

Articles of Merchandise conveyed from British India to Eastern Turkestan.

	Weight.	Cost price.	Cost of carriage and packing.	Duty at 2 1/2 per cent.	Price in Kashghar.	Profit.	Profit per cent.	REMARKS.
1. Long-cloth	Per than, 4 seers	7	0	0	15	5	60	<p>Item No. 22, the carriage from Calcutta is included.</p> <p>Many of the prices indicate a very large percentage of profit; but there are, of course, great differences in the measure of success attending individual merchants, owing to the fluctuations of the market, and the degree of talent displayed by each individual in rendering his goods acceptable to the retail dealers.</p> <p>1 seer is = 2 lbs. English. A large profit is realized on the sale of Manal's plumes from Kullu, these being worn by women on the skull caps which are usually worn inside the house.</p>
2. Linen	"	3	0	0	6	2	75.49	
3. Dimity	"	5	0	0	13	5	74.6	
4. White Jaconet	"	3	0	0	6	1	44.7	
5. Uncolored flowered muslin	"	2	0	0	4	1	70.27	
6. Coarse sheeting	"	4	0	0	8	2	40.4	
7. Drill	"	6	0	0	12	3	49.4	
8. Unbleached long-cloth	"	5	0	0	10	3	70.25	
9. Red Jaconet	"	6	0	0	16	4	66.6	
10. Turkey-red	"	4	0	0	8	2	55	
11. Colored Chintz	"	1	0	0	2	0	55	
12. Stamped cotton (imitation shawl)	"	7	0	0	11	3	32.25	
13. Cotton velvet (coarse)	"	1	0	0	4	0	100	
14. Flowered cottons (stamped)	"	1	0	0	4	0	52.75	
15. Broad-cloth	"	66	0	2	110	38	81.7	
16. Alpaca	"	20	0	1	40	18	97.2	
17. Flannel (cheap colored)	"	22	0	1	47	23	32.24	
18. Kincah	"	80	0	2	110	26	20.6	
19. Gwagnet (thin satin with gold flowers)	"	80	0	1	100	17	43.78	
20. " plain	"	30	0	1	45	13	99	
21. Enamelled leather (Lacci) goat skins	Per score, 4	8	0	0	25	12	96.5	
22. Otter skins (Calcutta)	"	25	0	1	60	29	107.5	
23. " (Kangra)	"	60	0	3	140	72	53.6	
24. Tea, Green (Palunpore)	" Per 1 seer	2	0	0	4	1	52.0	
25. " Black (Bombay)	"	1	0	0	2	0	107.2	
26. " Gola (Calcutta)	"	6	0	0	14	1	68.26	
27. Opium No. II (Kulu)	"	12	0	0	21	8	168	
28. " No. I (Shahpore)	"	8	0	0	30	18	Profit per cent. on 17/2/6.	
29. Indigo (Koorja)	Per dhurri, 5 seers	0	0	0	11	0	Profit per cent. on 17/2/6.	
30. Black pepper	Per 1 seer	0	0	0	1	0	50	
31. Ginger	"	7	0	0	15	0	50	
32. Cardamoms	"	1	0	0	6	0	64.4	
33. Nutmeg	"	1	0	0	1	0	69	
34. Long pepper	"	0	0	0	1	0	51.9	
35. Cinnamon	"	0	0	0	1	0	...	
36. Turmeric	"	0	0	0	1	0	...	
37. Spices (India)	"	0	0	0	1	0	...	
38. Preserves (Umritsur)	"	3	0	0	6	0	...	
39. Mercury	"	0	0	0	1	0	...	
40. Looking-glasses and small articles (nick-nacks) realize a profit of	"	0	0	0	0	0	...	
41. Books in Persian and Arabic find a ready sale, and realize a profit of	"	0	0	0	0	0	...	
42. Sugar, No. 1	Per maund	13	0	0	60	23	64.4	
43. " No. 2 (Seharunpoor)	"	12	0	0	60	24	69	
44. " No. 3 (ditto)	"	16	0	0	60	20	51.9	
45. Guns, double-barrelled	"	22	0	0	80	0	...	
46. " single do.	"	13	0	0	60	0	...	
47. Rifles, M.-L. double-barrelled	"	100	0	0	140	0	...	
48. " single do.	"	25	0	0	160	0	...	
49. Pistols, single barrelled	"	30	0	0	60	0	...	
50. " double do.	"	35	0	0	75	0	...	
51. Revolvers	"	1	0	0	100	0	...	
52. Percussion Caps	Per 1,000	1	0	0	10	7	344	

There is a very small sale for arms, excepting when they are required by the Amir. Breech-loaders are of little value and great finish is unnecessary. Strong single-barrelled rifles M.-L. of the Enfield pattern or game-keeper's M.-L. guns are the most likely to be appreciated.