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(Jan. 24) of sand and white pebbles. This conglomerate is brittle and easily decomposes, and its decomposition over much of the area has yielded the covering of white pebbles.

The ground where our debris is thrown has been $\underline{\text{nevertheless}}$ carefully trenched to make certain that it is "gebel".⁷

The Egyptians are divided into four gangs,--one on X, two on XI and one on XVI. Select gang on \underline{aa} . Locals about 35 in number. Wages 1 ½ to 2 pt., to be increased to 2 ½ or 3 according to efficiency. Governor Jackson named 1 ½ to 2 ½ as the local rate.

⁷ Literally "mountain"; in this context, "bedrock".