cessor by virtue of a covenant of a Khaleefel [or King]. (TA.) [And ولاية عبد The succession by virtue of a covenant.] __ Protection, or safeguard; a promise, or an assurance, of security or safety; responsibility, or suretiship; syn. امان; and دَمَّةُ; (Sh, S, A, O, Msb, K;) and خَصَانٌ; (O, K;) as also عُبَيْدَى (O, K;) as also عُبَيْدَى and أ عبدان which last is said in the S and O to be syn. with عبد, but in what sense is not there specified]. (K.) Hence, ذو عبد, an appellation given to a Christian, and a Jew, [and a Sabian, who is a subject of a Muslim government,] meaning One between whom and the Muslims a compact, or covenant, subsists, whereby the latter are responsible for his security [and freedom and toleration as long as he acts agreeably to the compact [by living peaceably with them and paying a poll-tax]; (Mgh, Msb, TA;) [i.e. a free non-Muslim subject of a Muslim government ;] as also معاهد * and معاهد , the act. and pass. forms being both applied to such a person because the compact is mutual; (Msb;) both syn. with زمّی: (S:) persons of this description are called collectively أَهُلُ الْعَبْدِ. (TA.) __ An oath: (S, A, O, K:) pl. عُبُودُ: or, accord. to AHeyth, signifies an oath whereby one secures himself against him with whom he makes a compact, contract, covenant, or the like, and is its pl. [or rather a coll. gen. n.]. (TA.) [But it is generally used as a sing.: hence,] one says, عَلْنَ عَهْدُ ٱللهِ لَأَفْعَلَنَّ كَذَا [The nath by attestation of God is binding on me that I will assuredly do such a thing]. (S, O.) _ A writ, or diploma, of appointment to the office of a prefert or governor or the like: (S, O, K:) pl. syet. (TA.) _ Defence of those persons, or things, that should be sacred, or inviolable, or that are entitled to reverence, respect, honour, or defence; (S, A, O, K;) and mindfulness, regard, or observance, (S, K,) of such things, (K,) or of love, or affection; occurring in this sense in a trad., in which it is said that generosity therein is a point of religion. (S.) - Fulfilment of a promise or the like. (O, K.) So in the Kur vii. 100. (O.) The assertion of the unity of God: whence, J آلُتُعْمَانِ عَبْدًا [Except such as hath made a covenant with the Compassionate to assert his unity], (O, K,) in the Kur [xix. 90]: (O:) and the words of a trad. relating to prayer, ti I am persevering عَلَى عَهْدِكَ وَوَعْدِكَ مَا ٱسْتَطَعْتُ in the observance of my covenant and promise to Thee to believe in Thee and to assert thy unity incessantly [as fur as I am able]. (TA.) = Also A time; (S, A, K;) and so عبدان (A, TA.) One says, عَهْدُ فُلَانِ عَلَى عَهْدِ فُلَانِ and عَهْدَ It was in the time of such a one. (A.) And كان That was in the time of my ذلك في عَهْدِ شَبَابِي youth, or young manhood. (TK.) And اتَّ عَلَيا [Over which a long time has passed]. (قَديهَةُ meaning قُرْيَةُ عَهِيدَةُ meaning - One says also, به قریب i. e. My meeting [with him, or it, was a short time ago]. (Ṣ,* thereto; expl. by مُحِبُّ للْوِلَايَاتِ وَالْعَبُودِ (A.) Bk I.

Msb.) And أَهُو قَريبُ العَهْدِ بِكُذَا He knew, or was acquainted with, such a thing, and was in such a state, or condition, recently, or a short time ago. (Msb. [And in like manner one says عَهْدِي بِهِ And ([.حَدِيثُ عَهْدِ and حَدِيثُ العَهْدِ (,TA, في حَال كَذَا K, TA,) and بمَوْضع كَذَا I met, or met with, or I knew, [or I saw,] him, or it, in such a place, (K, TA,) and in such a state, or condition. (TA.) And ما ليي عهد به have not any knowledge of, or acquaintance with, him, or it]. (A.) And مَتَى عَهْدُكَ بِغُلَانِ When didst thou meet, or meet with, such a one? (Mgh:) or see such a one? (TA.) And مَتَى عَهُدُكَ بِالخُقِّ When didst thou wear the boots? (Mgh.) And When didst thou see the مَتَى عَهْدُكَ بِأَسْفَلِ فِيكَ lower part of thy mouth?]: a prov.; said in asking a person respecting an old affair of which he has no knowledge. (L.) The saying of the poet, (Aboo-Khirásh El-Hudhalee, TA, and so in a copy of the S,)

فَلَيْسَ كَعَهُد الدَّارِ يَا أُمَّر مَالِكِ وَلَكِنْ أَحَاطَتْ بِالرِّقَابِ السَّلَاسِلُ

[And it is not like the formerly-known state of the abode, O Umm-Málik; but chains have surrounded the necks;] is expl. as meaning, the case is not as thou knewest it; but El-Islam has come, and has subverted that case. (S, TA.) [Hence, and المعبود , said of the article المعبود , meaning Used to distinguish a noun as known to the hearer, or reader, in a particular sense.] = Also A first rain; the rain immediately following which is called وَنَى : (TA:) or the first of the rain called and عَهْدَةً * (IAar, M, K;) and so ; الوَسْمِى and مَهُودَةً ﴿ and عَهُدَةً ﴿ M, K, TA,) or, as in some copies of the K [and in the CK], which is pl. of ... (TA.) _ And Rain that falls after other rain, (AHn, S, K,) while the moisture of the former yet remains; (AHn, K;) as also vale and عَهُود (TA:) pl. عَهُود and عَهُد : (\$:) or عباد, accord. to some, signifies recent rains; app. أُصَّابَتُنَا دِيمَةٌ بَعْدَ دِيمَةٍ عَلَى عِهَادٍ from the saying, A continuous and still rain fell upon us غير قديمة after a continuous and still rain following upon sig- ant long anterior]: (AḤn, TA:) or عهاد nifies rains of the [season called] ربيع [here meaning autumn, as is shown voce إنو:], after the rain called الوسمى: (A:) or weak, fine rain, of that which is called وَسْمِى (IAar, TA.) _ And عام المارية means The year of few rains. (TA.) = See also عُهْدَة, near the middle, in two places: = and see معبد, in three places.

A man who applies himself repeatedly to affairs, and to prefectures or governments or the like; or who applies himself repeatedly thereto, and to the reforming thereof; expl. by the words (Ş, K :) or one who loves : يَتَعَاهَدُ الْأُمُورَ وَالوِلَايَاتِ prefectures or the like, and writs of appointment

: see عَبْدَة, former half, in two places : == and again, in the 'last quarter, in two places. [thus written, without any syll. sign], in a verse cited by AHeyth, [the measure of which shows it to be عَبْدَةُ or الله عَبْدَةُ or الله and in which it is applied to the depository of a secret,] is expl. as signifying [properly] A place on which the sun does not come. (TA.)

A written statement of a purchase or sale: (S, Msb, K:) so called because one recurs to it on an occasion of doubt. (Msb.) And A written statement of a confederacy, league, compact, or covenant. (K.) - Also A return [to claim an indemnification for a fault or the like in a thing purchased]; syn. رُجُعَةُ: so in the saying, وَجُعَةُ [There shall be no return to claim an indemnifica-أَبِيعُكَ الْهَلَسَي لَا عُهْدَة ,(Ş, O, K:) one says i. e. [I sell to thee on the condition that] thou shalt get thee amay, and not return to me, (S in this art., and Sand Meb and K in art. ,) nor have any claim upon me for indemnification: (Msb in art. with respect to an article of merchandise being when it is sold in a faulty state or subject to a claim on the part of its owner. (TA. عَلَيْكَ في, One says also (.مَلْسَى See more voce Thou art subject to a هذه عُهدةٌ لا تَتَفَصَّى منها claim for acting unjustly [in respect of this, from which thou wilt not liberate thyself]. (A, TA.) - And عُهْدَةُ الرَّقِيقِ ثَلَاثَةُ أَيَّامِ The claim for indem nification for a fault in a slave, from the property of the seller, if he have sold him without making it a condition that he is clear of responsibility for any fault, is during three days, and the purchaser may return him without proof; but if he find a fault after three days, he may not return him without proof. (TA, from a trad.) And and عَهْدَة signify the same: (TA:) you say, بَرِئْتُ -mean ,[مِنْ عَهْدِهِ * [and] إِنْيْكَ مِنْ عَهْدَة هَذَا الْعَبْدِ ing I am clear of responsibility to thee for any fault that thou mayest find in this slave known to exist in him while he was with me. (AHeyth, Mgh, TA.) See 4. And you say also, عَبِدَتُه The responsibility for the rectification على فلان of any fault that may be found in him, or it, is upon such a one. (S,* Mgh, Msb,* K,* TA.) And In the affair is an occasion for reverting to it for the purpose of its rectification; (Msb;) i.e. the affair is not yet performed soundly, thoroughly, or well, (S, O, Msb,) and the manager thereof has to revert to it in order to render it so. (Msb.) And فيه عبدة In it is a fault, a defect, or an imperfection. (TA.) And In his intellect is a weakness. (Ş, A, O, K.) And في خطه عبدة In his handwriting is a weakness: (K:) or badness: (A:) or faulty formation of the letters. (0.) = Sec also

عَبْدَةُ: see عَبْدَةً, last quarter, in two places: == and see also عَبْدَةً

عبدان: see عبدان, in three places.

عباد: see عباد, near the end of the paragraph.