

Jan 11th Sunday 86 locals

29th Day of work: -- (1) Work continued as yesterday at pit in E end B 502 EX 1. From this area today a tiny gold pendant [Drawing] flat, also several mud forms, as if from inside pointed bottom jars. One bears a seal impression, too faint to make anything of, so I presume these objects may be jar sealings.

[Drawing] (2) Work continued in "W" end of B 502 EX 4, clearing against face of pylon and "Northward". The pylon had a plain "NE" corner (plastered, and the lower courses, at least, were stepped.

(3) Continued clearing down from surface at extreme "W" end of B 900 EX 2, just "S". of RR line. Here, running "EW", came on line of mud brick wall, its top about 20 cm. below surface. The bottom not yet reached.

For identification of the ground "W" of B 502 EX 4 and B 900 EX 2, as the building 900 does not run further in this direction, I propose to base the nomenclature on B 501, making 4 areas. Thus: --

[Drawing]

Thus the tomb B 501 EX 10 falls at "NW" extremity of area B 501 EX 6.

(4) Work continued at lower Pyramids. No. XIX has three preserved deposits; the "SW" corner being broken. The objects from the "NE" corner were accidentally disturbed in clearing, but recovered from debris, and are exactly like the "NW" deposit noted yesterday. Pyr XV was examined, and, in debris removed from the "SE" corner frags. of blue grey stone of peculiar weight (as at XVII and XVIII) were recovered. Examination of the other corners should show whether the deposits consisted solely of these stones, as at XVII.

I drew courses of Pyr IV and worked on map of B 502.

Note from Gen. Jackson communicating request of Gov't Sanitary Department to have those pyramids at Nuri, which contains standing water, so closed as to prevent entrance + exit of mosquitos. Wrote to ask him if this matter could not wait till Dr Reisner's arrival.