and I have taken it for Quilon rather than Colombo (cf TP, 1928, 460; 1930, 435); but I have been wrong in adducing, besides « Columbum », etc., the Kulanbū (first two vowels uncertain) of Ibn Baṭṭūṭah, which is really Colombo; and, if the Hebrew document be late enough, it may after all refer to Colombo too.

In 983, a Chinese Buddhist priest went to India with a series of letters, one of which was for the king of 柯 蘭 K'o-lan (Sung shih, 490, 2a); although this transcription supposes *Kalan, it is supported by a later form of the Ming period, and the place meant is probably Quilon (in Ferrand's note, JA, 1924, 1, 115, 构 is a misprint, and it is wrongly stated that the transcription can be restored to *Ka-lam, with a final -m). In 1778, the Ling-wai tai-ta writes 故 臨 Ku-lin (=*Kulom), and in 1225, we have the same spelling Ku-lin (=*Kulom) in Chao Ju-kua (cf. BEFEO, IV, 319; HR, 88, 91).

In the same YS, 94, 11a, mention is made of regulations published in 1296 for the trade with Ma'abar, 母母 Pei-nan and Fandaraīna; as CORDIER had it from me already (Y, III, 120; Y¹, IV, 27; cf. also TP, 1914, 425), we should read 具 南 Chü-nan (= *Kunam or *Kunom), Quilon. The same correction must be adopted for the «barbarian kingdom » (fan-pang) of 咀南 Chü-nan whose ambassador, Ma Burhanu-'d-Din, arrived in 1291 (YS, 16, 8b); and the spelling Chü-nan, instead of Chü-lan and Ko-lan, is adopted in 1349-1350 by the Tao-i chih-lio, which has a notice on «Small [,], hsiao] Chü-nan », «Small Quilon » (cf. TP, 1915, 445-447). In the first half of the 15th cent., Quilon is marked as 小 葛 蘭 Hsiao Ko-lan, «Small Ko-lan» on the map published by Phillips (JNCB, xix, 222), in the Ying-yai shêng-lan, in the revised Hsing-ch'a shêng-lan and in the Ming shih (cf. TP, 1915, 447-448; 1933, 288-289); the original Hsing-ch'a shêng-lan writes Hsiao Chü-nan, the same as the Tao-i chih-lio. The Hsing-ch'a shêng-lan has besides a notice on a «Great Quilon», the name of which is written Ta [大] Chü-nan in the original text, and Ta Ko-lan in the revised edition; but this «Great Quilon», with both spellings, in an arbitrary creation of the Hsing-ch'a shêng-lan, whose notice of it is simply copied from that of the «Small Quilon » in the Tao-i chih-lio. In spite of the fact that the lan of Ko-lan never ended in -m, and that, in the beginning of the 15th cent., Ko-lan ought to have represented an original *Golan, it cannot be doubted that the name meant is Kollam or Kulam, our Quilon.