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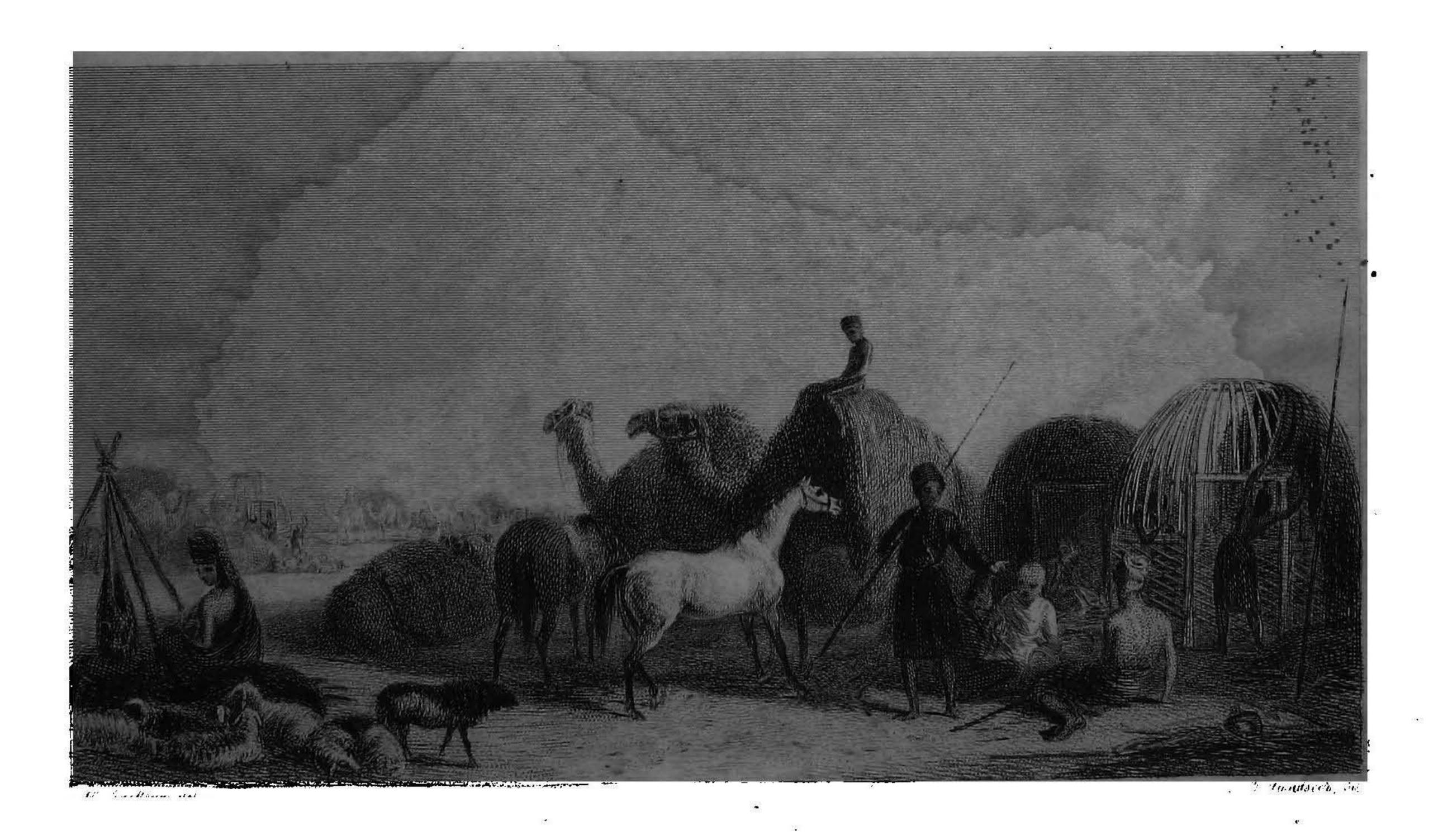
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My apology for submitting this Work to the notice of the public, must rest upon the circumstance of my having travelled, by a new route, through very interesting countries. The journey was undertaken upon a few days' resolve; I had not the means of procuring any scientific information, did not always enjoy opportunity of committing my observations to paper, and lost some of my notes; I trust, therefore, that my Journal will be received with the indulgence that it needs.

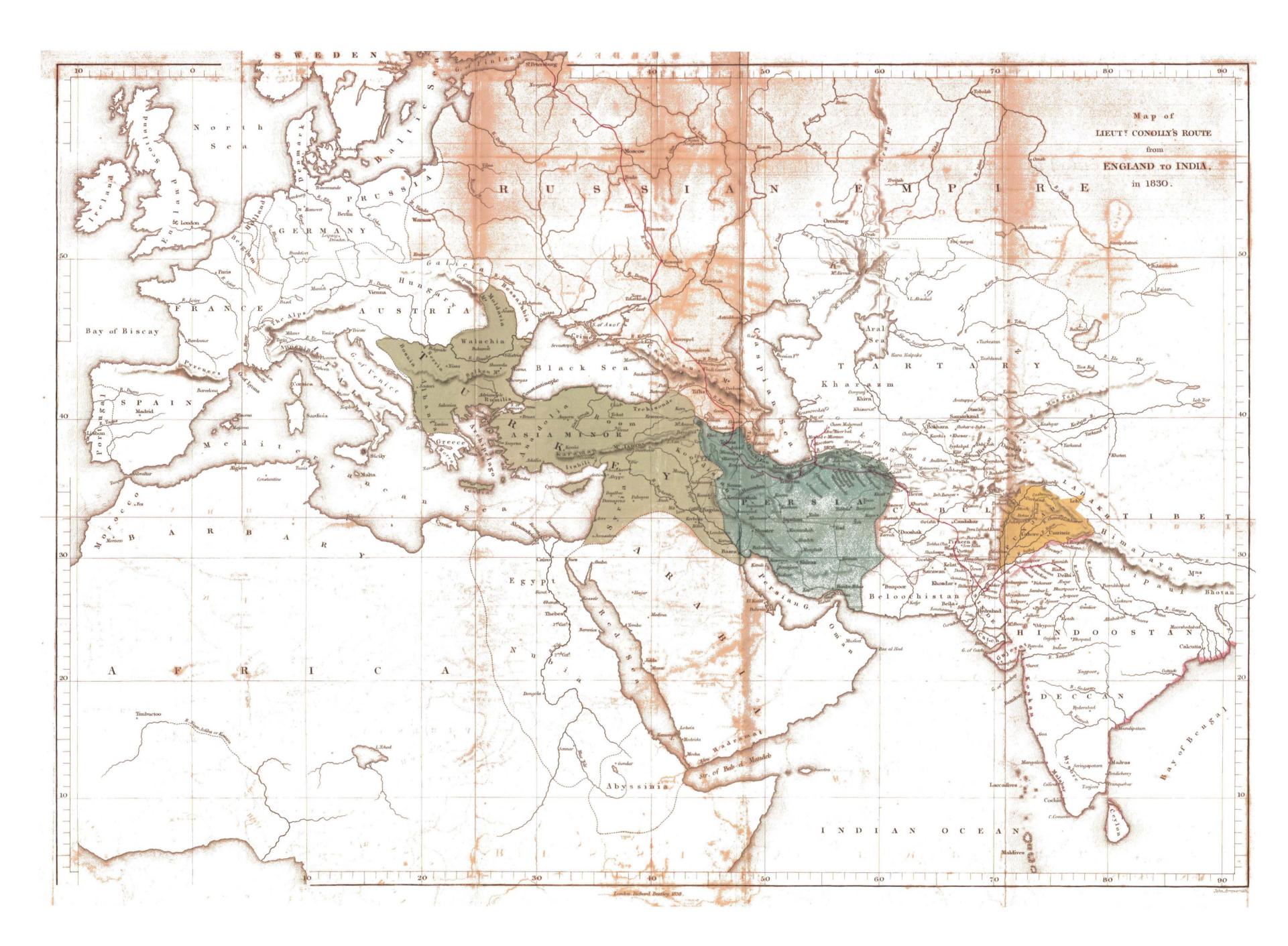
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