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Jan 1st 1920: --

Weekly day of rest for men.

Thursday

Mahmoud el Hau left for Kuft.

I visited the expedition excavations at El Kurruw with Said. Lunched at Sheikh Ali's house in Kurruw. Observed slight

tendency to scale and drop off of paintings in tombs of Tanutamon

and Qalhata.

Jan 2nd: Friday

[Drawing]

84 ½ locals.

21st Day of work: -- (1) Work "N" of B 502 all in area B 900 EX 2 working "W".

In region just "E" of false well A are what appears to be two bases of columns, white sandstone. At C part of the rim of a stone trough similar to the one between 900 and the "W" end of the "Street". At present stage of work it is impossible to see what remains of buildings, if any, there are in this area, and a careful cleaning of the surfaces will be

necessary for this purpose.

(2) At Pyr V. The "SE" and "NW" corners were completed, yielding each a gold ring as at VI. Work underway removing sand over "SE" corner of Pyr IV. At Pyr III all four corners have been cleared and yielded the usual gold ring as at VI. I presume the whole upper group, except VII and VIII had deposits of this nature. Pyr XI and those surrounding it have been given up of the moment, but we shall return to these after finishing all the corners of the upper group.

I spent all day on object register.

22nd Day of work: --(1)

85 locals.

Resumed work in B 502 EX 4, working "W" along "N" wall of B 500 and beyond end of Meroitic Wall. A frag. of a Meroitic inscription in grey granite from debris here. Also in this area a little work was done cleaning floor, outside door into 502.

In Area B 900 EX 2 work on both sides and end of RR line; worked W and behind Meroitic wall in 502 EX 4; clearing surface down to "Gebel" opposite end of RR track. Here the supposed columns (BB in sketch above) are two more troughs like C and the one between 900 and "W" end of "Street". A fourth trough also cleared immediately adjacent to BBC. In debris close to outer wall of B 900, several gran. frags. including one which appears to be lower part of leg or arm of a small figure, with bracelet or anklet. Clearing sand from small mud-brick room in B 900, "W" of 904, which I take to be B 902, as there is one more room in the building to the "W". Here one complete, and several fragmentary fai model pointed bottom jars.

Jan 3rd Saturday