

Thursday
Jan. 20

Left Halfa on train at 1 p.m. Sleeper for party of five, 3rd class coach for 60 men (Said 2nd class). Car for 3 horses, and a luggage van. Customs examination by an Egyptian effendi was extremely annoying and unintelligent.

Mr. Weekes was very obliging and arranged our cars so as to give us access to the dining car and permit our being dropped at Abu Hamed with little disturbance.

Saw (at Halfa) Bates' cook Sâdek. He acknowledged that he had concealed his debt of five pounds to Bates. His wages due amounted to LE 2.950. This I retained but let him keep the odd 2.050 in lieu of baksheesh. He was paid L1.050 for expenses to Cairo.

Took on Gema' the house boy to Barkal. As a Bates [?]