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This study moves the focus of attention away from the Persian Gulf coast to the hinterland by analyzing the town of Borazjan in Qajar times, a market center of some 5,000 inhabitants located in the foothills some 45 km inland from Bushehr and, as the author argues, intimately connected with that port by being the regional distribution center. Using a plethora of sources, the article goes into the topography of the place, its ambient geography, its origins (obscure; the town was first mentioned only in 1786), demographics, its economy, and, above all its administrative structure and political vicissitudes in the course of the 19th and into the early 20th century, when newly established regional stability and road safety led to a brief commercial boom.