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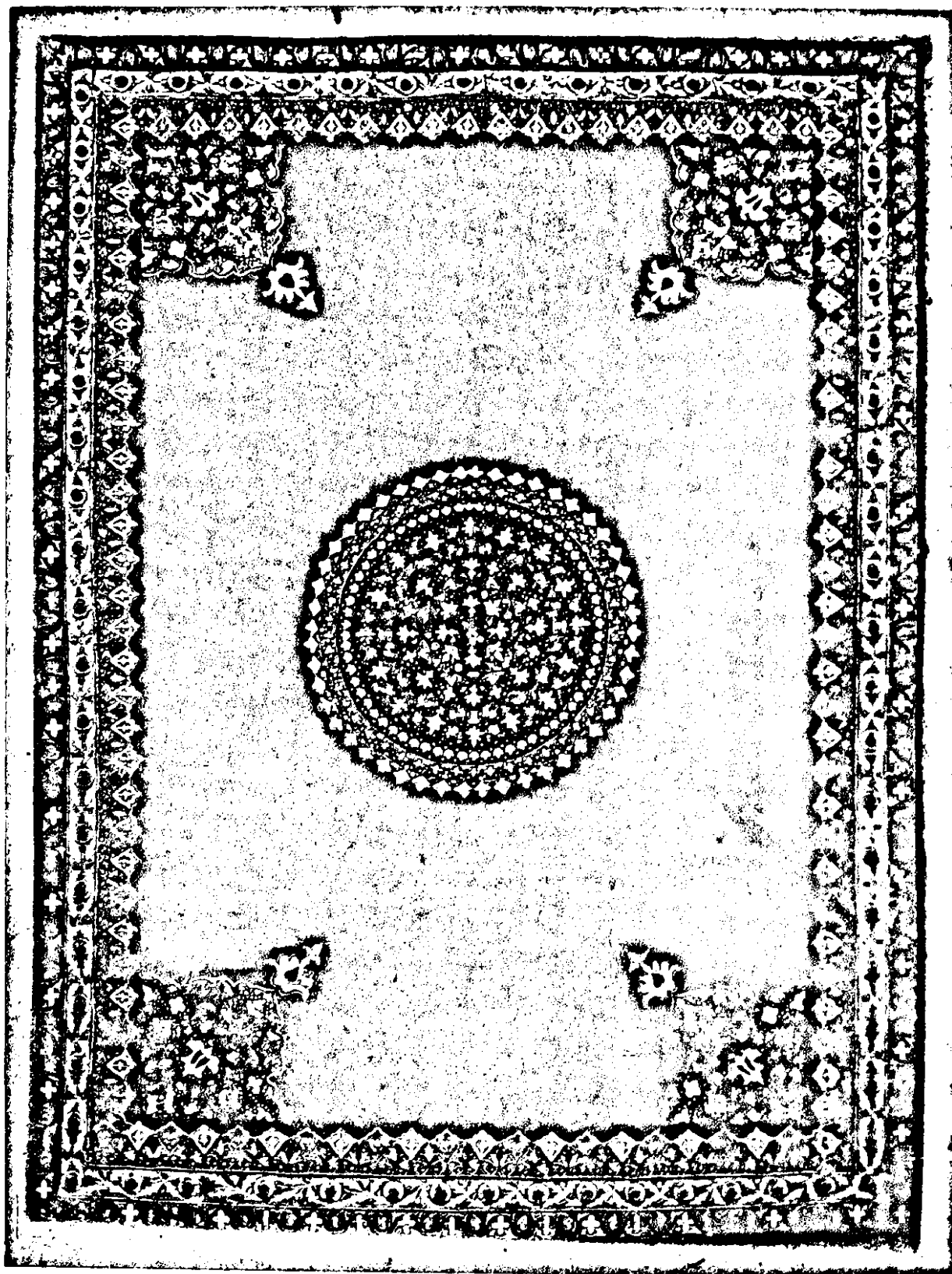
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A  
MONOGRAPH  
ON  
TANNING AND WORKING  
IN LEATHER  
IN THE  
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY

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## APPENDIX.

The following statement shows the transactions of Bombay in leather, leather manufactures, and dressed hides, with Foreign Countries by sea, in the years 1893-94 and 1902-1903 :—

	Imports.				Exports.			
	1893-94.		1902-1903.		1893-94.		1902-1903.	
	Cwt.	Rs.	Cwt.	Rs.	Cwt.	Rs.	Cwt.	Rs.
Unwrought Leather ... ..	697	2,05,969	1,995	3,32,895	3,003	1,47,664	130	8,151
Leather Manufactures (including Boots and Shoes) ... ..	...	14,94,175	...	18,62,918	...	1,04,765	...	4,35,586
Dressed Hides ... ..	282	69,868	1,459	1,73,937	6,658	4,47,770	10,491	7,99,565
Total ...	979	17,70,012	3,454	23,69,750	9,661	7,00,199	10,621	12,43,292

The distribution of the Imports and Exports of leather and leather manufactures in 1902-03 was as follows :—

	Unwrought.	Saddlery and Harness.	Manufactures other sorts.	Boots and Shoes.
<i>Imports.</i>	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
United Kingdom ... ..	3,21,830	1,71,682	9,14,459	6,35,229
Other Countries ... ..	11,065	9,174	41,729	90,645
Total ...	3,32,895	1,80,856	9,56,188	7,25,874
<i>Exports.</i>				
British East Africa ... ..	6,329	16,002	2,059	31,573
Mauritius ... ..	.....	820	75	36,682
Egypt ... ..	.....	850	16,115	2,05,174
Aden ... ..	.....	9,905	3,700	25,994
Other Countries ... ..	1,822	6,520	12,150	68,967
Total ...	8,151	33,097	34,099	3,68,390

It will be seen that the imports of unwrought leather show an increase in the last nine years, and the exports a decrease ; but to counterbalance this the exports of dressed hides show a much larger increase than the imports. Both imports and exports of leather goods have increased ; the former come almost exclusively from the United Kingdom, while the exports, which consist mainly of boots and shoes, go to British East Africa, Mauritius, Aden, and Egypt, to the last mentioned country principally for army use.

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