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Nûširwân Yâ’ušef (mid. 1880’s-1917) has been one of the forgotten reformist-Jadidist Tatar intellectuals. However in the pre-revolutionary period his name was very popular among Turkistan Muslims by his number of articles and travel accounts on contemporary affairs in Turkistan, especially in Eastern Turkistan. Under the influence of Abdûrreşid İbrahim, who had accomplished a great travel through Eurasia, Yâ’ušef decided to travel extensively in the still unknown Eastern Turkistan, and contributed many articles to famous Muslim periodicals such as the Waqt, Şûrâ, Àyîna and others. Although in his writings he criticized severely the decadence and ignorance prevailing among the Muslim populations of Turkistan, as a Jadid journalist he intended to enlighten the people for cultural and social reform. He himself engaged in teachings in ‘New Method’ schools opened in Eastern Turkistanian cities. The A. succeeds in reconstructing Yâ’ušef’s life, activities and legacy in Eastern Turkistan. In the attached bibliography we find the comprehensive lists of Yâ’ušef’s writings and related articles. Unfortunately the titles are shown only in Japanese translation.
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