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**FATH**, b. **ḲĀQĀN**, famous bibliophile, author, courtier, and official in 'Abbasid times ( d. 4 Šawwāl 247/11 December 861). Some modern authorities have referred to him as “al-Fāresī” or claim he was of Persian ancestry (Zereklī, *Ālam* 2 V, p. 133; Dehḳodā, s.v. “Fath b. Ḳāqān”; Yıldız, p. 452), but this appears to be erroneous. Mas'ūdī (*Morūj* VII, p. 191) gives Fath the *nesba* al-Torkī, and his father, a military officer named Ḳāqān 'Orṭūj, was almost certainly a Turk (Gordon).

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