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NOTE.

THE following eight Appendices appear in the original work, and although not without great political and military importance in view of any future operations in Kashgarian territory, they would have no special interest for the general reader. They have not, therefore, been incorporated in the present edition:

APPENDICES.

Appendix I.—Itineraries of the Route followed in 1876-77 by the Russian Embassy to Kashgaria, from the town of Osh to the town of Kashgar.

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From this survey has been drawn the *eastern* end and neighbourhood of Lake Issik-Kul.

¹ A publication of the Cartographical Department of the Military Topographical Section of the Russian General Staff, compiled under the personal supervision of the Editor of Asiatic publications, Colonel A. A. Bolshoff.

² I. Itinerary of the route followed by the Russian Embassy to Kashgaria in 1876, prepared by Second Captain Startseff. Scale, 5 *versts* (3½rd miles) to an inch.

This itinerary includes the entire road from Osh, *viâ* Kashgar, to Koorlia and the prolongation thereof to Karashar (the latter portions from information furnished by N. Kuropatkin and A. Wilkins).

II. Eye and compass survey of the road from the town of Aksu, *viâ* Ootch-Toorfan, to the village of Slivkino, completed in 1877 by Second Captain Soonargooloff. Scale, 5 *versts* (3½rd miles) to the inch. — *Author.*

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- ii. Special 10 *versts* ($6\frac{2}{3}$ rds miles) map of Western Siberia.
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- iii. Topographical survey of the *south-western* portion of Lake Issik-kul and of the highlands of the river Chu, carried out in 1860, on a scale of 10 *versts* ($6\frac{2}{3}$ rds miles) to the inch.
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Appendix VIII.—(Continued.)

- xi. Map based on elicited information of the valley of the Yeki-Su-Arasa, compiled in 1871. Scale, 5 *versts* ($3\frac{1}{3}$ rd miles) to an inch.
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