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that the Amdek should name three shikhs who would be responsible for the men and each provide 50 men. I refused to have any such arrangement in our conversation yesterday and Said also refused. After I left, Said had them to tea and they spent a long time talking. It seems that the above system was practiced by Dr. Burge when he excavated here. He paid the shikhs 5 pt a day for each man and the shikhs paid the men $2\frac{1}{2}$ pt. Thus one half the amount spent in wages went to the shikhs. Said refused as I had done. According to my instructions he showed the Amdek a list of our men but the Amdek was unable to name a single one needed for the cultivation. [Of course no one who is cultivating land is going to leave his crop.] Said suggested that as he was Amdek, he had the right to stop the people coming who were collecting