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Continued Trench A. along floor level towards Pylon and also Southwards. Many frags. of corner moulding of pylon. [DRAWING]. This swells towards base and had a considerable batter. The size of some of fragments shows Pylon must be destroyed nearly to base.

N.B.

At the end of the fourth week, the end of the Pyramid excavation is nearing completion, and the preliminary work of excavation at the temple is in hand.

The Pyramids are in three groups being I¹ Pyr. IX-XV, XX, XXI, XXIII, XXIV and XXV. Group I² Pyr. XVI-XIX, XXII. Group II Pyr I-VII. All are certainly Meroitic. For convenience we will divide the Aethiopic period, for present purposes, into three parts: -(a) Taharka Period (Piankhi, Taharka, Espalnt³¹, and immediate successors, 750 to 500 B.C.

³¹ Aspelta