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It was predicted that al-Habib ^{نفعنا الله} was destined for great heights while he was yet a student in Qaydun, Hadramaut.

He (my grandfather) said, may Allah be pleased with him:

When al-Habib ‘Abdar-Rahman Khered ^{نفعنا الله} came to Qaydun, he toured the Ribat (the Academy). The students stood to shake hands with him and I was with them. When I shook hands with him and kissed his hand, al-Habib who was blind, held my hand firmly and asked my shaykh al-Habib ‘Alawi bin Tahir ^{نفعنا الله}, “Whose son is he, O ‘Alawi?” He replied to him, “He’s the son of Taha bin ‘Ali” ^{نفعنا الله}. So al-Habib ‘Abdar-Rahman said to al-Habib ‘Alawi, “Pay attention to him. With him are many spiritual mysteries which he deserves.” Or as he said, in his own words.