

up our Baggage, and walked about a mile, to our Canoes, where we were to embark, attended by more than 200 Natives. In our large Canoes we estimated the Pork and Potatoes at more than three Ton, which the Chiefs of the former Villages, and this, had laden us with. Besides our Provisions and Baggage we had 36 persons. We took our leave of this friendly Chief, and his people, about one O'clock, thanking him for his attentions, and expressing our highest approbation of the conduct of his People, while we remained with them; which gratified him much. We now proceeded to the Village on the banks of the main river, which was distant about 20 Miles, called We-Te-woh-Ketce, and where we had promised to spend a night, on our return. We arrived about 6 O'clock in the Evening. Ta-Ra-woh-ka the Chief had built a neat shed for us 40 feet wide, by 24 feet long. It was very clean and neat. And also a convenient place for the sake of decency, in a retired situation, sufficient for the accommodation, of at least Ten persons, about 40 yards from our shed, and had made a clean walk to it. He received us with great kindness, I went with him to the Summit of the Hill, where his Castle, or Kispah is situated: his Village is built on the lowest side. From the top of the Hill, there is a very extensive prospect of the River Thokel Bangha, and the surrounding Country; As we passed along, I observed a Chiefs wife, making loud lamentations, and mourning. On inquiring the cause of her deep distress she informed me, that since our passing down the river, she had lost her two Sons, and one Child belonging to the Village with them. The Children had been sent to gather Cockles, in a Canoe on a sand bank in the River, which is dry at low water. The wind rose on the flow of the Tide, and carried away the Canoe, leaving the Children upon the banks: when the tide rose it swept them all away. She added, that her husband was also lately dead. She was a young Woman. Her mother was sitting besides her mourning and weeping with her. They had cut themselves after their manner for their dead. I felt for her affliction, and would gladly have relieved her distress. I had nothing to give her, but a few fish Hooks, and my Pocket Knife, with which I presented her, and which she thankfully received. This Chief, like the rest, presented us with large quantities of Potatoes - giving a certain number of baskets to us, and then to ^{the} Chiefs and their Servants; and also to our party of Common People, with a good Bag. Ta-Ra-woh-ka is a very stout man, and very modest, with little of the appearance of a Savage about him. His people also were well behaved, We told him, we wished to visit the ^{river}