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Barkal VII

Saturday
Jan. 4.

Locals -- 128

Work on (1) Trenches for 502
(2) B 1200

(1) Trenches
502

"S" of the pylon between 502 and 503, put in a gang about 10:30 cutting trenches through the uneven dump of potsherds. In order to ascertain character of substratum, preparatory to making a dump heap here.

[Drawing]

Having trenched a considerable area, it is clear that no walls exist outside the crude brick enclosing wall.

(2) B 1200

Working on 1201 and 1205. The "N" wall is still unclear ("E" end obscured by Moslem burials). Apparently there is an older heavy wall parallel to the older walls inside.

In 1205, "S" end there is a flight of stone steps leading up to "N".

[Drawing]

The R. R. (from Nuri) is now across the S. G. R. line on its way to Barkal.⁸

⁸ This note refers to the transportation of the railroad (R. R.) tracks that Reisner had used to remove backdirt from the excavation at Nuri. They were heavy and had to be moved over a Standard Gauge Railroad (S. G. R.) line, likely in order to be loaded onto a boat to be taken across the Nile to Barkal. They arrived the next day.