

Jan 19th (Cont) at present visible. The cartouche [Drawing: is quite clear, the other shows [Drawing] and [Drawing] clearly and Hieroglyphs] the remaining characters have not been made out owing to difficult position of the stone for reading. It is clearly a stela of Thothmes III with large body of text in good condition.

[Drawing]

Jan 20 th Tuesday

79 locals

37th Day of Work: -- (1) Work continued at pit in B 501 EX 1 to "NE, E, + SE" of old excavation. The work is now down 2.70 m. from surface in black earth debris with many coarse pot-sherds, bones + bits charcoal etc. 14 mud jar sealings from here today.

(2) In trenching "N" of new dump site came on the end of a red sandstone drainage gutter at ca 250 m. below present surface. It lies roughly 50 to 75 m. "WSW" of building B 1236 and appears to be a conduit for drainage water either from that building or a nearer one yet unexcavated. The dump was diverted slightly to the "West" to avoid this.

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(3) Work continued clearing in "NE" quarter B 501 as per sketch below: --

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Note that spacing of the month now of columns is not even 3 to 4 being greater than 1 to 2 + 2 to 3. What appears to be the "SW" corner of a doorway in "N" wall, blocked with burnt brick, is indicated and this, together with the spacing of columns would tend to prove that there was a door at this point, at least in the temple as last reconstructed trenched ie Ethiopian. This portion of the forecourt is a maze of burnt brick walls. Cols three + four of the 2nd + 3rd rows have either disappeared or never existed.