

B. BUDGE

Rise & Progress of Assyriology

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P. 58 Early Travellers in Babylonia & Assyria

Benjamin of Tudela - a Jewish Rabbi & native of Navarre, who passed through Assyria & Babylonia about 1173 - went on to Persia & eventually made his way to the boundaries of China. Journeying for 13 yrs, he seems to have travelled solely with a view to obtaining information. Visited the ruins of Nineveh & Babylon & accepted the tradition current in his day - that Borsippa which is a part of the ruins of the old temple of Nabur at Borsippa was the Tower of Babel.

The temple of Bell at Babylon, the zikkurat of which was the true Tower of Babel, was in ruins when Alexander the Great arrived in Babylon -

P. 60. many travellers, both by the Indian - way into Persia & India via Mesopotamia during the 15th, but as most of them were either merchants or agents for commercial houses -

Grand half of 16th - principal travellers -

"Master" Conrad Frederich 1563 - Hak. Soc. Vol. V p. 365

CESARE FEDERIGO

- GASPARO BALBI - a venetian jeweller 1579  
1581.
- JOHN NEWBERRIE
- JOHN ELDRED (1550-1611)
- MARY FITCH.
- W. LEEDES, a jeweller & JOHN STORY, a painter, all of whom  
embarked on a ship called the "Tiger" for the East in 1583.
- DR. RAHWOLF - died 1596. ? did he see Babylon at all.?
- PIETRO DELLA VALLE - visited Babylon 1620.  
N.B. collection of bricks.
- Second quarter of 17th - PÈRE EMANUEL DE SAINT ALBERTI -  
learned R.C. missionary - approached Hakkah from the N.
- F. VINCENZO MARIA - sailed to Baghdad - At. Bracci to Hakkah  
learned Italian. in second half of 17th.
- KARSTEN NIEBUHR. 1760-81767 Travelled all over W. Asia
- M. l'ABBE J. BEAUCHAMPS - Vicar - general de Babylonie -  
travelled in Babylonie - 1781 & 1785  
found the stone lion.
- Honble E. India Co. - ordered their Resident at Basra to  
send home specimens of the inscribed bricks - arrived London 1801.
- ANTOINE OLIVIER - Fr. zoologist - 1756-1814.
- CLAUDIUS RICA - 1811 - first visit to Babylon.

P. 65. White Rich. was Resident at Baghdad -  
SR ROBERT KER PORTER & JAMES SILK BUCKINGHAM.  
visited Babylon - no further excavations at Babylon till 1851 under  
A. A. Layard

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Assyria - Rich's tour through Kurdistan  
returned via Mosul - never doubted that the ruins of Nimrod  
lay under Nabi Yunus & Keykubab.  
Rich's journals - read & studied by Julius MOHL - 1806-76 -  
famous Fr. Orientalist -  
Fr. Genl. appointed vice consul to Mosul -  
PAOLO EMILIO BOTTA. b. Turin 1802 - d. 1870  
Arrived in Mosul in 1842.  
1843 - Mosul.

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1840 Layard with Mallet at Nimrod  
1842 Second visit.  
1843 Agreement with Botta -  
Oct. 1845 left Mosul with a caravan -  
from Samarra on Black Sea - rode to Mosul in 12 days.  
Jan. 1846 return to Mosul.  
continued work post 1847

Mr. Russ - earliest good general account of Sennacherib's  
sculptures at Samarra.

1847 Laysal returned to E - Ross left Mosul.

Excavations to Mr. Thornton RASSAM - named to Matilda  
sister of Rev. G. P. Budge.

Rassam assisted by his brother HORNARD RASSAM.

Laysal returned 1849 - 1851.

1847. Rawlinson another visit to Babilonia.  
By end of 1849 felt he had made out the general  
meaning of the inscription.

p. 76. Tomb of the prophet Daniel & the Kings at Seneb.  
From a sketch by St. A. Churchill Esq.

p. 79. Rassam accompanied L. to Eng. in 1851,  
& the excavations at Kuyunjik & Nimrud were  
temporarily committed to the care of Mr. Thornton Rassam.  
Brit. Mus. Consul at Mosul.

1852 Rassam sent out by Orders of B. M. to  
carry out work under Rawlinson's supervision.

VICTOR PERCE - sent by H. J. in absence of L. & R.  
[1822-75] ? Eng. purchased house of Kuyunjik.

B. p. 81. Dec. 1853 Lin Hunt - bas-reliefs

1851-2 Kal'at Sherkat - Fr. men.

Taylor ordered Raasan there.

p. 84. - Mr. J. E. Taylor digging in Lower Babylonia - 1853.

p. 85. Arrangements between Place + Kaulassin -  
edressal winged human headed bulls - exchange -  
i.e. what happened to Fr. tablets at Kurnah.

p. 86. 1852. Assyrian Excavation Fund sent out  
Mr. (Sir) W. K. Loftis - Nippur - Rasak -

p. 87. Mr. Frick -  
May 1854 - Raasan left Mosul by - pol. appointment at Aden  
Loftis to Mosul.

p. 88 Dr. Julius OPPERT - Brief. d'A synchronologie in the  
Jahrbuch de France. sent on a mission to Mesopotamia.  
Expédition en Mésopotamie. 2 vols. Paris 1863.

p. 88. Rawlinson set TONIETTI - to work at Birs - i - Nimrud  
Jasa called Bursi - & the Ghs. Borsippa.

1854 last yr. of Rawlinson's work at B'did.  
Mr. J. E. Taylor Brit. Vice Consul - excavations at  
Borsippa Mchayyer - Mr.

P. 89. £2,000 grant from Treasury to Trustees of Brit. Museum -  
Aubrey loved the work & treated it as a part of his duty as  
Consul-General of B'bad.

1855 resigned - 1859-1860 - Minister Plenipotentiary to Persia.

P. 90] Basil - an Assistant in the Dept. of Antiquities.  
describing William Henry Fox-Talbot  
Morris

P. 106. George Smith b. 1840 Chelsea - d. 1876 at Aleppo.  
apprenticed as an engraver - employed at B.M. as a  
"repasser".  
1872 discovery by Smith that a certain tablet from  
Nimrud contained an Assyrian account of the Deluge.

P. 113. Proprietors of Daily Telegraph offered to spend 1000 guineas on  
excavations at Nimrud, provided Smith allowed to conduct the  
excavations.

Smith left London Jan. 23 1873 - arrived Mosul March 2.  
- Pasha would not let him dig - sent by raft to

B'bad - purchased a collection of cuneiform tablets.

Pasha obstructive - went and dug at Nimrud -

May 7th. began work at Kuyunjik - week later found  
a fragment wh. contained 17 lines of the first column of  
the Chaldean account of the Deluge.

Rassam in his Aschet p. 53 claims the fragment found

in one of his abandoned trenches.

Early in June closed down the works - left Mosul - I arrived in  
Bag. on July 19th. Boxes of tablets left at Alessandretta -  
- did not understand use of Bahshish.

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farman received on 9th or 10th. March 1874  
Trustees decided to send Smith out to Ninawa on their own account.  
Smith left London on Dec. 25. I arrived in Mosul on Jan. 1. 1874.  
confined his work to Kuyunjik - quarrels among his workmen  
& obstruction of the authorities -

Pasha regarded him as a "merchant of antiques" - Pasha wanted  
to take part in a trade that earned such profit - no salary  
had been paid him for many months. He expected Smith to  
buy back the tablets.

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Pasha knew the Fr. Consul, M. Leclerc had sold to Smith  
for £70 in 1874 the memorial slab of Ashur Nisri -  
for wh. he had paid only 30 piastres - [50. 46. 5.]  
Smith wld. not take the advice of the Fr. Consul  
who implored him to "make an arrangement" with the Pasha  
who did not want the tablets & had no means by wh.  
to send them to Lond. but Smith never understood the native  
mind or native ways, & his inability to do so in the end cost  
him his life.

P. 116. March 1876 - farman renewed - Trustees of Brit. Mus.  
by the date

Smith had been waiting for it in person in Const. since the previous

~~Smith~~ - journey across Europe had met a man

called Enberg, an Assyriologist - sent by Swedish govt. to

collect information about the sites of Babylon & Nineveh.

(117) Set out from Const. at end of March 1876, & with difficulty made their

way to Aleppo, - choban - Turkish regulations - travelling almost impossible

Fighting broke out between some of the powerful tribes - Smith could find

no caravan men to take him to Mosul.

Reached Bas - course of the river examined the ruins of

Bascharish - descended by river to Baghdad via Fallujah.

\* P. 117 Enberg - sick & died. - ~~prop. died~~

\* No two men who were called upon by Fate to travel in Mesopotamia

were more unfitted for their work - etc. etc.

P. 118 In Basra bought collections of contract tablets -

best founder of the artesian trade on a small scale at

Mosul - Smith established it on a large scale at Baghdad

Mosul - basha trying to beat off attacks of men of

Suzer - no native wld. work in July -

Left Mosul - Aleppo in spite of the warnings of the

French Vice Consul - no provisions - no medicine -

supplies - 4 or 5 days from Aleppo.

P. 119. Nabies sent a man on a swift camel to Mr. J. N. Shere  
the Brit. Consul - who sent Dr. Lassen -

Died Aug. 19th. Buried in cemetery of Levant Co.,  
1876 had been elected a Trustee of the Brit. Museum.

P. 120 W. ST. CHAD BOSCAWEN 1855-1913. - father a  
clergyman at Wrexham. - made Assistant in Brit. Museum.  
- Set to work on contract tablets ~~published~~ bought by Smith  
at Baghdad in May & June 1874 - His [B's] reputation  
made by his paper on the Egibi tablets. - relief from his studies  
in the Bohemian set of literary men & newspaper correspondents  
- Jarab's - barchemish - Bis - in Euphrates - down river to  
Jarab's - funds finished - ill & exhausted at the Brit. Consulate  
at Damascus. - robbery in a phan at Aleppo -

A "Hanzi" dressed in a ragged shirt & trousers & a native  
shepherd's coat and only one boot, & without money, wld. find  
travelling in that part of Turkey in Asia v. difficult. Mr. Dickson  
Brit. Consul - v. kind - sent him as a D.B.S.

P. 124 - He made more money by his writings on Oriental archaeology  
than any other man in Eng. & yet was never free from acute financial  
anxiety.

P. 129. J. Smith - who's pinches each worked for some years for a salary  
that was smaller than that received by a master-mason.

P.129. Renewal of Excavations by Brit. Museum in Assyria & Babylonia.

7th Excavations felt to be a full time job - & it must be undertaken by a man who had experience, & who understood both the people of W. Asia & the principal languages of the country i.e. Arabic & Turkish. Fermans of Smith so complicated - speaks vols. for his dogged determination & obstinacy of the wily dealers of B'ed. that he was able to bring home as much as he did.

1877 Trustees sent ROSSAM to Const. to get a firman early in 1877. Seyid obtained a satisfactory firman. - Passed thro' Aleppo. Arrived at Mosul unable to begin work, because his firman had not arrived - Dec. 10. left for Baghdad. - visited Karbala - Irbil -

1878 Returned to Mosul - early in JAN - began work at Kuyunjik. Balaawat gates. Left Mosul 14/1878 - arrived London on July 12.

P.132. Thro' Beyard - Trustees obtained a new firman - enabled them to carry on excavations at more than one site at the same time - Oct. 1878 again set out to E.

Restarted works at Kuyunjik, & Nimrud - new works at Kal'ah Shahrat - (city of Ashur)

Left Assyria in Jan 1879 went to B'ed. then to Hillah. Tablets purchased by Smith known to were from this region - At Mahmucliyeh - heard that inscribed bricks had been found at Des & Abu Habbah - examined both mounds.

1833. The cuneiform tablets bought by Smith were found at Abu Hattah,  
upon that place came also all the collections of tablets  
wh. were sold to the Americans & those that were exported  
to Europe by the Jewish & Armenian merchants in B'elsh.

Attempts to burden the tablets by bribery - Hattah -  
Kassan to Babylon - Lay captured - Cyprus' capture of B'elsh.

Paris. Nimrod tablets - Tall Hattah -

1874 July 1874 Tallfeh - on Shatt. al - Hagg. - no layers

included in the Pashalik, or Province, of Baghdad -  
Heard that M. de Saff. the French Vice. Consul of B'elsh

had excavated there without a foreman - but some  
- Herodotus' account - fighting his workmen & the Arabs.

Wished to excavate mound on tomb of Prophet Jonah -  
bought horses - began to tunnel - operation - planned to

Eng. - arrived June 1879.

April 1880 set out for E. - arrived Babylon in May.

In June - Mosul - set his nephew Nimrod Rowan.

over excavations at Kuzuf - sent to Wan

Arrived Mosul Sept 27 - 1880 - Baghdad Nov.

Babylon - Abu Hattah - Surged tablets -

Eng. in the spring - East March 1882 - Abu Hattah.

sustained dig until end of July 1882 - found

60-70,000 unsorted tablets - appointed agents to  
watch the site - returned to E. towards the close of the year.

P. 136. Dealers & officials in B'head - employed Persian workmen -  
Jus of Hittite - working with Jus & Ammenian of B'head.  
begin to expect large collection of tablets & other antiquities  
to London & America -  
contract tablets of Nebuchadnezzar II - 5 pieces in B'head.  
L & in London.

Oct. 1877 Budget to Baghdad to consult with  
Col. W. Mearns, the Brit. Consul-General

P. 138. Rawlinson had given B. letters to Lynch B'head. I certain  
Jewish firms in B'head. found the reputation of tablets  
an imp. & profitable business in B'head & Basrah -  
Mr. David Thomas - business owner & his bro. Abdul Karim  
& Abd. Abd. Akad - large collections -  
Receipts - money paid by Lynch bro. - details see Nile  
& Tigris 1920.

Tribute given of Akkad - said Hassan's firm as a  
favor to Persia - some as that given to mining engineers.

P. 140. Sept 1888 Budget to Govt for a permit to  
renew excavations at Kuyunjik -

Inspected on behalf of Govt get a salary of £1.20 per month.  
"I collected some tons of large objects." Returned £3. May 1889.

Excavations - found at Is - on way to Mosul visited

manuscripts - collection of Syrian & Arabic manuscripts.

Pasha had already sent to Dor - case-tablets - native who kept a chamber sent to sell to Budge.

Mr. L. W. King - sent out - March 1903 - July -

Mr. Campbell Thompson - Mosul Feb. 1904 - 1905.

Between 1846 & 1905 - Treaties with at Kuyukh - work disapproved of Bressler & Fuldhill who visited Mosul soon after the armistice - "no scientific digging".  
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1918 - Brit. military occupation Lower Babylonia -

renewed excavations at Mubarrat al-Mas - and at Abu Shahrain - site of Ishtar - Capt. R. Campbell Thompson - Dr. H. R. Hall - Mr. C. L. Woolley. 1922.

P. 147. 1850-55 arrival in E. of antiquities excavated by Sayce, Rassau, Loftus, Taylor & Rawlinson - suffered in transit - cleaning & repairing

P. 157. The catalogue of the Kuyukh tablets

P. 179. R. Campbell Thompson - sent to Nineveh 1903-4  
Military service in Basrah & Baghdad.

Behlomi  
Nelson  
Pagan  
X A Pilgrim's Progress - London - no date - account of his wanderings in Assyria, Babylonia, W. Persia, Asia Minor - Sudan - photographs & a valuable index

P. 188. <sup>x</sup> DRAWING of George Smith.

P. 188 - Sayce - 'father of the flat ~~tail~~' - father of  
epiclasts, & 'lord of the split tail'

P. 193 Dr. Samuel DAKOTS - The Jews in Babylonia -  
London 1903.

P. 196. ASSYRIOLOGY IN FRANCE.

Source of Fr. interest - 'Reks' - Narrative of a Residence in Kurdistan  
1836.

P. E. Botta - an Italian b. in Turin - appointed Fr. Consul - Mosul 1842

1843 Kungurk - Khosrobad -

1877 E. de SARZEE Fr. Consul at Bessah -

Tall job - removed statues without permission of the  
Turkish govt.

P. 198. He attacked mound after mound - his only aim seems to  
have been to acquire objects as quickly as possible.

Budge [another] went over the mounds himself in the  
winter of 1890-91 with Mr. Robertson British Vice Consul at

at Bessah -

\* After 1881, the intervals between de Sazze's periods of work on  
the mounds grew longer & longer; & as he took no steps to  
deepen his interests in them, the local Arabs, working hand in  
hand with the men who had been with Rassam in 1879-1882