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(W. VYCICHL)

KALMUK, the Turkish name for a Mongol people, the Oyrat, who in the time of Cingiz-Khān [q.v.] inhabited the forests to the west of Lake Baykal. The name is derived (probably only by popular etymology) from the verb kalmak, "to remain" and distinguishes the Oyrat, who "remained" pagans, from the Dungans (the Chinese-speaking Muslims), who had "returned" (the verb dönmek), according to the well-known Muslim idea, to Islam. A group of the Oyrat had accompanied Hülegü to the west and played a certain rôle in Il-Khānid Persia. The people as a whole, however, came into their own only after the collapse of the Mongol dynasty in China, when they wrested the greater part of Mongolia from the Cingizids and laid the foundations of the Kalmuk empire.

From the time of Ways Khān (1418-28) the Mongols on the Ili [q.v.] had to fight against the "infidel Kalmak"; accounts of these wars are given in the Ta³rīkh-i Rashīdī. Ways Khān was twice taken prisoner by the Kalmuks and had to give his sister in marriage to their chief, Esen Tayshi. Toghon, the latter's father, was then ruling in Mongolia on the Chinese frontier, where he was succeeded in 1439 by Esen Tayshi. After the death of Esen Tayshi (1455) the great nomad empire of the Oyrat broke up; individual princes are mentioned from time to time later as ruling in the neighbourhood of Muslim lands; at the beginning of 864/end of 1459 a Kalmuk embassy appeared in Harāt. The Muslim sources also report the restoration of the Oyrat empire under Khara Khula (d. 1634). In Turkestan during this period also the Kalmuks were regarded as powerful foes of Islam. The Kazakh Khān Tawakkul (Tefkel in Russian) had to flee before them to Tashkent, where he was received by the Özbek ruler Nawrūz Ahmad (d. 963/1556); in reply to his appeal for help, Nawrūz declared that even ten princes such as themselves would be no match for the Kalmuks. At a later date, however, on the occasion of his embassy to Tsar Feodor (1594), Tawakkul was described in Russian documents as "king of the Kazakhs and Kalmuks", perhaps because a few bands of Kalmuks had attached themselves to him. In the winter of 1603-4 there occurred the first incursion of the Kalmuks into Khwārizm. Soon after, under Tsar Vasili Shuisky (1606-1610), the Kalmuks entered into relations with the Russian government for the first time, though it was not until 1632 that they settled on the Volga on a large scale. This branch of the Kalmuks had separated from their kinsmen, under the leadership of Kho-Örlök, as early as 1618. The territory of the Volga Kalmuks did not therefore form part of the empire founded by Khara-Khula, although relations between the two branches of the people had not yet been severed. Representatives of the Volga Kalmuks still appeared at the kuriltay [q.v.] of 1640; Batur, the son and successor of Khara-Khula, gave his daughter in marriage to the grandson of Kho-Orlök. By the same kuriltay the dominance of Buddhism was firmly established among all branches of the Kalmuks. The progress made by Islam described in the Tarikh-i Rashidi (p. 91) in

connexion with the above-mentioned marriage was apparently not maintained. Most of the Muslim territories in Turkestan were under the suzerainty of the Buddhist Kalmuk ruler on the Ili, the founder of the last great nomad empire in Central Asia, which lasted until it was destroyed by the Chinese in 1758; as late as 1749 the regent (atalik) of Bukhārā and his opponent had to submit a dispute to the verdict of an embassy from the Kalmuk ruler. A great part of the Kazakhs' pasture land was now seized by the Kalmuks, and Islam was almost completely banished from the southern part of Semirecye. Several Buddhist monuments, including Tibetan inscriptions. date from this period. It was only after the decline of the Kalmuk empire that these areas were re-occupied by the Muslim Kazakhs. The wars of the Volga Kalmuks with the Crimean Tartars and their raids into Khwarizm had less effect on Islam; from 1724 the Kalmuk chiefs on the lower course of the Volga were regarded simply as viceroys (namestnik) of the Russian tsar. They had no longer any connexion with the ruler on the Ili. The decision of the "viceroy" Ubashi and a large number (about 300,000) of his people to migrate from Russia and settle in Chinese territory proved disastrous to the Volga Kalmuks. During the migration heavy losses were inflicted on them in Central Asia, especially by the Kazakhs (1771). Henceforth the Kalmuks were of no political significance in either Russia or in China. During the Muslim rising in the Ili valley the great Kalmuk temple of Buddha near Kuldi was destroyed.

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THE MODERN PERIOD.

After 1771, some 50,000 Kalmuks continued to live west of the Volga. Their descendants joined the anti-Bolshevik Southeastern League but after its disintegration in 1920 they were formed into an "Autonomous Oblast" (province), which was raised to the status of Autonomous Republic in 1933. In 1939 the population of the republic was 200,000 including 134,000 Kalmuks. It was partly occupied by the Germans in 1942 and abolished by the Soviet Government in 1943, when all the Kalmuks were deported to Central Asia on the grounds of alleged collaboration with the enemy. A Soviet decree of 1957 provided for the return of the Kalmuks to their territory, which was reconstructed an Autonomous Republic in 1958 with its capital at Elista (formerly Stepnoy), 150 miles south of Volgograd. According to the 1970 census, the population was 268,000, of whom 110,000 were Kalmuks. This constitutes 80 % of the Kalmuks living in the USSR. A few thousand still live in the Sinkiang-Uygur Autonomous Region of China, where they are known as Oyrats. Only a small number of Kalmuks, less than 2,000 living in Semirec'ye, ever embraced Islam. the rest remaining actual or nominal adherents of Buddhism.

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engaged the Sokoto 'ulamā' in a famous correspondence which seriously weakened their resolve to continue dihād against Bornū, and he contained the emirates of Katagum and Hadedia by a great campaign in 1826 which carried him as far as Kano before he was forced to withdraw. He secured the eastern frontier south of Lake Chad by operations against Bagarmi in 1821-4. In the first of these he was assisted by the Ottoman kā'im-makām of the Fazzān [q.v.], and he later maintained the Fazzānī connection (of commercial importance to Bornū) by alliance with the Awlād Sulaymān, who also helped him strengthen his influence in Kānem as a buffer against Wadā'i.

As well as this, he radically reformed the structure of government in Bornū, replacing the ancient and ineffective feudal levies of the Mais by a new army of Kānembu infantry and Shuwa Arab cavalry with a mamlūk officer corps owing personal loyalty to him. The old Kanūri fief-holding offices remained in existence, but fiefs were progressively transferred to supporters of al-Kānemī, and a new council of advisers dominated the government. These advisers, mainly non-Kanūri, represented a new and reforming element in Bornuan politics.

Al-Kānemī, though a scholar of considerable standing, was not a prolific writer, only one short work of fikh, Naṣīḥat al-ḥukkām, and a poem, Nasīm al-ṣabā, being certainly attributable to him. A number of his letters, however, are preserved.

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KANGĀWAR [see kinkiwar].

KANGHLI, KANKLI, the name of a Turkish people living in mediaeval times in the steppes of Turkestan and south-western Siberia. We do not find mention of the Kanghli in the oldest Arab and Persian geographers and travellers of the 3rd-4th/ 9th-10th centuries, as we do of several other Turkish tribes. For Mahmūd Kāshgharī, kanklī was not an ethnic designation, but was, as a proper noun, "the name of a great man of the Kipčak', and as a common noun, "a heavily-loaded cart" (Dīwān lughāt al-turk, tr. Atalay, iii, 379). In some carly Turkish sources on the legendary origins of the Turkish tribes, e.g., the Oghuz-nāma, we find the story that the tribe got its name from the man who first constructed and used these heavy wagons for transport across the steppes (see Marquart, Komanen, 163); but Sir Gerard Clauson thought it equally likely that the wagon used by the Turks got its name of kanili/kanghli from the fact that it was introduced by the Kanghli people to the steppe Turks, see his The name Uygur, in JRAS (1963), 147-8, and An elymological dictionary of pre-thirteenth century Turkish, 638.

The Kanghli are most frequently mentioned in the sources pertaining to the century or so preceding the Mongol invasions of the 7th/13th century, and are often spoken as part of the Kipčak confederation, i.e., they belonged ethnically to the south-western group of Turkish peoples. They are also associated with the Kimäk [q.v.], themselves apparently one of the tribal groups eventually forming the Kipčak. Concerning their habitat, Abu 'l-Ghāzī in his Shadjara-yi Tarākima retails a legend that the Kanghli had a khān, Gök-Tonli, whose centre was on the

Yayik or Ural River (Barthold, Four studies, iii. A history of the Turkman people, 132), but by the beginning of the 7th/13th century they and the Kipčak were also close neighbours of the Mongol Nayman on the Irtish (idem, Zwölf Vorlesungen über die Geschichte der Türken Mittelasiens, 151, Fr tr. Histoire des turcs d'Asie Centrale, 118). Minorsky read a passage in one of the manuscripts of Djuzdjani's Tabakāt-i nāşiri, where there is mentioned a punitive expedition into the steppes in 615/1216 by the Khwarazm-Shah 'Ala' al-Din Muhammad, as referring to "Kadir Khān Yighur, ruler of the Kanghli Tatars", whose lands stretched far north into the region of perpetual twilight in summer (see Hudud al-alam, 309). It seems that the Kanghli nomadised over an extensive area of western Siberia, but came as far south as the Sir Daryā and northern fringes of Transoxania, where Djuwayni mentions them several times in his story of the irruption of the Mongols into Transoxania. Kanghli and Karluk [q.v.] had been amongst the rebellious troops of the Kara Khānid ruler, and their unruliness had led the latter potentate to call in the Karā Khitāy, with disastrous results to his line [see KARĀ KIIIŢĀY].

At the time of the Mongols' appearance, the Kanghli had a settlement called Karakum on the lower Sir Daryā, not far from Djand [q.v.], mentioned as the place to which the Merkit fled after Cingiz Khān had defeated them and the Nayman on the Irtish in 1208; it was also the place where in 617/ 1220 the Mongol general Cin Temür rested before going on to occupy Djand (Barthold, Turkestan down to the Mongol invasion3, 361-2, 370, 415). Many Kanghli tribesmen obviously formed part of the Khwārazmian armies confronting the incoming Mongols, and they suffered heavy losses when Bukhārā and Samarkand were stormed by the Mongols; there seems to have been some dynastic connection between the Khwārazm-Shāhs and the Kanghli, if Djuwayni's report that Sultan Djalal al-Dīn's mother Terken Khātūn was a Kanghli is true (see Djuwaynī, tr. Boyle, i, 91, 106, 121, ii, 370, 465, and Barthold, op. cit., 415; Nasawi, however, makes Terken Khātūn from the Baya'ut branch of the associated tribe of the Kimāk/Yimāk). Those of the Kanghli not massacred by the Mongols must have melted into the Turkish hordes making up a large proportion of the Mongol armies; western travellers to the court of the Mongol Khāns like John of Plano Carpini and William of Rubruck mention them as the Cangitae and Cangle respectively. Thereafter, they disappear from recorded history. They can hardly have been touched by Islam; indeed, the only reference to their religious beliefs is that the Mongol general Toluy Khān or Ulugh Noyan employed a Kanghli versed in the art of using the yay or rainstone (i.c., he was a shaman) to conjure up rain during his campaign against the Chinese in 628/1231 (Djuwaynī-Boyle, i, 193; Boyle, The successors of Genghis Khan, New York and London 1971, 37).

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KIANGHRÎ [sec čankiri].

KĀŃGŔĀ, the Nagarko t of Muslim historians of India, occasionally referred to as Kōt Kāńrgā, is also the headquarters of the taḥṣīl of the same name in the Indian Pandjāb. Kāṅgrā lies between 30° 5' N. and 76° 16' E. on the northern slope of the

(Dhu 4-Kadr, [q.v.]) principality, at that time, under Alā' al-Dawla, a dependency of the Mainlūk sultanate, to which it was of great strategic importance. Sībāy prepared an expedition from Damascus, but hostilities were averted. Thereafter for some years relations were peaceful.

The accession of Selim I as Ottoman sultan dramatically altered the situation. Al-Ghawri tried to profit from the developing crisis between Selim and Shah Isma'il. The Ottoman victory at Čaldiran 19.7.] on 2 Radjab 920/23 August 1514, however, alarmed al-Ghawri and his amirs. Selim's hostility towards 'Ala' al-Dawla of Dulgadir, who had refused to help the Ottomans, immediately threatened Mamlūk interests. The Ottomans defeated and killed 'Ala' al-Dawla (Rabi' II 921/June 1515). The passing of the Dulgadir principality under Ottoman domination alarmed the amīrs in Cairo, while Sībāy and the governor of Aleppo, Khā'ir Bey (who was already in touch with Selim), reproached al-Ghawri for his delay in sending reinforcements. In spite of the serious financial situation and the demoralization of his forces, al-Ghawri prepared an expedition, and on 15 Rabi II 922/18 May 1516, he left Cairo. Tuman Bay was appointed viceroy (nabib al-ghayba), but the effective control of the administration was in the hands of Zayn al-Dīn Barakāt.

On 10 Djumādā II/11 July, al-Ghawrī reached Aleppo, where Ottoman ambassadors presented a conciliatory message from Selīm, to whom al-Ghawrī in turn sent peace proposals. Selīm, who intended another campaign against the Ṣafawids, decided, however, first to end the danger to his flank. Conflict was now inevitable, and a decisive battle ensued at Mardi Dābiķ, north of Aleppo, on 25 Radjab 922/24 August 1516. The flight of the Mamlūk left wing, commanded by Khābir Bey (who was probably in secret understanding with the Ottomans), led to the break-up of the whole Mamlūk position. In the confusion, al-Ghawrī fell from his horse and died, apparently of apoplexy. His body was never recovered.

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KANSU, a province in the north-west of China, bounded in the south and east by the provinces of Szechwan and Shensi and in the west and north by the province of Chinghhai and the Sinkiang Uighur and Inner Mongolia Autonomous Regions. The province, first formed under the Great Khan Kūbīlāy in 1282 A.D., received its name from the towns in the extreme north-west, Kanchou (Changyeh) and

Suchou (Kiuchuan); both towns are already mentioned in the Hudûd al-'ālam and Gardīzī, the former in the form Khāmdjū (in the Mongol period Kamdjū) and the latter as Sukhdjū or Sūkdjū.

1. To the end of the Mongol period. Until the thirteenth century A.D. this territory was for the most part under the domination of foreign peoples of Turkish (Uyghur) or Tibetan (Tangut) origin; immediately before the Mongol conquest there was a Tangut kingdom here under the Hsai (or Hsi-hsia) dynasty (1032-1227) with their capital at Ningsia (Yinchwan). Rashid al-Din, in giving a list of the twelve provinces (shing, Chinese shing) of China, divides the Tangut region into two, with Kindjanfü (now Sien, the capital of Shensi) and Kamdjū (Kanchou) as their respective capitals. In actual fact, Kanchow was the capital of Kansu; Kansu and Shenn were then, as later, combined in a single government, the only difference being that the residence of the governor was then in the capital of Shensi and not, as later, in the capital of Kansu. The boundary between Kansu and Shensi was formed by the Hwang Ho, so that Lanchou, the present-day capital of Kanso, then belonged to Shensi. In connection with Quengianfu (i.c., Kindjanfu, Sian) Marco Polo mentions Prince Mangalay (d. 1280, the Mangqalā of Rashīd al-Dīn) Kūbīlay's third son, as ruler of Tangut, while Rashīd al-Dīn refers to his son Ananda; according to Rashid al-Din, he was the founder of Muslim dominance in this area. Born about 1270 (at the beginning of the 14th century he was thirty years of age), he was brought up by Muslim foster-parents; but it was only after the conversion of the Il-Khān Ghazan (i.c., ca. 1295) that he openly professed Islam. He converted the greater part of his army, numbering nearly 150,000 men to Islam, and the people of Tangut, except the peasantry, were likewise converted. Taken to task by his cousin the Great Khān Temür Öldjevtü (1294-1307) for his conversion, Ananda remained faithful to Islam and after a period of interruption was restored to his dominion. In 1307 a party wished to raise him to the throne of the Khānate, but he was put to death after the success of a rival candidate, Temür's nephew Khayshan (1307-1311). It was not until 1323 that Ananda's son Örüg-Temür was appointed prince of Tangut.

As Marco Polo shows, there were already Muslims in Kansu before Ananda's time; however, he says nothing about the dissemination of Islam south of the Hwang Ho. The Turkish-speaking Salar, who live at the present day on the southern banks of that river, are mentioned as living there as early as the Ming dynasty (1368-1644) and described as unruly subjects, although no Muslim risings are recorded during this period. The story which reached Timūr's territories about 1398 to the effect that the founder of the Ming dynasty had ordered the massacre of some 100,000 Muslims and had completely eradicated Islam in China finds no confirmation in any Chinese source.

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2. In the post-Mongol period. After the collapse of the Yüan dynasty which took place in 770/1368,

Muslims in Kansu, as well as those of other provinces of China, were put under the rule of the newlyestablished Ming dynasty, which, at the beginning of the new régime, adopted a discriminatory attitude against non-Chinese. It oppressed Hui-hui or Muslims, and generally speaking, the Hui-hui under the Yüan dynasty were obliged to settle in China, and began to be assimilated to the Chinese way of life through intermarriage with native Chinese women. They were physically and linguistically sinicised as time went by; Hui-hui under the Ming dynasty gradually changed their original, Islamic surnames to Chinese ones (e.g., from Muhammad to Ma, etc.), and adopted Chinese languages; nevertheless, they adhered strictly to Islam. This process also affected Kansu Muslims, with some characteristics different from those of China proper.

In the early Ming period there were many Muslims in Kansu, while some of them are reported to have returned to Samarkand, according to the Ming Shihlu or the Veritable Annals of the Ming Dynasty. At Kanchou, Liangchou and Suchou there were some Muslims who had newly emigrated from Central Asian countries in the middle Ming period (Ming Shih-lu, sub anno 1527), and some from the Komul region, with which the Ming dynasty had had political relations. Apart from such new-comers, native Muslims originating from the Yüan period greatly increased in number and were distributed in south-eastern parts of Kansu as far as adjacent parts of Shensi. There were also Muslims in districts of Kung-chêng-fu, Chinchou, T'aochou and Kuyiian in the Kansu Province, according to the Ming Shih-lu and local gazetteers of the Ming dynasty.

In 1604 Father Benedict Goës, who travelled from Agra through the Tarim Basin to Ming China in search of the historic Cathay and who reached Suchou, mentions "Saracens", that is to say, Muslims, who lived in Suchou segregated from the Chinese there. Though his description is in some parts ambiguous, we may conclude that there were Muslims at Suchou in the late Ming period.

Under the Ch'ing dynasty, which succeeded the Ming in 1644, the situation of Muslims in Kansu, Ninghsia and Shensi changed little; however, we have much more information on the Kansu Muslims under the Ch'ing, as seen in the Ch'ing Shih-lu and other historical sources and local gazetteers of the dynasty. In the Ch'ing period, Kansu had one of the densest concentrations of Chinese Muslims. Chinesespeaking Muslims of Ch'ing China were generally called Hui-min ("Islamic people") in Chinese. The main habitats of Kansu Muslims were Kanchou, Liang-chou, Lanchou, Kuyüan, Chingchou, Hochou, Chingyüan, Piliang, Fuchiang, etc.; other places adjacent to Kansu where they lived were Hsining, Hsünhua, Kueitê in Chinghai Province, and Ninghsia, Chin-chi-pao in Ninghsia Province.

The size of the Chinese Muslim population in Kansu is unclear: M. Broomhall (1910) estimated it at two or three milions. According to the statistics of the government of the Chinese Peoples' Republic, the Muslim population of Kansu is estimated at 1,086,597 (30% of the total population of Kansu Province in 1953), and that of Chinghai at 257,959; thus the total population is 1,330,000. The basis of Broomhall's estimate is not clear, but, as compared with the present situation, these seem to be acceptable statistics. Generally speaking, Kansu Muslims are more densely distributed in the southern part of Kansu, that is, south of the Yellow River.

Islam in Kansu as in other provinces of China,

is that of the Hanasi rite, with some influence from the Shāsi one, as is shown by investigations of D'Ollone on Islamic legal practices prevalent in modern Kansu (D'Ollone, Recherches sur les Musulmans chinois).

The most important feature among the Muslims of Kansu is the prevalence of Şūfism, apparently originating in the middle of the 18th century. In contemporary Ch'ing sources, one of the Sufi teachings of Kansu Islam is called Hsin-chiao (the "New Sect" or "New Teaching"), which was reported for the first time in 1761 immediately after the Ch'ing conquest of Eastern Turkistan. One Ma Ming-hsin, a native of Anting, Kansu, started to spread the so-called "New Teaching" in the district of the Salar tribes in Hsining after his return in 1761 from a period of religious study at Yarkand and Kāshghar in Eastern Turkistan. With the support of Su-ssú-shih-san and Hu-ma-liu-hu, both Salar mullas, he founded the "New Sect" in 1762. This propagated a mystical ritualism characterized by: (1) loud chanting of religious songs, as opposed to the low chanting by the Old Sect or Old Teaching; (2) prayers with headshaking and body movement in a dance-like manner -foot-stamping, hand-waving, and face turning up towards heaven; (3) belief in miracles, visions, apparition of spirits and prediction of good or bad omens; and (4) worship of Muslim saints and their tombs. Ma Ming-hsin was revered as the saintly founder of the sect. However, one cannot consider the "New Sect" founded by Ma Ming-hsin as a reform movement reacting against the traditional sects. generally called Ancient or Old Sects (K'u-pai, Chiu-pai and K'u-hsing-pai).

In ca. 1760-80 the centre of the Hsin-chiao was at Hsünhua, a town near Hsining, where Hsin-chiao adherents quarrelled incessantly among themselves in the 1760s and 1770s; and in 1781, Ma Ming-hsin and Sū-ssū-shih-san led an attack on the Muslims belonging to the Ancient Sect. Government suppression of sectarian strife led Hsin-chiao adherents to open rebellion against the Ch'ing dynasty in that year, and, though it was suppressed by the Ch'ing army, a second revolt broke out in 1783 at Shi-feng-pao, Kansu. Since the 19th century, major centres of Hsinchiao adherents have been in Chang-chia-chüan, Kansu, and in Chi-chi-pao, Hinghsia.

In 1862 a new revolt broke out at Chin-chi-pao, where Ma Hua-lung who came from the direct "apostolic" line of Ma Ming-hsin, maintained his quarters. Ma Hua-lung is reported to have been a mystical saint who was able to perform miracles; but his rebellion was suppressed in 1871 by the Ch'ing army. The mystic order of Ma Hua-lung was called Djahriyya from the 19th century onwards (D'Ollone); the headship of the Order passed to Ma Yüan-ch'ang, a disciple of Ma Hua-lung, who had his headquarters at Chang-chia-chüan, Kansu. Ma Yüan-ch'ang is mentioned by G. Andrew who visited him in the early 20th century; he died in 1920 during an earthquake which occurred in Kansu during that year.

Besides Hsin-chiao, another characteristic of the Sūfism of Kansu Islam is the institution of mêng-kuan. Mêng-kuan, especially the Four Great Mêng-kuan, was reported in Ch'ing sources for the first time in 1786; the Six Great Mêng-kuan were also reported in 1943. They are (1) the Hu-fei-yeh sect, including Pi-chia-ch'ang kung-pei, Lin-t'ao kung-pei, etc.; (2) the Ka-ti-lin-yeh sect, including Ta-kung-pei, Yang-men, etc.; (3) the K'u-pu-lin-yeh sect; (4) the Sha tzū-lin-yeh sect; (5) the Sai-ai-lo-wo-lo-ting-yeh sect; and (6) the Che-ho-lin-yeh Djahriyya sect,

According to the missionary D'Ollone, who made a study of aboriginal peoples in the borderlands of China in 1906-9, the tombs of three Islamic saints were revered among Kansu Muslims. Mêng-kuan adherents were also called Kung-pei-chiao, that is, "followers of Tomb Teaching". Thus, the Djahriyya sect of Kansu Muslims may be said to be one of meng-kuan, tomb-worshippers.

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KANTARA, pl. kanātir, means in Arabic (1) bridge, particularly a bridge of masonry or stone, one of the most famous of which is that of Sandja [q.v.]; also (2) aqueduct (especially in the plural), dam, and finally (3) high building, castle (similarly kasātil = aqueduct from kastal = castellum; see KANĀT); cf. TA, iii, 509; Dozy, Supplément, ii, 412; de Goeje, BGA, iv, 334; and particularly R. Geyer in the SB Ak. Wien, cxlix/6 (1905), 114-9. The original meaning of the word "arch, stone archway", is found in the earliest Arabic lexicographers; cf. Dozy-de Goeje, Description de l'Asrique et de l'Espagne par Edrîsî, 369, Djisr [q.v.], a bridge of wood or boats, is the opposite of kantara, which is of stone; in time, however, the two words came to be used as synonyms (see Dozy, Suppl., i, 194).

No satisfactory explanation has yet been given of the origin of the word. The oldest reference is found in a verse of Țarafa (iv, 22; see The Diwans of the six ancient Arabic poets, ed. Ahlwardt, 1870, 55). On account of this early occurrence of the word, Yāķūt (iv, 187) considers the word to be genuine Arabic. But we may with considerable certainty regard it as a loan-word. Vollers and Geyer thought that it was borrowed from Latin or Greek. The former connected (ZDMG, li, 376; ZA, viii, 100-1) kantara with the mediaeval Latin word cintrum (French cintre, arch, vault), while Geyer (op. cit., 118-9) sought the original either in κανθήλος = basket, cantherius = wickerwork used in the making of roofs and buildings, or in κάμπτρα, κάμπτριον = depository (cf. also καμπτής = rounding, curve), from which Vollers (ZDMG, li, 302) derived Egypto-Arab. kimtar. But all these explanations are to be rejected, because there are phonetic objections to them and they partly rely for the meanings of the words cited on obsolete, farfetched glosses; cf. for objections to these explanations, Fränkel in ZA, xix, 270-1, and Nöldeke, op. cil., 408. Kantara is most probably to be derived from the Aramaic, and, as Nöldeke, op. cil., thinks, in the first place from ketārā = hoop, arch (see Payne-Smith, Thesaur. Syriac., col. 3591; note specially ketartā in Bar Bahlūl, Lexic., col. 1768). The above-mentioned word disr also comes from the Aramaic (Fränkel, Die aram. Fremdwörter im Arab., Leiden 1886, 285 and D. H. Müller in IVZKM, i, 31), but can actually be traced back to the Assyrian or Accadian (cf. Meissner in ZA, ix, 269, and Zimmern, Akkadische Fremdwörter, Leipzig 1915, 31).

Al-Kanțara has survived in Spanish in the diminutives alcantarilla = little bridge, gutter and alcantarillado = arched aqueduct; see Dozy-Engelmann, Glossaire des mots espagnols et portugais dérivés de l'arabe², Leiden 1869, 47; Diccionario de la Lengua Castellana por la Real Academia Espanola, xiii, Madrid 1899, svv; J. Oliver Asin, Historia del nombre Madrid, Madrid 1959, index.

Al-Kanţara and al-Kanāţir are frequently found—sometimes with descriptive additions, e.g., Kanāţir Fircawn—as names for places like quarters of a city (notably in Baghdād) in areas where Arabic was, or is, spoken in the mediaeval or modern East. In his geographical dictionary (iv, 180, 187-92, vi, 179-80) Yāķūt gives a dozen places named al-Kanṭara and four called Kanāṭir (cf. also, for example, the indices to al-Ṭabarī, Annales, 759-60, and Ibn al-Athīr, Kāmil, xiii, 790). For the numerous districts of Baghdād named after particular bridges under the Caliphate see the index to Guy le Strange, Baghdad during the Abbasid Caliphate, London 1900, 368.

Of the places named al-Kantara, the following are worthy of special mention:

1. An oasis on the southern slopes of the Atlas in Algeria at the exit of a narrow pass through which run the road and railway from Constantine to the desert regions; it is a station on the Constantine-Biskra line, 35 miles north of the latter. This, the most northern oasis in Africa, consists of three villages with about 3,500 inhabitants and possesses a very dense date grove. From its situation it was an important military station and, as Roman inscriptions found there show, settled in ancient times. It is presumably identical with the station Ad Calcem Herculis of the Roman itineraries (see Dessau in Pauly-Wissowa, iii, 1345). The name al-Kantara is derived from the Roman bridge, restored in 1862 by the French, which spans in one huge arch the ravine, the 150 feet wide Fumm al-Şahārā = the mouth of the Sahārā (so-called by the inhabitants), through which flows the Wad al-Kantara (cf., for example, Vivien de St. Martin, Dict. de Géographie Universelle, Paris 1879, i, 66 and Kobelt, Reiscerinnerungen aus Algerien und Tunis, 1883, 322).

2. Alcántara, a little town of great antiquity in the province of Cáceres (district of Estremadura) in Spain, near the Portuguese frontier, with 3,200 inhabitants. It receives its name from an imposing granite bridge, built in 105 A.D., which crosses the Tagus in six great arches to the northwest of the town. The place is also famous for the religious knightly order founded there in 1176 to defend the frontier against the Moors, which became called the Order of Alcántara after its headquarters were moved to this town in 1213 (see Baedeker's Spain and Portugal⁴, Leipzig 1912, 459).

3. A small town with a mosque in Egypt, on the Asiatic side of the Suez canal, half-way between Port Ṣaʿīd and Ismāʿīliyya, a station on the railway connecting these two towns. It lies on a low narrow



several mistakes. Following the information of Ahmed Wesik (op. cit.), who mentions Karā Hişār as the chief place of a nāhiye of the kadā' of Serik in the sandjak of Adalia, and the information of Ewliya Čelebi (Seyāḥatnāmesi, ix, 290) according to which the place was built at the foot of a mountain called Serek dağı, Mordtmann in EI1 and Besim Darkot in IA have sought to identify it with the large village of Serik, a real centre of a kadā' in the plain between the Aksu and the Köprü Su, nearer to this last river. This identification of the locality is incompatible with the data of the same text of Ewliya, which place it to the west of the Aksu, four hours' journey from Antalya and an hour to the north of the village of Kundu (still existing) on the one hand, and on the other with the information of the same, as well as of al-Kalkashandī (Şubļi, v, 346), which places it on a lofty hill. Süleyman Fikri Erten (Antalya vilayeti tarihi, Istanbul 1940, 90) wished incorrectly to place it at the ancient town of Sillyon, a hypothesis compatible with the data on the elevated site but not with the information on distance and placing in relation to the river. In fact, there is no doubt that it can be identified with the ancient town of Pergum in terms of the above characteristics. Recognized since the 19th century by Krause in his articles Pamphylia and Perge in the Allgemeine Enzyklopädie der Wissenschaften und Künste, Sect. 3, vol. x (1838), 244, and vol. xv-xvi (1841), 435, but without comment and information on sources, then by X. de Planhol (De la plaine pamphylienne aux lacs pisidiens, Paris 1958, 105, 123), it has been set out clearly in detail by Barbara Fleming (Landschaftsgeschichte von Pamphylien, Pisidien und Lykien im Spätmittelalter, Wiesbaden 1964, Abhandlungen für die Kunde des Morgenlandes, xxxv/1, 101-2; see equally the index, s.v. for the numerous mentions of this town).

7. DEVELI KARĀ HIŞĀR, i.e., the Karahişār of Develü (develeniñ Karāhisāri in Neshrī, ZDMG, xv, 341, and Leunclavius, Hist. Musulm., 334); also named after the district of Develü (Houtsma, Recueil, iii, ro4) to distinguish it from other towns of the same name. This town, situated in Asia Minor, 45 km. to the south-west of Kayşariyye, is already frequently mentioned in the history of the Saldjūķids (Houtsma, Recueil, iv, passim). It belonged afterwards to the possessions of the Banū Eretnā (cf. Max van Berchem, Matériaux, Pt. 3, 41 and 48), then to that of the Karāmān-oghullari and was conquered in 794/1391 by Bāyazīd I (Neshrī, loc. cit.); at the time of the conquest of Karāmān by Mehemmed II in 879/1474, it surrendered to the Ottomans (Sa'd al-Din, i, 550). At the end of the 17th century, the district of Develi Karā Hişār formed a kadā' dependent on Kayşariyye Djihānnumā, 620). The town then declined, without doubt due to the insalubrity of the swamps (Sultan Sazlığı) which extend to the approaches of the town, and the consequence of this was the transfer of the centre of the kadā' to Develi (or Everek), to the south of Kayseri and 40 km. to the east, whereas Karā Hişār, at the end of the 19th century, was no more than a nāḥiye of the kaḍā' of Indjesu. This transfer has been at the source of a whole series of confusions between the two towns (Ahmed Wesik, Lehdje, 580, and Cuinet, Turquie d'Asie, i, 304, 320, give information which is quite obscure and false). The town, established anew as a kaza in 1946, took the name of Yeşil Hisar. Of the ancient fortifications of Develi Karā Ḥiṣār, only insignificant fragments remain; the town, known for its fruit production, is situated at the foot of some hills, in the midst of extensive gardens (Kinneir, Journey, 109; Hamilton, ii, 284).

There were several hundred houses at the end of the last century, with an increase to 5,800 inhabitants in 1950. In the neighbourhood of Develi Kara Hisar, 3 km. to the south-west, are the ruins of Zindjibar Kal'esi, considered formely to be the ancient Nora (W. F. Ainsworth, Travels and Researches in Asia Minor, London 1842, i, 210) and now identified with Cyzustra (W. M. Calder and G. E. Bean, A classical map of Asia Minor, London 1958).

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8. KARĀ ŅIŞĀR in the land of Uthman (Yakut, iv, 45): perhaps this is meant to be the Karadja Ḥiṣār, also named Karadja Shehir, near Inönu in the territory of origin of the Ottoman Sultans, a place which is often described even in the ancient chronicles by the name of Karā Ḥiṣār.

9. KARĀ HIŞĀR, in the territory of Ibn Torghut (Ibn Fadl Allah, op. cit., 350); this is, however, impossible to identify, unless it is an ancient name for Torghudlu Kaşabasi near Mānisa.

10. KARĀ HIŞĀR, chef-lieu of the kadā' of Na'llukhān (Nallihan), vilā yet of Ankara (Ahmed Wefīk, op. cit.). One encounters several villages of this name in the boundaries of the said kaza.

II. HAMMAM KARA HIŞAR, village of the nahiye of Günyünzī, kadā' of Sivri Ḥiṣār, wilāyet of Eskişehir, 17 km. to the east of the chef-lieu of the kaza.

12. VĂN KARĀHIŞĀRI (Ewliyā, op. cit., iv, 275-6), which the traveller visited on the route from Van to Kotur, and of which he says that the Kurds call it Karadja Kale; this is today a village of the kaza of Saray (newly called Özalp).

A certain number of other places of the name of Karā Ḥiṣār figure in the gazeteers of the Anatolian villages; none of them have any historical importance. See the article of Besim Darkot in IA for the enumeration of several of them.

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ĶARĀ ĶALPAĶ [see ĶARAĶALPAĶ]. KARĀ KHALĪL [see DJANDARLI]. KARĀ-KHĀNIDS [see ILEK-KHĀNS].

KARĀ KHIŢĀY, the usual name in Muslim sources of the 6th/12th and 7th/13th centuries of the Kitai people, mentioned in Chinese sources from the 4th century A.D. onwards as living on the northern fringes of the Chinese empire; during the course of the 6th/12th century a group of them migrated into the Islamic lands of Central Asia and established a domination there which endured for some eighty years.

In the Orkhon inscriptions of Outer Mongolia, the royal annals of the T'u-chüeh or Turks (ca. 732 A.D.), the Kitai are mentioned as enemies of the Turks and as living to the east of the Turkish heartland on the Orkhon and Selenga rivers. Ethnically and linguistically, the Kitai were most probably Mongols rather than Tungus, as some earlier orientalists surmised, though there is a possibility that they spoke a language of their own, unrelated to the above two groups (see the discussions in Wittfogel and Fêng, History of Chinese society: Liao, 21-3, and Sir Gerard Clauson, Turk, Mongol, Tungus, in Asia Major, N.S. viii (1960), 120-1, 123). There must also have been considerable Uyghur Turkish influence on them when they were subject to the Kaghans of the Eastern Turks.

In Chinese sources, the Kitai are first called the Ch'i-tan (K'i-tan) and then, after 947, the Liao. In

the period of chaos after the downfall of the T'ang dynasty (907), the expansionist Kitaisoverran northern China and established there a ruling dynasty which, whilst retaining its basic steppe ethos, became at least superficially sinicized, so that Chinese annals account them a native dynasty; southern China, on the other hand, remained in the hands of the indigenous Sung dynasty (960-1279). The Liao empire stretched from the Pacific in the east to the Altai mountains and the Uyghur lands in the west, and their original name of Kitai, in the form Khitā or Khatā, was applied by the Muslims to northern China, whence older English Cathay, Russian Kitay, Greek Kitaïa, etc. for the whole country of China (see Sir Henry Yule, Cathay and the way thither, London 1913-16, i, 146; in Muslim usage Čīn, Arabic form Sin [q.v.] became the term reserved for southern China).

Between 1116 and 1123, however, the Liao of northern China were overthrown by a fresh wave of barbarian invaders from the north, the Tungusic sürchen of the Amur-Ussuri basin and northern Manchuria, who formed the Chin ("golden") dynasty, Mongol Altun Khans. A part of the Kitai remained in China with the Chin and later, in the time of Čingiz Khān, were able successfully to rebel and restore the Kitai kingdom as a Mongol vassal state. Muslim sources mention raids westwards by the "Khitāy" on Islamic territories adjoining the Semireceve during the 5th/11th century (see Ibn al-Athir, ix, 209-10, incursion of the Khita iyya in 408/1017-18), but these attacks may well have been made by Mongol groups, perhaps the Nayman, pushed westwards by the expansion of the Kitai proper in northern China (see Barthold, Histoire des Turcs d'Asic centrale, 95). It was the migration of ca. 519/ 1125 and thereafter by the Karā ("black") Khitāy (in the Latin of John of Plano Carpini, 1246, nigri Kitai), Chinese Hsi ("western") Liao, which was really significant for the eastern Islamic world. One more southerly group moved into eastern Turkestan, but came up against the branch of Ilek Khānids or Karakhānids [q.v.] ruling in Kāshgharia. Arslan Khān Ahmad b. Ḥasan defeated them before they could reach Kāshghar and captured their leader. Ibn al-Athīr, xi, 55, places this battle in 522/1128, which is perhaps too early, since in a letter from the Saldjuk sultan of eastern Persia, Sandjar, to the caliph's vizier, dated 527/1133, the victory is described as a recent event.

The adventures of the other group of Khitay are described by Djuwaynī, tr. Boyle, i, 354 ff. It may be that we should regard these merely as the right wing of a general Karā Khitāy advance along a broad front, successful in breaking through where the left wing thrust into Kāshgharia failed. At all events, this second group came westwards by a more northerly route, through the Kirghiz lands on the upper Yenisei, building the settlement of Emil to the east of Lake Balkhash, which they used as a base for intervening in the Karakhānid principality in the Semirečye. By this time, their numbers had swollen to 40,000 tents. The Karakhānid ruler tried to win the Khitay over as allies against his own unruly Karluk and Kanghli tribesmen, but instead found himself deposed. The Karā Khitay leader, whose name appears in Chinese sources as Yeh-lü Ta-shih (d. 537/1143) now, after a half-hearted attempt to organize a revanche and regain the Liao homeland in China, made the town of Balasaghun (q.v.) in the Ču valley his base for a series of attacks on the surrounding Turkish tribes and principalities: against the Kirghiz and Kanghll in the steppes, and against the Karakhānids in Khotan and Kāshghar, where Ibrāhīm b. Arslan Khān Ahmad probably died in battle against them. In 536/1137 Mahmūd Khān b. Arslan Muhammad of Samarkand was defeated at Khudjand in Farghāna.

After the Karā Khitāy had halted for four years, internal disputes in the Samarkand Khanate laid open the whole of Transoxania to them. Nomadic Karluk tribesmen at odds with Mahmud Khan appealed to the Kara Khitay against their overlord. Mahmud had recourse to his own suzerain Sandjar, and the Saldjūk sultan now invaded Transoxania from Khurāsān with a large army. In Şafar 536/ September 1141 a bloody battle was fought at the Katwan Steppe in Ushrusana to the south of the middle Syr Daryā. Despite a probable numerical superiority, the Muslims were routed with huge losses, and Sandjar and Mahmud Khan abandoned Transoxania and fled to Khurāsān; this clash between the conventionally organized Muslim army and the Karā Khitāy nomadic horde was, indeed, a foretaste of what was to happen when Cingiz Khan's Mongols appeared in the Islamic lands. The Kara Khitay now occupied Samarkand and Bukhārā, and Yeh-lü Tashih sent an army against Khwarazm, compelling the Khwārazm-Shāh Atsiz [q.v.] to pay an annual tribute of 30,000 dinars. The lands under Kara Khitay control came to stretch from the borders of the Kirghiz country in the north to Balkh in the south (occupied in 560/1165), and from Khrārazm in the west to the Uyghur lands of eastern Turkestan (see the maps in A. Herrmann, An historical atlas of China, Edinburgh 1966, 38-40, and Wittfogel and Feng, op. cit., 658). The news of the Karā Khitāy victory over the Muslim forces at the Katwan Steppe filtered through to the Crusaders in the Levant and thence to Christian Europe, giving fresh impetus to the legends about Prester John, the powerful Christian monarch who supposedly ruled in Inner Asia and who was attacking the Muslims from the rear (that these legends were in circulation before this time is suggested by C. F. Beckingham, The achievements of Prester John, Inaugural Lecture, University of Londen 1966).

The Karā Khitāy leaders are called in the Islamic sources by the title Gür-Khān, and the personal names of the successive rulers are known only in their Chinese forms (see below). Djuwaynī, tr. i, 354, and Djūzdjānī, Tabakāt-i Nāṣirī, ed. Ḥabībī², ii, 96, tr. Raverty, ii, 911, explain that Gür-Khān means "Supreme Khān", Khān-i Khānān; Barthold, Histoire des Turcs d'Asie centrale, 97, n. 1, connected the first element with the old Turkish word kür, kül, "noble, courageous", found in names and titles of the Orkhon inscriptions, giving something like "Heroic Khān".

Pace Barthold's categorical assertion that "The Qara-Khitay kingdom was vastly different from the usual type of nomad empires" (Four studies on the history of Central Asia, i, 29), the Karā Khitay empire was in many ways typical of the steppe empires established by a Eurasian steppe confederation, despite the partial sinicization of the Karā Khitāy themselves. It is probable that, like all nomadic confederations, they were not an ethnically homogeneous group; the successes of the first Gür-Khān doubtless attracted numbers of Turks, Tanguts and perhaps even Tungus to swell the original core of the Kitai. They were a military aristocracy of cavalrymen, spread thinly over the lands which they dominated, but with their main concentration at the Gür-Khān's ordu or army camp outside Balāsāghūn in the Semirečye. The Chinese history of the dynasty, the Liao Shih (completed in 1344), mentions a census taken in 546/1151 by the Gür-Khān Yi-lieh. This enumerated 84,500 households with adult males in them, but this figure probably included the indigenous Muslim population of Balāsāghūn and its hinterland as well as the Karā Khitāy tribesmen; even reckoning two fighting men per household, the numbers of the Karā Khitāy cannot have been all that large (see Wittfogel and Fêng, 659-60).

Nor was there any administrative centralization, despite the fact that they did not follow the practice in other nomadic empires of granting out appanages to relatives and others of high rank; the first Gür-Khān is said not to have entrusted to any man command of more than 100 warriors. Except in Balasaghun, where, as noted above, the local Kara Khanid ruler was displaced (although the population of the town remained largely Muslim), local dynasties continued elsewhere to exist as the Gür-Khāns' vassals. In some places, there were appointed permanent representatives of the Gür-Khān (Chinese chien-kuo "state supervisor", Turkish baskak, Arabic-Persian shalma) side-by-side with the local ruler; a province like Khwārazm was only visited periodically by the Karā Khitāy tribute-collectors; whilst at the beginning of the 7th/13th century the sadrs or religious leaders in Bukhārā of the Burhān family (on whom see O. Pritsak, Al-i Burhan, in Isl., xxx (1952), 81-96) took the tribute of the city in person to the Gür-Khān's ordu, just as later under the Golden Horde the prince of Muscovy took his tribute to the capital at Sarāy.

The Karā Khitāy administration was therefore primarily a fiscal one, and beyond the collection of taxes, the subject territories were left largely to their local rulers. Ibn al-Athir, xi, 56, says that the Gür-Khān imposed a tax of one dinār per annum on each household of the conquered peoples, but we know that tribute in kind was also collected. Barthold thought that the dinar levy on each family was a specifically Chinese feature, but it seems to have been only one method followed amongst several in a farfrom-uniform system; one Chinese source says that the rural populace around Balasaghun paid a tithe on their crops to the Gür-Khan. The Gür-Khans coined their own copper currency on the Liao and Chinese pattern, with the regnal period inscribed in Chinese characters, but the vassal states continued to mint their own Islamic-type coins, and as we have just seen, the unit of the dinar was recognised by the Karā Khitāy for tax-collecting purposes (see Wittfogel and Fêng, 661-2, 664, 672-3).

Barthold also asserted in his EI^1 article KARA KILITAI that the "language of the government seems to have been Chinese", but the linguistic and cultural structure of Central Asia at this time was complex and reflected the mélange of races, cultures and faiths to be found there. The Karā Khitay undeniably set a Chinese imprint on the administration and culture of the lands under their control, and Muslim authors noted a few Chinese words like fu-ma "imperial son-in-law" for the Gür-Khān's son-in-law (Djuwaynī-Boyle, i, 290, 292) and pāyza, Chinese p'ai-tzŭ, "tablet, insignia of a government official's authority" (ibid., i, 158; Awst, Lubāb al-albāb, ed. Browne, ii, 385). The Gür-Khans bestowed Chinese official titles and used the Chinese script for solemn decrees, but the number of Chinese litterati at their ordu can never have been very large. They must have called upon Muslim scholars and secretaries for their correspondence in Persian and the Arabic script with

their Muslim vassals, and probably upon Uyghur officials for correspondence in Turkish and the Uyghur script with vassals in eastern Turkestan.

The Karā Khitāy never adopted Islam, as did eventually the Mongol Khans in the Islamic world, but they displayed the traditional tolerance of the steppes towards all faiths. Even though Islam was especially identified with the resistance in Transoxania by the Karakhanids and by Sandjar, they did not systematically persecute Muslims, as did their brief supplanter Küčlüg (see below) in Kāshgharia. A contemporary Muslim author like Nizāmī 'Arūdī Samarkandi gives an anecdote about the first Gür-Khān's boundless justice, his deference to the Sudur of Bukhārā and his removal of an oppressive representative of the Kará Khitay administration there (Cahar makala, ed. Browne, 24, revised tr. 24-5). Djūzdjāni, the historian of the Ghūrids, is also remarkably enthusiastic about them; he praises the first Gür-Khan for his just rule and respect for Muslim sensibilities, and even purveys a tale that one of the later Gür-Khans had secretly become a Muslim (Tabakāt-i Nāşiri, ii, 96, tr. 911-12). Muslims retained leading positions in the Kara Khitay administration; the wealthy merchant Mahmud Tay is mentioned by Djuwayni, tr. i, 357-8, as being vizier to the last Gür-Khan.

However, the religious tolerance and impartiality of the Kara Khitay undoubtedly permitted adherents of non-Islamic faiths to flourish more openly in Turkestan than under the orthodox Muslim Karakhanids. A great period of missionary activity and enterprise opened for the Nestorian Christian Church in Inner Asia; the patriarch Elias III (1176-90) founded a metropolitan see in Käshghar whose jurisdiction also included the Semirecye; and the oldest of the Syriacinscribed Christian gravestones from the Cu valley in the Semirecye stem from this period (see Barthold, Zur Geschichte des Christentums in Mittel-Asien bis zur mongolischen Eroberung, Tübingen-Leipzig 1901, 57 ff.; idem, Histoire des Turcs d'Asie centrale, 99ror; the earliest inscription published by Chwolson dates from 1186). There were Chinese artisans working in Samarkand at this time, and the Jewish communities in Khiwa, Samarkand, etc. were flourishing, according to the evidence of a Jewish traveller in Persia like Benjamin of Tudela (see W. J. Fischel, The Jews of Central Asia (Khorasan) in mediaeval Hebrew and Islamic literature, in Historia Judaica, vii (1945), 29-50). Grousset commented with some justice that "the foundation of the Qara Khitay empire may be viewed as a reaction against the work of Islamization accomplished by the Qarakhanids" (L'Empire des steppess, Paris 1952, 221).

As for the Karā Khiṭāys' own religion, we can glean very little from the sources. Ibn al-Athīr, xi, 55, calls the first Gür-Khān a Manichaean. Muslim writers usually, however, simply call them "idolaters", but we may surmise that Buddhism, which had overlaid the original shamanism of the Ch'i-tan in China, was widespread amongst them.

One may accordingly say that the receptiveness of the Karā Khiţāy environment to differing cultural and religious traditions, and the consequent encouragement of the flowering of these traditions under the dynasty's relaxed rule, constitutes a certain achievement in human civilization, one which anticipates the better side of the succeeding pax mongolica. Thus the Chinese connections of the Karā Khiṭāy probably facilitated the journeyings of Muslim traders into Mongolia and perhaps even as far as northern China. Acts of violence and oppression towards the subject

peoples can never have been wholly absent, and these may have increased towards the end of their rule. Yet our admittedly fragmentary knowledge of the trends of the period allows us to go some way with Marquart's approbation of Karā Khiṭāy culture (l'ber das Volkstum der Komanen, 209), and to regard Barthold's dismissal of the achievements of the dynasty as negligible (Histoire des Turcs d'Asie centrale, 98-9) as unduly harsh.

The chronology of the line of Karā Khitay Gür-Khāns can be pieced together from the Liao Shih and from odd items of information in the Islamic sources (e.g., the recording by Ibn al-Athir, xi, 57, of the first (lür-Khāns's death in Rajab 537/Jan.-Feb. 1143). In his standard Manuel de généalogie et de chronologie pour l'histoire de l'Islam, Zambaur made no attempt to deal with the Karā Khitāy, although Marquart, op. cit., 237-8, had given a substantially correct list of their rulers. After the death of the original Gür-Khān Yeh-lü Ta-shih (1124-43), his widow T'a-pu-yen (named in <u>Dj</u>uwaynī-Boyle, i, 356, as Kuyan, honorific title Kan-t'ien, regnal title Hsien-ch'ing) reigned 1144-50. There succeeded the Gür-Khān Yi-lieh, regnal title Shao-hsing (1151-63); and finally the last Gür-Khān, Yi-lieh's younger son Chih-lu-ku (1178-1211, d. 1213). The fact that the Karā Khitāy dominions were ruled by women for two out of these five reigns is significant evidence for the matriarchal trend in Karā Khitāy society; in China proper, the Liao empress-dowagers had traditionally wielded great influence in the state. See on these questions of chronology, Wittfogel and l'êng, 620-1, 627 ff.; 672.

The Khwārazın-shāhs from II Arslan (551/1156 567/1172) onwards endeavoured at various times to throw off the yoke of the Kara Khitay, but their withholdings of tribute were normally followed by Karā Khitāy invasions which re-asserted their overlordship. The Shāh Tekish (567/1172-596/1200) owed his throne to the help of the Gür-Khan Yeh-lü's son-inlaw Fuma, but he later renounced his allegiance, adducing the oppressiveness of the Karā Khitāy tax-collectors and raising the banner of djihād against the infidels; in the words of Ibn al-Athīr, xi, 248, he rebelled "out of zeal for the dignity of his throne and for the faith". The Karā Khitay in turn now supported Tekish's younger brother and earlier rival for the throne, Sultan Shah, and helped him to seize several towns in northern Khurāsān (576/ 1181). In the last decades of the 6th/12th century and the opening years of the 7th/13th century, the Karā Khitāy aided Tekish and his son and sucsessor 'Ala' Al-Din Muhammad in their rivalry with the Ghūrids of Afghānistān [q.v.]; thus in 594/1198 the Gür-Khān sent an army across the Oxus to recover the vassal city of Balkh from the Ghūrids; the Karā Khitay were, however, defeated, and this led to recriminations between them and the Khwārazm-Shāh.

After his eventual crushing of the Ghūrids, 'Alā' al-Dīn Muḥammad had ambitions to extend Khwārazmian control over the whole of Transoxania and to reduce the last vestiges of Karakhānid rule there. This necessarily involved clashing with the Karā Khiṭāy suzerains of the province. A general revolt flared up in eastern Turkestan amongst the Gür-Khāns' Muslim vassals, and it was on the crest of these disorders that the Nayman Mongol Küčlüg rose to power there after his flight westwards before Čingiz Khān [q.v.]. The last Karakhānid ruler in Samarkand, 'Uṭhmān Khān b. Ibrāhīm (600/1204-608/1212), attempted to throw off Karā Khiṭāy

control, offended by the Gür-Khan's refusal to grant him the hand of a daughter in marriage; but he had his capital temporarily occupied by a Kara Khitay force (probably in 606/1209-10), and the marriage in fact later took place. Uthman Khan then allied with the Khwārazm-Shāh to defeat the Karā Khitāy near Talas in 607/1210, and although the Gür-Khān defeated Küčlüg, the appearance of a Mongol force under Čingiz's general Kubilay Noyan compelled him to come to terms with Küčlüg (608/1211) and to surrender; he remained as nominal ruler only, and died two years later. Thus for a brief while, before the arrival of Cingiz in the west, the Kara Khitay dominions were partitioned between the fiercely anti-Muslim Küčlüg in Kāshgharia and the Semirečye, and the Khwārazm-Shāh in Transoxania. The remaining members of the Kara Khitay horde must have been caught up in the armies of the Mongols.

However, their rule was perpetuated indirectly in one corner of the eastern Islamic world. Shortly after the collapse of 608/1211, one of the Karā Khiṭāy commanders called Baraķ Ḥādjib entered the service of the Khwārazm-Shāhs and eventually founded the principality of the Kutlugh-Khānids in Kirmān; see BURĀĶ ḤĀDJIB, Zambaur, Manuel, 237, and Witt-fogel and Fêng, 626, 655-7.

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KARĀ-KÖL (Turkish "black lake"), KARAKUL, the name of various lakes in Central Asia and of a modern town in the Uzbek SSR.

The best-known lake is that lying at the western extremity of the Zarafshān River in Soghdia (modern Uzbekistan), midway between Bukhārā and Čārdjūy (mediaeval Āmul-i Shaṭṭ, see ĀMUL. 2). The basin in which it lay was known as the Sāmdjan basin, see Iṣṭakhrī, 315, and Ibn Ḥawkal, ed. Kramers, 485, tr. Kramers and Wiet, 466. In Narshakhī's Tarīkh-i Bukhārā, ed. Schefer, 17, tr. Frye, 19, the lake is given both the Turkish name of Ķarā-Köl and the Iranian one of Bārgīn-farākh "extensive basin", and is said to have been 20 farsakh long by one farsakh wide.

In history, this lake has been identified with the kara kol mentioned in the Old Turkish Orkhon inscriptions (8th century), Kültigin N 2, where it is described as the scene of a battle between the Tiukiu or Eastern Turks under the prince Kültigin and the rebellious Az people (possibly the Türgesh), cf.

Khīwa (1226/1811) the Karakalpak too had to submit to the Khān of Khīva. They made frequent attempts to throw off this yoke; in 1827 they even captured and held the town of Kungrat for a time. After the suppression of this uprising, a body of them migrated to Farghāna. In 1855 the leader of the rebel Karakalpak, Ir-Nazar-bī, adopted the title of Khan, building a fortress near where the Kazak river flows into the Aral Sea.

After the Russian conquest of Khiwa in 1873, when the Khan had to cede to Russia all his possessions east of the main arm of the Amu Darya and the most north-westerly arm of its delta, the land of the Karakalpak became Russian. The area, then separated from Khīva, was first administered as a separate department (otdyel), and later as part of the "government" of Sir Daryā. On 11 May 1925 the Karakalpak Autonomous Oblast' was formed as part of the Kazak A.S.S.R.; on 20 March 1932 its status was changed to an Autonomous Soviet Socialist Republic (A.S.S.R.); and on 5 December 1936 this A.S.S.R. was transferred to the Uzbek S.S.R.. The capital of the Karakalpak A.S.S.R. is Nukus. The Karakalpak, who at the time of the Revolution were on the verge of being totally assimilated by the Kazak (and to a lesser extent by the Uzbek), were preserved as a distinct group by the Soviet régime. Linguistically the Karakalpak language is merely a dialect of Kazak; their tribal divisions are the same as that of the Kazak. Karakalpak was first written (i.e., established as a literary language) in 1925 using the Arabic script; in 1928 this was changed to a Latin script; and since 1940 it has been written in Cyrillic. The 1970 Soviet census lists 236,009 Karakalpaks in the U.S.S.R. Of these 230,258 (97.6 %) live in the Uzbek S.S.R.; and of these latter, 217,505 (92.2 % of the total Soviet Karakalpak population) live in the Karakalpak A.S.S.R., 8,668 in Bukhāra Oblast', 1428 in Tashkent, and 732 in Farghana Oblast' (the Farghāna Ķaraķalpaķs are rapidly being assimilated by the Uzbek).

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KARAKAY. The cross-reference to this from CARUCUEL is erroneous; see KARĀ-KÖL, KARĀKUL.

KARAKOL, modern Turkish term for "police-station", "[military] patrol", a popular etymology ("black [i.e., ominous] arm [of the authorities]" or "patrol"); for Ottoman karāghul, karāvul, a loanword from Mongol (attested from the 8th/14th century), see Tarama sözlüğü, Ankara 1969, iv, 2283 ff. The Mongol word also passed into Persian as karāvul/karā'ul. For full references and details of the diffusion of the word (as far as Swahili), see Doerfer, i, no. 276.

In the Ottoman Empire the maintenance of security and order in different quarters of Istanbul was entrusted mainly to the Janissaries [see YEÑI-ČERI], and the ortas (companies) patrolling the city were called kulluk. During the military campaigns, apart from the čarkhadji (vanguard) forces, the Ottoman army used to send out small units called karāvul müfrezeleri. In the same way the Ottoman navy, when at sea, sent out two mail ships as karāvul sefineleri, with the task of preventing any sudden

attack on the fleet. About ten ships under the command of the tersane ketkhudasi (Intendant of the Admiralty) brought up the rear as ard karavul to help ships in trouble when necessary.

After the suppression of the Janissaries in 1826, public security in Istanbul became the responsibility of the ser asker [q.v.]; an autonomous administration, the Pablivye Müshiriyyeti, which was founded in 1846 to take charge of police functions, was changed into a nexaret (ministry) in 1870 and in 1909 attached to the Ministry of the Interior as a directorate with authority extending over the whole country [see PABTIYYA]. At that time, a police-station was called karakol-khāne, and later karakol. The word karakol was used also in the Turkish army and navy to designate a unit charged with security or observation duty (istinād karakolu, ileri karakol, nizām karakolu, etc.).

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(E. KURAN) KARAKOL DJEM'ĪYYETĪ, a secret society founded in Istanbul towards the end of 1918 by a group of former members of the Union and Progress Committee [see ittihād we teraķķī djem'iyyeti]. Its aim was to organize guerilla resistance bands against the Allied forces which had occupied strategic points in Turkey following the armistice of Mudros on 30 October 1918. After the organization of the Nationalist Movement in Anatolia under the leadership of Mustafa Kemāl Pasha, the Karakol society supplied the movement with intelligence, officers and arms. The society tried to gain control over the nationalists of Anatolia, and Karā Wāşif, one of the founding members, became their representative in Istanbul. However, Muştafā Kemāl succeeded in checking the activities of the Karakol society and ordered its dissolution in the spring of 1920, on the grounds that a delegate of the society had signed a pact of military assistance with the Bolsheviks on to January 1920 without the authorization of the nationalists. Nevertheless, the Karakol society seems to have continued its underground activities until the end of the Turkish War of Independence.

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KARAKORUM (KARAKORAM), a chain of mountains in the centre of Asia lying north of and almost parallel to the Himalayas. The range extends westwards as far as 73° long.; it has not yet been definitely ascertained how far it runs eastwards. At one time the eastern limit was thought to be the pass of the Karakorum, the plateau of Depsong and the upper part of the Shayok, but, according to the views of several famous geographers, the range runs much farther into Tibet, and the Tang-la (to the north of upper Saluën) should, they think, be re-

garded as a part of the Karakorum. This idea was first put forward by Klaproth in 2836 and was held by Burrard, Sven Hedin and others who further regarded the Trans-Himalaya as belonging to the Karakorum system. If this is accurate, the whole system would be about 2,000 km. long.

The highest elevations are found in the part west of the pass of Karakorum. There we find several peaks over 8,000 m. high and countless summits over 7,000 m. The highest peak—probably the second highest in the world—is K 2, which seems to have been long known as Chogo-ri among the natives. This giant attains a height of 8,611 m.

This western part of the Karakorum possesses a wild and imposing natural beauty; a large part of is covered with perpetual snows over a considerable extent. The snow line runs from 4,770 m. north of the principal chain to 5,203 m. in the south. The inhabitants are Baltis, a mixed people with Tibetan language, Ladakhis, who are Tibetans, and Hunzas.

If we exclude the polar regions, the largest glaciers in the world are found in this part of the Karakorum. The Siachen glacier is 68 km. long and covers a surface of about 2,500 sq. km. The Baltoro, Hispara and Biafo glaciers are only a little less than the Siachen. The plateau out of which rises the Karakorum has an average height of 3,070 m. The whole region is excessively dry because the rain (snow, hail) falls almost exclusively on the high mountains. The vegetation in the valleys is very slight and is confined to the vicinity of torrents and streams. At the terminations of the glaciers we find—very often on a little plain—a very beautiful alpine flora.

The Karakorum is the most important watershed in Central Asia, dividing the rivers which running northwards, empty their waters into the deserts of this; part of the world, and those running southwards into the Indian Ocean.

The principal pass is the col of Karakorum (5,574 m.), through which runs the important trade route between Chinese Turkestan and Kashmir. It is difficult and dangerous. In their long journey countless beasts of burden perish of exhaustion or in the avalanches. The mountains take their name from the pass. But as Karakorum means "black débris", the name is not very appropriate. It is found for the first time in a map by Elphinstone published in 1815. On this map the range in question is indicated by the name Moor Taugh (instead of Mur Tagh, "Ice Mountain") or Karrakoorrum Mountains.

The first traveller to write on the mountains now called Karakorum was Mīrzā Ḥaydar Dughlāt, à propos of his journey from Yarkand to Leh, capital of Ladakh, in 960/1553. The exploration proper of the Karakorum only began in 1808 when Elphinstone visited these regions. The more systematic and detailed exploration of the high mountains proper was only begun in 1892 by Sir Martin Conway's expedition, which was followed by many others (including 5 expeditions of Ph. C. and J. Visser between 1922 and 1935).

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KARAKORUM, a town in the aymak of Övör Khangay in Central Mongolia, now in ruins; in the 7th/13th century it was for a short time the capital of the Mongol World Empire. The fullest accounts of the town are given by the European traveller William of Rubruck and the Persian historian Djuwaynī [q.v.]. The ruins were first discovered in 1889 by N. M. Yadrentsev; they were visited and described by the members of the Russian expedition of 1891 led by Radlov; and in 1948-49 an expedition jointly organized by the Soviet Union and the Mongolian People's Republic investigated the palace of the Great Khān Ögedey, the handicraft workshops at the crossroads of the main thoroughfares of Karakorum and some places near the southern gate of the town. Though walled by Ögedey only in 1235, Karakorum had been chosen by Čingiz-Khān as his capital as early as 1220. The name, which is Turkish and means "black boulder", was, as Djuwayni expressly remarks, originally applied to the mountain region around the sources of the Orkhon. According to William of Rubruck, the city of Karakorum, exclusive of Ögedey's palace, was "not as big as the village of Saint Denis", while the monastery of Saint Denis was "ten times larger than the palace". There was, however, much building in Karakorum during its brief period of splendour, and William of Rubruck as well as Djuwaynī give full descriptions of the imperial palaces built in the city and around it, some by Chinese and others by Muslim architects. According to the European traveller, Russian and Western European craftsmen also shared in these operations. To the east of Karakorum, in a village called Tuzghu-Balik (from the Turkish tuzghu, "offering of food to a traveller", and balik "town") built in 1238, there was a palace with the Chinese name of Ying chia tien ("Welcome Carriage Hall").

After the Mongol emperors had removed their residence to China, Karakorum was only the seat of the governor of Mongolia. It changed hands temporarily during the long war with Kaydu, but generally remained in the possession of the emperor. When the Mongol dynasty was expelled from China (1368), the emperors returned to Karakorum, but after the extinction of the dynasty in the 15th

perhaps less of a defeat for the Ottoman Empire than has been commonly accepted, and the Ottomans were able to withdraw from a disastrous war with their pride, if not their territories, intact. Within governing circles of the Empire the settlement nonetheless was to generate considerable opposition, particularly from military elements, and it is probably in these internal repercussions, leading up to the Edirne Incident of 1115/1703, as much as in the actual territorial adjustments, that its significance lies.

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KARLUK, early Arabic form Kharlukh, Persian Khallukh (whence frequent confusion in the sources with the Khaladi [q.v.], Chinese Ko-lo-lu (northwestern Middle Chinese *Kâr-lâ-luk), a Turkish tribal group in Central Asia. They were originally a small federation of three tribes (whence the name given to them in the Uyghur Shine-usu inscription ca. 760 of Uč Karlik; the Hudūd al-cālam, 98, on the other hand, mentions seven tribes of the Karluk), and comparatively unimportant. Their paramount chief never bore the title of khaghan or khan, but in the 7th and 8th centuries had that of élteber (perhaps "possessor of a land or people"), one of only moderate rank (see A. Bombaci, On the ancient Turkic title Eltäbär, in Proceedings of the IXth meeting of the Permanent International Altaistic Conference, Naples 1970, 24, 57-8), and Kāshgharī does not mention them amongst the twenty Turkish tribes listed in the introduction of the Diwan lughat al-turk (tr. Atalay, i, 28). Kāshgharī does, however, mention the Karluk in connection with certain Turkish words or phrases, and defines them as a nomadic tribe, distinct from the Oghuz, but, like them, counted as Turkmen (tr. i, 473, cf. Barthold, Four studies on the history of Central Asia, iii, A history of the Turkman people, 78).

Our first information on the Karluk comes from Chinese sources, which mention them as having been subjugated by the Western T'u-chüeh or Turks ca. 640-50. At this time they were a pastoralist people located on the upper reaches of the Irtysh River and north of the T'ien Shan. In the early years of the 8th century they passed under the control of the Eastern T'u-chüeh empire, and the Orkhon inscriptions mention the rebellion of the Karluk against the Khaghan in 711-14 (see Sir Gerard Clauson and E. Tryjarski, The inscription at Ikhe Khushotu, in RO, xxxiv/1 (1971), 27-8, 29). The Karluk took part with the Basmil and Uyghur in the general upheaval which brought about the disintegration of the Eastern T'uchüch empire (743-5), but were in turn defeated by the Uyghur and compelled to move westwards towards Transoxania (on all these events, see E. Chavannes, Documents sur les Tou-kiue (Turcs) Occidentaux, St. Petersburg 1900; Liu Mau-tsai, Die chinesische Nachrichten zur Geschichte der Ost-Türken (T'u-kiie), Wiesbaden 1958; L. N. Gumilev, Drevnie Tyurki, Moscow 1957; J. R. Hamilton, Les Ouigours à l'époque des Cinq Dynasties, Paris 1955).

They now come within the orbit of Muslim writers. According to Işţakhrī, 290, the boundary between the Karluk and the Oghuz was the region of Isfidjab on the middle Syr Darya, and the Hudud al-calam (372/ 982), 97, cf. Map v, 279, places them south of the Issik-Köl, i.e., on the southern fringes of the Semirečye. Their ruler now appears in Muslim sources with the title of yabghu (Arabic form djabbūya, probably reflecting a western Turkish dialectical pronunciation of the word), adopted equally by the chief of the Oghuz [see GHUZZ]. There were also Karluk who had penetrated southwestwards into the upper Oxus basin and Ţukhāristān, where Arabic sources mention them in connection with the Arab campaigns against the epigoni of the Hephthalites in this region; the prince of the Karluk here also bore the title of yabghu.

These Karluk on the northern fringes of Transoxania were long a refuge for political and religious dissidents and refugees fleeing before the Arab advance into Central Asia; thus the Yabghu, together with the local Soghdians and the ruler of Tibet, supported the rebellious Arab governor in Samarkand, Rāfic b. Layth, against the Caliph Hārūn al-Rashīd. Such contacts, however, probably disposed the Karluk to reception of the Islamic faith and culture, whereas the more westerly Oghuz remained at a perceptibly lower cultural level. The campaign of the Sāmānid Amīr Ismā'īl b. Aḥmad [q.v.] against Talas in 280/893 struck into the heart of their lands, and commercial and religious penetration must have followed; the geographers of the 4th/10th century mention the existence of mosques in several towns east of Talas. The comparatively advanced state of the Karluk at this time is reflected in the statement of the Hudud al-calam that they were a pleasantnatured people, near to civilized folk in their living standards; the same source describes several of their settlements in the southern part of the Semirecye where some of the Karluk practiced agriculture and whither merchants resorted (97-8, 286 ff.).

The royal family of the Karakhānides, who put an end to the Sāmānid amīrate in Transoxania at the close of the 4th/10th century and divided its lands with the Ghaznavids, may conceivably have sprung from the Karluk (this thesis is maintained by O. Pritsak, Von den Karluk zu den Karachaniden, in ZDMG, ci (1951), 270-300); but equally possible candidates are such groups as the Cigil, Yaghma, Türgesh, etc., and it is strange that Kāshgharī, who sprang from the Karakhānid milieu, does not mention a Karluk origin for the dynasty [see ILEK-KHANS]. Some Karluk tribesmen certainly remained as a nomadic tribal group within the Karakhānid dominions, for in the 6th/12th century we hear of tension between them and the Karakhānid khāns; it was the pretext of help for the Karluk at odds with Caghri Khān of Samarkand which enabled the Khwārazm-Shāh II Arslan to invade Transoxania in 553/1158 (see Djuwayni-Boyle, i, 288-9; Bosworth, in Cambridge history of Iran, v, 148-9, 187-8).

At the opening of the 7th/13th century there were Karluk rulers in the region to the north of the Ili River and eastwards from their earlier centre in the southern Semirečye, e.g., in Almaligh and Kayaligh,

where these Khāns were under the suzerainty of the Kara Khitay [q.v.] (Djuwaynī-Boyle, i, 74-5; Barthold, Four studies . . . i. History of the Semirechye, 103-4). Karluk tribal contingents joined the army of Čingiz-Khān in 616/1219 and took part in the invasion of Transoxania, but after the Mongol period, the name of the Karluk becomes less frequent in the history of Central Asia, without ever disappearing completely. Thus the Tarikh-i Rashidi of Mirza Muhammad Ḥaydar Dughlāt, tr. Elias and Ross, 309, mentions a commander (sirdar) of the Karluk tribe in Transoxania involved in warfare of the early 9th/15th century. At the present time, various Turkish groups of northeastern Afghānistān, in the regions of Badakhshān and Kattaghān, call themselves Kaluk or Karluk; see G. Jarring, On the distribution of Turk tribes in Afghanistan, an attempt at a preliminary classification, in Lunds Universitets Arsskrift, N.F. xxxv/4 (Lund-Leipzig 1939), 71-3 and index.

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KARM (A.), the vine. To one who knows the official attitude of Islam towards wine [see KHAMR], the vitality of the cultivation of the vine in the majority of mediaeval Muslim countries may appear paradoxical. Nevertheless, it is incontestable, and is explained by the force of tradition in some countries where the vine has long been established, by the multiple uses of the grape (fresh fruit, dried raisin, vinegar, pharmaceutical uses, the lees as fertilizer, etc.), by the survival of non-Muslim communities, and also by the laxity of many Muslims themselves. This vitality is attested in particular, perhaps due to the written tradition, by the very considerable and exceptional place that the Muslim agronomists accord to the vine in comparison with the other species studied, from the easterner Ibn Wahshiyya or the Calendar of Cordova to the Andalusians of the 5th/11th and the 6th/12th centuries, to whom we owe the essential part of that which will be summarized below. Their knowledge resulted from the combination of the data of the ancient authors, rediscovered and assimilated (with, in Spain, Junius = Columella added to the sources known in the Orient) with the intensive day-to-day experience constantly renewed.

To summarize this knowledge is difficult, since one of the principal characteristics of the cultivation methods described is precisely the meticulousness of their application and the multiplicity of the methods followed. Nevertheless, it appears generally that the vines cultivated, more numerous than in our days and transported by the Arabs from one end of their conquered lands to the other, did not remain stabilized and were the object of experiments of selection and acclimatization that we know particularly with regard to Spain (between the plain and the mountain, for example), but that were also tested in the East, where Ibn al-Fakih (BGA, 125) and the Persian agronomists of the Mongol period in particular preserve for us the names of various kinds of vines. The vegetative cycle of each vine-plant being different, the agronomists, applying the principle of the complementary nature of a defect and a quality (such as adaptation to dryness or humidity,

etc.) mainly made use of the diversities of the climates and soils of the Mediterranean zone and the Near East.

Some systems of cultivation predominate in the Andalusian treatises: (a) The low vine, planted in holes or trenches (recommended, but little practised) about 1.40 m. apart, supported or in low clumps, thinned out very little in order to protect the grape against the sun: a method of cultivation reserved for warm sites; (b) The climbing vine, classical in the Mediterranean region, where the creeper was used as support for the fruit trees with shallow roots, whose height had to be controlled so that they did not injure the vine; in contradiction to the ancients. the Andalusians rejected the intercalary cultivation that exhausts the vine, and especially the association of the vine and the fig-tree. The best soils were alluvial, humid, but not saturated, according to the westerners, and also sandy according to Ibn Wahsiyya, but one might also make use of the rich soils for the species that derive nourishment easily; the principle of complementarity took the place of the modern idea of forced cultivation. The choice of sites was adapted to the vines' wants; slopes and hillsides for the low vines, valleys and plains for the climbing ones, mountains in order to test the quality of a vineplant; it was banned from the marshlands, sources of the vine's diseases. The preparatory work was a deep tillage with the spade, with trenches larger than the furrows of tillage in the earth of mediocre quality and holes for the good localities with a depth of at least 2 cubits (almost a metre) for protection against the sun. The surface work of the end of the first year was a loosening with the pruning knife to spare the roots, those nearest to the surface meanwhile being cut back to strengthen the deepest.

Reproduction in the nurseries was done in the form of taking cuttings, layering (takbis) and sowing in a manner conforming to the practices of our days. The stratification was systematic. As for the shoots, cuttings and layered branches, it is often pointed out that they should not be planted together in the same hole, which proves that it was done. Most authors agree in recommending planting in spring, although the early species might be planted in autumn (hesitations that one would still encounter today); the Egyptian fiscal treatises speak of planting in February or March. The vinestocks, once tested for three years in very poor soil, they were transplanted in the vineyard chosen to receive them.

Well spread out fertilization was especially necessary in the planting and pruning, above all when vines were made to follow another vegetable insufficiently treated with animal manure, usual in the Middle Ages; it was reduced to a powder, and, according to an Aristotelian principle, the ashes of the stems of the plant itself were preferred; this preference for dry fertilizer is a particularly modern aspect of Andalusian viticulture. Irrigation depended on the climate, the soil and the plant chosen; watering by hand was frequently carried out in order to proportion better the quantity of water needed to obtain really syrupy and not-too-full grapes.

Among the measures taken to increase the vine's productivity, pruning (zabr) was the principle practised in winter with the iron pruning knife (mindial) already described by Columella; the aim was to draw the sap towards the best developed wood. Grafting, already known to the ancients, was the subject of descriptions and experiments infinitely more varied among the Muslim agronomists. Everything was taken into consideration, form and colour of the

of the act of unveiling". Al-Ghazālī's famous distinction between 'ulum al-mu'amala (ritual observances, social customs and ethical rules) and 'ulum al-mukāshafa, by means of which realities are apprehended, is well-known. The Thya, i, 18, says that the 'ilm al-mukāshafa is the knowledge of what is concealed $(b\bar{a}fin)$, and is the aim of all the sciences. It is the science of the saints (siddiķūn) and those "brought near to God". It is a light which shines into the heart if the latter is purified and freed from its reprehensible qualities, a light which bears upon God, His essence, His angels, His acts, the prophets and the future life (cf. ibid., i, 48). It is not argumentation, nor simple acceptance, but an intuitive and sure grasping of the subject. "By 'ilm al-mukāshafa, we mean the pulling-aside of the veil so that the Real One shows Himself in all his splendour; and this is effected with a clarity which sets the object present right before the eyes, without any possible grounds for doubt" (i, 18; see other references in Jabre, op. cit., 246, and idem, La notion de certitude selon Ghazālī, Paris 1958, index, s.v.). Mukāshafāt and mukāshaf appear equally all through the Ihyā'.

Hence for al-Ghazālī, kashf is a light, a freely-bestowed grace from God, which at the same time alone bestows its quality of certain knowledge. In so far as the later 'ilm al-kalām was open to influences from al-Ghazālī (or directly from Ṣūfism), kashf and mukāshafa were sometimes freely accepted; but the most classic treatises hardly ever refer to them.

3. Brief references in Shī'ism. In Shī'ism, the spiritual experience of kashf inevitably came to form a theological (or "theosophical") dimension. The apprehension of the "hidden meaning" (bāţin), which is the perfection of Islam and which is the prerogative of the great Imams, led to a high value being placed on kashf. To give only one significant example, the two treatises of the Imāmī Sayyid Ḥaydar Āmulī, ed. Henry Corbin and Osman Yahya as La philosophie shīcite (Tehran-Paris 1969), deal with kashf as a manner and a method of knowledge. The Djāmic al-asrār mentions it, after wahy (revelation though angelic intermediacy) and ilhām (divine, interior inspiration), as a participation stemming from the universal intellect and the universal soul (La philosophie shīcite, 448-53). When Āmulī defines kashf (ibid., 462), it is in the same lexicographical and technical terms as were to be copied from him by al-Djurdjani, as already mentioned above. The ending of the chapter distinguishes, among other things, (a) kashf suwarī (the "imaginal" perception of reality) whose irradiations (tadjalliyāt) reach the senses of sight and hearing; mention is made in this connection of the master Ibn 'Arabī; and (b) kashf macnawī, which is of the spiritual order (rūḥī); the text emphasises strongly mukāshafāt received in this fashion (ibid., 464-72). In his Risāla . . fī ma'rifat al-wudjūd, Amulī enumerates three modes of knowledge: by the intellect (cakl), by transmission (nakl) and by kashf (ibid., 623), and only the last one leads to the apprehension of Reality.

Hence it is with some justification that, in regard to Haydar Āmulī, the phrase "the method of kashf" has been used (cf. Peter Antes, Zur Theologie der Schi'a, Freiburg 1971, 49, 68), this method being an intuitive one in which certainty is sought from spiritual illumination. Āmulī's admiration for Ibn 'Arabī and for the latter's deliberate scheme for "reconciling" the Şūfīs and the Imāmīs, is well-known. Āmulī's work was to influence all later

Twelver theology, and is in fact the applying of the Sūfī kashf to the Shīʿī search for the hidden meanings of things. If we bear in mind that his definition of kashf was adopted as it stood by the Sunnī al-Djurdjānī, we can accordingly discern, despite the divergencies of various climates of thought, a continuity of viewpoint.

Ismā'ili writings put the accent on the idea of the "state" of kashs from a double point of view, both gnostic and cosmic. The title chosen by al-Hudjwiri in the 5th/11th century, Kashf al-mahdjub, designates equally the 8th/14th century treatise of the Ismā'ili scholar Abū Ya'kūb al-Sidjistānī, and kashf now introduces an ontology and cosmology of gnostic type. Furthermore, the classic opposition or mukābal of kashf-satr is frequently found, this time set forth according to wide cosmic perspectives, in the Ismā'īlī cycles of metahistory. The acva of "proto-history" (Corbin) and of post-history are unfolded according to alternate phases of "unveiling" ("epiphany", as tr. Corbin) and "occultation". The length of these cycles may vary, and may refer indifferently to the "premordial Adam" (the "Perfect Man"), to the "partial Adam" (the Kur'anic Adam) or to the "spiritual Adam" for the intelligible realities. According to al-Husayn b. 'Alī, a Yemenī dācī of the 6th/12th century, the cycle of unveiling (dawr al-kashf) is 50,000 years, and the cycle of occultation (dawr al-satr) is seven millenia. The present age, since the creation of the "partial Adam", is the fourth millenium of a cycle of occultation, which has been preceeded and will be succeeded by a cycle of unveiling (cf. al-Husayn b. 'Ali, Risālat al-mabda' wa 'l-ma'ād, ed. and Fr. tr. Corbin, Trilogie ismailienne, Tehran-Paris 1961, 121-3/181-3).

An exhaustive study of kashf in Shī'i thought—Imāmī and Ismā'ilī—would in fact require an extensive exposition.

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KĀSHGHAR, a town in Chinese Turkestān (Sin Kiang); the same name is still used in Chinese official documents. The name Kāshghar first appears in Chinese transcription (K'iu-cha) in the T'ang-shu; cf. E. Chavannes, Documents sur les Tou-Kine (Turcs) occidentaux, St. Petersburg 1903, 121 f. On the pre-Islamic Kāshghar and the ruins of Buddhist buildings in the vicinity, see A. Stein, Ancient Khotan, Oxford 1907, i, 52 f.; idem, Serindia, Oxford 1921, 80 f. Arab armies did not reach Kāshghar; the story of Kutayba's campaign in 96/715 is, as shown by H. A. R. Gibb in BSOS, ii (1923), 467-8, a mere legend. Since ca. 132/750, Käshghar was under Karluk rule and turkicized by them. On the flight of a prince of Farghana to Kāshghar in the time of the Caliph al-Manşūr (136-58/754-75) see the article FARGHANA. In the Sāmānid period a Dihķān of Kāshghar with the name or title Tughan Tigin is mentioned (Ibn al-Athīr, viii, 37), with whom the rebel prince Ilyās b. Ishāk took refuge; whether this Dihkān had already adopted Islam is not mentioned. At a later date Satuk Boghrā Khān is mentioned as the first Muslim Khān of Kāshghar; in the oldest reference to him that we have (Djamāl Kurashī in Barthold, Turkestan3, 255, 257) the date of his death is given as 344/955-6. This story already contains features which are certainly legendary; in the story of the building of the first mosque we have the wellknown folklore motif of the cutting of an ox-skin into strips. The later legend, reproduced by F. Grenard (JA, Ser. 9, vol. xv, If.), has not this feature but

contains many other legendary traits and ab solutely false dates. The year 344 A.H. is perhaps too early, as probably the story of the adoption of Islam by a numerous Turkish people (200,000 tents) in 349/960 must be referred to the Turks of Kāshghar; this story is found not only in Ibn al-Athīr (viii, 396) but also in Ibn Miskawayh (The Eclipse of the Abbasid Caliphate, ed. Margoliouth and Amedroz, Oxford 1921, text, ii, 181, tr. v, 196); the original source is probably Thābit b. Sinān al-Ṣābi? (cf. Ibn al-Athīr, viii, 476, 491; The Eclipse etc., Index). The tomb of Satuk Boghrā Khān is in Artūč (now pronounced Artush) north of Kāshghar, where it is still shown.

Under the rule of the Hig-Khāns [see ILEK-KHĀNS], who confessed Islam since ca. 950, Kāshghar was politically the most important town in the Tarim basin; perhaps it was also the most important from the point of view of culture. In the 5th/11th century there was already in existence a work in Arabic on the history of the town, composed by Abu 'l-Futūḥ 'Abd al-Ghāfir (or 'Abd al-Ghaffār) b. Husayn al-Alma al-Kādigharī (sic); the author's father, who survived his son (according to al-Sam'ani by about ten years), died in 486/1093. On father and son and the works of the latter, see al-Samani, Kitāb al-Ansāb, ed. Margoliouth, Leiden-London 1912, ff. 470a, 472a; Djamāl Kurashī in Barthold, Turkestan, i, 123 f. The rulers—since 1130 under the overlordship of the Karakhitay-were in a special mausoleum (Arabic al-djunbadha al-khāķānivya) on the bank of the Tümen; the first prince buried there died in Muharram 424/Dec. 7 1032-Jan. 5 1033, and the last in Radjab 601/22 Feb.-23 March 1205. During their rule, Mahmud al-Kāshgharī [q.v.] wrote his great Turkish dictionary in Baghdād, and Yūsuf Khāṣṣ Ḥadjib his Kutadghu bilig in Kāshghar. During Mongol rule a madrasa was built in Kāshghar by Mas'ūd Beg (see BUKHĀRĀ); in its library was the copy of the Sihāh of al-Djawharī used by Djamāl Kurashī for his translation (E. Sachau and Ethé, Cat. of the Persian. . . . Manuscripts of the Bodleian Library, Oxford 1889, col. 983). Kāshghar was later under the rule of the Dūghlāt Amīrs [see dūghlāt]; the last of them, Abū Bakr, reigned till 920/1514, according to the statement of his relative Haydar Mīrzā [q.v.] for forty-eight years (Mīrzā Ḥaydar Dughlāt, Ta³rīkh-i Rashīdī, tr. E. Denison Ross, London 1895, 253, 326); but this is contradicted by the author himself, who says that Kāshghar was not conquered by Abū Bakr till 885/1480-1. Abu Bakr is the founder of the modern town. He destroyed the old fortress and in the last years of his reign rebuilt it on a new site, on the other side of the Tümen on the tongue of land between this river and the Kizil Sū (ibid., 286-7, 295).

Under the rule of the "Mongol" Khāns (cf. the Bibliography to ČAGHATĀY-KHĀN) and later under that of the Kalmücks and Chinese (since 1759) the capital of the district was no longer Kāshghar but Yarkand. It was only since the reconquest of the country by the Chinese in 1877 that Kāshghar again attained considerable importance as the residence of the Tao-T'ai, who was over the western and southern part of Chinese Turkestan as far as the oasis of Cerčen, and as the one-time residence of the Russian and English consuls. On Kāshghar in 1873 see H. W. Bellew in Sir T. D. Forsyth, Mission to Yarkand in 1873, London 1875. On conditions at the turn of the present century, see especially L. Kornilow, Kashghariya, Tashkent 1903 (review by Barthold, in Zapiski vost. old. arkh. obshe., xv, 131 f.) with plan of Käshghar on p. 268, and M. Hartmann, Chinesisch-Turkestan, Halle a/S. 1908, especially 45 f., 89 f., with a plan of the town from Kornilow. The most important building in Käshghar and vicinity is Ḥaḍrat Apāķ, the tomb of the famous saint of the 11th/17th century. Kāshghar has now approximately 70,000 inhabitants (mostly Sunni Uyghur Turks).

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AL-KĀSHGHARĪ, MAŅMŪD B. AL-ŅUSAYN B. MUHAMMAD, Turkish scholar and lexicographer of the 5th/11th century whose work, the Divan lughat al-turk, is one of the most significant records of the Turkish languages and also an important source for the history of the Turkish peoples. The only information which we possess on his life comes from his own work, and that much is only fragmentary. It seems that he came from Barsghan on the southern shores of the Isik-Köl (cf. Hudūd al-alām, tr. Minorsky, 98, 292-3), and was born into a noble family connected with the Karā-Khānids [see ILEK-KHĀNS]. Kāshgharī was deeply grounded in Islamic culture and learning, and he himself states that he had travelled extensively and visited many of the Turkish lands before journeying to Baghdad. It may well be that internal conflicts within the Karā-Khānid confederation led him to undertake these travels and to go to Baghdād. In the latter city he mingled with the circles of scholars, and realised that there was a great interest in the Turkish peoples and their languages; hence he was stimulated to compose two works on them. He began to write his Diwan lughat al-turk in 464/1072. According to the information in the book itself, he wrote four redactions of it during the period 464-76/1075-94). The original of the Diwan is lost, but the unique surviving manuscript, dated 27 Shawwāl 664/1 August 1266, is a good copy, though not entirely free from errors. Kāshgharī's second work, a Turkish grammar called the K. Djawāhir al-nahw fī lughāt al-turk, has been lost, and is known only from the author's own reference to it.

Kāshgharī's work is of particular importance for the Turkic languages, and also for the history, geography and folklore of the Turkish peoples, for this linguistic corpus consists not of coherent texts in one particular Turkic language, but of a comparisonoriented explanatory dictionary and a modest grammatical outline of the language. In fact, it represents the first scholarly approach, and thus the first description of the linguistic material by a particular method, to these languages. At the same time, both in its introduction and in the individual entries, Kashghari's work contains a number of facts and remarks —occasionally supported even by personal experience and observation—about the process of the differentiation and spread of Turkic languages, cited in order to elucidate the situation in the 5th/11th century. The information he gives on the writing of Turkic peoples (sc. the Uyghur script) is also useful from a linguistic point of view.

Although he aims at a fairly comprehensive coverage of the Turkic languages, and includes several of them in his dictionary, the linguistic material in the work is primarily a record of the 5th/1.1th century

Turkish spoken in Käshghar, which he terms Khākānī Turkish. Kāshgharī's work is related essentially to Karakhānid linguistic records. Aside from the material on Kāshghar, the linguistic date from the Oghuz and Kipčak are of considerable value. The dictionary was originally designed as a language-manual for scholars in Baghdad who had some contact with Turkic peoples. Hence he deliberately adopted the methods of Arabic grammar and lexicography in describing his linguistic material. While Arabic grammar served, to some extent, as a guideline, the products of Arabic lexicographic literature also furnished him with a complete entry-word list, a sort of lexicographic questionnaire, with which he confronted the Turkic word-stock, his own mothertongue. It is highly probable that this starting point considerably enlarged the word-stock in his work. The fact that the Turkic linguistic material had to be fitted into the categories of Arabic grammar certainly impelled Kāshgharī carefully to study his material. Yet the fact that the work was prepared in Baghdad—at a great distance from the homeland of the Turkic peoples-made him unable to complement and control his linguistic material to the fullest extent; and it is open to question how far he grasped those modest opportunities for such control which were probably available in Baghdad. Also questionable is the extent to which the-assumed-repeated redactions of the work enhanced or diminished the authenticity of the linguistic material. Since we do not possess the autograph manuscript of the work and the copyist was not a Turk, the relation of the copy to the original raises similar questions.

Kāshgharī's dictionary pays particular attention to place names, tribal names, proper names, ranks and titles. Explanatory notes in the work include historical data and personal experiences as well as specimens of Turkic folklore, verses, proverbs, etc., which make the work an important source for these last, which are of particular significance as coherent Turkic texts, in addition to their historical-folkloristic value. Kāshghari's comparative remarks are also highly instructive, though his material is less rich in this respect. The elements in the author's mother-tongue included in his work should be regarded as a record of the standard usage of local scholars, for, as we have noted, Kāshgharī's main aim was to make Arab scholars acquainted with the Turkic languages. He rightly regarded his mothertongue as one representative idiom of this languagegroup. At the same time, and understandably enough, he refused to include those Arabic loanwords which he considered irrelevant in this context. However, those words already played an important role in the Kutadghu bilig, the most significant literary monument of the period, and it seems highly probable that they had also found their way into the spoken language. One major merit of Kāshgharī's work, however, lies precisely in the fact that he tends to focus his attention on the word-stock of the "everyday" spoken Turkic languages. His dictionary thus complements our knowledge of the Karakhanid language, obtained mainly from the Kutadghu bilig.

Although Kāshgharī's knowledge of the difference between the individual Turkic languages moves within certain objective bounds and his remarks are sometimes contradictory, he must be given credit for using the comparative approach to the full in his work. His main concern is with the language of Kāshghar, the Oghuz and Ķīpčaķ areas; he established as fact the separation of these two

language groups, and the related data may well be considered as the first surviving evidence of them. In the case of certain extinct Turkic languages without any written record, his data are their only documentation.

Though in evaluating Kāshgharī's facts and data, certain errors (the background of the manuscript, the author's knowledge, etc.) must always be taken into account, comparative linguistic folkloric, historical and geographic studies have often emphasized the particular value of the work as a source. His dictionary is a product of the intellectual sphere of the early Arab-Turkic symbiosis, when the methods of Arab linguistics were applied to the material of Turkic languages, which until then had been barely documented, thus creating a source of unprecedented value to comparative and historical linguistics and to the study of the history of the Turkic peoples in this period. As well as contributing greatly to the extension of our knowledge of the early Turkic word-stock and of the various Turkic languages, the work is also a valuable guideline in the chronology of the early Turkic records, the majority of which are chronologically uncertain Uyghur texts. Like the other Karakhānid linguistic records, Käshghari's dictionary is classified chronologically as Middle Turkic—a term deriving from the practical classification of the Common Turkic linguistic monuments—on the basis of its chronological place between the runic inscriptions, the early Uyghur texts and the later Turkic linguistic records.

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KĀSHĪ, a Persian word designating the tiles or trimmed pieces of faïence serving to cover completely or partially the main fabric of buildings in a design principally decorative but also, at times, to protect them against humidity. This term, which also exists in Turkish, is an abbreviation of Kāshānī; the town of Kāshān [q.v.] was in effect the most important and most famous centre of production in Iran. It appears already in Abū'l-Kāsim, author of the first treatise dedicated to this subject (ca. 700/1300) in the form kāshī-garī, which means literally "the art of making the kāshī", but for

this author it had a wider sense and designated the art of faïence. (See J. W. Allan, Abū'l-Qāsim's Treatise on ceramics in Iran, xi (1973), 111-20). In the Arab authors this term becomes kāshī (Yākūt, iv, 15) or Ķāshānī (Yākūt, ibid.; Ibn Baţṭūṭa, i, 415, 463, ii, 130, 225, 297, iii, 79).

The origin of the kāshīs is linked with the techniques of pottery and with that of baked brick. So it has connections with a very ancient art. The excavations of Cughā-Zanbil (Khūzistān) have brought to light several types of dappled tiles (13th century B.C.). (See P. Amiet, Elam, Paris 1966, pl. 261). There have also been discovered (ibid., pl. 383-92) some polychrome-coated tiles with zoomorphous decoration at Susa (ca. 8th and 7th centuries B.C.). The famous Frieze of the Archers (Louvre, 5th century B.C.) is a well-known example of the enamelled brick of the Achaemenids (M. Rutten, Les arts du Moyen Orient ancien, Paris 1962, pl. xxx) that the Assyrians and Babylonians also knew about (Assyrian Palace of Khorsābād, 722-705 B.C.; Gate of Ishtar at Babylon 6th century B.C.). Later on, in the period of the Parthians and Sāsānids, this art experienced a certain decline and appears to be represented only by mosaics (Bīshāpur, 2nd half of the 3rd century, see R. Ghirshman, Parthes et Sassanides, Paris 1962, pls. 180-6).

Moreover, it is this technique which prevailed at the beginning of the Muslim period and the mosaics of this era are of Hellenistic or Byzantine inspiration. They were also much used for floors (rest room of the bath of Khirbat al-Mafdjar; D. and J. Sourdel, La civilisation de l'Islam classique, Paris 1968, pl. 124), as well as on the walls (Dome of the Rock, dated 691, above, art. ARCHITECTURE, pls. IV-VI; Great Mosque of Damascus, dated 775, Sourdel), op. cit., pl. iv), but the use of kāshīs in the form which later spread seems to emerge in the 5th/11th century. One of the first examples of its tentative appearance is to be found at the top of the minaret of the masdjid-i djāmic of Dāmghān (2nd half of the 5th/11th century, C. Adle and A. S. Melikian Chirvani, Les Monuments du xie s. du Dâmgan, in Studia Iranica, i/I (1972), pl. xxvii). The enamel was also applied, according to A. Godard, L'Art de l'Iran, Paris 1962, 366, to render the characters of the inscription more visible, i.e. more legible, on the exterior of buildings (cf. also ibid., pl. 132; M. B. Smith, The Manars of Isfahān, in AI, 1936/2, fig. 212). Approximately at the same period points of turquoise blue enamel appeared on buildings (Gonbad-i Surkh, dated 1147 at Maragha, A. U. Pope, A Survey of Persian Art, repr. Tokyo 1964, viii, pl. 341). This new type of insertion of quite small enamelled tablets drew its inspiration from the embossed joints of plaster which are already in existence on the buildings of the 5th/11th century. The arrangement of these small tablets then developed without interruption and various decorative schemes were adopted (funerary tower of Mu'mina Khātūn, dated 1186, at Nakhdjavan, ibid., pl. 345; Gūr-i Amīr, dated 1405, at Samarkand, ibid., ix, pls. 541-3). Emanating from these first productions, two techniques saw the light of day: that of the faience mosaic or kāshī-yi mu'arrak-kārī, and that of the faïence tile or kāshī-kārī.

Kāshī-yi mu arraķ-kārī (or simply mu arraķ-kārī): this technique consists of cutting, according to precise forms, pieces of monochrome kāshī of different colours to compose a polychrome design (technique described by Godard, op. cit., 383-4; H. E. Wulff, The traditional crafts of Persia, Cambridge Mass. 1966, 121-5, figs. 188-94; Pope, op. cit., pl. 546). One of the

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KAYYŪM NĀŞIRĪ (1825-1902), born in the village of Yukarī Shīrdanī in the canton of Sviazsk in the government of Kāzān, was one of the first and greatest modernist reformers amongst the Tatars of the Volga. After studying at the madrasa of Kāzān, where he learnt Arabic, Persian and Russian, Nāṣirī founded at Kāzān his own school where, for the first time, such secular subjects as history, arithmetic, geography and Russian language were taught—these being at this time novelties and innovations which bordered on heresy.

Kayyūm Nāṣirī wrote over 50 works in Tatar, Turkish, Arabic and Persian; as the possessor of an encyclopaedic mind, he combined the skills of the philologist, folklorist, historian, geographer and ethnologist. His supreme merit was to have created a Tatar literary language, based on the dialect spoken in Kāzān, which replaced the Čaghatay or Eastern Turkish previously used by Tatar writers and which now permitted the extraordinary flowering of Tatar literature towards the end of the 19th century.

His most famous works are the Fevākih ul-djulesā (Ķāzān 1884), the Enmūzedi (Ķāzān 1895, on the syntax of the Tatar language), the Lehče-i tātāri (Ķāzān 1895-6, 2 vols.) and above all, his famous Ķāzān kālīndāri, an annual publication which appeared from 1870 to 1897 and which represents the best source of information on the origins of diadīd reformism amongst the Muslims of the Russian empire.

In Russian language, his two basic works are Obraztsi narodnoy literaturi Kazanskikh Tatar ("Examples of the popular literature of the Tatars of Kāzān"), in collaboration with N. F. Katanov, in Izvestiya Obshčestva Arkheologii, Istorii i Etnografii, xiii/5 (Kāzān 1896), 374-427, and Pover'ya i Obryadî Kazanskikh Tatar obrazovavshiesya pomimo Vliyaniya na nikh sunitskogo Magometanstva ("The beliefs and rites of the Tatars of Kāzān formed outside the influence of Sunnī Islam"), in Zapiski Imperatorskogo Russkogo Geografičeskogo Obshčestva, vi (Moscow 1880), 243-70.

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KAZAK. The word kazak in the Turkic language can be first documented in the 8th/14th century in

the meaning "independent; vagabond". These and similar meanings, such as "free and independent man, vagabond, adventurer, etc." are known in the modern Turkic languages too. During the turmoils under the Timurids, the word signified the pretenders in contrast to the actual rulers, and also their supporters, who led the life of an adventurer or a robber at the head of their men. At the same time, the word began also to be applied to nomad groups which separated from their prince and kinsmen and so came into conflict with the state; later it had also the meaning "nomad", in contrast to the sedentary Sart population in Central Asia. The status of kazak is also regarded as a very old social institution of the nomad Turkic peoples. The word became the name of a political unit and later an ethnic designation by having been applied in the former meanings to those groups of the Özbek tribal confederacy that had abandoned the Khan Abu'l-Khayr and migrated to the north-east steppes of Turkistan. These ethnic groups formed the core of the population of the present Kazakistān (Kazakhstan), retaining later this name. However, it is probable that other Turkic. and probably Mongol, elements were also involved in the ethnogenesis of the modern Kazak people. The struggles with the Kalmuks in the 11th/17th century forced the three Kazak hordes to make an approach to Russia and to accept the Russian supremacy. Until the beginning of the 20th century. this took the form of a very loose and nominal connection. According to the former Russian tradition, i.e. to distinguish the Turkic Kazaks from the Slavic Kazaks or Kozaks (Cossacks), the Kazaks in Central Asia were also called Kazak-Kirghiz in learned and correct parlance. The word kazak borrowed from the Turkic languages—appears in the Russian linguistic records first at the end of the 14th century with a wide range of meanings. The military meaning came later into predominance by applying the word to those military groups which played an eminent role in medieval Russian history. The form kozak (Cossack) used in western European languages goes back to the Ukrainian and Polish pronunciations. No certain etymology of the word kazak has yet been given. The generally known inner-Turkic etymology, from kaz- "to flee, to escape" + suffix (nom. act.) ak, is not well documented in the linguistic sources and does not find universal acceptance. The recent etymology of the Turkic ethnic name kaz (< az) + the Iranian ethnic name sak, i.e., saka, is a vague hypothesis which can hardly be confirmed by historical facts.

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