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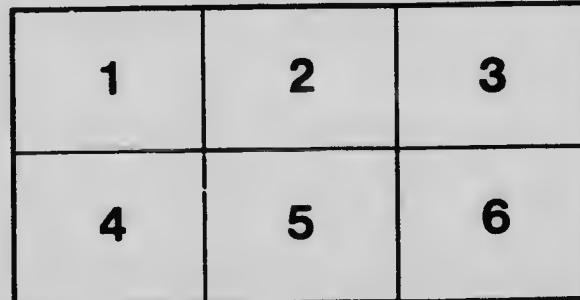
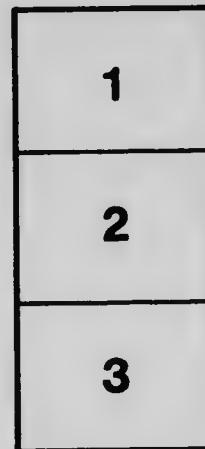
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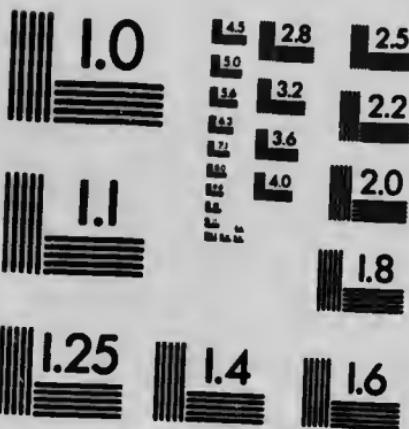
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# **EXHIBITION OF ORIENTAL RUGS**

*Commencing Monday, Feby. 21, 1916*

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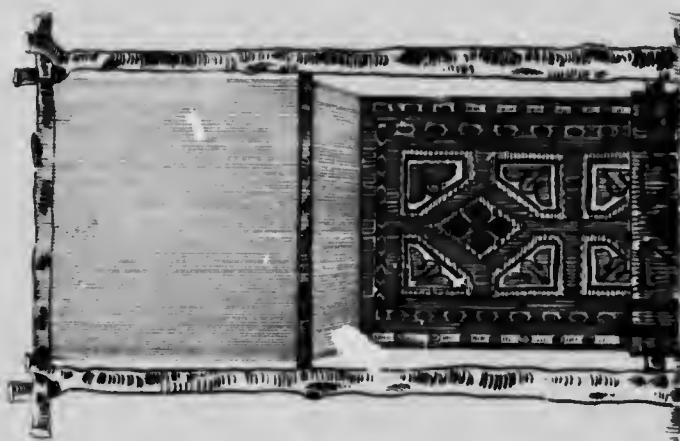
GHORDE  
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TURKISH WOODEN  
GOMB



PERSIAN SHEARS



RUG LOOM



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[S]



PERSIAN KNIFE



PERSIAN  
STEEL GOMB

B.Q.R.  
NO. 2425

**A**N EASTERN RUG LOOM is comprised of two upright poles which support a cross bar at each end. The warp threads are wound around the upper crossbar end and fastened to the lower one. The knots which form the pile are tied upon the warp threads and then cut with a knife. When each row of knots is finished it is pressed down with a comb and the weft threads which hold the knots in position are passed through across the warp. The pile is then clipped to the required length with shears.

There are two methods of knotting—the Sehna and Ghiordes—each of which is characteristic of certain districts. Diagrams are shown of the loom and methods of making the knots.

**T**HE KILIM is a distinct type of pileless rug found throughout most of the rug-weaving districts.

It is quite probable that this represents the primitive manner of weaving.

The designs are formed by passing weft threads of different colored wool over and under the warp.

The designs and colors of Kilims are generally the same as the piled rugs of the neighborhood in which they are made.



Rug-weaving has been practiced for many centuries but today very little of the older work is to be found.

While this exhibition does not pretend to include specimens of the finest weaving, such as are illustrated in the colored plates of the Yerkes collection, shown in the cases, it does represent nearly all the well-known types of rug weaving. All are good specimens of their class and some are of great merit.



## EXPLANATION OF LABELS

The Labels are arranged as follows:

No. 1 KIRMAN = Variety      Persian = Group

255 Knots = Number per Sq. In.      Sehna = Type of Knot used

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### PERSIAN

**T**HREE is a much larger variety in the Persian than in any other group of Eastern rugs. An idea of the range of these types can be obtained by comparing Kurdistan rugs with those from Kirman.

The chief characteristic of Persian rugs, however, is their freedom and variety in design, and the weaver here displays his greatest skill.

Several of the Persian rug districts are remote from Western influence and it is from these parts that splendid rugs can still be procured. The wool and dyes in most of these rugs are of excellent quality and the Persian habit of varying the shade of the ground color heightens the artistic effect.

In the sixteenth century weavers were sent from Persia to India where rugs were woven in the Kirman designs. These designs eventually developed a purely Indian style (Lahore).

No. 1 . . . . . KIRMAN . . . . . Persian  
255 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by G. M. Bosworth, Esq.

No. 2 . . . . . SEHNA . . . . . Persian  
270 Knots, Sehna  
Silk Warp  
Loaned by J. Ferguson, Esq.

No. 3 . . . . . KIRMAN . . . . . Persian  
195 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by E. Maxwell, Esq.

No. 4 . . . . . SEHNA . . . . . Persian  
169 Knots, Selina  
Loaned by E. Maxwell, Esq.

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### **PERSIAN Rugs Cont'd.**

- No. 5 . . . . . KIRMAN . . . . . Persian  
226 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by J. Ferguson, Esq.
- No. 6 . . . . . HAMADAN . . . . . Persian  
63 1/2 x 48, Ghiordes  
Cotton, Hair Pile  
(See Lewis, Plate 110)  
Loaned by Henry Morgan & Co. Limited
- No. 7 . . . . . SEHNA . . . . . Persian  
344 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by Estate of Sir Wm. Van Horne
- No. 8 . . . . . KHORASSAN . . . . . Persian  
126 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by J. Ferguson, Esq.
- No. 9 . . . . . MESHED . . . . . Persian  
244 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by J. A. Mann, Esq.
- No. 10 . . . . . HAMADAN . . . . . Persian  
48 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by Dr. J. D. Morgan
- No. 11 . . . . . KIRMAN . . . . . Persian  
289 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by Henry Morgan & Co. Limited
- No. 12 . . . . . SAROUK . . . . . Persian  
258 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by J. A. Mann, Esq.

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PERSIAN RUGS—*Continued*

- No. 13 . . . . . BIJAR . . . . . Persian  
72 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by P. E. Nobbs, Esq.
- No. 14 . . . . . KURDISTAN . . . . . Persian  
70 Knots, Ghiordes  
Mina Khani Design  
(See Mumford, Plate 18)  
Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.
- No. 15—KURDISTAN, DONKEY SADDLE BAG, Persian  
56 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.
- No. 16 . . . . . SARABAND . . . . . Persian  
64 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.
- No. 17 . . . . . KURDISTAN . . . . . Persian  
72 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by T. J. Drummond, Esq.
- No. 18 . . . . . KURDISTAN . . . . . Persian  
80 Knots, Ghiordes  
Mina Khani Design  
Loaned by T. J. Drummond, Esq.
- No. 19 . . . . . HERAT . . . . . Persian  
168 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by Estate Sir Wm. Van Horne
- No. 20 . . . . . HEREZ . . . . . Persian  
100 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by W. Scott & Sons

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### **PERSIAN RUGS—Continued**

- No. 21 . . . . . ISPAHAN . . . . . Persian  
17th Century  
200 Knots, Sehna  
Silk Pile  
Loaned by R. B. Angus, Esq.
- No. 22 . . . . . KASHAN PRAYER RUG . . . . . Persian  
342 Knots, Sehna  
Silk Pile  
Loaned by J. Ferguson, Esq.
- No. 23 . . . . . SILK RUG . . . . . Persian, 17th Cent.  
544 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by Estate of Sir Wm. Van Horne
- No. 24 . . . . . FERAGHAN . . . . . Persian  
100 Knots, Sehna  
Guli Hinmai Design  
Loaned by Henry Morgan & Co. Limited
- No. 25 . . . . . KASHAN . . . . . Persian  
144 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by Henry Morgan & Co. Limited
- No. 26 . . . . . BIJAR . . . . . Persian  
100 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.
- No. 27 SHIRAZ, SADDLE CLOTH WITH KILIM  
CENTRE . . . . . Persian  
240 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by W. Scott & Sons

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PERSIAN RUGS—*Continued*

- No. 28 . . . . FERAGHAN . . . . Persian  
90 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by Estate of Sir Wm. Van Horne
- No. 29 . . . . PAIR OF SHIRAZ SADDLE BAG . . . . Persian  
162 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by C. J. Coté, Esq.
- No. 30 . . . . SHIRAZ . . . . Persian  
72 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.
- No. 31 . . . . SHIRAZ . . . . Persian  
(See Figure 20, Plate E. Hawley)  
Loaned by Estate of Sir Wm. Van Horne
- No. 32 . . . . ANTIQUE PERSIAN  
100 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by Estate of Sir Wm. Van Horne
- No. 33 . . . . TABRIZ PRAYER RUG . . . . Persian  
252 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by L. Zanini, Esq.
- No. 34 . . . . SHIRAZ DONKEY SADDLE BAG . . . . Persian  
132 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by F. R. Heaton, Esq.
- No. 35 . . . . SAROUK . . . . Persian  
240 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by J. N. Greenshields, Esq.
- No. 36 . . . . SEHNA KILIM . . . . Persian  
Loaned by J. Ferguson, Esq.

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### PERSIAN RUGS—*Continued*

No. 37 . . . . . SEHNA KILIM . . . . . Persian  
Loaned by J. Ferguson, Esq.

No. 38 . . . . . SHIRAZ KILIM . . . . . Persian  
(See Hawley, Page 276)  
Loaned by Estate of Sir Wm. Van Horne



## TURKOMAN

THE chief characteristic of Turkoman Rugs is the use of some shade of red as the ground color. The designs are also very constant and clearly defined, with just enough variation to avoid a mechanical effect.

The close, even pile, which is characteristic of these rugs, is generally formed with the Sehna knot.

No. 39 . . . . . BOKHARA . . . . . Turkoman  
150 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by Henry Morgan & Co. Limited

No. 40 . . . . . BOKHARA PRAYER RUG Turkoman  
180 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by Prof. Traquair

No. 41 . . . . . BOKHARA . . . . . Turkoman  
180 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by W. H. Harling, Esq.

No. 42 . . . . . BOKHARA . . . . . Turkoman  
170 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.

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TURKOMAN RUGS—*Continued*

- No. 43 . . . . . BOKHARA . . . . . Turkoman  
170 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by C. J. Cote, Esq.
- No. 44 . . . . . BESHIR . . . . . Turkoman  
64 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by A. McKim, Esq.
- No. 45 . . . . . BOKHARA . . . . . Turkoman  
170 Knots, Sehna  
Silk Wool Pile  
Loaned by J. Ferguson, Esq.
- No. 46 . . . . . YOMUD . . . . . Turkoman  
140 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by C. T. Shaw, Esq.
- No. 47 . . . . . BELUCHISTAN PRAYER RUG Turkoman  
143 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by L. Zanini, Esq.
- No. 48 . . . . . PAIR OF YOMUD SADDLE BAGS Turkoman  
195 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by L. Zanini, Esq.
- No. 49 . . . . . DONKEY SADDLE BAG Turkoman  
130 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.

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### TURKOMAN RUGS—*Continued*

No. 50 . . . . . BELUCHISTAN CUSHION COVER

Turkoman

108 Knots, Sehna

Loaned by Henry Morgan & Co. Limited

No. 51 . . . . . KHIVA . . . . . Turkoman

108 Knots, Sehna

Loaned by P. B. Motley, Esq.

No. 52 . . . . . BOKHARA BAND . . . . . Turkoman

162 Knots, Sehna

Loaned by J. Ferguson, Esq.



## ANATOLIAN

A NATOLIAN rugs are always woven with the Ghiordes knot and are invariably of small size. The prayer rug is most frequently met with and as the forms of the prayer niche vary with each district it is an easy matter to classify them.

No. 53 . . . KIR-SHEAR PRAYER RUG . . Anatolian

63 Knots, Ghiordes

Loaned by V. D. Birchall, Esq.

No. 54 . . . . . KULAH . . . . . Anatolian

50 Knots, Ghiordes

(See Plate 13, Mumford)

Loaned by C. T. Shaw, Esq.

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### ANATOLIAN RUGS—Continued

- No. 55 . . . . . KULAH . . . . . Anatolian  
88 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by Mrs. J. R. Wilson
- No. 56 . . . . . BERGAMO PRAYER RUG . . . Anatolian  
56 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.
- No. 57 . . . . . LADIK PRAYER RUG . . . Anatolian  
90 Knots, Ghiordes  
(See Fig. 340, Martin)  
Loaned by Mrs. J. R. Wilson
- No. 58 . . . . . KULAH PRAYER RUG . . . Anatolian  
81 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by R. B. Angus, Esq.
- No. 59 . . . . . KULAH PRAYER RUG . . . Anatolian  
81 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by R. B. Angus, Esq.
- No. 60 . . . . . BERGAMO . . . . . Anatolian  
54 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by J. Ferguson, Esq.
- No. 61 . . . . . MUDJAR PRAYER RUG . . . Anatolian  
65 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by C. T. Shaw, Esq.

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### CAUCASIAN

PROBABLY there is no class of rug that reflects the character of its weavers more clearly than those woven in the Caucasian district. Many of the designs are borrowed from Persia and Anatolia, but reproduced in a bold geometric style of which the "Sun Burst" design is a typical example.

The Ghiordes knot is always used except in the case of the Souniak, which is woven without a pile and with the end of the stitch showing loose on the back.

- No. 62 . . . . DAGHESTAN . . . . Caucasian  
99 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by P. E. Nobbs, Esq.
- No. 63 . . . . DAGHESTAN . . . . Caucasian  
72 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by P. E. Nobbs, Esq.
- No. 64 . . . . CHICHI . . . . Caucasian  
95 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by W. H. Bradley, Esq.
- No. 65 . . . . DAGHESTAN . . . . Caucasian  
72 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by J. Ferguson, Esq.
- No. 66 . . . . DAGHESTAN PRAYER RUG Caucasian  
182 Knots, Ghiordes  
(See Plate 39, Hawley)  
Loaned by Henry Morgan & Co. Limited
- No. 67 . . . . SHIRVAN PRAYER RUG Caucasian  
108 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by Dr. J. D. Morgan

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### CAUCASIAN RUGS—*Continued*

- No. 68 . . . . LESGHIAN . . . . Caucasian  
63 Knots, Ghiordes  
(See Plate 2, Mumford)  
Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.
- No. 69 . . . . SOUMAK . . . . Caucasian  
(See Lewis, Page 264)  
Loaned by Henry Morgan & Co. Limited
- No. 70 . . . . SHIRVAN KILIM . . . . Caucasian  
Loaned by F. Ferguson, Esq.
- No. 71 . . . . BAKU . . . . Caucasian  
(See Plate 4, Mumford)  
Loaned by Mrs. J. R. Wilson
- No. 72 . . . . KAZAK . . . . Caucasian  
63 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by J. D. Morgan, Esq.
- No. 73 . . . . KAZAK . . . . Caucasian  
56 Knots, Ghiordes  
“Sun Burst” Design  
Loaned by C. T. Shaw, Esq.
- No. 74 . . . . DAGHESTAN . . . . Caucasian  
56 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by Henry Morgan & Co. Limited
- No. 75 . . . . DAGHESTAN . . . . Caucasian  
108 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by Mrs. J. R. Wilson

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### CAUCASIAN RUGS—Continued

- No. 76 . . . . DAGHESTAN . . . . Caucasian  
90 Knots, Ghiordes  
Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.

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## SAMARKAND

THE designs of Samarkand rugs are mostly of Mongolian type and remind us of the Chinese rugs. Indeed, they are a half-way type, but woven in Persian style with the Sehna knot and are distinct from any other group.

- No. 77 . . . . SAMARKAND  
54 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by R. B. Angus, Esq.

- No. 78 . . . . SAMARKAND  
50 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by W. Scott & Sons

- No. 79 . . . . SAMARKAND  
49 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by W. Scott & Sons

- No. 80 . . . . SAMARKAND  
70 Knots, Sehna  
(See Oriental Carpet Plate 9)  
Loaned by Mrs. J. R. Wilson

- No. 81 . . . . SAMARKAND  
50 Knots, Sehna  
Loaned by W. Scott & Sons

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**CHINESE**

**W**RITTEN records of the older Chinese rugs are very scarce. Most probably they were woven in Eastern China, but they have not the marked local distinction that is found in other groups.

The weft is of very coarse cotton and the warp is formed by two single cotton strands. The pile, which is of loosely spun wool, is tied to the warp threads with the Sehna knot.

**No. 82 . . . . CHINESE RUG**

Loaned by W. Scott & Sons

**No. 83 . . . . CHINESE RUG**

Loaned by W. Scott & Sons

**No. 84 . . . . CHINESE RUG**

Loaned by W. Scott & Sons

**No. 85 . . . . CHINESE RUG**

Loaned by Mrs. J. R. Wilson

**No. 86 . . . . CHINESE RUG**

Loaned by W. S. Maxwell, Esq.

**No. 87 . . . . CHINESE RUG**

Loaned by W. Scott & Sons

**No. 88 . . . . CHINESE RUG**

Loaned by F. R. Heaton, Esq.

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### CHINESE RUGS—Continued

- No. 90 . . . . CHINESE RUG  
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- No. 91 . . . . CHINESE RUG  
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- No. 92 . . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by W. S. Maxwell, Esq.
- No. 93 . . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by Gardiner Thompson, Esq.
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Loaned by E. Languedoc, Esq.
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Loaned by F. C. Morgan, Esq.
- No. 98 . . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by Major F. C. Shorey
- No. 99 . . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by Mrs. J. R. Wilson
- No. 100 . . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by Mrs. J. R. Wilson
- No. 101 . . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by W. Scott & Sons

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- No. 102 . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by R. B. Angus, Esq.
- No. 103 . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by R. B. Angus, Esq.
- No. 104 . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by W. Scott & Sons
- No. 105 . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by W. Scott & Sons
- No. 106 . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by F. R. Heaton, Esq.
- No. 107 . . . CHINESE RUG  
Loaned by J. Gardiner Thompson, Esq.

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### SPANISH

DURING the middle ages carpet-making spread to Spain through the Arabs. The technique and designs were at first purely Eastern, but gradually became more and more Westernized, till in the 17th Century we find embroidered rugs in European designs.

- No. 108 . . . SPANISH CARPET . . . 16th Century  
Loaned by Estate of Sir Wm. Van Horne
- No. 109 . . . SPANISH CARPET . . . 17th Century  
Loaned by Mrs. J. R. Wilson

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### POLISH CARPETS

"POLISH" carpets were woven of silk, with gold and silver in Persian designs.

Authorities differ as to whether these carpets were made in the factory of Mazarski at Slusk in Poland, or in Persia by command of Shah Abbas, who intended them as gifts to European Royalty.

Polish carpets are very rare and it is doubtful if there is a single specimen in Canada.

Nos. 11 and 15 of the colored plates (see cases) give a good idea of the designs and colorings of these carpets.



**The following books will be  
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**W. A. HAWLEY**

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John Lane & Co.

**F. R. MARTIN**

**A HISTORY OF ORIENTAL RUGS BEFORE 1800**

Vienna, 1908

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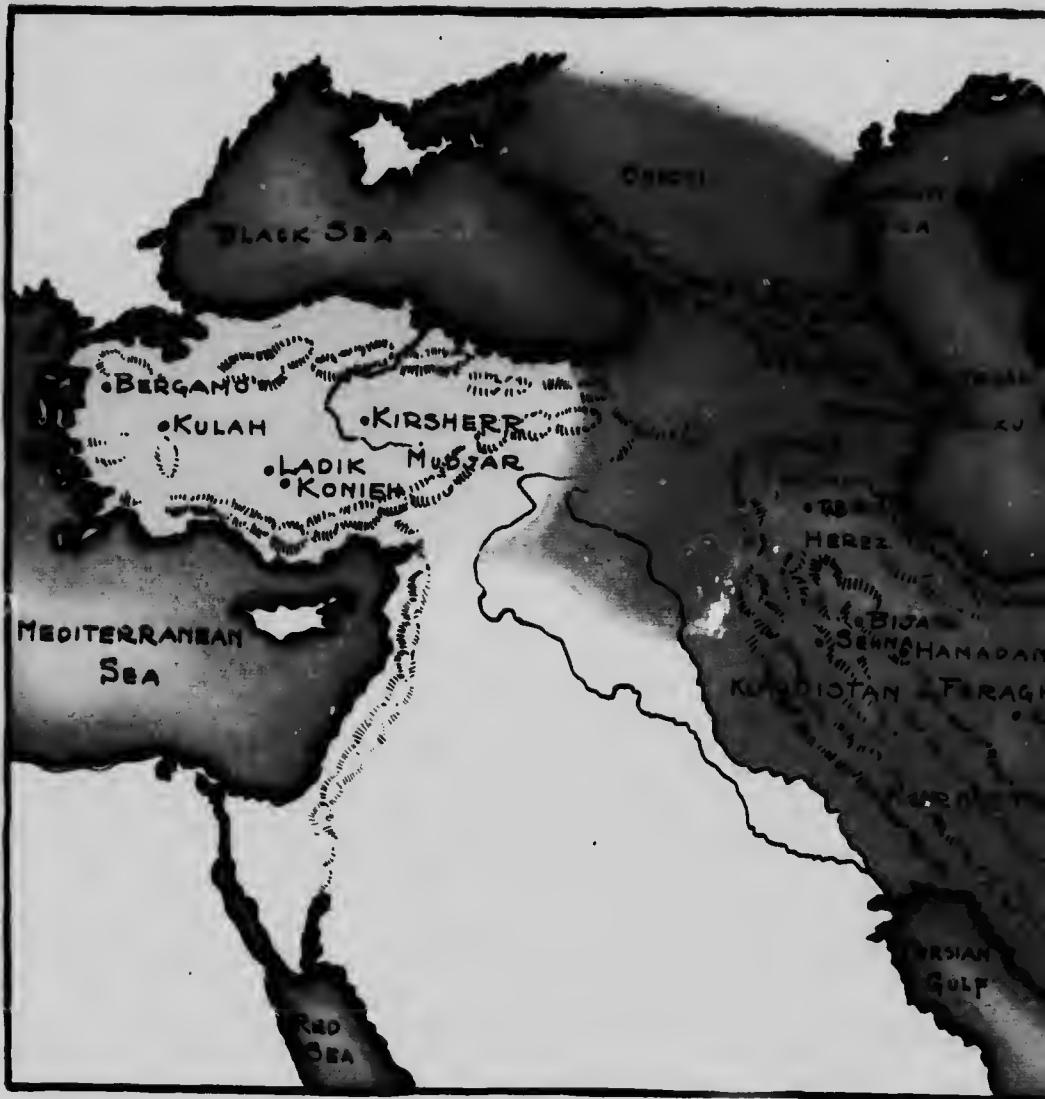
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1890

1891





## ANATOLIAN CAUCASIAN PERSIAN TURK

BERGAMO  
KULAH  
MUDJAR  
LADIK  
KONIEH  
KIRSHERR

DAGHESTAN  
KAZAK  
LEPHGIAN  
BAKU  
SOUMAK  
CHICHI  
SHIRVAN

KASHAN  
HAMADAN  
FERAGHAN  
SARABAND  
BIJAR  
KURDISTAN  
SHIRAZ

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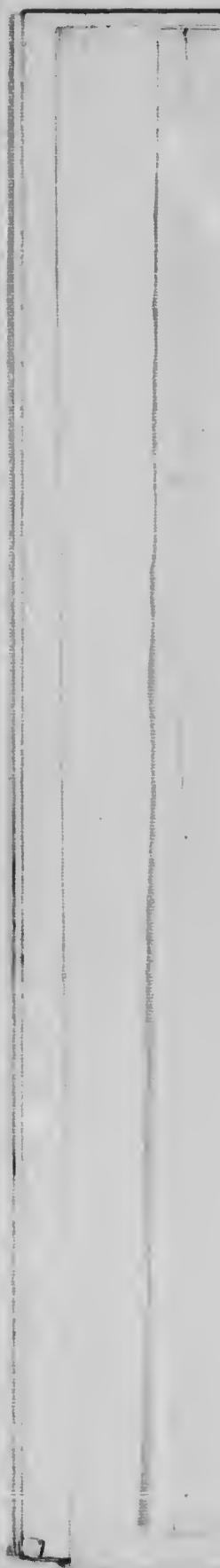
## TURKOMAN      SAMARKAND      CHINESE      INDIAN

BOKHARA  
YOMUD  
BESSHER  
BALUCHISTAN  
KHIVA

SAMARKAND

LAHORE

This Chart represents the Districts in which the various classes of Rugs are made. The names given on the chart are confined to the types of rugs exhibited.



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