

ALPHABETS.

Hebrew and Chaldee.		Samari- tan.	Arabic.			Syriac.		final.	medial.	initial.
			Names.	final.	medial.	initial.	Names.			
Aleph	א	א	Elif	ا	ا	ا	Olaph	ܐ	ܐ	ܐ
Beth	ב	ב	Be	ב	ב	ב	Beth	ܒ	ܒ	ܒ
Gimel	ג	ג	Jim	ג	ג	ג	Gomal	ܓ	ܓ	ܓ
Daleth	ד	ד	{ Dal	ד	ד	ד	Dolath	ܕ	ܕ	ܕ
			{ Dhal	ד	ד	ד				
He	ה	ה	He	ה	ה	ה	He	ܚ	ܚ	ܚ
Vau	ו	ו	Wau	ו	ו	ו	Vau	ܘ	ܘ	ܘ
Zain	ז	ז	Ze	ז	ז	ז	Zain	ܙ	ܙ	ܙ
Cheth	ח	ח	{ Ha	ח	ח	ח	Heth	ܚ	ܚ	ܚ
			{ Kha	ח	ח	ח				
Teth	ט	ט	{ Ta	ט	ט	ט	Teth	ܬ	ܬ	ܬ
			{ Tha	ט	ט	ט				
Yod	י	י	Ye	י	י	י	Yud	ܝ	ܝ	ܝ
Caph	כ	כ	Kef	כ	כ	כ	Coph	ܟ	ܟ	ܟ
Lamed	ל	ל	Lam	ל	ל	ל	Lomad	ܠ	ܠ	ܠ
Mem	מ	מ	Mim	מ	מ	מ	Mim	ܡ	ܡ	ܡ
Nun	נ	נ	Nun	נ	נ	נ	Nun	ܢ	ܢ	ܢ
Samech	ס	ס	wanting	—	—	—	Semcath	ܣ	ܣ	ܣ
Ain	ע	ע	{ Ain	ع	ع	ع	Ee	ܥ	ܥ	ܥ
			{ Gain	ع	ع	ع				
Phie	פ	פ	Fe	ف	ف	ف	Pe	ܦ	ܦ	ܦ
Tzaddi	צ	צ	{ Tsad	צ	צ	צ	Tsode	ܨ	ܨ	ܨ
			{ Dhad	צ	צ	צ				
Koph	ק	ק	Kaf	ק	ק	ק	Kuph	ܦ	ܦ	ܦ
Resch	ר	ר	Re	ר	ר	ר	Rish	ܚ	ܚ	ܚ
Sin	ש	ש	{ Sin	س	س	س	Shin	ܫ	ܫ	ܫ
Shin	ש	ש	{ Shin	ش	ش	ش				
Thau	ת	ת	{ Te	ت	ت	ت	Tau	ܬ	ܬ	ܬ
			{ The	ث	ث	ث				

The Arabic vowels are only three, viz. Fatha — e, a. Kesra — e, i. Dhamma — o, u.

The diacritical signs are Jesm — or quiescent Sheva. Teshdid — or Dagesh forte. Hamza — placed over Elif when radical. Nunnation or double final vowels, — — —, showing that they are to be pronounced *an, en or in, on or un*.

The Persians use the Arabic alphabet with the addition of Pe —; Che —; Ghaf —; and Zhe —.

	Short.				Long.				ETHIOPIC.			
	Short.	Long.	Short.	Long.	Short.	Long.	Short.	Long.	Short.	Long.	Short.	Long.
Alph	ḏa	ḏu	ḏi	ḏi	ḏa	ḏe	ḏy	ḏo	Mai	ḏma	ḏmu	ḏmi
Bet	ḏba	ḏbu	ḏbi	ḏbi	ḏba	ḏbe	ḏby	ḏbo	Nahas	ḏna	ḏnu	ḏni
Gemel	ḏga	ḏgu	ḏgi	ḏgi	ḏga	ḏge	ḏgy	ḏgo	Saut	ḏsa	ḏsu	ḏsi
De n	ḏda	ḏdu	ḏdi	ḏdi	ḏda	ḏde	ḏdy	ḏdo	Ain	ḏa	ḏu	ḏi
Hoi	ḏha	ḏhu	ḏhi	ḏhi	ḏha	ḏhe	ḏhy	ḏho	Af	ḏfa	ḏfu	ḏfi
Waw	ḏwa	ḏwu	ḏwi	ḏwi	ḏwa	ḏwe	ḏwy	ḏwo	Pait	ḏpa	ḏpu	ḏpi
Zai	ḏza	ḏzu	ḏzi	ḏzi	ḏza	ḏze	ḏzy	ḏzo	Psa	ḏpa	ḏpu	ḏpi
Haut	ḏha	ḏhu	ḏhi	ḏhi	ḏha	ḏhe	ḏhy	ḏho	Zadai	ḏza	ḏzu	ḏzi
Hharm	ḏha	ḏhu	ḏhi	ḏhi	ḏha	ḏhe	ḏhy	ḏho	Zappi	ḏza	ḏzu	ḏzi
Tait	ḏtha	ḏthu	ḏthi	ḏthi	ḏtha	ḏthe	ḏthy	ḏtho	Kaf	ḏka	ḏku	ḏki
Yaman	ḏya	ḏyu	ḏyi	ḏyi	ḏya	ḏye	ḏyy	ḏyo	Rees	ḏra	ḏru	ḏri
Quaf	ḏka	ḏku	ḏki	ḏki	ḏka	ḏke	ḏky	ḏko	Saat	ḏsa	ḏsu	ḏsi
Lawi	ḏla	ḏlu	ḏli	ḏli	ḏla	ḏle	ḏly	ḏlo	Tawi	ḏta	ḏtu	ḏti

NOTE.—In the foregoing alphabets, the order of the Arabic and Ethiopic letters is conformed to that of the Chaldee and Hebrew. The reader will observe two or three defects, which are owing to the imperfection of the founts of type.