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banks and once got hard aground but came off by kedging.

Thursday April 27

Running easily through water of reservoir. Hot day. About noon passed the old Nub. Arch. Sur. dahabiah.⁷⁴

Friday April 28

Reached Shellal about 6:30 a.m. Transferred without difficulty to the train. As we were a large party, station master (an old acquaintance) gave us one of the large half-car compartments to ourselves. The S.G.R. had telegraphed to the <u>Wagons Lits</u> for a sleeper for the Sudan passengers from Luxor and a reply was waiting at Shellal informing us that berths were reserved but there was no dining car. Men, baggage and horses all left with us in the same train. Day was excessively hot. We passed a train with six (or eight) for ambulances going to Khartum. The drivers were in the cars with only the ambulance roof between them and the sun; but they looked very cheerful and very fit.

Arrived at Luxor at 5 p.m. and found it cooler there. Transferred to sleeper, got our lunch baskets and left at 6:10 p.m. The horses were left here to come on tomorrow by the slow passenger train, in charge

⁷³ Number repeated

⁷⁴ The boat (dahabiah) of the Nubian Archaeological Survey, which Reisner had run from 1907-11.