

below; (MF;) as also كَتَبَ, and كَتَبَ: (TA:) and كَتَبَ (K) and اَكْتَبَ; (S, K;) He wrote it: (S, K:) or كَتَبَ has this signification; and اَكْتَبَ, as also اَسْتَكَبَ, signifies he asked [one] to dictate it (اَسْتَمَلَّاهُ): (K:) اِكْتَبَهَا in the Kur, xxv. 6, signifies he hath written them (S) for himself: (Bd:) or he hath asked [one] to write them for him, or to dictate them to him. (TA, Bd.) — كَتَبَ عَنْهُ [He wrote what he had heard, or learned from him.] A phrase of common occurrence in biographies. — كَتَبَ [He was a writer, or scribe, and a learned man. (Implied in the S, where we are referred to the Kur, lii. 41, and lxviii. 47, in illustration of كَاتِب as signifying "a learned man.")] = كَتَبَ, aor. 2, inf. n. كَاتِب, q. v., + He (God) prescribed, appointed, or ordained, (TA,) and made obligatory. (Msb.) كَتَبَ عَلَيْكُمْ الْقَصَاصَ The law of retaliation is prescribed, appointed, or ordained, as a law of which the observance is incumbent on you. [Kur, ii. 173.] كَتَبَ عَلَيْكُمْ الصِّيَامَ Fasting is prescribed as incumbent on you. [Kur, ii. 179.] (TA.) — كَتَبَ عَلَيْهِ كَذَا: He judged, passed sentence, or decreed, against him that he should do such a thing. (A.) كَتَبَ الْقَاضِي بِالْفَقْعَةِ The judge gave sentence that the expenses should be paid. (Msb.) = كَتَبَ, aor. 2, inf. n. كَتَبَ, He drew together; brought together; conjoined. (S.) — Hence, كَتَبَ الْبَغْلَةَ, aor. 2 and 3, inf. n. كَتَبَ, He conjoined the oræ of the mule's vulva by means of a ring or a thong; (S;) as also كَتَبَ عَلَيْهَا. (A.) كَتَبَ النَّاقَةَ, aor. 2 and 3, (K,) inf. n. كَتَبَ; and كَتَبَ عَلَيْهَا; (TA;) He closed the camel's vulva, (K,) and put a ring upon it: (TA:) or he put a ring of iron or the like upon it, (K,) conjoining the oræ, in order that she might not be covered. (TA.) — كَتَبَ, aor. 2, inf. n. كَتَبَ; (S;) and اَكْتَبَ; (K;) He served a قَرَبَةً, (S,) or a سِقَاءً, (K,) or a مَزَادَةً, (TA,) with two thongs: (K:) or, accord. to some, he closed it at the mouth, by binding it round with a وَكَا, so that nothing [of its contents] should drop from it; (TA;) [as also اَكْتَبَ:] or كَتَبَ signifies he served a قَرَبَةً; and اَكْتَبَ, he bound it with a وَكَا, i. e. bound it round the upper part. (Lh.) — كَتَبَ, aor. 2, inf. n. كَتَبَ; (S;) and اَكْتَبَ (S, K) and اَكْتَبَ (TA) + He bound a قَرَبَةً with a وَكَا; (S;) he bound it round the head, or upper part: (K:) or the first of these verbs signifies he served a قَرَبَةً. (Lh.) See above. IʿAqar says, I heard an Arab of the desert say, اَكْتَبْتُ فَمِ السِّقَاءِ فَلَمْ يَسْتَكِبْ I bound the mouth of the sقاء, but it did not become fast bound, or closed, because of its hardness and thickness. (TA.) = كَتَبَ النَّاقَةَ He used art to make the she-camel take a

liking to that which was not her own young one, and put something as a ring through her nostrils, lest she should smell the بَوِّ, (in some copies of the K, بَوِّ; but this is a mistake; TA,) and not have a fondness for it. (TA.) = كَتَبَ: He collected a كَتَبَةٍ. (TA.) See also 2.

2: See 1 and 4 = كَتَبَ النَّاقَةَ, inf. n. تَكْتَبُ, He tied the udder of the camel. (AZ, S.) = تَكْتَبُ, inf. n. تَكْتَبُ; (S, K;) and كَتَبَهَا; (TA;) + He prepared the troops; (K;) he disposed the troops in order, troop by troop. (S.)

3. مَكَاتِبَةٌ and تَكَاتِبٌ are syn.: (S, K:) you say, كَاتَبَ صَدِيقَهُ He wrote to his friend: and تَكَاتَبَا They wrote, one to the other. (TA.) — كَاتَبَ, inf. n. مَكَاتِبَةٌ (AZ, K, Msb) and تَكَاتِبُ, (AZ, Msb,) + He (a slave) made a written [or other] contract with him (his master), that he (the former) should pay a certain sum as the price of himself, and on the payment thereof be free: (K, &c.): also he (a master) made such a contract with him (his slave): (AZ, Msb, &c.): and تَكَاتَبَا They two made such a contract, one with the other. (Msb.) The slave in this case is called مَكَاتِبٌ (S, Msb) and also مَكَاتِبٌ; and so is the master; the act being mutual. (Msb.) [But the lawyers in the present day call the slave المَكَاتِبُ only; and the master, مَكَاتِبٌ.] اَلْكِتَابَةُ, signifying "what is written," is tropically used by the professors of practical law as syn. with اَلْمَكَاتِبَةُ, because the contract above mentioned was generally written; and is so used by them when nothing is written. It was thus called in the age of el-Islâm, accord. to Az. These two words are said by Z to be syn.; but it is thought that he may have written the former by mistake for اَلْكِتَابُ, adding the 3 by a slip of the pen. (Msb.)

4. اَكْتَبَ He dictated. (S, K.) Ex. اَكْتَبْنِي اَكْتُبْ Dictate to me this ode. (S.) — اَكْتَبَ and اَكْتَبَ He taught the art of writing. (K.) = See also 1, in three places.

5. تَكْتَبُ: He girded himself, and drew together his garments upon him. (TA.) = تَكْتَبُ It (an army, S) collected itself together. (S, K.)

6: see 3.

8. See 1. — كَتَبَةٌ [is a quasi-inf. n. of 8; syn. with اِكْتَاتِبُ; and is explained as signifying] The writing a book, transcribing it [from another book]: (K.) (اِكْتَاتِبْ كِتَابًا تَسْخُهُ). (K.) — It also signifies, [as a quasi-inf. n. of 8,] The writing one's name in [the list of those who receive] stipend and maintenance (اَلْاِكْتَاتِبُ فِي) (TA.) — اَكْتَبَ He registered himself in the book of the Sultân's army-list, or stipendiaries. (S, K.) اِكْتَبْتُ فِي

غَزْوَةٍ كَذَا I wrote down my name in the list of the soldiers of such an expedition. (TA, from a trad.) — اَكْتَبَ كِتَابًا He asked for a book (or the like) to be written for him. (TA.) See also 10. = اَكْتَبَ: His urine was suppressed. (TA.) — اَكْتَبَ بَطْنُهُ: He was constipated, or costive; (TA;) his belly was constipated. (K.)

10. اَسْتَكَبَهُ شَيْئًا He asked him to write a thing for him. (S.) See also 1 and 8. = With reference to a سِقَاء (or skin), see 1.

كَتَبَةٌ: A thong with which one sews (K) a مَزَادَةً or a قَرَبَةً: pl. كَتَبٌ. (TA.) — That with which the vulva of a camel (or of a mule, TA,) is closed in order that she may not be covered: (K:) pl. كَتَبٌ. (TA.) — A seam or suture, (KL, PS,) in a skin or hide; (KL;) [app. made by sewing together two edges so that one laps over the other;] — خُرْزَةٌ (S, Mgh, K) whereof the thong conjoins the two faces [or sides]: (K:) or a خُرْزَةٌ that is joined together with a thong: (Lth:) or that whereof the thong conjoins each of the two faces [or sides]: (ISd, TA:) pl. كَتَبٌ. (S, Mgh.)

كَتَبَةٌ: see 1 and 8. — [Also, agreeably with analogy, A mode, or manner, of writing.]

[كَتَبِي, meaning A bookseller, is a vulgar term, like صُحْفِي: by rule it should be كِتَابِي.]

كِتَابٌ [inf. n. of 1, q. v. — as a subst.,] A thing in which, or on which, one writes: [a book:] a written piece of paper or [a record, or register; and a written mandate;] of skin: (K:) a writing, or writ, or thing written; as also كَتَبَةٌ: and both are applied also to the revelation from above: and to a letter, or epistle, which a person writes and sends: sometimes made fem., as meaning صَحِيفَةٌ AA says, I heard an Arab of the desert, of El-Yemen, say, فَلَانَ لَعُوبٌ جَاءَتْهُ كِتَابِي فَأَحْقَرَهَا Such a one is stupid: my letter came to him, and he despised it: so I said, Dost thou say, جَاءَتْهُ كِتَابِي? and he replied, Is it not a صَحِيفَةٌ? (Msb.) Pl. كَتَبٌ and كَتَبٌ. (S.) — A revealed scripture. (Msb.) [Whence أَهْلُ كِتَابٍ People having a revealed scripture: and أَهْلُ الْكِتَابِ The people of the Bible. See also أَهْلُ.] اَلْكِتَابُ signifies The تَوْرَةَ, or Pentateuch, or Mosaic Law: (K:) and the Gospel, or Book of the Gospels: the Scriptures of the Jews and Christians: (Expositions of the Kur, passim:) and the Kur-ân. (TA.) — See also 3. = كِتَابٌ [inf. n., or subst.: see 1] Divine pre-script, appointment, or ordinance: judgment, or sentence: fatal decree, or predestination. (S, K.) اَللّٰهُ يَكْتُبُ بَيْنَكُمْا اَللّٰهُ I will assuredly determine, or judge, between you two according to the judgment, or sentence, of God, which hath