshe; timshe Sky namkha Seal Petse Seat, take a ten-lo shu Slip, to gyelshe Slope (of ravine) kat, ke' See, to tashe See, go and tá song-nyá Slow gorpo Sell, to ts'ongshe Slowly kul-kul

Send, to tang-nyi

Sentence lo-gyu

he' me' !

Sharp no

Shade, in the dibma lo

Small chhung Smell of burning shur-di Settle the matter che-kang Smells, it nam do be' Smooth jámpo Snake byu So p'idem

#### [ 112 ]

Stone do

Storm ts'upma

Soap sábon Softly kulyu, jámtong Soldier mákmi Some átsi Snow khau Son pu Soon gyop Sorry, am-is sem duko be' Sort, what kádem Soul namshei South hlo Speak, to lapshe Spectacles, snow mik-da Spider bagrak Spit, to fu kyapshe (with lo = on, at.Spread, to tingshe Spring, a chhu-mik Spur (horse) tingchák Stair-ladder kerkhá Stamp (postage) chhá-gyá Stay, to gushe Steep zárpo

Stick, a per-ká

Stirrup yop-long

Stomach to-kok

Stout gyakshá Strap ko-ťá; go-tá Strong she' chen Sugar chéma kára Sun nyima Sweep, to t'ála dushe Sweet shimpo Table tentse Tail shu-gu Take, to zinshe Take away ! bak song ! Take off! fx / Tax tot Tea chá Teacher lo-pön Tent kur Thanks, many fu-je-chhe Thick bompo Thief kunchhe

Thin simbu

Throat mi ko

Throw, to kyapshe

Thirsty, am komri song

#### [ 113 ]

Throw away, to yungshe Thunder duk-ke' Thus audem Tie. to takshe Time, it is ren do be' Tired fang chhe-po To-day taring Toes dzümmo Top, the tsim Touch, to doshe Trader ts'ongkhen Trading place ts' ong-sá Traffic ts'ongkhá Tree shing-dong Trousers torma Trunk dumpo Tub tumbe Turban u-tong

Valley lungpa

Understand, to hågoshe
Unfasten, to gvosshe
Uncle (maternal) á-shang
Until sánte (verb in negat.)

Upon, on tengkhá, khá : Use, what kam p'yá do? : Usual, as p'aldem ; l'ünden

Wages p'ok Walk, to Wall tsik-kor Wanted, not mineo War mak-t'áp Wasp potum Wash, to khyushe Wash it! khyu tang! Watch! gü-ti-dö! Water chhu Way lam Weak bektá; kampu Wear (put on), to kön-nyi Weather nam Week dün-trá Well, a chhu-dong Well, are you ku kham demo bo? West nup Wet bongbo or pongpo Wheat gyo Wherefore kam pyá-te?

#### [ 114 ]

White káp
Whole, the kheli
Why kámbe'?
Widow yū-sámo
Wife mobi
Winter günka
Within bu-na
Wood shing
Work le-ka
Write, to pishe

Yak, milch zomo
Yak, wild dong
Yak (general term) yak
Yak (male, half-breed)
zopo
Yellow serp
Yesterday dang
Young shön
Youth shön-nu

# IV.—APPENDICES.

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# [ 157. ]

### MAMMALIA OF SIRKIM.

NAME OF SPECIES	Denjong Ke	LEPCHA
Macaque Monkey of Nipal (Macacus oi- nops)		
Himalayan Macaque	Tyu	
(Macacus Assamen- sis)		
Hanuman Monkey	Mány	
(Semnopithecus entellus)		
Himalayan Langúr (S, schistaceus)	Ţá	Sá-ku
Bengal Tiger (Felis tigris)	Gyá-tak	Så-tong
Indian Leopard (Felis pardus)	Zik	Syi-chák
Snow Leopard (Felis irbis)	Şá	Sá-chak
Clouded Leopard (Felis macroceloides)	Shing-zik or Zik-n <b>ák</b> - khyá	Sá-chu k
Marbled Tiger-cat (Felis dosul)	Zikmár	Dosal
Temmink's Leopard-cat) (Felis aurata)	Pungmar	:

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Name of Species	Denjong Ke	LEPCHA
Fishing Cat (Felis khupya)	Dam-zik	
Leopard Cat (Felis pardichroa)	Sá-juk	
Isabelline Lynx (Felis isabellina)	Yi .	. •
Larger Zibet (Viverra civettoides)	Sá-p'yung	
Tiger Civet-cat (Prio- nodon pardicolor)	Zikchum	Su-lyu
Paradoxurus Nipalensis	Sá-chum	Sácchum.
Nipalese Mongoose (Herpestes pallipes)	Noilé	
Crab-eating Mongoose	Arva	
Indian Wolf (Lupus laniger)	Chang-ku	Chang-gu
Jackal (Canis aureus)	Kipcha <b>ng</b>	
Silver Fox (Vulpes alopex)	Am	Wómo
Wild Dog (Cuon pri- mævus)	Parchang	Sátum
Indian Marten (Martes flavigula)	Hu-nya	Sá-ku
Beech Marten (Martes toufæus)	Toup'i	
Tibetan Polecat (Putori- us larvatus)	Shülp' i	

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NAME OF SPECIES	Denjong Ke	' LEPCHA
Ermine (Mustela erminea)	Shram-kar	A
Himalayan Weasel (Mustela subhema- chalana)	Témong	Sang-king
Striped Sikkim Weasel (Mustela strigidorsa)	Temong Khy <b>á</b> -o	
Pale Tibetan Weasel (Mustela temon)	Sémong	
Hodgson's Nipalese Weasel (Mustela Kathiah)	Lá-kyimo	
Ferret Badger (Helictis Nipalensis)	Wok-kar	
Tibetan Badger (Meles leucura)	Gyumpo	
Clawless Otter (Aonyx leptonyx)	Chhu-sham	Sá-ryom
Himalayan Otter (Lutra aureobrunnea)	Chhu-sham	Sá-ryom
Himalayan Racoon (Ailurus ochraceus)	Wokdong- kar	Saknam
Brown Bear; var. (Ursus isabellinus)	Dom-khaina	Sámo
Blue-black Bear (Ursus torquatus)	<b>Dom</b>	Sona
Sikkim Hedgehog (Erinaceus gang)	Gang-zerma	

NAME OF SPECIES	Denjong Ki	E' LEPCHA
Short-tailed Mole (Talpa micrura)	Byu-kang- kyem	Pur-ayâm
Red Marmot (Arctomys caudatus)	Chhi-p'i	
Yellow Marmot (Arctomys Tibetanus)	Kardi-p'yu	
Grey Tail-less Rat (Lago- mys Chumbiensis)	Gomehhen	
Chestnut Tail-less Rat (Lagomys Nipalensis)	Zábra	•
Tibetan Water-rat (Nec- togale elegans)	Chhu-puse	Ung-kálok
Sikkim Water-shrew Chimarrogale Hima- laica)	Chhu-p'itsi	Ung-lág- <b>ny</b> u
Sikkim Brown-toothed Shrew (Sorex Sik- kimensis)	Ting-jing	Tang-zhing
Hodgson's Shrew (Sorex leucops)	Pi-chhung	
Blyth's Sikkim Shrew (Sorex fulginosus)	Zá-tsi	. ' :
Long-tailed Shrew (Sorex macrurus)	Jukring-tsi	• .
Brown Musk Shrew (Sorex saturation)	Lá-tsi	
Hodgson's Pigmy Shrew (Sorex Hodgsoni)	Tsi-ki	•

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NAME OF SPECIES	DENJONG KE	LEPCHA
Bamboo Tree Shrew (Tupaia ferruginea)	Shing-ting- ji <del>n</del> g	Kung tang- zhing
House Rat (Mus Asiaticus)	P'i-tsi	Kálok
Common Mouse (Mus musculus)	Tsi-tsi	
Sikkim Squirrel (Sciurus rubus)	Jágma	
Slatey-backed (Hare (Lepus oiostolus)	Rigong	
Indian Porcupine (Hystrix Indicus)		
Sikkim Porcupine (Hystrix Denjon- gensis)	P'i-durma	
Wild Elephant (Ele- phas Indicus)	Lang-po-chhe	Tyangmo
Tibetan Stag Cervus Wallichii)—now ex- tinct here.	Sho-á	Sá-ving
Hodgson's Antelope (Kemas Hodgsoni)	Chiru (or Tsö'	
Thar Deer (Hemitragus jemlaicus)	Gyá	Sá-chi
Ravine Deer (Procapra picticaudata)	Go-á	

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NAME OF SPECIES	Denjong Ke'	LEPCHA
Gooral Deer (Nemorhædus goral)	Rá-gở	Sá-gyeng
Serow Deer Nemorhædus bubalinus)	Seru	Sá-tyo
Barking Deer (Cervulus aureus)	Ká-khur	Sá-ka
Musk Deer (Moschus moschiferus)	Lá-wa	Sá-bur
Ibex (Capra sakeen)	Kin	Sá-pyuk
Burrhel Wild-sheep Ovis nahura)	<i>Nápu</i> and <i>Ná-o</i>	
Tame Yak (Poëphagus grunniens)	$\begin{cases} \text{Male}: & \textit{Zo-}\\ \textit{p'o} \\ \text{Female}: & \textit{Zo-}\\ \textit{mo} \end{cases}$	
Taurus Indicus:	Báchu	
Tsangpa Pony:	Wálwa	
Sikkim Pony:	Tánghá	

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#### TOPOGRAPHY OF SIKKIM.

(INCLUDING DARJILING AND DALINGKOT.)

[In this list L= Lepcha derivative, B = Sikkim-Bhutia ditto., R. = river, M. = mountain, P. = pass, S. P. = snowy peak, V. = village or hamlet, G. = gompa or monastery; numbers denote altitude in feet above sea-level.]

Alibong: [L. "the mouth with a tongue"] real name of Lebong spur near Darjiling where new cantonment stands.

Alokt'ang: [B. á-lok or há-lok overturned or broken up, fang a plain or meadow] a flat strewn with fallen boulders in valley at S. E. base of Kabru.

**Ba'damtam:** [B. tam (gram) marsh, pádam of bamboos] a place near Darjiling where formerly the large *Dendro-calamus* bamboo grew.

**Ba'khim:** [B. pá-khim "bamboo-cane house"] a halting-stage on Tendong-hill.

**Ba'm-ts'ong:** [B. "cattle sale-place"; Hooker's Bhomsong] a flat with V. in the deep Teesta valley due E of Mainom Ri.

Ba'm-Ts'o: [B. bá cattle mts'o a lake] lake on new northern frontier line between the Kongra-lamo and Dongkhyá P. Bar-nya' Ri: [B. "Burnt-neck M."] according to Dr. Waddell the real name of Barmi.

Bar-p'yung: [B. "where the lesser bamboos (py'ung) have been burnt"] a V. at the foot of the Rag-lang P. in south Sikkim.

Barfonchen: [really Bar-p'yung-chen with same meaning as preceding name] halting place in pine-forest near Cho La.

**Bhedi:** [B. Sbed hidden sde spot] place between Darjiling and Sandakphu.

Buxa': [B. gross misnomer for *Pâ-zam-khâ* "facing the rattan-cane bridge"] 1800ft., plateau 6 miles from Bhutan border where wing native reg. is stationed. Includes fort and large Bhutia V. Lat. 26° 50' N. long 89° 36' E. in Julpaiguri district.

Byu-t'ang: [B. "snake flat" or "mole-mea-dow"] place for halting near Yak La.

Catsuperri G.: [B. Khá-ts'ö'-pe-ri (mká-ts'od-pal-ri) "the glorious hill which measures (or searches) the skies"] a G. on lofty hill where is a large lake, alt. 6,485ft, near Yoksum and the Ratong R.

Cha' Chhu: [B. "Bird river" or perhaps Chhak Chhu: "Broken R" from its abrupt curves] affluent of T'ung-gu R. in extreme north, fed by glaciers of Kinchenjhow.

Changachelling G: [really Sang-gye-chhö-ling,

B. "the abbey of the doctrine of Buddha"] a largegompa near Pemiongchi.

Changokang: [really Jhyángö Gang "the eagle's crag"] a lofty M. 20,250ft. visible far down the Láchhung valley, rising near Kinchenjhow.

Cheungtong or Choongtam: [really Tsünt'ang, B. "the lady's plain"] an alluvial flat formed by the junction of the Lachhen and Lachhung R. above which is the G. of the same name, dedicated to the lady patroness of Sikkim, Dorje P'agmo, and containing curious pictures of Lhasa.

Chhumbab La: [B. "falling water pass"] a P. into Nipal; 17,100ft.

**Chhumbi**: [B. probably *Chhu-p'yi* "at the back of the waters"] narrow district of Tibet protruding south between Sikkim and Bhutan.

**Chidam:** (B. dam the bank, chi (spyi) at the highest point a bold spur, above the Great Rangnyit R., facing Darjiling from which it is distant some so miles N.-E.

Cho La: [B. Jo nobleman la pass] 14,670ft. P. into Chhumbi, 10 miles N. of Jelep La.

Chomiomo M.: [B. probably Jo-yum-mo "lady mother" hill] rises on extreme North-West frontier; 22,000ft.

Chomsering G: [B. really Jo-gser-ring G.

"gompa of the tall yellow lord"] situated N.-E. of Kalimpong in Dalingkot sub-division.

Dalingkot: [B. mdå arrow, gling isolated spot, kot (bkod) plan or "part marked-out" and hence "district"] a sub-division E. of Darjiling, annexed from Bhutan in 1865. Fort of same name.

**Dalling G:** [B. really *Dorling* a name identical with Darjiling] is an old Buddhist estab. 10 m. due E. of Pemiongchi.

Darjiling: [B. Dorje-ling "the isolated spot" or "abbey" of the "sacred sceptre"—a branch of Dorling G. having formerly existed on Observatory-hill. Another derivation is: Dar-rgyái-gling, sounded dargyeling "the place of Indian silks"] the well-known hill resort.

Dikiling G: [de (bde)-kyi (skyid) bliss, ling (gling) spot] high up near confluence of Roro Chhu and Rangpo Chhu.

Dik Chhu: [B: Dek (rdeg) Chhu "the beating or kicking R."] a R. of steep gradient rising in Gipmochi M., Bhutan, and joining the Teesta.

Dongkhya La: [B. "frozen wild-yak pass"] P. of 19,500ft. in N.-E. corner; also name of M. on N. side of pass, 23,174ft.

Do-tsuk: [B: "the stones thrust in"] proper

name of "the Bhutia bustee" below the Chaurasta at Darjiling. Has a small G, newly re-built.

**Dubdi G:** [B. dub (sgrub)-de (sde) "centre of meditative attainment"] ancient estab. with 2 temples on spur above Yoksum, in W. Sik.

Dumsong: [L. "white stockade"] 2 stages from Kalimpong, but off main track.

Dulapchin: [B. dolapchen "the talking stones" or "stones which speak"] the 3rd stage before Gnatong.

Enche G: [B. "tongue of solitude"] near Gangt'ok.

Folut: [L. "toothed heights" or fok-lut "denuded heights"] Phalut; the well-known summit on

Singalelah range—excursion spot.

Fuse'ring: [B. Phu-tsi-ring "long-measuring upper-valley"] the valley between Lebong and Birch-hill.

Gant'ok: [B. tok pinacle sgang of the ridge] at present the seat of government where the British resident lives. On new road to Jelep La.

Ghum: [really dgung "the middle"; also Ghumpahar, B. and Hind. really gungpahar "the middle hill"] large bazaar with G. and railway station 4 m. from Darjiling.

Ging: [B. sgying "a sloping plain"] a V. with tea-gardens near Darjiling. Has a new G. with paintings on its walls.

Gnatong: [European misnomer for Naklang: B. "forest plain"] the military station made use of in recent war and since retained as garrison for British troops.

Gok: [B. "a deserted place"] an old out-post above the Ramam R.

Hee Hlo: [L. "hill of arrival"] a summit, 7290st. 15 m. N. N. E. of Darjiling.

Iche: [B. really I-chák or I-chák-kha "where this was broken"] a V. adjacent to Oche.

Islumbo La: [B. yi'slumpo La "the pass deceptive to the mind"] a P. into Nipal, 11,000 ft., some 12 m. N.W. of Hee Hlo.

Jallapahar: [Hind. "the burnt hill"] the southern portion of the Darjiling ridge.

Jelep La: [B. Dze-leb La "the flat clay P."] the well-known P. into Chhumbi beyond Gnatong, 14,388 ft.

Jannu Ri: [B. probably Jo-nub "the western lord"] a snow-clad peak seen from Darjeeling, to the left of Kinchenjunga. It stands in Nipal, separated from the latter M. by a broad deep valley; 25,304 ft.

Kabru Ri: [B. "the carved" or "chiselled pillar"] 24,015 ft. S. P. really part of Kinchenjunga.

Kabur M.: [B. perhaps sku-spur " the dead

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body" or képur "neck and body"] the smaller and nearer peak (15,827 ft.) as seen from Darjiling; confused with Kabru.

Ka'limpong: [B. Kalömpung: i.e. spung the assemblage bká-blon of chief officers] a Church of Scotland mission-station; also head-quarters Forest dep.

Kangchhendzönga': the proper pronunciation of the name Kinchenjunga the Anglicised term for the great mountain of Sikkim [B. Gangs-chhen-mdzod-lnga" the five treasure-chests of the great snows; "L. Kanglo-chu" the highest curtain of the snows." (Dr. Waddell); styled Khambu Karma by Sikkim-Bhutias] 45 m. from Darjiling; worshipped by Lepchas and Bhutias; 28,156 ft. at highest peak.

Kangchenjhou Ri: [B. Kangchen icy gyao beard—"the M. with the icy beard"], a lofty flat-topped M. on northernmost frontier fringed with remarkable glaciers and gigantic icicles.

Kang-la-nangma: [B. "The Inner Snowy Pass"] gives access over southern shoulder of Kabru into Nipal.

Kongra-lamo La: [etymology uncertain; may be Skong ra slamo La "the Pass with the easy hollow enclosure" or kyong-ra blama La "the P. of the lama with the protecting horn" or again Skong-ra lamo La "the easy P. with the hollow horn;" or kyong-ra may

mean "a shelter"] a P. lying across the top of the Lachhen valley; accessible and much used for traffic between Sikkim and Tashi-hlümpo in Tibet.

Kung-gol hlo: Lepcha name for Jallapahar or rather for the whole ridge on which Darjiling and the latter cantonment stand. Waddell derives it: "hill of the fallen tree," so called because, inclusive of Birch-hill and Lebong, this ridge resembles a prostrate tree with its protruding branches on either side. Should be Kung-klo-hlo.

Kup'up La: [B. sku "holy body" p'u "valley-head"]

Kurseong: [L. really Karsong "winding stockade"] populous place on Darjiling rail-road.

Lachhen: [B "great pass"] the valley and river running S. from the Kong-ra-lamo P. and eventually joining with the Lachhung R. to form the Teesta or Rang-nyo Chhu. Rises in Cholamo lake, Tibet. There is a G. of same name in valley.

Lachhung: [B. "little pass"] river rising in the heights about the Dongkhya P. and flowing S.-W. to Cheungtam where at the low elevation of 5200 ft. it unites with the Lachhen to form the Lachhen-Lachhung Chhu, styled Rang-nyo and Teesta further south. V. and G. of same name.

Laghep: [B. bla-gyap "the upper back" or "be-

hind the pass"] a resthouse on a narrow spinal ridge en route between Tamlong and the Cho La.

Lebong: see ante Alibong.

Lamteng: [B. lam-steng "above the road"] a V. overhanging the Lachhen.

Lap-chhyi-kang: the Tibetan name of Mount Everest in Nepal.

Lik-hlo: [L. "the hill that calls"] otherwise "D<sup>2</sup>;" lofty peak of 22,581 ft. due N. of Pandim, not visible from Darjiling.

Lingcham: [B. gling -tsam "almost a sacred spot"] V. below Changa-chelling G., the seat of a Kazi.

Lu'ngtu: [B. rlung mthu "power of the winds"] a hill 12,612 ft. 36 m. from Darjiling. Often Lingtu.

Mainom Ri: [B. ma mother num younger sister] duplex peak 10,637ft. about 12 miles due N. of Tendong.

Mahaldi Ung: [L. "the river moving in curves"] the Lepcha name for the Mahanaddy of the Dooars, which as seen from the hills takes a sudden bend to the right; hence so termed in contrast to the Rang-nyo Ung or "straight river" (Dr. Waddell.)

Mome Samdong: [B. "bridge-village for men and women"] a lofty grazing station on the Lachhung eiver—a zam-grong or village with bridge.

Mon Lepcha: [derivation obscure] the long

spur running S.-E. from the so-called Kabru peak of Kangchhenjunga, 13,080 ft.

Namehi G: [B. really Namshi "foundation or support of the sky"] near Tendong hill.

Narsing M.: [B. really Ná-seng "the up-lifted nose"] a S. P. 19,000 ft. seen, as to the right of Pandim, from Darjiling.

Naku La: [B. "nose P."] a P. of 17,000 ft. 5 m. N.-W. of Chomiomo M.

Namfok: [Nam-p'uk "cavern for the night."] a. halting place in the Teesta valley beyond Tendong.

**Nobling G:** [B. really *Nubling*, the *ling* or isolated sacred spot of the west] a large G. in west Sikkim.

Nongang G: [B. "the hill pressed down"] a temple built on a flat above the Teesta with a large lake beside it.

Oche: [B. really O-chak-kha "where that was broken," so called in apposition to Iche or I-chak-kha "where this was broken"] a place near Iche.

**Pacheem:** [L. really *Påshen-bong* "tree-fern knoll"] rest-house on a spur of 7300 ft. between Kurseong and Darjiling.

Pandim M: [B. "image of glory"] a lofty S. P. near Kangchenjunga.

Pang-go La: [B. "beggars pass"] P. of 9000 ft. into Bhutan.

**Pedong:** [B. Pyi-grong "the outside town"] R. C. mission station on Bhutan border 13 m. beyond Kalimpong.

Pemiongchi G: [B. really Pema-yangtse "lotos-flower offering-bowl"] the largest monastery in Sik-kim, lately re-built. Once the capital.

Phalut: see Fo-lut.

**Phodang G:** [B. "Palace G."] temple and G. at Tamlong.

Phenzong G: [B. "the render of benefits"] a G. near Tamlong.

**Powhungri G:** [B. really *Payong-ri* G.] monastery N. of Dubde G.

**Pyung-gang:** [B. "bamboo hill"] ridge above the Rá-t'ong river.

Quiche La: [B. really Kukchak La "the broken crooked pass."]

Rabling G: [B. "most excellent ling"] a monastery known often as Ráling.

Ra'klang La: [B. brag-lang "rising rock"] a -small P. over the range which divides the basins of the Teesta and Great Rangnyit rivers.

Ramam Chhu: [B. "demon's horn river"] rises in Nepal.

Rang-nyit: [L. "the double stream"] real name for the two rivers known as the Great and Little Rangeet.

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Rang-bi Ung: [L. Rangbik "split stream"] rises on Nepalese range, joins G. Rang-nyit.

Rang-nyo Ung: [L. "straight-stream water"] the Lepcha name of the Teesta.

Rang-rong Chhu: a rocky feeder of the Rang-nyo.

Ra-t'ung Chhu: B. ["river where goats drink"]' rises in the glaciers of Kangchenjunga and Pandim, and joins Great Rangnyit.

Rhinok: [B. Ri-nák "black hill"] large bazaar on line dividing Dalingkot from Independent Sikkim, where the trade-routes to Tamlong and Chhumbi bifurcate.

Rishi La: [B. Ri-gzhigs la "pass of the crumb-ling hill"]

**Ryott**: [L. *Ri-yot* "unrestrained"] Lepcha namefor the Dek Chhu.

Saburkam: [L. Sábur "musk deer" kam: "cliff"] on the Singalelah range, 11,684 ft.; between Sandakphu and Phalut.

Sakkiazong: [B. "Shakya's castle"] ridge below Phalut along Nepalese frontier.

Sandakphu: [B. bsam-brag-p'u "upper-slope of the rock of meditation"] point on Singalela range, 11,929 ft., 36 m. from Darjiling.

Sat'ong: [L. Satong hlo "tiger hill"] hill beyond

Senchal overlooking large tract. 8514 ft. Sometimes "Sitong."

**Sedongchen**: [B. "having spruce trees"] resthouse Kalimpong-Jelep route.

Senchal: [L. Shin-shel hlo "misty damp hill"] name of hill facing Darjiling also (erroneously) of G. T. Survey station beyond Tiger hill.

Sibu La: [B. really Silbu La "chilly pass"] . P. into Tibet near Chango-kang.

Singalelah: [L. really Sing-li hlo "hills in a net work"] name of peak 12,329 ft. and also of whole range separating southern Sikkim from Nepal.

**Simonbong**: [B. really *Sámarbong* "knoll of red earth"] name of hill and small G. a few miles W. of Darjiling.

Singdong: [B. Seng-ge dong "lion's face"] knoll on Bhutan-Sikkim frontier 2116 ft. above Teesta river.

Sinon G.: [B. gzigs-mnon (pr. si-nön) "seeing, he suppresses"] a G. on ridge between Dubde and Tashiding G. Dr. Waddell explains that here Pema. Jungne, the saint, saw demons and kept them down; hence the name.

Sivok; or Si-lok-vok: [L. Sü-e "wind-blast," lok "excessive," vok "simultaneous"] the ravine whence the Teesta flows forth into the plains.

Sonada: [L. Sona "a bear" dá "den"] station on railway above Kurseong.

Taklung or Talung: [B. "valley of rocks"] valley with moraine in N.-W. and G. of same name.

Takt'ung Chhu: [B. "drinking from the rocks river"] a rocky tributary of the Lachhen.

Takvor: [L. "fish-line and hook" (Dr. Waddell)] sloping ridge descending from Darjiling to the Lesser Rangnyit river.

Tallum Samdong: [B. Tak-hlum Samdong-"bridge-village of the fallen rocks"] a V. of stone hovels in the upper Lachhen valley, with a bridge, 11500 ft.

Tamlong: [L. "stones on a smooth place"] the nominal capital of Sikkim where once the Gye-po dwelt. Several G. and large population, 629oft.

Tanka La: [B. Tang-dkar (pr. Tang-kar) "white plain"] a P of 16,000 ft. into Chhumbi 10 m. S.-E. of Lachhung G.

Tashiding G.: [B. full name: Tak-kar Tāshi-din; "soaring luck on the white rock"] the most ancient G. in Sikkim with 3 handsome temples on low hill 5 m. E. of Pemiongchi; many chhortens here.

Teesta: [Sansk. "Three currents" pace Waddell] the Bengali name for the great river of Sikkim.

after it emerges on the plains. In its upper course the Lachhen-Lachhung; in south Sik. the Rang-nyo.

**Tendong**: [L. properly *Tün-rong* "uplifted horn"] the well-known peak, 8676ft. bearing N.N.E. of Darjiling, with which is connected the Lepcha tradition of the Flood.

Thlonok: [L. properly *Hlo-nok* "black hills"] mountainous lofty district in extreme N.-W. with R. of same name affluent of Zemu Chhu.

T'i La: [L. "arrival pass"] P. between Hlonok and Zemu valleys.

T'i-zog: [L. "abode on arrival"] V. on N. tributary of Taklung Chhu.

**Tingbong**: [B. "round behind"] V. in Taklung valley.

Tingchum: [L. "little plain"] V. near Tamlong.
T'okcham: [B. "glistening summit"] S. P.
19,470ft. above Lamteng.

Toko La: [B. really Tokgo La—from btog rent off mgo head] P. within Sikkim, 7 m. S. of Jelep, leading to Bidang lake.

Tomo-chamo Ri: [B. tamo-chyamo "spotted female bird"] the eastern peak of Kangchenjhou.

Tong-lu: [either L. tong-blu "ridge for halting," or B. ltong-lugs pr. tong-lu) "that which is indent-

ed"] well-known height due W. of Darjiling distant 10 m. in bee line, 23 m. by path, 10,025 ft.

Tukbrum: [B. properly Takbrum "rocky pimple"] near Tamlong, on Teesta.

Yangpung: [B. "the precipice heaped up"] 25 m. W. of Dubde G. on Nepal border.

Yoksum: [B. "three servants"] a sacred spot near Dubde G.

Yumtong: [B. Yumt'ang "lady-mother plain"] in Lachhung valley.

Yumehho La: [B. gyu turquois mts'o lake] inner P. between Zemu and Taklung valleys, near lake of same name.

Zemu Chhu: [B. really Zas-mo or "clayey"] lengthy R. in extreme N. W.

Zemu Samdong: a "bridge-village" (zam-grong) on the Zemu.

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#### LEPCHA WORDS AND PHRASES.

[The Lepcha tongue or Rong Ke' is spoken by a large portion of the original inhabitants of Sikkim, and is essentially unrelated to the Bhutia or any Tibetan dialect, though certain Denjong words have been imported into its vocabulary. A few useful words and sentences are given below; the sentences being rendered both in the Lepcha (marked L.) and in the Sikkim-Bhutia (marked B.) languages. Those vowels in Lepcha words marked long are strongly prolonged.]

Good: áryum Woman: ta-ayu Bad: ájan Child: óng; ákup

Great: á tim Father: ábo Small: á chum Mother: ámo

Heavy: álīm Elder brother: ánum Light: ákyang Elder sister: ánom

Hot: á-hrum

Cold: á-hyang

Old: áru

New: ál

Straight: ánáng

Dog: káju

Horse: on

Cow: bik

House: lī

Mountain: hlo

Much:  $n\bar{a}m$  Tree; wood: kung

Little: kám Fire: mi

Dear: ágyáp Snow: sa-nóng
Cheap: ke-ma Stone: long
Man: mī, máro Head: tyák

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Leg: dyáng Hand: ká :Sun: tsuk

Bird's nest: fo-shap

Meat: mān

Egg: á-ti; fo-ti Oil: num

Potato: búk

Bread: khu

Honey: áthu Butter: mór Soup: tuk-tak

Tea: cho

Arum-root: sung-krī

Dry fuel: skáng són Shirt: pahók

The horses are good:

I will ride on horse-back:

Where are you going:

Trowsers: tómo Hat: tuktuk

Boots: tong-shuk Temple: hlá-gong Heavy load: bu álīm

Always: shukna

When; where: sat'á;

sabá ?

Who; what: to; shu?

Can you: khu-a? Is it far: márum á? Go now: álang no-o !

I can go: go nong

khu

Yes: ākma; go-pa

No: máne

L. On-pang ryu bám B. Tá-ts'o lem be'

L. Go on-plang t'ul-sh'

Ngá tá-khá shön-ti gyu-she be

Ho sabá nong-shang-L.

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	B. Chhö kána gyu-do- bo?
I am going to Ging:	L. Go Ging-ká nong
	B. Ngá Ging-lo gyu do 'in
Where have you come from:	L. Ho sá-nun t'ī B. Chhö kána-le ong bo
	nya?
We shall arrive to-mor- row:	L. Káyu lúk-ká ťī-sh' B. Ngáchá ťorang hlep
low.	she'in
My father is dead:	L. Kásu ábo mák nón
	gum B: Nge áp'o shi song
	zhe
What do you want:	L: Ho shu gát shang- á?
	B: Chhö kán go-do-bo;
What is your name:	L: Ado ábryáng sa-lo go?
	B: Chhö ming kam bo?
Is it far or near to Jelep Pass:	L: Zélep La ká marum áthol-á?
	B: Jélep La lo t'á-ring t'á-t'ung mo?
Come here; go there:	L. Abī dī: abá no-o ! B. Nái shok; p'ina gyu!
Please come here to-mor-	L. Luk-ká ábī dī le
row:	B. Torang nái ong nang
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Can you see a large bird up there;	L. Ot ang fo atīm shīm khu-a
•	B. Yá-ki p'yá chhe t'ong ts'u-gá
'What is the bird's name:	L. Fo ábryáng sa-lo go? B. Pye ming ká de su?
Bring me some butter-flies:	L. Tám-blyok áflik bu
	B. Pémalep átsi bák shok /
Bring milk, rice, a fowl:	L. Nyen, zo, hik bu dī! B. Um, chum, khim-p'ya
	bák shok?
Put water in the bamboo keg:	L. Chonga-ká ung t'áp B. Pádün-na chhu hluk
You cook the food:	L. Ho ázom zuk B. Chhö sáma ts'o
Cook the fish at once:	I Alang-do ngo zuk B. Táto nyá ts'o
I am hungry:	L. Go krit-dak gum B. Ngá tok-ri be'
Are you hungry:	L. Ho krit-dak go B. Chhö-lo tok-ri bo'
I am not hungry now; but I shall be soon:	L. Alang go ma krit- dak ne go-rung ánye go krit-dak sho
Who is he; who is here:	L. Hu to go; ába to
	B. Kho ke mo; nái ke du'

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Don't do that (this):	L. Aré ma mát nun! B. Audi ma zo!
Don't do so (like that):	L. Oré-zang ma mát nun /
	B. P'idem ma zo!
Don't make a noise:	L. Ma jók kun ! B. Ur ma gyap!
We will start at day-break:	L. So-sóng-ká jeng nong
	B. Nam lang-ti gvu she
The night is cold:	L. Nápmo hyāng gum B. P'iru di khyáb me'
What are you doing:	L. Ho shu mát tung go?
Spread the rugs beneath that rock over there:	L. Obī kam sa-grám dum ráng-t'o
Place it near the fire:	L. Mī zut t'o
There is water in that hollow:	L. Oré fok-ká ung nyī
Go as far as the tree-fern:	L. Páshen tet no-o!
How much is the sheep:	L. Luk áfár satet? B. Luk gong ká dzü mo?
It is very dear; it is old:	L. Agyáp ku gum; áru gum
Much snow has fallen on the Pass:	L. Lá-ká sa-nóng mo klo nong
	B. Lá-lo khau mám hlum che
This is a steep place:	L. Aré rung-dóp gum B. Audi zar-kyam me'

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The ice is thick on the L. Ung-ká chu nyákka river:

B. Tsang-chhu tengkhât khek bompu be'

Who is there: L. Obá to go?

Who are you: L. Ho to go?

Is it near: L. Tol go?