

[II. Exp. Peters, Inscriptions. UPMAA_Nippur_11.01. HO]

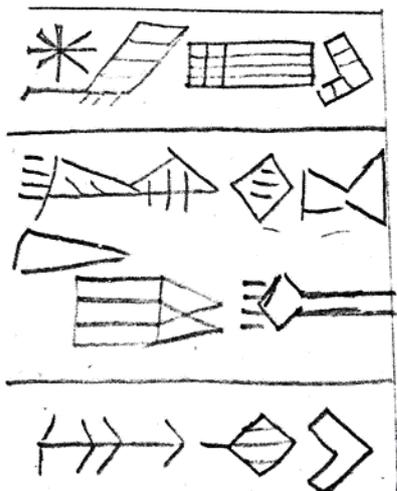
II Expedition 1890

Peters:

Copies of Inscriptions

[*This title written on the cover by Hilprecht*]

[2]



[Hilprecht:] ki-du-kak Idg = malâku

H.9. On white stone, like the Kurigalzu socket of first year.

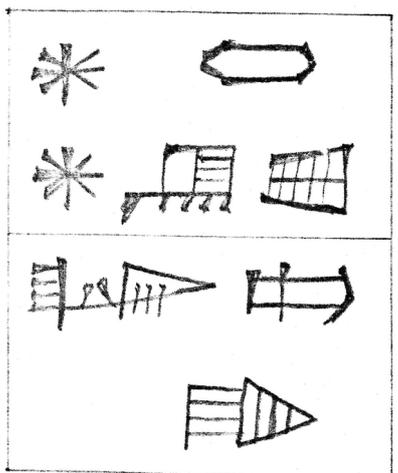
To Bel
 His beloved king
 Garne(?)
 Has dedicated.

[BE I/1, 23 (copied from squeezes). One of them = CBS 10050] *Numbers a mess, cf.*

CDLI

[3]

H.3.



(Pur?) (Sur?) (Amar?)

Sin

King power

ful

[CBS 8653 = BE I/1, 22 (copied from squeeze)]

[4] [Hilprecht:] Const



[*Tranliteration by Hilprecht*]

Din-tir-ki Bâbilu

Šumêri

Akkadi

abil (Sin)-aḫe-eriba

abil šar Šarru-kîn

šar mât Aššûr-ma

E-kur, bît-Bêl

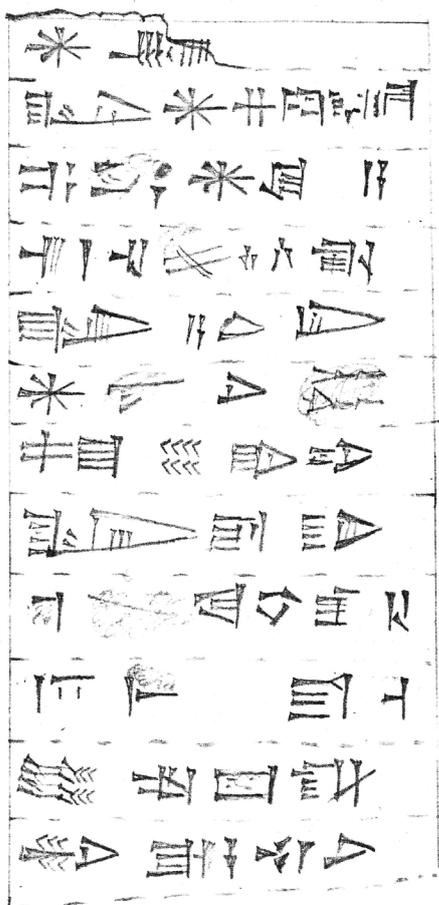
Brick from Temple Hill. Not from original construction. Esarhaddon.

[*Cast CBS 9482 = PBS 15, 86*]

[5]

comp. H.20

VI

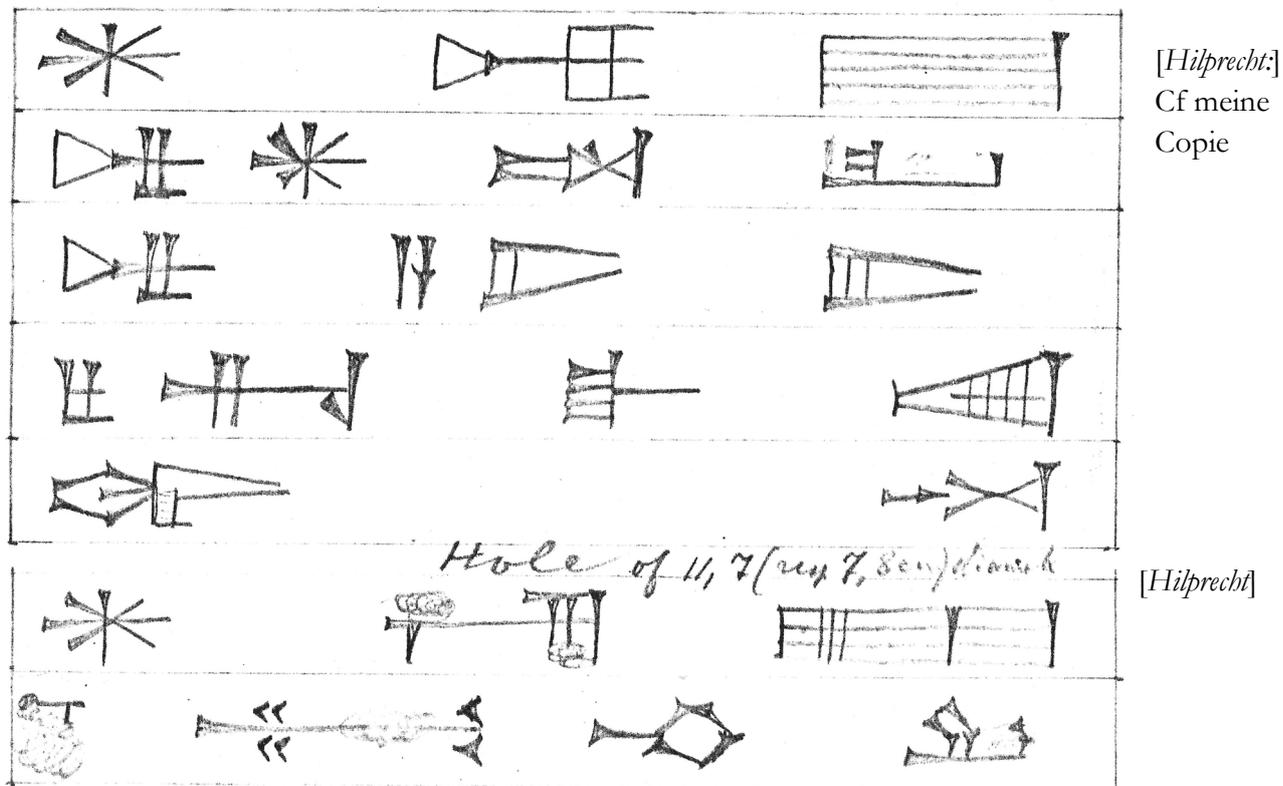


Broken brick, found somewhere on Temple Hill.

[Duplicate of PBS 15, 75]

[6]

V. Epstein [Hilprecht]

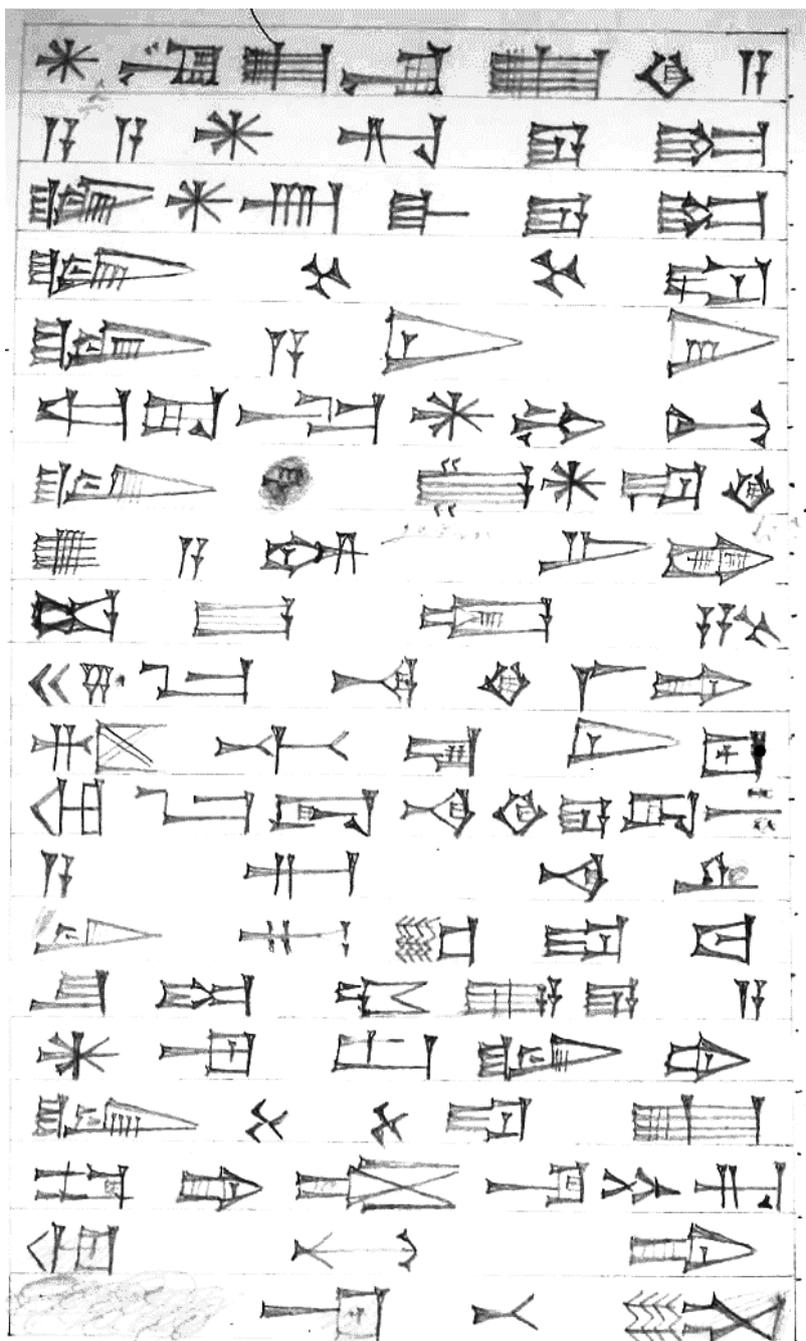


Door socket of Kurigalzu from Temple of Bel.

[Cf. BE I 37, which is Hilprecht's field copy from I Exp.]

[No information on its present location in Brinkman 1976]

[7]



[Annotations by Hilprecht]

abu Vater der . . .

Igigi

Inscription on lapis lazuli found in room in hill line south of temple. Inscription 16.3×9.5.

Ka-da-aš-ma-an Tur-gu

[EŞ 1935 = BE I/1, 63 (copied from squeeze)]

[8]



Lapis lazuli found in the “shop” in front of Temple

[EŞ 1900 = BE I/1, 68]

[9]

Very interesting!!

Kurigalzu
 šar Ka-ru-Du-ni-ia-aš
 ekallu ša âlu ŠA-A-ŠA ki
 šá Elamti
 ik-šú-ud-ma
 a-na Bêlit
 ? beli(t)-ti-šú
 a-na ba-la-ṭi-šu
 i-qi-iš.

*[Except for Kurigalzu, all written
 by Hilprecht]*



Ishtarit
 his goddess

 Dungi
 king of Ur

[written by Peters]

Agate tablet pierced as amulet, broken off at bottom. From the “shop”.

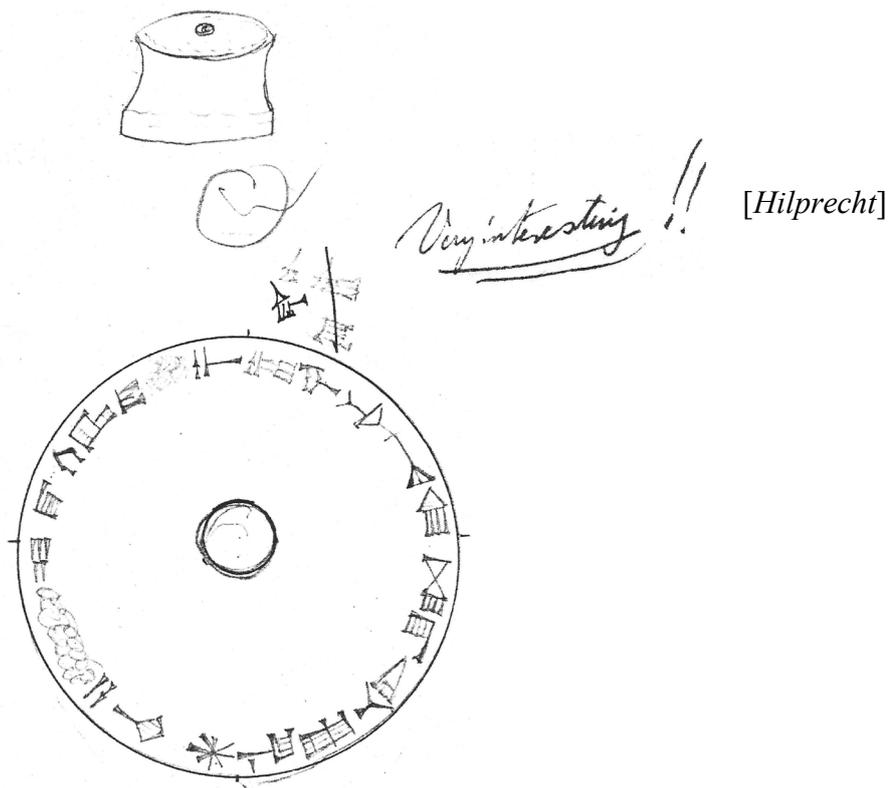
[CBS 8598 = BE I/1, 15 and 43]

[10]



One of the chalk inscriptions from the shop.

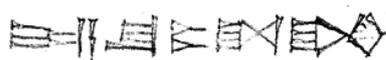
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One of the door knob inscriptions from “shop”.

[BE I/1, 69, present location unknown (MSK 287, V.2.2)]

[12]

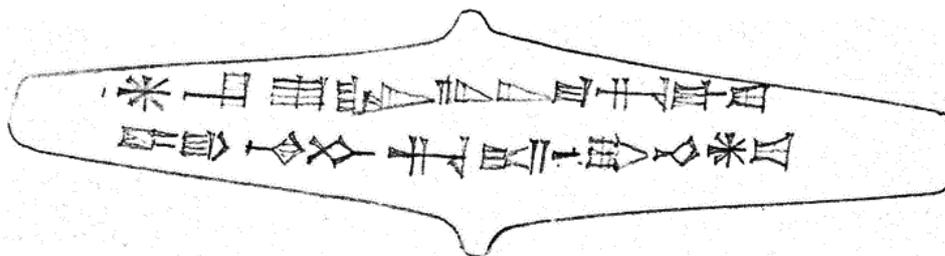


[Hilprecht:] (cf. 4 Seiten weiter

[Hilprecht:] [Bi-be]-ia-šu

Fragment of another.

[13]

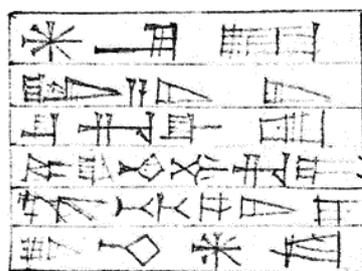


Stone knife, mottled brown black, & yellow white; found in “shop”.

Bel, his king, Kurigalzu
son of Burnaburiaš has consecrated.

[CBS 8600 = BE I/1, 35]

[14]

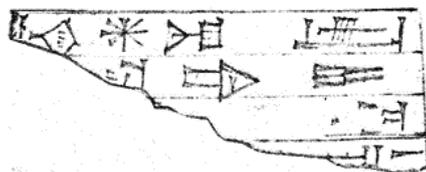


Bel
His king
Kurigalzu
son of Burnaburiaš
for his life
Has consecrated.

Lapis lazuli tablet on block of stone. Size of inscription. Tablet partly sawed off. From “shop”.

[CBS 8599 = BE I/1, 36]

[15]



Fragment of inscription on broken azurite axe from “shop.”

[BE I/1, 76 (copied from Peters' copy). Present location unknown (Brinkman 1976, 288-289, V.2.7)]

[16]



Fragment of broken lapis lazuli axe from “shop.”

[*BE I/2, 137 (copied in Constantinople 1893). Istanbul, inventory number unknown (Brinkman 1976, 263, U.2.4)*]

[17]



[*Hilprecht:*] ma-ru-ut-taš

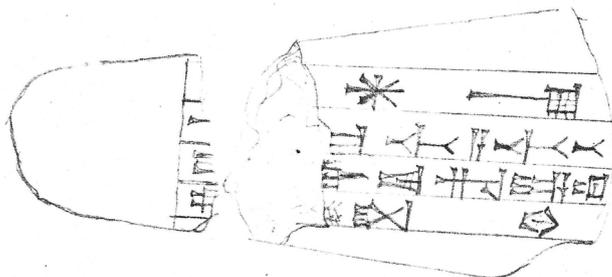
(Ku)rigalzu [*Hilprecht supplementing Peters*]

Fragment of broken lapis lazuli axe from “shop”

[*BE I/2, 136 (copied in Constantinople 1893). Istanbul, inventory number unknown (Brinkman 1976, 263, U.2.4)*]

[18]

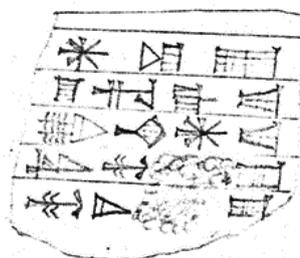
To Bel(?)
for his life
Kurigalzu
has dedicated



Two pieces of a lapis lazuli object from shop.

[CBS 8666 = BE I/1, 46]

[19]

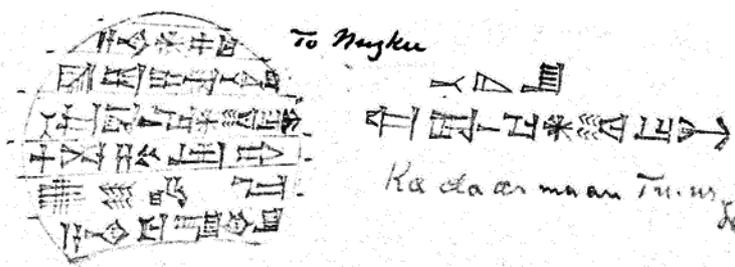


To Beltis
Kurigalzu
Has consecrated

Lapis lazuli amulet from shop, bored parallel with lines near top.

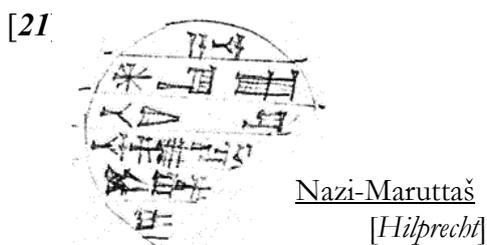
[CBS 8668 = BE I/1, 48]

[20]



Lapis lazuli tablet from shop.

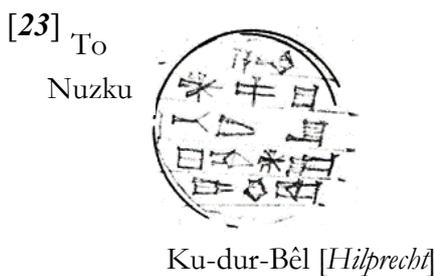
[EŞ 1905 = BE I/1, 59]



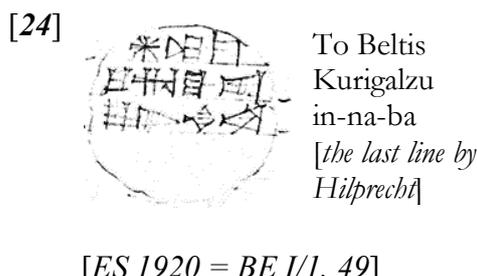
[EŞ 1924 = BE I/1, 53]



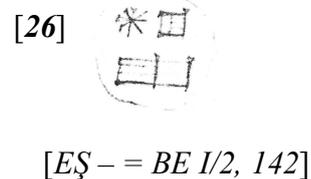
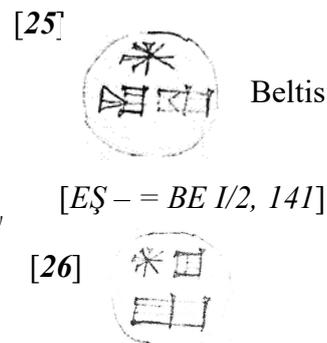
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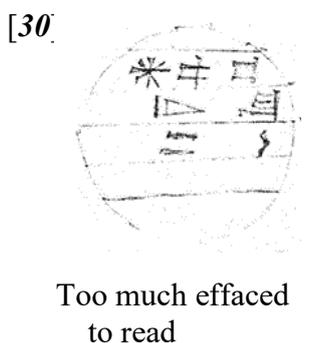
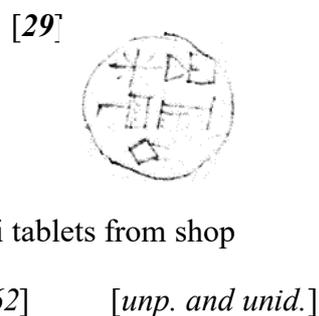
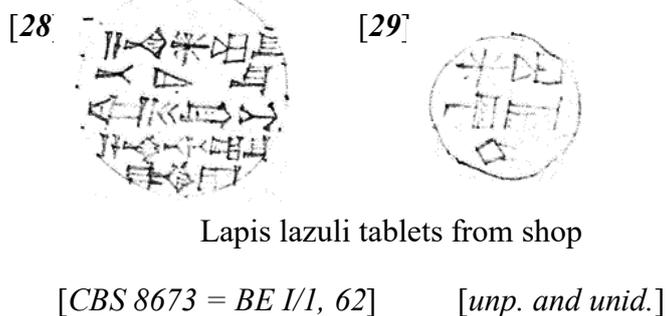
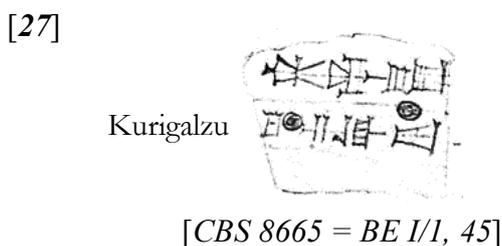
[EŞ 1923 = BE I/1, 64]



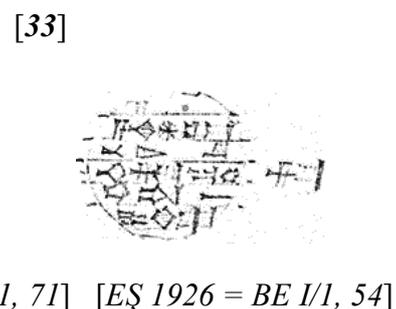
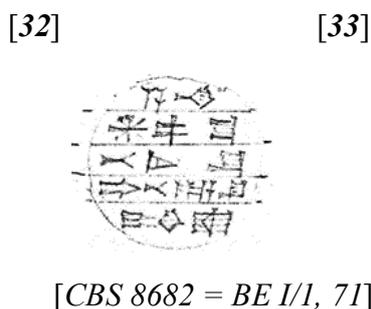
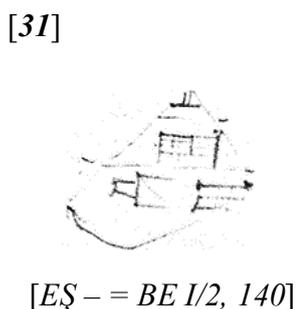
[EŞ 1920 = BE I/1, 49]



Lapis lazuli tablets from shop, middle lower one bored as amulet parallel with lines.



[EŞ – = BE I/2, 138]



Tablets from same place, also of lapis lazuli, but very indistinct. One small one was entirely without inscription.

[34]



Cameo cut agate
amulet.

[EŞ 1906 = BE I/1, 51]

[35]



Broken
agate ring.

Inscription on
upper & lower
edges.

[CBS 8675 = BE I/1,
66 and 67]

[36]



Cameo cut
agate amulet.

[EŞ - = BE I/2, 139.

Cf. no. 98 below]

[37]



Kurigalzu [Hilprecht]

Broken agate ring, inscription
running as indicated in drawing,
but sides showing no fracture.

[CBS 8669 = BE I/1, 50]

[38]



Piece of dark
colored agate
ring, inscribed
in same way as
last.

[CBS 8684 = BE I/1, 74]

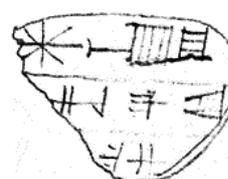
[39]



Broken piece of
agate cameo cut.

[CBS 8670 = BE I/1, 52]

[40]

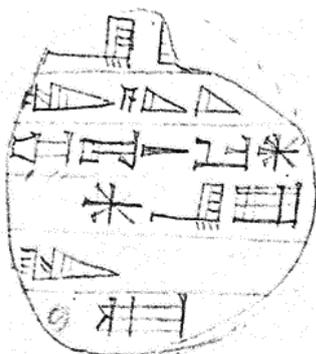


(Ku)rrigalzu

Broken cameo cut
tablet of agate.

[EŞ 1902 = BE I/2, 134]

[41]



Cameo cut agate tablet, not
pierced.

[CBS 8674 = BE I/1, 65]

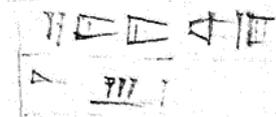
[42]



Cameo cut agate amulet,
one sign written over edge
of dark centre, on light
colored edge.

[EŞ 1912 = BE I/2, 135]

[43]



Fragment of an agate
ring, very badly rubbed.

[Unp. and unid.]

[44]



Fragment of an agate
ring, very badly rubbed.

[Unp. and unid.]

[45]

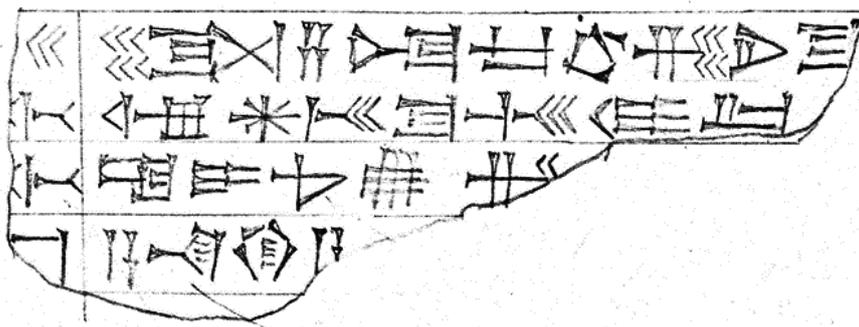


Cameo cut agate.
Inscribed on edge,
not in centre.

[CBS 8683 = BE I/1, 73]

Objects found in the shop.

[46] Inscription on reddish stone, containing lion & ostrich, which was photographed.



[*BE I/1*, 80 and pl. XII:32-33 (copied from Peters' copy and photograph). Peters, CO 505. Cf. CBS 4935]

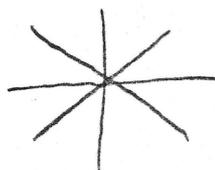
[47]



Agate cameo cut.

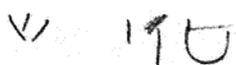
[CBS 8687 = *BE I/1*, 29]

[48] On bottom of Urmush vase a large mark, thus



[CBS 8870 = *BE I/1*, 9]

[49]

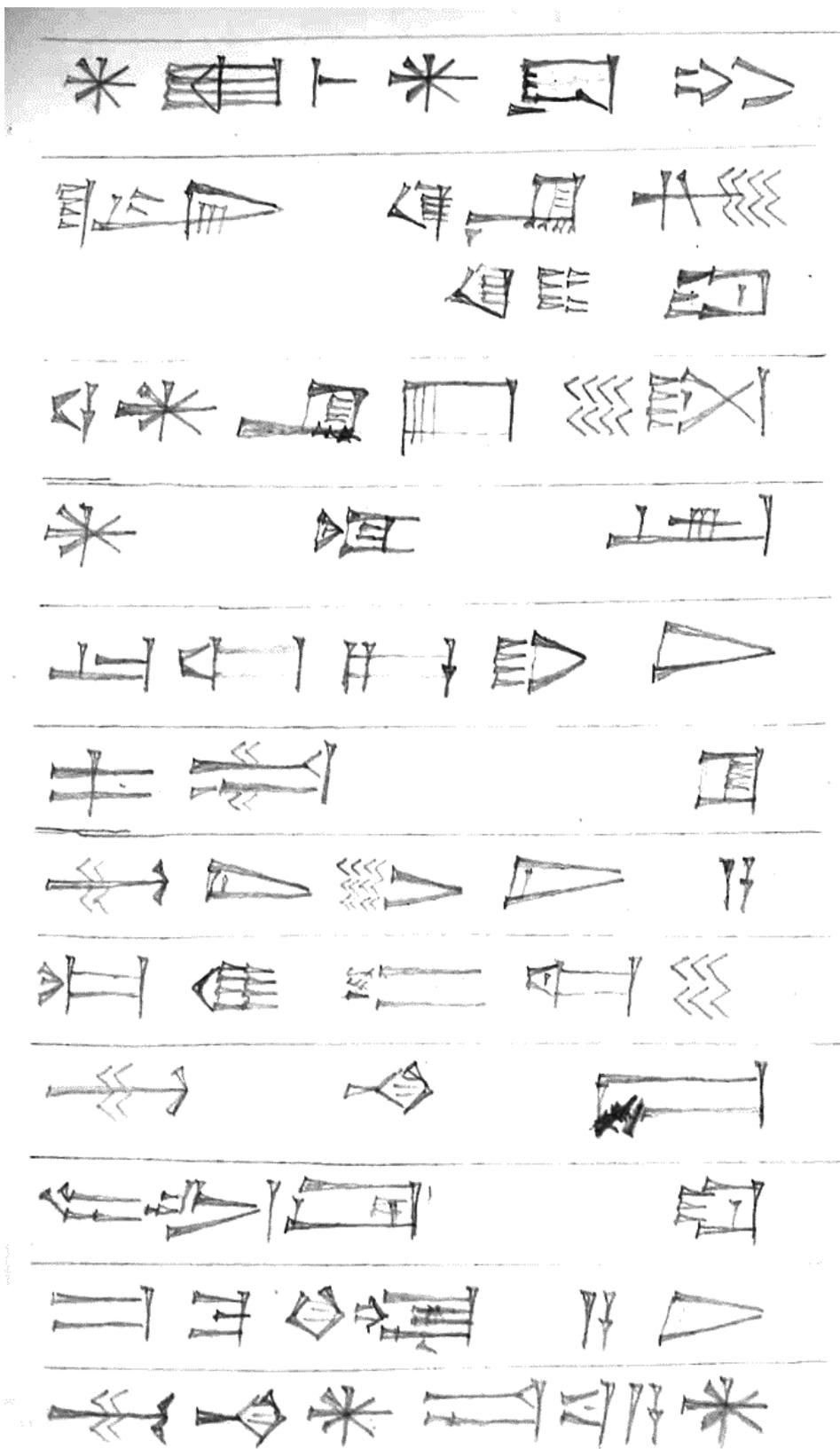


Inscription on clay bas relief of man & lion from first year.

[Cast CBS 9477 = *BE I/2*, pl. XXVI:71]

[50]

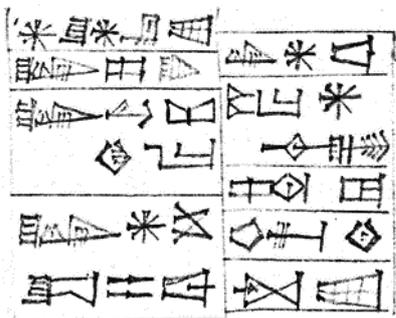
Brick of Ishme Dagan
cf. H.22



King of Sumer
& Akkad

Adar

[51]



Gamil-Sin
The powerful king
King of Ur
King of the four
regions

Amil Šamaš
son of Ur-Sirgi(?)
Viceroy
of Adab (or Udad)
secretary

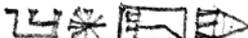
Seal inscription of Gamil-Sin of Ur, stamped ten times on a case tablet, one of lot No. 702. There are three stiff figures & a crescent on the seal, but these are only stamped three times, & imperfectly. Stamps on all six sides, & over the writing. Length of cylinder 2.5 cm. This copy is double size.

[CBS 3593 = BE 3, 13 fits the description; but the CBS has that tablet as from I Exp., and all other identifiable tablets of lot 702 are now in Istanbul]

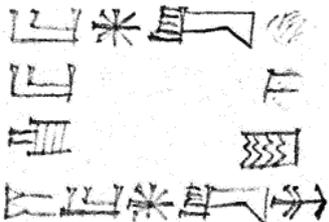
[52] Another with same commencement but different 2nd part, with only last line identical.

[Cf. CBS 8407 = NATN 154; CBS 8720 = NATN 195; CBS 11591 = BE 3, 65]

[53] 

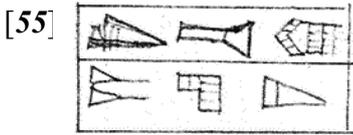
Last line of seal stamped several times on a simple tablet of the same lot. The seal was presumably two-lined, & the first line may have been 

[Ni.467 = NRVN 208]

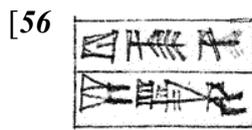
[54] 

Four lined seal stamped several times, but always very imperfectly on another simple tablet of the same lot.

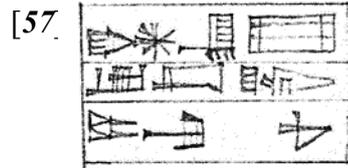
[Presumably Ni.1416 = NRVN 236]



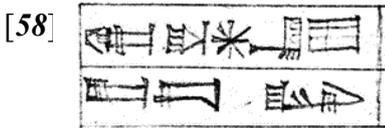
[55] seal on tablet of series no 702. [Ni.1431 = NRVN 298]



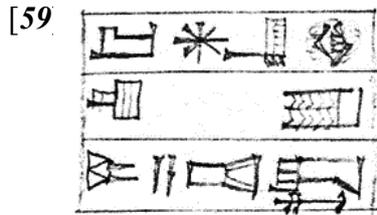
[56] seal on tablet 702 [Ni.1488 = NRVN 66]



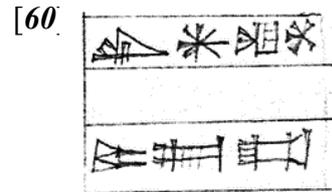
[57] Seal on unnumbered small black tablet. [Ni.1 = NRVN 135]



[58] II Seal on unnumbered small light colored tablet. [Ni.200 = NRVN 137. Cf. no. 76 below]



[59] I Seal on unnumbered (509)? small dark tablet. On two tablets. [Ni.2 = NRVN 30; Ni.30 = NRVN 29. Cf. no.75 below]



[60] Triangular tablet, used for closing something. Middle line appears to be unwritten.



[61] Small black tablet, no. 698.



[62] Unnumbered small light colored tablet [Ni.23 = NRVN 128]



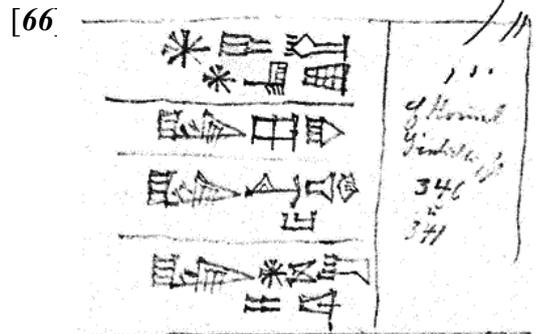
[63] Small black tablet, no. 627. Two tablets. [Cf. NRVN p. 60:256]



[64] Small black tablet No. 685

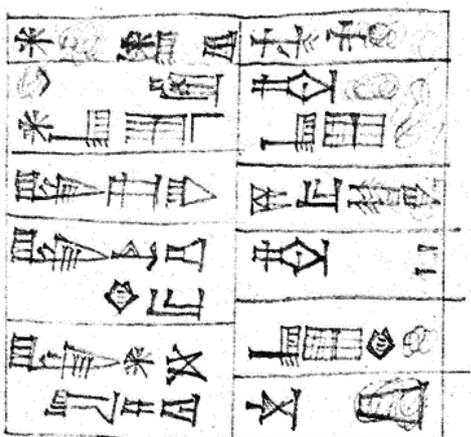


[65] Small black case tablet, no 702 [Ni.5 = NRVN 232]



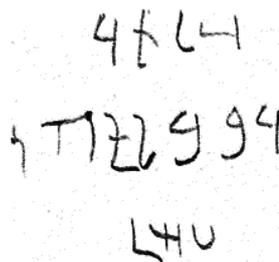
[66] Inscription on small black tablet, unnumbered, three lines of second part illegible. Someone son of someone. Figure seated on throne. [In the empty second column, Hilprecht wrote:] !!! cf. Hommel, Geschichte, pp. 346 u 341

[67]



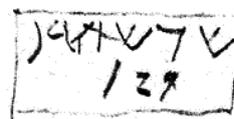
Light colored case tablet badly broken, 665. Seated figure like preceding [Cast CBS 9766 = Owen 1973, 131 ff. Cf. no. 80 below]

[68]



Aramaean docket on three sides of small neo-Babylonian tablet.

[69]



Aramaean docket on small side of a small neo-Babylonian tablet. [Possibly CBS 3552 = BE 8, 33]

[70]



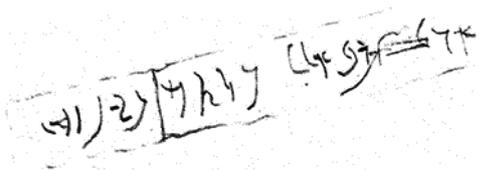
Aramaean docket on small edge of small neo-Babylonian unbaked tablet.

[71]



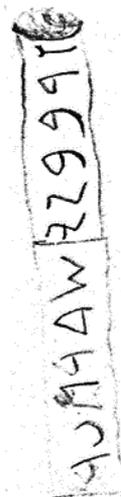
Aramaean docket on small edge of small neo-Babylonian tablet

[72]



Aramaean docket on one long & one short side of unbaked neo-Babylonian tablet.

[74]



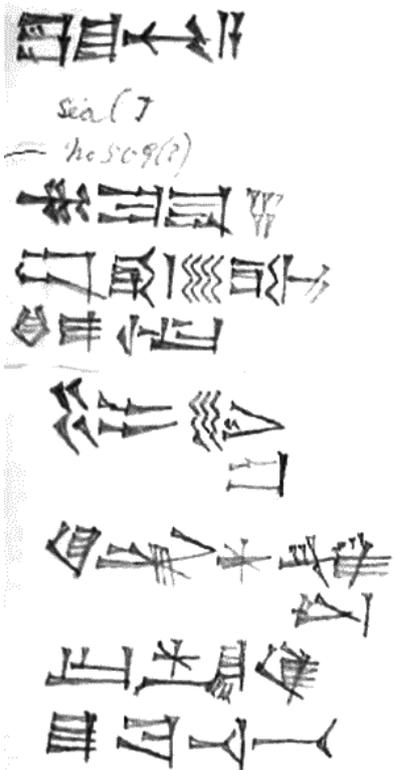
Aramaean docket on one long & one short side of small broken, neo-Bab. tablet.

[73]



Aramaean docket on long side of small neo-Babylonian tablet.

[75]



Small dark colored tablet.
 [Ni.30 = NRVN 29.
 Cf. no. 59 above]

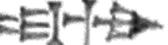
[76]



Below seal on tablet II
 [Ni.200 = NRVN 137.
 Cf. no. 58 above]

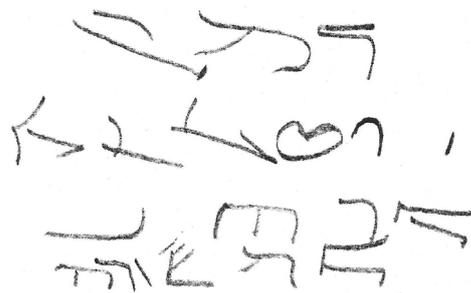
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[77] Letters on the side of the stone of Ashurnazirpal, & which do not show in the photograph.

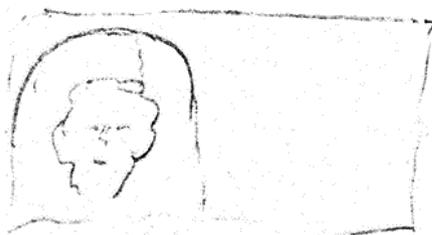
Obverse	Reverse
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6. 	7. 
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17. 	19. 
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[78] Inscription on so-called Abgarus stone from Edessa.



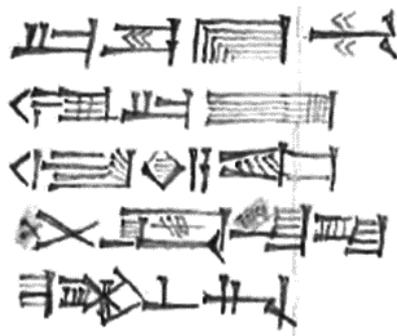
[79]



A large broken mortuary
stone, in Imperial Museum
Csple.

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[80]



Inside tablet of 665, with royal seal. Small, light colored, written only on one side, writing also running over edge. Casts were made of both inside & outside.

[*Cast of inside tablet CBS 9766 = Owen 1973, 131 f. Cf. no. 66 above*]

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Numbers of objects photographed, &c.

No. 291 glazed indecent figure, Egyptian?

Male figure found at III:2, unnumbered

" 227 Dog.

" 391 Egyptian figure?

Of the two female figures one is red, one brown.

The 18 very small coins are Arsacid, but more than that can not be determined, they are so oxidized. Only on one on one side is a Roman, on other Parthian head.

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[The notebook proper ends here. The following are on loose sheets of paper]

[81]

Door socket No. 2

from southern brick room in front of & below the great southern Temple wall.



Diorite.
 Inscription a-
 round hole in
 which door post
 moved, in semicir-
 cle. Seventeen
 lines, five double.
 Last three lines not
 so plain as prece-
 ding. In door post
 hole bronze rust.

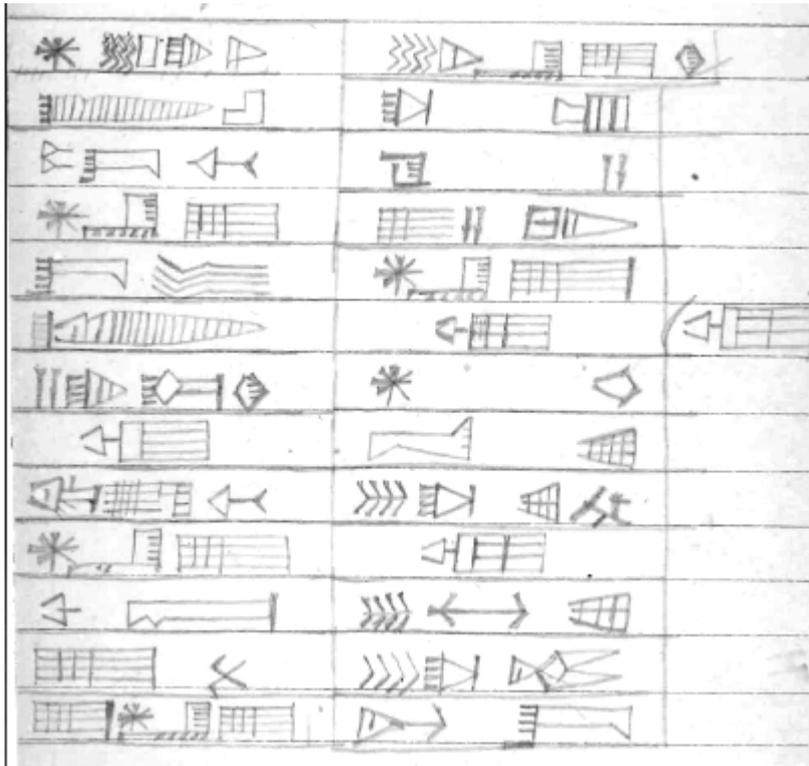
[BE I/1, 2 (copied from squeeze)]

[82]

Door Sockets

Larger & ruder, No. I, found April 17th, III:8 by mud brick wall, 11.5 metres below surface. (Cut down to smaller size). Smaller & finer at III.7, 9.20 below surface, by a line of four bricks.

Cons.

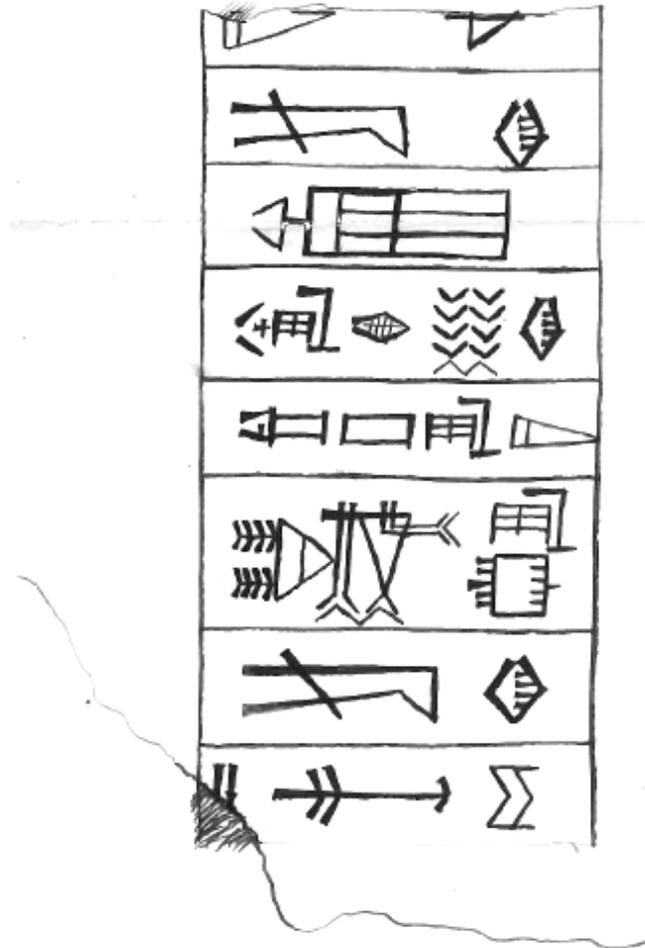


Inscription on two very large dark stone (diorite?) door sockets. Length of inscription 18, br. in No. I 10.5, in No. 2 10 cm.

[BE I/1, 2. One of them is CBS 8751]

[83 UPMAA_Nippur_01.01_Undated]

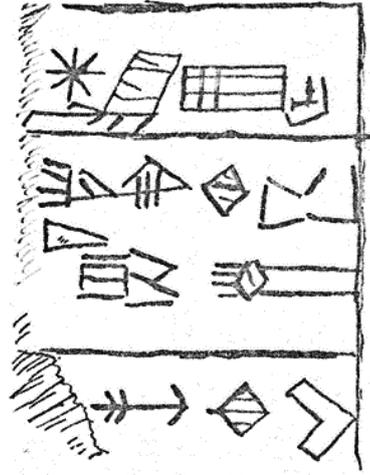
Broken mortar (or vase) of alabaster found in Temple, April 29th, 90, by side of Urba'u wall in front of Ziggurat, between 10 & 11 metres below surface.
Facsimile copy.



BE I/1, 5]

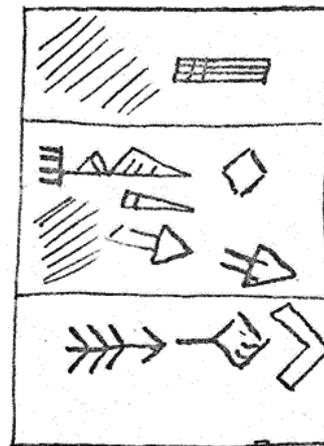
[84] Inscription on formless white stone, not door socket, about 25×19, two diameters of a rough egg shape. A piece cut out of stone, & this inscription rudely scratched. This actual size & a facsimile. Found April 22nd in III.8.

[BE I 23 (copied from squeeze)]



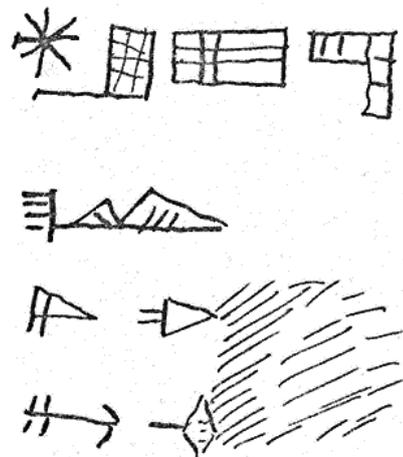
[85]

Inscriptions on two much larger, formless reddish stones, rudely scratched, much effaced. Found at



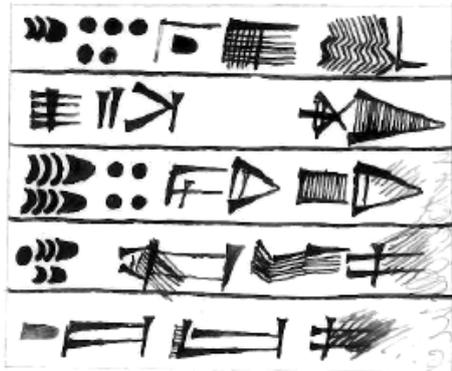
[86]

same time & place as above.

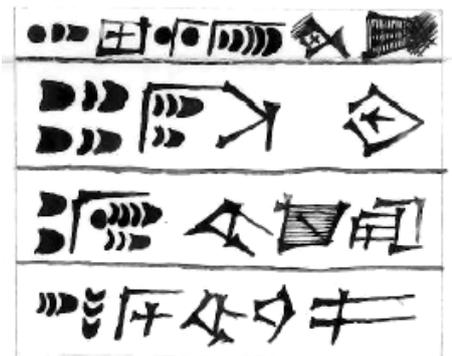


[87]

Obverse.
Lower part broken off



Reverse
Upper part broken.



Full size, attempt at facsimile. Broken, reddish tablet, very fine clay. Good execution. Found in Temple hill, April 28/90.

[CBS 4678 = OSP II 7]

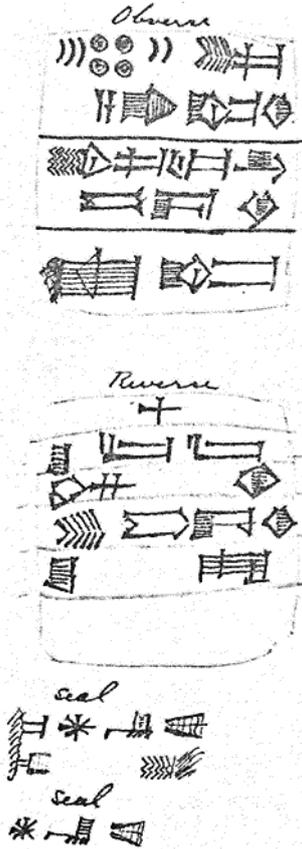
[88]



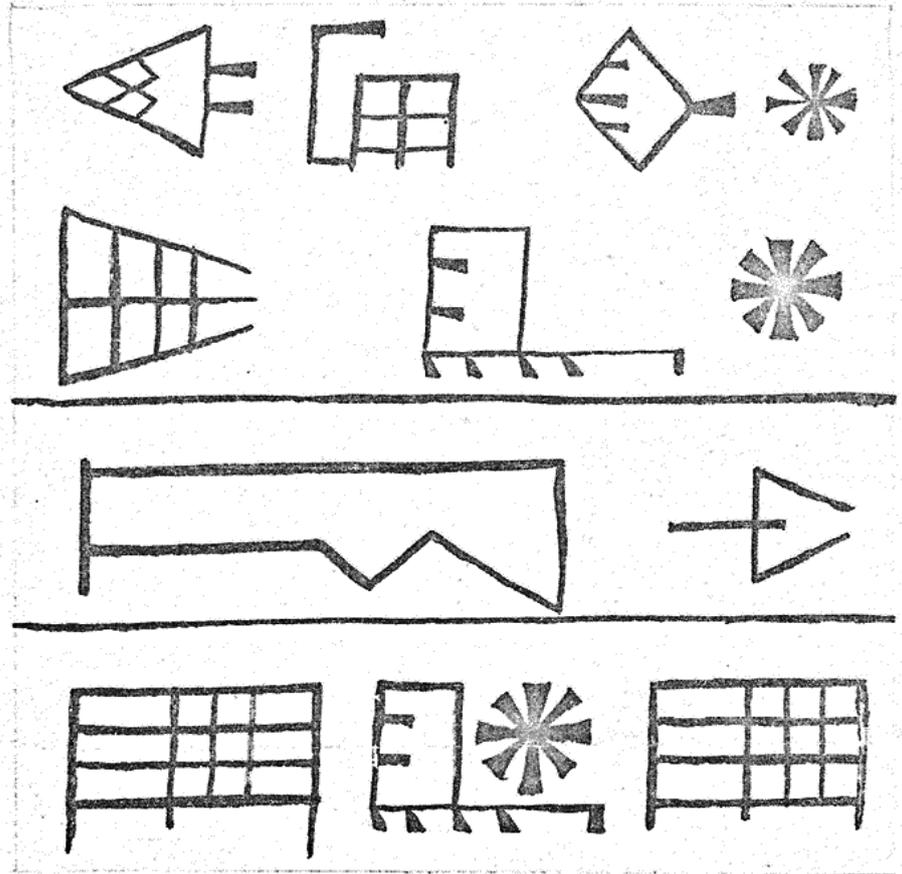
End lines of tablet found at X Hammadi's trench, on same day.

[CBS 10029 = NATN 336]

[89] Small tablet, found in Temple Hill, April 25/90
 Size of original. Pretty work.
 Color reddish. Case broken.
 Seals representing man struggling with rampant bull or lion man.



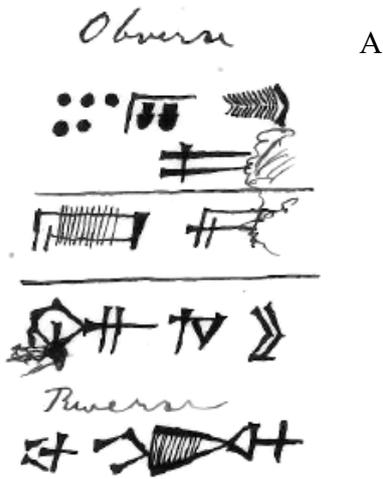
[90]



[CBS 4681 = OSP II 3
 and PBS 9, 122]

Stamp of terra cotta, yellowish, 11×11×2. Handle behind broken. Found April 25th, 1890 in hill known as VI, south end, about 1½ metres below surface.

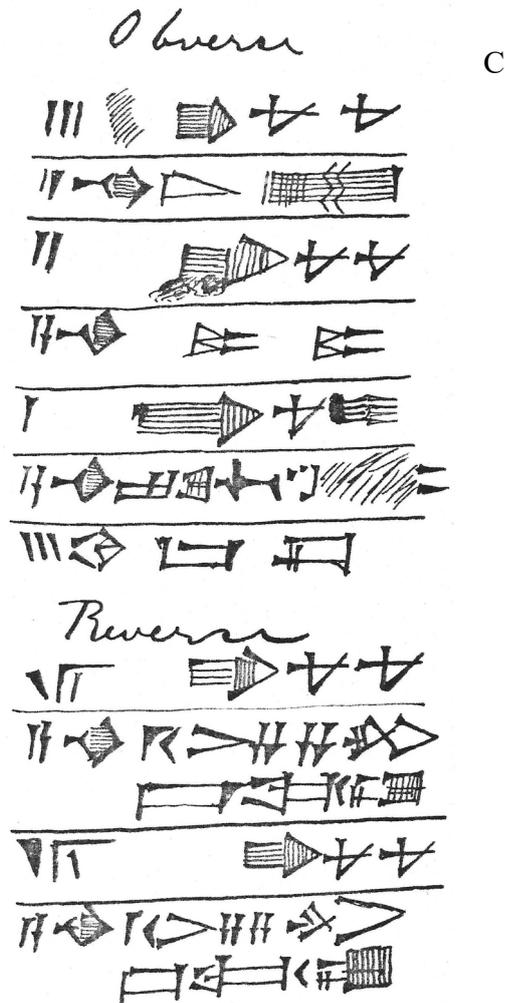
[91]



Small tablet found by
Urba'u(?) wall on Temple
Hill, April 26th/90

[CBS 4674 = OSP II 6]

[92]

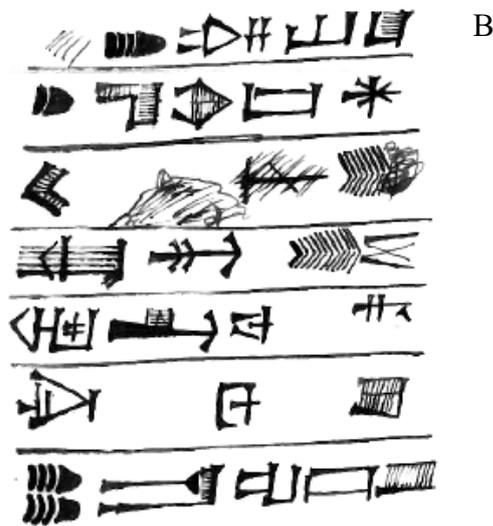


Larger tablet, found at same place as
preceding. Both of very fine clay, of
a slightly reddish color.

April 26/90

[CBS 4672 = OSP II 28]

[93]



Tablet found in same place & same
date as the two preceding. Not in so
good a state of preservation. One
side entirely chipped away.

[CBS 4677 = OSP II 24]

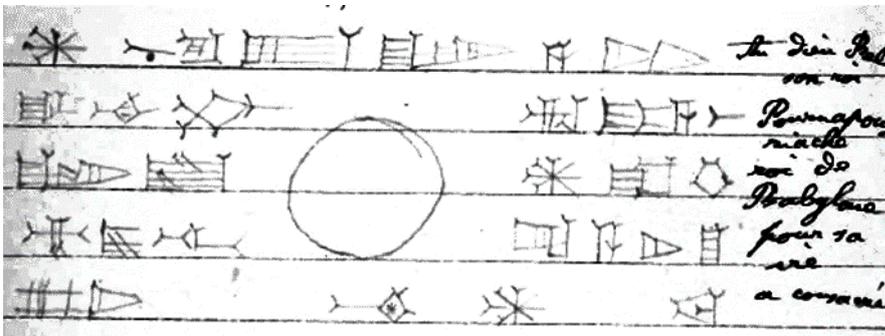
[Peters evidently copied the texts in the order A-C-B, hence the numbers assigned to them here]

[95]

I

Ivory tablet inscription, found Feb. 8.

A



[Scheil:]
 Au dieu Bel
 son roi
 Pournapou-
 riache
 roi de
 Babylone
 pour sa vie
 a consacré

[CBS 8730 = BE I 34]

[96]

II

Agate, cameo cut, found Feb. 10th

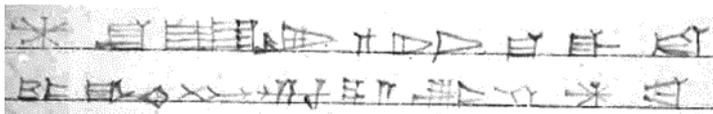


D

[CBS 8687 = BE I/1, 29. Cf. no. 47 above]

[97] Grey stone inscription, paper weight like, found Feb. 8th.

B



*Au dieu Bel
 son roi Kougazou (sic) fils de
 Pournapouriache a consacré*

[Scheil:]
 Au dieu Bel
 son roi Kougazou (sic)
 fils de
 Pournapouriache
 a consacré

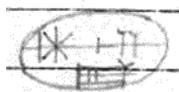
[CBS 8600 = BE I/1, 35. Cf. no. 13 above]

[98]

III

Agate, cameo cut, found Feb. 10.

C



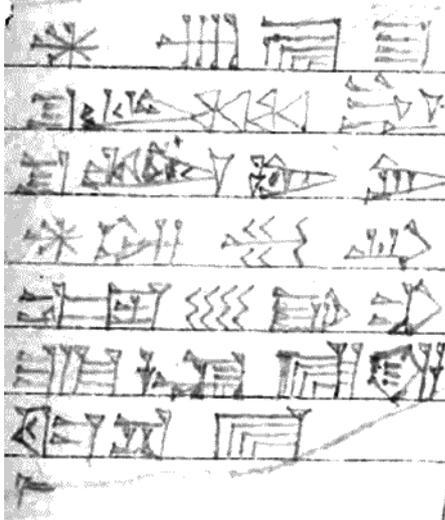
[EŞ - = BE I/2, 139. Cf. no. 36 above]

[99]

I

Broken brick, red, found in upper layers of brick retaining wall, south of ziggurat. Breadth of brick 27 cm., of stamp 8.4 cm., characters rather large, more wedge than line.

A



1 Au dieu Bel
 2 roi des pays
 3 son roi
 4 Raman-madui-akhe
 5 pasteur exaucé
 6 prince de Nipour
 7

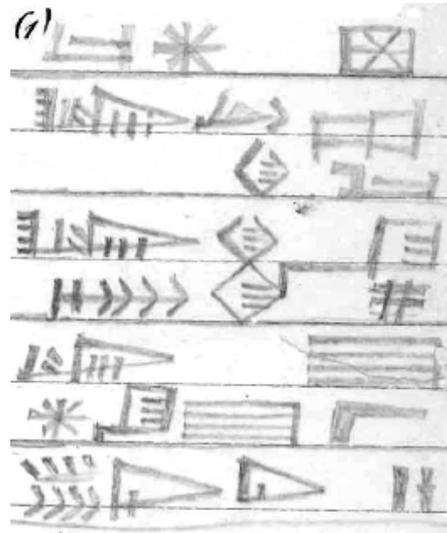
[Cf. BE I/1, 81; Behrens 1985, 239, 49]

[100]

II

Brick, light colored, from same. Measures 31 cm. × 27.5, characters line. Same as V.

B



(1) [] et non []

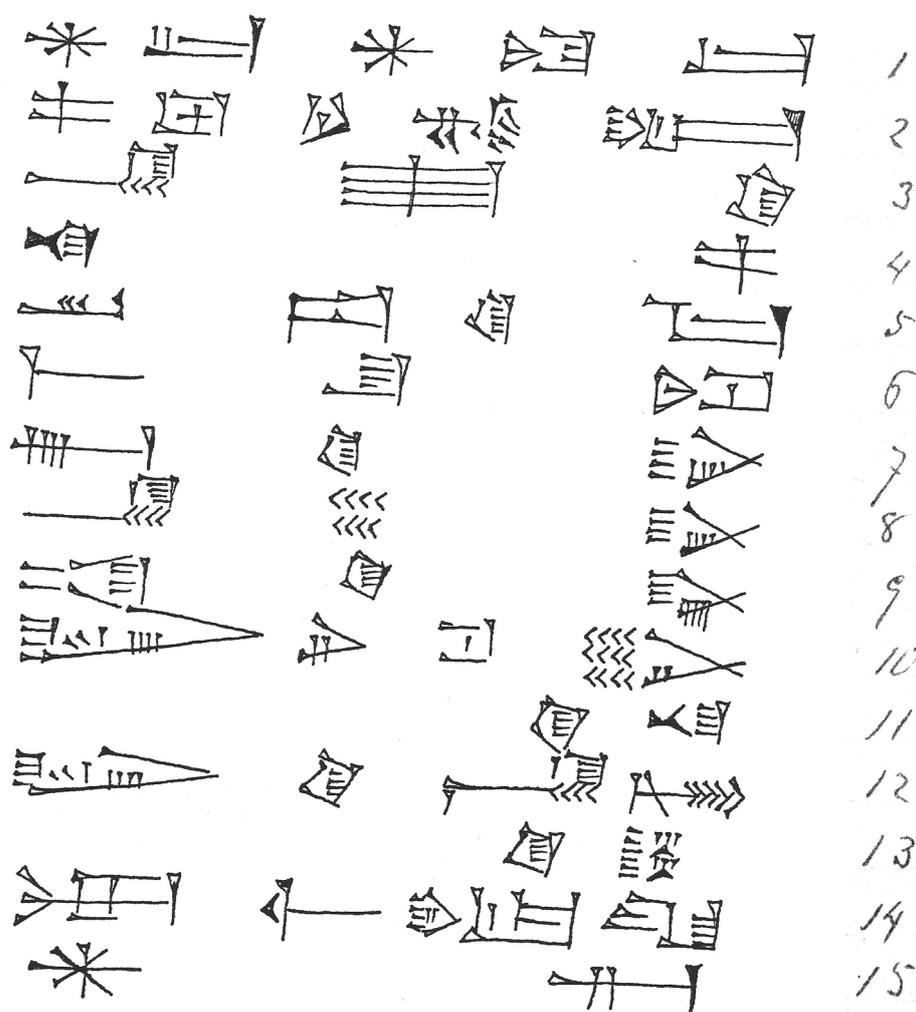
1 [] et []
 2 roi d'Our
 3 roi du pays de Choumer
 et d'Accad
 4 qui le temple
 de Bel
 5 a construit

(Plusieurs briques du roi
 [] et [] ont été
 publiées dans W A J
 I pl 1; celle-ci ne
 s'y trouve pas)

[Cf. Behrens 1985, 231, 8]

[101]

III



Bright rather light, from same. Characters regularly wedge. Stamping(?) careless & crooked, different bricks vary in shape & place of characters. Measures 32.5×32 cm. Stamp 23×10.5.

[Cf. BE I/1, 18; Behrens 1985, 234, 25. Peters' copy retraced]

[102]

IV

(cut out after writing)



Brick found at III:14 on Temple Hill. Difficult to read. Brick broken, breadth 36.5 cm. light colored. Stamp irregularly put on 10×9.5 cm. Probably cut, not stamped.

*Assarhaddon roi d'Assyrie)
 D'un roi qualifié roi de Babylone
 roi de Choumer et d'Accad. En assyrien
 phonétique et de basse époque; j'vois
 bien que c'est d'un roi d'Assyrie peut- [unfinished]*

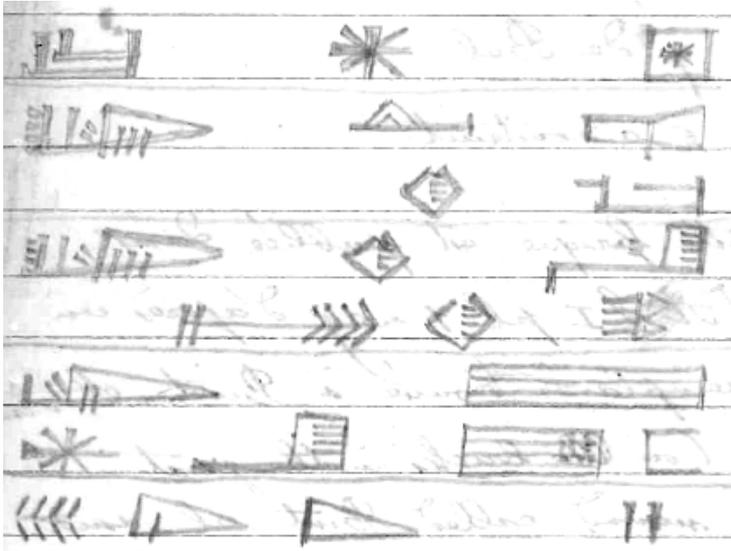
[CBS 8645 = PBS 15, 75; Behrens 1985, 244, 80]

Cons.

[103]

B.

V. same as II [100]



Size of brick 31.5×31.5 cm.

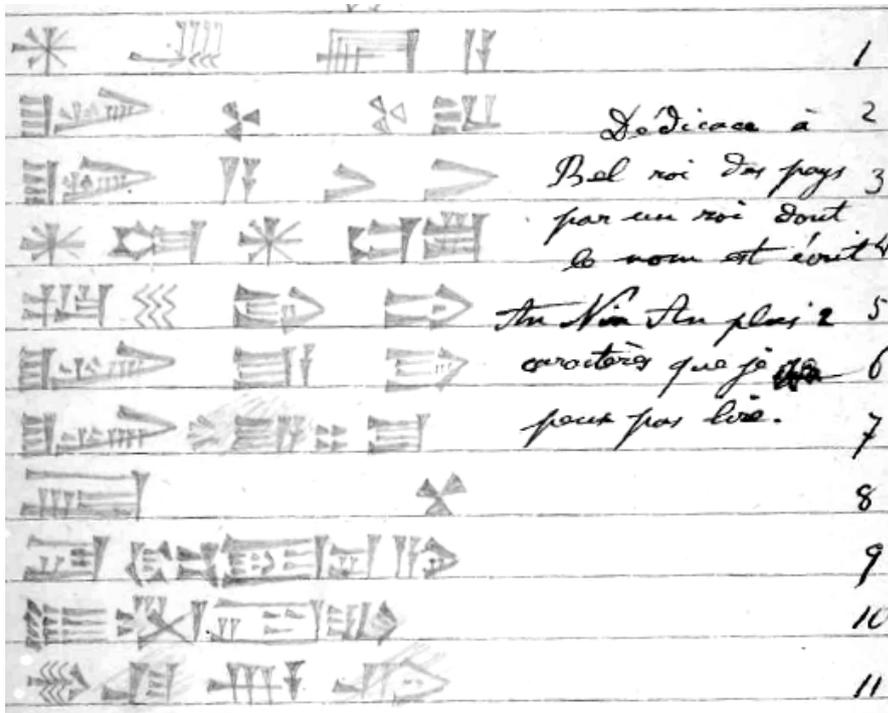
" " stamp 12×10 cm.

Brick light colored. Three others compared. Characters half line, half wedge. Stamp often struck first over edge, & then put in right place, making double impression of part. Relative position of characters not the same in different bricks.

[Cf. Behrens 1985, 231, 8]

[104]

VI



[Scheil:]

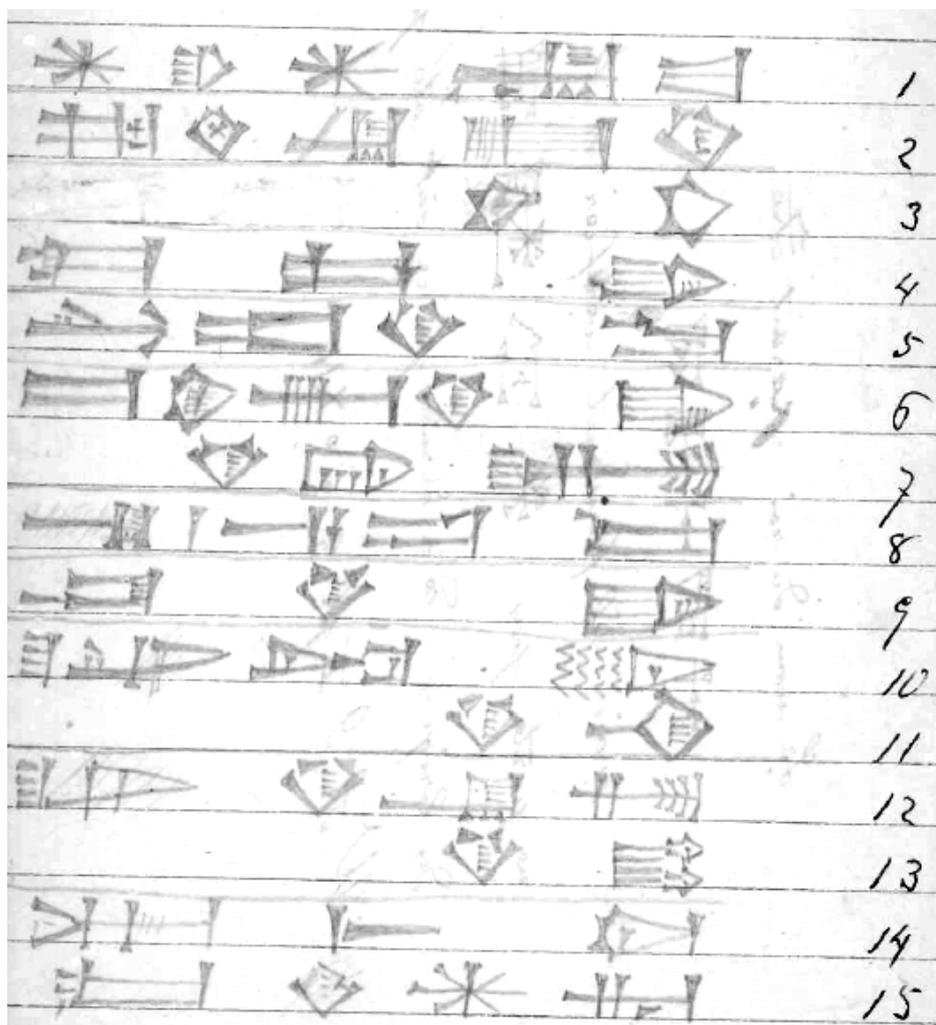
Dédicace à
 Bel roi des pays
 par un roi dont
 le nom est écrit
 An Nin An plus 2
 caractères que je ne
 peux pas lire.

This stamp one complete thing in itself, relative position &c. of characters being same. Stamp itself apparently not clear. Common on bricks of various sorts. This & V most common stamps.

[Cf. BE I/1, 82; Behrens 1985, 239, 53]

VII

[105]



Le nom du roi paraît être

→+ E V →+ A R

*mais il faudrait vérifier si le texte
ne porte pas* * E V * R

*Les briques de ce dernier prince ont été publiées dans
WA 9 I pl 3 n° XII*

One brick, red, well baked, broken, l. 34 cm., stamp 22×10. Clear.

[CBS 8642 = BE I/1, 19. Cf Behrens 1985, 235, 26]

[106]

VIII

Bricks poor, white, averaging 30 to 31×28. Stamp 17.5×9 cm. Written varying from 17 to 20, & 9.5 to 11.5 cm.

3 at Cons.

Ishme-Dagan



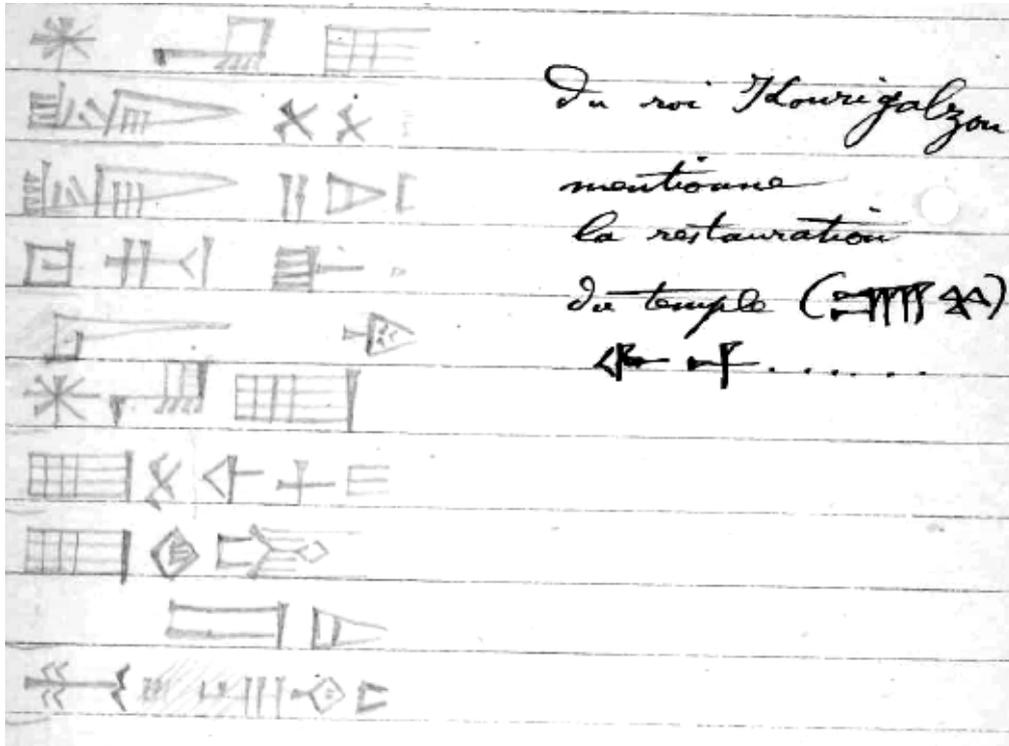
Copied from six bricks, one stamped, five written. Stamp not plain. Great variations in writing. Very careless. These & others found in a sort of platform about 1½ metres below surface at eastern end of southern outer hills of temple.

*Du roi Ishme - Dagan
 dont plusieurs briques ont
 été publiées dans W A I I
 pl 1 n V. Cette brique ci
 ne s'y trouve pas, aurait
 besoin d'être étudiée longuement*

[Cf. PBS 15, 46; Behrens 1985, 234, 21]

[107] Cons.

IX

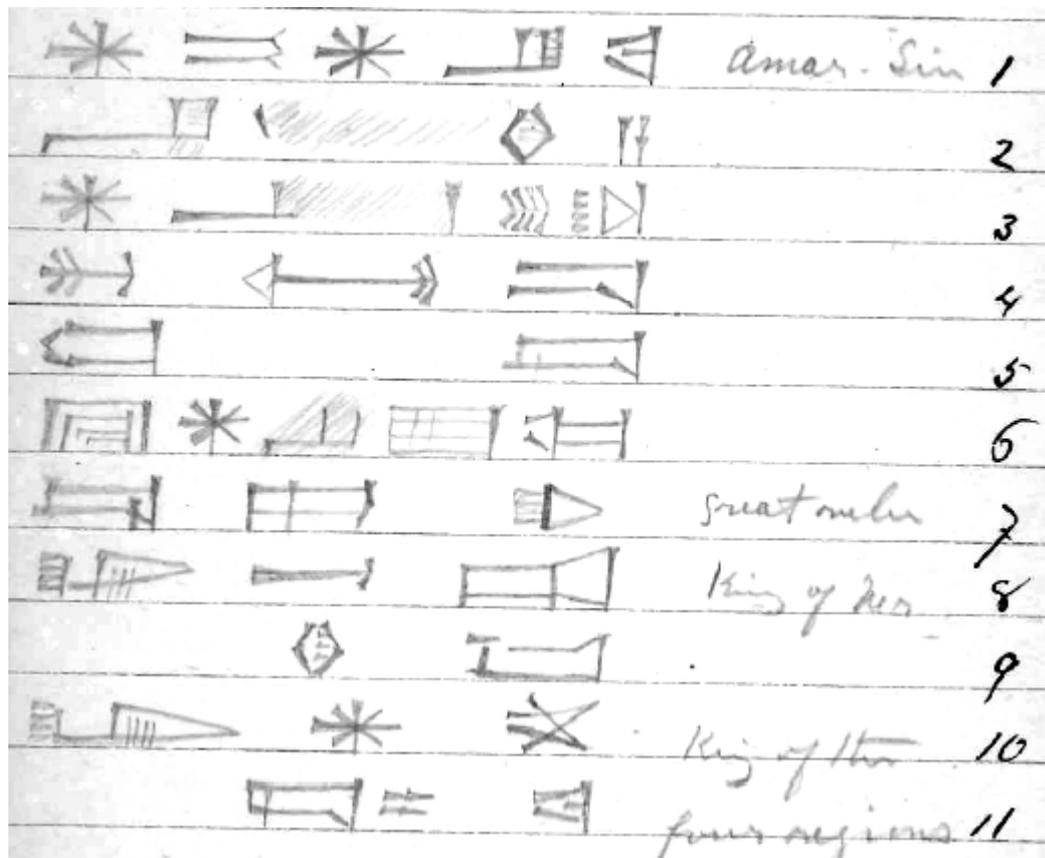
Zikurat [*Hilprecht*]

Inscription on edge of brick from Temple, lapping over edge so that latter part of each line lost. Length of inscription 13 cm. Brick reddish color, 32 inches [*sic*] square. Traces of bitumen.

[*Cf. BE I/1, 38; Behrens 1985, 237, 38*]

Cons.

[108]

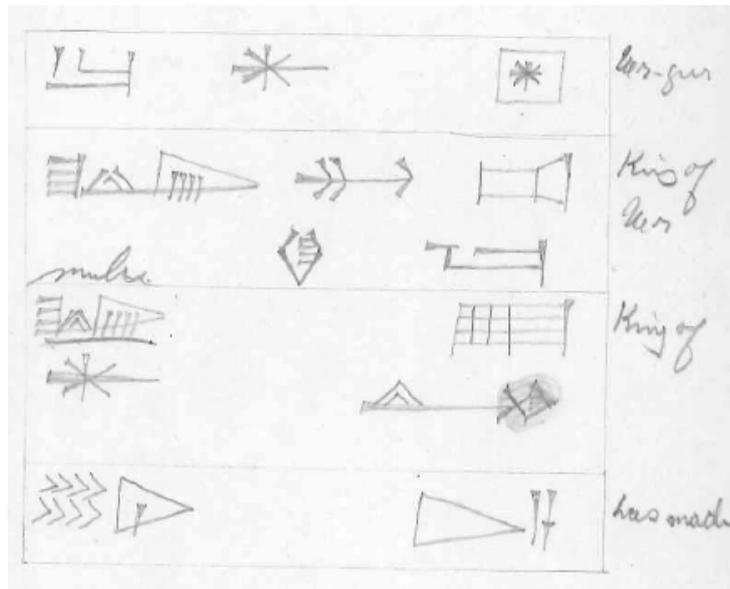


Brick, place of finding lost, but not in original construction. On Temple Hill. Poor material, yellowish soft. Probably originally 30 cm. but broken. Inscription 16×9 cm.

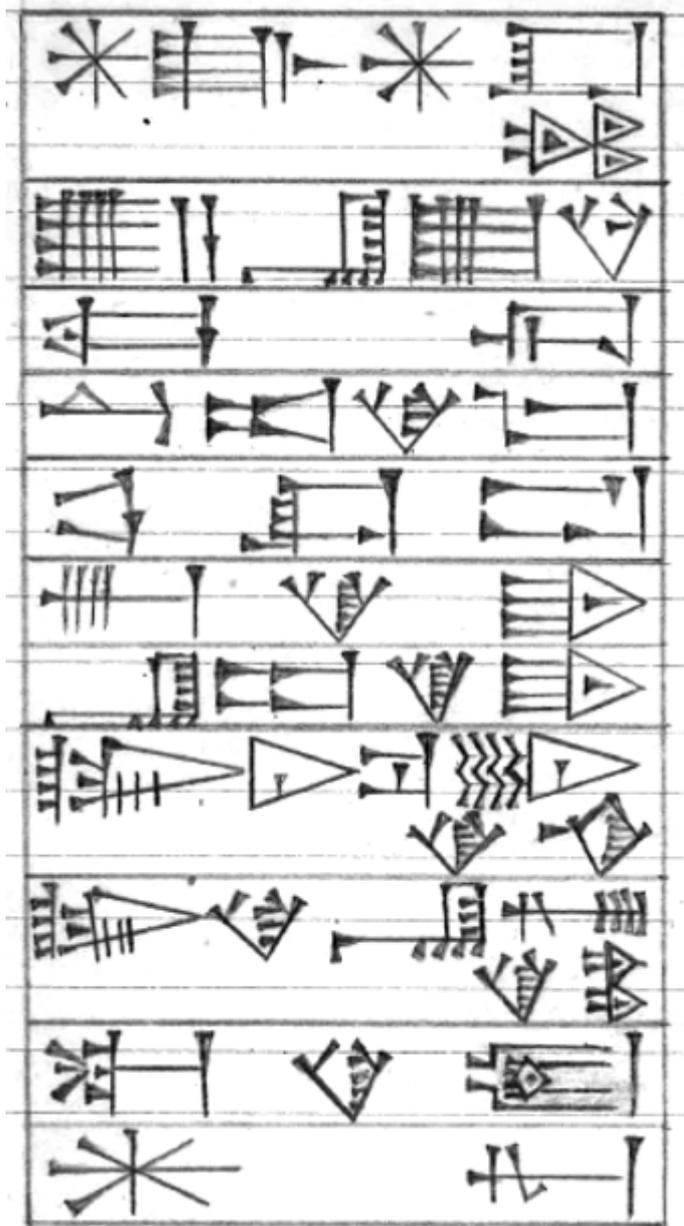
[Cf. Behrens 1985, 232, 16 E]

[109]

Inscription on two stone door sockets found at Mugheir, May 18/90.
Same inscription on bricks from ziggurat.



[110]

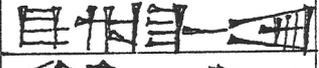
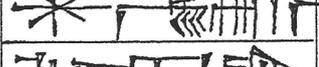
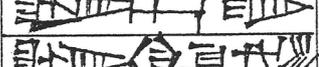
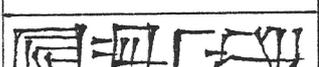
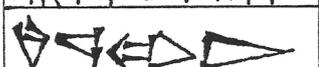
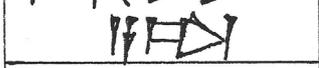
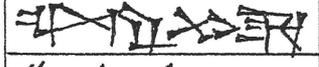
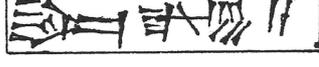


Ishme-Dagan, found at Ur.

[*Cf. Behrens 1985, 233, 19*]

[111]

Brick found at Mugheir, May 18/90. Whitish. Inscribed on one edge.
Length 29 cm. Breadth varies from 6.5 to 7.5 cm.

	To Nišum(?)
	His king
	Kurigalzu
	Restorer of
	Enlilla
	Powerful king
	King of Sumer (&)
	Akkad
	King of the four re-
	gions
	
	
	
	
	
	
	

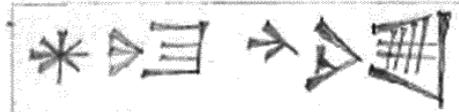
[CBS 9023 = UET I 157; cf. Behrens 1985, 237, 40]

[Peters' copy retraced]

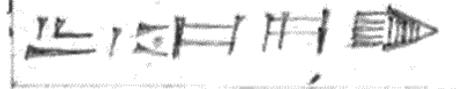
[112]

Very long brick from Tel Lo. Inscription 23×11.

Nin-gir-zu



mighty warrior



Enlilla



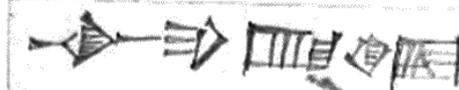
Ur-ba'u



patesi



Sirpurla



his house



he has made



[Cf. DC II pl. 37, nos. 1 and 2]

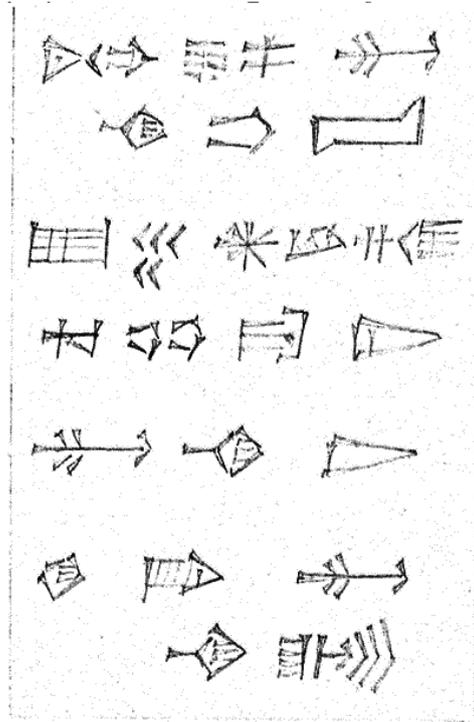
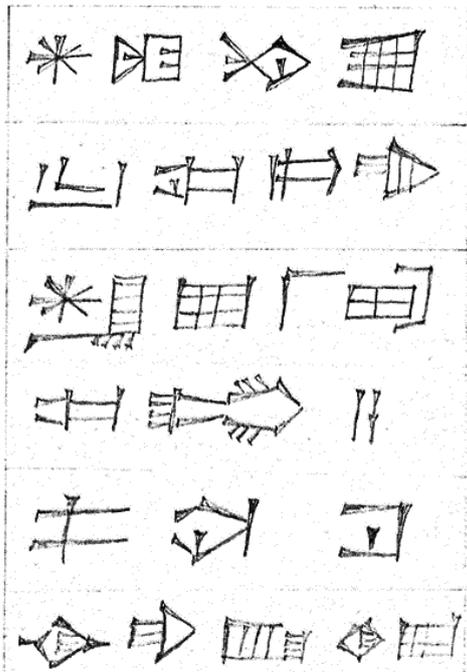
[113]

[Peters copied this inscription on two separate sheets of paper, numbered I and II]

I

II

Brick from Tel Lo
Inscription full size.



[Peters' translation, arranged in the margins of the two sheets:]

Nin-gir-zu / powerful warrior / En-lilla / Gudea / patesi / of Sirpurla

who has made the dedicatory inscription / his temple of E-ninnu which illumines the shades? /has made

[Cf. DC II pl. 37, no. 7]

[114]

Brick from Tel Lo
Inscription 27×11 cm.
Bad work.

Nin-gir-zu



mighty warrior



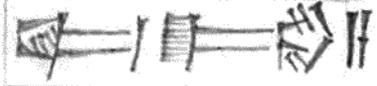
En-lilla



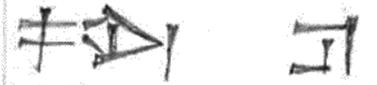
his king



Gu-de-a



patesi



of
Sirpurla



Eninnu which
enlighteneth
the shades?



has made



[Cf. DC II pl. 37, no. 6]

[1890-00-00. *Hilprecht, undated slip of paper. UPMAA_Nippur_01.13, 36. HO*]

- 1) Two grey baggages of films (Expedition) Haynes
- 2) Exposed films (undeveloped) by Peters (small yellow paste-board box) Kodak
- 3) 8 developed photos (Kodak), Pompeiopolis [*ill*] letter of Mrs. L. Peters New York May 22.
mark 2577 – Peters
- 4) 2 white square baggages (Kodak) of developed Photos. – Peters
sent by Mrs. L. { a) N^o 2577 (closed). 31/12/89
Peters New York { b) N^o 1895 (opened) a good many (April 15, 90)
- 5) 14 pictures (Asia Minor) – Asia Minor.
- 6) 148 worthless Kodaks – 24/6, 90

[1890-00-00. Peters, List of Boxes & Contents. UPMAA_Nippur_10.06, 101-104. HO]

[From Peters, Object Catalogue 2, written backwards from end]

List of boxes & contents

Box 1. Baked tablets

Whole tablets 77 ×

Broken " 90

Box 2. Baked tablets

Whole tablets 224 ×

remains Broken " 62

Box 3 Unbaked tablets

remains Whole tablets 98 ×

Broken " 80

Boxes 1, 2 & 3 packed in one large box.

Box 4. Unbaked tablets

× Whole tablets 61

Broken " 109

remains Fragments 23

Box 5. Gold, silver, copper, beads, gems, agate, lapis lazuli, ivory, coins, glass, & various small objects. ×

Boxes 4 & 5 packed together in one large box.

Box 6 Pottery ×

Box 7 " ×

Box 8 Pottery ×

Boxes 6, 7 & 8 also contain a few odds & ends.

Box 9 Stones, 86 pieces, mostly fragments, a piece of inscribed ivory, &c. ×

Box 10. Ten bricks with inscriptions entire, & one broken. ×

Box 11 One box of unbaked tablets, or tablet fragments, & four bricks. ×

Box 12. Unbaked tablets.
 Whole tablets 40 ×
 Broken " 47
 A very small box remains

Box 13. Unbaked fragments remains
 " 14 " " remains

Box 15 Baked tablets ×
 Whole 250
 Broken 34

This is the lot found in the Camp Hill, & is very valuable.

Box 16 Baked fragments 97 pieces × remains
 These belong to box 15, & should not be separated from that lot. remains

Box 17. Baked fragments. This is the lot from Fleyah's trench at X, & contains some almost entire tablets of very large size. remains

Box 18. Baked fragments, better class. remains

Box 19. Baked tablets, fifty whole tablets; 20 unbaked fragments of good size. These come almost entirely from X, the finds of about April 20th. Very small box. × remains

Box 20 Baked fragments, better class, 100 pieces. Very small box. ×

Box 21. Fifty baked tablets, many somewhat chipped, & the same number of fragments of unbaked tablets. 105 unbaked tablets, mostly small ones from trench of Abbas Jasim by well at X. ×
 remains

Box 22. Unbaked fragments. With the last few boxes, in the larger boxes which contain them are packed a few bricks, small statuettes, pottery from the Camp Hill, also some of the fragments of inscribed stone objects found at III. 8. ×

Box 23. Small box, 30 to 40 fragments & tablets, unbaked, from the Library(?) at X. ×

Box 24. Petroleum box. Mostly small unbaked tablets from trenches of Abbas Jasim & Abbas Daoud in Library gulley. Also some fragments from Library. × remains

Box 25. Lantern box. Mostly poor fragments, unbaked from Library find. × remains

Box 26. Large bitumen smeared box, marked 15 in green paint. Mixed lot. Tablets & fragments, unbaked, both good & bad, mostly from Library find. ×

- Box 27. Large bitumen smeared box, marked 17 in green paint. Same as last. ×
- Box 28. Similar box, marked 9 in green. Same as last. ×
- Box 29. Smaller box, poorer fragments, only upper layers from Library find. ×
- Box 30. Large bitumen smeared box, marked 19 in green. One half baked tablets & fragments from Library find chiefly. Other half good unbaked tablets & fragments, mainly from Library, also cigar box full of Temple tablets, also stamp of Naram Sin. Good box. ×
- Box 31. Poorer fragments from Library find chiefly. Oil box. × remains
- Box 32. Large bitumen smeared box, marked in green 5. Tablets & good fragments, unbaked, from Library find. ×
- Box 33. Poorer fragments from Library find. Oil box. × remains
- Box 34. Tablets & fragments from Library find & Ismail's trench, & stone fragments from Temple. Large bitumen smeared box, marked in green paint 16. Also seal cylinders. ×
- Box 35. Oil box. Large vase from X, fragments of Hebrew bowls, a thin cup, odds & ends, & poor tablet fragments. ×
- Box 36. Fragments of coffins, large long box.

[1890-01-14. Peters, Journal 1. UPMAA_Nippur_09.09. HO]

[Apr. 13-15 missing & p. 16-22 in the amendment]

II. Expedition, 1890.

Peters:

1. Journal, Jan 14 – Apr. 12

with appendix on coffins + trip to Abû Jowân

[*This title is written on the cover of the notebook by Hilprecht*]

Niffer

Journal 1890

1 Jan. 14 Tuesday

Commenced work with 16 gangs, five on V, or the Tablet Hill, 11 on III or the Temple Hill. On Tablet hill two gangs to dig out old furnace trench, two on the corner where so many tablets were found last year, in order to fully sift this, and one on the trench which is cutting across the hill.

On the Temple Hill the trenches resumed were those about the centre, in the long walls on the south side, the Kurigalzu trench, and the room on the north side.

Nothing of importance found.

2 Jan. 15 Wednesday

Rainy day, no work.

Jan. 16th Thursday

III:1 Digging trench through to middle point of ziggurat, to descend ultimately to plain level. There seems to have been no mats in this construction. Simply mud bricks, first a layer of large thick bricks, & then of narrower smaller bricks set on edge. The latter often somewhat crushed by the weight set upon them.

III:2. Following wall of upper terrace of ziggurat on north. Buttress on north side now uncovered enough to trace. One buttress on each face of the terrace.

III:3-5 uncovering brick wall which seems to constitute next stage below mud brick upper terrace.

3 III:6 Uncovering a mud brick wall of fine construction built in steps thus  running west from terrace. Above this & to one side, apparently later, were built excellent constructions of mud brick, plastered within the rooms. In the thresholds were used older bricks, some inscribed.

III:7. A strange mass of walls, some of brick, some of mud, superimposed, at various angles, and having as yet no apparent connection.

III:8 Following a mud brick wall southward, to the east of the ziggurat. Two places as though for door-sockets in the walls. Walls plastered. An inscribed brick found. In this trench last year was found door socket in black stone of Kurigalzu.

III:9. Following inner face of what seems to be great wall, toward southwestern end of plateau.

4 III:10. Following outer face of what may be the same wall toward its western end. A third buttress rounded today.

III:11. Following same toward eastern end.

V:1. Still removing earth thrown in last year, but tablets are beginning to be found. A coffin found with excellent copper utensils.

V:2. On surface on top of hill Obeid found fragment of a good baked tablet, of Nebuchadrezzar type. As there seemed to be nothing below, the two gangs were set to clear off the top of this hill.

V:3. Nothing but earth.

Friday, Jan. 17th

Rainy day, no work.

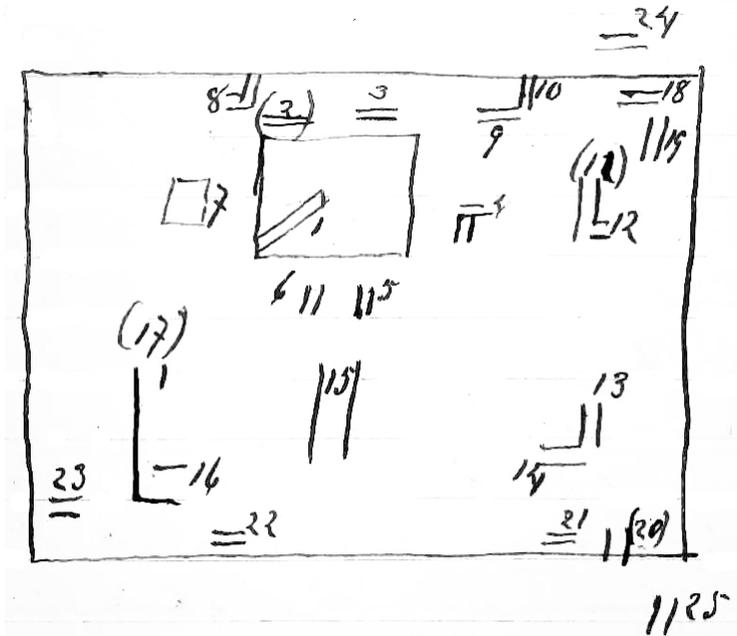
5 Saturday, Jan. 18th

III:10 Following what I at first thought another buttress of wall, but which now proves too long for this, & may be an entrance, an inclined plane or steps.

6 V:2 A nest of coffins, two of them blue glazed, near surface. One of these broken to pieces, ornamentation female figures with prominent breasts. Another a little lower down better preserved. Head S. 60 W. Upper outside length 189 cm., lower do. 192. Height at foot 32, height at middle of opening 29. Depth of coffin below surface at head 10 cm., at foot 80 cm. The foot was intact, the head much broken. The ornamentation consisted of female figures, but not so large as in coffin first mentioned. The foot of this coffin was intact, the head much broken. There were no contents but earth, & it seemed to have been rifled.

Monday, Jan. 20/90

Put on two more gangs on Temple Hill, whole renumbered as follows



- 7 This makes the following changes: 1 2 & 3 are the same as before. 4 is to dig by the brick retaining wall, if such it is, to S.E. of ziggurat. The former 4 & 5 are now 5 & 6 respectively, while the former 6 is now 7. 8 digs low down in a gulley to northwest of ziggurat, in an old trench, the continuation of that which laid bare the western face of ziggurat. 9 & 10 work at what was once 7. 11 is to deepen the Kurigalzu trench (8) beginning from north end. 12 is former 8. 13 & 14 take up two, or rather one old trench, uncovering rooms at S.E. corner of the plateau which extends to south & east of ziggurat. 15 is working in trench to south of ziggurat in the same plateau, excavating room in which a nest of large jars was found last year. 16 is the former 9. 17 is to work at north end of same trench, where the two brick wells stand. 18 works at north east corner of temple, between two high walls of mud brick. 19 is further southward continuing what was once the same trench southward along east face of a long wall. 21 is the former 10, & 22 is 11. 23 is on the outer southwest corner. 24 is following a mud brick [wall] in the plain to the northeast beyond what appears to the eye to be the remains of the temple. 25 is on the outer southeast corner. 2, 11, 17, 20 are not now working.

9 Friday, Jan. 24/90

III:1 The construction of ziggurat mass wrongly described. The outer mass is made of large bricks, the interior of small bricks laid in three different ways , first on edge with flat side out, then on edge with ends out. They are often somewhat crushed out of shape by weight resting upon them.

2. Not working this week. At close of last week it came, not to the corner of the ziggurat, but to a thin wall running northward from that corner, & separating it from trench along west face.
- 10 3 Clearing out last year's trench, & descending along face of brick wall one step below ziggurat on north.
4. Descending at corner of same brick wall to southeast; has found at no great distance a room of burned brick.
5. On south of ziggurat, to east of buttress like projection, descending & carrying inward same brick wall.
6. On south of ziggurat to west of buttress does not correspond to 5, as one would expect. Brick wall rests on fine step like wall of mud brick. This continues at right angles to former to west, & at right angles to this, but not descending to an equal depth is a well built plastered mud brick wall.
- 11 7. To north of rooms laid bare last year is a fine step like wall running east & west. Close to the ziggurat, but one stage lower it turns southward, & is now being followed. It has also been followed out to the point where it turns to the north.
8. Is unearthing what seem like rooms at a considerable depth below plateau level.
9. Following a fine mud brick wall first east, & now north, outside of wall of room found at this point last year.
10. A most inexplicable heaping together of rooms walls and platforms of baked and unbaked brick.
- (11) Not working.
- 12 12. Followed wall first southward, then east, then north, then west, thus laying bare walls of large room, & is now following walls down to bottom.
- 13 & 14 Laying bare rooms at southeast corner of plateau. A few small objects found at 14. Stone door sockets at both numbers.
15. Descending to a considerable depth has laid bare layer after layer of immense jars, immediately below those photographed last year. The room in which they are seems to have neither door nor window. In north east corner a sort of basin of clay, & by it, extending to west side platform of brick.
- 13 At different heights in northern wall two brick canals, small. Today this gang was taken out, depth being too great, and put on room southward, which was partially excavated last year, and in which was found a large brick tomb. This room has a door to the west.
16. Following rooms.
17. Not working.

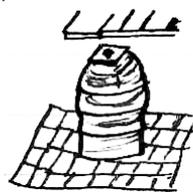
18. Descending between mud brick walls which approach one another. Depth of trench 6½ to 7 metres. Breadth at bottom now only 60 cm.
- 14 19. After following a mud brick wall southward for some distance reached a brick doorway, & then a brick wall running east.
20. Not yet put on.
21. A wall at right angles to plateau wall has been followed a considerable distance out from plateau. It has reached a mass of mud brick & is temporarily lost.
22. Has followed a wall also at right angles to plateau, but this has now made three turns, & is running back parallel to the plateau wall.
23. Here the mud brick is much broken, but it seems as though a real passage had been formed through the long narrow ridge running from last year's long trench on the west through to the
15 eastern side.
24. Is following eastward a very deep wall of mud brick in what one would suppose to be the plain.
25. Following a wall on the extreme south east corner. Here was found a small tablet.

V.

1. Here has been found a considerable number of small jars like those found in such numbers last year in the yellow room. Much time was occupied by two gangs in removing the earth in which we buried this trench before leaving last year. Now the two are working out into other rooms, or at
16 least along walls to east & west. Jan. 23^d was found in this trench about 5 metres below the surface, & about 1 metre above the wall of the furnace like room in which so many tablets of the Hammurabi dynasty were found last year, a tub shaped coffin square at one end, & rounded at the other. Inside measurements, l. 85, h. 48, greatest breath 46. The bottom within was convex, and the coffin had been covered with palm wood. The head, or rounded end pointed S. 30 E. The rounded end was much broken. At the square end were piled together the leg, & some other bones of two
17 adults. On the upper eastern side, toward the foot, and near the top was a broken, empty red clay bowl. On the western side beneath was a large, dark colored vase. Fragments of burned wood, fish bones, the bone of a bird were found in the earth. Near the bottom about the middle of the coffin was found a small cylinder of red stone, with a curious form of the sacred tree. At the head near bottom was found a badly broken shallow copper dish, containing brown sediment, fragments of what may have been a very small copper vase, & a few small pieces of bluish, brittle pottery. From the cylinder I judge the grave to have been later Babylonian.
- 18 Fourteen cm. above this coffin to the east of the head was a large pot covered with an inverted, broken dish. Height within 36 cm., di. at mouth within 15 cm. On the bottom of the pot,

curled up in rope like coils, some cloth, which when touched resolved into a brown powder. On this rested a small jar, also containing a powdery sediment.

- Immediately beneath the tub shaped coffin, at right angles to it, lying on its side with the mouth eastward, was a large, open mouth, egg-shaped jar, about 60 cm. depth, & the same di. inside, but squeezed and broken by the pressure on all sides. The mouth had been closed with bricks. Within
- 19 was the skeleton of what seemed by the teeth to have been an adult in the prime of life. It had been put in feet foremost, and the knees and chin were brought close together.
2. Two gangs have been engaged in clearing off the upper part of the northwestern knoll of the tablet hill. The two trenches have now run together, and one has been removed to a trench a little southward to go in & join the long trench of last year. In one of these trenches, about three metres
- 20 below the surface was found a large jar, thick & of good work, ornamented with a raised indented ring about the middle. Height 65 cm., di. of mouth 74. Full of earth & brick fragments. About a metre & a half below surface was found a brick platform. 30 cm. from the edge of this, and 18 cm. below was the top of a so-called well, really a drainage pipe. This rose 75 cm. above another brick platform thus



The top of this was formed by a sort of stopper shaped funnel, thus , the height 18.5 cm., the top 14 cm. square, and the hole in the centre 6 cm. square.

3. This trench has met a wall of mud brick running northwest, which is now being followed.

21 Saturday, Jan. 25/90

The pay roll today numbered exactly 200 men, 4 overseers, and 21 gangs.

III:8 Moving westward through a room with mud brick walls has reached a doorway of brick work at a higher level, and passed through it.

9 and 10 worked together the greater part of the day on the upper level, following both eastward and southward fine walls of mud brick.

18. Having descended to a level where the walls were too close together to allow of further work was removed to a higher level to follow wall westward.

22 21, 22 & 25 following walls of mud brick to the southward of the plateau line have met platforms of mud brick & lost their walls more or less. No finds worth recording on temple hill.

V:1 Jars found here a few days since contained little or no sediment of any kind.

Stone object found yesterday [Cat. 52] was about 3 metres below surface, & not near wall. Near the same place 1 metre lower, were found today fragments of object of clay, dark colored, originally somewhat thus , ornamented on sides, use unknown [CBS 2531-2533 = PBS 16, 359]. The bronze demon was only one metre below surface.

- 23 3. 110 cm. below the surface, parallel with the upper layers of a mud brick wall, 30 cm. east of it, was a slipper shaped coffin, whitish. Head pointed S. 30 E. The cover was broken, & the coffin itself too much cracked to make an attempt to preserve it worth while. The length within was 180 cm., the height in the broad part 28 and breadth in same 48 cm. The body had been pushed in at full length, & the legs bent one over the other in the process, one lying more the other less crooked.

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24 Wednesday, Jan. 29/90

Monday we put on fifty more men, four gangs on the Temple Hill at 2, 11, 17, & 21, and three on I, the old camp hill.

I. Of these one was put in the long deep trench near the old camp, moving westward; one was put at digging away the nose of hill to the southwest (east?) of the columnar structure to see if there were there the remains of another building or not. One was put on the Hebrew house, south (north) of the large trench, to excavate a third room opening out of and westward from the two already excavated. In this room were found fragments of a Hebrew bowl, and part of stone statue, as reported in catalogue. Also in southeastern corner of room a used out oven, such as Arabs now used for baking bread.

25 III. On Tuesday a number of shifts were made, and new trenches opened, as follows.

5. Having descended to a considerable depth, along the face of a mud brick wall beneath the brick wall, and the trench being narrow and the descend steep, Husein was placed around the corner of the brick wall westward to deepen that trench in the same way.

6. Abbas Daoud had descended to a still greater depth than his brother Husein Daoud. To his right and in front of him was a well built wall of mud brick in steps, resting on earth. Tunneling along this westward, it appeared to continue, and if so would meet a similar wall along which

26 Mousa was tunneling in 7, in the middle of a pile of earth. He was taken out and put on to sink a shaft by the side of that pile of earth with a view to striking the same wall again near the corner.

7. Mousa, who had been tunneling along a similar wall, behind the house existing at this point, and running south, was taken out, and put on walls appearing to belong to the house, & to the northwest of the rooms so far excavated.

8. Passing along a rather narrow passage of mud brick, moving westward came to a brick doorway on a level with the upper part of the mud brick structure only, beyond this the mud brick

27 passage continued as before. This was followed for the present only at the level of the brick doorway. 4 m. from the doorway on the north side of the trench was a place of mud brick, in which was put a brick structure thus  The breadth of this passage way of mud brick was 1 metre; the breadth of the brick construction within was 83 cm. The height of the brick construction to the top of the ridge brick was 97 cm. The bricks used were old bricks, some of them inscribed. Much bitumen was used in the construction, the coating over the top bricks being from 3 to 4 cm. in thickness. The length of this construction was 266 cm. The opening was 54 cm. high, & 8 cm. broad. The whole was near the surface, 80 cm. below at the south end, and 40 cm. below at the north end. It appears to have been a drain, but from what to what does not appear.

9 and 10 are both working at what was 9, on walls at north edge of plateau

11 did not begin at place marked for it on page 6, because the work then had already been completed by 12. Twelve had a room, or rather a room and a passage. In clearing these much difficulty was found in determining the point at which the walls ceased to descend, neither could the outside walls be found, but only a mass of mud brick. Accordingly both were taken out to the edge of the hill beyond and below 12, and set to digging inward. 11 has now a wall face running westward, inward toward the hill, and 12 is trying to catch the face of the same wall running south.

13 is still laying bare a room.

14 found the southern wall of his room to descend far below the other walls. He therefore tunneled along it westward, and found it to continue. He was then taken out and put on the other side of his former western wall. Here he found a small room of mud brick with no apparent ingress or egress, but as it was becoming constantly more difficult to dispose of the earth, this trench was discontinued, and he was taken out to the eastern edge of the hill below, opposite the point at which he had been working, and to follow southward what would appear from its position to be a continuation of the wall on which 12 and 13 are working.

15 is still following his western wall northward. 40 cm. below surface at one point the upper layer of mud bricks failed, & here were found pell mell in the earth the bones of a human body.

16. As this trench was entering piles of earth, which it was at the same time increasing, Alwan was taken out and put to the west of the long wall at this place to find its other side. Before removal he had laid bare several rooms, and the building still continued northward into the gulley at this place.

31 17. This trench was begun to find the north face of the great wall near the brick wells. This was followed a short distance westward where another wall commenced at right angles and running north, but not in the same line with the long wall.

18. This trench having become too narrow to be longer worked, 35 cm. broad at the depth of 8.90 m., Mahawis was removed and set to follow westward the wall in the same construction that 19 is following southward.

- 20 Hassam found at this point a wall running north and south, and is now following it northward.
- 32 21. Is following an inferior wall parallel with the long wall to the west. The wall, like a buttress of the main wall, which Assl (Honey) had followed to the south, had died, and he had come to mud brick of which this wall seems to be the inner face.
22. Dohi's buttress had also died, & he has come to mud brick, of which he is trying to find the edge.
23. No satisfactory face of this wall yet found.
24. This wall seems to die away because of a watercourse.
25. Walls and fallen brick here became so difficult to distinguish that Hammadi was taken out until this trench should become dry, & set to follow southward a wall to the northeast of his former position, and running south on the east side of the same nose on the west side of which he had been working.

V.

1. Jan. 28th [*sic*] About 1 metre below coffin described on page 16, the head N. 20 W., was found another tub shaped coffin, much broken, length over all 1 metre. The outside was bitumined, and there was a thick projecting rim about the bottom. There were two bodies in this coffin, the skull of one at the head or rounded end, while the skull of the other was near the foot, and the dorsal column had been pressed against the square foot end of the coffin. Near the head was a green enameled vase, and about the middle a flattened vase, no. 77. There was much sediment of cloth, & some small pieces of burned wood.
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2. On the other side of the upper platform of brick, consisting of 2 layers, described on page 20, opposite first drain was a second. This had no stopper, but the hole was guarded & made small by a cutting in the bricks. About 4 M. beyond this, against a mud brick wall, on the level of the upper platform is a ledge of bricks, a layer of the same being also set perpendicularly to this ledge against the mud brick wall. In northeast corner of this room is another drain, on top of which is a trench like arrangement, resembling a modern Turkish or Arabic water closet. The first discovered drain is full of earth, the last two empty. None of the three could possibly have been wells. The first of the two above mentioned sounded to a depth [*of*] 483 cm, the second to 400. A fourth well in southeast corner corresponding to that in northeast was broken above. A ring of this measured 41 di. & 17 height.
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- In the other trench 4 cm. below the surface was found Jan. 27th, a large open mouthed jar, 90 cm. in height, and 59 in di. at the mouth. It contained human bones. There were about here remains of one or two small platforms, consisting of one layer of bricks, and 150 cm. below the bowl there was a large platform of this sort. These platforms are very common through this hill. I should suppose a priori that they are connected with burials, but have no evidence of it. In this general neighborhood, but near the surface & unconnected with any platform were found the beads No. 73.
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3. To the north of coffin described p. 22, is a tomb like structure, but without contents. It is on the very top of the hill, 90 cm. below the surface, and 120 cm. eastward of the mud brick wall which this trench is now following northward. It is floored with bricks, and on the sides are brick walls 60 cm. in height, and above those mud walls for 70 cm. more. In shape it is a rectangular oblong, with a recess at the end N. 60 E. At this recess I should judge that there was an entrance by means of very high steps. The length of the construction was 147 cm., its breadth 119. The recess
37 was 61 cm. wide, and 18 cm. deep. There were here no bones or other remains.



Ground plan.

Beyond this to the north, with the head N. 70. E., 80 cm. from the wall which the trench is following, and almost on the level of the bottom of the brick tomb, about on a level with the top layers of the wall, was a slipper shaped coffin of whitish green clay, containing only bones. About 30 cm. above the head of this was a very thin, blue glass vase, broken to atoms. Beyond this, almost on the same level, 80 cm. from the wall, the head N. 70 E., was a coffin of mud bricks. Two rows of bricks had been set up, and bricks ridged against one another on these. Near the head were
38 the fragments of a wooden vessel. About 40 cm. from the foot was a second skull, & near this a few minute fragments of copper.

Thursday, Jan. 30th

III.2. Having reached mud brick floor Nasr was taken off and put below to descend by wall laid bare last year in gulley below north west corner of ziggurat.

6. Has entered a room of mud brick near surface. In this was found engraved slab of gypsum.

11 & 12 were both working in a room of mud brick east of what looked from surface signs like the east wall of the temple, down in a valley. 12 was taken off, and put on the southern end of the wall along which 14 is working north.

39 16. Trying to find western face of long wall was digging in mud brick. He (Alwan) was therefore taken off and put in the gulley westward, where he has found a corner of a wall.

17. Had unearthed a room to the southern side of the wall by the two brick wells. He has now been put on the southern face of the south wall of this room, to find what lies beyond.

18. The wall which Mahawis was following westward died, and descending to regain it he found mud brick flooring. He was then taken off & put about the middle of the trench which 19 is carrying southward, to follow a brick wall eastward toward the edge of the terrace.

40 21. The wall which Assl was following proved to be only mud, & not mud brick. He was therefore set to descend to the bottom of the long wall at the corner in hopes that we might thus find a clue by which to recover the lost wall of the buttress.

22. Dohi is following a brick flooring southward. At the northwestern edge of this, near the buttress wall were two places for fires made by simply removing or omitting a couple of bricks. They were full of very fine ashes, as though from continuous or frequent fires. They resembled the places sometimes used now for coffin fires. On this platform further south was found a large water jar, beet shaped, and a small, well made jug with one handle.

23. As the southern end of this almost separate hill is a confused mass of mud brick, partly fallen, partly broken walls, this trench was abandoned and Habib removed to the northwestern end to hunt for the outer face of the walls about the galleries unearthed last year.

25. As all the walls here seemed unsatisfactory Hammadi was set to dig through the little mound running out into the plain from the southeast corner of the Temple, about which he has been working.

V:1. On the east side of this trench, where Ismail is working, the room in which the tablets were found. The bottom of this is 980 cm. below the level of the surface. At the bottom it is divided into two parts by a partition of mud brick about breast high. The larger or northeastern of these sections measures 390×350 cm. The smaller 390×180. About the centre of the larger of these is a pottery drain, the rings of which measure 40 cm. in diam. This drain sounds to the depth of 781 cm. The top of it is raised about 40 cm. above the bottom of the walls. To this a brick causeway descends through the mud partition wall from a brick platform in the other section 84 cm. higher than the top of the pottery drain. The length of this causeway is 310 cm. Its entrance is by a hole in a brick 5 cm. in diam. Around the larger section of this room, at and above the height of the top of the drain, in the N.E. & N.W. walls are many bricks. The only visible entrance is by a door in the northwest wall very much higher up.

Friday, Jan. 31st, 1890

Very dusty in the trenches owing to high wind from northwest.

I.1 The depth of this trench is now 1170 cm. About 250 cm. below surface were found two large inverted bowls, the larger in the trench, the smaller close to it just to the south of the trench, and about 5 cm. higher. Each was bituminized within, and each had an irregular roundish hole at the bottom. The contents in both cases were rubbish, brickbats, potsherds, a few bones, chiefly if not entirely animal, bits of glass, and in the larger a copper Kufic coin. Both seemed to have been handmade, and thickness varied. Both were made of the same light colored, underbaked, crumbly material as the coffins. The larger was 290 cm. in circumference, 85 in diam., and 77 in height. 15 cm. from the rim was an ornamental band 3 cm. broad. At the rim the thickness was 6.9 cm., which lessened rapidly. At two other points I measured thicknesses of 2.2 & 1.75 cm. respectively. The jagged hole in bottom of this measured on two diameters 22 and 17 cm. respectively.  The smaller was much narrower in proportion to its height, and without ornamental band. Diam. 57, h. 89, cir. 206. Jagged hole in bottom measured 18×16. There was also one small hole near bottom. A

number of these bowls have been found at various times, some inverted, some upright. Once or twice they have been used to bury in, but generally they contain like these nothing but rubbish. The hole at the bottom, with or without a small hole near it are common features.

5. Is laying bare a platform and fallen mass of brick to south of columnar structure, close by and somewhat above its level. A corresponding structure to the west of this is almost all gone. Between the two is a lower platform of unbaked brick.

46 III:2 At this trench and at III: 7 were found today fragments of enameled brick.

III:7. On the very crest of this ridge, level with the upper layers of a wall of unbaked brick, the length N. 40 W. & S. 40 E. was a tomb made of baked bricks taken from older constructions, & some of them bitumined. Three layers of bricks were laid flat, and three on edge arching inward until the edges of the upper layer met in a ridge. Within these were plastered with mud, except near the head. The body was stretched at full length, the left hand laid on the breast, the head S. 40 E.

47 On the abdomen to the left side was an inverted bowl, beneath which was a piece of burned wood. The remains of a thin board lay on the left side from the lower part downward. Near the feet on the left was one brick, apparently fallen from the roof. At the head in the earth were a piece of gold plate, 7 bell like gold bangles, one gold bead, and a pair of small golden earrings. The tomb measured within 258 cm. in length, 90 in breadth, and 100 to the top of the ridge.

V:1. The top of the drain in this room is 70 cm. above bottom of walls, and 40 cm. below what appears like a floor line. The Hammurabi tablets found so abundantly in this whole room (both sections) were not lower [*than*] 1 to 1½ metres above the top of this drain.

48 2. The drain in north east corner was dug out to the bottom. Its total depth was 820 cm. The opening at top was square, 11×11 cm., & a channel to this was formed [*by*] a double row of bricks. The rings were 18 cm. in h. by 40 in di., by 130 in cir.

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49 Saturday, Feb. 1st, 90

III 2. Nasr Ibrahim was placed on the same crest where 8 is digging, on the outer face of the wall through which the brick drain led, 8 being on the inside of the same.

20. As no face of a wall could be found, but only a mass of mud brick, Dhahi, who had been placed on this trench instead of Hassam, was carried out to the south, into the canal bed, and put to dig into a knoll on what looks like an extreme outer surrounding wall of the temple.

22. Forty cm. below the surface Dohi found a large spiked water jar used as a coffin, similar to that found in the same trench Jan. 30th. It was near the top of a knoll on what looks the outer wall
50 mentioned above. The total length of the jar was 97 cm., but 11 cm. from the mouth it had been neatly broken off to make a larger hole to admit the body. The piece broken off had been put back

in its place when the burial was made, and the mouth closed by a mud brick. The diameter of the original opening was 10 cm., of the new opening thus formed 25 cm. The greatest circumference of the jar, toward the bottom, was 137 cm. It was bitumined within; there was a round hole above the middle 2 cm. in diam., the edge of which without was bitumined. Below this was this mark made with bitumen , and near this roughly smeared on & much larger this mark . A child had been buried in it with the head to the mouth.

51 Having come to the end of his brick floor Dohi has now found a wall running south through the knoll toward the plain.

24. The wall here has become very unsatisfactory, therefore Ashur was set to deepen along the wall already followed.

25. Hammadi has been set to dig right through the knoll by which he has been working.

V:1 Abbas Daoud, from III:7, was set to open a trench in the same gully in which Ismail & Fleyah are working, they going into the knoll to the north, he to the south. Ismail has been put out in the gully at the entrance of his old trench, & is excavating in a room with brick walls. Fleyah found not much below the surface, in the doorway to his room, near the brick wall by which Ismail is
52 working, some fragments of tablets. In the room, but in the earth two or three metres above the floor, and 3 m. below the surface, he found an egg-shaped coffin of the regular coffin material, 75 cm. long within, much crushed, lying on its side, closed by a round cover, containing the remains of one person. There was a large thick saucer of poor workmanship with the body. Skull abnormally thick.

V:2 Abbas' trench is finished. He has been on the Hebrew house at I: 4, Dhahi transferred to Hassam's place, Hassam to that of Abbas Daoud, & the latter to the tablet hill.

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53 Monday, Feb. 3rd, 89 [*sic*]

I.5 Mehemet Turki has found, resting on a substructure of mud brick, a platform of three bricks in thickness, with what seems like a doorway to it to the south of the colonnade, about 1.5 m. away, & slightly raised above it. Through this is something resembling a doorway, but the whole is in a very bad condition. On this at one point is what seems to be part of a very small round tower of brick resting on a mass of rubble. Beyond this platform westward is a mass of mud brick not yet investigated.

III. 2. To the north of the drain Nasr found a small room, & was put outside of this northward, it having no door, to find the outer wall of it & follow that, the object being to feel our way to the
54 edge of the building from above, attempts on this nose from beneath having so far proved unsatisfactory. So also Obeid ed Dahash, III, 9[8?] was taken out of the long east & west corridor,

that proving to have no outlet at the western end, and put to the north of the same toward the eastern end, where a door led north. Here he has found a small room.

10 not working, one gang having been taken off.

12. Abud el Mohammed has rounded the north east corner on what seems to be the outer wall, & is moving west. At the corner is what seems to be an irregular buttress, thus placed



13. Sehab farther north on the same line has turned a corner toward the west.

55 14. Jewan-el-Hassan has passed through a door into another room toward the centre of the plateau.

16. Alwan has found a wall & a room of poor construction on the west side of the ridge on the east of which is the great deep wall.

17. Halif finds rooms & walls along the crest of the same ridge, & having begun toward the north is now moving south.

18. Mahawis had a long low wall east of & parallel to that of Abbas Turki. Both of them ran south in a long corridor, & then judged off a broken edge of mud brick. Mahawis was taken back to a cross passage running west & set to follow this.

56 19. Abbas Turki was set to scrape the mud brick & dig below the end of his wall in order to find the face of the mud brick mass on which it rests. Failing in this he was then taken out to the plain eastward, & set to dig in.

22. Dohi has found a stepped terrace of mud brick in the little knoll which he is now excavating. Well toward the top of this knoll about 20 to 40 cm. below surface was a grave of mud bricks, two lines set up opposite one another, & then mud bricks ridged across, thus . The outside measurement was 180 cm., the head was to the west, the body at full length.

57 23. Ran into a cul-de-sac of inferior brick walls, the one on the right or south being the extreme outer face of the walls excavated last year. Habib was accordingly taken out & put to the north of his left hand wall to find its other face.

25. Hammadi has found some very good walls in the extreme southeastern knoll, & what appears to be a room in the centre.

Finds. Besides objects marked in catalogue, a couple of pieces of poor pottery from 6, & 16, & really nothing else.

V.1. Ismail is excavating a room with brick walls in the gully. It has two doors to the east.

At Abbas Daoud's trench to the south of Ismail, one metre below the surface was a large jar of underfired, brittle coffin like pottery 62 cm. in di. & 70 cm. in height. This had been used as a coffin. The mouth had been covered with an inverted basket such as we now use for our workmen.

58 This had kept the earth out; but when we attempted to remove it, it broke & fell in. The body was curled up inside. The skull was abnormally thick, & forehead low & sloping rapidly backward. Objects described in catalogue under 119 & 122 found in coffin, also a bowl 15 cm. in diam. & 8 cm. high. In this almost inverted was a jar of this shape,  7 cm. in diam., 19 in height & 40 in circumference. Also a small enameled vase, now brown, egg shaped bowl, almost no neck, & small mouth; di. of mouth 2.75, he. 11.5, & cir. 30 cm. There was some brownish sediment both in bowl & in earth of grave.

59 Near this close to surface, was a very much broken piece of pottery of similar material in which a child had been buried. In this were found the objects no. 120, also a fragment of a thick, white glazed vase, pointed at bottom. The ankle bones were well preserved & colored green from the anklets, which were still about them.

A few poor fragments of tablets were found in Fleyah's trench, just outside of the corner of Ismail's room.

From Abbas Daoud's trench came also a few more worthless pieces of pottery.

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60 Tuesday, Feb. 4th, 1890

I. 4. Mousa-el-Jerwani had been working for two days in the third room of the Hebrew house. It seems that the fragments of a Hebrew bowl found in this room earlier were found lower than floor level, & that the same is true of the objects found last year in the second room. Today the walls of this room toward the north seeming to have been washed away by water, he was put into another room to the south, the wall line of which was visible at the surface. He found a quantity of fragments of glass & a few of china of a finer material & workmanship than any we have yet found, 61 but unfortunately all mere fragments. One small glass vase was very prettily decorated with a raised pattern of glass strings.

III.3. As the earth from this trench was threatening to encroach on a spot which would have to be excavated later Hamza Ahmed was brought out on the north side of the ziggurat, and set to sink a shaft which would enter his trench at its western end.

4. As Hamud-el-Hajji had reached the bottom of the walls of his room to the east of the ziggurat, and no exit was found, he was taken into the gulley to dig inward and find a wall.

6. Hassam has found that the second of his rooms rests against the step like wall which seems to be a part of the terrace, and which was found also a little further to the east in the former trench of 6.

62 From the second room, which is north of the first, a door opens eastward, & through that he is passing.

7. Mousa el Qadhim is excavating another set of rooms further out, or westward on the ridge on which he has hitherto been working.

9. Halif-es-Seba is still working along corridors & rooms of good stucco work, from which passages seem to run in every direction.

10. Not working.

13 Jewad-el-Hassan taken out of the room in which he was working & put on the plateau immediately to the west of it, because his earth carry was about to be cut off by 14. 13 & 15 were
63 both instructed to carry the earth well southward toward the plain, building a causeway across the trench by the long wall for that purpose.

14. Sehab's wall again turned northward.

19. About a metre below the surface was found a brick platform, small, about the edges of which to north and west was a sort of brick weatherboard, & on the west also what looked like a piece of a brick watercourse. Above this platform, & about it were quantities of burned bitumen. No wall yet found here.

20. Dhahi has found a wall face in the outermost line of wall to the south of the temple.

64 A little pottery from 4 & 16, one fairly good piece from the latter.  This is a bowl of good work, thin, light colored, di. 19.5, h. 8 cm.

V.3. Qadhim having followed his wall line northward until it came out in a gulley is following it southward. There are only 6 lines of bricks, or thereabouts, and these are not far below the surface.

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65 Wednesday, Feb. 5th/90

I.1. Hisbat has found an immense fine looking wall of mud brick in step like work running sheer across his trench. The bottom of this wall is not yet found. I find that last year this trench cut through a good deal of unburned brick, which was not noticed at the time.

5. To the south of the colonnade almost on the same level was a platform of brick, resting on an under wall of mud brick. This ran at least the whole length of the colonnade, but the brick floor is much broken. At one place is the foundation of a brick column. The work is the same as that of the colonnade.

66 I: 4 Descending below floor level in his room Mousa found a Hebrew bowl broken. This room has no door.

III. 1 Was abandoned for the present, as its dirt heap seemed likely to interfere with further work in other trenches, and Husein Daoud was carried out to the gate like breach in the outer southern

wall to find the wall on the east side. This is trench 27, and the trench on the west side of the same, which was begun earlier in the day is 26.

4. Hamud found the corner of two walls running south & west.
8. This trench & 2 are working at what seems to be a bath from the number of its water conduits.
10. Was begun again this time out in the plain to the north, to find the outer wall.
- 67 11. This room unexpectedly descends to a great depth. There is evidence, however, that it is not all one. Deep down it slants together, or rather the eastern & western walls approach one another by steps.
13. Jewad has found another room to the south of that in which he was, opening from it by a door.
15. Husein has found a room within his last room, or rather a partition in that room.
18. Mahawis is moving west along a corridor which seems a continuation of that first found at 9.
20. Dhahi has found a doorless room on the knoll he is excavating.
22. Dohi is following a wall on the inner face of the outer wall line eastward.
- 68 23. Habib has a wall running north, the other face of the corridor walls excavated last year.

V:2 Abud has touched below and on both sides some six or more walls, at different levels, and running in different directions. Three run right across the trench. He was set to tunnel southward between two such walls at the end of his trench. Opposite the tunnel on the north side of his trench is a pottery drain, with a pottery funnel at the mouth, and a brick platform above it. The very small openings render it impossible that these should have been wells.

V:3 This wall has turned westward. It is a long wall consisting of only six layers of mud brick.

69 Thursday, Feb. 6th/90

I.4. Mousa commenced today on another room to the west of the doorless room just excavated. Here were found some good pieces of glass, a large iron nail, and a socket of palm wood made to hold the foot of a pole. This socket was 10 cm. square, & the hole 2×4 cm.

III.3 Hamza in descending to his old trench has found a mud brick wall on his right.

6. On account of the earth pile Hassam was removed from the rooms he was excavating, & put on a north and south wall accidentally discovered in the plateau to the west of 15.

7. Mousa has found another room on the crest of his ridge to the west of that last excavated.

- 70 8. Abd-ed-Dahash has been put on the south side of his ridge to find a wall there, & has found a poor one.
9. Continues to find rooms, corridors & doors of the same finely stuccoed work as the one found last year.
5. Sultan is now working on the outer, northern face of the rooms being excavated by 15.
16. This wall has turned inward eastward, toward the centre of the ridge.
17. Halif commenced work today in another room on the crest of the ridge, north of that last excavated.
20. As Dahi's room had no door he was put on the outer side southward to find the outer wall on this knoll.
- 71 21. Assl had descended by what seem to be a buttress at the corner of the great wall until he had reached below the bottom of the buttress without obtaining any clue to its course to the south. He was then removed to a point westward, just inside of 26, where a knoll juts out from the plateau, & set to investigate this.
24. Ashur came to four courses of brick across his trench, but extending no farther plainward. They seem to be at a corner of his mud brick wall, & he was directed to follow them inward toward the temple.
- 26 & 27 found inferior looking walls resting on earth much above plain level, & running inward toward the temple.
- 72 V.1 Abbas has found a room of brick to the south of Ismail's. Between the two is a pottery drain. From Ismail's room two doors lead eastward, both of which he is following.
- V.2. Right across Abud's tunnel was a tub shaped coffin, about 5 metres below the surface. Outside length 122, inside 110, outside breadth 45, height 58. There were two ornamental rims around it. The edge & base were very thick. It was much broken. The body lay with its head to the square end, the northeast. The skull was very thick & the forehead low & receding. The coffin had been covered with mud brick. Outside, below the foot to the right of the body was a large thick
- 73 broken bowl or dish. Above the body & to the right of it were the remains of boards. On one wrist was a copper bracelet, & in the earth at the head were a lyre shaped copper nose ring and a quantity of beads. Behind the coffin were three white glazed vases. There were burned date kernels in the coffin. The back teeth were good, the front ones worn & decayed.
- Beyond & slightly above this to the left of the trench was a jar of coffin material much broken, about 50 cm. in di. at the mouth, & 50 cm. deep containing the bones of a child, a copper anklet & some beads.

Across the trench beyond & somewhat above the first coffin, was a third coffin, tub shaped,

74 but very small, about 80 cm. long, 35 cm. high, & 25 cm. wide. In this were the bones of a very tall person, the head to the east. The skull was well formed, & long. In this coffin were beads, & copper instruments similar to those now used to put kohl on the eyes. In the bottom was a sediment resembling human flesh.

V.3. In this trench, 2 metres below the surface was an empty jar 24.5 cm. in depth within, & 31 in di. at the mouth which was the broadest part. It was made of coffin material, and its mouth was set against the mouth of a similar jar or urn, much broken, in which were the bones of a child & one broken copper anklet about the shank.

75 Friday, Feb. 7/90

III. 4. To the northeast of the other corner, & quite close to it Hamud has found another corner of walls running north & east.

8. Abd-ed-Dahash's wall turns out to be no wall, but only fallen mud brick.

11. Amran having at last reached a mud brick floor was taken out for the present, & put on the eastern outer side of his room to find what is beyond, plainward.

15. Husein was put on the plateau southward of his trench to excavate in the south face of outer wall of room laid bare from other side.

76 19. Here is a platform of burned brick of some extent, above which were quantities of burned bitumen. On this platform, about 2½ metres below the surface was a large white stone mortar.

20. Dhahi is finding other rooms about that first found.

22. Dohi's wall 'died', & he was sent back to deepen at its corner with square structure within knoll.

23. Habib following a poor wall southward.

26. A room the walls of which are brick red. It is full of brick-red & black ashes of burning. In one corner is a large pottery ring drain, of very unusual size.

27. In room at this corner was found lapis lazuli inscription (152).

I. 5. In a broken jar, beet shaped, about 1 metre long, 1½ metres below the surface, and about a metre

77 above a mass of mud brick, bituminated within, lying on side, a child's bones, & the beads No. 150.

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78 Saturday, Feb. 8/90

I.2 Friday was commenced a trench on last years camp ground on the line of I.1, & meant to be a continuation of the same. Today two rooms had been found, walls stuccoed smooth on mud brick, very thick, quantities of glass objects found. This trench is run along about breast or shoulder high until it shall meet I.1 to the east. It will then be deepened. The walls found are left standing. The breadth given to this trench is 6 metres.

79 I.5. This is running westward from southwest corner of colonnade through a passage between walls of mud brick. Here are abundant traces of a conflagration, great fragments of charred palm logs, fallen evidently from the roof. What was supposed last year to have been a small platform of brick used for burning bodies, seems to have been just at the door, & behind it westward is a stone door socket.

III.7. I took Mousa out of the room where he was working, & put him out on the ridge farther westward to dig in, in order that the earth from this trench might be carried farther afield.

III.8. I put Abd at the east end of last year's trench at the foot of the nose where he is working to find wall if possible.

9. Still a series of rooms & corridors.

10. No wall yet found.

80 11. No satisfactory face to outer wall yet found, everything ruined by water.

6. Hassam having met a wall to the south of his trench was set to find the southern wall of same.

17. On account of his earth heap I took Khalif away from the room in which he was working, and put him toward foot of this crest westward to find outer wall face.

19. Walls of mud brick found here, above platform of burned brick. Abbas set to follow outward.

22. Dohi was put on outer southern face of knoll to reach the south side of the walls which he had laid bare on the north.

81 24. Bricks across Ashur's trench extend both plainward and templeward, but amount to another. There is much hard brick rubble above & about them. After trying tunnels on both sides of the trench Ashur was put above these bricks templeward, there appearing to be a corner here, & told to descend.

26. The walls of the small room laid bare here were mud which has been baked into a sort of [ill] reddish tile by fire in the room. In each ring of the large pottery drain like structure in the corner of the room was a rough hole two or three cm. in diameter.

27. Friday in the first room found by Husein Daoud was a lapis lazuli stone with inscription, & a quantity of fragments of a stone bright blue within, but corroded greenish & whitish without, &

82 crumbled into small fragments. With these were several large headed copper nails, such as would be used in a box or chest meant to keep things in. In the northeast corner of the next room eastward, a small room without any doors in the part of its walls which remain, from 1½ to 2½ metres below the top of that portion of the wall which remains, from the bottom of the wall & upward, heaped together, fallen one on another were the agate, malachite, lapis lazuli, chalk(?), & other inscribed objects, nos. 159 – 173 in the catalogue. There a quantity of large headed copper nails with them, & the whole had evidently once been contained in a box in this corner. They seem
83 to have belonged to the stock in trade of a man who prepared votive tablets, & other objects for sale to pilgrims & visitors to the temple. Some of the smaller tablets bear merely the name of the god Adar [*Ninurta*].

V.1. Ismail was told to hunt anywhere for tablets. He accordingly made a breach through the door in the north wall of the room containing the drain. This door was at the same level at which tablets were found in that room. He found it full of ashes, as the tablet bearing strata in that room had been, & a few tablets were near the door. He accordingly began to descend into it from above.

To the west of this room is another with no door to the east, south or west, the sides so far
84 exposed. Into this Fleyah was directed to tunnel. He found the same ashes & a few tablets, & was directed to move all the earth. Abbas was moving eastward along a passageway with bricks below & on either side.

V.2 Abud had to abandon his second tunnel, as the earth threatened to fall in. He was told to dig for tablets only as he thought best, & commenced a tunnel to the north somewhat nearer the mouth of his trench.

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85 Monday, Feb. 12/90 [*sic, read Feb. 10*]

I.1. The fine looking wall at the west end of trench does not descend quite to the bottom. In front of it eastward, but lower is another wall. This was followed by tunnels north & south on the east side, & at the distance of about three metres each way joining walls were met coming from the east. In front of it often descending a couple of feet mud brick was found, & Husbak was set to deepen his trench & find the face of this mud brick.

I.2 & 3. Three new trenches were commenced on the old camp ground, the four intended to run the trench both ways at once. But they have found a succession of rooms, so that for the present each
86 gang is clearing one room. Quantities of glass & found here & at the rooms at I.4. Last year on top of the camp hill were found Kufic coins. I am inclined now to suppose that this was the latest colony, about 700 A.D. The Hebrew strata is partly with this, partly just below it. Just above the colonnade, in the graves above its ruins we seemed from the evidence of the coins to have the Parthian period. The colonnade seemed to me to show Greek influence in its construction. The

walls in I.1 are in a still lower strata, some of them, some of them in the same strata as the colonnade.

I.5. Here two metres below surface a broken beet shaped urn containing bones of child.

III.1. Not working.

2. In a crest to the northeast following a poor wall westward.

3. Hamza still sinking to reach the bottom of his old trench. A fine wall on his right.

86a 4. Hamud for poor work degraded to scraper with Dohi, & Dohi's scraper Abbas el Khalif put in his place. Walls thus  S.

5. Sultan digging out a well like structure of brick, down which descend steps. At mouth of this was built later a mass of mud brick, partly closing entrance.

6. Hassam digging to the south of his wall finds nothing but mud brick.

7. Ali-es-Seid digging here, Mousa-el-Qadhim having been transferred to I. 4. Here a brick wall running east. In earth near surface a great mass of bitumen.

8. Ashur working here. Moving east through brick & pottery rubble on south side of north east crest. No wall yet found.

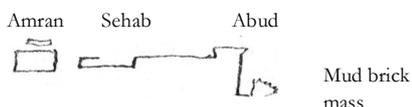
87 9. Khalif put to north of room last found to find outside of room wall leading into east face of one of the northern noses of temple hill.

10. Abbas el Dowra still descending in plain, but no wall found. Light loose earth, much of it drift sand.

11. Amran Mousa descending on outer face of his room.

12. Abud's wall turned south, & then, like those of Dohi & Assl (21) died on top of a mass of mud brick the face of which we have so far been unable to find.

14. Sehab's wall still going south close to the room of Amran el Mousa, thus



13. Jewad excavating rooms, one connected with another. In one a brick well.

15. Husein's wall going east seems to have 'died'.

88 16. Alwan still excavating a buttress like mass of mud brick, on the fourth or eastern side of which he is now working, going south.

17. Khalif-ed-Dahash has as yet found no wall, but only masses of mud brick.

18. Mahawis came to a brick column, beyond which the wall can not be traced westward, but the trench is being carried on on the line of III.9, on the supposition that the two walls must be one, & will unite in some way.
19. Abbas Turki is following a wall inward, westward toward the temple.
20. Dhahi found 2 metres below the surface a slipper shaped coffin, the head S. 10 E. On one side of the mouth, closing it, lay a beet shaped urn, bitumined within. This was broken to pieces.
89 The other half of the opening had been closed by bricks. The coffin was broken. Total length 190 cm., opening 60×48 cm. inside measure. Beside the bones of one body only one small round cover like piece of copper found. Much pottery is found in the rooms at this trench, close to the surface.
21. Assl digging through rubble to the left of the breach like opening within on the slope of the hill from the temple.
22. Dohi has found very poor walls on the plain side of his structure, & I do not feel quite sure of the face of them as yet.
23. Habib still following the same poor wall southward.
24. Abd ed Dahash in Ashur's place trying to determine where the wall corner is.
- 90 25. Hammadi-el-Hamoush finding a series of rooms on the extreme southeastern nose where he is working.
26. Hammadi-es-Saigh has found to the north of the first red baked room what appears to be a second.
27. Husein has begun work in the next room east of that in which so many objects were found. One agate cameo has been found.
28. Abdullah-el-Owdah has been put on between Husein & the temple, opposite to Assl's present trench, to dig northwards. He has found a brick wall running north.
- V.1. Ismail is descending from above to reach the room north of the well room. Fleyah is
91 removing the room west of the well room bodily Abbas is following his corridor like trench eastward.
2. Abud-el-Qumba is tunneling for antiquities. In his tunnel was an unusually large drain of pottery rings, through which he cut.
3. Qadhim's wall turned northward, but very close to it was another going west out a nose of the hill, & this he was set to follow.
4. Mousa-el-Jerwani was put on the north side of the nose on the south of which are Ismail & Fleyah, to dig in & meet them.

Tuesday, Feb. 11/90 Rain, no work.

Wednesday " 12/90 " " "

92 Thursday, Feb. 13/90

The trenches too wet to work, but yesterday & today I have had 30 men working in some of the hills to the west of the canal, at its southern end, sounding. On the top of one crest was found a chimney like construction of brick, & extending some distance south of it quite a large floor of brick, covered with ashes. The chimney(?) was only about a metre high. In the earth here just at the surface were a few fragments of tablets.

In another place, in a gulley just below our old trench X were found a couple of rooms the mud walls of which had been baked into brick by fires within, & the rooms were full of ashes. 93 Here were found a few fragments of tablets & whole tablets, & some poor pottery. Also close to the surface in the ashes by the door of one room a lapis lazuli seal cylinder.

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94 Friday, Feb. 14/90

I.2. As a piece of inscribed lapis lazuli had been found in a gulley below the old camp to the southeast, I put Mensi's gang there, & they found a pottery drain with a small brick platform about it, & under the edge-bricks some of the whorls of unburned (one burned) clay so common last year everywhere, & supposed to be for spinning, or winding thread.

I.1. About 3 metres below surface a slipper shaped coffin. Right of trench, head S. of E.

III.3. This trench had to be discontinued for the present, because of the mud & water in it, & Hamza was put on the inner face of the southern outer ridge at 27, where he found a wall running east. About a metre below the surface a well proportioned slipper shaped coffin, head almost east.

95 4. On account of water in this trench Abbas Khalif was put well out to the east to find wall, but found none.

5. The steps of brick descend into a partly excavated room on the plateau.

11. Mud in this trench, & Amran & Sehab (14) put to the southeast of the corner unearthed by Abud some days since, where they found walls.

12. As there was mud in Abud's trench he was put on the outer southern wall line, east of Dhahi (20), where he found a series of buttress like projections to the wall, or possibly rooms with one side gone.

16. Has rounded an almost square room of mud brick.

96 18. In this trench in the corridor like passage now being excavated is a very large bowl, carefully set in old bricks, against brick wall to south, 30 cm. below the surface, evidently placed here after this had filled up with earth. The bowl was 70 cm. deep within, & 83 cm. across. The thickness of the rim was 5.5 cm. (It was photographed the next day by Mr. Haynes).

19. The brick platform seemed to culminate in a raised place of a couple of thicknesses of brick, irregular, nearly 2 metres long, very thickly covered with burned bitumen. By this the mud brick walls became very blind, & Abbas Turki was set to find an outer wall further to the north east.

97 20. In the room on top of the crest here a quantity of the clay whorls.

V.1. Above Ismail's trench, where he is digging into the bank, about three metres below the surface, once enclosed by mud brick were two burials. There were found here in all five pieces of pottery. In the largest vase were sediments of grain. Outside & inside of the small three handled green jar were remains of wood & cloth, & inside was the dark sediment of some liquid. There was a copper vial with an ornamental stopper of the same material, a copper rod, almost piston shaped, a heart shaped agate necklace piece, a couple of small copper hooks, a coin, apparently Parthian, but
98 much corroded. There was a well formed but small skull, & part of another ill formed, flat, receding skull. Also a few burned date kernels. After all these, & presumably belonging to one burial while the other objects belonged to another, was another vase with white sediment, & two very large silver earrings. This strata may then be Parthian.

.3. Here about ½ a metre below surface was a burial such as are said to be very common at Jimjimeh, in a narrow drain like brick coffin .

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99 Saturday, Feb. 15th/90

III.24. Here on account of water in their respective trenches two gangs have been at work, Abid ed-Dahash, & Hammadi es Sa'igh from III.26. They have been following the brick corner, the former south, the latter west. It goes but a short distance westward, then turns south into the mud brick wall. Outside of it is a mud brick mass extending, apparently, almost to the north east corner, & finding its outer boundary in the brick wall found still further plainward.

III.28. Here is a shallow, poor, mud brick wall, running parallel with the great wall further in bounding the so appearing temple plateau on the south.

100 Monday, Feb. 17/90

I Situation substantially unchanged.

III.5, 6, 13, & 15 were placed between 26 & 27 & the plateau to excavate in the gulley between the outer line of low hills to the south & the temple plateau to see whether there had been any buildings here, so that if not this might be used for heaping earth.

28. Abdullah el Owdah was put on plainward of what was before 26 to see if there were anything at the mouth of the gate like breach, & Assl was placed at what was before 28 to run the poor wall there existing westward to see whether the place were free for an earth carry.

101 22. To assist Dohi in clearing the knoll on which he has been working Abbas Jasim was put in on the west side of the same.

23. Habib was removed & placed to the south east of Alwan to cut through an isthmus which here connects the temple proper with the next hill westward.

24. The brick wall was followed southward on the eastern face, & the building was found to be the same as on the north side. Abd-ed-Dahash was set to dig in at the north east corner of the extreme north eastern knoll, and Hammadi es Sa'igh to scrape up the north side east of the corner and find walls.

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102 Tuesday, Feb. 18/90

V.2. In a tunnel into a nose of the Tablet Hill, not much above plain level was found a rough brick grave, in which was a very delicate bowl.

Not far from this was an immense urn on its side, also used for burial. In this was a curious mass of the residuum of some oxidation, apparently by burning, in which appeared to be some bitumen, and cloth texture was found. In earth by this a vase of clay.

V.1. Abud el Mohammed had come into a cul de sac, & was taken out & put on outside of his walls to the west. This was a new trench put on the day before in Abbas Daoud's original place, he having moved eastward up the gulley.

103 Wednesday, Feb. 19/90

I.1 Husbak was taken out of the deep trench, and put at the top of it to work down to the great wall.

III.14. Sehab is working on top of the southern outer wall line at its eastern end. This seems to have risen by stages, and he is following northward the inner face of a wall found on top of it, the outer face being a gradual ascent. By this wall, about 2 metres below surface, lying on its side was a large beet shaped urn, bituminous within, broken, containing the bones of a child & a few beads. To the south of this & somewhat higher was a poorly made pavement of bricks, many of them inscribed.

104 20. Dhahi continues to follow walls on the top of the hill, & finds many burials.

22. Dohi clearing step like knoll for photographing. It is much broken by trituration. Abbas cutting into isthmus which connects this with hill to west found a wall with gradual & worn away ascent without, but with a good face on inner or southern side.

25. Hammadi followed a poor wall very far north, it then turned west & now south. It seems to be all there is to this long extended, low, southeastern knoll.

27. Husein excavating his third room on southern face of outer line of temple hills.

105 Between him & temple Hamza el Ahmed on inner northern side of same hills. In gulley north of him Husein el Khalif & Jewad el Hassan are still digging without result.

26. Abdullah el Owdah is digging a deep trench to outer wall of burned room found by Hammadi-es-Sa'igh.

Hassam is in the gulley between this & temple on the inner side of second burned room found by Hammadi. Here he has found a third burned room, the northern walls of which, however have been rotted away by water.

106 Farther north still in the gulley is Sultan, & on the slope of the hill up to the temple is Assl. He has found the inner, or northern face of a very poor wall, the outer having crumbled away.

V.1 Fleyah found today in furnace like ashes eleven fine tablets, & the two days preceding he found a few more. This whole room abounds in ashes, but especially one part, which seems to have been a sort of furnace. This is the room immediately west of the deep drain room. Ismail is in the room north of the latter, & here he also has found a few tablets, abundance of ashes, & a furnace or fire place of baked brick.

V.2. In Abud's tunnel a coffin of a new shape, thus , the mouth open. Inside length 50 cm., h. 31, breadth at bottom 39.

107 Sunday, Feb. 23/90

I.1 Husbak having sunk the deep trench as far as he could for the present was taken out on Friday to descend through the room marked B in plan of Camp Hill of this date, & reach the top of the great wall by a tunnel. In doing so he unearthed a large jar, & a large tub of clay, but neither had

any contents but earth & rubbish. The large wall continued as a platform of mud brick, Husbak was therefore set to remove the whole of room B & descend.

108 I.2 These two gangs, having reached the floor of all the rooms in the line, have made an entrance from the south & are removing the walls of the rooms, making a trench 6.4 metres in breadth.

I.3. These two gangs are removing the rooms in a similar manner, commencing from the west, where they have an entrance. This top line of rooms seems clearly to belong to the Arabic (Kufic) period.

I.4. The rooms at this point have not been worked for a week, as nothing was found.

I.5. The corridor running westward, with so many signs of burning in it, passed through a doorway, & came into a granary full of burned barley. Mehemet was then set back in the clearing near the colonnade, to find the corners at this point, & determine the connection, if any between this corridor & the colonnade.

109 III.22 Dohi is still working at clearing off the step like tower at the western end of the outer southern wall line. He has also cleared one & part of a second room in the outer face of this wall line to the east of the tower.

Abbas Jasim had found a room to the west of this tower & a wall connecting it with the next hill to the west of the temple, when he was removed on Friday to sink a well on the plateau.

Husein Daoud having completed his third & last room at 27 was set to excavate the rooms just east of Dohi in the same wall line.

110 III.26 & 27. The result of the digging of four days in the gulley at the gate like breach in the outer wall line was to reach bed earth & show that nothing existed at this point. Only above the gulley templeward on each side of the breach were found room walls resting on rubble.

On the east side of the breach the walls have been laid bare in the outer hill line for some distance. On the outer side are rooms without doors, on the inner merely a wall with buttress like projections. In

20. & about the tower at III.20 are a number of coffins all placed there after the place had gone to ruin, as is shown by the fact that all rest on earth considerably above the floor. They are not quite on the same level. In one place near the surface were two, one plain white slipper shaped, the other, 111 a little higher up, ornamented with figures & arabesque work. From contents the latter seemed to be Parthian. These were photographed. In another place was another ornamented white coffin, which was photographed. Near this was a blue glazed coffin, ornamented with figures & arabesque like the white one mentioned above, but open not on top but at the end. It fell to pieces. In an east room of the tower was a blue slipper shaped coffin, containing gold ornaments, & having the ornamentation of female figures, such as we found frequently last year. This we are trying to save

112 entire. By the side of this, the head S. E., 250 cm. below surface, was a plain white coffin, slipper shaped, upper outside length 183 cm., length of opening inside 68 cm., breadth of opening at middle inside 49, depth 24 cm.

In the same room, close to surface were four urns, but none contained bones.

East of the tower at III.20 rooms run along on the outer face, until another tower is reached at the eastern end of the wall line, on top of which Sehab is excavating a room, in the southwest corner of which is a brick well. In this, near the top was a jar containing a child's bones, & a few beads.

Below this tower to the east Amran is following a wall that runs through the plain eastward.

113 III.25 In this shallow nose Hammadi is finding a series of rooms.

III. 4. Turning northward, about the middle of the east side, just north of Amran's old room Abbas el Khalif is following a wall which ran from Amran's room northward across the face of the gulley, & there turned east along the face of the nose on which

19. Abbas Turki has been working so long. On the other side of the same nose Abbas Turki has also found a wall.

24. Abid ed Dahash has also found a wall at the north east corner of the outer isolated knoll at this point, but its meaning is not yet clear.

114 Turning the corner to the west Hammadi-es-Sa'igh is occupied in cleaning, or as they call it "peeling", the face of the hill to see to what extent it is a mass of mud brick, but as yet without entirely satisfactory results.

III.10. This outer trench, as it turned out, had been cutting through mud brick for some time. Friday & Saturday we have been seeking in vain the outer face of the wall thus cut through.

115 III.2. Nasr Ibrahim, having lost his walls was set first to clean a mass of what proved to be mud brick, & then taken out to the mouth of the gulley at this point to find the wall there. Moving around to the west side of the temple four gangs are at work trying to find the walls on that side.

III.8. In the gulley at this point two gangs are following good walls.

III.9 & (10). Here two gangs are digging out the fine corridors & rooms of this section.

III.18. Mahawis is digging northward from the middle point of his corridor to find a wall, but so far without result.

III.13. Jewad el Hassan in the southern plateau is digging into the back of the great southern wall, & finding rooms.

116 III.15. Abbas Jasim is sinking a well in the old pottery room. Husein el Khalif is excavating the western rooms in the same trench.

III.6. To the west of him at the head of the deep gulley Hassam is finding more rooms of the same character.

III.5. Between III.15 & the ziggurat Sultan el Amran is clearing out the large trench, in which there seem to be many watercourses.

III.2. Hamza el Ahmed is descending on the north side of the ziggurat, & has found a number of glazed bricks.

V.

117 1. Ismail & Fleyah are excavating the rooms on the south side of the gulley. Ahmed el Mohammed is piercing the nose to the north of it; & Abbas Daoud is following the gulley southwestward into the centre of the hill. In the trench of the latter, 2 metres below the surface was found a jar containing a child's bones & some beads.

On the west side of the nose in which Ismail & Fleyah are working Abud el Gumba & Mousa Jerwani are digging.

On top of the hill is Qadhim. In a tunnel in his trench, close to last year's deepest trench, & south of it is what appears to be a water closet.

 In a bell like dome of brick is set a large clay pipe. The sediment seems to show that it is a water closet. It is almost at the surface.

118 Wednesday, Feb. 26/90

Four more gangs were put on Monday, two on the Tablet Hill to pierce the two noses north of that at which Fleyah & Ismail are working, & two on the Temple Hill, one to dig to the bottom of the wall at the south east corner; & one up the south east gulley to find the walls & rooms in the eastern hill line.

I.4. To the south of the colonnade, & running apparently its whole length was a platform, on which stood columns. The colonnade itself rested on a shallow terrace of mud brick. The bricks of the columns of the colonnade were made with rounded outer faces for the columns, but after they were built into columns they were dressed with a sharp tool which cut brick & mortar together.

119 III.20 The room on which Sehab is at work, at the eastern end of the outer wall line southward, descends far below the well. The latter is a shallow, late, structure, of a single thickness of brick, built in afterwards against the eastern brick wall of the room. The latter descends to a considerable depth, but the bottom is not yet found.

III.14 The southeastern wall corner descends to no great depth. The buttress is a sort of an afterthought to support something later, & consists of only a few layers of mud bricks.

120 III.15. The well which Abbas has been digging reached today at noon the depth of 11.36 metres below the surface. At the depth of 8.91 metres was a wall of but a few thicknesses of mud brick. Just above this was a very large jar. Large quantities of shells are dug out of the rubbish, & fluted

muscle shells are especially abundant. Small tunnels have been run in at various depths. This afternoon at a depth of about 11.5 metres were found parts of two inscribed stone mortars, & an uninscribed piece of a third.

III.6. Toward the southwest end of the plateau has been found by Qeyff a round wall.

121 III.18. Hammadi es Sa'igh is following westward from the northeast corner an outer corridor, which Mahawis began, but lost. Mahawis having penetrated from the inner corridor northward without finding a wall, was put on the unexplored portion of the northeast corner, where he at once found a wall.

III.24 Abid ed Dahash is working around the extreme outer knoll to the north east, finding its outer limits with a view to bounding the temple at this edge.

III.4. The wall of Abbas el Khalif having joined that of Abbas Turki, the former was put into the room in the gulley where he was digging before the rains began.

V.1. North of the gulley, three metres below the surface Abud-el-Mohammed today found a tub shaped coffin, broken. By the feet within a clay urn.

122 Thursday, Feb. 27/90

III. The eastern outern[sic] wall of the temple seems now to be determined pretty fully from corner to corner, & work is being pushed on the next line inward.

On the northern side the outer wall line has only been determined in one long stretch toward the north east corner. The northwestern corner is still undetermined, & the western wall line is not yet certainly located. On the other side the inner line on the north side is almost entirely excavated.

The southern outer line is also rapidly approaching completion.

123 III.2. The deep trench on the north side of the ziggurat reached bottom today. At the bottom of the brick wall is a brick gutter for water, & nothing more.

III.15. In the well trench south of the ziggurat, or rather in a tunnel south of it, 11.5 metres below the surface, we are still finding very ancient objects.

V.1 On top of the crest to the north of the gulley Fleyah is finding a number of burials. About 4 metres below the surface in the earth were a Babylonian cone seal & two bracelets, with some bones. It is quite possible that this was a burial in mud brick, & that the bricks have crumbled away. (Found Wednesday)

At the same level was a tub shaped clay coffin, rounded at one end, square at the other, the head at the square end to the N.E. Inside dimensions were, length 116 cm., breadth 50,

124 heighth 35. By the feet was a copper bowl & a few other objects. At the head was a clay bowl, & about the middle on the left side two small vases. There were burned date kernels, & fish bones.

A half a metre higher was a child's grave of mud brick, the head to the south east. At the head was a common rude vase, the mouth somewhat broken when put in the grave, & perforated with two holes for a cord. There were burned date kernels here also, also a piece of an iron bracelet or collar.

About this level were two more burials in the earth, with copper ornaments & one large blue glazed vase. Also here there was a coffin very rich in copper objects, for which see end of book. [*Not there*]

125 These graves appear to have been Babylonian. They occur a little below the level at which were found a number of late Babylonian tablets. One tablet was also found at the level of the graves.

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126 Friday, Feb. 28/90

I.2, 3. These trenches are removing the next layer beneath the Kufic settlement.

III.15. At noon the well trench south of the ziggurat reached the level of 12.95 metres. At this level was a very large jar. This trench passes for the most part through rubble, though there have been two insignificant walls of mud brick.

V.3. The well on top of the tablet hill reached at 8 A. M. the depth of 10.8 metres. It has passed through clay with potsherds & the like mixed, but has found absolutely no construction.

V.1. The trenches on the noses both north & south of this gulley are finding numerous burials.

127 On the nose south of the gulley, three metres below the surface Abud found a grave of mud brick, the head north east. By the head was a large vase covered with an inverted cup.

Four metres below the surface he found a grave consisting of two large jars, the mouth of one fitting over that of the other. They lay slanting in the earth.

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128 Monday, Mar. 3/90

I.4 Here, to the north of the colonnade Alwan has found a wall which looks as though it might be part of the same building as the colonnade.

III.

2. The buttress like projection to north of ziggurat runs out a long distance beyond what it had seemed to do.

15. The well south of ziggurat has reached the depth of 13.20 metres without reaching bed earth. It is still passing through rubble.

129 A new trench was opened today just north of central point in great southern wall. A room was at once discovered, very close to wall face. In this room after it had fallen into ruins a burial had been made in a jar. (see end of book) [*Not there*]. Another burial in a mud brick grave had cut into the northwest corner of the room from without. The head was west. At the foot was a delicate well-made green glass pitcher entire. This grave was a metre below the surface.

130 V.2. In the tunnel near the end of the next to the most northerly nose on west side of the hill, about 5 metres below surface, & 2 or 3 metres above plain level, was a plain tub shaped coffin, head at the round end N. E. Inside length 91 cm., br. 41, outside height 50 cm. On the left of the body near the head was a good sized, plain, clay vase, with two handles, somewhat broken at mouth.

As the sounding trenches on this side are finished, the men are being transferred to the west side of the hill. Only at V.1, in the vicinity of the furnace trench have any tablets of value been found.

V.1. Here today in the same room as before, full of ashes, red & black, the mud brick walls baked by the firing, were found several good tablets. The men think that this room was a furnace for baking tablets.

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131 Wednesday, Mar. 5/90

I.2 & 3. Descending below the line of rooms discovered at the surface of this hill, the next strata seems also to be Kufic & Jewish, Kufic coins & Hebrew bowls appearing as before.

III. The northern corridors are almost complete.

15. On the plateau south of the ziggurat the rooms are being excavated rapidly. In the middle of the forenoon the well trench measured a depth of 14.10 metres below the surface, & was still going through rubble. At evening this trench was abandoned until it shall be reached by a tunnel from the bottom of the southern wall.

132 Thursday, Mar. 6/90

I.4. The wall north of colonnade shows evidences of much burning, & large pieces of burned wood are found near it. It extends westward of colonnade. Beyond colonnade, near this wall, but with no relation to its level, three coffins. Upper of these, about 1 metre below surface, blue glazed,

& from ornamentation evidently Sassanian. Head of this away from wall at right angles. A little lower, & nearer colonnade a plain white slipper shaped coffin, head toward wall. These two photographed in place. Between the two, but lower, feet to wall, another plain white slipper shaped coffin. From this objects noted in catalogue.

133 III.15. On temple plateau, close to middle of great southern wall, 1 metre below surface, slipper shaped coffin, head west. Once closed by beet shaped urns. In earth at top of coffin, as though once in beet shaped urn a piece of a phallus, a piece of a copper utensil, & a piece of an ornamented ivory kohl pin.

III.27. On slope of plateau, east of what looks like gate, under a mud brick wall, a few courses of a brick wall, bricks laid in bitumen, & many of them inscribed.

134 V.4. In Hassam's trench on north side of gully, two metres below the surface broken tub shaped coffin. Head at square end, to N. E. In the coffin two vases, a number of beads, fragments of an iron knife, burned wood & bitumen.

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135 Friday, Mar. 7./90

I.4. Five more coffins found at this corner, all slipper shaped, one blue glazed with ornamentation of female figures after pattern usual here. The other four plain white slipper shaped coffins. Found at various depths, & various directions.

A new gang, Abbas Hasmout, put on to carry the same wall east, found beyond it the beginning of another colonnade.

136 III.15. On plateau of temple, nearly opposite central point of southern wall, & quite close to it, 2 metres below surface, head east, a plain slipper shaped coffin. In it was a common clay bowl full of ashes & fish bones.

Above this to the east, 30 cm. below surface a burial in mud brick.

From same trench a large, blue glazed jug, like the pickle jugs now used at Hillah, containing among other refuse fish bones.

V.4. In Hassam's trench on north side of gully four badly broken coffins, all tub shaped.

Tub shaped coffins, & large bowls, or two bowls joined seem on the whole older than the slipper shaped coffins.

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137 Saturday, Mar. 8/90

A dust storm from south, so that some trenches on Temple hill plateau had to be abandoned for the day.

III.4. Entering through rooms & corridors we have now reached the east side of the brick work below the ziggurat & begun to dig it out.

III.18. Here we have a curving brick wall of fine work which seems to connect with the brick work at III.9, unearthed last year, & near which we began to dig this year. On this wall was built later some structure of mud brick.

138 III.11 & 12. The eastern wall line of the temple seems to consist merely of a great wall broader below than above, & constituting a gallery without by means of excess of breadth of lower part.

III.16 & 17 The main wall to the west seems to have been found at last.

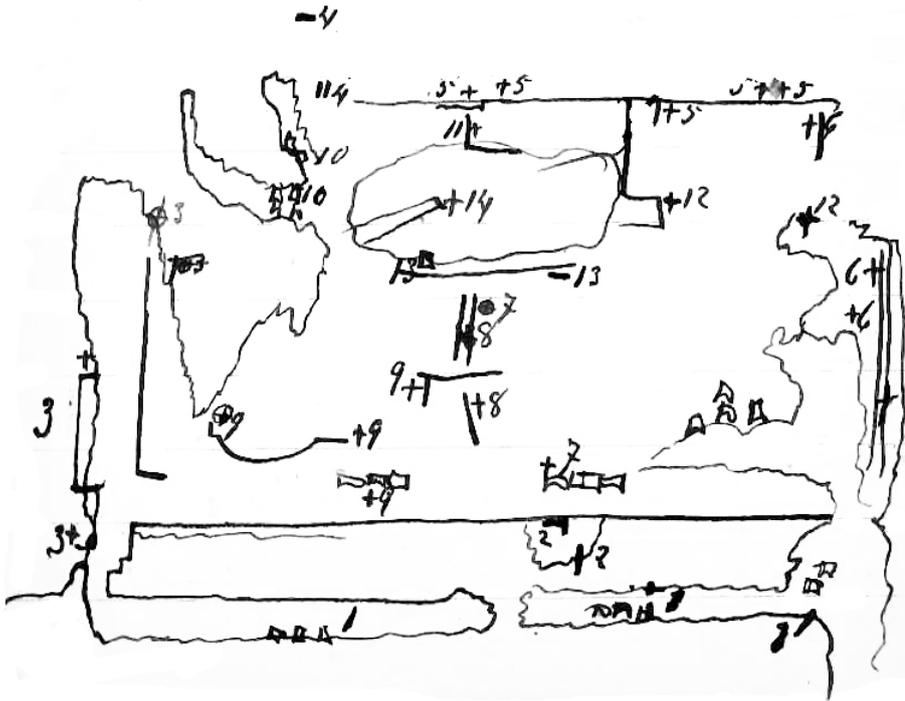
III.27. At the face of the long wall, by the first buttress east of the centre we have descended over 11 metres & not yet reached the bottom.

Between this point & the gully is a prominent nose of earth in which Husein el Khalif has found beneath a later mud brick wall an old bitumen cemented wall of brick, & by it fragments of inscribed stones, as per catalogue.

139 III.25. This nose had in its mid[*dle*] a small terrace of mud brick, a few courses, resting on earth. From either end of this ran long low walls, & at southern end there were a few rooms between the walls.

III.22. At the extreme eastern end of the southern wall line is a room with brick walls descending to a great depth. Outside of this, plainward, at the junction with the southern nose, III.25, a trench was run in & has found a brick structure out of line with the other structures found here.

I shall hereafter designate those who work on the outer southern wall line 1, those on the inner
140 2, on western wall line 3, on the outer northern wall line 4, on the corridors &c. of the northern line 5, on the eastern line 6; on the plateau south of the temple, those east of the new tunnel line 7, those on the new tunnel line in the plateau 8, those west of it 9, those working to the west of the ziggurat & close to it 10, those north & close to it 11, those east & close to it 12, those south & close to it 13, & the ziggurat trench itself 14; thus



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140[a] 1 = Husein Daoud digging out rooms on outer face, west of breach.

Dhahi, digging out rooms east of breach, on inside.

Hassani digging into the extreme eastern corner at its junction with southern nose.

2. = Husein el Khalif digging out old brick wall on slope of plateau.

Abdullah el Owdah, descending to foundation of long wall by its first buttress east of centre.

3. Halif ed Dahash following western wall northward, & Jasim el Harith at its southern limit

4. Mousa el Qadhim in plain, following the outermost wall westward.

Abbas et Turki digging up a gulley that runs to very base of ziggurat.

141 5. Halif es Seba on the outside line of the corridors, working west, opposite the centre of the ziggurat.

Mehemet et Turki outside of him working down the hill northward.

Mensi just east of the ziggurat, working toward it by a passage from the inner corridor.

Hammadi es Sa'igh on the outer corridor, further east, working inward.

Mahawis, just around corner from latter, working east.

6. On eastern wall line
Abbas el Khalif
Hamud el Hajji &
Amran el Mousa.

7. Jewad el Hassam excavating rooms just behind great wall, east of centre.

142 8. Abbas Jasim & Husbak on tunnel line, Abbas within, Husbak without.

9. Ashur el Ali near Husbak moving at present southward.

West & south of him Qeyff, at present moving east. Between Qeyff & long wall Habib excavating rooms like 7, but moving west.

10. Hammadi el Hamoush & Sultan el Amran excavating rooms just to west & south of ziggurat.

11. Hamza Ahmed, excavating between corridors & ziggurat on north.

12. Hedhayir, excavating close to ziggurat on east.

143 Hassouni el Alwan putting a tunnel into ziggurat from head of gulley on east side.

13. Nasr Ibrahim close to ziggurat east end of south side.

Sehab close to ziggurat at west end of south side.

14. Abid ed Dahash in middle of ziggurat.

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144 Monday, Mar. 10/90

Heavy rain no work done.

Tuesday, Mar. 11/90

III.8. One metre below surface Husbak found a child's grave of mud brick one metre below the surface.

9. Habib found a plain slipper shaped coffin 80 cm. below the surface.

Qeyff, opening a passage into his trench from the south found seven large firkins inverted, in a row to the west of a brick well. They were bituminated within, each about one metre in length & 80
145 cm. below the surface. The well was a poor brick construction. To the south of the well, about on the same level was a mud brick grave.

On account of the water in it Sehab's trench [13] could not be worked. He was therefore left to work by the side of Husein el Khalif at 2.

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146 Wednesday, Mar. 12/90

III.7 Jewad having reached Husbak's trench was transferred to 9 to carry the wall of Habib eastward.

1. Dhahi's wall having died he was at his own request allowed to work on the plateau slope east of Husein.

2. Just south of the trenches of Sehab & Husein el Halif was found a good sized brick well.

V.1. At Mousa's trench, on top of crest north of gulley, 120 cm. below surface was found a large urn, almost upright, about a metre long, & with a diam. of 52 cm. across mouth, the bottom full of
147 whorls of unbaked clay  almost round objects, 3 or 4 cm. in diam., with a hole through the centre.

V.4. In Abbas Daoud's trench, south of the gulley, near top of crest, 80 cm. below surface two graves of mud brick, & pottery rubble, rudely placed as a protection above the body, & then covered with earth, as the Arabs bury today. Below & to one side of these, 150 cm. below the surface was a plain slipper shaped coffin.

At Hassam's trench, on the north side of this gulley, four metres below the surface, a coffin consisting of two large urns, the mouth of one fitting over the other.

148 Thursday, Mar. 13/90

I.2 & 3. About 5 metres below the surface this broad trench has struck another strata of houses. In these, but above floor, & therefore later are burials of the Sassanian or Parthian period. Two of these seen by D. Z. N. will be found at back of book. One which I saw was 5.80 metres below surface, a white slipper shaped coffin, ornamented with naked female figures similar to the common type on blue glazed coffins.

5. North of the colonnade & about 2 metres away we have a building with two square, two half
149 rounded columns, to east & west of square columns runs a wall of mud brick, & about 4 metres north of the columns runs another mud brick wall. This building was destroyed by fire, & the mud

bricks have been half baked by the conflagration. Its arrangement with reference to the colonnade is not altogether symmetrical.

III.1. Hassani has a brick wall, sloping without, on top of which was built later a mass of mud brick.

2. Sehab was today moved to take Jewad's old wall line at 9 & carry it east.

150 4. The gulley up which Abbas Turki was digging proves to be nothing but a mass of mud brick much covered by sand. As we have found at every point where we have tested, between Mousa el Qadhim's outer wall & the great corridors the same thing I shall stop further testing & conclude that the construction throughout is the same.

5. Halif es Seba & Mehemet et Turki are digging out rooms between the corridors & the outer wall line at the foot of the two noses just north of the ziggurat. They are full of brick rubble, testifying to brick structures at this point originally.

Mensi is now moving east on inner face of corridor walls.

151 Hammadi is descending by a brick wall slanting outwards, & running in a curved line north & south. This is below corridor level.

Above it is a low wall of mud brick, running north & south, making a corner on the brick wall & running east & west. This Mahawis followed east to the long eastern corridor excavated last year. It is at a different angle from the brick wall, & also from the mud brick walls.

6. Abbas el Khalif is excavating rooms at northern end of east wall.

Amran el Mousa is excavating room in crest of hill south of last year's Kurigalzu room.

152 Hamud el Hajji followed a long low wall from southern end of eastern hill line northward, until it lost itself in the gulley east of the Kurigalzu room.

9. Ashur el Ali & Qeyff are about meeting, the former having moved south & then west, the latter east. This is a long wall line, so far without a door, appearing to form an inner wall to the temple. The structures between it & the outer wall line, as well as the rooms on top of the latter appear to be late surface structures.

Between Qeyff & Habib is a singular circular structure of mud brick, as yet only partly laid bare.

153 11. At Hamza Ahmed's trench are quantities of bricks, evidences of the existence here of some brick structure.

12. Hassouni's tunnel was completed today, & he entered the room formerly excavated by Hamud el Hajji, & commenced descending on side toward ziggurat. This appears to be a room

resting on earth, the walls descending to no great distance, attached to the ziggurat at some later time.

13. Nasr Ibrahim & Abid ed Dahash changed places.

2. Abdullah's wall is 14 metres below plateau, slopes out, & rests on brick.

V.1 There is a tangle of brick constructions in trenches of Ismail & Abud el Qumba, at a depth of 6 metres or so in centre of nose south of gully.

154 Friday, March 14/90

Rain, no work.

Saturday, March 15/90

Trenches full of water, day threatening, only the thirty men sent to work who must be paid anyhow. They worked on X with such good results in finding tablets, & burned buildings (cf. Feb. 13) that I decided to commence regular work there on Monday. Daniel took a gang out to the low hills on the southwest where he dug out a number of graves.

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155 Monday, Mar. 17/90

III.9. On plateau not far from southwestern end of ziggurat two metres below surface. a large beet shaped urn, full of rubble. Bitumined within. Marked without with bitumen thus  in very large character. Three new gangs were put on temple hill, which have been marked in with (⊕) cross & circle. One at 3 to get inner face of west wall if possible beyond the point to which it has been followed northward.

7. One at 7, east of Abbas' great well trench, to find rooms at this point.

9. One at 9, at western end of round wall to follow it descending.

156 I. A new gang was also added at Camp Hill.

V. Five gangs were taken off the Tablet Hill, and put on at X. The eastern side of Tablet Hill was altogether abandoned for the time being.

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157 Thursday, Mar. 20/90

I.2 & 3. Several walls at various angles, of mud brick, mostly inferior work, belonging to rooms only partly in trench, none of any great depth. Tops of two measured at distances of 5 and 6 metres below surface.

This trench has reached the back side of the great mud brick wall against which I.1 at present ends.

158 I.5. To the north of the colonnade, but not symmetrical in relation to its arrangement toward the columns is a room, with two square, two half round brick columns. These constituted the entrance to a room from which there appears to be no other exit, the wall having been found on three sides. From the square columns walls parallel with sides of colonnade, 2.40 metres away. The colonnade is surrounded on all sides, but on west several passages through wall into rooms. On south wall 2.20 metres away from colonnade. The whole construction seems to have been destroyed by fire. The mud bricks are burned red, there are quantities of palm wood ashes, & in one place bushels of burned grain. A couple of seal impressions found on south edge of colonnade seem to show that the whole was Persian.

III.1. Hassani is burrowing tunnels among inexplicable brick walls as before.

159 Husein has practically finished rooms in south wall west side, and was put in
2 to dig the tunnel through to the south wall, Husein el Khalif and Dhahi being engaged in clearing away the earth at this point, since the objects found seem to render this desirable. There is here a low wall of bricks, many of them inscribed, laid in bitumen, forming a room, the door inward. At this door was found the inscribed door socket. Below this building in the gully, southward, is a good-sized brick well. On top of this brick wall was built at a later date a wall of mud brick, which runs beyond it both east & west.

160 3. We seem at last to have obtained the face of the western wall corresponding to the southern, and while Jasim el Harith is near the plain on the south, Halif-ed-Dahash is well along the ridge running north. On Monday a new man, Jasim Arbaya was put on the inside of this same ridge at its northern end, where he is finding rooms.

4. Has been abandoned for the present, as the outer trench was full of water, & the inner seemed to be cutting through mud brick.

5. Both the eastern fives, Hammadi & Mahawis, & the northern 6, Abbas el Khalif, have struck different points in a great round brick retaining wall of an older structure.

161 6. Hamud el Hajji is now just south of Abbas el Khalif, carrying a north & south mud brick wall along.

7. Sehab is pushing the inner face of the south wall eastward & descending as he does so. Qadhim el Ali is finding rooms just to the east of the inner 8. Abbas Turki is pushing east from between the two 8's, and has found a round structure of mud brick.

162 8. Abbas within & Husbak without are descending. At Husbak's trench there is nothing. At Abbas' trench there are in all three rooms. In the southernmost he has found at various depths quite a number of gold objects loose in the earth. The southern wall of this room descends below the other three. Against this below he has found another wall, which has been followed a short distance east & west.

9. Habib is following the great south wall westward and descending; & Jewad at about its middle point is descending & connecting the trenches of Sehab & Husbak. On top of this wall for its whole length are rampart rooms, each unconnected with the other.

At the western end of the round wall Hussein is following the wall & descending.

163 Qeyff is between a long wall, the same which passes in front of Abbas' room, descending between that & a round structure of mud brick. Ashur-el-Ali has pierced the wall which he & Qeyff had worked together passed through a platform of mud brick formerly laid bare by Hassam, pierced a second mud brick wall into a long trench dug by the same, & is running serdab along wall he broke through westward; after which he will deepen trench and carry it forward along the north & south wall on his east toward the ziggurat.

10. Hammadi-el-Hamoush, Mousa-el-Qadhim, & Sultan Amran are all engaged at excavating rooms on crest at this point.

11. Hassouni is plodding at removing a mass of hard rubble & brick bats from space between ziggurat & corridor. In front of north buttress there seems to be a mass of mud brick.

164 12. Hedhayir is descending at northeast corner of east buttress of ziggurat, after having followed wall of said buttress to room formerly laid bare by Hamud-el-Hajji.

Tunnel in said room could not be worked because of water, & Hamza, exchanged with Hassouni has been sounding the gulley southward, & is now excavating rooms on the east ridge with Amran el Mousa.

13. Abid ed Dahash descending at eastern end of south buttress. Western 13 not working on account of water.

14. Nasr Ibrahim making new passage into trench. Trench itself full of water.

165 V. Seems to be pretty nearly exhausted.

X. Here we have found a variety of rooms, originally plastered in white, but for the most part burned in a conflagration, which has half baked the mud bricks, & turned them red. The rooms full of red & black ashes. The production of tablets has been considerable, especially from some burned rooms lying in the midst of a gulley just below & to the east of the north mouth of last year's trench X.

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166 Friday, March 21/90

III.6. At room on hill crests to east, at or below floor level a quantity of hard unbaked clay whorls.

III.7. Toward eastern end of wall on inside a large jar, perforated with holes like a sieve, one handled.

At same trench near surface an oven just like those used by Arabs now for baking bread.

Monday, Mar. 24/90

III.6. In room on ridge north of great southeastern gully, against the north wall, inverted stood empty 7 jars, four long beet shaped jars, bituminated within, & three smaller jars with handles & large round bowls. Two of the latter & one of former among pottery photographed by Mr. Haynes.

167 III.7. A stray brick, found at Abbas Turki's trench along second wall on inner side is the largest I remember to have seen, measuring 46 cm. square.

Friday, Mar. 28th/90

III. Nasr Ibrahim's trench in ziggurat is now 14.10 metres below surface, or about 15 metres below top of ziggurat. The mats between the courses in this trench are from 122 to 124 cm. apart.

Saturday, Mar. 29/90

III.7. In trench of Qadhim el 'Ali, at bottom of wall of room within second wall line, just east of central trench, 4.6 metres below surface two large beet shaped urns, bituminated within, & the sediment of some liquid adhering to surface within, also a yellowish discoloration about the bung without.

168 III.8. Trenches of Husbak & Abud-el-Mohammed in central cut have reached depth of 8 metres. Both find mud brick walls of older construction at this depth.

X.

On top of crest north of last year's tunnel, 1 metre below surface Abbas Jasim found a clay coffin of about the shape of a human foot, the sort said to be common at Jimjimeh, but of which we have only found one other specimen, & that in this same general region. It measured in outside length 170 cm., & average outside breadth 42. Its depth within was 15 cm. The head was eastward. The

169 body was stretched out at full length, lying on the right side. Beneath the chin was a broken green glazed saucer of unusual make. The coffin was covered with two rounded pieces of coffin pottery, which had been broken somewhat by pressure. The whole was enclosed & covered over with mud bricks. Outside the mud bricks at the head was a common clay vase. Beneath the mud bricks in front of the corpse as it lay were a quantity of burned date stones & wood ashes.

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170 Monday, March 31/90

The present condition of the hill is as follows.

I. The great trench on the highest part of this hill has reached a depth just behind the great mud brick wall of 8.6 metres. This wall seems to be the western boundary of the structure in which the colonnade is a court. We are tunneling along this wall southward & northward. The southern tunnel reached this morning 11.6 metres without finding the end of the wall. Between this wall & the colonnade by means of tunnels & open trenches we have found a number of walls, all giving
171 evidence of a conflagration, & established the connection between this wall & the colonnade. On the southern side Alwan has cut through from without to the granary room, in an attempt to find the outer limits on the south. I suppose this house to have belonged to a wealthy private citizen of the Persian period.

III.1. At the eastern end of the outer southern wall line, where a nose runs southward Hassani has found very deep brick walls of a curious step like construction, which the men suppose to be a water wall on the border of the Nil.

2. Abdullah has carried a tunnel clear through the hill in front of the great wall, up to the wall itself.

172 In this hill are the remains of an old brick structure, the bricks for the most part inscribed, & laid in bitumen. Two rooms exist to the east of the tunnel, & at the door of each Dhahi has found an inscribed stone door socket. On top of the remains of this brick structure across it from east to west runs a thick wall of mud brick.

3. Two gangs are trying to trace the outside line of the great wall on the west. The southwestern corner, after many twists vanishes into the plain. Jasim el Harith having traced it in that direction is
173 now trying to find the bottom of the great southern wall at one of its buttress angles, the most westward one (2). Another gang, Jasim Arbaya, is trying to find the inside face of this wall near the brick wells of last year.

5. Inside of the corridors, east of the ziggurat we have found two deep brick rooms. And to the east of the corridors under the northeastern corner of the temple we have found a very deep brick wall, round, & of large circumference, part of an ancient structure, against & upon the remains of which were built the immense mud brick masses of the later building.

174 7. All over the plateau to the east of the central trench are rooms, which we are now digging out as rapidly as possible. We also followed the inside of the great southern wall eastward almost to the deep gully at that point, where we lost it in cross walls the relations of which we are now trying to determine. Inside of this appears to have existed a second wall line, but the depth of this is not so great.

8. Two gangs are descending in this deep cut.

9. We have followed the inside of the great wall almost to its western corner. We are also following the inner wall. Within this the plateau is full of rooms which we are excavating as rapidly as possible.

175 10. The rooms near the northeastern corner of the ziggurat are almost finished. These unlike the rooms anywhere else are built right against the step like outer wall of the ziggurat.

11. Here we are trying to find & trace the northern buttress, but find a complexity of cross walls.

13. After descending half of the distance from the east along the front of the southern face of the ziggurat we found a cross wall barring the way. Drawing back to make a still deeper descend we found other walls running east, & are now exploring the whole neighborhood of the southeastern
175[a] corner of the ziggurat. We are also doing the same at the south west corner, being unable to descend until the rooms by the ziggurat have been excavated.

14. We are finding that the ziggurat is not homogeneous throughout. The eastern half has brick in its construction, the western none. Today a gang has been digging on top of the ziggurat on the eastern side. Instead [of] mud brick they find brick rubble. A fragment of an inscribed stone was found also.

V.

176 As the supply of tablets seemed to be exhausted, & no constructions of any importance were found we abandoned this hill today.

X.

Here we are digging in various spots after tablets. The greatest number come from burned rooms, of which there seems to be a fair supply in this neighborhood.

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177 Monday, Mar. 31/90 [*sic, another Monday?*]

I.2. Slipper shaped coffin in tunnel of Ali Sa'id to north of great trench, by side of wall of Persian house, 8 metres below surface.

The trench is now 8.60 metres deep, & the tunnel along wall of Persian house on south side of trench 11.60 metres long.

Thursday, April 3^d/90

I.2. Tunnel on north side of trench by wall of Persian house is now 12.10 metres long, & on south side the tunnel having reached length of 16 metres, 'Aweid was put outside to dig in.

- 178 X. A trench of Abbas Jasim, on top of hill, behind (north of) old trench X, about 1.5 metres below surface, a child's grave in earth. In it a common clay vase covered by very thin bowl, a few beads &c.

Friday, April 4th/90

- 179 III.8. Husbak's trench has now reached depth immediately behind great wall of 9.20 metres. Close to the wall, less than ½ metre away is a brick wall on which is a wall of large mud bricks. This is almost 2 metres thick. A little more than 1 metre beyond this is a very thick wall of small mud bricks. Beyond this in a room which it seems to surround, at a depth of almost 10 metres Husbak finds numbers of fragments of inscribed stone objects.

X. About 1 metre below surface on one of the hills a little north of last year's X Hamza Ahmed found a coffin round at one end, square at the other, bitumined to a thickness of about 2 cm. Length of coffin 1 metre, he. 53.5 & breadth 52 cm. All outside measures. Outside were two pieces of pottery, & inside four more & a copper dish. All were good work. The copper dish was inverted, & beneath it was a quantity of small bones.

180 Saturday, April 5th/90

- 181 I. The Persian house is stretching out in a most unexpected manner in all directions. On the west side we have a wall of thirty metres or more, which we have followed by tunnels on both sides of the great trench. On the north we seem to have a corner, about which we have turned to the east. On the south the wall has been followed out into the next gulley, & beyond that into another hill. Further east in this same gulley Alwan esh Shelash working southward out of the granary has followed walls & found another column. We find nothing in the house, nor outside of it either, & there is no possibility of finishing it in the time at our disposal.

The finding of a curious composite piece of pottery led us to examine a very small hill nose southwest of our old camp. Here we have found quantities of pottery, Hebrew bowls, and three Parthian coins. It looks as though this might have been a Jewish apothecary's or doctor's or druggist's establishment in the Parthian period.

The great trench has now reached a depth of over 8 metres, almost absolutely without results.

III. Mr. Koloman from his measurements thinks that he has shown the temple to have been a square, each side of which without is 200 metres.

- 182 1 On the eastern end of the outer wall line three gangs are endeavoring to find the meaning & extent of the deep brick walls, one resembling a quay, which we have found here.
- 2 On the second line, against the great wall, & between it & the outer wall three more gangs are at work. One is testing its depth, & the depth of the western buttress at their point of junction. Another is tunneling through the earth in front of the central part of the wall in order ultimately to sound its depth there an[d] tunnel through it. Another is excavating the brick structure in the same earth hill, finding a second door socket this week.
- 183 3. Habib following the inner side of the great southern wall has reached its corner with the western wall, & is descending at that point. Mahawis is tracing the inner face of the western wall northward. The work on the outer side of the same had to be abandoned temporarily because of water in the trench. Today, digging at a point indicated by Mr. Koloman's measurements we found what he thinks to be the corner of this with the northern wall.
5. We have cleaned out some of the corridors & the large room in the corridor. Outside of the corridors to the north, in front of the ziggurat, Mehemet et Turki has found remains of older
184 constructions. He also found in one place skulls of camels, buffaloes, cows & gazelles, suggesting an ancient hyaena's lager. Immediately to the north of the ziggurat everywhere are great quantities of bricks, remains of some former construction. At the east end beneath the corridors & stretching into the outer wall of mud brick is a very deep, partly ruined great round wall of brick. There are also other brick constructions at various levels, noticeably two small brick rooms just within the corridors on the south side, to the east of the ziggurat. There are also at this eastern [end?] remains of mud brick walls at a different angle from anything else found on the hill.
6. On the east side two gangs are exploring rooms.
- 185 7. On the eastern half of the plateau four gangs are exploring rooms which yield nothing. All over the plateau, east & west, a little below the surface are great quantities of ashes. Assl has been tracing the inner side of the great wall eastward. A little before the deep gulley it meets a buttress like wall at right angles. This buttress only descends about 5 metres, & we are endeavoring to follow the great wall below the buttress by a tunnel.
8. In our central line we have reached a depth of about 10 metres, & find the remains of various older walls of mud brick, also quantities of fragments of inscribed stone objects.
- 186 9. On the western side of the plateau we have some five gangs digging out rooms without much result.

10. The rooms to the west of the ziggurat are completed, & we are trying to find their relation to the ziggurat, & the depth of the latter on that side. This depth does not seem great, & the rooms are built against the ziggurat with foundations of mud brick.

11. In front of the ziggurat on the north side we have with much labor determined the depth & outlines of the buttress like projection. In front of this are masses of mud brick, & remains of
187 various walls. There are also great quantities of brick fragments. One gang is now at work tunneling under the ziggurat at the head of the gulley; & another is descending in the gulley close to the ziggurat.

12. We are making the way to descend at the north eastern & southern corners of the ziggurat.

13. We are working out the east side of the southern buttress.

14. We have descended through a homogeneous mass of mud brick to the depth of about 15 metres. We have also dug on the top of the ziggurat on the eastern side. A brick structure seems to
188 have existed here, of which no proper remains now exist. It is noticeable that the east & west halves of the ziggurat differ. In the former both brick & mud brick were used, in the latter mud brick only. Moreover the eastern half appears to have a greater depth.

X. We have run trial trenches in several places. The most profitable stratum is that of the burned houses, which we find in the gulleys. The houses here were heavily plastered. From them come the burned tablets, which are especially noticeable for the immense number of seal impressions. Above this is a stratum of well made buildings of small mud bricks, well set. Above this we find very
189 small unbaked tablets. On top of the hills are crumbly unbaked tablets like those found at V. In the supposed canal bed near old IX we are sinking a trench to look for the quay.

Thursday, April 9th/90 [*sic, the 10th?*]

I. The great trench has now reached a depth of 10.50 metres, & judging from the finds we are in the Babylonian epoch. Last night the south side of the deeper, narrower part of the trench, last year's trench, caved in, exposing what I had already conjectured to exist, the burned walls of rooms or corridors in the Persian house. Two or three coffins were also broken through at various
190 heights. The depth of this trench before the break was about 13 metres.

5. The columns now being found in the gulley next south of the one in which the original colonnade was found are of much larger circumference than those of the old colonnade. At this point 1½ metres below the surface was found a blue glazed slipper shaped coffin.

III.11. In the tunnel which was run into the ziggurat at the west end of the north side we found a brick wall of 27 courses, in line with the wall on the east side of the buttress. A similar wall has
191 been found by a tunnel close to the west side of the buttress on the south side. The mud brick which covers these walls seems to be a later addition peculiar to the western side of the ziggurat only.

III.14. The great trench in the middle of the ziggurat is now 18.5 metres below the top of that construction.

Saturday, April 12th/90

192 I. In the deep trench we have reached I judge from two small objects found Babylonian level, but there is nothing but earth with occasional mud bricks. We have also found, to the south of the old colonnade part of another colonnade, of which one square brick pier & two round columns have been laid bare. The circumference of these columns is greater than that of those found in the old colonnade.

III.

I. Excavating at the east end of the outer southern wall line. The quay like brick wall does not go on, nor is it a quay. What its age & meaning are is not clear. It is very deep, & underlies masses of mud brick. It is a retaining wall sloping, & merely enclosing a heap of earth. The bricks are laid in mud, or a plaster of mud & ashes. They are yellow & poorly made.

193 2. Dhahi dug out the well, & is looking for more brick rooms. At the two ends of the straight part of the wall Jasim & Hedhayir are digging for the bottom. The great tunnel in the centre was hindered by a fall of earth. Underneath the central part of the great wall is a brick wall of poor yellow bricks with a corner running out. Bottom not yet found.

3. The western wall both within & without has stopped just short of the first gully.

7. [4?] We are descending without much result so far at different points on the plateau both east & west, & also in the central trench.

10. Having found that the visible mud brick of the ziggurat on the west side seems to cover an older structure we are digging down & breaking in.

194 11. Here we are trying for low depths at several points. At the northwest corner of the ziggurat we have reached what seems to be bed earth under the inner brick wall of the ziggurat at a depth of 26 metres below the top.

13. On the south side of the ziggurat we are descending at four points.

14. The central trench now has a depth of 19 metres, & the construction is uniform.

V.

We have run some seven sounding trenches at various points on this hill, & are finding a few tablets in the gully next south of V.1.

VI & VIII. Sounding trenches at these points were unsuccessful.

195 X. A gulley, or rather two gulleys west & north of the former gulley, is yielding numerous tablets. Some of these are very large, both baked & unbaked, but the large ones are in bad condition. The best preserved tablets are those from the burned city stratum, but these are mostly small. They are remarkable for the great number of seal impressions. Many of these seals contain a representation of the god Bel, & a votive inscription.

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1 Tuesday[Wednesday], April 16th/90

III.8. Fine diorite door socket found in central trench, 11.5 metres below surface, by side of a mud brick wall.

III.11 Ali Said tunneling under ziggurat on north side, near western corner, at depth of 26 metres below top of ziggurat. Outer stratum above mud brick. Behind this, in line with brick wall east of buttress a brick wall. Tunnel at lower level than this brick wall. Further in a second brick wall, bricks laid in bitumen, below it a water course.

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2 Thursday, April 17th/90

I.1. The wall of the deep trench of last year on the north side fell in last night because of the heavy rains.

III.8. Fragment of a second inscribed door socket found at same level as first.

Friday, April 18th/90

III.2. Jasim el Harith's well at eastern outside corner of great Temple wall 13 metres deep. The wall descends in large blocks of mud brick 12.5 metres, below this is brick baked.

III.9. Opposite this point on the inside corner Habib has reached a depth of 9.5 metres, & is digging & has been so for 2 metres through mud brick.

3 III.7. Jewad el Hassam descending in long room on eastern side of plateau has reached a depth of 9.20 metres. A door socket, the duplicate of that found on Wednesday, was discovered at this point. It was at the end of a row of four bricks. Two metres higher up was a brick floor.

III.10. Cutting away this corner we find large blocks of mud brick averaging 23×32×32. Occasionally pieces of brick were between them, & at one place between two layers we found a considerable platform made of old bricks & brick pieces.

4 III.11. In the deep tunnel of Ali Sa'id, 3.4 metres from mouth of inner tunnel was a drain pipe well the top about even with the top of the tunnel. The top of this drain was covered by a platform of tile shaped bricks, 25×15 cm., the rounded side somewhat finished, the flat side very rough.

Saturday, April 19th/90

I. Here during the week we have laid bare a portico of two square brick columns, with two round columns between them, belonging to the Persian house. Work on this house was definitely abandoned on Friday, & the two gangs employed there set to tunnel right & left from the great trench. On Wednesday three gangs were put on to search for tablets at the level of Tuesday's find in gulleys to the north & south of the great trench, but without results.

5 III. At the Temple Hill the work of running out walls has been abandoned with one exception during the week, & all energy concentrated on descending, especially in the great central trench, where about a dozen gangs are employed in breaking down walls & carried a deep hole from the southern great wall to the Ziggurat.

6 III.2. Jasim el Harith descending at the outer western corner of the great south wall, by the buttress, finds beneath the wall of mud brick another of baked brick. Mohammed el Husein finds a similar construction in the centre of the wall. This brick wall is not thick. Mohammed is tunneling through the wall. Work here has been much hampered for the last two weeks by heavy falls of earth at both ends of the outer tunnel.

III.3. At the inside western corner of the great south wall Habib el Khalif is descending through mud brick, which is attached to the wall.

4. The great northern wall has been abandoned without finding the north west (north) corner. The wall died, & rain broke down the trenches, which ran through fine sand.

7 In the gully by the ziggurat Jasim el Arbaya has dug a deep hole without result. Mehemet et Turki has followed a wall north of the corridors running west, & then north along the edge of the gully. 5 & 6 have been abandoned.

7. Jewad el Hassan is descending in a room on the eastern edge of the plateau. The series of rooms just east of 8 has been included in that trench, & all walls are being removed.

9. Husein has been descending between the western end of the round tower, & the slanting wall west of it.

Halif es Seba has been descending in the deepest part of the gully which bounds the plateau on the northwest. He has found below the level of the plateau rooms a wall of bricks laid in bitumen.

8 10. At the northwestern or northern corner of the ziggurat we are clearing away the rooms & descending just over the corner of the ziggurat, which we are removing. Fifty cm. below the level of the brick column just outside of the ziggurat at this point the platform of mud brick in huge blocks ceases, & resolves itself into a wall 3.9 metres in length from the ziggurat outwards, & one metre south of the column.

III.11 Ali Sa'id is tunneling as described on Friday.

III.12 We are breaking the eastern corners of the ziggurat, & the northeastern corner of the buttress. Qeyff tunneled under the buttress from the room at the southeastern corner, but at his level all was mud brick.

- 9 III.13. Excavating by the eastern corner of the southern buttress we find a wall of bricks laid in bitumen. Bricks taken from the upper layers of the ziggurat have very frequently the inscription of Urba'u, or the eleven line inscription, but other inscriptions occur, showing that it was not an original construction.

Husein el Khalif in a well on the west side of the same buttress is 11.5 metres below the level of the plateau. Here is a mud brick wall running at a different angle from the walls of the ziggurat.

V. After some fruitless soundings this hill abandoned.

- 10 X. We have pushed to the outward western side of this hill in the search for tablets.

IX. We have also put in sounding trenches at this point from different sides. Assuming the elevation given for this point in Mr. Field's map, 18 metres, to be correct, the Camp Hill measures only 20 metres, & Bint el Amir 21.40. By a rough leveling Koloman obtained the height of 19.35 metres for IX, which would give 21.35 for the Camp Hill, & 22.75 for Bint-el-Amir. I think this is more nearly correct than the other.

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- 11 Tuesday, April 22nd/1890

III.14. Ziggurat trench 21 metres deep, or 22 metres below top level.

X. Abbas Jasim finding tablets in square brick room in well continuously from surface to depth of 6.6 metres.

Saturday, April 26th/1890

I. Our great trench, six metres broad & about 13 metres deep at its broadest fell in, & as there was no time to clear the earth away, & surface finds on this hill are all of the Kufic period, we stopped work here.

- 12 III. Here the force has been concentrated almost entirely on the great central trench, where we have found quantities of fragments of inscribed stone objects, & some very pretty archaic tablets. We have found Urba'u's walls of bricks laid in bitumen in two places, by the ziggurat, & by the outer wall.

III.7 At this point Habib reached the bottom of the great wall & tunneled under it.

III.10. At this point Mensi found the brick corner of the ziggurat of the king who built the brick house at III.2 apparently, &

13 III.13 Husein Daoud found another corner, & Husein Khalif the side of the same wall, which is identical with the lower part of the wall which Abbas Hasmout has been removing at III.11. On this wall at the latter point & before it at the others Kurigalzu seems to have erected the walls of his ziggurat. Husein Daoud also found below him a wall of Urba'u.

III.14. The ziggurat trench, having reached a depth of 24 metres, or 25 metres from the top of the hill was abandoned. The ziggurat ceased at a depth of 22. Below this we found a metre of black ashes, & then a metre of earth, with an occasional fragment of pottery.

III.13.[sic] We also had a deep tunnel & well under the ziggurat by the southern corner. Here the ziggurat seemed to rest on rubble, below which we found a terrace of mud brick two metres thick, & below this we dug about a metre in earth.

14 VI. When forced to abandon I we put three gangs on at the low south nose of this hill. Here we found an ancient brick stamp, a couple of very ancient tablet fragments, & a piece of marble.

XI. Two of the gangs from I were put on the outer wall line of the city, north of the plain beyond the Temple. Here we found a wall, & inside of it below plain level a room, but our time forbids further search.

We have also sunk two trenches in the canal between V & IX, one on each side of the canal, & each about 4 metres deep, but each without results, except to show that we had not reached bottom.

15 X. Abbas Jasim's well descended to a depth of 14.50 metres, when water was reached. Tablets were found the whole distance, but the last ruined by water. Our great finds were made in an insignificant looking room of mud brick about 10 by 5 metres, in a gulley, one to three metres below the surface at its different points. Over the whole floor of this room in a soil of black ashes were piled tablets & tablet fragments, unbaked. We had eight pickmen taking out tablets as fast as they could work, & for four days they were brought in by box fulls, faster than we could handle them. They are of all sizes.

Catalogue of objects found at Niffer 2nd season 1890

	Jan. 14 th , 1 st day.	III
	1. Clay head of statuette in half relief, hollow, defaced, l. of fragment 8. c. (in other cat. 4)	III:6
	2. Crystal bead, barrel shaped, l. 1.6 cm.	
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	3. Saucer with heavy green glaze, latter breaking off. Ornamented with concentric raised rings within. Slightly chipped on edge. Di. 13.5 cm. heighth 3.10 cm. (in other cat. 1)	V:1
	4. Clay cylinder, uninscribed, ornamented with line patterns. l. 3.2 cm. (in other cat. 3)	V:2
	5. A few poor, unbaked fragments of tablets, from 1, 2, & 3.	
	Jan. 16 th 2 nd day.	
	V	
	6. Copper bowl from tub shaped coffin (viz journal, p. [blank]), shallow, diam. 18.5 cm. heighth 4.5 cm., rim slightly curved in; rather heavy. (in other cat. 7).	V:1
	7. Copper vessel from same coffin, sieve with handle, latter having hook at end, length over handle 12 cm., breadth of sieve across top 9.4 cm., within 7.1 cm. height of bowl 4 cm. Holes of sieve very fine, & much filled up. (in other cat. 8)	V:1
	8. Small copper ladle with deep, pot shaped bowl, & long handle, hooked at end, two pieces broken off, the bottom somewhat broken, the whole much encrusted. Heighth of bowl 5 cm., di. 4.5 cm., length of handle 25 cm. Also from same (in other cat. 9).	V:1



9. From same coffin copper vase of graceful shape, but not quite symmetrical. Height 17.1 cm., di. at mouth 5.0 cm., di. at broadest part of bowl 6.5 cm. (in other cat. 10)
[Cf. *Peters 1897 II, 387 and pl. IV:8*]



10. From same grave a few copper fragments, use unknow[n], apparently a pair, of which one entire, other in pieces. Length of whole piece 4.1 cm. (in other cat. 11)

11. Fragment of baked tablet, written on both sides, length 9.3 cm., breadth 7.4 cm. (on other cat. 13)
Two columns on one side, on other only six lines of writing.

12. Fragment of baked tablet, written on both sides, l. 8 cm., br. 6.6 cm. (on other cat. 14)

13. Unbaked tablet, broken (on other cat. 15)

14. Fragment of baked tablet, found by Obeid lying on surface, l. 7 cm., br. 8.2 cm. (on other cat. 16)



15. Copper knife or sickle, of rude make, like those now in use. l. 17 cm. (on other cat. 6)

16. Small red stone bead, barrel shaped, l. 1.75 cm. (on other cat. 12)

17. Clay head, very small, head dress a sort of turban, full beard, prominent nose. Found by mud brick wall three metres below surface.

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Jan. 18th

3^d day

18. Small copper ring, di. 3.2. V:3

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| 19. | Piece of an ivory pin, l. of fragment 10.3 | V:1 |
| 20. | A few poor fragments of unbaked tablets | V:1 |

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Jan. 20th

4th day



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| 21. | Small yellow glass bead, 1½ cm. long, chipped. | III |
| 22. | Animal's head of agate, flat on under surface, cut on convex piece of brown agate, breadth across ears 4.5 cm., le. 4.5 cm. The eyes are bored through, & it was apparently strung by them & used as a charm or ornament. A ring is cut in the centre of the forehead. | III:18 |

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| 23. | Clay statuette of a bearded figure, beard long, hands clinched & resting on one another below beard. Lower part broken. Length of fragment 9 cm. [= no. 36] | V:1 |
| 24. | Upper portion of clay statuette of female. Hands folded below breasts, nose flat, eyes prominent. Length of fragment 6.5 cm. | |
| 25 | Clay animal with fantastic head, possibly meant to be a human with stag's horns. Head rubbed and chipped. Height 9.2 cm. | V:1 |
| 26. | Beads of a necklace found together but loose in the ground about 4 metres below surface. The greater part stones of different shapes & colors, some however glass, some enameled clay, some shells. There were two oblong greenish clay pieces, one 2 cm. long & 1 br., & the other 1.6 by 1, flat & thin, having respectively 5 & four holes, as for a bracelet of several strings. | V:3 |

26. With these a piece of iron much rusted, on which are stuck a crystal bead & a shell.

27. A few poor fragments of unbaked clay tablets. V:1+3

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Jan. 21st

5th day

III

28. White stone cylinder, uninscribed, with figures, l. 1.7 cm.
29. Two small beads of dark stone.

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30. Vase, white enameled, 13 cm. high, large bowl, small mouth, found in coffin di. 3.70, cir. 36.75., plain. V:2

31. Clay bowl, thick, lip turned in, some incrustation of white substance, found in same tomb, h. 6.8, di. 17 cm. plain V:2

In same coffin a couple of rusted iron pieces, one a fragment of spear head; and a small nail like copper fragment.



32. Clay dish, thin, lip turned out, plain, h. 4.75, di. 14.5 much incrustated within & without with a white substance that crumbles at touch, & adheres to the fingers like fine flour. Found in same coffin. V:2

33. Fragment of tablet, baked, 6.9×6.9 V:1

34. One baked tablet, slightly broken at corner, 6×5 V:1

35. Fragments of unbaked tablets; one tablet almost entire, but in three pieces. V:1+3

36. Clay statuette of bearded figure, lower part broken off, l. 8.5 cm. Same as 23. V:1



- III (Written by S.E. Jan. 22)
37. Bas relief of baked clay, slightly convex curved across length on figured side, l. 8.5, br. 7.6. Rude work, & uneven, in general appearance resembling a door plate or escutcheon. Represents a tree, apparently a palm, & on either side rampant an animal resembling a long horned goat, each with the head turned backward, & the forefeet, bent, almost touching the trunk of the tree. Below is a small ledge. Lower right hand corner chipped. Found between two walls about 8 metres below surface.
[CBS 9475 (cast) = PBS 16, 223]

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38. Two enameled clay beads, one white, nearly round (III:12); the other oblong flat & brown (III:22)



39. Shield shaped ornament, probably charm, enameled, gray h. 4 cm., breadth at top 2.75 cm., convex, hollowed behind. One large hole, & a pattern of 6 eyelet ornaments. III:14

40. Small glass bottle, neck broken off, in shape like an inkstand, h. of fragment 2.75 cm.; di. at bottom 4 cm. color bluish gray; thick.

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41. Ivory pin, feather shaped, 11 cm. long. V:2
42. Copper anklet, coarse, plain, di. 11 cm. lengthwise; opening 7 cm. V:2
43. Small copper ring, broken, di. 1.5 cm. V:1
44. One unbaked tablet fragment. V:1



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Jan. 23^d 7th day

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| 45. | Tablet of baked clay, written on one side, 4.5×3.5 | III:25 |
| 46. | Small button shaped ornament of lapis lazuli, di. 1.5 cm. | III:14 |
| 47. | A few fragments of unburned tablets | V:1+
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| 48. | Small cylinder of red stone, uninscribed, found in grave, length 1.75 cm. | V:1 |
| 49. | Fragments of shallow copper bowl & vase, found in same coffin | V:1 |
| 50. | Clay statuette, apparently female, draped, flat behind, head broken off, length of fragment 9 cm | |

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Jan. 24th

8th day

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| 51. | Stone implement, apparently cobbler's tool, 18 cm. in length, thin. | V:1 |
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| 52. | Stone object, black stone, trough like, channel of trough cut in diamond pattern, l. 19 cm., br. 6.25, h. 3; l. of channel 18 cm. breadth 2.5, depth ½ a cm. | V:1 |
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| 53. | Copper figure, with stand 8 cm. in height; a human figure with two pair of wings, lower right hand wing broken off. Right hand raised, with open palm, left lowered, also with open palm. Left foot advanced. A crest on head. A small tail curved up behind. Apparently figure of a demon. | V:1 |
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| 54. | Copper nose ring, thin, greatest di. 2 cm., least 1.7 cm. | V:3 |
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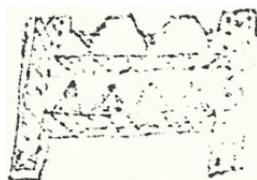
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| 54. | Heavy copper ring, di. 2 cm.
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Jan. 25th

9th day

III

[57A] From same trench fragment of a small stand, made of clay. Breadth of small end 5.8 cm. h. 3 cm.



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[59A] In same trench of west side fragments of a clay receptable [sic], colored black, of which one face restored would appear thus.

[Cf. *JE*, Jan. 25, on findspot. CBS 2531+ = PBS 16, 359]



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| 56. | Head of terra cotta statuette of female, hair dressed in puffs on side of temples, above this a very high head dress with veil falling behind. Greek, or Graeco-Parthian work, length of fragment 5 cm. | III:8 |
| 57. | Cylinder shaped bead of haematite 2.2 cm. long. | III:15 |
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| 58. | Vase, white enameled, small mouth, large bowl, di. of mouth 2.8, cir. of bowl 25, h. 9.5 cm. | V:1 |
| 59. | Small blue jar, ornamented by a double line around upper part, h. 8.5, di. of mouth 6 cm. | V:1 |
| 60. | Fragment of tablet, baked, 6.8 × 5. | V:2 |

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Jan. 27th

10th day

Found in this room also quantities of burned palm wood, an oven pretty well burned out, stone fragments, nails of iron, shells, & some broken pottery. One of these stone fragments a small door socket of black stone.

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| 61. | Piece of a statue in black stone, polished, h. of fragment 21 cm., di. from face to face 15, girth 49 cm. On one face a ram(?), in relief, forelegs broken off, face chipped. The wool is indicated by lines. The ram is held behind by a hand (fingers peculiarly long and slender) relatively much larger than ram. Height of ram at hind quarters 11 cm.; length of middle finger of hand 4.2 cm. On opposite side what looks like small of back of human figure. Behind ram at head, just at corner (rounded, however) traces of human figure, breast & part of drapery below breast to be seen, |
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Ornamentation on bowl
Four small prongs on end where
rings are.

relatively smaller than ram, while figure to which back belongs would be larger. Fourth side has no face. This was found in third room of Hebrew house, westward, against lower part of western wall. Work of fairly good period.

[*Peters 1897 II, plate facing p. 184. Cf. JE, Jan. 29*]

62. Pieces of Hebrew bowl with rough ring containing hieroglyphs & demons(?) at bottom, also found in third room of Hebrew house. [*Cf. JE, Jan. 29?*]
62. Piece of large Hebrew bowl, very thick, found on surface. Besides writing representation of a flag. I
[A]
- III.
63. Small square lapis lazuli bead, .8 cm. square, & .6 cm. thick, ornamented with simple lines on one side. Pierced on the .6 cm. sides by two holes at right angles. III:23
64. Piece of glass cut in shape of section of a 5 sided prism, di. 2.1 cm., h. 1.6 cm. III:12
65. Bead or charm of brownish quartz, 2.5 cm. long. III:19
- V.
66. Fragments of thin copper bowl, found in coffin, di. 12 cm., h. 5 cm., lip turning outward, found in coffin. Ornamented prettily by leaf pattern, beaten, raised on outside. V:1
67. Needle shaped copper object with rings cut in at one end, l. 12.5, from same coffin. V:1
- [67A] Fragment of smaller needle like object with small hook at end, bent, l. 6 cm., from same coffin. V:1

In this was a muscle shell partly colored black.

Found in same jar were three more jars, one with two handles larger than either of those numbered on opposite page. Two smaller than either numbered there without handles.

[71A] Found in same trench, but not in coffin large bowl shaped clay cup.

[71B] Found in coffin broken large deep plate, greyish enamel.

68. A shallow dish with a handle rising higher than rim, green glazed, thick, di. over rim 8.5 cm., h. 3 cm., depth within 2 cm. Perhaps a lamp. Found in same coffin.
69. Small three handled jar, with ring at mouth and ornamented by rings around neck & bowl. Handles pierced by very small holes. Height 8 cm., di. at mouth 6.5, greatest circumference 29 cm. White incrustation without. Within remains of cloth. Found in large jar near coffin. V:1
70. Two handled jar, large holes through handles. Much incrustated. Black stains without & within, remnants of cloth within. Diam. 7.5 cm., height 10 cm., cir. 33.5 cm. Two lines about upper part. Found in same jar. V:1
71. Green glazed vase, enamel mostly turned white, good shape, di. at mouth 6 cm., h. 18 cm., cir. of neck 17 cm., of bowl 40 cm. Inside fragments of small copper vessel. Found in coffin above mentioned. V:1
72. White enameled vase, small mouth, almost no neck, large bowl. Much incrustated, ornamented with lines near top. Di. of mouth 2.5 cm., h. 12.5 cm., cir. 34.5 cm. V:2
73. A number of beads, glass, different colored beads, shells, and one cylinder of agate 2.2 cm. long. Near surface in two places, no remains near them. V:2

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Jan. 28th

11th day



I.

74. Blue jar, inkstand like, glaze somewhat broken, chipped about the edge di. 4.25 cm., h. 5.25 cm., cir. 18.5 cm.



75. Ivory object with two holes through long side, a charm, or part of a necklace, 3 cm. long, rounded on one side, flat on the other.

V.

76. Crooked, rusted, copper dish, shallow, but copper very thick, di. 7.5, h. 2 cm. V:1



77. Flattish, unglazed vase, di. 4.5 cm., h. 4.5 cm., cir. 25 cm., good work, lip turned out, no neck, found in coffin. V:1
[See JE, Jan. 29 on findspot]

Found close to the surface, in loose earth, not far from the crest of this nose of the hill.

78. Fifteen small tablets of unbaked clay, and a quantity of fragments. V:1

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This and the three following numbers were found in the old Furnace Trench, at the same depth at which so many baked & unbaked tablets of the Hammurabi dynasty were found last year, and in the same room.

79. Large tablet, unbaked, somewhat broken, 16.5×11.5 V:1

80. Part of a tablet of unbaked clay, upper portion gone, found in same place, 14×12.5 cm. V:1

81. Tablet of unbaked clay, broken, 13×7 cm., found in the same place.

82. Tablet of unbaked clay, broken, 12×6.5, found in the same place.

83. Part of a tablet of unbaked clay, 8×5.5 cm., found in the same place.



84. Rounded piece of dark stone, highly polished, both on circumference, & on the faces, l. 1.5 cm. larger at one end. V:2

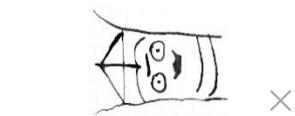
From III:8, near the surface were brought several pieces of wood (teak), and a piece of an ornamented rounded stick of ivory.

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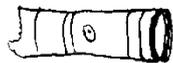
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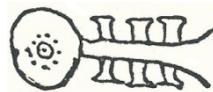
85. Six copper coins, Parthian ruined by fire & rust. I:5



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86. Round ivory object with flat lower & convex upper surface, concentric rings on latter and hole through centre, di. 3 cm. I:5

III.

87. Cylinder of black stone, 3.5 cm. long, uninscribed, but with two lines of figures, much injured III:10

88. Fragment of ivory pin like object, 14 cm. long. III:8

89. Piece of bone, hollow from top to bottom, 4.5 cm. long, with rude representation of a face on one side. III:8

90. Piece of bone, hollow from top to bottom, broken above, ornamented on one side by lines and a dotted circle, 5.75 cm. long.

V.

91. Marble silver smith's mould, rude, made of two pieces, 5×5.5, design a circle, one face ornamented by dotted circle surrounded by circle of dots, below this branches, three in number, l. of design 3.5 cm., di. of circle 1.4 cm. V:1

92. Two rude statuettes in clay, broken off from above the knees of a naked woman suckling a child, back of statuette unworked, as though intended to stand against a wall. Length of one 9, of other 8.5 cm. V:1

93. Piece of clay cylinder, uninscribed, but figured, much defaced, l. of cylinder 2.25 cm. V:1

94. Bone ring, di. 3 cm. V:2

95. Heart-shaped ornament or charm, of bone, with three holes in a triangle at upper, pointed end, l. 2.25 cm. V:2

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| 96. | Small tablet of unbaked clay 3.5×3.5 cm. | V:2 |
| 97. | Tablet of unbaked clay 5×4 | V:2 |
| 98. | Two broken tablets of unbaked clay, & some fragments. | V:2 |
| 99. | Clay statuette, much broken, representing a fantastic creature, part man, part beast, length 9 cm. | V:3 |

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Jan. 30.

13th day

III

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| 100. | Lapis lazuli bead, shape of double cone, l. 2 cm. | III:22 |
| 101. | Two pieces of an engraved slab of gypsum, the larger 18×10 cm., the smaller 16×7. Edges do not join, something being lost between. The two are part only of a whole. The engraving is only incision. The work is very rude, but possesses some vigor. At right hand upper corner is a man seated on a throne of Assyrian pattern, with long robes, and a sort of horned crown, large & high, on his head. The beard is long, the nose prominent, & the eye large out of proportion. The head is in profile, & turned over the right shoulder. The left hand crosses the breast, the right is broken. The feet of this & all the figures are exceedingly long & flat. No earrings. In front of this figure stands a naked man presenting a long thin vessel with very long spout. Nose of this figure absurdly long, face smooth. Behind him another figure, seated, only lower part of robes and feet preserved. Below this incised line. At right hand of lower column a gazelle with forked tail walking through brush, reeds or trees. Feet broken off. Behind him a man, broken off above waist, facing towards gazelle, holding toward his | III:6 |

back a hose like object. The headdress of this man resembles a crown. Behind him a hole through slab 1.8 cm. in diam. Then head of similar figure facing in opposite direction. Remainder broken off. Thickness of slab 2.75 cm. Found in room of mud brick to S. W. of ziggurat on plateau, not far below surface. Under surface unworked, thickness irregular.

[Boese, *Weihplatten*, N 9]

102. Small copper coin, much rusted, di. 1.5 cm. III:12



103. Jar with handle, light colored, thick, lip with prominent, deep rim. Below handle rim like projection, below this 3 lines h. 19, cir. 33, di. 5.5 cm.

V.

104. Ten beads, 7 of red glass(?), different shapes & sizes, two green enameled, one pink colored. V:2

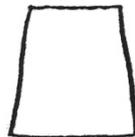
105. Clay statuette in high relief, representing naked woman suckling child. Head broken off, much worn. Figure slender, hips very prominent. V:1

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14th day

This was not flat, but slightly curved from side to side.



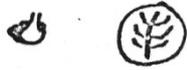
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106. Gold ornaments found in tomb, 7 small bell like bangles, one barrel shaped gold bead, two very small earrings, and one beaten gold leaf of shape opposite, one end broader than other, rather heavy, l. 15.5 cm., breadth at middle point 10.5 cm. III:8

107. Cylinder of white stone, uninscribed, much effaced, device ruined, 3 cm. long. Rude work III:10

108. Small clay cup, apparently a toy, h. 3, di. 2.5 cm. III:10

Beneath this was black charcoal like substance, & attached to inside a few black things like small burned reeds.



Stamp & pattern
Found in large bowl among rubbish.

109. Bowl found in same tomb as gold ornaments, without a bottom, but rounded cone wise, light colored, di. 18, h. 7 cm.

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110. Clay stamp, face round, 2.5 cm. di., Hole for attachment to cord. I:5

111. Copper Kufic coin, much rusted, di. 3 cm.

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Feb. 1st

15th day



[112A] Other piece, which was from near bottom of vase was larger, but almost no characters left.

III

112. Two small fragments of an alabaster vase, inscribed with archaic characters. Apparently whole vase was inscribed, lines running perpendicularly from top to bottom. Edge of vase nicked by way of ornament. III:2

[CBS 9272 = PBS 15, 12]

113. Wild boar, clay, legs broken off, face somewhat broken, length 11.5 cm. III:14

114. Small object of pipe clay, very hard (or a variety of gypsum), with hole through the length, apparently meant to be suspended about the neck, one side flat, & ornamented by zigzag lines, other side smooth & rounded. Length 4.25 cm., greatest breadth 1.7 cm. III:16



115. Fragment of cylinder of black stone 1.75 cm. long. III:15

V.

116. Three beads found in a large jar, one red pebble, very small round, one dark agate, broken, square, one white lined stone, larger, barrel like. V:2

117. A few fragments of tablets of unbaked clay. V:1

[117A] One very small piece from V:3

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They were found in earth on removal of stones of grave at III:7, & therefore belong to ornaments 106. There is a raised rim down centre, a raised circle in each wing, a raised rim around the whole, & two ridges somewhat curved from circles to central ridge. Behind are corresponding depressions. The rings for attachment are behind the circles, & the cord must run up & down.



Design on face of cone shaped seal, cut deep & broad.



Design on scarabaeus seal
Cut deep.



[119B] Also three fragments of copper one larger straight, needle like, 10.5 cm. long, one smaller, with hook at end, broken, 4.9 cm. long.

All these from the grave of a child at V:1

Found in loose earth, not near graves.

III

118. Ten pieces of a gold chain, thin & light, each piece 1.5×.75 cm. Two small rings for attachment behind each one, perpendicular to greatest length, so that they must have formed part of a chain hanging down. Work rude. III:7

V.

119. Two seals of green glazed earthenware, one sugar cone shape, with hole for attachment near blunt apex, & circular face. di. of face 1.90 cm., height of cone 1.70.

Second seal scarabaeus shape, with the regular ridges about the edge, on side slightly curved like a back, other flat, & on this design. Length 1.90 cm., br. 1.10, thickness 50. A hole for a cord runs through the length.

- [119A] Forty one roundish small red glass beads, with two somewhat larger. These all found, together with no. 122, & other pottery in a coffin at V:1

120. One copper anklet entire, di. 5 cm., two more of about the same size somewhat broken, & fragments of 3 or 4 more, one much larger. V:1

Fragments badly rusted of eight silver nose or earrings of silver, & a brooch like ornament of the same metal.

A number of beads, chiefly of elongated shape, & most of them red glass.

- 121 Thick copper needle with large eye, 10.5 cm. long. V:1

Found in grave along with 119, also other pottery there.



[125A] Also found here a large jar, broken with handles originally joining over the top, basket fashion, two pairs.



Found by Abbas Daoud not far below surface.

Found by Ismail in room of baked brick, not far from wall.

Found by Fleyah at no great depth, near the other side of the wall of Ismail's room.

122. Very small green glazed pot, h. 3.5 cm., di. of mouth 3 cm., greatest cir. 15.5 cm. V:1

123. A few fragments of unbaked tablets. V:1

Feb. 4th 17th day

III

124. A fragment of black basalt, rounded surface, long curve, inscribed 7 cm. long. III:15

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125. Clay lamp, slipper shaped, very rude work, light colored, hand made, 4.5 cm. long, 2.5 high, found in room near surface I:4

V.

126. Tablet of baked clay, upper right hand corner broken, inscribed only on upper half of one side with five lines of inscription. l. 7.75, br. 4.5 cm. V:1

127. Blank tablets, ready for inscription, one lined on one side, ready to receive the letters. Three whole or almost whole, three broken. V:1

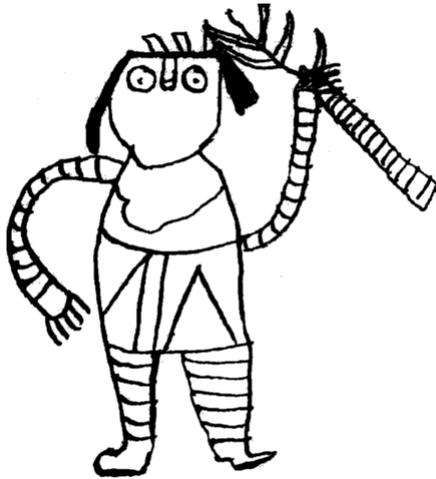
128. Some fragments of tablets of unbaked clay, found near walls, about 4 metres below surface. V:2

129. A round tablet of unbaked clay, inscribed on one side only, somewhat effaced, small piece broken off, diam. 9 cm. V:1

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Feb. 5th 18th day

I.



[130A] Also found here piece of a well made glass cup, bottom convex, as in bottles, color grey mottled, h. 3.5, di. 7.5 cm. Also the top of a fine white glass bottle, also a small pink barrel shaped bead. Also a large jar of good make, broken.

[130B] III.9. A spool, or rather object for winding thread, baked clay, distaff shape, l. 7 cm. decorated with lines, also wheel of same, flat on one side, convex on other, di. 4.5 cm., di. of hole .75 cm.



[130C] III.10 Headless bust of angular female statuette of clay, very prominent breasts. Black tattoo on arms, & collar & pendants of same about neck. This trench a new one, cut in plain to north.

[130D] III.12 Small purplish, barrel shaped crystal bead, 1.75 cm. long.



[130E] III.26. In new trench at gate like breach of outer wall to south a white stone object of this form, h. 5 cm., greater breadth 11, lesser 8.75, hole 2 cm. deep, & 7×6.5 breadths.



[130F] III.20 in room in outer wall line southward broken jar of this shape upper part & handle gone, cir. 31 cm., red clay, well baked.

130. Hebrew bowl, almost entire, but broken into four pieces, di. 17.5, h. 8 cm. In the centre, not surrounded by a circle, but with the writing running up to it, & under the raised arm, an exaggerated & almost fantastic human figure, holding a branch like object in the upraised left hand. Full face, very rude work.

This was found below level of wall of house about 2 metres below surface.

[CBS 2923 = PBS 3, 4. Photograph EBL facing p. 447]

[130G] Also a large jar, with three short feet, & a large flat handle, latter broken, cir. 58, di. of mouth 9.5, & h. 25.5.

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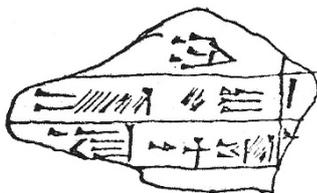
Also from here four of the small, rough, hand made saucers which are found in such great quantities.

[135A] I.1 Green glazed vase, large, broken, cir. 42 cm., found by wall at bottom of deep trench.

[135B] [I.]4. Socket of palm wood to hold pole, 10 cm. square, hole 4×2 cm.

[135C] Large iron nail.

[135D] Several pieces of grayish mottled glass, good work.



Characters incrustated with hard silicious matter, reading uncertain. Form of characters wedge.

[136A] III.27 Thick copper nail, 9 cm. long.

[136B] III.26. Head of copper nail, 4 cm. diam.

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| 131. | Baked tablet, inscribed on one side, end of one line running over on to other side, 7.5×4. Found by Abbas Daoud, about 50 cm. below surface in gulley. | V:1 |
| 132. | Two uninscribed, baked tablets, found by Ismail by brick wall in room in gulley. One broken. | V:1 |
| 133. | Round tablet, baked, four lines of inscription on one side, di. 7 cm. Found by Abud-el-Qumba above wall about 5 metres below surface. | V:2 |
| 134. | Fragments of unbaked tablets, from same place. | V:2 |
| 135. | Glazed vase, greyish spotted, small mouth, no neck, large bowl, di. of mouth 3, h. 11.5, cir. 32 cm. | V:3 |

Feb. 6th

19th day

III

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| 136 | Fragment of black stone, inscribed on one side, only part of three lines preserved, fragment 6×4.5 cm. About 2 metres below surface.
[CBS 9567 = PBS 15, 71] | III.6 |
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[136C] III.25 Common clay, hand made saucer.



V:1 [138A] White clay charm or brooch with two holes for attachment, breadth over points 4 cm. Rude work.

[138B] Piece of a badly broken clay mold.

[139A] By foot of this coffin outside a thick, broken clay dish, di. 19, h. 6.5 cm.

[139B] Also an iron spear head 20.5 cm. long, broken into two pieces in the earth in neighborhood of coffin.



within these slightly raised rings.



[143A] In earth near these two coffins a well made enameled bowl, greyish, 19 cm. diam., h. 6.



[143B] Also near coffin of adult below feet outside a large vase or jar di. 12, h. 35, cir. 63. Coarse heavy work.

V.

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| 137. | Small stone bowl or saucer, greenish, found in Fleyah's room, d. 7.25, h. 3.50, depth 2 cm. | V:1 |
| 138 | Tablet of unbaked clay from same trench, one corner broken, 6×4.5 cm. | V:1 |
| 139 | A copper bracelet, 6.5 cm. in diam., a copper(?) lyre shaped nose (or ear) ring, & over 100 beads, all long, a few copper, the rest stones of different colors. (Made up in a double string). All from one coffin. | V:2 |
| 140. | White enameled vase, originally ornamented with two stripes of color, now a faint yellow. Neck broken off. Pointed below. Di. of mouth 3 cm., h. 14, greatest circumference 24. Found behind same coffin. | V:2 |
| 141 | White enameled vase, originally decorated with pattern in colors, now faint yellow, di. of mouth 3.5, h. 13, greatest cir. 34 cm. Found behind same coffin. | V:2 |
| 142. | White enameled vase, ornamented with two faint yellow lines, di. of mouth 5.5, h. 9.5, cir. 30 cm. Found behind same coffin. The enamel in all was blotchy & badly put on. | V:2 |
| 143. | A silver ring, 2.5 cm. in diam., nose or earring, a piece of another of slighter make, from another coffin of adult. One utterly effaced cylinder 2.5 cm. long, & a number of beads, the cylinder & long beads chiefly from coffin of adult, the round chiefly from coffin of child. (All put on one string.) | V:2 |

[144A] V.3. From child's coffin copper bracelet, bent & broken.

[144B] From earth, not by coffin two common earthenware jars, one good size, other small. Also one badly formed small hand made dish, much awry.

144. Copper bracelet, 4 cm. in diam. from same child's coffin, and a kohl needle of copper, 11.5 cm. long from same adult's coffin. V:2

144. Two fragments of a piece of gypsum, inscribed on one side, parts of three columns preserved, much effaced, very rude line characters. Length of two joined together 15 cm., breadth 11.5 cm. Found by corner of mud brick wall, about 2.5 metres below surface, Fleyah's trench. Too much effaced to copy. V:1

[Almost certainly CBS 9569+9580 = OIP 104, 28]

III



146 Small glass bottle, fluted, uneven work, enameled, di. 1.9, h. 4.5, cir. 7.5 cm. III:20

[146A] Also fragments of two large glass bowls prominently fluted outside, handsome work. All found near surface.

147. Some pieces of gold leaf, original form indeterminable. Found in earth near surface. Weight. [blank] III:7

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Feb. 7th

20th day

I.

148. Two small copper bells, such as are now found sometimes among the Arabs. Found in room on top of old camp hill near surface. I:2

[149A] From same room large, rather well formed jar, adorned elaborately with line pattern rudely cut, much broken. Two small jars, 6 & 5 cm. high, enameled green, enamel badly put on.

[149B] Fragment of a large enameled plate, with these marks in black baked on the bottom inside, and evidently



149. Hollow copper tube, 15 cm. long, 2.5 di. at broad end, 1 cm. di. at small end. At large end originally it flared out suddenly, like a trumpet, but this part now broken off. From same room I:2

originally continuing below
present broken edge.

[149C] Also several pieces of glass, one the
mouth & neck of a long necked glass bottle,
thin, colorless, poorly made, crooked.

[149D] Also fragment of glass bowl
or cup of this shape, unornamented,
4.25 cm. high.



[149E] Also two fragments of
green glass dishes, ornamented by
slight flutings, broad & shallow,
perhaps of this shape, but only
centre of bottom preserved. Better
work than the others. All from
same room, not more than a metre
below surface.



[149F] I.4. A few fragments of glass,
a bowl of same make & pattern, & a
bowl in design like dish above, but of
plain green glass, blown crooked.
Room near surface.



[151A] III.12 Fragment of large alabaster
vase, plain, found by wall near surface.

[151B] [III.] 16. One small bead, by wall
near surface on plateau.

[151C] [III.] 2. Baked clay wheel, with
hole in centre, di. 5 cm., flat on one face,
much convex on other.

[151D] [III.] 22. Remains of copper spade
like instrument, with sheath & hole for
attachment to pole. Found by wall.

[151E] [III.] 26. Large pounding stone, for
meal, salt or the like.

[151F] [III.] 19. Mortar of white stone,
dimensions of hole, depth 10, di. 18 cm.
darkish sediment well pounded on interior
face. Apparently for grain (or coffee?)
Found on brick platform by wall.

[152A] III.27 Found in same place with
inscribed stone four copper nails, large
heads, an unworked piece of amethyst, &
some fragments of a stone much crumbled

150 Two white barrel shaped beads, two
small red beads, and 61 very small
pinkish yellow porcelain beads from
childs coffin. I.5

III.

151. Relief in clay of two female figures,
broken off below breast, much
effaced, hollow behind, 6×6. III:6

152. Blue stone (lapis lazuli?), inscribed on
one side with six lines of inscription,
inscribed portion 4.5 by 3.5 cm. This
side of stone 8.5×4.5 cm., average III:27

away, blue within. Also one small fragment of worked lapis lazuli.



[153A] V.1 A very few fragments of tablets, poor.

[153B] V.3 A couple of poor broken pieces of pottery, one of them small green jar.

thickness 4.5 cm. Except at inscription unworked, & without shape. Found in room of mud brick about 1.5 m. below surface on eastern side of gate like breach in outer wall line.

[CBS 8599 = BE I/1, 36]

V.

153. Lower part of bas relief of spear(?) bearing man walking. Fragment 6×6. V:2
[Cast CBS 16677 = PBS 16, 233]

Feb. 8th

21st day

I.

[154A] I.1. At very bottom of deep trench by side of wall broken vase, poor make of this common form, light color.



[154B] Fragment of copper implement, thus length of fragment 4.5 cm., thin.



[154C] Also from here one marble of clay, & a piece of a copper bracelet. All in room near surface.

[154D] I.4. Dark glass bottle, top broken, h. to neck 4.5, cir. 18 cm. In room, not much below surface.



154. Small copper ring, di. 1.5 cm. Near surface in room. I:2

III.

155. Bone pen, feather shaped, 9.5 cm. long, 1.5 broad at broadest point. Near surface. III:5

156. Mouth of terra cotta vase, made in form of deer's head. Length of neck to beginning of vase 5.5 cm. By wall not much below surface. One horn broken. III:6

[CBS 2561 = PBS 16, 299]



[157A] Also found here very long neck of glass vase, very poor rough work.

[157B] III.7 Rough hand made dish of clay, small, & clay marble; near surface.

[157C] III.15 Small red stone bead, near surface.

[157D] III.16. Green glazed saucer he. 3.5, di. 9.5, di. of stand 3.5 cm. By wall not far below surface.



[157E] III.20 Two poor pieces of clay pottery, & fragments of large black stone receptacle from room on crest of hill, near surface.

157 Small baked tablet, 3×3, one corner broken almost to centre of tablet. III:6
Found in same place.

158. One long copper needle with long eye 16 cm. long. From room full of ashes, about one & a half metres below surface. III:26

159. Fragments of axes and other objects of blue stone, outer surface corroded. On some of these traces of cuneiform inscription. In northeast corner of room, from 1.5 to 2.5 metres below surface. III:27

160. A large steelyard weight(?) of porphyry, with a hole through the centre, broken. From same room in another part of it. Pear shaped. III:27



 [160A] III.27 A large grinding stone, black, with a white ring near grinding surface, bell shaped. Several pieces of different sorts of stone for making cylinders, & other objects. Pieces of several uninscribed ticket shaped tablets of soft white stone or chalk, some with one hole at top, some with two. A number of large headed short copper nails, a couple of pieces of copper & one iron nail.

161. Two objects of soft chalky stone, like columns with a wheel on top. Upper surface convex, lower flat. Larger one colored green, smaller white uncolored. Larger 8 cm. high, di. of base 5.5, & of top 4.75 cm., smaller 6.5, 5 & 4.5 cm. respectively. Each with a round hole from top to bottom. Di. of hole in larger 1.25 cm., in III:27



smaller 1.5 above, & 2 cm. below.
Found in above mentioned corner.



- 162 One object of the same soft white stone, uncolored, shaped like a native lamp, broken off at top, one line of inscription about the middle. From same place. Height 6, di. of base 4.25, & cir. of inscribed part below rim 14 cm. Hole through centre. III.27



- 163 Seventeen objects of same material, in shape like 161, but with column reduced in length, & circumference of all parts greater. Each with one line of writing in a ring about the upper convex surface. They differ somewhat in size. An average one measures h. 4.5 cm., di. of base 6.75, & of upper surface 7 cm. Di. of hole 1 cm. Found in same place. III.27

- 164 An object of ivory of similar shape, but with five lines of inscription running across the convex upper surface. Height 3.5 cm., di. of upper surface 5.75, di. of lower 6, di. of hole 1.5 cm. Found in same place. III.27
[CBS 8730 = BE I 34]



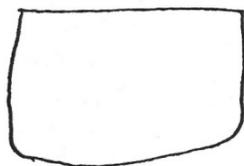
- 165 A double arrow shaped object of mottled stone, brown or black & greyish, upper surface convex, lower flat. Two ends broken off. Length 11.75, greatest breadth 3, thickness .75 cm. On upper convex surface two lines of inscription entire. Found in same place. III.27
[CBS 8600 = BE I 35]

166. S... small fragments of lapis lazuli & one larger one, containing each some cuneiform characters. From same place. III.27

- 167 Seven pieces of agate, cut into rude cameos, varying in di. from 5 cm. to 2 cm. Two are somewhat broken. Except the smallest each contains an inscription on the cameo face of from III.27



Smaller fragment 2.5 in length. Total length of original 7 cm. [CBS 8666 = BE I 46]



[CBS 8668 = BE I 48]

- five to two lines. Also one half of another uninscribed piece somewhat different from the others. Found in same place.
168. Fragments of six inscribed rings of agate, and two oval tablets intended to be suspended by cords. The larger of the latter two measures 4.5 in length, and the same in greatest breadth. It was bored lengthwise, & inscribed on both sides. The inscription on one face ran all the way across the face, and nine lines are preserved, the beginning missing. On the other side the inscription is only 1.7 cm. in breadth, and eight lines are preserved from the beginning. Also two uninscribed fragments of an agate vase or bowl. From the same place. III.27
169. Twenty two round thin tablets of lapis lazuli varying from 4.5 to 1 cm. in diam. & each inscribed on one side. Of these six are more or less broken, including the two largest. The inscriptions on those which are entire vary from six to two lines. Also two fragments of a longer tablet, larger 3.5×5 cm., with four lines of inscription almost entire. An irregular shaped tablet, 3.5×3, bored for suspension through longer side. Lower face unworked. Thicker above than below. Five lines of inscription. Also two small fragments, each with a few characters. All of lapis lazuli. Rough work. Found in same place. III.27
170. A large cylinder of white stone veined with red, length 5 cm., cir. 10.5 cm. Represents a seated figure, behind him the sacred tree, before him two standing figures. Behind the first a sun. Behind the second a columnar altar, and above it the moon & a star. Rude work. Found in same place. III.27
 [Possibly CBS 8914 = PBS 14, 236]

Found in room full of ashes on the same level as & to west of room where so much was found last year.

[176A] Also a couple of small fragments from V.2, & same place as 175.

From room with brick walls to south of gully, about 2 metres below surface.

Found in same place.

[178A] Two ordinary clay vases, found by the side of a jar coffin, 3 metres below surface. Each covered by a thin bowl inverted. Bottom of one of these broken & vase full of earth. Other vase containing a small amount of sediment as of some edible.

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| 171. | An unworked cylinder of mottled grey stone 3.5 cm. long, ten beads of different stones, a shell, a copper ring, a few small pieces of gold unworked, & a few small fragments of objects in alabaster, lapis lazuli, & malachite. Found in same place. | III.27 |
| 172. | A fragment of lapis lazuli, greatest length 13, breadth 7, thickness 3 cm. Only one face worked. Parts of three columns of an inscription in very fine characters preserved. Columns varying from 2.5 to 2.80 cm. in breadth. Twenty one lines of first and nineteen of second well preserved. Found in same place.
[EŞ 1900 = BE I, 68] | III.27 |
| 173. | A large block of lapis lazuli, one face only worked. This contains an inscription of twenty lines, 16×9.5 cm. Found in same place.
[EŞ 1935 = BE I 63] | III.27 |
| V. | | |
| 174. | Round tablet of unbaked clay, inscribed on one side, somewhat broken at top. Diam. 7 cm. | V.1 |
| 175. | Piece of tablet of baked clay, dark colored from same place, seals on end preserved & one face 5.5×5 cm. | V.1 |
| 176. | Fragments of baked tablets from room to north of old furnace. | V.1 |
| 177. | Tablet of baked clay, 3.75×3. | V.1 |
| 178. | Cylinder of dark stone, much effaced 2.5 cm. long. | V.1 |

Feb. 10th

22nd day

[179A] I.2 Fragments of two iron knives.

[179B] Five pieces of an object of alabaster of this appearance, l. 12 cm., br. 9.5 cm., thickness 1.5 cm., containing on one side five little troughs, the other side plain, but thinner at edges than in centre.



[179C] Broken vase, thin, light colored, handle gone. H. 12, di. 8.25, cir. 30.



[179D] A piece of a plank. Several good fragments of glass & pottery including a couple of highly colored yellow, brown & green fragments of well made stone china. Also one small green bead. All these [179A-D] found in rooms near surface. Also large three handled jar.

[181A] III.4. Two pieces of a broken copper dish, 19 cm. in circumference, & 3.75 in height. Containing bones & brown sediments.

[181B] I.4. Fragments of copper, glass, pottery, shells, & a small clay object with two holes through it. All in rooms near surface.

[181C] III.25. Red bead.

[181D] III:12 Green "

[181E] III.26. Pieces of a man in mother of pearl.

[181F] III.17. Well made clay jar of this shape. Top broken, circumference 35 cm.



[181G] III.22. A thick heavy piece of copper, once the handle of some object.

[181H] Small clay vase, new shape, h. 12, di. of mouth 4, greatest cir. 21.5. Top broken off.



[181I] III.20. A cullender like thick clay dish, 17 cm. di., h. 4.5. In bottom seven holes, six in a circle around one, also three much larger holes at base of sides.

[181J] Three other pieces of pottery, one a green glazed handled jug.

I.

179. A pair of bronze tongs, heavy, ornamental, 10.5 cm. long. I.2

180. Small glass bottle, thin glass, blown crooked, cracked, transparent. H. 3, di. of mouth 1.5, cir. 6 cm. I.2

III

181. A piece of agate, cameo cut, round, with hole through it for suspension. III.27
Inscribed on cameo surface. Found in room to east of that in which objects were found the day before.
[CBS 8687 = BE I 29]

Along with these [182-185] about three metres below surface pieces of copper vase, two copper hooks, & other copper objects, but no sign of a burial.



V.4 Ordinary small two handled jar from this new trench.

- V.
- 182. A white glazed jar with a handle, h. 15, di. 3.5, cir. 27.5 cm. V.1
 - 183. Copper bowl, broken at bottom, h. 6.5, di. 12.5 cm. V.1
 - 184. Large lyre shaped eared ring of copper. V.1
 - 185. Piece of a tablet, baked, lined as though for writing, & the commencement of characters at the side, 6.5×6 cm. V.1
 - 186. Copper nose ring & two copper rings, small nose ring from V.1, others from V.4.

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Feb. 13th

23^d day

X. There was also found here a quantity of pottery, especially of the small clay dishes.

[187A] Also one of the long goblets, such as were found plentifully last year.



[187B] One small vase of new shape. Poor work, but rather graceful shape; mouth broken, h. 13 cm.



[187C] Also a jar 25 cm. long, rough & irregular, of this form.



- X.
- 187. Lapis lazuli cylinder, well preserved. Four figures, 2 cm. long. Found near surface in earth & ashes.
[Perhaps CBS 8928 = PBS 14, 410]
 - 188. One tablet, baked, found at same place. 7×5.
 - 189. Unbaked tablet, 6×4.5. One corner broken. Inscribed on one side only. Seven lines, one half of each written. Lines irregular. Found in same place.
 - 190. A number of fragments of tablets, almost all from same place. One of

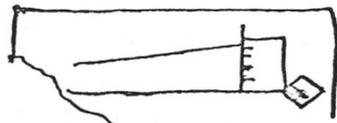
[191A] I.2 & 3. From the rooms at this point fragments of a clay pot ornamented with an arabesque & flower pattern in black.

[191B] A small green glazed shallow lamp-dish(?), broken into two pieces. Marks of burning at mouth. A small squarish handle. Rim of dish turns inward. Di. of opening 7.3 cm., h. of dish 3 cm.

[191C] Two fragments of iron knife with copper ring at hilt. An unworked piece of rock crystal.

[191D] A couple of rusted Kufic coins. All objects found here not more than a metre & a half below surface.

[191E] Also from rooms at I.4 a few fragments of glass, and an unbaked clay marble.



[192A] From III.20 a small broken white glazed vase, & a couple of blue beads.

[192B] From III.25 a couple of miserable hand made clay dishes.

V. [193A] Found in same tomb were a couple of earthenware jars, the mouth of one covered by a broken very thin clay cup.

[193B] Also a very few tiny beads, & one heart shaped pendant.

these is the lower end of a rather large oval tablet, stamped in relief in excellent characters. In last line beginning of name of god Adar. [Ninurta]

Feb. 14th

24th day

I.

191. A fragment of a heavy copper pestle, length 11 cm. Found in room near surface. I.3

III

192. A fragment of a white stone vase or mortar, much worn & indented by weather. One character visible of a very archaic character. Near surface in new trench in front of plateau, southward below it. III.28

V.

193. Green glazed vase, small mouth, egg-shaped bowl, h. 16, di. of mouth 3, cir. 36 cm. Found in grave. V.1
194. Green glazed jar, three handles, h. 8, di. 5.5, cir. 29 cm. Found in same grave. V.1



195. Two very large silver earrings, diam. 5.5 cm. Found in same.

196. Copper vial with stopper, l. of vial 11 cm. Found in same grave.

197. A copper object somewhat piston shaped, 14 cm. long, length of thicker part 10.5 cm.

[197A] A thin copper hook 6 cm. long, & a fragment of another, fragment 4 cm. long. Found in same tomb. V.1

198. Fragment of a lamp like object of glazed pottery, white, badly made. Length 10.5, h. 4 cm. V.1

199. Tablet of baked clay, somewhat burned 6.75×[*ill.*]. V.1

200. Burned tablet, broken at end & one corner 8×5. V.1

201. Burned tablet, broken at one corner & on face, 8×5.5 cm. V.1

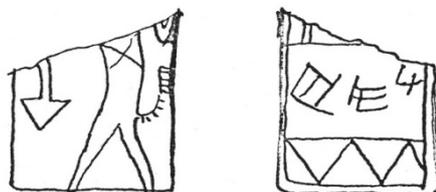
202. Fragments of tablets, all burned. V.1

Feb. 15th 25th
day

V.1 [200A] A large cylinder like bead

V.5 [201A] Fragments of a couple of half, flat female statuettes in clay.

I.2, 3, 4. Fragments of glass, copper, & a couple of coins, one or both probably Parthian, but much corroded & rusted.



[203A] III.24 Fragment of pottery with pattern in dark brown, also small piece of gold.

[203B] Also a cylinder like bead from III.16.

III.
203. Fragment of inscribed black stone, thin III:8
tablet like. Length of fragment 2,
breadth of tablet 1.3 cm. Also figure
of animal rampant.

[*BE I 143, copied in Istanbul 1893*]

V.

V.1 [204A] Fragments of a copper bowl.
 V.4 [204B] Piece of an alabaster bowl.

204. Tablet of baked clay, broken at end, 6.5×5 cm. V.1
 205. Burned tablet, broken at one end, 7.75×4.5 cm. V.1
 206. Burned tablet, broken at one end, 7.75×4.5 cm. V.1

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Feb. 17th/90

26th day

207. Found in the hollow between Temple plateau & outer line of hills southward, to east of gate like opening, about a metre below the surface.

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III.

207. Two clasped hands, right above, left below, part of a black basalt statue. Workmanship good; fingers long & tapering. Nails well made & delicate; creases at knuckles represented. A black, basaltic stone, unpolished. A bracelet on the only one of the two wrists, the left, which is preserved. Length of fore finger of right hand a trifle more than 4 cm. Length of fragment 7.3 cm. Resembles somewhat the Tello work. III.27

208.



V.

208. Two button shaped objects of glazed & colored clay, like bulls eyes, perforated with holes for suspension about the neck, di. 2 cm.; a crescent with green enameled face with three white rings, & two holes for attachment at the horns, breadth across the horns 2.5 cm.; & a number of small beads mostly glazed clay. Found in earth in room to south of gully. V.1

These [209–213] with the exception of one or two poor fragments came from a room full of ashes, with what seemed to be a furnace, to the north of the gully.

209. Case tablet, 7×5, one side of case broken off, but tablet entire. V.1
 210. Small thick tablet of baked clay, 4×3.5 & 3 cm. thick. V.1
 211. Tablet of baked clay, broken at one end, 4.5×3.75 cm. V.1

212. Round tablet, unbaked, somewhat broken, di. 7.5 cm.

213. A few fragments of tablets. V.1

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Feb. 18/90 27th day

I.
214. A small spade like object of copper, I.1
5.5 cm. long. Perhaps used for putting
kohl in the eye.



[214A] I.2. A few pieces of a small ornamental panel in wood, too much broken & decayed to measure, or determine pattern.

[214B] Fragments of a bowl inscribed in Hebrew characters, hopelessly broken & effaced.

[214C] Two broken jugs of these shapes, long narrow & not ungraceful.



[214D] One small vase, of this shape, much broken, full of a curious crusty sediment.



All these objects in rooms of the Kufic period.

[215A] III.27 Small baked tablet, 4.5×4.75, corners rounded. Badly defaced inscription on one side. Found in valley south of temple plateau.

[CBS 3371 = OSP I 124]

[215B] III.24. Small brass object like rude collar button. Found near surface.

[215C] III.2[?] Broken clay tiger, stripes put on in black. Found in rubbish. Length of fragment 11.5 cm.

[Probably CBS 3500 = PBS 16, 320]

III.
215. Broken white seal cylinder, 2 cm. III.26
long, almost hopelessly ruined. Found
in valley south of temple plateau.

216. A pair of light copper bracelets III.20
roughly oval in form, one side of the

[218A] V.2. A very delicate whitish clay bowl, di. 15, h. 4.5 cm., found in brick tomb in tunnel, not far above plain level. Some white sediment encrusted within.

[218B] From another grave in same curious twisted piece of bitumen & rubbish with cloth texture well preserved.

These [220–221] almost entirely from room west of deep drain room. Some fragments also from tunnel at V.2.

I.2. From the same rooms a number of fragments of glass & the like.

[222A] Also a badly broken lamp of this shape

[222B] Also a Kufic coin, much rusted.



oval flattish. Diams of larger 7×5.5, of smaller 6.5×5. No pattern simple. Room on crest of knoll.

V.

217. Haematite duck, head back over shoulder, well made, l. 1.75 cm. In room south of drain room. V.1

218. Three small copper nose or earrings, 2 from V.1
One from V.2

219. Two lyre shaped copper earrings larger 3.5 cm. across base, & 2.25 high, curved, & perhaps rather bow than lyre shaped; smaller 3.25 across base, & 1.75 cm. in height, pointed, not curved.
Also a considerable number of beads, mostly clay, greenish, small & thin. Found loose in earth in room north of gulley. V.1
Also a few tiny clay beads of a different shape found in another spot in same room.

220. Tablet of baked clay, broken at one end, one face much broken, 10.5×7 cm. V.1

221. Some fragments of tablets. V.1

Feb. 19th

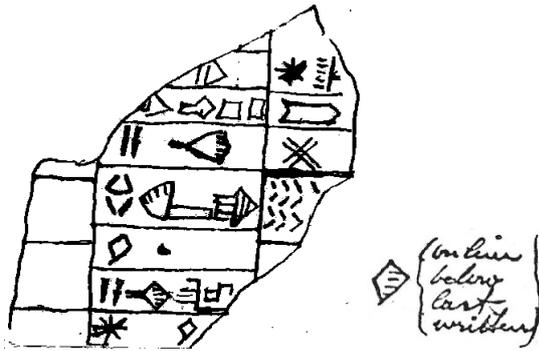
28th day

I.

222. Seven pieces of an inscribed bowl, almost the entire bowl, character Aramaean. In centre of bowl one small circle. Bowl very brittle, & broke on handling. Characters very black & clear. Found in room on camp hill. I.2



[223A] I.5. A fragment of some clay object, 5 cm. across, & 3.5 high. [PBS 16, 343 = CBS 8658]



[225A] III.27 From earth on other side of earth heap, in gulley a piece of gold, loose in earth.

Also a much effaced, uninscribed cylinder of dark stone 2.85 cm. in length.

Also a few tablet fragments, good for nothing.



223. A number of fragments of bowls inscribed with Jewish characters. Found beneath floor of room on camp hill. I.2

III.
224. Fragment of a Hebrew bowl from loose earth north of Temple. III.10

225. Four pieces of a soft fine brown sandstone, containing part of two columns of an inscription, length of fragment put together 12.5, breadth 5.5, thickness 5.5 cm. Rude line characters. Breadth of column 4 cm. From gulley south of temple plateau. [CBS 8841 = BE I/1, 13] III.26

[226A] III.9 A round cart wheel like object of baked clay, with hole through thick hub. Diam. of wheel 6.5 cm. Several like it have been found in the same place.

[226B] Also a tiny fragment of a large inscribed bowl of polished black stone. One line character preserved.



[226C] III.7 Piece of a small stand of clay, breadth 7.75, h. 2.5 cm. Ornamental rude dotted pattern with border on top.

[226D] III.21. A few ruined beads from urn coffin on top of hill line south of temple, at east end of same.

226. A bluish glass ornamental vase, or tear bottle, broken in two in the middle, length 14.5 cm., di. of mouth 3.75 cm. Poor work. III.23

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V.1 This & following numbers found in furnace like room west of drain room.

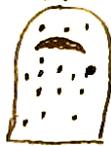
V.		
227.	Clay dog, white, well made, like modern native dogs, seated, with a stand. Length of stand 3 cm., height to top of dog's head 3.8 cm. Found in tunnel not much above plain level.	V.2
228.	Tablet of baked clay from same place, 7×5, almost ruined.	V.2
229.	Unbaked, uninscribed clay tablet 5.5×4, found on south side of gully.	V.1
230.	Unbaked clay tablet, containing only a few number like marks on one side 8.5×7.5. Found in room north of drain room.	V.1
231.	Round tablet, unbaked, diam. 9 cm., inscribed on one side only, somewhat broken, found in same place.	V.1
232.	Case tablet, outer case broken at one end. Numerous seal inscriptions, 8.5×4.5 cm.	V.1
233.	Case tablet, very thick, several seal inscriptions 8.5×5.75	V.1
234.	Case tablet, several seal inscriptions, 9.4×6.	V.1
235.	Baked tablet 8.5×4.75	
236.	" " 7.5×4.5	
237.	" " 8.5×4.75	
238.	" " 8×5	
239.	" " 10×5	
240.	" " 11×5.5	
241.	" " 11.5×6	
242.	" " 9.5×5.5	

I.3 This bowl found in one of the rooms on top of camp hill. In centre this figure



[244A] I.2 & 3. In these rooms a much rusted Kufic coin; a broken much rusted thick iron knife; a broken ivory needle like object; a second smaller coin, possibly Parthian; a bronze hasp; an iron hook; a stone bored for suspension, roughly oval, 4.8×4 cm.; part of the copper clasping of a box, a large iron nail

[244B] III.26. Three metres below surface a clay board with a sort of handle & perforated with holes, 50×26 cm. Between south line of hills & temple.



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[244C] III.27 Quantities of large shells, by north side of wall in south line of hills.

V.1 These objects belonged to a child buried in a clay kneading trough, shaped like a small child's bathtub, length 59, breadth 39.5, inside depth 16 cm.

V.2. These, a small copper bracelet, broken, & a quantity of clay beads were found in a child's grave, in a large pot. Also a green egg shaped vase.

V.1 In earth at head of gully westward one small fragment of a copper bowl.

243. A number of fragments of tablets baked & unbaked, from three of the trenches at V.1, & a few from the top of the hill at V.3.

Feb. 20th

29th day.

I.

244. Thick clay bowl inscribed with Syriac characters, di. 17, h. 6 cm. I.3

V.

245. Memorandum tablet, round, di. 7 cm., only one side inscribed. V.1

246. Copper bracelet, 6.5 cm. di, & copper ring 2 cm. di. From grave near surface south of gully V.1

247. Copper anklet, open, greatest di. 8.75 cm.; two copper bracelets rusted together, & one copper nose ring, from grave in tunnel, near plain level. V.2

V.3. On top of hill a delicate copper needle
7.2 cm. long.

III.26. Between south line of hills & temple
a stone hammer, & a bone knife for working
leather apparently.

I.2



Also a small, stand like object of ivory, like
the stand of an ivory chessman, ornamented
on convex surface by a ring of concentric
circles. Di. 2.3 cm.



[251A] V.1 Fragments of a very delicate
green glass jug or pitcher, with a handle,
rather large, good work, found not far below
surface of earth on south side of hill crest at
this point.

248. Fragments of tablets from different
trenches at V.1.

Feb. 21st/90

30th day

I.

249. Clay lamp, di. of mouth 3.4 cm., h. 3 cm., greatest circumference 21 cm. Two handles, broken off. Heavy work. Found in room near surface. I.2

III.

250. Clay cylinder, 2.8 cm. long, di. 1 cm., uninscribed. Effaced & unclear, apparently a winged figure holding by the leg a figure the head of which is on the ground. By the winged figure on other side a third figure. Also a fragment of a white crystal cylinder, five poor stone beads, & a tiny coin, apparently Parthian. Found in ornamented white clay coffin, near surface, at III.20

V.

251. Green glazed vase, di. of mouth 3.4, h. 14, cir. 35 cm. Upper half ornamented by a sort of fluting. Not far below surface. V.1

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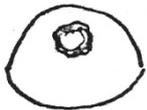
252. Tablet of unbaked clay, one end broken off, 13×8, found about a metre below surface on top of hill crest at this point. V.1
253. Fragments of tablets from different trenches; & from the same place as the last a small tablet of baked clay, end broken 5×4.

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Feb. 22/90

31st day

[254A] I.1 A piece of a blue glass bowl with 10 small legs or feet. Near surface.



Perforated clay object

[257A] III.20 Near surface in same trench a small thick blue glazed dish, di. 9.5, h. 3 cm.

[258A] III.6 On face of plateau, near surface, fragment of black tablet.

[258B] III.15. At some depth on plateau fragment of tablet.

[258C] [III.15.] In deep well fragment of stone with archaic character roughly cut.

- I.
254. Bronze bird, looks however almost like a tortoise, ends of tail & left wing broken, a flat, somewhat hollowed piece meant to be fastened as an ornament on some surface. Length from head to tail 7, breadth from wing to wing 8.5 cm. Found near surface. I.1
255. Some fragments of a bowl inscribed with Hebrew characters. I.2
- III.
256. A few beads, partly clay, partly stone, an effaced (Parthian) seal, oval, diameters 1.7 & 1.4, & a small, rude, greenish white clay object perforated with large hole. Found in grave in jug, near surface, in a well on top of eastern end of small line of hills. III.20
257. Thin, beaten, gold band l. 31.5, breadth 1.5 cm., & thin barrel shaped gold bead 1.1 cm. long. Found in blue glazed coffin. III.20
258. Bas relief of two musicians in clay, broken about the waist, high headdresses, both apparently females; one plays small drum, the other two pipes, joined at the mouth, diverging below. Found by wall near surface. III.8

[258D] III.22. Pieces of two stone vases from room east of step like structure.

Also a small copper ring from same place.

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| 259. | Copper bracelet 3.5 cm. in di., another similar bracelet, broken; and a number of beads, mostly clay, a few blue arrow shaped ones having two holes. From jar near surface, containing child's bones, in trench running up gulley. | V.1 |
| 260. | An agate duck, 1.8 cm. long, head over back, found near surface on top of crest north of gulley. | V.1 |
| 261. | A few fragments of tablets, from different trenches, some fairly good fragments of round tablets from the trench to the south of the gulley. Also one entire tablet of baked clay, 4×3.5, from trench on north side of hill nose at this point. | V.1 |

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Feb. 24th/90

32nd day



[262A] I.1. A somewhat similar, but flat bottomed jar, larger, broken at mouth.

[262B] I.2 & 3. A few common clay saucers, a small copper cup broken, a piece of a small iron tube closed at end, & glass fragments.

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| I. | 262. One handled jar, sealed with bitumen, pointed below, di. of opening 3.8, h. 22, greatest cir. 26.5 cm. Found in Kufic strata. | I.2 |
| III. | 263. A tablet of unbaked clay, 7×4.5 cm., found by outer wall on west [<i>slope?</i>] about 2 metres below surface. | III.4 |
| 264. | Fragment of an alabaster (?) statuette, seated, headless, stand broken off, much effaced. Found at extreme south east corner. | III.25 |

265. Several beads, two copper bracelets, 3.5 cm. in diam., & a copper nosering. Found in grave of bricks, rude 1.5 m. below surface at eastern end of southern wall line. III.20

266. Fragment of inscribed alabaster, rude line characters, part of a large vase, fragment 90 [sic]×3.5 cm. Found in well on plateau. III.15

V.

267. A strong copper bracelet or anklet, opening 1.3 cm, di. 6 cm. In earth about 2 metres below surface, on top of nose of hill. V.1



267[A] At same place a copper seal ring, seal gone.

V.2 One plain clay vase from new trench in nose north of V.1.

268. Twelve unbaked tablets, entire, or practically so. From near the surface both north & south of the gully on the hill noses. All small, the largest 5.5×4. V.1

269. Fourteen tablets more or less broken from the same places. All small. V.1

270. Fragments of tablets. V.1

271. Large clay flask, flattish, two handles, one broken, di. of mouth 4.5, h. 23, breadth 20 cm. Found 2 metres below surface. V.1



Feb. 25th 33^d day

III.

[272A] I.2. One fragment of blue wine glass, piece of a copper tube; of a prass rod; a quartz crystal.

272. Uninscribed chalcedony cylinder, 2.5 cm. long. Found by wall at south east corner. (I.5?) (III.14)

273. Unbaked tablet, 3.7×2.5 found near surface. V.1

274. Unbaked tablet 6×4, found near surface. V.1

[275A] V. A broken haematite weight, found near surface.

275. A number of broken tablets & fragments of tablets, found near surface. V.1

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Feb. 26th

34th day.

I. 2 & 3. Fragments of glass. Piece of a good sized vessel of dark stone, well made, walls .75 cm. thick; ornamented with deep cut line patterns.

A one handled jug, the mate of 262, once stoppered with bitumen.

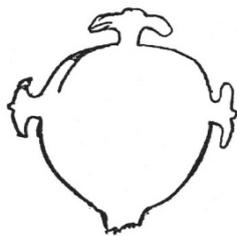
A tiny copper bowl, broken, di. 3 cm., h. 1 cm.

I.
276. Some fragments of a bowl with Hebrew inscription, found below level of upper strata of rooms. I.2

277. Small copper vial, flask shaped, broken, di. of mouth .8 cm., h. 4.5 cm. From strata of rooms, upper strata. I.2

278. A small copper incense(?) vessel, & with it a hook & chains which may have belonged to it. Found in wall of room in upper strata, among the mud bricks. I.2

279. A bull head shaped ornament of mother of pearl, greatest breadth 2, greatest height 2.2 cm. Found in strata of surface rooms. I.2



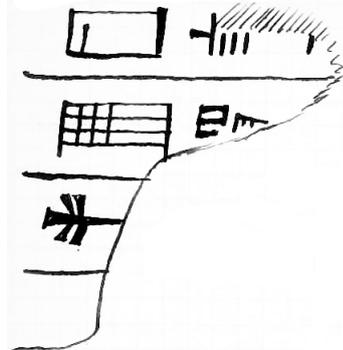
From point to point 6.5×6.5; inside diameter 4 cm. h. 2.2 cm.



Lower hole for a cord. Upper holes do not go through, but were for attachment of three metal pieces, round, now lost.

III.
280. Fragment of stone tablet, inscribed on both sides, surfaces much broken. Length of fragment 9 cm., breadth of tablet 7.2 cm. Found in earth on surface north of ziggurat. [CBS 8759, unp.] III.10

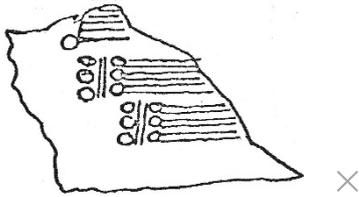
280. Beginning of one side Beginning of other side broken, but first character of one line preserved



281[A] Found in same place two fragments of another mortar with the same inscription, & part of an unscribed mortar, also shells;

281. Fragment of a mortar of light colored stone, original di. 15 cm., original h. 13.5 cm., di. of hole 6.3 cm. Rounded, very small bottom. Inscribed with III.15

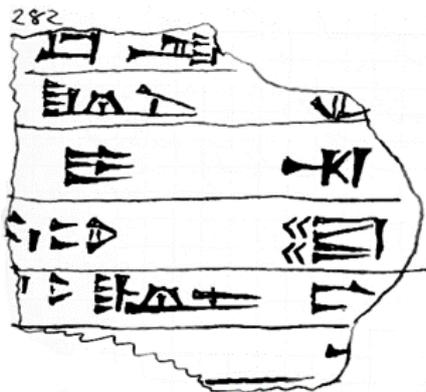
also a piece of black stone with what may be an inscription, thus:



Dots & lines are raised. Face of fragment 6.5×4.3 cm.

[281B] III.20 Two curiously shaped clay saucers, one small stone saucer, four long thin wire like copper spikes, & some curious red powdery substance, found with quantities of red & black ashes, & a drain of rings of earthenware, in plain, just south of tower like elevation in southern hill line. A factory of something or other.

[281C] Also a broken female statuette of clay from room at extreme east of this wall line.



[282A] V. 1. In earth at same place several shells, two copper pins like those used to put kohl in the eyes, fragments of an ivory ornamented object for same purpose, two copper hoops di. 3.3 cm, one copper bracelet or anklet, & fragments of a second, a small drawer shaped object of green enameled clay, 2.3 cm. long, 1.6 broad, & .8 cm. deep, with a button at one end & perforated for attachment at the other end.



× three lines of very archaic inscription. Found in well trench on plateau south of ziggurat, 11.5 metres below surface. [Presumably Rimush, cf. 355B]

282. Fragment of an inscribed stone 9×5; V.1 not far below surface, in trench to south of gulley. [CBS 9469 = PBS 15, 70]

Also a tiny brown enameled jar, 3.2 cm. high.
Common clay vase from coffin in same trench.

[284A] V.1 Broken head of clay, 7 cm. high. High headdress. Coarse features. Rude work. From north side of same crest.

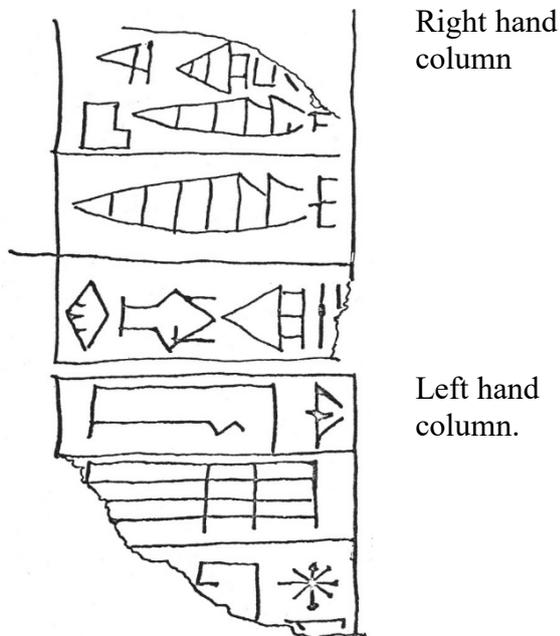
[284B] Four common pieces of pottery from trenches at V.1.

- 283. Two heavy, angular squarish copper bracelets, di. 7, opening 2.5 cm. Grave in earth on top of crest to north of gulley, 4 m. below surface. V.1
- 284. Angular cone shaped seal, with common pattern of moon, stars & ashera, light colored. Face oval. Diams. of face 1.75 & 1.25 cm. Height of cone 2.25 cm. From same place. V.1
- 285. Fragments of tablets from different trenches.
- 286. Copper ring 2.5 cm. in diam. V.2

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Feb. 27

35th day



- III. 287. Brick stamp of baked clay, handle on back, very archaic characters. Two columns of inscription; broken at upper right hand corner (commencement), & lower left hand corner (end). l. 13 cm., br. 9.25 cm. Found in well trench south of ziggurat on temple plateau, about 11.5 metres below surface. III.15
- V. 288. Copper bowl from grave, di. 12 cm., h. 6.5 cm. Also a small flat rude seal from same grave. V.1

294 is similar to 7.

Resembles No. 8.

289. One copper lyre shaped earring, two copper rings rusted together, one a seal ring, entire, the other broken, & a few beads, from another grave. V.1
290. Six copper hoops of differing sizes, bracelets or anklets, all from one grave.
291. A small, indecent clay figure, high relief. Legs somewhat drawn up. Rude work. Length 7 breadth 2.5. Found in same grave as 290.
292. Short handled copper mirror, 22 cm. in di. Much sediment on it, apparently of both cloth & wood. Found in grave. V.1
293. Two copper pins, the larger, thick, with four small prongs at end, 19.25 cm. long; the smaller, plain, 14 cm. long. Found in same grave. V.1
294. Copper sieve with broad flat rim, handle curved in plain of rim, & not at right angles to it. Handle 14 cm. long, di. of sieve including rim 9.25 cm. Found in same grave.
295. Long handled copper ladle; length of handle 26.8 cm., h. of bowl 5.5 cm., di. 4.5. Broken. From same grave.
296. Copper vase (similar to no 7) with a handle attached to it like that of a bucket, h. of vase 19 cm., h. of handle 10 cm.; di. of mouth of vase 5.25 cm. From same grave. V.1
297. Copper bowl, di. 12.5, h. 7.25 cm.; from same grave. V.1
298. Two heavy copper bracelets, open, 7 cm. in di.; four copper rings (seal) 2.5 cm. in diam., one copper neckband, open, di. 16.5 cm.; two copper anklets, open, 10.5 cm. in di. From same grave.

Also a quantity of beads, red, were found in this coffin.

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| 299. | Five vases from same grave. Largest egg-shaped bowl, small mouthed, h. 15, di. of mouth 2.5 cm., green glazed; small yellowish glazed bowl of same shape, h. 5, di. of mouth 1.5; two open mouthed green glazed vases, one broken at mouth, h. 5.5, di. of mouth 4; one small yellow glazed vase of same pattern h. 3, di. 3 cm. | V.1 |
| 300. | Large green glazed vase, h. 24, di. of mouth 7.5 cm. Lower part has turned white. Found by grave. | V.1 |
| 301. | One tablet of unbaked clay (broken), 4.75×3. | V.1 |
| 302. | A few fragments of tablets. | |

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Feb. 28/90

36th day

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| I. | | |
| 303. | An iron knife, rusted, l. 13.5, di. 2. cm. | I.3 |
| V. | | |
| 304. | Small thick clay vase, pointed below, h. 11 cm., di. of mouth 2 cm. | V.2 |
| 305. | Small thick clay vase, pointed below, h. 11 cm., di. of mouth 2 cm. | V.4 |
| 306. | A few fragments of tablets. | |

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Mar. 1/90

37th day.

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| I. | | |
| 306. | Fragments of a Hebrew bowl, almost complete. | I.2 |
| III. | | |
| 307. | Clay statuette of a bearded man, long robed, bottom broken l. 11.25 cm. Found near surface, north of ziggurat. | III.2 |
| V. | | |

- 308. Fine copper dish with arabesque pattern, di. 19.5 cm., h. 3.75 cm. From grave. V.1
- 309. Cone shaped Babylonian seal with worshipper before altar, stars sun & moon, h. 2.6 cm., diams. of face 2×1.5. Same grave. V.1
- 310. Lyre shaped copper nose or earring, & plain copper ring. From same grave. V.1
- 311. Clay statuette, high relief, woman playing on tambourine like instrument, l. 8.5, breadth across instrument 5.5. V.1
- 312. A few fragments of tablets.

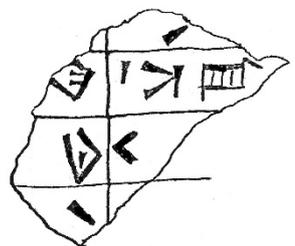
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Mar. 3/90

38th day.

[313A] III.10 From same place small thin copper ring.

[313B] [III.10] Also small inscribed fragment of object of black stone.
[CBS 9563 = PBS 15, 31]



[313C] III.5. From earth to south of ziggurat a headless trunk, broken below, of small statuette in some sort of plaster. Dress suggestive of Graeco-Roman origin. Length of fragment 6.25 cm.

[313D] III.20 From outer southern wall line, eastern end, near surface head & breast of small rough female statuette; also a broken, rough clay bear(?).

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- III.
- 313. Small round baked tablet, black, rudely inscribed, di. 2.5, thickness 1.4 cm. Found in corridors to north of ziggurat, not much below surface. III.10

- 314. Clay horse with rider, h. 17, l. 11 cm. Rider much larger than horse. Rider wears very high night cap like III.15

[316A] V.4. Common small green glazed jar from same; also common clay vase, slightly broken at mouth. Also small silver ring, set with a blue stone.

318[A]. Fragment of another circular silver bracelet from the same.

[319A] V.2. From grave at this point in tunnel a rather well shaped two handled clay jar, pointed below, h. 29 cm.



[319B] [V.2] From this trench a well preserved green glazed bowl, & a small whitish vase, with egg shaped bowl & small mouth.

Nos. 320–328 come from a furnace like room full of red & black ashes, south of the gully. These are all baked tablets. There are also a quantity of fragments of baked tablets from the same place.

headdress. Found in child's coffin near surface in new trench just north of middle great south wall.

315. Delicate green glass pitcher with handle, but no spout. Di. of round mouth 5 cm., h. 20, cir. 39 cm. Found at foot of another late grave in same trench. III.15

V.

316. Copper pin with one end square & slightly four pronged. Length 13 cms. Found near surface in new trench on east side of hill. V.4

317. Black glass bottle, very crooked. Di. of mouth 1.75, h. 7, cir. 19 cm. Found in room on north side of hill crest north of gully. V.1

318. Silver bracelet, two broad bands overlapping, ornamented by studded design, di. 6.5, breadth of band 6 cm. From grave on north side of crest of hill north of gully. V.1

319. Copper bracelet or anklet, open, greatest diam. 6.5, a broken silver ring in shape of thin fairly broad band, & various beads from another grave at same place. V.1

320. Clay tablet, seal at one end, & three seals on one side, reddish, writing very fine 5.5×10 V.1

321. Reddish tablet with six seals, 7.75, 5.25. V.1

322. Black tablet, 9×5, written only on one side, chipped at end, but writing uninjured. V.1

This with a few light hard baked fragments comes from trench on north side of same crest, at higher level.

330[A] Large greyish green glazed bowl or dish from same trench, broken.

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| 322A. | Clay tablet, broken on one side, complete on other, 4 seals on side, two, one broken, on end, 9.75, 5.5 cm. Dark colored. | V.1 |
| 323. | Dark colored tablet, one side complete, other chipped, seals on three sides, 6.75×5. | V.1 |
| 324. | Long dark tablet, much injured by fire, 14×6.5 | V.1 |
| 325. | Black case tablet, outer case broken, inner tablet entire. Latter measures 3.5×3 cm. | V.1 |
| 326. | Reddish case tablet, numerous seals. Outer case somewhat broken, inner tablet entire. Measures of outer 8×5.3 cm. | V.1 |
| 327. | Red case tablet, outer case much broken, inner a little chipped, 7.4×5 cm. | V.1 |
| 328. | Reddish case tablet 10×5, one end of case broken. | V.1 |
| 329. | Dark tablet, well baked tablet, 10.5×6.75. Chipped on one side. | V.1 |
| 330. | Fragments of unbaked tablets, small tablets, three almost entire. From trench near surface south of gully. | V.1 |

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Mar. 4/90

39th day

I.

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| 331. | Bowl with Syriac inscription, di. 16, h. 5.5 cm.; in centre a ring crossed by two diameters. Found below level of Kufic houses. | I.3 |
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III.

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| 332. | Small ivory head, large features. An ornament, head flat on top, & hole bored through. Ears large & | III.18 |
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This & preceding from room on north side of crest north of gulley.

Nos. 336–341 with a few poor fragments found north of house with burned rooms, & at higher level.

Nos. 342 & 343, together with a number of fragments from rooms just north of gulley, below level of furnace rooms.

Nos. 345 – 349, together with some fragments, baked & unbaked, were found in the trench running from the head of the

prominent to serve as handles, & each with a hole bored through. 2 cm. l., 2.1 cm. broad across the ears. Found on north slope of temple, near north east corner, in earth near surface

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| 333. | Very large porcelain bead, green with mottles of red & yellow; h. 2 cm. Near surface. Eastern end of southern hill line. | III.20 |
| V. | | |
| 334. | Object of clay baked over something else. Somewhat like a pipe in shape, but bowl not hollow, h. 4.5, l. 8 cm. | V.1 |
| 335. | Small clay cup, uneven, poorly made, di. 4.6, h. 5 cm. | V.1 |
| 336. | Tablet of baked clay. 5×6 | V.1 |
| 337. | Tablet of baked clay, 8×6.5, one corner slightly broken. | |
| 338. | Three pieces, one large two small of a baked tablet 13.75, 8.5. A large piece from one corner missing. | |
| 339. | Tablet of unbaked clay with rounded edges 6.5×5. | |
| 340. | A similar tablet in two pieces. | |
| 341. | Unbaked tablet, rounded at corners, 5.75×3.5. One end slightly broken. | |
| 342. | Baked tablet, 4×3.25 cm. | |
| 343. | Case tablet 8.5×5 cm., outer case slightly broken on one side. Several seals. | |
| 344. | Fragments of tablets | |
| 345. | Feather shaped ivory pin 10×1.8 cm. | V.1 |

gully eastward across the level surface on top of hill, not far below the surface

350. Found in trench on north side of crest north of gully.

351. These & several fragments found in trench on crest south of gully, not far below the surface.

352–354 These were found in the strata below the Kufic houses, excepting the few of the fragments, which were surface finds from below the hill.

[355A] I.4. From same trench a key like looking object of metal.

[355B] III.27. From slope south of temple plateau fragment of stone mortar with same name as that brought from well trench [*no. 281, Rimush*].

[355C] III.14. From trench on top of western wall line near southern corner fragment of brick stamp like that found in well [*no. 287*].

346. Tablet of baked clay 6.5×5, somewhat broken at corners, ink writing on one end. V.1

347. Tablet of baked clay, 8×6.25, broken at two corners. V.1

348. Tablet of baked clay, 12×8.5, badly broken at one side, & one face much chipped V.1

349. Fragment of tablet of baked clay, fragment 12.×8.25 V.1

350. Gravestone shaped, very small tablet, unbaked, 4×2.25. V.1

351. Six small unbaked tablets, four somewhat broken.

Mar. 5/90

40th day

I.

352. Bowl inscribed with Hebrew characters 16.25 di., h. 6.5 cm. Plain circle in centre. Characters good. I.2

353. Bowl inscribed with Hebrew characters, in centre an animal demon, large headed. Di. 17, h. 7 cm. I.3

354. Fragments of three bowls inscribed with Hebrew characters. I.3

355. Diamond shaped piece of gold leaf, 3.25×2.5. Found in coffin from near north west corner of colonnade. I.4

V.

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357. From same coffin fragments of copper vial & piston like copper rod.

358. From another grave. Also a small shell shaped stone dipper, & broken copper bowl.

[358A] V.1. From top of crest north of gulley, north side of same, broken ladle with long handle.

360. North of gulley, below level of furnace rooms. Several fragments from same place.

361. No ring in centre of bowl, but this character



362. No ring in centre, but this figure:



363. In centre no circle, but a half effaced diagram, resembling a tit-tat-to game in progress.

[363A] Also found in this long trench (I:2 & 3) fragments of another Hebrew bowl & one large, thin Kufic copper coin. These all about 4 metres below surface, about level of foundations of top row of rooms. Also at same level remains of a copper pestle.

356. Blue stone cylinder with a rude star, moon & sun. 1.75×.5. From trenches on east of hill. V.4

357. Three silver earrings or noserings, larger two entire, smaller broken, also fragments of two more silver rings, & a few beads. V.4

358. Twenty five beads of red stone, & a heavy double copper seal ring V.4

359. Baked black tablet, broken at corner 3.5×2.75 V.1

360. Large unbaked tablet broken into four pieces, 11×6.5. V.1

Mar. 6/90

41st day.

I.

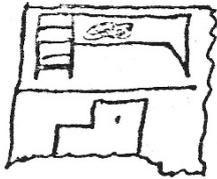
361. Bowl inscribed with Hebrew characters of unusually large size, & perhaps a type more primitive than the ordinary one, di. 17, h. 7, thick, a little cracked. Inscribed both without & within. I.2

362. Bowl inscribed with Hebrew characters, rather small. Bowl 15 cm. in diam., & 7 cm. h. Same type of character as preceding. [CBS 2922 = PBS 3, 17] I.2

363. Bowl inscribed within with Hebrew characters, considerably effaced. Bowl broken on one side by pick blow. Shape of bowl rather flat & flaring. Di. 16.75, h. 6.5 cm. I.2

364. Found in a white slipper shaped coffin, head southeast, about 2.5 metres below surface. Also two very small green enameled jars from same. Pieces of cloth still visible about the very large leg & thigh bones in this coffin.

[365A] III.26. A much broken clay statuette, with high night cap headdress, from outer southern wall line.



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[365B] III.27. A piece of black stone with two characters, archaic. Found in southern slope of plateau, north of gulley, east of quasi gate.

[CBS 9908 = PBS 15, 37]

366. Design on face of seal:



South side of gulley

From same place a few beads, & a small, toy green jar; evidences of burial.

369. Found on crest of hill south of gulley. Here also, about 1 metre below surface fragments of a dark glass vase or pitcher, & two silver Kufic coins.

364. A number of beads of very various size, shape & material, embracing a small orange shaped cylinder of pottery. Also fragments of copper ring, & a bone ring. I.4

III.

365. Copper bracelet closed by a sort of a tie; greatest di. 6 cm. In room near surface just north of central part of southern wall. III.15

V.

366. Clay seal, sugar loaf shaped, bored for suspension. H. 2, diams. of face 1.8 & 1.6 cm. V.1
[CBS 8939 = PBS 14, 708]

367. Haematite cylinder, three figures, common type, 2 cm. long. About 3 metres below surface. On south of gulley, east side of hill. V.4

368. Haematite cylinder, three figures, common type, 2 cm. long. About 3 metres below surface. On south of gulley, east side of hill. V.1

369. Prow of a broken clay boat, h. of prow 8 cm., breadth of boat 8.5 cm. V.1



371. Found on top of crest south of ridge, near junction with main hill, about 1 metre below surface.

From same coffin two vases, larger glazed, smaller unglazed.

Also fragments of a copper bowl from gully at V.1, & two rough clay cups one from V.1 one from V.4.

374. From earth near tub shaped coffin, trenches on east side of hill, north side of gully.

375. From tub shaped coffin in same trench.

376. From grave at trench south of gully, on top of trench.

377. From grave at same trench.

378. From grave in same trench.

Also three common bowls, & a clay vase from same.

[378A] Also a large thick clay jar, resting on three legs, the mouth horizontal. A large slit in top near mouth, & broken handle on side opposite the three short legs. Inside,

370. Fragment of dark stone mortar, inscribed, 8.5×7 cm. Found about 3 metres below surface on side of crest. [CBS 8090 = BE I 77] V.2

371. Piece of large tablet in three columns, very hard baked, one side almost all broken off. Breadth of tablet 14.5 cm. Greatest length of irregularly shaped tablet 11 cm. V.1

372. Number of beads from coffin. V.4

373. Fragments of unbaked tablets from V.1 & V.4.

Mar. 7/90

42nd day

I.

374. Two very heavy, rude copper anklets, closed, di. 8.75 cm., 3 copper rings & 3 bone rings. V.4

375. Copper bowl, somewhat broken, h. 5 cm., di. 12 cm. V.4

376. Copper bracelet, di. 5.75. V.1

377. Silver nose ring, & lyre shaped copper earring. V.1

378. Pretty clay bowl, di. 13.75, h. 6.5; with an ornamentation resembling a ring of shoe pegs, somewhat irregularly driven in.

opposite slit, a ridge, as though to prevent contents from easily falling out.

[*Mouse trap*]

379. Found in trench south of gulley, at good depth.

380. Found in same trench as preceding.

[380A] V.1. From top of ridge north of gulley a clay figure in high relief, robed in toga like folds, head broken off.

381. From trench at head of gulley, going into plateau. At no great depth.

382. This, & several good fragments from trench on south side of gulley.

Also a very few poor fragments from other trenches.

383. Found by a low brick wall in hill slope south of plateau, north of gulley, east of gate like opening. Bricks laid in bitumen, & many of them inscribed. Only ½ dozen courses of brick remained in this wall. Above it, running across the construction was a later wall of mud brick.

384. Found in same place as last. Also a large number of fragments, apparently of the same, but without faces.

379. Tablet of unbaked clay, inscribed on one side only, 10×5.5 cm. V.1

380. Piece of a clay bas relief, representing the upper part of a male figure, with the high horned head dress. On his right hand he holds in both hands a staff with a target on top. The ears are formed & attached like animal's ears. L. of fragment 6.5, br. of tablet 5.5 cm. V.1
[*CBS 4925 = PBS 16, 205*]

381. Tablet of baked clay, inscribed on one side only, very hard, 6×7. V.1

382. Tablet of unbaked clay, one corner broken, 10×5.5. V.4

Mar. 8/90

43^d day

III.

383. Fragment of inscribed mortar of light colored soft stone. Parts of three columns of inscription preserved, but much rubbed & effaced. Length of fragment 12, breadth 11 cm. III.27

384. Three small fragments of inscribed bas relief on basalt. On one fragment the fore part of a pronounced Semitic head, beardless, & part of one line of a rude archaic inscription. Face well executed. III.27

On another fragment part of an arm, & the upper part of naked body, showing also large amulet at neck.

Third piece similar, with part of a line of inscription.

[*All three Peters 1897 II, plate facing p. 140 = BE I/1 pl. xii, 29–31*]

[386A] III.15. In room on plateau next south of well trench a small piece of band of gold leaf, loose in earth.

387 [388]. Found in trench south of gulley on east side of tablet hill.

Also a number of poor unbaked fragments from various trenches at V.1 & 4.

III.1. Piece of a well made stone bowl, also a broken stone cup of this shape.

From trench at junction of southeast nose with southern outer wall, above a brick building. Also a piece of a copper implement.



5. Copper ring, bent, clay dish, & fragment of blue glazed pottery adorned with rings & studs. From room south of great corridor.

6. Fragment of large stone mortar, from room on east wall.

388[A]. Found in earth by wall of room in centre of plateau, about 3.5 metres below surface.

389. Found in room on north east nose, near ziggurat.

385. Fragment of basalt, irregular in shape, on one face parts of three columns of inscription in large, bold rude characters 16.5×13 cm. From same place. III.27

386. Fragment of black basalt 12×9 cm. Parts of two columns of archaic inscription on face. From size of characters it may be a different inscription from former. Found in same place III.27

V.

387. One ivory distaff like pin, with round guard, like rapier guard, about the middle. Handle rudely ornamented with lines. L. 16.5 cm. V.4

388. One round tablet, inscribed on one side only, unbaked, di. 9 cm. V.4

Mar. 11/90

44th day

III.

388 [A]. Sixteen small gold bangles, three small boss shaped pieces for attachment to necklace, three good sized oval beads, & one long tubular bead, all of gold. III.8

389. Clay statuette of robed female, unworked behind, broken at feet. High headdress with veil falling III.10

390. From room at northern end of east wall.

391. In nose north of gulley, at a depth of a couple of metres.

392–394. These & a few fragments come from nose of hill north of gulley, not far below surface, in what appears to be second strata.

395. Found at a good depth in nose north of gulley. Also a copper arrow head. Weights about 5 metres below surface in a hole in small brick flooring in corner of room by brick wall.

[395A] V.1. Broken green glazed pottery horse. From trench at head of gulley.

396. This and two $\frac{3}{4}$ pieces of round tablets from nose of hill north of gulley, at depth below Hammurabi stratum. This constitutes 4th stratum.

397. From nose south of gulley on east side of hill.

behind. Sassanian or Parthian work showing Greek influence.

390. Trunk of statuette of robed female (from shoulder to knee preserved), like last left arm holding robes, right hand holding left breast, about neck long bracelet or fillet with charm suspended, hanging to waist. Shows Greek influence. III.5

V.

391. Small pottery figure, once green glazed, of female seated on chair, suckling infant on lap. Features monkey like, square very high headdress in two stories. Height 4 cm. V.1

392. Unbaked tablet, chipped at corners, 7.5×4.75 cm. V.1

393. Unbaked tablet, hole on one face, 7.5×5.25 cm. V.1

394. Sixteen small unbaked tablets, varying in size from 5.5×4 to 4.25 cm. Three somewhat broken. V.1

395. Fourteen small cylindrical barrel shaped objects of haematite, apparently weights, but unmarked; also half of a fifteenth. Also two button shaped pieces of haematite. V.1

396. Unbaked tablet, round, cracked. Four lines of writing on one side, di. 7.5 cm. V.1

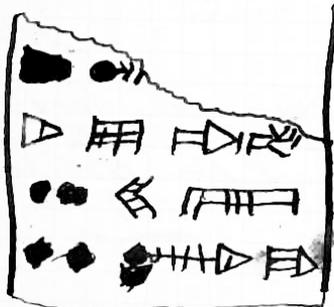
397. Unbaked round tablet with four lines of writing on one side, somewhat broken. Di. 8.5 cm. V.4

398. Found in tub shaped coffin. V.4

Also three rude saucers, one of better work, a clay cup & a common clay vase from various trenches in V.

399. Found in coffin, near N.W. corner of colonnade. Also a piece of an ivory pin.

400–402. In southern slope of temple plateau, near wall of brick & bitumen. Also found here a small green glazed jar h. 6 cm. di. of mouth 4.5 cm., & a few beads, four of them bird shaped, & a fragment of a clay seal cylinder.



The writing is of the rudest description, mere scratches.

[402A] III.1 A small gold pomegranate from blue glazed coffin in room in tower on southern outer wall line.

[402B] III.8. Small gold bell & bangle in Abbas Jasim's room on plateau. Same as those of day before.

[402C] III.9. Rudest kind of Parthian cylinder of some white stone, much crusted & crumbled, l. 3.5, di. 3 cm. Branch like line patterns.

398. Pretty vase, once glazed white or yellow, small mouth, egg shaped bowl, pointed below. V.4

Mar. 12/90 45th day

I.

399. A quantity of beads &c., one with gold enamel on face, & a copper ring squeezed into oval form. I.5

III.

400. Eighteen small coin like pieces of copper, much rusted. Little more than size of ordinary wristband button. III.2

401. Small tablet, unbaked, chipped at one corner, 5.25×4 cm. III.2

402. Fragment of stone tablet, part of one column, & to right & left enough left to show that there were at least two columns more. Fragment 5.5×4.5, & 1 cm. thick. III.2

[CBS 9568 = PBS 15, 17 = OIP 104, 29]

V.

403–405 found on top of hill to north of gulley from one to two metres below surface, trench of Mousa Jerwani.

406. This & upper part of clay statuette of female playing tambourine found from 2 to 3 m. below surface on crest of hill north of gulley, Ismail's trench.

[406A] On crest of same at Fleyah's trench a broken copper bowl, beads & a copper lyre shaped ear or nosering, also a clay jar with pattern, two handles, pointed below. H. 19 cm. one half of mouth broken off.



407. Found at level below burned rooms, in Abud el Qumba's trench in centre of same hill crest.

408. Trench south of gulley.

409 & 410 Found near surface on crest north of gulley, east side of hill. Hassam.

[410A] A number of fragments of tablets from different trenches at V. 1 & 4.

[410B] Also two long, thick clay vases like the alabaster vases in shape, from trench of Abbas Daoud, south of gulley on east side of hill.

403. Thirty one small tablets of unbaked clay, some 4 of them slightly broken, also three partial tablets & a few fragments. V.1

404. Face, upper part of the head and beard of a head in unbaked clay. It resembles in appearance the heads from the palace of Sargon of Assyrian kings & gods. The beard is long & curled in the impossible rings of those heads. V.1
[Cast CBS 9476 = PBS 16, 218]

405. Square vessel of unbaked clay, on four legs, hollowed out into a sort of cup. V.1
Ornamented on sides with pattern of lines & dots, rude. h. (including legs 7 cm., breadth 7 cm.

406. Tablet of unbaked clay, inscribed on one side & one edge only. 10×8. V.1

407. Round tablet, unbaked, inscribed on one side only, in two pieces, di. 8.5 cm. V.1

408. A couple of rude copper bracelets. V.1

409. Tablet of baked clay, one side written in two columns, the other in one. One end broken. Length of fragment 11, breadth of tablet 7 cm. V.4

410. Small tablet, baked, 4.5×4 cm. Unwritten, but one side marked in zigzag lines. V.4

Mar. 13/90

46th day.

411. Found near surface, by north east corner of colonnade. Also fragments of two Hebrew bowls, one with very large characters.

412. Found in earth north of colonnade, 2.5 metres below surface.



413. Sehab's trench. Room on top of southern wall, near surface.

[413A] III.9. Fragment of black basalt with a few characters. Near surface, Jewad's trench, middle of plateau in front.

[413B] III.11. Hamza Ahmed's trench, a copper kohl pin near surface.

[413C] III.2. Abdullah's trench a small clay dish, rubble in front of south wall.

414. Mousa's trench, top of crest north of gully, top layer. 415 from same place.
Also a shell, a cup & a rude dish from same place.

417. Fleyah's trench, same place & level as preceding.

418, 419 & some fragments & a rude clay dish found in Abud el Qumba's trench in tunnel in nose north of gully, at lower level than burned rooms.

A few fragments, remains of iron implements, fragment of a clay camel, & of a clay rider & black worked uninscribed stone from trenches at V.1 & 4.

I.

411. Small rude bottle of darkish glass. Di. I.5 of mouth I.5, h. 4.25 cm.

412. Small vase of green glass, heavy, h. 4.4, di. of mouth 2.2 cm. I.5

III.

413. Mother of pearl shell with ornaments of bull's eyes about edge. III.7

V.

414. A pretty glass pitcher without spout, green, thin, pretty work. Di. of mouth 3.3, h. 14, cir. 23 cm. V.1

415. Tablet of unbaked clay, broken on one edge. V.1

416. Barrel shaped cylindrical black stone, l. 7.2, perhaps a weight, from same place. V.1

417. Small tablet of unbaked clay, two corners broken. V.1

418. A case tablet, unbaked, outer case destroyed, 8×7.5 cm. V.1

419. A similar tablet V.1

419. Found in rubbish to east of colonnade, and may throw light on date of this structure.

I.5. Also from this locality a copper pin with spade like end, l. 12 cm.

420. Found near surface on eastern wall.

[420A] III.13. Large headed copper nail close to ziggurat south side, east end.

[420B] III.6. Copper nails by brick wall in corridor at north east corner.

421. Found near surface east of ziggurat.

[421A] III.9. At west end of round wall a fragment of a tablet, & a broken clay seal with rude lines.

[421B] III.5. Just inside northern corridor east of ziggurat a fragment of a tablet.

At foot of hill north of ziggurat in room a piece of an uninscribed tablet with a simple pattern of crossed lines.

[421C] III.2. From hill south of great wall a small piece of gold, a few copper nails, and a piece of an alabaster vase.

III.7. From new trench on plateau immediately to east of Abbas Jasim's rooms at 8, near surface, piece of a small round tablet with archaic writing (numbered 422).

423. Apparently this king's name appears on cone 
Found on crest north of gulley, a couple of metres or so below surface.

Mar. 17/90

47th day.

I.

419 [A]. Stamp of a clay seal, and part of a tablet with impression of Babylonian seal, writing later Babylonian. I.5

First mentioned stamp round representing naked man with one foot resting on a galloping horse, spearing or shooting at a target like object. Above the Ashur symbol.

III.

420. Small round unbaked tablet, di. 3.75., inscribed in two columns on one side only, inscription illegible. III.6

421. A fragment of a large tablet, inscribed on one side only, irregular in shape, greatest length & breadth 13×12 cm., dark colored, hard & brittle. III.12

422. Fragment of small round tablet inscribed on one side only, script archaic, three columns, much effaced. III.7

V.

423. Inscribed phallus cone, broken at broad end. Length 14 cm., l. of inscription 6.5 cm. Seventeen lines of inscription, much effaced. V.1

424. From tunnel in very centre of nose north of gulley, six or seven metres below surface.

A number of fragments from different trenches at V.1.

427. From same place as last. Writing looks like practice tablet.

428–454, with the exception of 449, came from a burned house of mud brick near the extreme southern end of the western line of hills, in a valley just below & to the east of the northern end of the trench called X last year, & from a similar burned house north east of the first one.

There are also a number of fragments, some of them of case tablets, from the same burned houses.

424. Large round tablet, unbaked, inscribed on one side only, in four lines, di. 9.75 cm. V.1

425. Small tablet of unbaked clay, broken into three pieces. Near surface. Nose south of gulley. 4.5×3 cm. V.1

426. Unbaked tablet, 5.75×4, same place as 424. V.1

427. Tablet, unbaked, irregular form, l. 7 cm., breadth varying from 5 to 3.5 cm. In two pieces. V.1

X.

428. Baked tablet, reddish light color, three written seals on one side 8.75×4.

429. Case tablet, case broken but entirely preserved 5.25×4.5.

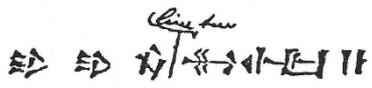
430. Square tablet, burned black, 4×4, oblong written seal stamped at end of last line of writing.

431. Small baked tablet 4.5×3.7 cm. Injured on one side slightly, 3 seals.

432. Baked tablet 7.25×4.25, blackened by fire.

433. Case tablet, 5×4.5. Seals on the sides, also over writing on face.

434. Case tablet, 4.25×4. Seals everywhere, almost effacing writing.


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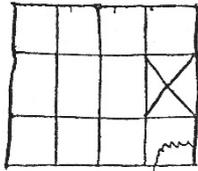

 444

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449 Came from the northern end of the trench called X last year, from a small white-washed room. Also found in this room a pair of copper hinges, and several fragments small, baked.

- 435. Case tablet 4.5×4.5. Case somewhat broken. Numerous seals.
- 436. Case tablet, 4.25×4. Seals, but not clear.
- 437. Baked tablet 4.5×4. Thin. Seals on sides, but impressions not clear.
- 438. Baked tablet, 4.25×3.75. Seals on side, and across face a very good one.
- 439. Case tablet, seals everywhere, 4.5×4.25 cm.
- 440. Case tablet, only one side of case preserved. Tablet somewhat chipped. Tablet 4.5×4.
- 441. Case tablet, unbaked, case slightly chipped, 4.5×4.5.
- 442. Case tablet, one side of case broken, 4.25×3.75 cm.
- 443. Baked tablet 3.5×3 cm.
- 444. Small baked tablet 4×3.5.
- 445. Small baked tablet, reddish color, writing almost effaced by numerous seal impressions, 3.75×3.25.
- 446. Baked tablet, reddish color, 4.25×3.75.
- 447. Small dark tablet with seals, 3.5×3.5.
- 448. Baked tablet, 4×2.75. Light colored on one side, dark on other.
- 449. Unbaked tablet, chipped at one end 4.75×3.5 cm.
- 450. Broken tablet, one corner broken, 5×4.4. Several seals.

454



455 From the same burned rooms.

456. Found in foot shaped coffin (Mar. 15), near surface on slope of hills east of last year's trench X.

457. Found near surface by foot of above mentioned grave.



- 451. Baked tablet, 5×4, one side chipped. Literally covered with seal impressions.
- 452. Baked tablet 4.5×3.75, one side almost destroyed.
- 453. Fragment of baked tablet, reddish color, only one side preserved. Seal impressions. 5×5.
- 454. Uninscribed tablet, unbaked, 8.5×7.5, broken in two, one corner chipped. One side plain, on the other a pattern in deep lines. X
- 455. Ridiculously rude clay statuette of female, naked, holding her breasts, which are on the abdomen. Necklace about neck. Nose bird like, eyes lobster like. Color reddish, h. 10.5 cm. X
[Cast CBS 1969 = PBS 16, 22; also Peters 1897 II, pl. II:10]
- 456. Alabaster bottle, h. 11, di. of mouth 3 cm.
- 457. Green urn, with two handles, pattern of lines in different colored green cir. 59, h. 21, di. of mouth 11. Crooked.

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Mar. 18/90

48th day

[458A] III.6. At north east corner in corridor, near brick circular wall a brass object, like a sword handle, 10.5 cm. long.

[458B] III.12. Close to eastern end of ziggurat a clay vessel, like the bottom of an umbrella holder in size & shape, but with two flat handles inside.

III

458. [large blank space; number evidently discarded]

V.

458, 459 Tunnel deep in nose north of gully.
A few fragments from this & other trenches at V.1

Numbers 460 – 465 come from burned rooms on north side of gully below north end of last year's trench X.
Also a number of fragments from same.



466. From south side of same gully. Also two good fragments.
467 – 470 from neighborhood of house burned, on a little ridge east of above named gully, running north & south.
Also a quantity of fragments from same.

[470A] From room at old trench X pottery.

[470B] From surface near base of hill a hook of copper in shape of animal's head.

[470C] Also pottery from V.1

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| 458. | 458. Round tablet, inscribed with four lines on one side, inscription apparently ruined. Unbaked, slightly chipped. Diam. 9 cm. | V.1 |
| 459. | Similar tablet, diam. 7 cm. | V.1 |
| X. | | |
| 460. | Two case tablets, entire, 4×3.5. Several seal impressions | X |
| 461. | Seven small case tablets, case somewhat broken, or almost entirely destroyed. | X |
| 462. | One small case tablet, case ruined, tablet injured | X |
| 463. | One baked tablet, 3.75×3.5. | |
| 464. | 15 small baked tablets. | X |
| 465. | 4 small tablets, one with the corner broken, the rest broken on one side. | X |
| 466. | Baked tablet, 8.5×4.5, broken at one end. | X |
| 467. | Two baked tablets, 5×4, each slightly injured on one side. | |
| 468. | Twenty very small unbaked tablets. All found close to surface | X |
| 469. | Baked tablet, 7.25×4.75, one corner broken. | X |
| 470. | Nine small unbaked tablets, slightly broken. | X |

[470D] A small piece of gold leaf from surface at X.

471. Found in room on crest, to north(west) of ziggurat.

[471A] III.8. Piece of gold leaf, coin, & the ivory handle of some object, with a hole for attachment, l. 8.3 cm.



472 & 473. Found in earth in nose north of gulley, also a green glazed dish, broken. No bones.

Also a large number of poor fragments, & some pottery from different trenches at V.

475. From burned room in north & south ridge.

476. All found in burned rooms in gulley east of & below last year's trench X. This lot much encrusted with whitish ashes. Many seal impressions.

477-484, together with a very small amount of fragments.

Mar. 19/90

49th day

III.

471 Small gold bead, broken. III.10

V.

472. Ornamented bone tube, 9 cm. long, di. 1 cm., ornaments in line & triangle patterns; copper kohl pin 12.5 cm. long, & two small copper rings. V.1

473. Clay cup, almost pointed below, ornamented by a line of punchings about its greatest circumference, di. 12.5, h. 6.5 cm. Chipped on edge. V.1

474. Bone needle, with eye at one end, l. 13.4 cm.

X

475. Copper bracelet, di. 4 cm.

476. Thirteen case tablets entire, varying in size from 4.75×4.75 to 3.5×3.5 cm., and three with cases somewhat broken.

477. Baked tablet, reddish, two columns on one side, one on the other, chipped badly on one column side. 8.75×6 cm.

478. Nine baked tablets, varying from 6×4.25, to 2.5×2.5 cm. Seal impressions on several. Much incrustated with ashes.

479. Baked tablet, broken into two pieces, 8×4.

485. From surface, at burned house on north & south ridge.

486–488. And several pieces of pottery from whitewashed room, near surface, at top of hill, at north end of last year's trench X.

480. Small blackish tablet, much incrustated, seal impressions, 3.5×3.5. Unevenly made.

481. Peculiarly long tablet, 12.5×4.75, broken in two pieces.

482. Tablet, broken at one end, 4.25×3.75 cm.

483. Tablet, broken, 6×4.25.

484. Two pieces of a broken tablet, 6.25×4.75.

485. Five very small unbaked tablets, about 3×3 each.

486. Tablet, baked, 4×3.25.

487. Small baked tablet, about 3 cm. square, irregular in shape, with a very few rude characters.

488. A minaret like miniature tower in bone, 15 cm. high, rapidly crumbling away.

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Mar. 20/90

50th day

489. Found at north door of brick room in hill south of great wall of temple. Reached by tunneling. About 6 metres below surface.

From same hill piece of stone urn, uninscribed.

490. Found by south wall of ziggurat, about 4 metres below surface.

489 A door socket of fine grained basalt, an irregular cube of about 19 cm. On one face an inscription in two columns & 17 lines, 3 of the lines double. The left hand column is 15 cm. in length, & contains 11 lines, the last double; the right hand column is 10.8 cm. in length, & contains 6 lines, the first & the next to the last double. Each column 6.5 cm. in breadth.

[CBS 8838 = BE I 20; also Peters, *Nippur II*, pl. I, lower row center]

490. Terra cotta head, length of face from hair to end of chin 3.5 cm. Pretty work. Greek. III.13



491. Found by inside face of great south wall, near centre, 3 or 4 metres below surface.

492. Found by brick walls at juncture of south east nose with southern outer wall.

[492A] III.6. Rather prettily made & very highly glazed small green jar from room at this point, badly broken.

493. From nose north of gulley, a couple of metres below surface.

V.1 Fragments of tablets.

494. Burned rooms on north & south ridge.

495 – 498 From same trench as last, & close to surface.

499. From south side of gulley.

500–502 from rooms north of gulley.

503. Near surface by southern end of last year's trench X.

504. From same place.

[504A] Also from same place a fragment of small vessel of same white chalky stone as some 17 inscribed objects found in room in outer southern temple wall.

491. Fragment of a black stone cylinder, broken along length. Length 2.25 cm. One line of writing & one figure well preserved.

[CBS 8930 = PBS 14, 244]

492. A white stone seal or charm with hole for suspension. One side concave, other flat. Circumference of flat side (uneven) about 3 cm. Rough representation of two horned animals, feet & heads in opposite directions.

V.

493. Copper, lyre-shaped nose- or ear-ring. V.1

X.

494. Two small copper bracelets. X

495. Two small unbaked tablets, 3.5×3 cm. X

496. Similar tablet, broken at one end. X

497. Hard unbaked tablet, 4.25×3.25 cm.

498. Hard unbaked tablet 6.25×4.

499. Baked tablet, 5×4.5 cm. X

500. Baked tablet, 5.5×4.5.

501. Case tablet, several seals, 4.25×3.75 cm.

502. Baked tablet, much broken, 6.75×4.25 cm.

503. Baked tablet, 4.75×2.5, one face chipped entirely off.

504. Five fragments of a very large thick tablet, ruled like an account book, little writing.

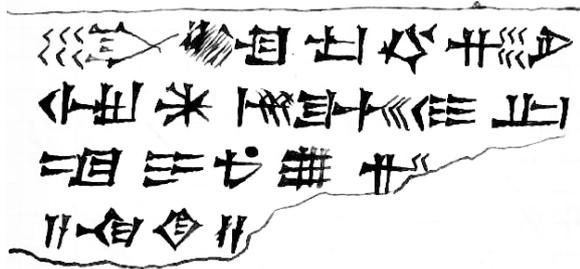
From various trenches at X fragments of tablets.

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Mar. 21/90

51st day.

505. Found about 1½ metres below surface on slope of hill to north of ziggurat, by Mehemet et Turki



[505A] III.9. By great south wall within near central point, 4 metres below surface, good sized urn, broken, mouth covered by inverted clay bowl, in urn great quantities of fish bones. Also a couple of pieces of iron implement.

[505B] III.10. From one room in this nose a great quantity of common small shells.

[505C] III.2. From slope south of centre of great south wall, at some depth green two handled vase.

506. Found in nose to north of gulley, three or four metres below surface. Rude work.

507–511. On north side of gulley, next to burned room where Fleyah found, west of it, & on lower level.

III.

505. A fragment of a stone column (or boundary stone), of reddish stone, susceptible of polish, grain fine. Parts of two faces preserved, corner rounded. Length of fragment 15.5 cm. On one face the forepart of a large bird in bas-relief; on left hand face the hinder part of a lion rampant. Beneath an inscription, merely the end of 4 lines of left hand column. Right hand column rounds corner & continues beyond part of stone preserved. Stone so broken that the part of each line preserved is shorter than the one above it. Workmanship fair.

[BE I 80 + pl. XII: 32- 33, original presumably in Istanbul]

V.

506. Clay bas relief of lioness like animal walking. Roughly oval in form, unworked on reverse, l. 9.5, greatest breadth 4.5 cm. V.1

507. Unbaked clay tablet, 6.5×3.75 cm., one side unincised, on other very few characters. V.1

Poor fragments of tablets from other trenches at V.

512–516. Found near surface by south end of old trench X.

517–520 Found in trench in north & south low ridge in gulley, in burned house, or probably from stratum just above.

The small ones above house level, close to surface, two from above rooms on north side of gulley, the rest as stated above.

521. From burned rooms to southeast of gulley, just outside of it.

522 & 523. From burned rooms to south of gulley.

508.	Rude, unbaked tablet, inscribed on one side only, broken into two pieces. 6×4.5.	V.1
509.	Round tablet, inscribed in four lines on one side only; chipped on one edge, diam. 7.5 cm. [CBS 3810 = SLT 78]	V.1
510	Unbaked tablet, uninscribed, 6×4.5.	V.1
511.	Round unbaked tablet, four lines of inscription on one side, di. 8.5 cm.; broken considerably about edges.	V.1
X.		
512.	Unbaked tablet, 5.5×4.5. [CBS 3541 = BE 8, 10]	X
513.	Unbaked tablet, somewhat oval shape, 6×4.5.	X
514.	Unbaked tablet, one corner chipped, 5×3.	X
515.	Unbaked tablet, 4×2.5	X
516.	" " , one corner broken considerably 5.25×3.75.	X
517.	Tablet, unbaked, somewhat broken at end on one side, 5.25×4.	X
518.	Unbaked tablet, 8×4.25	X
519.	Unbaked tablet, very little writing, broken at one end, 5×4.5 cm.	X
520.	Fifteen small unbaked tablets, averaging about 3.5 cm. square, rounded at corners. Seven a little chipped at corner.	X
521.	Small baked tablet, light colored, 3.75×3 cm.	X
522.	Baked tablet, one side broken off, other chipped, dark, 4.25×4	
523.	Dark colored baked tablet, corner broken, 3.5×3.5.	X

Mar. 22nd/90

52nd day.

[524A] III.2 A small fragment of white inscribed mortar, found here before; & a small fragment of black inscribed stone found here before.

524. This & foregoing objects found on hill slope before, south of great southern wall of temple, not more than 3 metres below surface.

III.

524. Fragment of lower part of large vessel of black volcanic stone. On outside represented in rude form, and very curiously, a contest between a bird and a serpent.
[Peters 1897 II, facing p. 140]

III.2

V.

525. Large unbaked tablet, 13×7.5 cm. Found below level of furnace rooms, & to west of same, north of gulley.

V.1

526. Rooms in gulley.

X

526. Baked tablet, 7×4.5

X

527. Same place as 525.

V.

527. Unbaked tablet, one corner broken, only a few rude characters of inscription, 6.5×6.

X.

528. Nine of the small unbaked, round cornered tablets, two slightly chipped & cracked.

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Mar. 24th/90

53d day.

529 & 530. These found about 4 metres below surface, in deepening steps into great trench.

I.

529. Bowl inscribed with Hebrew characters, irregular shape, di. 14, h. about 5.5 cm. No ring & no figure or device in the centre.

I.2

530. Fragments of two more bowls with Hebrew characters, & similarly empty in centre.

I.2

531. Found in Henein's trench by round wall about 4 cm.[sic] below surface.

III.

531. Seal cylinder, white marble, 3.6 cm. long, 1.5 cm. di. Rude work. Apparently representing an Izdubar scene with animal figures rampant.

III.9

532. Found in rooms towards eastern side of plateau, about a metre below surface.

533. These gold objects & a few ruined amber(?) beads from a slipper shaped coffin in a room on nose northwest of ziggurat. This coffin was not on floor of room, & the burial was evidently made after the Temple had fallen into ruins.

534. From rooms in centre of plateau on south side of ziggurat, about 7 metres below surface.

535. On top of nose north of gulley, not more than two m. below surface.

537. Found at depth below that of burned rooms in nose north of gulley.



532. Rude clay mold for two full length figures with crown like head dress, l. 14, br. 6 cm.
[CBS 2766 = PBS 16, 92] III.7

533. One hundred and twenty three button like gold objects for sewing on stuff of some description, & found distributed about upper portion of body; one small gold bead; two gold rings, heavy, shape of seal rings, the smaller with small round horn at one edge of flat surface; the smaller too small to be worn by any but a child, the larger adapted to little or possibly to third finger of a woman; two large & elaborate gold ear rings with bell pendants in centre, originally of pearls, preserved in one, & gold bangle pendants around side; a fillet of gold leaf 28 cm. long & 1.25 cm. broad; a gold leaf broader at one end than at the other, & rounded at smaller end, l. 11.25, greatest breadth 9.75 cm. III.10

534. Bone pin, broken at base, 14 cm. long.

V.

535. Seal of light, cloudy bluish stone, a piece of copper wire in hole for suspension. Cone shaped, h. 2 cm., diams. of face 1.75 & 1.5 cm. Represents rather roughly Persian winged disc, representing deity, & a fire altar beneath.
[CBS 3794 = PBS 14, 712] V.1

536. Rough unbaked tablet, almost no characters upon it, 3.5×2.5 cm. From same place as last approximately. V.1

537. Rough, irregular, unbaked tablet, only two lines of partly effaced inscription at top of one side running lengthwise, 7.5×6.5 cm. V.1

Also some fragments of round unbaked tablets from the same trench.

538–543 from rooms in gulley at X, all being rooms destroyed by a conflagration. [See also note to 541–543]

541–543, & a large number of fragments from one room on south side of gulley at mouth.

[543A] Also a grotesque head of a bird headed animal, in clay.

[543B] Also bust & arms of person with large ornamental necklace.

544. Found 8 metres below surface just west of red wall of Persian(?) house.

[544A] In different parts of same trench at about same level two small pitchers, broken, of rather good form, one of them full of fish bones.

X.

538. Large baked tablet, one side almost uninscribed, cracked & chipped, 11×6.5 X
539. Light colored case tablet, 4.5×3.5, case almost entirely destroyed. [CBS 3421 = PBS 8, 45] X
540. Light colored tablet, seal impressions, 3.5×3.5. X
541. Light colored case tablet, 4.25, 3.5, case almost entirely destroyed. X
542. Thirty six tablets, mostly small, & almost all more or less injured by fire [Of these, CBS 3397-3401, 3403, 3405, 3406, 3408-12, 3414, 11588 = BE III 9, 10, 18, 26, 28, 39, 60, 87, 111, 119, 131, 147, 149, besides CBS 3406 and CBS 11588, unp.] X
543. Grotesquely rude clay figure of a person carrying some object on his back, object broken, & also lower part of figure. Length of fragment about 8 cm. [Cast CBS 12301 = PBS 16, 159; also Peters, Nippur II, pl. I, lower row right of center]

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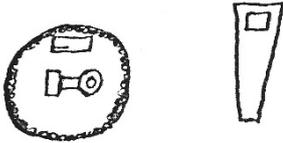
54th day.

I.

544. A very heavy iron ring with flat surface, like seal ring. I.2

III.

545



These objects, two beads of stone, & a silver ring, came from a brick tomb in same room in which was found slipper shaped coffin with gold objects on day before. This tomb was built after Temple had fallen into ruins.

547. This was found about 4 metres below the surface, by a wall in room just east of central rooms on plateau south of ziggurat.



[547A] III.2. Another fragment of the black inscribed stones from just south of the plateau in the gully.

[547B] V.1. A stone saucer, & a copper bell from near surface south of gully.

548 from room north of gully at X.

549. from room south of gully at its mouth.

545. Two heavy gold clasps, either for a belt, or to be sewed on to clothing. Shield shaped, around edge ring of knobby protections, in centre three stones, one round, two rectangular oblong, stones ruined. Toward one side a rectangular hole. On reverse side three hooks as though for attaching or sewing on these clasps or buckles. Di. 4.6 cm. Also two gold objects evidently belonging to the buckles. Each 4 cm. long, broader at the top than the bottom, with a rectangular hole through the top. III.10

546. A very slender copper hook or crook, 13.5 cm. long. Found in room on east wall.

547. A large bronze colored piece of pottery, somewhat the shape of a lamp, but both ends broken off. At large end, below projection there is the end of what seems to have been a rather slender handle. Beneath there are evidences of existence of two short legs, which would have prevented it from rolling from side to side when at rest. On the upper side is a well executed, handsome face with regular features, unmistakably under Greek influence. On the forehead is a sort of crescent ending in two small horn like projections. From the head an ornamental fillet like band rounds around the whole lamp. Length of what remains 24, h. 17 cm. III.7

X.

548. Baked tablet, light colored, 4.75×3.5 cm. X

549. Eleven tablets, 6 entire, one chipped at one corner, 4 injured by fire. X

Mar. 26/90

55th day.

I.

550 & 551 From a slipper shaped coffin a couple of metres below surface. Found in breaking a trench in from the south.

552. Found in brick room where door socket was found, or in earth above it, on slope of plateau southward.

[552A] V.1 Lower part of a clay bas-relief representing a man sitting on a throne.

[552B] Effaced head of a rude clay statuette.

553. Found in burned room south of gully.

[553A] In same place soft white stone object like two found with many other objects in room in outer southern wall line of temple. Di. of base 4.75, h. 7.5. Circumference in centre less than at top or bottom.

554–562. From one of the burned rooms, just outside of gully on south side.

A quantity of fragments from different trenches.

550. Ivory pin with large round head, l. 13.75 cm. I.5

551. 551. Common copper bracelet & ring. I.5

III.

552. Clay object, like a pine cone, 6.5 cm. long. III.2

X.

553. Seal cylinder, darkish stone, rude work, men & animal figures rampant. L. 2.4 cm., di. 1.7 cm. X

554. Case tablet, 4.5×4. Case unwritten, but covered with seals.

555. Triangular tablet, base 4 cm., h. 4.4. Many seals.

556. Baked tablet, 7.75×4.75., broken at one corner.

557. Small tablet, 3.5×3.25 cm. Seals.

558. Do. very light colored.

559. Small tablet, 3×2.75. Seals.

560. " " 4×3.25.

561. " " 2.5×2.25.

562. " " 4×4. Seals.

V.1

V.1 563. Poor fragments from other trenches.



564. Found in room on plateau just east of central point



565. Found by second wall on plateau west of centre, about 7 metres below surface.

[565A] III.5. A small pyramid of stone, each edge a little less than 2 cm.

566. Found inside of northern corridors, near N. E. corner of ziggurat, about 2 metres below surface.

567. Found near mouth of old trench X, on southern side of hills.

569. From interior room on north side of gully, just above a sort of brick flooring not belonging to structure of room, about 2 metres below surface.

X. A fragment of a grotesquely rude statuette from opposite the mouth of the gully.

563. Good fragment of baked tablet. Near surface

Mar. 27/90

56th day

III.

564. A pretty blue glazed jar with handle, h. 9.5, di. of mouth 2.25 cm. III.7

565. A fragment of a black inscribed stone, about 4×3.5 III.9

566. A round unbaked tablet, inscribed on one side only, inscription about ruined di. 6.5 cm. III.12

[CBS 3809 = OSP III 356, Peters' number still visible on tablet]

X.

567. Three fragments of good sized unbaked tablet.

568. Two small unbaked tablets, broken at corner from same place.

569. Nineteen small unbaked tablets, two or three somewhat chipped or broken at corners. X

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Mar. 28th /90

57th day

III

570. Two very small fragments of white marble vase, inscribed. III.8

570. Found at depth of 8 metres, just south of 2nd great wall, & by the side of a low wall of mud brick.

571. Rooms on plateau west of centre, not more than two metres below surface.

572. Same place as last.

573 & 574 from burned rooms on small hill line east of gulley.

575–579. From various trenches in gulley.

580, 581 & a number of fragments from same place as last.

583 & a fragment of a clay arabesque from south end of old trench X.

571. Very tall thin statuette of a female, holding breasts with left hand. High head dress & veil falling behind. Otherwise naked. Unworked behind. L. 17.5 cm.
[Probably cast CBS 1984 = PBS 16, 143] III.9

572. Two small copper rings, two copper earrings, one small white stone set in gold, a couple of small pearls & a number of stone beads. III.9

[X]

573. Black case tablet, case broken slightly, numerous seals, 4.2×4.1 X

574. Baked tablet, many seals, 5.4×4.3 cm.

575. Unbaked tablet, 9×6.

576. " " 5.75×4.25

577. Unbaked tablet, 4.5×4.

578. Half baked " 3.25×3.25.

579. Three small unbaked tablets.

580. A much chipped, half baked tablet.

581. Baked tablet, 3.5×3.25, one face chipped off.

582. A large fragment, 9×6.5, of an unbaked tablet inscribed in three columns, but without lines.

583. A bronze needle, 11 cm. long, with eye.

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Mar. 29/90

58th day.

584. Found at western end of great southern wall within, at a depth of about 4 metres.

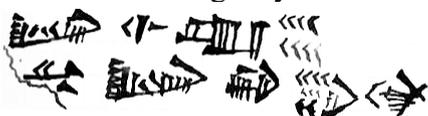
III.

584. A fragment of black stone apparently originally round, & with an inscription III.9

586.[sic] In central trench on plateau, inside of second wall, 8 metres below surface.

586. Found in trench on north side of gulley, about 4 metres below surface. Also several fragments.

587. From rooms in gulley.



588. From room north of gulley.

592. From rooms north of gulley, but in stratum above rooms, & not belonging to them.

Also a quantity of fragments from same place.

running around it. Within this another inscription not round. Of former almost the whole effaced, of latter practically nothing but name of god Bel remaining.

[Possibly CBS 9562 = PBS 15, 23, though the CBS says III Exp.]

585. A small fragment of a white inscribed vase. III.8

V.

586. Much defaced round, unbaked tablet, inscribed on one side only, one edge broken, di. 8.5 cm. V.4

587. Baked tablet, a little chipped at one corner, 8.25×5. X
[CBS 11574 = BE III 2]

588. Fragment of bas-relief, human figure, & apparently cat-like head. Broken from thigh down. X

589. Terra cotta head, l. 9 cm. Upper neck included. Peaked headdress. Hands holding oval object above breast. X

590. Stone seal, face oval, di. 1.5×2. X
Conventional flower. Stone brown & whitish.

591. A large green glazed saucer from grave on top of hill. Broken into five pieces. Di. 20.5 cm. X

592. Seven inferior unbaked tablets, one round, all more or less broken or chipped. X

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Mar. 31/90

59th day.

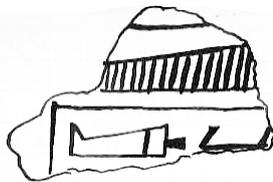
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593. Found by door from inner to outer room in brick structure on slope of hill from southern great wall.

594 & 595 From kitchen like room on inner side of plateau, west of centre, on floor near oven.

596. Just inside northern corridors, not far from northeast corner of ziggurat, about 3 to 4 metres below surface.

597



598. Same place as 593.

599–606. These numbers & a quantity of fragments from a burned room just around corner of gulley on southeast side.

593. A large diorite door socket of stone of irregular shape, about 33×28×23. In the socket some remains of copper, about the socket an inscription in 17 lines, five double, a dedication to Bel, & almost identical with inscription on 489. On underside at edge four lines of another inscription.
[*BE I 21, original in Istanbul*]

594. Handle of an ornamental ivory pin. Upper part figure of a naked woman holding her breasts. Head broken off. Length of fragment 9 cm. III.9

595. Feather-shaped ivory pen (?), 13.4 cm. long.

596. Clay seal from a door, box or the like. Clay originally fastened around a ribbon, or some other fastening of door or box, & there stamped with the seal of the fastener &c. III.12
[*CBS 13232 = PBS 14, 1011*]

597. Fragment of white stone from top of ziggurat, east side, part of an inscribed mortar. Inscribed face irregularly triangular, 3.75×3. III.14
[*Rimush*]

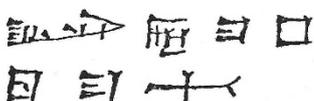
598. Fragment of white stone mortar, inscribed side irregularly triangular, 4.5×4.5. Inscription archaic, badly effaced. III.2

X.

599. Black tablet, 6.75×4.5 X

600. Nine small black tablets, varying from 4.75×3.5 to 2.5×2.25 cm. X
[*One of them perhaps CBS 13231, unp.*]

601. Three similar tablets, one chipped on one side, two broken at the corner. X

607 

From trial trench in gulley northwest of that in which burned rooms are.

[607A] Also from this trench a white stone object of shape of triangular section of a round column, thus, a hole being bored at apex of triangle, h. 5 cm., l. of each side of triangle 5 cm.



608. From top of hill behind old trench X, from 2 to 3 metres below surface.

[608B] Also a small well shaped, round bottomed clay urn.



609–611 from south of gulley, just above level of burned rooms.

[609A] Also a lump of clay with impressions of fingers, & trial stamps of seals.

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| 602. | A somewhat larger than 599 black, broken at one end, & one side chipped off. | X |
| 603. | A somewhat larger than 599 black, broken at one end, & one side chipped off. | |
| 604. | Black tablet, 5.75×4, broken at one end. | X |
| 605. | Black tablet, badly cut on one side, 3.75×3.75 | X |
| 606. | Black tablet, one side entirely gone, 3.75×3.25. | |
| 607. | Very thin black tablet, 3.5×3.5 cm. Two seals.
[Ni.205 = NRVN 24] | X |
| 608. | Seven unbaked tablets, varying from 6.5 ×4.5 to 4.5×3.5. All slightly broken at one or more corners. | |
| 609. | One large unbaked tablet, broken into two pieces, & two fragments of another large unbaked tablet. | X |
| 610. | Much defaced unbaked hard tablet 7×5, & a small light colored hard, unbaked tablet, broken on one edge. | X |
| 611. | Partly burned tablet, 3×2.75, cracked through the middle. | X |

612. From north side of gulley, just above level of burned buildings, over a brick flooring, about 2½ metres below surface.

613. Same trench, in burned room.

614. These & an urn from grave at same trench. Urn 11 cm. across mouth, & 19.5 cm. high. Almost flat bottomed.



[614A] I.2. From tunnel by long wall, 8 metres below surface, a green jug with two handles; fairly good work; broken.

[614B] X Large number of fragments from different trenches at this place.

612. Eleven unbaked tablets, varying in size from 6.5×5 to 2.5×2.5, mostly somewhat chipped, cracked or broken at corners. All very brittle. X

613. A roundly triangular black tablet, containing only seal impressions, greatest length 6, breadth 4 cm. X

614. A number of beads & some broken silver ornaments.

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April 2nd/90

60th day.

[615A] I. From the surface, on top of hill southwest of camp a composite vase or group of unglazed clay. Photographed. [Peters 1897 II, pl. IV:7]

616. Near surface of plateau, above room in which was found 594.

617. From door socket rooms, also stone sinker, copper nail, & two large ruined pieces of copper, & fragments, &c.

618. From trench on top of hill, north of old X, about 2 to 3 metres below surface.

619. From trench south of gulley, just above burned rooms, apparently.

III.

615. A clay door seal, resembling 596, & found in same place. III.12

616. Clay cylinder, l. 3.80, di. 1.20. Below rude figures with ball heads. Above a line of rough stars made thus

[CBS 8919 = PBS 14, 633] III.9

617. Fragment of inscribed stone, only ends of a couple of characters preserved. III.2

X

618. Two clay tablets about 4.5×4 cm. One chipped on one side; the other (rounded at corners) a little broken on one edge. X

619. Four black unbaked tablets, varying from 5.5×4.5 to 3.5×3.5. Each broken at one corner. X

620. From same place as last.
 Also a small burned cup-like piece of
 clay, apparently top of some other object.

621–629 with some smaller fragments, from
 same room as 609-611.

[CBS 3386 = BE 3, 82; CBS 11669 =
 BE 3, 159]

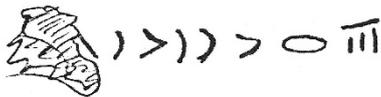
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| 620. | Small cylinder of black stone, l. 2.40,
di. .80 cm. Chipped at one end.
Represents rampant composite animal
figure & man confronting each other.
Between them is tiny human figure.
Between man a column(?), top broken
off, resting on some animal. Between
that & rampant animal something
resembling a three branched
candlestick. There are also three small
signs, two between man & column, &
one above candlestick like object. | X |
| 621. | Large baked tablet, broken at one end,
one side mostly chipped off, 12.5×8
cm. | X |
| 622. | Baked tablet, a little broken at one
corner, one side badly chipped,
10.5×4.5 cm.
[CBS 11574, unp.] | X |
| 623. | Dark, baked or burned tablet, 7.5×4 | X |
| 624. | Similar tablet, corner broken, 7×3.5. | X |
| 625. | Light-colored baked tablet, inscribed
on one side only, 6×4.5 | X |
| 626. | Dark-colored baked tablet, 6.5×4.25 | X |
| 627. | Twenty one small dark-colored, baked
tablets, averaging about 4×3.75. Ten
or more have seal impressions. One is
cracked, & about three are very
slightly damaged at the corners.
[Ni.481, 299, 20, 86, 375 = NRVN
275 – 279] | X |
| 628. | Eight fragments of dark-colored,
baked tablets, mostly larger than the
last, each fragment more than half a
tablet.
[CBS 3377 = BE III 146; CBS 11584
= BE III 158] | X |

[629A] X. Upper part of clay bas-relief of human figure, much defaced, from same trench as 607.

631 & a large round clay tub found at same place at which composite piece of pottery was found the day before, seeming to indicate Parthian period for all of these objects.

632. Near surface, above brick room just south of great northern corridors, & east of ziggurat.

633



Found about 2.5 metres below surface between southeastern corners of ziggurat.

635. From trial trench in low hill line just east of gulley. Apparently above burned room level.

636. From new trench in a gulley to N.W. of old trench X.

637 & 638 & several fragments from just at & around corner of gulley on southeast.

629. A piece of black, baked clay with two impressions of a seal. X

III.

630. Clay table, upper part imitating a mat, l. 25.5, breadth 15.5, h. 7.75 cm. III.9

April 3^d/90

61st day.

I.

631. Copper Parthian coin.

III.

632. Small copper ring with tie fastening. III.12

633. A reddish pebble, greatest length 14, greatest breadth 9. On one face something resembling an inscription, lengthwise of stone. Just at edge chipped. III.13

[CBS 10049 = BE I/2 pl. XXV: 70]

634. Three pieces of chipped & broken Hebrew bowl of reddish color, design in centre a human face, apparently female. III.1

X

635. Light colored, reddish, burned tablet, 3.8×3.3 cm. Some good seal impressions X

636. Unbaked, round tablet, chipped on one edge, di. 6.5 cm. Two lines of inscription on one side, one on the other. X

637. Baked tablet, inscribed on one side only, little inscription, & almost effaced. One end broken off. Length of fragment 8×5 cm. X

638. Inscription as follows



The last three characters on second line are on edge but closely connected with preceding.

639 & 640. From burned rooms north of gully.

640. This type of statuette common at X.

641. These, a vase & a thin bowl inverted over it, from child's grave in earth north of old trench X, on top of hill, 1.5 metres below surface.

[641A] I. From same place in which composite group was found April 2nd [615A] a large clay tub, 46 cm. diameter within, with drain hole below, apparently meant to hold composite group.

[641B] On slope of hill northward, in gully, exposed by rain, a large blue glazed bowl, broken, with two handles, 48 cm. high. Photographed. In earth within glass & eggshells.

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638. Small baked tablet, 3×2.5, inscribed on one side only X

639. Small baked tablet 4×3.5. X

640. Grotesque, obscene statuette of naked female, holding breasts. Nose absurdly prominent, head-dress like court wig. Shape below like mummy. Broken into two pieces. Length 11.5 cm.

641. An earring with a stone, part of cylinder used as bead, &c. X

April 4th/90

62nd day.

642–646, & three fragments of a fifth bowl found at same place as composite group &c.

[642A] Also from the same place 6 of the one handled small jars which have been somewhat characteristic of this portion of the hill. One of these which was broken, contained a conglomerate dry sediment. Two pieces were small sticks of wood, largely bark, others looked like dry leaves,

I.
642. Hebrew bowl, 15.5 di., h. 5.5 cm. I.
Writing almost entirely effaced; small pick hole near bottom.

& others like very thin pieces of mixed metal.

[642B] A small handleless jar, sealed with bitumen, containing a sediment similar to preceding. Both of these might well be supposed to have been sediments of drugs.

The whole [642-646] were found but a short distance below the surface. There was also found here a horizontal drain of pottery to carry off water.

[642C] A quantity of heavy iron nails & staples were also found here.

647-648. These & some other fragments of uninscribed objects, a shell, a large purple stone, & a sinker like object of clay found at a depth of almost 10 metres, by side of but below level of 2nd or inner wall, on southern side, near centre of plateau, & by side of another older wall.

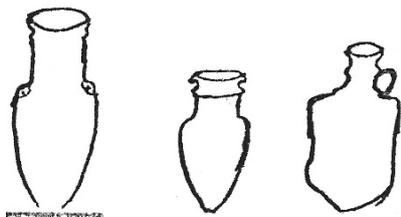
[648A] III.5. A couple of worthless tablet fragments in largest room in north corridors.

[648B] III.14. In ziggurat, in midst of [ill.] unbaked brick, about 14 metres below surface, a large headed copper nail.

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| 643. | Hebrew bowl, 15.75×7. A piece of rim chipped off. Very light colored. Writing of rabbinic type, fine & clear. Ring outside & ring inside of writing. [CBS 2916 = PBS III 6] | I. |
| 644. | Hebrew bowl, reddish color, 15.5×6. A piece chipped out of edge. Characters large & irregularly put on. No circles but in centre a rude figure of angular & curved lines combined. | I |
| 645. | Hebrew bowl, 16.5×7.5, light colored, large piece chipped out of edge; writing much faded; no circles or figures. | I |
| 646. | Two small Parthian copper coins. | I |
| III. | | |
| 647. | Six fragments of inscribed objects of white stone, archaic. | III.8 |
| 648. | An irregular piece of clay with a double seal impression of a long row of figures. | III.8 |

649. About two metres below surface on slope of hill northwest of northern end of old X. H.

650–654 from trenches in gulley northwest of old trench X, all quite near the surface. Also a number of fragments.



656. The copper bowl, the three urns, a broken iron knife from inside of coffin found on top of hill at X, at same place as no. 649.

X.

649. A small round, ticket like object of lapis lazuli, inscribed on one face with votive inscription to Bel in five lines. Similar to those found south of temple, di. 2.5 cm.
650. Irregularly round piece of clay, 5 cm. di., thin, impressions of fingers, & a few cuneiform characters.
651. Black baked tablet, 7×5.5, rudely inscribed on one side only; one corner chipped. X
652. Light colored, thick tablet, 5×3.75. X
653. Similar tablet, one corner chipped. X
654. Small tablet, 3.5×3 cm., inscribed on one side only. X
655. Copper vase or bottle, 10 cm. long, much rusted. From low hill line east of first gully excavated X
656. Well-shaped shallow copper dish, di. 19.4 cm., h. 4 cm. No pattern, but a few concentric rings at centre.
656. Three urns. The largest green glazed, h. 26.5, di. 9.5, cir. 43.5 cm. Almost pointed below, two very small, unusable handles; graceful lines. [sic]
- The second measuring h. 21.5, di. 7, cir. 37. Reddish colored, unglazed, heavy, pointed below, very graceful lines, the best piece we have found. Contained fish bones & other food remains.
- The smallest, h. 13, di. 3.5, cir. 27. Green glazed, glaze much broken, one handle.

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63^d day.

657. From corner of wall by southeastern appendage.

658. From near surface east of ziggurat, in room on eastern wall line.

659. From below level of room just east of centre of plateau, about 5 metres below surface.

660. These are from the same place as 647.

661. From plateau, not far from southwest corner.

[663A] I.2. A green glazed saucer & broken clay horseman from near surface south of old camp.

664. Near coffin objects from which are 656.

665–669 Found in new trench in a gully to northwest of old X, near the surface.

Also a number of fragments, some good. One piece of a case tablet contains a very good impression of a Bel seal.

Mousa.

III.

657. Small clay cylinder, ruined by water, not pierced, l. 2, di. 1.1 cm. III.1

658. Small porcelain cylinder, l. 2.10, di. .80 cm. Work very rude, distinguishable a human figure with upraised hands, in one of which weapon; & an animal half upright, with raised tail. III.6

659. Pine cone like object of clay, 4.75 long. III.7

660. Sixteen pieces of inscribed objects of stone, mostly white; archaic; & one fragment of archaic brick stamp. III.8

661. A small clay animal, l. 6, h. 5.5 cm. Worked on one side only, apparently intended to represent a wild boar. III.9

662. A small, somewhat effaced, hard unbaked tablet from surface.

I.

663. A few beads, a Parthian coin, a ring & a shell from slipper shaped coffin, about ½ a metre below surface, south of old colonnade. I.5

X.

664. Cylinder of polished light stone, length 3.3 cm., di. varying from 1.5 to 1.2 cm. Rude representation of unicorn like creature. X

665. A curious pinkish colored tablet, apparently case tablet 5 cm. square. No writing except from seal impressions. On one side impression of a seal with much writing, votive to god Bel. A representation of Bel sitting upon a throne, before him a figure standing, & the further representation lost on account of large size of seal. Three more stamps from same seal on other side & each edge, but none so perfect. Tablet a little X

	cracked on one side. Corners come out in horn like manner, & shape is also somewhat irregular. [<i>Cast CBS 9766 = Owen, AOAT 22, p. 131f. Here the envelope is described, cf. Owen, p. 133</i>]	
	666. Fragment, 9×4.75 of tablet having on one side impression of seal similar to but not identical with that on 665.	X
	667. Baked tablet, 8.75×5.5. [<i>Supposedly CBS 11600, but description fits very badly</i>]	X
	668. Four small tablets, three slightly injured; one with seal impressions. [<i>One of them CBS 3430 = BE VI/2 44</i>]	X
	669. One larger & three small tablets, all injured, the larger one by fire, the others by chipping & breakage.	X
670–673 from same place as 637 & 638. Qadhim	670. Part of a large tablet, broken at one end. Length of fragment 10; breadth of tablet 6.25.	X
	671. Tablet, 8×5.	X
	672. " 7×4.5	X
	673. Three small tablets	X
674. From another new trench in same gulley as 665–669. Abud el Gumba.	674. Five rather small unbaked tablets, one in two pieces. [<i>One of them CBS 3381 = BE XIV 144</i>]	X
675. From another trench in same gulley, Abbas Daoud.	675. One larger, & three smaller unbaked tablets, two of latter slightly injured.	X
676. Ismail's trench	676. One very small half baked tablet from another new trench in same gulley.	X

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64th day

|| III.

677, cf. 660.

[677A] III: 17 A couple of beads.

678. These [*and*] a couple of fragments of a copper object &c. found in slipper shape coffin, about a metre & ½ below surface at trial trench on southeast side of old Tablet Hill.

680. Found in gully to northwest of old X, by & beneath brick wall, a metre to a metre & a half below surface. Trench of Abbas Daoud.

681. From another trench farther north in next gully; also near surface; & from burned stratum. Mousa's trench.

682. From trench next to 680

683. Same as 682.

684. From burned rooms at old gully.
Also fragments from the various trenches at X.

677. Small piece of inscribed object of white stone, archaic, from same place as 660. III.8

V.

678. Two copper bracelets, a bone ring & some beads. V.6

VIII.

679. Large copper ring from trial trench at old trench of last year where Assyrian tablets were found.

X.

680. Eleven tablets of whitish & pinkish color, all but one in good condition, although showing signs of conflagration. Two good sized, others smaller. Four of them case tablets, two cases ruined.
[One of them is Ni.370 = NRVN 3 = cast CBS 9774] X

681. One large black tablet, somewhat injured; five small black tablets practically entire, two case tablets of which the cases are somewhat broken. Many seals.
[The large tablet is cast CBS 9792 = NATN 302] X

682. One large unbaked tablet, injured; a medium sized & a very small tablet, also injured; one round and two very small tablets practically entire. All unbaked. X

683. Four medium sized baked tablets, two entire, two injured. X

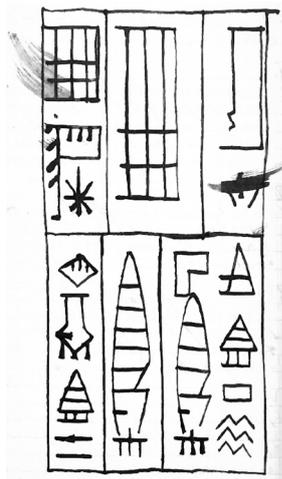
684. One large tablet, two medium sized tablets & five small tablets, injured; Three medium sized and eleven small tablets, practically entire. All black, & baked. X

(49 tablets)

April 8th/90

65th day

685 & 686. From various trenches at X.	X.		
	685.	Eleven small or rather small baked tablets. [<i>Copy of seal impression.</i> <i>Inscriptions no. 63</i>]	X
	686.	Two small unbaked tablets, somewhat injured.	X
687. Found in deep trench, about 9.5 metres below the surface.	I.		
	687.	Small baked tablet, irregular shape, 4.5×4.3. Uninscribed. On one side ornamental pattern stamped of circle, around which several squares.	I.2
688 & 689. From earth about 1½ metres below surface at eastern end of outer southern wall line of Temple.	III.		
	688.	A coin or medallion, very heavy metal, di. 3.2 cm. Large hole bored for suspension. Double head on one face.	
	689.	Two clay beads, three small copper bells, & two small thin copper rings with projections showing that they were once part of something else.	III.1
690. Found at trial trench on north east side of Tablet Hill.	V.		
	690.	Bowl, inscribed within in black with apparently meaningless characters, resembling ornamental Arabic script.	V.6
	691.	Two large curiously ornamented jars, funeral pottery, from same place.	V.6
	692.	Small gray mottled glass bottle, di. of mouth 2.25, he. 6.5 cm. From same.	V.6



694. Found in deep trench about 9.5 metres below surface.

695. Same place as 688.

696. About 1½ metres below surface, at head of gulley at northwest end of ziggurat.

697–699. Various trenches at X; also a number of fragments.

693. Brick stamp of baked clay. Face 13.5×9. Chipped at top of upper left hand column. Same as in other respects as 287. Found by wall of ziggurat, about 4 metres below surface.

(14 tablets)

April 9th/90

66th day

I.

694. Upper part of small clay statuette of figure with high helmet like headdress, & prominent nose. I.2

III.

695. Two small copper bells. III.1

696. 696. Three small roundly star like objects of gold about 2.3 cm. in di. two holes punched for suspension. Thin. Poor work. III.11

X.

697. A Bel seal cylinder, Bel seated on a bird. In front of him miniature human figure. Behind this one figure leading another. Above Bel in front of him a crescent. Length 2.2, di. 1.2 cm.

697. Six tablets, one medium size, five small, practically entire; two injured, small tablets.

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[Copy of seal impression.
Inscriptions no. 60. Cast CBS 9762]

699. One unbaked tablet, small, injured.

(7 tablets)

April 10th/90

67th day

I.2. Found in common clay urn in great trench 10.5 metres below surface. Near urn a few child's bones scattered in earth.

I.
700. A quantity of various beads. I.2

X.
701. A very small mummy shaped statuette of a female. X

702. Thirty four baked tablets, mostly small, several case tablets. Three of the larger case tablets have broken cases.
[cast CBS 9539 = NATN 272
cast CBS 9767 = NATN 292
cast CBS 9780 = NATN 297
Ni.5 = NRVN 232, cf. Peters, Inscr. 64
Ni.467 = NRVN 208, cf. Peters, Inscr. 52
Ni.1416 = NRVN 236 = cast CBS 9777
Ni.1451 = NRVN 183 = cast CBS 9768
Ni.1488 = NRVN 66 = cast CBS 9765
cast CBS 9770, unp.
cast CBS 9781, unp.
copy of seal impression Peters, Inscr. 64]

703. Seven small tablets, & one round tablet, injured.
[Round tablet is cast CBS 9782 = PBS XI/1, 18]

704. Three small unbaked tablets, injured.

705. Five small unbaked tablets, practically entire.

(50 tablets)

April 11th/90

68th day

706–712, with a number of fragments, & of other tablets too wet to be handled from

X.
706. Twelve baked tablets, entire.
[One of them Ni.419 = NRVN 4 = cast CBS 9779]

various trenches in gulley northwest of old X.

711. One of these from new trench in Tablet Hill (V) gulley next south of V.1

713. Same place as 711.

Besides these a number of tablets too wet to be handled yet, counted on a later date.

[715A] A couple of small clay objects.

[715B] III.13. A Piece of molding from rooms near ziggurat.

716 These were sorted & done up before they could be counted, in my absence. The number is really much greater than that given. But this includes a number found before but not cut out of the earth until today. They come almost entirely from the new gulley to its south & east sides. There is also a very large number of fragments. Some of these belong to tablets of very large size, resembling book tablets.

707. Eleven baked tablets, injured.
[One of them Ni.1432 = NRVN 2 = cast CBS 9789]

708. Nineteen unbaked tablets, entire.

709. Twenty one unbaked tablets, injured.

710. Sixteen small baked tablets entire

711. One small baked tablet, injured

712. Three small unbaked tablets, entire.

V.

713. One round unbaked tablet, writing entire, but unwritten side broken.

(84 tablets)

714. Small copper saucer from top of Tablet Hill.

X.

715. Part of a duck stone weight.

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April 12th/90

69th day

X.

716. Some seventy or more tablets, almost entirely unbaked. X

III.

717. Found in trench of Jewad el Hassan in room on east side of plateau, about 7 metres below surface.

[718A] III.1. Small jar, two-handled, green glazed, & saucer to match, also a few beads from top of outer southern wall line of temple at eastern end.

[718B] V. Two cups, well formed, from new trench at V, on south side of gulley just south of V.1.

717. Small ivory object, 2 cm. square, on one face a seated man, with standing figure before him. Between the two above a crescent. Rude work. III.7

718. A die of a substance resembling mother of pearl, faces 1.5×1.25 cm. A single dot on three faces.

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April 14th/90

70th day.

719–723. These objects all found in large urn in great trench, 11 metres below surface. A second similar urn contained only a few beads. The stratum in which these objects were found is Babylonian.

[719–722: *Peters 1897 II, facing p. 186*]

- I.
719. A box, 10 cm. square, & ten high, the lower part turning into four legs, so that inside dimensions are small. On this a top somewhat pyramidal in form, open at top & on the sides. Height of cover 8 cm. Box & cover ornamented with rows of pointed knobs. Whole glazed & colored in stripes, green & yellow. I.2
720. Two small boxes of same green & yellow pottery, the larger 6.25 long, 4.75 broad, & 4.75 high, including cover. At each end a knob, & two on top of cover. One end of box broken, but preserved. The smaller box measures 5.5×4×4, & is entire. Otherwise the same. I.2
721. Two small vases of the same pottery, one broken. There is a clay stopper for one of the vases. I.2
722. A large number, 100 [*or*] more, of objects bored for suspension on a cord. Some round, 3.25 cm. in circumference; some crescent shaped, 4.25 cm. from horn to horn. All in pottery, & apparently originally colored. Also a great number of porcelain beads. I.2

723. Two horned animals rampant before a pole on a stand. Between animals behind above a crescent. Length 2.6, di. 1.2. Claimed by Daniel as turquoise. Dull buff, blue in spots.

724. From room near southeast corner of ziggurat.

725. Found on south side of gulley south of V.1

727 & 728, & a large quantity of fragments, from new gulley, to north west of X, at south side of same. Found at no great depth below surface.

729–732 from gulley or valley northwest of preceding well up side of hill, at level much higher than finds in other gulleys. There were also some very fine large fragments found here. The whole were in one room, evidently destroyed by fire, the mud brick walls having assumed therefrom a red color. They look like book tablets.

723. Two small glazed clay cylinders, one plain, the other having a design upon it.
[CBS 8942 = PBS 14, 670]

III.

724. A rude piece of plaster molding, the main ornament resembling a bunch of grapes. III.13
[Cast CBS 1993 = PBS 16, 438]

V.

725. One unbaked tablet, hard.

X.

726. Twenty nine unbaked tablets, entire, mostly small.

727. Forty one unbaked tablets, somewhat injured. Several of these of good size, resembling book tablets.

728. Unbaked tablet, 17.5×12, broken into two pieces, & two corners broken. On face representation, rudely done, of two human faced winged creatures. Other side unworked, rounding toward elevated spot in centre.

729. Baked tablet, 18.5×14, one corner broken

730. Baked tablet, 20×16, one end broken.

731. Baked tablet, 16×7.5, corner broken.

732. do. 16×7.

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April 15th/90

71st day.

733. Found in coffin in tunnel on south side of great trench, 12 metres below surface.

[733A] Also a piece of limestone, polished as though it had been used in shoemaker's lap.

734. Found by ziggurat wall near S. W. corner, on south side. Below floor of rooms at this point.

[734A] III.11. From deep hole of Jasim Arbaya a very small piece of gold leaf.

735. Found in tunnel on south side, 11.20 m. below surface, about 10 metres west of other tunnel (733). Found together in comparatively small place, the earth immediately about them reddish.

736. Same place as 677 & 660.

737 & 738 cf. 727 & 728.

I.
733. A rather small green glazed vase of a somewhat new shape & color. Height 13.5, di. of mouth 4.5 cm. I.2

III.
734. Copper dish, shaped like a flat crowned broad brimmed hat. Rests on three small legs. Di. across rim 13, across crown 6.25. Depth of crown 1.5 cm. III.13

[I]
735. Two hundred & forty five baked tablets, & a large number of fragments. Some of these of very large size, one fragment measuring 20 cm. in length. Tablets mostly of good size. I.2

III.
736. Eight small fragments of inscribed stone objects.

X.
737. Five copper arrow heads, found with tablets.

738. Ninety unbaked tablets, entire or slightly injured, & a large number of fragments, some of very large size. One, broken into two pieces measures 20×11.5. This & most of the larger ones come from above an insignificant brick cone structure, on which is much bitumen, in trench of Abbas Jasim

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April 16th/90

71st day [sic]

739. These tablets were found in the same place as 735, & are packed with them together.

I.
739. Fifty seven baked tablets, entire or nearly so, & a large quantity of fragments. The tablets are of all sizes.

739A. This was found at a depth of 11.5 metres below surface, in great central trench, by the side of a wall of mud brick. It was cut down in size to about two thirds of its original weight to make it portable.

740. Under ziggurat, in tunnel on north side of western (N.W.) corner, 26 metres below level of top of ziggurat.

744. These were all found in trench of Abbas Jasim in gully to N. & W. of old X, cf. 738.

746. These objects found in green glazed coffin in trial trench at north end of camp hill. Coffin with naked females, but of different type from common. Specimens preserved.



The largest measures 21×11.5 cm. & is entire.

III.

739A Stone door socket, diorite, very large, III.8
irregular shape. Twenty three lines
of inscription, the first two double, in
two columns. Length of inscription
18, breadth 10.5 cm. Belongs to
same king as 693. Work rude &
poor, & inscription not very legible.
[BE I 2]

740. Fragment of an unbaked tablet, & a
green jade adze shaped tool, small, l.
7, breadth on edge 4.5 cm.

IX.

741. Rusted & ruined copper coin, from IX
trial trench to N. & W. of old IX, on
other side of hill.

742. A small unbaked tablet, from same IX
place.

X.

743. Small ring, iron.

744. Thirty-five unbaked tablets in a fair
state of preservation, mostly small.
One entire tablet 17×7.5. On one end
of this much bitumen. Another tablet
in two pieces 13×8. Another good
sized tablet entirely embedded in
bitumen. Also a large number of
fragments, some of very good size.

I

745. A few beads &c. from a trial trench at I.6
north end of Camp Hill.

April 17th/90 72nd day

I.

746. Portions of three thin copper bands, 7
cm. long, much curved, with tooth
edge on one side, & a hole at either
end. A small spade like object of
brass like metal, 2.7 cm. long. A very
thin, flat, small copper ring, & a piece

747.



749, 750 & some tablet fragments from same trench as 725, behind a brick wall which has been broken through.



750[A]. Found in trial trench in gulley north of old camp.

751. Found in Jewad el Hassan's room, at depth of 9.2 metres, by a row of four bricks. The door post holes in these sockets are very broad & shallow.

752. From trench in gulley just south of V.1, behind a brick wall.

of another, & a similar, triangular earring like object.

III.

747. Fragment of dark, granite like stone, inscribed. No shape, merely piece of a block, perhaps a door socket with one polished face. From same place as 739A. III.8
[CBS 9557 = PBS 15, 28]

X.

748. Thirty-five fairly well preserved unbaked tablets, mostly small, & mostly from trench of Abbas Jasim, cf. 744.

V.

749. Thin bowl, di. 12.25, h. 9. V.6
[CBS 5783]

750. A large, fine spear head, length 19, greatest breadth 4.25 cm.

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April 18th/90

73^d day

[I.]

- 750 [A] A Copper lamp, broken at point, & replaced with a piece of bitumen, also broken at rim, two small holes on one side, & one leg gone. Length 17, height 8 cm. I.6

III.

751. Stone door socket, in every way similar to 739A, excepting only that the inscription is clear & handsome. The stone was rounder & smaller than 739A, but as the latter was cut down it is perhaps somewhat larger. III.7
[BE I 2]

V.

752. One round unbaked tablet, chipped on edge V.6

753. These almost all small, from gulley north of old X, mostly from room in which is square brick well, & out of well itself. Abbas Jasim's trench.

754. The larger ones came from new trench on outer edge of X westward, north of mouth of gulley, from a furnace.

756. Same trench as 754.

757. Fragment of cylinder from same.

[757-760] Tablets small & poor, quantities of fragments.

761. From great hole in centre of plateau, about 6 metres below surface.

X.

753. Fifty seven unbaked tablets, some of them chipped or slightly broken. X

754. Thirteen baked tablets, of these several of good sized & of a reddish color, others small & black.

April 19th/90 74th day.

I.

755. Small glass bottle, 5.25 cm. high, heavily enameled, brownish grey color.

X.

756. Small copper double ring, & a bone ring.

757. Baked tablet, injured. Trench next to preceding.

758. Unbaked tablet, injured, trench on outside of hill, further south than preceding

759. Six unbaked tablets, from room of Abbas Daoud. All injured.

760. Eighteen unbaked tablets from well of Abbas Jasim; nine of these injured.

April 21st/90 75th day

III.

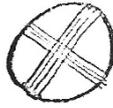
761. A fragment of gold, & a couple of agate beads III.8

I

762. Fragments, & one case tablet, small, case broken, from tunnel on south side of great trench, 11.20 below surface.

X.

[763A] Also baked fragment, two bone rings, & small ebony button like object, with line ornamentation on one side thus



766. From trench of Hassam on west side of hill.

767. Trench of Hammadi on west side of hill.

763. Forty nine fragments of tablets, & tablets, all unbaked, from well in trench of Abbas Jasim.

764. Tablet & fragments from trench of Hamza Ahmed, on west side of hill.

765. Baked tablet & fragments from trench of Qadhim, opposite point where Fleyah found large tablets.

766. Two long objects of haematite possibly weights, each 10 cm. long, fragments of two smaller ones & a hollow clay object, 6 cm. long, & thin.

767. Ruined seal cylinder of marble(?), l. 3, di. 2.25 cm.

768. One Hebrew bowl, broken into 6 pieces, & fragments of several more from trial trench south of old camp. I.7

X.

769. Twenty six small unbaked tablets out of Abbas Jasim's well.

770. Two bone rings from same place.

771. Three baked tablets from trench of Hamza Ahmed. One of these a peculiarly fine case tablet, with seal impression several times repeated, representing Izdubar contending with centaur, behind him rampant and facing in other direction a lion, a bull, an ape, & facing them another lion. Also two good fragments.

[Probably CBS 4711 = PBS I/2, no. 1 = PBS 7, no. 1 = PBS 14, 324a]

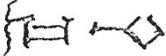
772. One tablet baked from Hassam, & four from Qadhim.

773. Two inscribed stones from latter.

773.



Stone dark pebble of this shape , broken thus, length 8 cm., di. 4.5 cm.

773.  Large round pebble, broken out of all form.

I.2

774. Five tablets from tunnel in great trench, 12 metres below surface.

776. From same place a broken jar, common, but good form, & a piece of a glass bottle; also a fragment of gold leaf & a few agate beads.

777. Under outer mud brick wall of ziggurat at east side of southern corner, about 6 metres below surface.

778. Trench of Sultan, in gulley north west of old X, 1½ metres below surface, in black ashes, in burned room.

779. From square well in house in gulley as before, trench of Abbas Jasim. Well excavated to depth of 6.6 metres.

780. Trench of Ismail, on west edge of hill, high level.

781. On western edge

782. On gulley north west of 779.

None of these could be properly sorted or numbered.

April 22nd/1890

76th day

I.

775. Two baked tablets from tunnel in great trench, 12 metres below surface.

III.

776. 776. Forty five fragments of inscribed stone objects. These all found together in same place as other inscribed objects of stone from this trench. Only one has complete inscription, inscription of Ermugh. This was copied. See copies. [Copy apparently missing] Also three large formless inscribed stones. Inscriptions copied. [Peters, CI 83-85; BE I 23-25, copied from squeezes] [III.8]

777. Top of what looks like a bronze club, ball & small part of handle preserved.

X.

778. About 64 baked tablets of all sizes, & many fragments.

779. Forty three small unbaked tablets, & many fragments

780. Sixteen unbaked tablets, mostly large.

781. Two small baked tablets

782. Three small baked "

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| III. | 783. | Thirteen pieces of inscribed stone objects from same place as preceding. | III.8 |
| I. | 784. | One baked tablet, & two good fragments from tunnel in I.2, between eleven & twelve metres below surface. | I.2 |
| III. | 785. | One unbaked tablet, found in unbaked brick in north corner of buttress ziggurat, about 4 metres below surface. | III.11 |
| X. | 786. | Several hundred unbaked tablets & tablet fragments, too large to be satisfactorily handled, sorted or counted. All from a spot in gulley near Abbas Jasim's well. | X |

April 24/1890

78th day

[787A] VI. Three trenches put in at south nose of this hill. From one a marble slab, flat on one side, slightly raised in pyramidal form on other. About 20 cm. square.

Also a few very poor tablet fragments from this point.

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| III. | 787. | A fragment of a tablet, from in front of ziggurat, southeast side, 8 or more metres below surface. | III.8 |
| | 788. | A fragment of an inscribed stone object, found in same place, but exactly similar to those found nearer front wall. | III.8 |
| | 789. | Part of an inscribed mortar, inscription copied. From same room of mud brick where so many objects found.
[Copy missing] | III.8 |
| X. | 790. | Several boxes of whole & broken tablets mostly unbaked. These come chiefly from one spot where eight | |

790. Well of Abbas Jasim 1.10 metres square inside, bricks laid in bitumen. Steps for descent cut in two opposite sides, so that

a man to use them must stretch his legs 1.10 metres. Depth about noon of 24th 10.30 metres.

792. Also a part of bottom of a similar heavy stone vase, somewhat smaller.

792 – 794 All from different places in great trench, between ziggurat & S.E. wall, mostly from same level, but a few pieces from level below Urba'u wall. A couple of copper nails from same place.

795. From south nose of this hill, about 1½ metres below surface.

796. From same place as last.

Well of Abbas Jasim now reaches depth of 13.30, but tablets have ceased to be found there.

798. Found at various places in the great trench.

799. Found by Urba'u wall. Three of them copied. [*Peters, CI 90, 91, 92*]

gangs were working together in same place as yesterday, a few come from Abbas Jasim's well, & a number from the trench of Ismail on western edge of hill, north of mouth of gully.

791. Small copper vessel from trench of Hammadi, at mouth of next gully north of Ismail.

April 25th 79th day

III.

792. A stone vase, top broken, with inscription of Ermugh. III.8

793. Thirty two fragments of inscribed stone objects. III.8

794. One small case tablet, case broken, & fragments of several other tablets. III.8
[*CBS 4681 = OSP II 3 and PBS 9, 122*]

VI.

795. Brick stamp.
[*Peters, CI 89; BE I 4*]

796. Two fragments of tablets.

X.

797. Several boxes of unbaked tablets & tablet fragments, chiefly from one room near well of Abbas Jasim, but some from trench of Ismail.

April 26th/90 80th day

III.

798. Twenty four fragments of inscribed stone objects III.8

799. Four small, reddish tablets, two entire, one entire on one side, fourth much chipped III.8

= NATN 304; CBS 9945 = NATN 308 and 308a; CBS 10009 = NATN 324; CBS 10033 = NATN 339; CBS 10035 = NATN 341; CBS 10037 = NATN 344; CBS 10045, unp.]

April 29th/90 82nd day

III.

808. Ten fragments of inscribed stone objects, one a large piece of an alabaster mortar, cf. copies.

X.

809. Five small baked tablets and a few fragments, from same place as 807.

810. A few unbaked tablets, & a number of fragments. From same place as 806.

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April 30/90 83^d day

III.

811. Four fragments of inscribed stone objects III.8

X.

812. Four small unbaked tablets, entire, or nearly so. X

812. New trench on west side of hill, north of mouth of gully.

813. Six tablets of fair size, unbaked, entire or nearly so.

813. Same place as 810.

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May 1st, 90 84th day

III

814. Six fragments of inscribed stone objects. III.8

X.

815. Three large unbaked tablets, & several fragments of large size.

815. Same place as 813.

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May 2nd/90 85th day

[817A] III.8
Pieces of copper & a couple of beads from
great trench.

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| III. | 816. | Large stone door socket. Inscription copied by D. Z. N. Found inverted below mud brick wall or platform in tunnel on S. west side of great trench 10.5 metres below surface.
[CBS 8751 = BE I I] | III.8 |
| | 817. | Defaced tablet from same place. | III:8 |
| | 818. | Two fragments of inscribed stone objects. | III.8 |
| X | 819. | A few unbaked tablets & tablet fragments from same place as 810. | |

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May 3^d/90

86th day

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| III | 820. | Part of a mortar of reddish stone with Ermugh inscription | III.8 |
| X. | 821. | A few unbaked tablets & fragments from same place as 819. | |
| | 822. | Small clay bas relief of Indian humped bull from same place. | |
| | 823. | Toy wild boar or other animal from same place. | |

[1890-01-16. Peters, Coffin Notes. UPMAA_Nippur_09.09, 101-111. L-219. HO]

[Written in Peters, Journal 1, from the end backwards]

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Coffin Notes

Jan. 16

V: 1 Ordinary tub shaped coffin, about 4 metres below surface, direction of head N.N.E. In centre of trench, greenish, mended with bitumen at feet. Fragments of palm wood, also of cloth within. Copper bowl, sieve, ladle, dipper & vase. Dipper at left by feet, rest by head on right, bowl inverted & sieve & vase beneath. (D. Z. N.) [added on opposite page] objects 6 ff.

Jan. 21

V: 2 Round coffin, bowl shaped, underbaked, greenish whitish, about 4 metres below surface, bottom round, height 66 cm. outside, di. of opening 59, greatest diam. 64; slightly bituminated from within. Two vases & two small dishes, in one of which remains of food, a few iron nails, small piece of copper, and burned date kernels. [added on opposite page] objects 30 – 32 Bricks 46 cm. square

At same trench & level, a tub shaped coffin, rather deeper than usual, measurements outside l. 120 cm., br. 57, depth 55. Ornamented by band of twisted work about the middle. Very few bones, & a few pieces of burned wood. (D. Z. N.)

Jan. 27

(67-70 objects) [read 66-70]

V: 1 Plain white, tubshaped coffin, about 3 metres below surface. Outside measurements l. 103, br. 53, depth 38, direction of head N.E. Two vases were found one broken, a broken dish & broken copper bowl. Two small copper needle like objects. Small lamp-shaped dish with shell in it.

3 About 15 cm. away from head a large bowl containing five little vases of different sizes, & the remains of cloth could be seen. Diam. of opening 16.5 cm. & had a regular cover. (D. Z. N.)

Jan. 30.

III: 22 A beet shaped coffin, top covered with piece of another pot of same kind. 60 cm. below surface. Length 119 cm. Direction of head N. 20 E. Lying on side. Outside, at foot, vase found, jar with handle. Coffin marked with bitumen thus



Bitumined within. A mat under body. Body not of an adult. Diameter of opening 30 cm. Original mouth broken to increase size of opening to admit body. Greatest diam. 40 cm. Material well baked, light colored. This is water jar used for coffin. (D. Z. N.)

4 Feb. 19th/90

III. 20. A plain white slipper shaped coffin, broken at the foot, 2 m. long, greatest length of opening 69, breadth 48. About opening was a rim to keep the cover in place, but cover broken. Outside height at head 35, at foot 25. Direction of head south. This is additional to those described in journal. It was close to the open blue coffin. (D. Z. N.)

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5 Feb. 27th, 90 (× 290 ff.)

V. 1. Tub shaped coffin, head at the round end, S.S.E. 455 cm. below the surface on top of crest. Length outside 123, width 64, depth 45. Finds were four rings, two anklets, two bracelets, a neckband, mirror, copper bucket, copper bowl, copper ladle, copper sieve. The mirror covered the face of the corpse. On the right outside, level with the top, 25 cm. from head of coffin a pocket like hole in the earth. Evidently there had been here from the impression a basket turned upside down, about 26 di., h. 14. In this pocket were found five enameled vases differing in form, size & color, one of them broken at mouth; also three thin copper bracelets & two copper pins; also a copper rod with four prongs at top, & about it several small bone or ivory rings, colored, with flat rings of silver(?) between; di. of rings 1.75. Also fragments of an ivory tube, possibly a musical instrument. (D.Z.N.)

March 1st, 1890

III. 20. In earth in room on top of southern wall line at extreme east a plain large beet shaped jar used for coffin, on side, opening N. 60 E. Length 105, greatest di. 53.5. Eighty five centimetres below surface, near brick wall. To admit body the mouth had been cut off, & then put on as a sort of cover. Di. of mouth 13 cm. Bitumined within. Few bones; much dirt.

7 III. 20. 1. Slipper shaped coffin, plain white, di. of head N. 50 E. Outside measurements l. 130; d. 27, diam. of opening 46×37 cm. Found 128 cm. below surface, at right angles to blue glazed coffin 50 cm. below. Bones & earth.

2. Fifty cm. below last slipper shaped blue coffin, h. N. 40 W. Coffin ornamented by women. Outside measurements l. 205, H. 35, h. at foot 25, diams. of opening 70×45. Two metres below surface. Found here some gold leaf.

3. On same line as the first of these & in the same line a precisely similar slipper shaped coffin. All three in one room on inner side of outer southern wall line, but not on floor. In the same room earlier were found two other coffins, one perhaps Parthian.

- 8 V. 2. Tub shaped coffin, cracked & cracks bituminized within. Head at round end. Direction of head N. 60 E. Outside measurements l. 100, br. 47. In this an ornamented copper dish near head, a broken dagger, a copper broach, a nail, & a Babylonian cone cylinder. In a tunnel in nose of hill, about 4 metres below surface. (288, 289.)

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9 Mar. 3/90

III. 15. Plain white slipper shaped coffin, 85 cm. below surface, head N.W. Length 125 cm., 24 deep at head, & 20 at foot; diams. of opening 55×44. A clay horse & rider found in this coffin; rider originally with red paint. Horse with long tail, turned as in blood horses. On plateau south of central part of long wall.

V. 4. Round pot, large, upright. Height 86, di. of opening 34. No skull, bones thrown in at random. About 5 metres below surface. In trench on north side of gulley, on east side of hill.

- 10 V. 1. Broken tub shaped coffin, about 4 metres below surface; head at round end, N.W. Copper bracelet & some beads found in coffin. (318). On hill nose north of gulley.

Mar. 5th/90.

V. 4. Two tub shaped coffin[s], heads at round end, N. 40 E., about 85 cm. below surface, parallel with one another. One inverted. In upright coffin a clay vase, covered with a copper bowl; also a copper ring & beads. Inverted coffin contained two small green glazed vases, some fragments of copper vessel, & two nose & two earrings of silver; also some beads. These coffins 80 cm. apart. In same trench on north side of gulley on east side of hill.

- 11 I. 5. Coffin, blue, slipper shaped, with ornamental square piece on top; also common ornamentation of female figures. About one metre below surface. One leaf of gold, diamond shape. By wall, near northern corner of colonnade.

I. 4. Slipper shaped coffin, blue ornamented with four heads with puffed hair & strange cap, Sassanian, photographed. Head S.E. Just beyond a plain coffin, head N.W. About 1 metre below surface. In same trench as preceding.

Mar. 6./90

V. 1.

Bowl shaped coffin about 5 metres below surface. Bitumined within. Di. of bowl 73 cm. Copper ring found. On hill nose north of gulley. Broken.

- 12 In same trench a similar coffin, closed by another bowl fitting on first, lying flat. × At same level as. Bitumined within. The two joined 120 cm. long, & 80 di. Bones at random.

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Mar. 7/90

V. 4. Double bowl shaped coffin, badly broken, about 5 metres below surface. North side of gulley.

Common tub shaped coffin, 4 metres below surface. Head at round end, S.S.E. Broken copper bowl. Length 130, depth 38 cm. In same trench.

Beneath this another, head in opposite direction, length 85 cm. In this three green vases.

- 13 V.1. Three coffins in a row, about 2.5 metres below surface. One mud brick, one bowl shaped, one tub shaped, all badly broken. In first two clay saucers, & plain vase. In second a copper bracelet & a clay saucer. In third one common clay plate. On top of crest north of gulley.

III. 10. Plain slipper shaped coffin, in corridor of mud brick, lying across door, but not on floor level. Head S. 70 W. About 90 cm. below surface. Coffin in good condition, beet shaped jar on opening. Nothing but bones.

- 14 I. 4. A nest of slipper shaped coffins, one blue with female figures, others white, & only one white one contained beads. Five coffins in every direction, & at different levels. Upper ones about 2.5 metres below surface. Photographed. × The blue one was crowned with ornamental piece at back of head. Two skulls in this coffin. Also a few poor beads.

Mar. 11/90

V. 4. Tub shaped coffin, broken, four metres below surface, head at round end, west. Hassam's trench north of gulley.

Mar. 12/90

III. 5. Blue slipper shaped with female figures. Head north 55 E. About 3.5 metres below surface. In room just south of corridor, east of ziggurat.

V. 1. Small coffin, like foot bath, l. 50, br. 30, d. 16. Head N. 40 W. Copper bracelet; mat underneath body of child. One metre below surface. South of gulley.

- 15 V. 1. Urn shaped coffin. Diam. of opening 36 cm. Upright, and covered with bottom of another urn. Skull in good condition, on top of bones. Fleyah's trench, north of gulley, on top of crest, 2.5 metres below surface. Greatest di. of urn 93 cm. Broken vase in coffin.

Same trench & level broken tub shaped coffin, originally covered with wood. Head at round end S. 50 E. Beads & fragments of broken copper bowl.

III. 1. Common blue slipper shaped coffin, 2 metres below surface, head S. 60 W. Small gold pomegranate. Mat underneath body. In room in tower on eastern part of southern wall line.

- 16 I. 5. White slipper shaped coffin, broken. Beads. About 2.5 metres below surface between the two colonnades.

I. 5. Two white slipper shaped coffins, one above the other, heads N. 70 E. About 50 cm. between the two. By northwest corner of colonnade.

Mar. 13/90

I. 2. White slipper shaped coffin, about 6 metres below surface. Head S. 80 W.

V. 1. Grave lined with palm wood, about 40 cm. below surface. Head S. 60 W. Fragments of thin blue glass bottle. In trench at head of gulley.

- 17 Mar. 15/90

By surface in low hills southwest of hill, an urn upright; two urns flat fitting one upon the other; a slipper shaped coffin; and an oval bath tub like coffin. All these found in surface soundings on a rainy day.

X. Close to surface a long shallow narrow coffin, of the shape of a lady's foot. Almost 2 metres long. In coffin a small alabaster bottle. Near head without a large green urn. First coffin of this sort found at Niffer. Said to be common at Jimjimeh. ×

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18 Mar. 24/90

III. 10. Blue glazed slipper shaped coffin; common female figure ornamentation. Coffin tipped on side. Head east. Cover to this coffin of white pottery, plain, oval, well preserved. Coffin 2.10 cm. long. 1.5 metres below surface in earth in room. Gold objects found as per catalogue. The round objects all along the body. Two rings; pair of earrings, & quantities of button shaped gold objects. Head band; face leaf, gold bead; & some corroded beads of crumbling material. ×
(533)

Mar. 25/90 (545)

19 III. 10. Same room. Brick tomb ½ metre below surface. Head N. 70 E. Inside measurements, l. 2.4 m., 1.8 wide at widest, near bottom. Bricks second hand, built with plaster, but some came from bituminated constructions. No floor to tomb. Bones of more than one body. Three skulls found, two at west end, one at east. Gold objects as per catalogue. Also a silver ring & one or two common beads. This about two metres northwest of coffin found the day before.
I. 2. Common slipper shaped coffin in great trench, very near great burned wall, about 8½ metres below surface. Head N. 40 W. One bead. ×

Mar. 31st. ×

20 I. 2. In north tunnel by burned wall about 8 metres below surface two common white slipper shaped coffins, one on each side of trench. Head of one N. 40 W., other S. 40 E. Former well preserved. No earth in coffin. Body covered with twines or wreaths with leaf of a vine like appearance, in bunches. Hair on chin preserved. Bunches of leaves tied, twined around head & breast. Crumbled when exposed to air. Right hand by side, left resting on stomach. Decided offensive odor. Coffin covered with white oval lid.

April 2nd

I. 2. Two blue glazed, slipper shaped coffins, female figures, naked with rays about head, directions of head N. & S. respectively. Side by side, 50 to 100 cm. below surface, south of great trench.

21 April 12th/90

Trip of D. Z. N. to Abu Jowan جاون, ¾ of an hour away, direction [blank]. Three small low hills at end of a canal which seems to connect with Shatt en Nil just above Niffer, but cannot be followed quite to Shatt. Three hills close together, largest farthest south. Pottery coarser than that of Niffer

abundant. Blue glazed fragments numerous, no glass. Some mortar, & bricks of reddish color, inferior make.

- 22 Top layer tested at numerous points, covered with Bedouin graves, & said to be occasionally used for that purpose now. Tested in more than twenty places to depth of about 1 metre. In about 12 of these mud brick at this depth. In deep gulley between two hills, almost level with the plain, test trenches found tub shaped & bowl graves, broken & emptied. Scorpions plentiful. Hills rounded, gulleys not deep.

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II. Expedition, 1890

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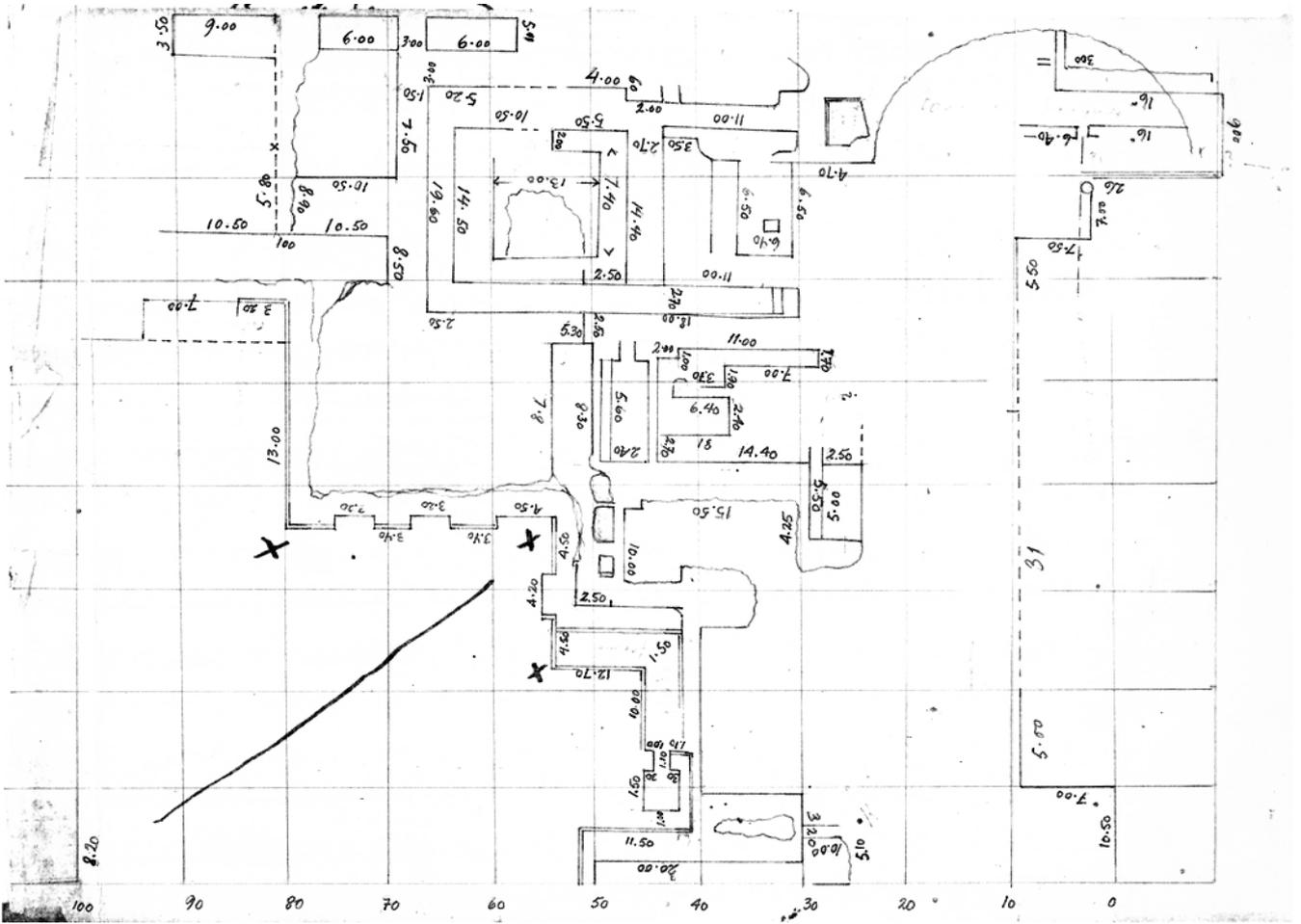
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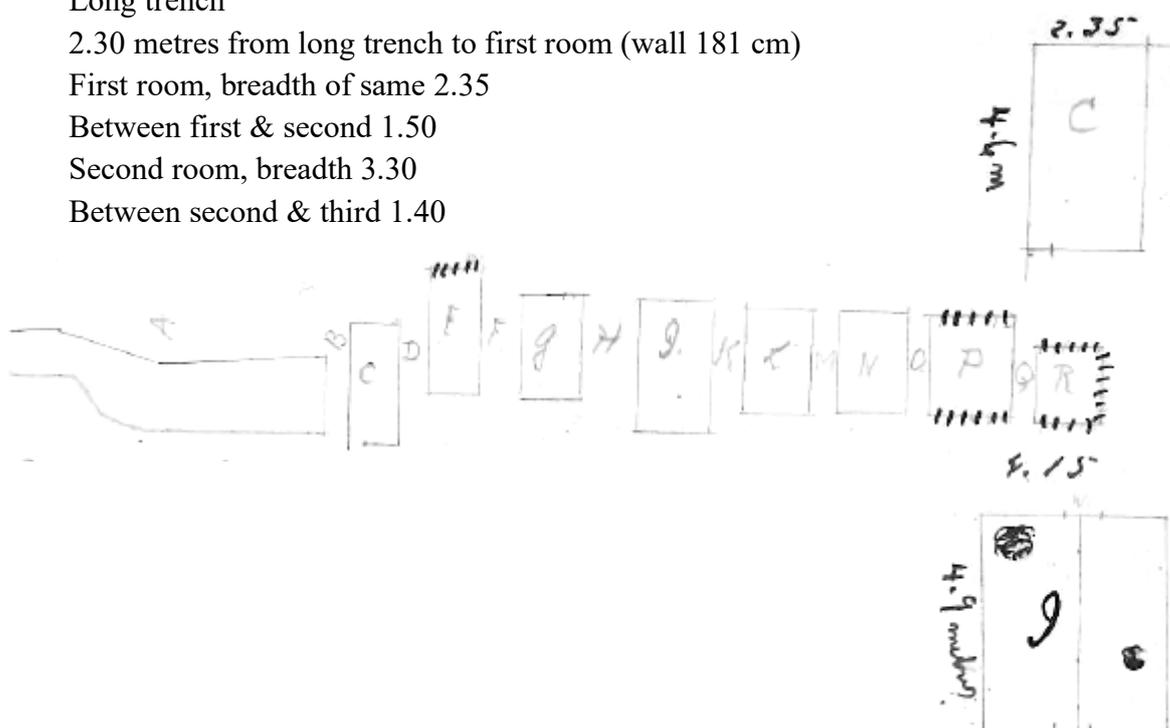
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Rough Ground Plan of trench at Camp Hill

Feb. 19/90

- A Long trench
 B 2.30 metres from long trench to first room (wall 181 cm)
 C First room, breadth of same 2.35
 D Between first & second 1.50
 E Second room, breadth 3.30
 F Between second & third 1.40



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|---|-------------|--------|------|------------------------------|--------|
| G | Third room | = 2.91 | O | Space | = 1.10 |
| H | Space | = 2.60 | P | Breadth between walls | = 3.75 |
| I | Fourth room | = 4.15 | Q | Space of wall | = .85 |
| K | Space | = 1.35 | R | | = 4.40 |
| L | Fifth room | = 2.70 | ---- | This line indicates no wall. | |
| M | Space | = .88 | | | |
| N | Sixth room | = 3.20 | | | |

- 1 C. The first room west of the long deep trench A is 4.6 metres in length & 2.35 metres in breadth. There is a door in the northern corner 98 cm. broad, & 75 cm. above the floor. There is no sign of steps. The floor is of mud brick, & is 2.85 cm.[sic] below the present surface level. On the south, or southeastern side .95 cm.[sic] above the floor the wall recedes, leaving a ledge or shelf 40 cm. broad. The walls of the room are plastered & whitewashed. The edges of the floor, around the walls are not paved with mud brick.
- I. The only other room fully excavated at present is the fourth room I. Length 4.9 m., breadth 4.15 m. Depth of floor below surface 2.5 m. In the south or southeastern wall, 1.2 m.

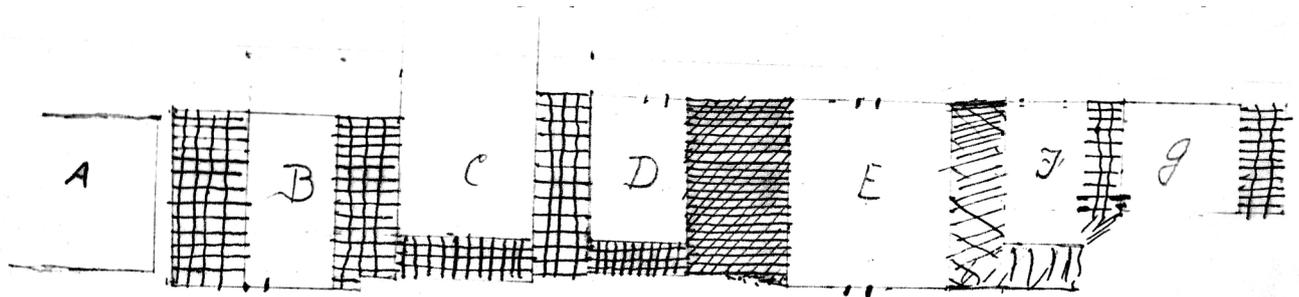
above floor, 1.5 m. from southern corner is a door or window 90 cm. broad. This had been filled in from without with mud brick, leaving a shallow recess. By the sides of the mud brick were remains of a wooden frame. On the north side 1.25 m. above floor, & 1.8 m. from western corner was a door 85 cm. broad. No signs of steps. The walls were plastered and whitewashed as in C. The floor was paved with mud brick. The eastern side, to the distance of 2.10 m. from eastern wall was about 10 cm. higher than the western side of the floor. In the eastern corner was a large irregular space unpaved; & on the western side not far from the wall near its middle was a similar smaller space.

The other rooms in this singular & irregular row are not yet excavated. From coins & other objects found they all appear to belong to the Kufic period. In E was found a bowl inscribed in Syriac characters. [*Presumably = CO 244, Feb. 20, I.3*]

4 Rough ground plan of trench at camp hill

Feb. 22nd, 1890

Correction of preceding for purpose of giving trench line correctly, reckoning from east trench, given on Field's map.



- A is eastern trench, between this & B, the first room is a space of 230 cm., of which 181 cm. is the east wall of the room B.
- B. measures 2.35 m. in breadth, & 4.6 m. in length, & is described on page 2 under letter C. Between B & C is a wall of mud brick 1.5 m. in breadth. (B not quite properly located here. Outside edge of wall of C 150 cm. north of inside edge of Northern wall of B.)
- 5 C. Although continued beyond the wall line of the other rooms southward no south wall to C (E of page 2) has been found, & no door. The breadth of this room is 360 cm. (not 330, as on page 2), & its floor of mud brick is 335 cm. below surface of earth. Its north wall is 110 cm. thick, & the north edge of that wall is in a line with the north edge of the great trench to the east as laid out last year. The wall between this & the room D (G of page 2) is 1.4 m. in breadth. Mud brick floor of room C is 105 cm. in thickness.
- D. (G of page 2) is 390 cm. in length, & 250 in breadth. The southern edge of its northern wall is in line with the southern edge of the northern wall of C., but the wall itself is only 75

cm. in thickness. The mud brick floor is 320 cm. below the surface. The door is in the southern corner, 38 cm. from the east wall, & 140 cm. above the floor. It is 92 cm. broad. The walls were once whitewashed. The wall is 2.6 m. broad between this & the next room

- 6 E (I of page 2). Described on page 2. The south edge of the north wall of this room is in line with the north edge of the northern wall of C. The wall between this room & the next room, F., is 1.35 cm.[sic] broad.

F. (L of page 2) measures 205 cm. in breadth & 380 in length. The floor of mud brick is 315 cm. below the surface. There is no door. The walls are poor & crumbling; on the south side they stop 50 cm. above the floor, on the west 90 cm. above, on the north 95 cm. above. The northern edge of the southern wall of this room is 15 cm. south of the corresponding edge in E. There is a thickness of wall of 88 cm. between this room &

- 7 G (N of page 2). This room is 3 metres broad & 280 cm. long. The mud brick floor is 280 cm. below the surface. The east & west walls do not reach to the floor. There is a very small door or window high up on surface of ground, in the northern corner of east side, perhaps connecting this room with F, in which latter this opening is hardly indicated, & was overlooked. Work in this room wretched. Southern wall in line with that of F. Western wall of this room 110 cm. thick.

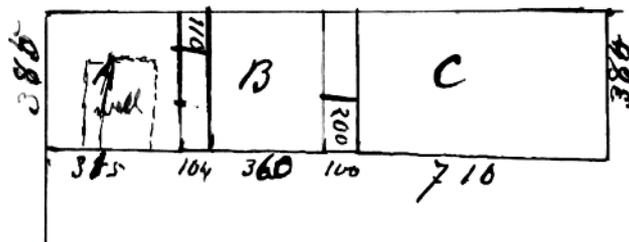
From western edge of western wall of this room to the eastern edge of the trench of last year immediately to the west of the camp 33.10 metres.

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Temple Hill

Trench in middle of plateau, south of ziggurat.



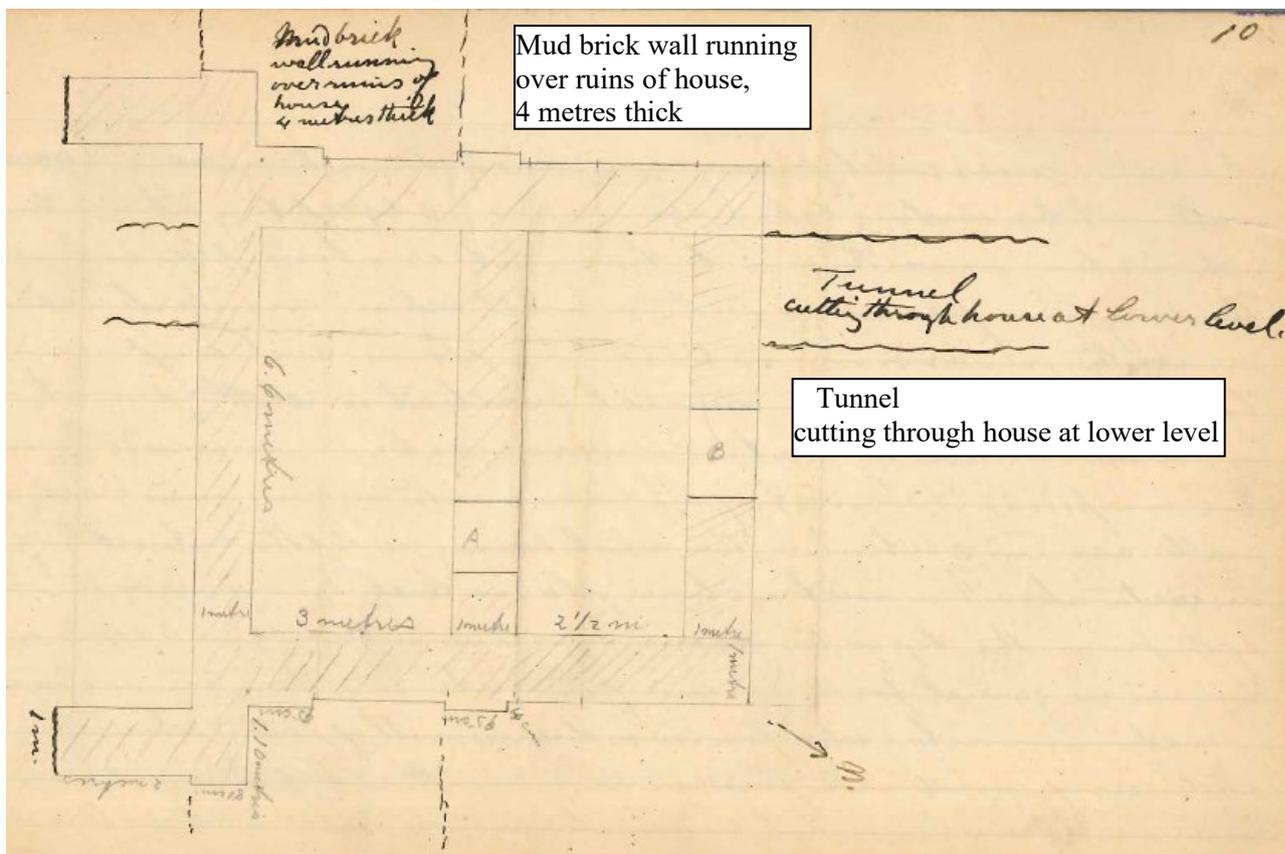
The breadth of all these rooms 385 cm. Wall at S.E. end heavy & descending below partition & side walls. Partition walls descend only to depth of 545 cm. below surface. Doors between rooms walled up with mud brick. That between A & B 110 cm. & that between B & C 200 cm. in breadth, in positions as indicated. In room C great quantities of large beet shaped urns, piled one upon another. In centre of this room was sunk great well, 15 metres below surface.

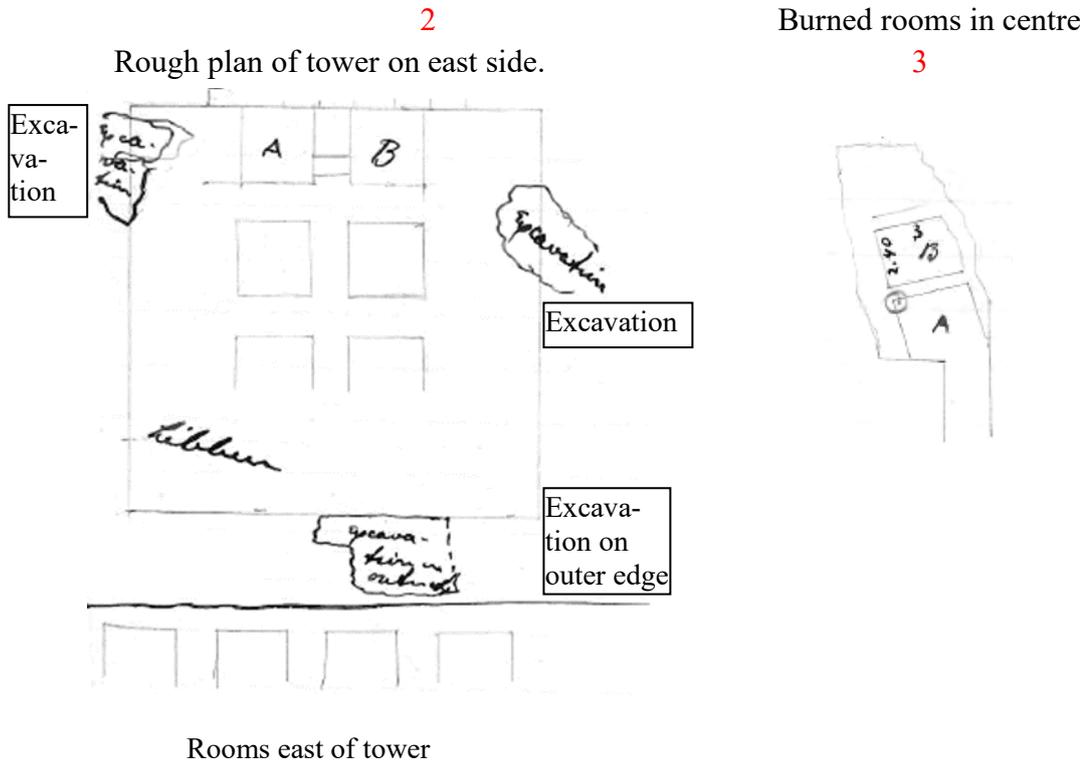
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(cf. plan no. 1)

Door socket 1 [CBS 8838 = BE I 20] found at B, door socket 2 [BE I 21] found at A. Door B on side toward great wall, underneath earth hill; reached by tunneling. Measurements of door cannot be given because earth fell in. For level of house see Elevation map. From 7 to 14 layers of bricks remaining in house walls. Laid in bitumen, inscribed for the most part, cf. Brick inscriptions No. [blank] Great tunnel goes through house next to south west wall. Piers on south east side may once have run out further. They descend gradually, being broken away, until they stop altogether. Small brick platforms are found on all sides of this house at floor level. In front of S.E. side, as shown by map, is a round well of bricks laid in bitumen. Diam. of well within 1.60, br. of walls 40 cm. This was sounded to a depth of 6.20 metres below surface, but nothing found. Across the house, its front about level with front of brick wall on S.E. side ran a mud brick wall of later date. It scarcely extended beyond the house on either side, & had no great height.

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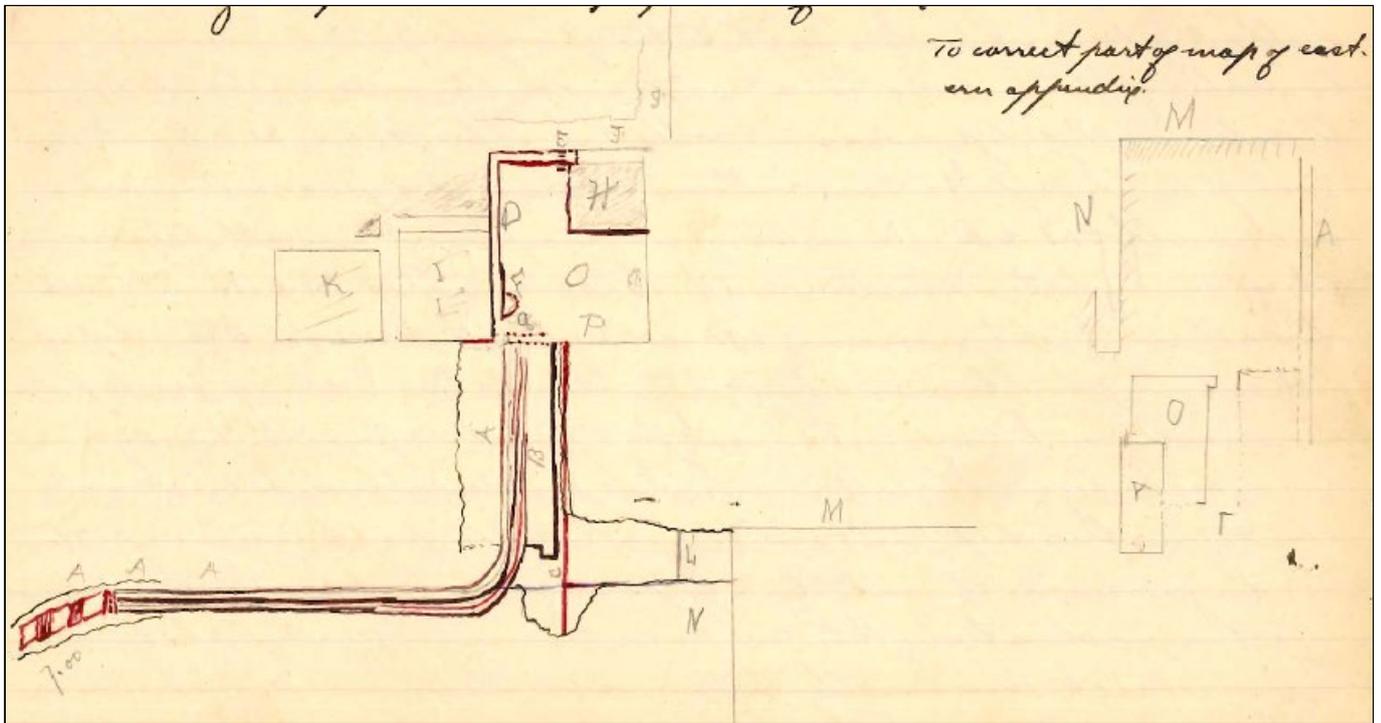
- 11 At south corner solid piece of mud brick, bounded on west by great wall, not descending below plain level, & excepting at western side resting on earth one to two metres above plain level. The long line of rooms, with a wall behind similarly resting on earth one or two metres above plain level. Impossible to say whether an original breach at middle point, or whether made by water. Tower on east side incorrectly given in map (No. 2). It consists of six rooms with very heavy mud brick walls around & between, the whole having no depth, but resting on earth about a metre above plain level. In room A the depth from the top of the mound was 4.35 m. Between A & B is a door, but in general for the rooms of this outer line there are no doors. Excavation on outer edge found a drain well of pottery rings, & evidences of work with fire, as in a smith's shop. No walls remained. Excavation only conducted to depth of 2
- 13 metres. On main map room in this line through which elevation line runs was one in which jewelry shop was found. The small inclosure marked x is merely a few lines of bricks near the surface, by edge of tower in form of rectangular oblong. The small series of rooms fronting out which next follows is at least $2\frac{1}{2}$ metres above plain level, as hill slopes up toward east. These rooms present an appearance as given on last page. Excavations conducted in central breach found mother earth at 4 to 5 metres below plain level. At 3 were remains of several rooms, of which two, A & B were partly preserved. The tops of these were below level of bottom of Kurigalzu rooms, the top of wall being 4 metres below top of ridge. A very large drain well with perforated rings in corner where wall should be, & descending 3.20 metres. Walls of mud brick where preserved burned dark red. Rooms full of red &

14 black earth. This stratum runs below Kurigalzu rooms to west, a little way back into ravine, & behind back wall of rooms a short distance westward. Here were found some pieces of pottery, especially a singular perforated piece  [CO 244B]. What was manufactured here I do not know.

The wall fragment (fragments d'un Mur) between outer wall & great wall is in no place more than 2 metres high. It is well made, ends westward in a platform of mud brick, & eastward disappears gradually. It may belong to the same construction as the wall above the brick house (cf. p. 10), but is not in line with it.

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16 No. 4. Rough map not in true proportion of brick structures at East corner.



15 This is one of the most confused & difficult places on the hill. A is a brick wall some
 what of this shape, 3.20 metres in depth from top to bottom, filled in behind with earth, made
 of poor yellow bricks laid in mud. It extends westward 7 metres further than given on map,
 this 7 metres being a descent by a sort of steps thus, first  four to six feet in impossibly
 narrow brick steps, then a flat place, eight series in all. This wall was followed inward into
 the hill 9.10 metres when it met another brick wall, that of O & I. The room O was dug out at
 the corner to a depth of 9.2 metres, & a hole broken through. By measure at this point the top
 of the brick wall is 7 metres below 6 metre level, or 1 metre below plain level. Next to the
 wall A & attached to it is the brick wall B, its top at a slightly higher level; & next to this &
 attached to it, or part of it is the brick wall C at a lower level than either, constituting a sort of
 17 platform, & running beyond them into the earth. It is one metre below B, & .75 cm.[sic]
 away from it. The breadth of the wall B is 2.75 metres. On top of the walls A & B &
 extending out to the purple line, & inward to the walls of the rooms is a mass of unburned
 brick. At L, a little below level of the top of A is a wall of mud brick. At M & N, at the level
 of the top of A (their bottom at level of top) are the mud brick walls M & N. N is therefore
 one face of a wall beginning at A  but formed thus. At the corner of M & N 5.5
 metres of wall in height remain  standing. In the room O, on top of hill a hole 9.2
 metres was dug, G. The walls D & E are of brick from top to bottom. P is of mud brick for 7
 metres from the top, below which begins brick work. F is a miserable late brick well, about 2
 metres deep, built on to wall, & perhaps used for putting water jars in to cool. E is a pair of
 brick steps. The line of brick wall is indicated by the red lines. H forms a sort of platform of

- 18 mud brick. There was a platform of bricks over the whole room at about a depth of 1½ metres below surface, which was dug out. The distance from wall C to L is 3.5, & from A to N 6.10 cm.[sic] Other rooms & walls on top of hill are shallow & die away. Next to O toward N.E. was a mud brick terrace or tower, perhaps somewhat like that at southern corner, with lines as indicated by map. Ink lines on plan page 16 indicate tunnels.

To correct map of eastern appendix.

Lines marked mean walls, dots supposed continuations. M & N important walls. O terrace with step construction on north east, 5 strata or thereabouts remaining, resting on earth 2½ metres above plain. A room, deeper than terrace, without door. This construction does not exist. Remaining walls shallow & unimportant. The three rooms to end without doors. Mud brick terrace to S.W. of A extending about to plain level.

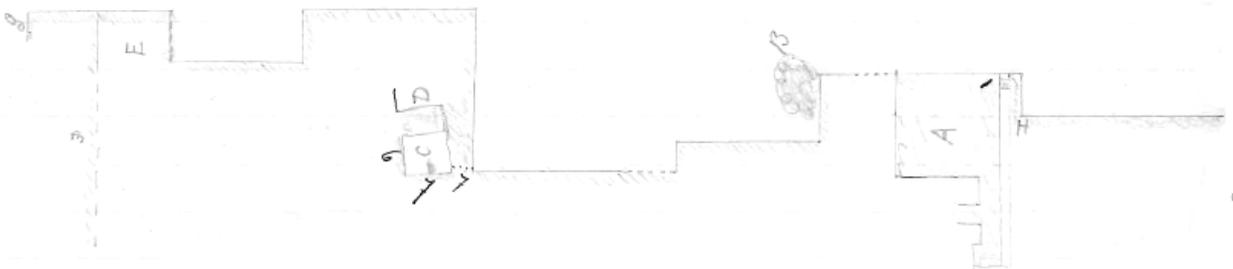
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Great Southwest Wall

For correction of inner side of southwest wall.
Remainder as on map.



At point A depth of wall 7 metres, or 10.40 from top of hill. Below this excavated for .60 cm. [sic] in earth. B a deep large trench, now filled with earth, carried into next nose in vain search for corner. Wall C. C does not descend so deep as A.



- 19 A is a room built on to wall later, & attaching the Temple to constructions to southwest. At corner I great wall is 5.70 metres below surface, wall of room 3 metres. At H a mass of mud brick, a wall or terrace touches or almost touches great wall, but does not descend so deep. B an excavation of last year in mud brick. C an almost square solid mass of mud brick, 7 metres from wall corner, & slightly out of angle. Apparently of same depth as great wall. Connected with upper part of this D a late surface wall. At E a mass of mud brick against wall,

descending 3 to 5 metres, & extending from buttress to wall line F. F descends as deep as great wall, but does not rise so high. It was traced, mainly by means of a tunnel 17 metres, & end not found. G a similar wall, but possibly continuation of great wall. Dotted lines are tunnels. Continuation of great wall sought at base of next nose west, but the wall found could not be identified nor traced. Several trenches dug in vain. Wall lost.

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Corrections for Northwest Wall.

Large trench at ⁶6 omitted. This descended to depth of 5 to 6 metres below surface of plain, found wall in same line as the two stretches on both sides, & cut through 8½ metres of solid mud brick, arriving at a point 8½ metres (9½ up hill) from wall of room in front of it. At ⁷7 wall does not turn as would appear from plan. That is merely trench, wall continues in straight line. Depth at this point about 6 metres below plain level, & impossible to determine whether or not it descends still deeper. From this to north corner there is a solid mass of mud brick between the wall & the corridors.

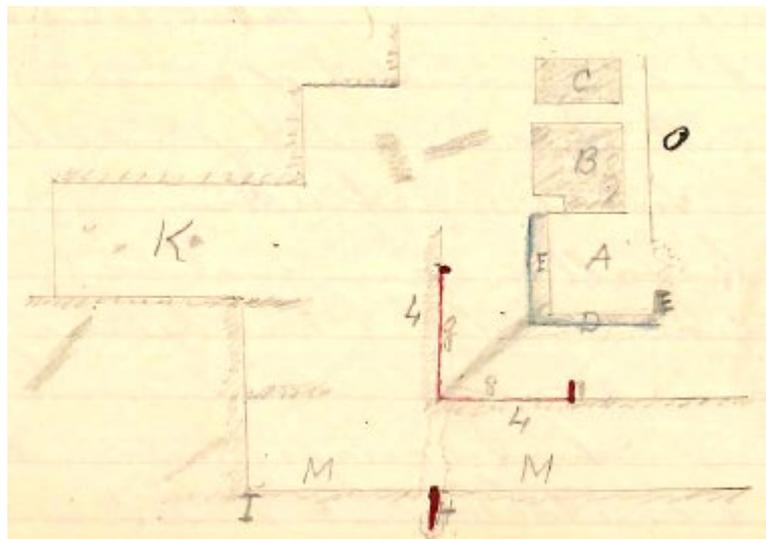
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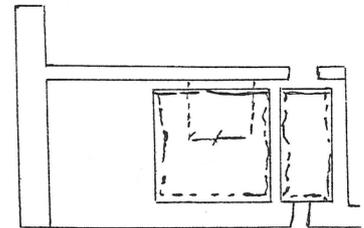
Corrections for Northern Corner on scale of map.

A is a solid mass of mud brick. D is a deep sort of foss 1.75 metres broad at top, & only 35 cm. at depth of 8.5 metres. It descends still further. E only descends half this distance & then becomes solid mud brick. The trench L was cut through mud brick, in which is the brick wall G explored in part last year. H. is a fragment or mass of brick wall which breaks through the great wall M & extends beyond it into the plain. B & C are rooms 3½ metres (the floor) below top of A. O is the corridor line. I is the supposed corner. All intervening space between the walls is a solid mass of mud brick.

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Great brick tower has been sounded at 7 points. The top is 4 metres below surface level, & about even with bottom of corridor walls. The greatest depth of the wall is 6 metres, which seems to be original height. It slopes slightly inward, is about 60 cm. thick, & is packed within with earth. It has been much broken away for use in later constructions. At all places explored it is in midst of a mass of libben, great outer wall, & north terrace, part of which is earlier & part later than the tower. Construction is rough. At 7 it is joined by a brick wall on same level above, but descending, at least in the room, where only it has been explored 1.25 metres only. This latter is a conglomerate construction, but at its junction (where I suspect that it descends deeper & is older work) is dovetailed into the tower. In the part beneath the room there is a poor platform of brick beneath. The transverse brick wall at this place is made of fragments of the old tower. Its top is 2 metres above the top of the tower, & its bottom 2.80 beneath. It rests on mud brick, part of the great wall & terrace. Whether the second, interior fragment of brick wall is the same as the outer I cannot determine. Its top is 3 metres below surface level, & its bottom 5.20 below. In corridors at the places marked with red the corridor & room walls, or what remain, are of brick. The two rooms at 8 are of brick, & of a construction I judge older than the corridors, although the corridor walls descend as deep as the brick walls. The room to the west was entirely excavated. Its top is 3 metres below surface level, & the depth of its wall 3.15. Below it is earth. Neither room has a door, but there is a door from the corridor above the western room. The plan is as usual incorrect. Accompanying rude sketch, unmeasured, will help to correct it. There is a large room opening out of corridor, in which are both rooms, & more space beside. Opposite door from corridor is another door. Several late surface walls are found in this section. One constituted a room built within last named as shown by dotted lines.



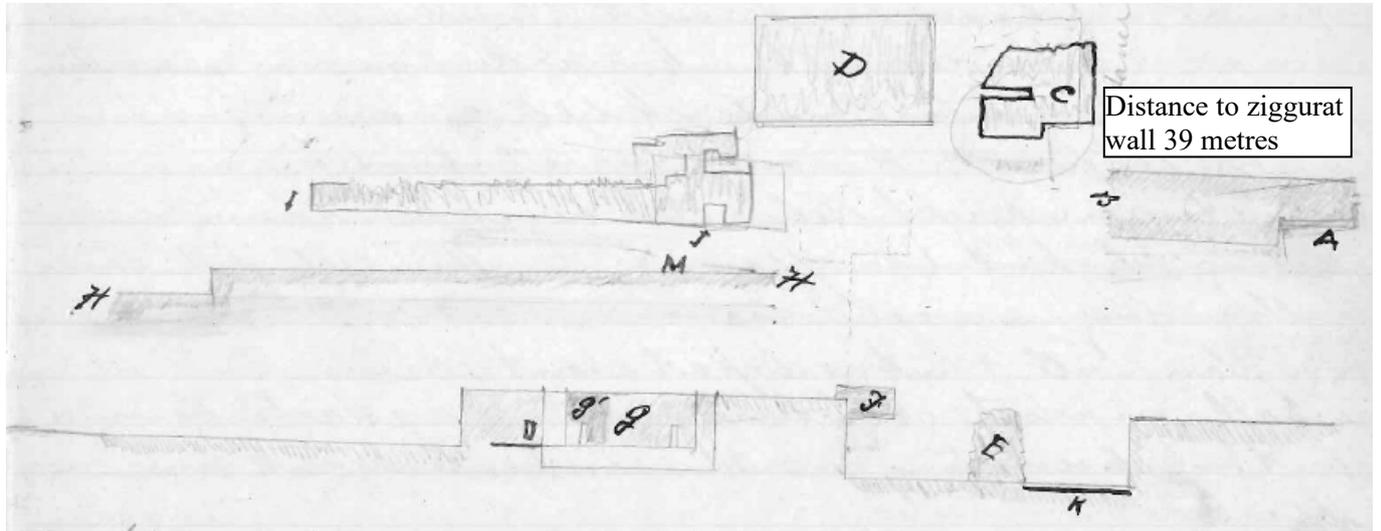
The relative position of outer wall line & corridor on eastern side of north corner very incorrect in map. Small map on page 24 will enable correction. The clearing east of fort in plan is the two rooms B & C of small map. The clearing east of this is in mud brick, a deep cut, at which brick tower was found.

P.S. Top of tower at 7 two metres below surface, this is 10 metre level. Underneath tower is mud brick. Breadth of wall is 90 cm. 10 is a wall of mud brick at a different angle from, & different construction from the opposite corridor wall. It rests immediately on top of the brick tower wall, at which it turns, & is slightly higher in level than the opposite corridor wall, the foundations of which extend about 50 cm. lower, the wall being on the same level. Beneath the corridor is mud brick. At the point where the red ink blot is on east of north there seems to have been an entrance from without. There is here a sort of platform, & steps in the broad part of the corridor. The outer wall at this point is misplaced. Its distance from the so-called corridor wall at the deep excavation where the brick wall of the tower is laid bare should be 21 metres. The correction can be obtained from a

continuation of plan on page 24. The points where the top of the tower wall was touched in reality are shown by the red crosses. The plan is of course incorrect. The correct position of deep hole where brick wall was found is shown by ink lines inserted.

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Accompanying map.



Elevation of trench at G'



Distances incorrect on plan, cf. for corrections of distances & relative positions of accompanying, as far as it goes. At A seems to have been an entrance into corridor. Walls of corridor of unburned brick nowhere higher than 2 metres, or 2½ metres, gradually falling off until they die at B, at top of gulley. Place inside of AB correct on large map. A sort of room. Inside of this in gulley everything mud brick. Same true of gulley below B, & in general of unexcavated places on this side. C at bottom of gulley, level of 2-4 metres, excavated to 4 metres, & wall bottoms reached. D = Kurigalzu room, floor 5.5 metres below 14 metre level. E point where outer wall seems to have been broken. At this point was found the bitumen pavement. This may have been an entrance, the wall stops for 6 metres in its upper part, above level of gulley which exists at F. There is a pavement of brick extending plainward a little beyond wall. On this great formless mass of bitumen. F a mere cut into mud brick. G a room without wall. At point G' this was sounded to depth of 8 metres. In left hand lower corner is side view, elevation of walls at this point G'. At bottom the two walls joined in a floor or foundation of mud brick. The buttresses which project into room from outer wall, only descend 3 metres. At 8 metre excavation were at 4 metre level. The ink marked lines in excavated space east of room are mud brick, depth & meaning not known. The line H – H is a line of wall varying from 1 – 2 metres in height. Below this trench all is mud brick in large blocks. I – I is apparently the other side of the same wall, ending in a cul-de-sac. 11 on plan, wall 4 metres deep at about 4 metre level. A small roundish structure of mud brick attached to corner, but only descending 2 metres. Indicated by ink lines on plan.

12 Correctly given. Straight lines indicate mud brick walls. On one side the edge of terrace (?), on the other a long & zigzag line, which was followed out into the valley for some distance, the trench at its deepest being 4 metres, out in the valley itself. Places on the northeastern wall line not given in map on p. 28 are non-existent. There is a place on northeastern wall line which appears on plan as unexplored. This was really tested by a series of cuts 3 or 4 metres apart.

Turning the eastern corner southward we come to a point where all walls die in a mass of mud-brick to which no face can be found. Was there an entrance at this point?

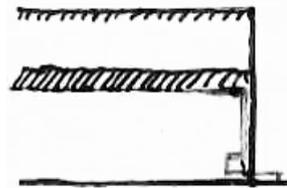
P.S. K is a wall face separated from great wall by a space of 50 cm. Beginning at point M the wall H. H descends with mud brick beneath into gulley northward, showing that that gulley was originally of lower level, & not merely made so by water course.

This wall is built of great blocks of mud brick, & slopes outward at the rate of almost one metre in four. At top it is 9 metres broad. The outer depth has been tested at three points indicated by red crosses. This wall has a depth of 14 metres below top of plateau, or 14 metre level. Below this there is a brick wall, with a much smaller outward slope, descending 5.30 metres deeper. This seems to be a different construction. It is only about 90 cm. thick, &

32 behind it there is earth. This brick wall does not turn the corner at either east or south end, & the transverse walls descend only about 50 cm. below top of brick wall, brick wall continuing behind them. Structure bears a resemblance to north corner. At the central point of sounding there is a transverse brick wall, projecting only 1½ metres & broken off, as indicated by red line on plan. On top of wall there are fourteen small shallow rooms, at uneven distances, some unexcavated. While varying slightly they have in general the size & shape of the one marked with red cross on plan. The wall inside has two small projections opposite the two larger round towers, each 6 metres in breadth, & about 30 cm. in depth.

33 Within the wall seems from its construction to have been intended to be above ground only to the depth of 5.5 metres. At the eastern end it meets a transverse wall which descends only 5 metres. Great wall was traced beneath this by a tunnel for about 2½ to 3 metres, where it was lost in a mass of mud brick. The transverse wall meets, as in plan, another wall at right

34 angles, which ultimately connects with tower & second wall series. This wall is of a different construction from the others, being plastered or stuccoed to the depth of 5 metres, below which, as usual in the plastered rooms, is a foundation of 5 or 6 rows of unplastered mud bricks. At the depth of 8 metres, almost touching the great wall at the mouth of & within the tunnel is a wall of bricks laid in bitumen; 2 metres within the tunnel this turns at right angles & passes into or under the great outer wall. At the mouth of the tunnel it turns at right angles part way across the trench, when it again turns & pursues its former direction. Above this latter part, but separated from it by a stratum of bitumen is a mud brick wall about 2 metres high. This same brick wall is found again in great trench III.8, on red elevation line, at same depth of 8 metres. Here also it is very close to great wall. Inscribed bricks of type no V [= *CI no. 103, Ur-Nammu*], show it to have been wall of Urba'u. Depth of trench above described was 9 metres. Plan of trench without relation to level somewhat thus



P.S. The small inner projections or buttresses are directly opposite the outer. The error in the map is partly a misplacement of outer buttresses, partly of round towers. Especially the southern buttress is seriously out of place. I find on further examination that the brick wall beneath the great wall goes under the buttresses also. It may therefore be a part of the original wall. By the south end of the wall outside the transverse wall descends perpendicularly for 9.40 metres, then projects 1.20 metres, & descends as before to top of bricks.

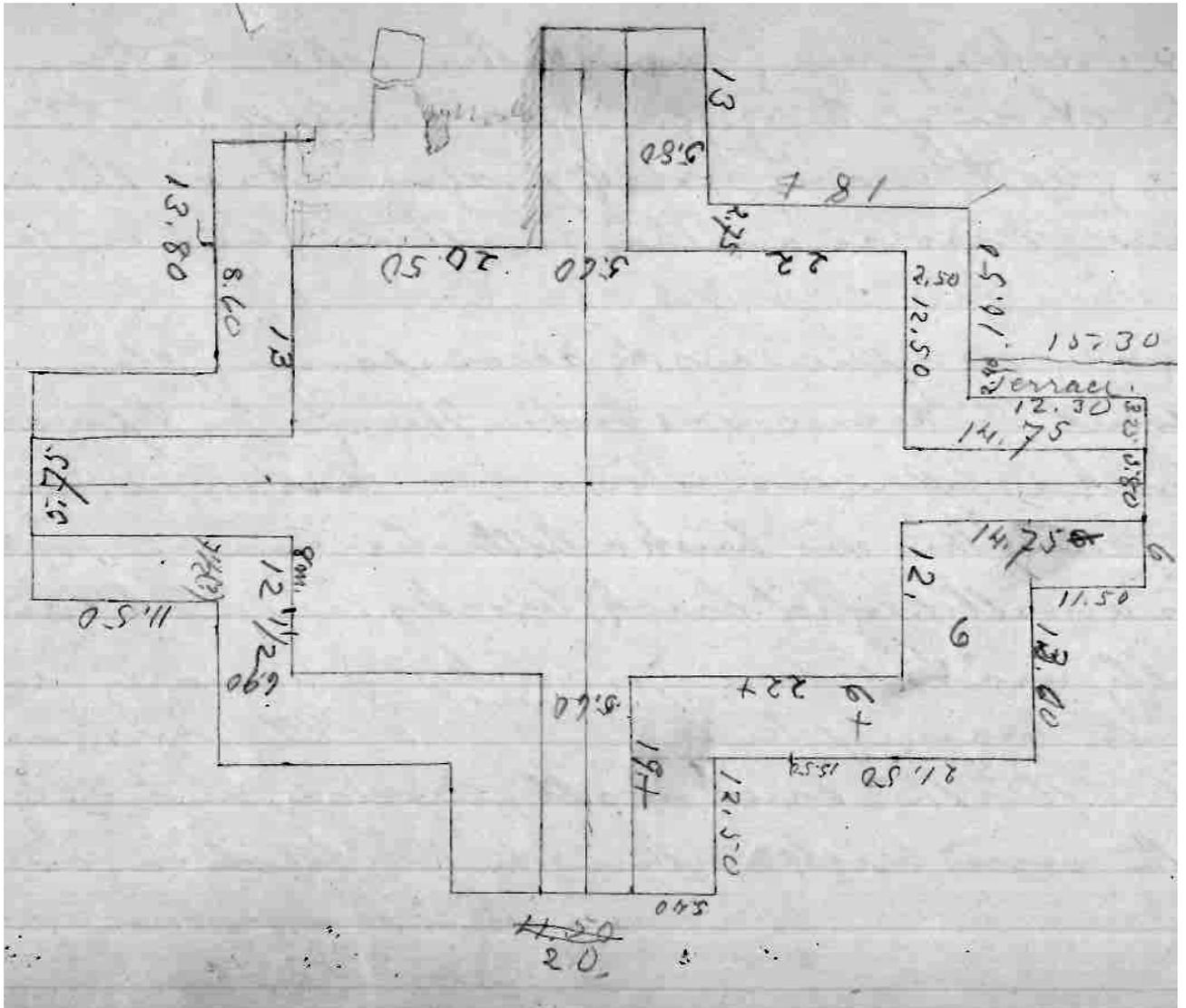
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Notes on Ziggurat & connected constructions.

13. At this point is a room of mud brick without door. The walls of this extend 5 metres below top of brick wall at ziggurat, & about 5.5 below 14 metre level. A wall to the room had also been built against the mud brick wall of the ziggurat. The trench was carried below the

floor level to a depth of 9½ metres below the top of above named brick wall. On the south east side of the room is a low wall of brick not laid in bitumen projecting into the room. The bottom of this wall is 8½ metres below top of above mentioned brick wall. This trench is entered by a tunnel from the north east, passing through a mass of mud brick, in position as given on plan, excepting that this tunnel does not connect directly with low level rooms outside, but there is a considerable space between its mouth & those excavations, this space being also mud brick. Map on page 28 gives correct position of last named rooms. A tunnel under the ziggurat corner at level of 9½ below top of brick wall, carried only 2 metres showed nothing but mud brick, entirely homogeneous.

14. Here the terrace, brick wall & corner of ziggurat were broken through by a trench descending 6.30 below top of brick wall. The brick wall is a mere surface wall, descending only 1½ metres, & acting as face to a solid mass of mud brick behind it. This wall runs around a part of the ziggurat (one line incorrectly given in plan, on south side, & marked over by me with black ink), & contains mostly if not entirely bricks used over again, many of them having stamps of various kings, especially Ur-ba'u [*CT XXI 4a, Ur-Nammu*], Ishme Dagon [*PBS 15, 46*], & an 11 line inscription [*BE I 82, Assurbanipal*]. This line seems to consist again of two halves, an upper newer, & lower somewhat older. With this exception there is a homogeneous mass of mud brick. The Terrace however descends only 6 metres, & below part of it was a pavement of brick, under which was found one tablet. This terrace extended around east corner, as indicated by me on plan.



- 37 The interior walls of the ziggurat & the exterior, as far as determined at that time are given on Mr. Field's map of last year, on Coloman's map I find numerous errors. The interior is entirely of mud brick, & comparatively symmetrical. The great trench cutting in almost to the centre found this mud brick to cease at a distance of 23 metres below the top. Beneath this is earth & black ashes. The outside & top of the ziggurat are made of large blocks of mud brick, the thickness of this construction at mouth of great trench equaling 2 metres. This construction slopes up with ziggurat. The trench on the north side was carried to a depth of 7.60 metres, in a well at the end of the trench. The construction was of small mud bricks, as in the interior on the other side, & as described in journal, but no large mud bricks were
- 39 observed here. At the top the mud bricks were destroyed, & there were a few bricks, giving rise to the idea that on this side the construction of the ziggurat was different. There seemed also to be a great many brick fragments on the northern side, & few or none on the southern, lying on the surface.
- The following are references to accompanying plan.

42 along the wall face of the walls running west from 1, & again at the brick wall at 5. The outer mud brick wall of the ziggurat stops 40 cm. above the brick wall at 4, & there is only earth between.

5. At 5 the depth of the bottom of the tunnel is eleven metres below the bottom of the inner ziggurat walls. There is a very large high tunnel to the face of the brick wall, & then a small tunnel at some depth below this brick wall, passing under it, & extending 6.7 metres further.

6. At this point is a tunnel on a level with the floor of the rooms in group A extending along the face of the mud brick wall for a distance of $7\frac{1}{2}$ metres from the edge of the trench into the ziggurat.

43 7. This is a tunnel run beneath the ziggurat from the corner of a room in group A, as indicated by cross on large plan. Beneath this room was encountered a terrace of mud brick, beneath that a hard conglomerate with much brick mixed in, & beneath that again a mass of mud brick. The tunnel floor was 4 metres below floor level of the room, & was for 1.25 metres in mud brick, & the same height above in conglomerate. It cut for most of its course through a flooring of brick, 1 to 3 layers thick, 1.70 metres above the floor. Just before entering this it passed through a sort of furnace shaped place of brick, above the mud brick, full of ashes. At the distance of 10 metres it met a tunnel (8), descending from the point marked with a red cross in room around the southern corner eastward. Accordingly position of group A in plan is incorrect.

44 8. This tunnel enters the earth below ziggurat wall in corner of room on south east side at point marked with red cross, & meets 7 at distance of 2.5 metres. The floor of these two tunnels is 3 metres below bottom of mud brick wall on southeast side, & the well at the end is 2 metres below this. This well descends for one metre through mud brick, & there enters earth.

3. At this point is a deep hole extending below mud brick wall of ziggurat & also of buttress, total depth 14 metres at 14 metre level. At a depth of 9.20 metres below 16 metre level a tunnel was run into the ziggurat below mud brick wall. At a distance of 3 metres this tunnel met a wall of brick, descending 2 metres below level of mud brick wall. Carrying the hole farther down a wall of mud brick was found, or rather two at an oblique angle, thus



A = wall, B = hole

This wall was never altogether clear to me, nor the point at which it was supposed to stop descending. If a wall, its breadth must have been considerable. The walls of ziggurat & buttress at this point descend to a depth of 7.5 metres below surface or 3.5 metres below the bottom of the brick line. They project in a step like manner, about $\frac{1}{3}$ third of each great mud brick projecting beyond the one above it.

45 9. On this side of the buttress the wall descends, brick on top, & mud brick underneath to a depth of 8.60 metres below 14 metre level. Here it reached a wall of brick laid in bitumen stretching across the broad trench, & extending around the corner of the buttress to its middle point, there turning at right angles to the S.E. Inscribed bricks (no. V of brick inscriptions show this to have been a wall of Urba'u [*Peters, CI 103, Ur-Nammu*]. On the other side of this broad trench a mud brick wall extends to within 2 metres of this wall. Below this, resting on the wall itself, & perhaps forming a part of it is a wall of brick laid in bitumen, rising 1 metre above the floor & extending half down the trench, as shown on map. The wall of the buttress here, both above & below, fails to meet wall of ziggurat. Above both buttress & ziggurat walls broken away, below is a wall of mud brick, joining wall of buttress as represented by ink lines in map. This stops about 2 metres above brick floor. It may be the end of terrace. A few bricks in corner of ziggurat & buttress show that brick wall once went
46 around corner. Wall on east of trench stops a little more than 2 metres above brick floor. Between 9 & 2 brick wall ceases, dying away gradually, at point marked on map.
2. At trench of Husein, on S.E. side a wall of mud brick descends to depth of 3.30 metres.

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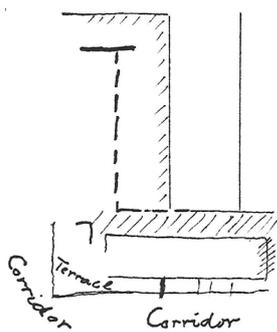
4. At this point the mud brick wall of ziggurat descends to a depth of 5.60 metres below level of bottom of inner ziggurat walls. This outer ziggurat wall from here to the corner 3, where Husein el Khalif's tunnel is, descends in steps, each course projecting beyond the one above it, & presents the finest appearance of any wall on the ziggurat. Moreover the blocks of mud brick are of great size. The depth of this trench below bottom of inner walls of ziggurat was 7.5 metres, at which point the bottom of the brick wall was reached.

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10. Here on the north side of 5 is a wall of mud brick, running out at right angles to ziggurat & at same depth as its mud brick outer walls, & dying as indicated. From this northward to the buttress is a sloping mass of mud brick, not always extending so far out as 10, for which no face could be found. It was excavated & tunneled slightly at 12, where the mud brick was found much further back than at 10, & again at the buttress.

48 11. Is a square hole 7.90 metres deep, in the gully below the wall 10. It passed through earth, with the exception of two insignificant floorings of brick, excepting only that for the last metre, on the S.E. side of the trench there is a poor mud brick wall, as indicated by ink lines in map.

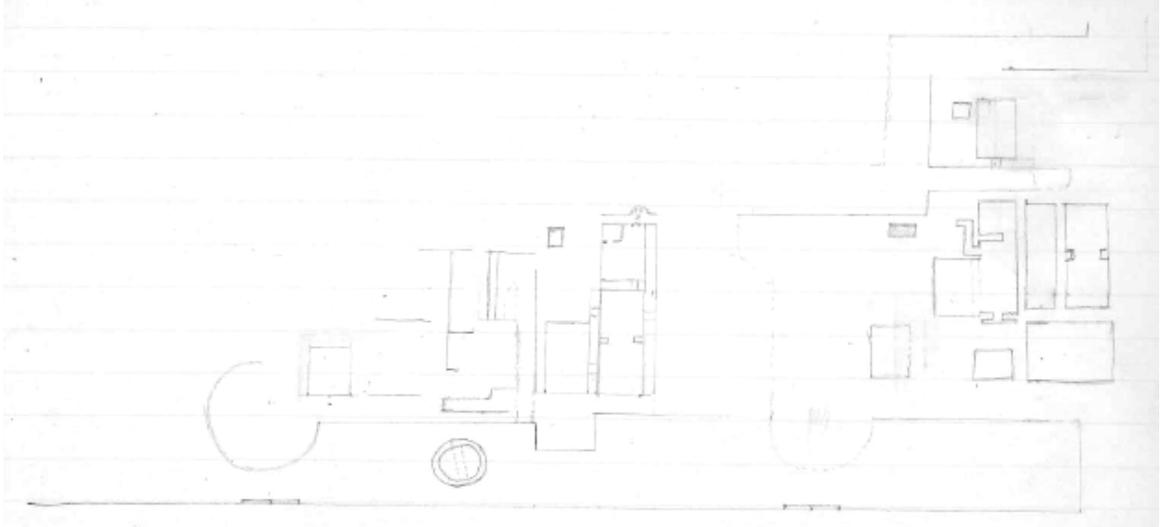
13. Of this only the northern side to front could be found. The buttress is not built in, but on the wall, the ziggurat walls both brick & mud running behind it. The bottom of the buttress is one metre above the brick water way at the bottom of the ziggurat wall. Commencing at its junction with the ziggurat a poor brick wall 75 cm. high runs to the corner, & 3 metres around it, as marked by the dotted purple lines. After the corner has been passed there is only 1.5 metres of mud brick remaining above the brick, & the mud brick gradually dies away westward, so that the exact corner of the buttress westward could not be defined. In front of



this buttress, & extending below & beyond the corridor line was a very difficult mass of rubble with quantities of brick fragments. In front & at the corner of this buttress, as indicated in plan on last page (unmeasured plan), are walls of mud brick, extending at least as low as the buttress wall, & rising above it. The top of the wall in front is just a little below the level of the bottom of the narrow corridor passing in front of this buttress, & between this thick wall & the corridor is a gap. But in the corner which this narrow corridor makes with the great corridor was a platform of libben. The whole construction was confusing in the extreme. The point at which the platform of libben begins is indicated on the map by an ink line against the corridor. It has the same height as the wall between corridor & buttress, connects with it, & may be part of it.

- 50 The southeast face of the wall of S.E. buttress has on top the same courses of brick as are found beginning with this buttress around to but not including N.W. buttress. Below this are two courses of mud brick, plastered. 3.30 cm.[sic] below surface, & 30 cm. below the baked bricks is a flooring of brick, with a narrow water way in the centre, extending the whole breadth of the trench, 4.10 cm.[sic] at this point, to the walls of the plateau rooms. At the east end, against the last named wall are narrow brick steps leading up almost to the surface. The brick floor has been denoted by purple markings, the deeper wall of Urba'u by red markings. The steps at the east end are shown by black lines. The two lines marked by black ink crosses are brick attachments to the room walls, with a hole through said walls, intended for water, & are constructed thus (side view , front view ). These are each a little more than a metre in height. 14 is a semicircular hole in which is a narrow flight of winding brick steps descending to the floor of the room next west of that in which the great well was sunk. On top of this was an almost square block of mud bricks, about 2 metres high, & opposite is a surface wall of mud brick connecting with the corner of the ziggurat buttress. Where the above mentioned water way ends could not be determined, it being washed away at the head of the gully westward. At the eastern end it seems to have begun at the cross walls of mud brick, & near this point it was joined by another water course on a somewhat higher level. In the face of the brick wall of the ziggurat are holes through which apparently the drainage of the ziggurat was poured out, & allowed to fall 1, 2 or 3 metres on the brick floor below. (In the interior of the ziggurat are small holes for drainage, but where the water drained to I cannot say. In the deep trench at the west corner we found a drainage well of pottery rings, & it may be that such were set underneath the openings of these holes in the mud work itself.)
- 51
- 52 Beneath this upper flooring of brick the ziggurat wall begins to slope outward, & at the depth of 9 metres from the surface it is one metre & 10 cm. farther out than at the brick floor, a slope of about 1 in 6. The transverse red line marks a brick wall, 1 metre high perpendicular to the wall of the buttress, & resting on the wall of Urba'u. This wall is eight metres from the east corner below, or 7 metres from it above. 13.75 (12.75) from the same corner the Urba'u wall turns at right angles, after first dropping a metre in depth.

5. At this point connecting with inner ziggurat wall is a small surface wall, doubtless given on Mr. Field's plans. There is also a brick column of this shape , at the edge of 5, & at the point to which the ziggurat wall originally extended. It is 1.5 metres (ap.) below floor of ziggurat platform, & 2 metres in depth from top to bottom.



59 Notes & sketch for rectification of Kurigalzu room & neighboring excavations. This map is unmeasured & on no particular scale, but relative positions are correct. Ruled lines are walls, unruled earth banks.

A is Kurigalzu room. This & D–F seem to have same depth as plateau rooms, & are made in same way, with fine plastered walls.

B. was a kitchen, place of fire arrangements in floor being indicated by ink lines. Depth of floor below surface 4 m.

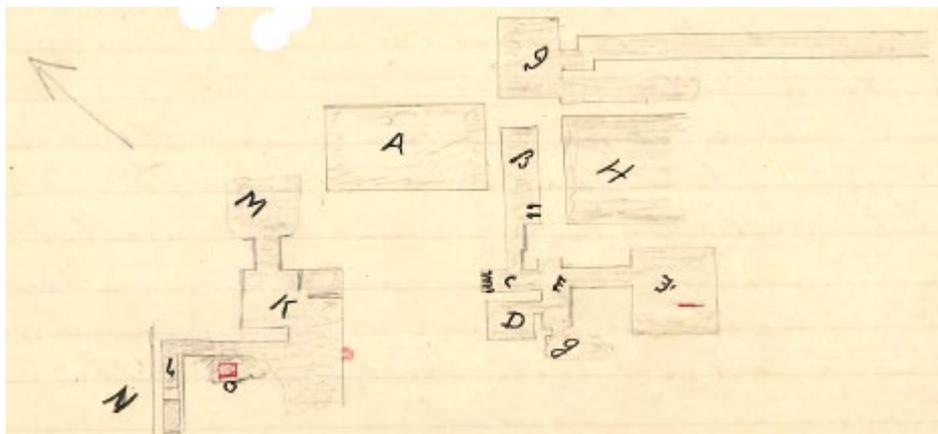
C. In this room were found the water jars as described in journal.

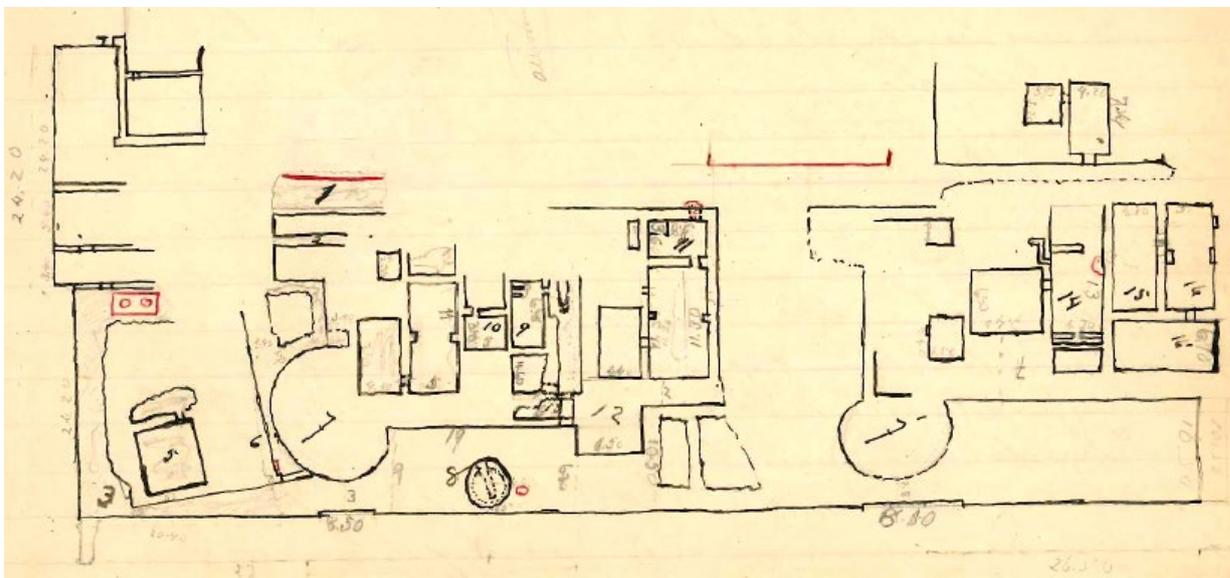
G is lost in the gully

F is on the down slope of the hill, & the walls are pretty well ruined. There is a small brick wall in the room as indicated by the red line.

60 H – M do not descend above 2 metres, everything below being mud brick. The walls of H vanish on the down slope of the hill.

K. In this room is a sort of closet as indicated by the lines, with very thin walls. In L a metre below south east wall another wall projects as indicated, & the trench is crossed by a broad wall at the same level, & stopped by a higher wall. O is a shallow small brick structure. M is a mass of mud brick with a covering of earth. N is room 13 of Coloman's map.





Commencing on southwest wall there is a series of rooms extending as far as the bend in the wall. These have been only partially excavated, but judging from those completed have a great depth as given in plan & measurements of S.W. wall heretofore given. The rooms were excavated well into the gully.

1. The trench marked 1 lies in the cross gully running toward the ziggurat. It was excavated to depth of 4.5 metres below the gully. On the S.E. side was a wall of mud brick, partly removed to give space to descend. This wall of large blocks descended 3.4 metres. Below this level the trench was a mass of mud brick in small bricks. Partly in this, & partly above it, on the N.W. side of the trench was a tumble down brick wall of poor construction, 1.70 metre high, its bottom .75 above the floor of the trench. (continued on p. 67) [63-66, see after p. 73]

67 2 is a sort of corridor.

3. At the corner of the S.E. & S.W. walls the excavations were conducted to the depth of 11.5 metres, & the walls were found to descend to the depth of 11 metres, although from the depth of 8.5 metres onward they were imbedded in a platform of mud brick, & the same was true of the corner of the oblique structure, which seemed to descend to almost if not quite the depth of the great wall. At the depth of 11.5 metres a tunnel 4 metres long was carried under & through the bottom strata of the great wall, which for that distance extended no lower. On the S.W. wall at the distance of 6.5 metres from the top the mud blocks projected about the breadth of one block, & on the S.E. wall the same projection occurred at a depth of 7.5 metres. By the inside structure was encountered a piece of another wall, not descending so deep.

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At the corner under the S.W. wall, & in its lowest strata were great charred pieces of wood.

7. Both these round towers seem to be solid mud brick. They, & the whole inner wall are finely stuccoed, like the walls of all the plateau rooms except the very small ones (2×2.75). At a certain depth these irregularly round towers project in three steps, & beneath this they are unplastered. From the surface at top of southern tower to first step, the distance was 3 metres; the steps project each the breadth of a mud block (about 20 cm., & have the same depth. From the top of the lowest step to the bottom of the tower is 6 metres. The long wall has the same construction, except that it descends perhaps 1.5 metres less. The southern tower particularly is of irregular shape. There is attached to its west side a wall which descends to within 1.5 metres of its depth. The round wall was followed beyond this by a tunnel 2.5 metres to a cross wall of its own depth. In the trench at the last curve was a mud brick corner, descending within 1.5 metres of depth of tower. The tower is joined to the oblique wall by a wall at the height of its lowest step.

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6. The oblique wall itself rises higher, & opposite the middle point of the tower it is 6 metres deep, 4 above the tower steps, & 2 below. This wall is lost in the gulley. Near its cross wall to the S.E. is a peculiar attachment of brick, as though meant for a doorway.

8. The small round tower, 8, has a diam. of 4.8 metres, walls 1 metre thick, & is hollow. It descends to a depth of 7.60 metres. It was bored by a tunnel as indicated. Between this & the long inner wall was sunk a trench 9.5 metres deep, at which depth the bottom of the inner wall was reached. Five metres of the 9.5 was above the step projection, & 4.5 below. By the side of the round tower 8 was a small round brick structure as indicated.

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The rooms on the west side of the plateau will for the most part explain themselves. They all have the same construction, of plastered walls of large blocks, with a projection, & 3 to 6 courses of unplastered blocks beneath, & the same floor level, or 5.45 metres below 14 metre level to foundation of their walls. All rest on rubble. The doors are for the most part walled up, & above floor level from 1 to 1.5 metres.

9 was a kitchen, as indicated by the lines.

10 had the floor divided into curious partitions by heavy cross walls thus . It is worthy of note that near the surface of the plateau everywhere, even on top of the round towers, were abundant light ashes. The room walls run into gulley & are lost.

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11. In one corner of this room is a small closet with thin walls, about 2.5 metres high. From this room a flight of brick steps ascend to brick platform before ziggurat, as already described.

12. This apparent buttress I imagine to be of later date, & that wall turns behind it. In very centre of plateau, east of this & between inner & outer walls were some ruined surface walls of late constructions, which could not be or were not traced.

13. Here is a step like piece of mud brick, ultimately cut through by trenches & tunnels, so that it is only at the surface that the wall narrows from 2 metres to 40 cm.

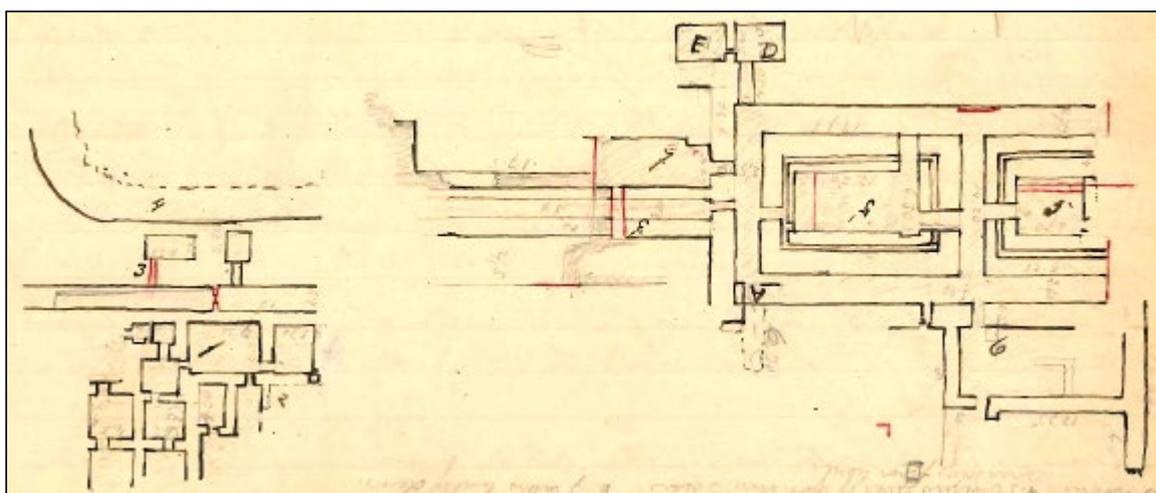
On the east side of the plateau the only curious feature is the narrow passage leading out of 14, & the narrow addition, less than a metre broad at its S.E. end.

73 15. At the S.E. end of this room excavations were conducted to the depth of 11.5 metres from the surface, & in this room was found a door socket [*CBS 8751 = BE I 2*], as described in journal. At the depth of 3.30 metres the bottom of the room walls was reached. At the depth of 6.4 there was a brick platform, at 7.5 another, & at 10.5 another with great quantities of bitumen. $\frac{1}{2}$ a metre above the latter was the bottom of a stratum of brick mud, 1 metre thick, pounded into place, but not made into bricks.

14. In this room against N.E. wall was a rude half round hollow brick structure, about $\frac{1}{2}$ metre below surface, & extending 2 metres deeper.

63-64 Notes & plan to correct map of northwestern corridors & western group of rooms.

The rooms in the western group are built of large blocks of mud very heavily plastered, & in some cases double plastered. The plaster in some rooms still retained a green color, showing that they had been tinted.



1. In this room were found the numerous gold ornaments. These rooms and also those at the south corner of the ziggurat rest on a platform of mud blocks, & are carefully built into the edge of the ziggurat, having at one point an attachment of mud blocks to remedy the projections of the ziggurat wall. Next to them to the northwest runs a long corridor, as represented, dying in the gulleys at either end. At its greatest depth, by the brick door, it is 4.75 metres below the surface. To the west of the brick door there is inside a second wall, as represented on the plan. The brick doorway extends entirely across the corridor, but rests on earth 1.5 metres above the bottom of the corridor walls.
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3. Is a water course of brick laid in bitumen close to the surface, & extending only from the corridor to the room. A similar one is to be found crossing another corridor at 3'. On p. 60 a similar one is indicated in room L & others exist in different parts of the hill, near the surface, & having no visible connection with anything else.
4. The wall at this place is much injured. Beyond it the nose of the hill seems to be nothing but a mass of mud brick.
5. Going to the north end of the plan, & commencing with the transverse brick wall, is a room partly explored last year. Within the N.W. wall of this room, 1.25 m., just below the foundation of the walls is a brick wall of conglomerate construction, joining the great brick tower further northward. It has a depth of about 1.5 metres, & by the side of it within was a small platform of bricks. With this exception the room below the floor was a very hard conglomerate, with quantities of brick fragments mixed in. The walls of this room & 5' were heavily plastered. Below the plastered walls were 6 courses of unplastered brick. The walls have, at least the inner ones, no lower foundation. The walls are 4 meters thick, but double, with a small passage between about 50 cm. broad. The western door of this room was filled with bricks set on edge, & above these mud to a distance of 2 metres above the floor.
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- 5'. About a metre below the floor of this room runs a brick water course as indicated by red line. (Continued on p. 76)

76 6. This room or rather its walls appear to belong to the corridor series. It is the room in which are found the two brick rooms. It was excavated at the door to the depth of 6.15 metres, to which depth the corridor walls were found to descend. Other later structures were added to these walls within & without, as indicated by the pencil lines. Outside of the wall to the N.E. is a brick platform, not more than a metre below the surface. To the east the wall loses itself in a gulley & a mass of mud brick. Here, outside of the rooms it is a fine deep wall with a very broad step or projection below.

Underlying the corridors is a platform of mud brick, but this seems to be made of small bricks, & suggests therefore the older work(?). Opposite the first cross corridor, against the
77 N.W. wall is a curious attachment of brick of no great depth or extent.

A. At the corner of the corridors marked A a trench was sunk to the depth of 7 metres from the surface, 6 of which the wall of the corridor descended, the corridor terrace of mud brick descending to the same level. 5.5 metres from the surface was encountered a wall of plastered mud brick, the surfaces of which as far as found are indicated by lines. At this end the corridor has three doors, each 1.5 metres above the floor of the corridor. One of them leads to a room

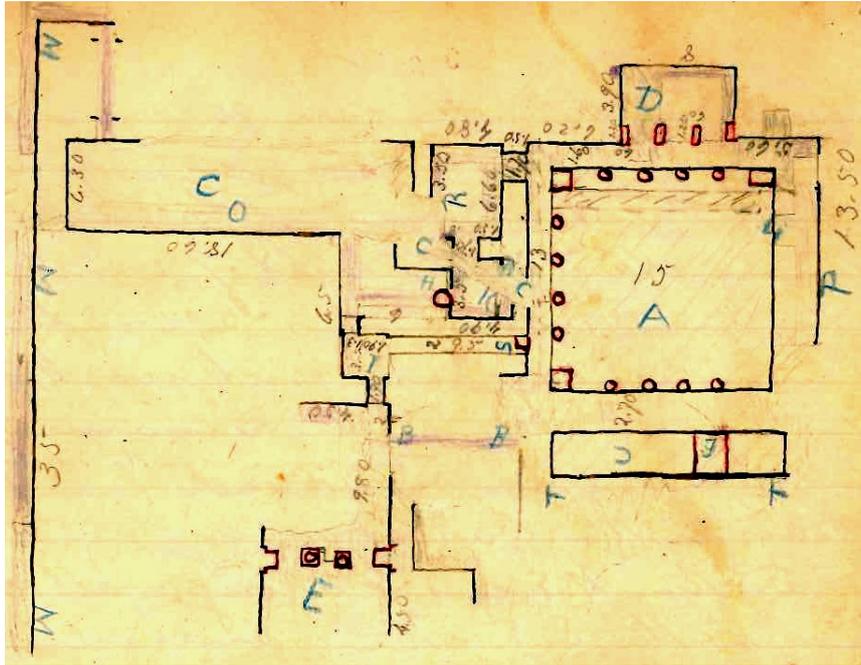
D which was excavated to a depth 4.5 metres below the level of the door. The next room

E was entirely excavated, & bottom found at a depth of 7 metres below the door level. Between these rooms is no door, but an intentional crack in the mud bricks, 60 cm. wide
78 above, 20 below. These two rooms, & the corresponding room across the gulley were crammed full of brick fragments.

7. Another door leads into 7, where there is a wall on the N.W., apparently of the same series as the corridors, although its floor is 1 metre lower. This wall dies in the gulley, & is broken just across the gulley by a brick wall about on the same level. Beyond this brick wall, but further in runs a wall of mud brick, through the next nose, & down the next gulley until it loses itself in a mass of mud brick, which perhaps belongs to the same series as 7, & is about on the same level. It was behind this wall that the great quantities of animals' bones were found.

The remaining door of the corridors opens into a corridor much narrower than the great
79 corridors, with thinner walls, 1.5 metres higher floor level, & perhaps of inferior construction. Its walls are 2 metres thick, those of the corridors 2.35. Its walls do not descend, those of the corridors do. It is crossed at 3' by a bituminous water course as described. Just beyond this it was cut through by a deep trench, running as far as the ziggurat buttress. This last corridor loses itself gradually in the gulley westward.

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A Under columns in this row 3 rows of bricks, then a metre of mud brick.

Open excavations in black, tunnels in purple pencil.

Walls actually laid bare in black ink.

A This colonnade, 15 metres square was excavated last year. It rests, as was shown by a cut then made on a terrace or platform of mud brick 2 to 3 metres deep.

The tunnel B B & part of the great trench C C belong also to last year's excavations. At its deepest point by the long wall C C was 13 metres, & we had found walls of a lower series.

D. In this room the rectangular & also the oval columns have each axes of 1.20×.60. They rest upon a platform of three rows of bricks, beneath which is a metre of mud brick. Between the colonnade & this room is nothing but earth.

[82] E. Here the brick columns seem to be in a room, the square corners projecting out of the mud brick walls in the manner indicated. These columns project 80 cm. from the part imbedded in the walls, & are .90 across. The round columns have each a square base 1.10 m. square, consisting of 4 courses of brick & resting on mud brick foundation. The columns & corners stand to the height of 2 metres. The circumference of the round columns is 3.95 metres. Between the two are the remains of mud brick work, almost up to the top of the base. It may be the remains of mud brick foundation or platform. This room is on the edge of a steep hill, & the walls run into the gully.

F. This is the base of a very large column standing toward the N.E. end of a long wall or platform of mud brick to the S.E. of the colonnade, & having the same level. This wall or platform was much worn away by water.

H is a well or water cooler, more probably the latter in the wall between two rooms.

[83] I. This is the granary described in journal. The bottom of this room is 7.5 metres below the surface. By an error in drawing the corridor entering this has received a breadth of only 1 metre, whereas it is over 2 metres broad. At the other end of this corridor, where it opens on the colonnade is a small brick platform $\frac{1}{2}$ a metre above the floor, & by this inside was a stone door socket. There was another socket at the doorway from the corridor into the granary.

K' By a mistake in drawing the lines K K' have not been made to correspond as they should in fact.

I have no certainty of the existence of columns on the N.E. side of the colonnade, but they may [*have*] been destroyed by water. The outer wall dies in the gully as indicated

[84] L At this point is a platform of brick on the edge of the colonnade, but destroyed by water. Between this & the outer wall were found the two seal impressions, one Babylonian & one perhaps Persian, possibly earlier, but certainly not later. [*Cf. Journal, March 20; Catalogue no. 419, March 17*]

M Is great wall. This was followed about 50 metres. The corner was found on the N.W., on the S.E. the wall was followed across the head of the gully, but the corner not reached. Where it crosses the great trench the top is 5 metres below the surface, & the bottom 6.5 metres below this. The top was perhaps 3 metres above the level of colonnade floor. This & all the walls of this building are of large blocks, & burned red by the fire which destroyed it. The other walls descend very little below the floor level, & remain standing at places as high as 4 metres. The whole building, including the colonnade was covered at floor level by charred wood, copper nails &c.

[85] At a point about O in the great trench we passed last year through a mass of burned grain.

The great trench beyond the wall westward has a depth of 13 metres, & a breadth at top of 6 metres. There were 7 tunnels in this trench, besides the two following the great wall.

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