

Kurgans of the Merv Oasis (see plates 57-60).

No.	Name.	Diameter.	Height.	Contents.*					Remarks.
				Ornamented pottery.	Burnt bricks.	Glazed pottery.	Glass.	Stone-ware.	
CLASS I.		<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>						
1	Luchak Tepe†.....	270	20	....	....	....	..	..	Very old and gently sloping; pottery scarce.
2	Koyun Tepe.....	80	15	....	....	....	..	..	Slopes very gentle; pottery very abundant.
3	North Uch Tepe.....	140	25	....	....	....	..	..	Slopes very gentle.
4	Middle Uch Tepe.....	100	30	....	....	....	..	..	Do.
5	South Uch Tepe.....	75	15	....	....	....	..	..	Do.
6	Yaz Tepe.....	400	40	....	....	....	..	..	Slopes very gentle; a few bits of painted pottery.
7	Teckeleck Tepe.....	90	25	....	....	....	..	..	Slopes very gentle.
8	Kuzi Tepe.....	60	30	....	....	....	..	..	Do.
9	Arvali Tepe.....	220	45	....	....	....	..	..	Do.
	Average.....	159	27	....	....	....	..	..	Average height = 17 p. ct. of average diameter.
CLASS II.									
10	South Koshaja Tepe..	160	15	X	....	....	..	..	Pottery scarce.
11	North Koshaja Tepe..	200	20	X	....	....	..	..	Do.
12	Changli Tepe.....	150	45	X	....	....	..	..	Do.
13	Ersar Tepe.....	310	30	X	....	....	..	..	Transition type between a kurgan and a fort.
14	Poyin Tepe.....	80	20	X	....	....	..	..	
15	Gyok Tepe.....	480	60	X	....	....	..	..	
16	Munon Tepe.....	310	50	X	X	....	..	..	Bricks of very poor quality; sand encroaching on kurgan.
17	Guibekli Tepe.....	300	80	X	X	....	..	..	Bricks poor and coarse.
18	Dauali Tepe.....	175	35	X	X	....	..	..	
19	Airakli Tepe.....	320	40	X	X	....	..	..	
20	Kara Tepe.....	300	25	X	X	....	..	..	Pottery abundant, with many designs.
	Average.....	253	38	....	....	....	..	..	Average height = 15 p. ct. of average diameter.
CLASS III.									
21	Top Tepe.....	225	50	X	X	X	..	..	
22	Kurukli Tepe.....	350	40	X	X	X	X	X	
23	East Kishman Tepe...	450	50	X	X	X	X	X	Mound largely covered with sand.
24	West Kishman Tepe..	250	50	X	X	X	X	X	
25	Kuyuli Tepe.....	350	75	X	X	X	X	X	
26	Gechekran Tepe.....	330	55	X	X	X	X	X	
27	Kurtli Tepe.....	320	75	X	X	X	X	..	
28	Churnuk Tepe.....	65	35	X	X	X	X	..	
	Average.....	293	54	....	....	....	..	..	Average height = 18.4 p. ct. of average diameter.

\* All the kurgans contain unornamented pottery.

† Tepe = hill.

## CLASS I. KURGANs OF THE PRIMITIVE TYPE.

The oldest kurgans, those of the primitive type, are usually rather small and low, with rounded outlines and with gently sloping sides. They have a distinctly old appearance, although this statement must be qualified by saying