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P. 84

Friday

March 26th : -- 91 Locals.

95th Day of work : -- Work on (1) "N" end Pylon B 500 I., (2) B 501 EX 3
(3) Pylon I B 800. (4) "N" of B 802, (5) Pyrs. B XXVII, XXVIII [XXVI, XXVII]

(1) "N" end Pyl. I B 500 : -- Continued around corner of Pylon, clearing "N" face of sand,
March 26th fallen blocks, and stone debris hard packed.

(2) B 501 EX 3 : -- In B 501 EX. 3 started removing "S" and of old railway
March 26th line + causeway and clearing surface below, to connect up
work done in B 502 EX 4 and B 501 EX 4.

(3) Pylon I B 800 : -- Further examination of core masonry in "N" half of pylon
March 26th (as under (2) March 25th) No trace of mud brick structure
found. Reached "gebel" beneath stone pylon.

(4) "N" of B 802 : -- Continued tracing early mud brick walls as yesterday.
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(5) Pyrs B XXVI + XXVII : -- Yesterday Said located what he took to be
remains of pyramids on the "gebel" about ¼ mile[?] "N" of the Egyptian Camp. ie "NW" from the lower
Pyr. group (XI etc).²⁰ A small gang was sent to investi-
gate this morning. They have partly cleared the stairway
of the "westernmost" (Pyr XXVI), down 8 steps and in sand
of thief's hole. The dimensions of the pyr. are not discernable,
but size of the mound and of the stair cutting indicates
approximately the size of XVIII. The second ("Eastern")
of the group is being examined for stairway which has not
yet been found.

Possibly 3 more

*[Drawing]

Following measurements taken in stairway of Pyr XXVI
on 5th step from top width of step + cutting = 1.54 m.
*[Drawing] at 8th " " " " of cutting at surface = 1.00 m.

²⁰ See Berenguer (1997) "Report of the First Season at Gebel Barkal Necropolis", *Kush* 17:108-36 for a report on excavation of two "new" pyramids, which are numbered 26 and 27.