



‘ABDALLĀH MĪRZĀ DĀRĀ

‘ABDALLĀH MĪRZĀ DĀRĀ (1211-62/1796-1846), eleventh son of Faṭḥ-‘Alī Shah and governor of *Ḳamsa* province. His mother Kolṭūm *Ḳānom* came from a family of sayyeds of *Pāzvār* (*Makārem* I, p. 398), and he himself was the son-in-law of Solaymān Khan *Qājār E‘tezād-al-dawla* (*Tārīḳ-e ‘Azodī*, p. 126; *Montażem* III, p. 97). In 1224/1809-10 he was appointed governor of *Ḳamsa*, residing at *Zanjān*; *Mīrzā Ṭāqī ‘Alīābādī*, the *Şāḥeb Dīvān*, was his vizier (*Montażem* III, p. 93). In the second Russo-Persian war, he was sent to *Ardabīl* with the army of *Ḳamsa*; there he raided the Russian forces under *Madatov* and captured horses, guns, and supplies. After his father’s death, ‘Abdallāh was twice reappointed governor of *Ḳamsa*.

This prince was a witty and clever poet who used the *taḳalloş* *Dārā*. His father *Faṭḥ-‘Alī Shah* and his nephew, the future *Moḥammad Shah*, enjoyed his company (*Tārīḳ-e ‘Azodī* II, pp. 6, 87). His *dīvān* was left with his grandson, *Ḥosayn-‘Alī Khan Kāżem Beglarbeg* at *Dawlatābād* in *Malāyer* (*Makārem*, p. 398), and his *dīvān* of elegies has been published (*Darī‘a* IX, first section, p. 312). He studied astronomy under his brother *Moḥammad Valī Mīrzā* and became proficient in it. He foretold his own death, which occurred as he had predicted in the house of his sister *Żiā’-al-salṭana* on 23 *Jomādā* II 1262/18 June 1846 (*Tārīḳ-e ‘Azodī*, pp. 64-65; *Montażem* III, p. 191). ‘Abdallāh *Mīrzā* built a school and a mosque in *Zanjān* that were destroyed during the rebellion of *Mollā Moḥammad-‘Alī Zanjānī*. He had a son, the prince *Moḥsen Mīrzā Mīrāḳor* (*Makārem* I, p. 399).



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