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All the preceding account applies to every tribe, unless where it has been limited at the time, or where it is contradicted in the following description.

I shall begin with an account of the Berdooraunees, and among them of the tribe of Eusofzye. Though the Eusofzyes afford an unfavourable specimen of the character and manners of the Afghauns, yet they display many of the peculiarities of their nation in more perfection than any other tribe. When the whole of their institutions have been explained, those