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## PREFACE.

The Series of Oxford Editions of Cuneiform Inscriptions which begins with this volume has been planned primarily for the purpose of publishing the tablets and inscribed monuments presented to the University of Oxford by Mr. H. WerdBudundell of Queen's College. The material contained in the earlier volumes has been obtained by Mr. Weld-Blundell by purchase during his first visit to Mesopotamia in the spring to 1921 and later through the valuable assistance of Captain Cook of the Ministry of Awkaf in Bagdad. The munificent patron of the university then decided to send out an expedition to excavate in Mesopotamia and after a prolonged conference with the writer he decided to excavate Kish, the ancient capital of Babylonia, for the University of Oxford. In view of the heavy expense involved in such a project; for the ruins of Kish consist in two great mounds, Tel-el-Alaaimer and Umm Gharra, which revert to the oldest period of human history, we gladly accepted the generous offer of the Director of the Field Museum of Natural History (Chicago), under sanction of his Board of Trustees, to form a joint expedition. The philological material which shall accrue to Oxford and the Field Museum will be published in this Series. The Field Museum has undertaken to publish all the archaeological results. We are under no misapprehension concerning the difficult task of excavating one of the largest mounds or double mounds in Mesopotamia. It is already obvious from the experience obtained in the first year's work that the buried remains of these vast ruins cannot be obtained without long and patient exploration.

In the first season's work the temple tower Unirkidurmah was laid bare on the south eastern and north eastern sides, the platform of the temple Emete-ursar dedicated to the god Ilbaba and the goddess Innini was located and defined. The remains of restorations both of the temple and tower by Sansuiluna. Ramman-apal-idinnam and Nebuchadnezzar were found in rapid succession, and at the close of the excavations in May 1923, the excavator, Mr. Mackay, came upon older walls of the pre-Sargonic period in the temenos area. The zigrurat which stood on the western side of the temple area was found to have been
flanked at least on the two sides adjacent to the temple by row of chambers connected by a corridor. South west of the ziggurat a few literary tablets have been recovered, which excites the hope that the temple library may possibly come to light soon. That is, however, at the time of writing only a prospect. The older and larger ruins two miles east of the temple mound have not yet been searched. Assyriologists and historians in all lands will surely respond with gratitude to the generosity of those who have undertaken the heavy and ofttimes thankless task of solving one of the most important problems connected with the history of ancient times. The writer who undertook to direct this expedition and to edit its philological and historical results, has added a burden of great responsibility to his other duties, which were already sufficient for the work of one man.

The contents of the first volume of this Series are somewhat miscellaneous; this is due to the editor's desire to edit the principal texts brought to the Ashmolean Museum by Mr. Weld-Blundell in 1921-22. Volume II which shall appear almost immediately contains the large dynastic prism purchased in 1922 and other historical inscriptions. The cost of the printing of the Series is sustained at present entirely by the same patron of the university.

Oxford, Nov. 7, 1923.
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# THE LEGEND OF ENMERKAR AND LUGALBANDA. 

(W-B. 162.)

The text of this long poem is unusually well preserved with the exception of the first lines; the loss of these lines which might introduce the interpreter to the general situation of the myth increases the obscurity of an unusually difficult composition. The text becomes intelligible at line 18 of the first column where [Lugalbanda] replies to his mother. ${ }^{1}$ The fragmentary section which precedes contained, therefore, an address of the goddess Innini (Ishtar) to Lugalbanda; possibly the text began by a dream in which this goddess of Erech appeared to her son, the mortal Lugalbanda. In the next lines Lugalbanda apparently describes the desperate condition of the kingdom of Erech. Enmerkar the king trembled in terror within the city and Lugalbanda, hastening from afar to his succor, is prevented by dragons who infest the mountainous passage. He finally reaches Erech and rescues Enmerkar.

If I rightly understand the situation at the beginning of Col. II, Lagalbanda here begins another speech (II 4-28), addressed to Innini in which he beseaches her to bestow blessings upon Erech, and to defend this ancient city, now 3000 years old, from the wicked Amorites. In the second part of his speech Lugalbanda refers to a journey of Innini which she seems loath to undertake. The passage is probably based upon historical verity. Innini, daughter of Anu the heaven god, was transferred to Erech from the city Dêr, an ancient halting place of Sumerian civilisation in the province Ashnunak east of the Tigris by the river Ukn̄̄. The prehistoric deities of Ashnunak were Umunbanda and his consort Ninsun, both of whom were transferred to Erech when the centre of the civilisation shifted southward to the lower part of Mesopotamia. Umunbanda or Enbanda was identified with Lugalbanda third king of the prehistoric first kingdom of Erech who is invariably described as a god. Also Dumuzi the fourth king and Gilgamish the fifth king of this dynasty were deified and became important figures in Sumerian religion. At Dêr the bisexual ophidian deity Ka-Di or Isir with whom Dumuzi or Tammuz was identified, was a title of both the old mother goddess Innini and her brother or son (Tammuz) and these two (male and female) aspects of the prehistoric vegetation deity became separate deities Tammuz and Innini, Lugalbanda and Ninsun. The cult of the earth mother and her dying brother or son was transferred to Erech from the older Sumerian cities Dêr and Ashnunak.

In the historical glosses appended to the Sumerian chronological list of early kings of the first dynasty of Erech ${ }^{2}$ it is said that the oldest name of this city was Eanna "Temple of

[^0]heaven" where Meskingašer founded a Sumerian kingdom about 5000 b.c. ${ }^{1}$ Obviously the prehistoric foundation here was strictly religious consisting in simply a sacred institution for the cult of the heaven god and the deities associated with him, all of whom were transferred from the older northern cities. Meskingašer is described as the son of Shamash. He ruled 325 years and is reputed to have been translated to heaven. He was succeeded by his son Enmerkar who is mentioned in this poem. The poem describes him as the " son of Shamash." The chronological list says of him that he built the city Unug "The vast abode," a name corrupted into Uruk, the Biblical Erech and reigned 420 years. The deified Lugalbanda, the shepherd, who according to the poem came to rescue Enmerkar from his foes, succeeded to the throne and reigned 1200 years. The journey of Innini, referred to in the address of Lugalbanda, probably means her migration from Dêr to Erech and Kullab, a quarter of the greater city. Lugalbanda himself came to Erech from the same province.

At Col. II 30 Innini begins her reply to Lugalbanda; she describes him as "the brother of their father and their friend." Now Lugalbanda was in fact a type of Isir or Tammuz, the dying god of prehistoric Sumerian religion, and the brother or son of Innini. He like Tammuz was only a deified king who was identified with dying god Abu, Isir, Ama-ušumgal, of Sumerian religion. The phrase employed in this poem is, however, extremely obscure. Innini, Ninsun, Ninlil, Bau, Aruru are all types of a prehistoric unmarried earth-mother, and the earth-god Entil is said to have been her brother. ${ }^{2}$ The "brother of their father" would then mean that Lugaibanda was supposed to be the brother of Enlil, who according to Nippurian theology assisted in the creation of mankind and is coustantly referred to in religious texts as "Father Enlil." Innini in her address (II $30-36$ ) assures victory to Enmerkar and promises to go herself to Kullab.

Lugalbanda's reply begins at line 37 of column two without the usual literary introduction. He complains of Innini's disregard for her people. In fact she bears the reputation of a goddess fickle in love and easily offended in the entire history of Sumero-Babylonian religion. But Lugalbanda's address (II 37-III 4) turns to the better aspect of her character. She, the protecting genius of mankind, will comfort her people with counsel, that man revoke not his plight to man, and the demons will flee before her shining light. With line five of column three of the poem begins a passage (III 5-18) in which Lugalbanda's expedition to relieve Erech and subdue far away lands is described. Innini remained faithful to Erech and fled not from its sanctuaries. She looked proudly upon Lugalbanda as upon her own lover Ama-usumgal. At this point there is an obscure reference to Shuruppak, a city north of Erech in Sumer, reputed to hare been one of the five cities which existed before the Flood. Here Zi-udsuddu, last of the prediluvian kings, built the ship on which mankind survived the destruction of the world by the deluge. The city is mentioned again in Col. IV 34-41, where Innini promises its restoration and "they with the breath of life in Shuruppak" should find peace again. Innini apparently remonstrates with Lugalbanda (III 22-3) for desiring to change the capital to Shuruppak.

Lugalbanda, now triumphantly received by the great goddess at Erech, begins (III 25) a long address to Innini. Enmerkar, son of Shamash and brother of Innini, had been chosen for the kingdom by the goddess herself. In this speech (III 25-IV 12), Lugalbanda repeats verbatim twenty-three lines of his earlier address to Innini (II 6-28=III 30-IV 12), beseeching her to
${ }^{1}$ See the Journal of Egyptian Archaeology VII 151.
${ }^{2}$ See Poème Sumérien du Paradis, p. 23, n. 1,
${ }^{3}$ See ilid., p. 22.
prosper the founding of Erech, to transfer her cult to that city, and to assist his arms in battle. This petition, originally addressed by Lugalbanda to his mother at Dêr, before they had migrated to Erech and had delivered Enmerkar, is not appropriate to the situation after the victory, but this fact did not disturb the ancient poet.

The poem ends with the reply to Innini (IV 15-41). Erech shall enjoy prosperity under Enmerkar, but if she find offence in Erech she will return to Dêr.

In brief, the theme of this long poem is based upon two historical traditions. (1) Lugalbanda of Dêr came to the assistance of the new Sumerian settlement at Erech which had become the champion of Sumerian civilisation and the capital of Sumer and Accad. The old Semitic kingdom of Kish had been subdued, but Enmerkar, the second king of the Erech dynasty, was in sore distress. His danger excited the patriotism of the older Sumerian cities in the north and they came to his aid. (2) The Sumerian cults of Dêr and Ashnunak were imitated at Erech which henceforth became the centre of the worship of Anu and Innini. It is possible that the recovery of this semi-mythological poem concerning Enmerkar and Lugalbanda may assist in the future interpretation of the epic of Gilgamish.

> W-B. 162. Col. I.
10.
11.
12. [ ]-ám[ ]-gál-la-[ ]
13. [ $\quad$ - Šurubbak . . .
14.
] $\operatorname{Unug}(k i)-b i[$
-]ab-dun-dun
15. [ ]-gi bar-bar-ai im-gim ni-am
16. [ni-bi-e ${ }^{2}$
] im-mu-a gin-na-gîm ${ }^{3}$
17. [ ] Šurubbak dúg-dúg sil-bi ba-nàg
18. ud ba-zal-zal ud ba-gid-gid-mu ama-ni-i. ba-gí
19. a.En-sîg-ga an-na ba-e- è
20. $a-s$ sag-ga igi-ba-ab-gul IM-SU-e ne-ib-uš ${ }^{5}$
21. ni-bi-e im-mu-a
22. kaskal-la ki-ba-ni-ib.
23. giš-gir kur-ra-ge
24. ušumgal ur-bi
25. galu-eri-šú $d u-\overline{\text { ù }}$ nu- tub-ba ${ }^{6}$
10.
11.
12.
13.
14.
15.
16. In fear go thou voluntarily. ${ }^{4}$
17.
18. The day dawned and when it lengthened to his mother he replied.
19. "Ensigga hath caused thee to transcend all on high.
20. In the fields evil and pursues."
21. As one who goes in fear voluntarily,
22. Upon the road he set forth.
23. The scorpion (?) of the mountain
24. The python also approached hard by.
25. Unto the inhabitants of the city though going he came not;
${ }^{1}$ Cf. Col. III 11.
${ }^{2}$ Cf. 1.21 and PBS. 1 Part 2 No. 104 Obv. 4, níbi-a; PBS. X, No. 19, 25 ; Gudea, Cyl. A 12, 5.
${ }^{3}$ For this emphatic rerbal suffix, gim, gin, v. PBS. X 282 n. 3.

- Cf. Sum. Gr. p. 113 n. 4.
${ }^{5}$ Ct. PBS. V 26 Obv. 17.
${ }^{6} t u b$, probably a variant of $d i b=b u ' u$.

26. Kullab-šu du-ı̀ sag-nu-mu-un-na-ab-sum-mu
27. šab:ba En-me-ir-kar dumu d.Babbar-ge
28. ni-ba-ni-in-te zi-ba-ni-in-iv za-pa-ág-bi ba-ni-in-idim
29. galu-eri-šúu mu-un-gígi a-ki mu-si-kin-kin

30: Kullab-šu mu-un-gi-gi a-ki mu-ši-kin-kin
31. ka-sìr igi-bar-ra-ka mu-un-ed
32. galu-eri-šú mà-e ga-rá nu-mu-un-na-ab-bi
33. 20 gū-ma ${ }^{1}-s ̌ \nsim u ~ k i-k u s ̌-l u-u ̆ b-g a r-v a^{2}$ gù-mu-
$u n-e d^{3}$
34. galu-evi-šúu ma-e ga-rai nu-mu-na-ab-bi

35̃. Ka-sìr igi-bar-ra mu-un-ed keš-da-dúg
36. a.Lugal-ban-da gir kalam-mà mu-na-an-zi gù-mu-na-de-a
37. . . . . . . . . . . . mu-e eri-ší ga-vá galu nam-mu-da-du
38. . . . . . . . . . . . . gal-mu-dé ga-vá galu nam-mu-da-du
39. . . . . na evi-šúu ni-du-un ${ }^{4}$ galu na-e-da-du
40. Kullab-ங̌u en-ne ni-du-un galu na-e-da-du
41. . . . . . an-na $z i-k i-a ~ n i-$

## Col. II.

1. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ra ba-ra-ed
2. . . . . En-me-[ir-kar] dumu ${ }^{\text {d.Babbar-ge }}$
3. $[a z a g]^{\text {d.Innini-ge . ........ }}$ ni-in-dúg
4. . . . . . . . . . . nin-mu kug d.Innini-ge
5. [kur-m̄̄̌̌-ta] ร̌sag-kug-ga-ni-a $\stackrel{\circ}{g}^{g}$-im-ma-ni-pad-dé
6. [Unug-ga] bunin ǧe-me-ám a ğe-im-de-a
7. Unto Kullab though going he hastened not.
8. Therein Enmerkar, son of Shamash,
9. trembled in fear, he sorrowed and his wailing was loud.
10. Unto the inhabitants of the city he turned, a messenger he sent.
11. Unto Kullab he turned, a messenger he sent.
12. Troops of reconnoitre he sent forth.
13. Unto the inhabitants "Verily I go" he said not.
14. Unto 20 leaders he entrusted the army.
15. Unto the inhabitants "Verily I go" he said not.
16. Troops of reconnoitre he sent forth
17. Lugalbanda came up by the way of the Land and to him he called.
18. . . . . . . . to the city "Verily I go" to no one be said.
19. . . . . . . . to my . . . . "Verily I go" to no one be said.
20. ". . . . . into the city he entered" shalt thou to none say.
21. "Into Kullab . . . . . . he entered" shalt thou to none say.
22. 
23. . . . . . . to . . . . . . he went not up,
24. . . . . . . . . Enmerkar, son of Shamash,
25. To the holy Innini said(?):
26. ". . . . . . . . . . . my lady, holy Innini,
27. [in the glorious mountain] hath chosen (me) in her pure heart. ${ }^{5}$
28. In Erech let a fountain be and water be poured out. ${ }^{6}$
${ }^{1}$ gū-ma, a kind of ox-herd, RTC. 27 I 3, is usually written gu-ma; v. PBS. X 317, 20; Poème du Paradis, 180, 11 and p. 269.
${ }^{2}$ This ideogram is usually read ugnim, Br. 9647 , but the phonetic variant $u{ }_{u} /$ for $u b$ and the phonetic complement $r a$ indicate the ordinary value of the signs. Cf. RA. 15, 5, 42.
${ }^{3}$ Cf. gì-ba-a $=g \grave{i}-b a-e ̀$, she speaks, RA. 7, 108 II 1 and Gudea, Cyl. A 20, 8.
${ }^{4}$ For $d u n=$ erēbu; v. IV R. 20, 17; 28 A 21; K. 2871, $13=$ Ebeling, KAR. 14 I 34; IV R. 17 A 45.
${ }^{5}$ See Col. III 28.
${ }^{6}$ Lines II 6-29 are repeated in III 30-IV 13.
29. [parim] ${ }^{1}$ ğe-me-aim gis $A-T U-G A B-L I S ̌$ ğ $e-$ mû-ám
30. giš-gi ğ ge-me-ám gi-sín ${ }^{3}$ gi-genbur ${ }^{4}$ ge-mú-ím
31. d.En-ki lugal Eridug-ga-ge
32. $g i-s u n n-b i \quad \check{g} a-m a-a n-z i^{5}$ a- $\bar{b} i \quad g \quad g a-m a-a n-t i l^{6}$

33. Ki-en-gi Uri nigin-ba
34. mar-rı̂ galu ร̌e-mutzu gut-mu-zi
35. bád Unug-ga gu-ğu-na-dím edin-na ğe-ni-lá-lal
36. i-ri-a-ba ${ }^{7}$ ki-gál-la-ba ği-lis-mu ba-tíl
37. áb-šilam-ma amar-bi lá-a-gim erin-mu mu-da-lal
38. dumu ama-ni-iv ğul-gig eri-ta é-a-gîn
39. nin nin-mu kug d.Innini-ge síg Kullab-ge ki-dúr-ra . . .
40. ud-da eri-ni ki-ğa-ba-an-ág-gà a-ra-ğul ga-mat-. . . .
41. é eri-da a-na-ás-ám da-lal-e-[en]
42. ud-da eri-ni ğ gul-ĭga-ba ${ }^{9}$-gig-gà a-ra ki-ğa$b a-[a n-a g ?]$
43. é eri-da a-na-aš-ám ${ }^{10} d a-l a l-e-[e n]$
44. Let earth foundations exist and the sarbatu ${ }^{2}$ tree spring up.
45. Let reeds exist, let grass and ripening grain spring up.
46. May Enki, lord of Erech,
47. its verdure make good and cause its waters to give life.
48. 3000 years are past, in 3000 years rerily it has been built.
49. In Sumer and Accad altogether
50. the wicked Amorite shall it expel.
51. May the wall of Erech be loftily built, and the (nether) plain may it join upon.
52. Its . . . . . and its . . . . . . . my riches shall
53. Like a cow that gazes upon her calf I look upon my warriors."
54. The son to his mother as to one who causes distress to depart from the city (continued to say):
55. The lady, my lady, holy Innini, the brick walls of Kullab
56. If her city truly she loves, and the painful journey truly she
57. The temple of the city why has she despised?
58. If truly she hates (not) her city and to the journey she consents,
59. The temple of the city why has she despised?

[^1]23. wu gál-gig-gi d.Im-dugud-(ğut ${ }^{1}$ amar-ra-gim
24. ni-te-a-ni PA-um-ma-an-SAG (?)
25. [mudur]-kug-ga-ni-a um-ma-an-šub-bi
26. síg Kullab-ší ge-im-ma-ni-in-tu--i-en
27. é-gid-da ${ }^{2}-m u ~ u d-d e ́ ~ b a-g u b^{3}$
28. ${ }^{\text {kus }}$ E-TUM-UR ${ }^{4}-m u$ ud-dé e-? $-r i$
29. nin nin-mu luag d.Innini-rá ${ }^{5} \overline{u r}^{-g i m}{ }^{6}$ gì$m u-n a-a b-b i$
30. kug ad Lugal-ban-da é-gal-ta im-ma-da-ta$e d^{7}$
31. šes̆ a-a-ne-ne ku-li-ne-ne
32. ur-givim ur-ra-gim ğu-um ğtt-mu-un-ši-ib$z a-n a-a \stackrel{s}{s}$
33. dun-girim dun-tu-ra-gim rab mu-un-na-ta-ed
34. en-ra Unug-śa gi-mu-un-ši-ib
35. En-me-ir-kar dumu d.Babbar-ge
36. Kullab-šá ás-mu-dé ga-ráa galu nam-mu-duráa a-gim mu-un-ni-duig
37. $a-n a-a s ̌-a m^{8}$ sag-ba-ra-mu-e-da-ab-uš ${ }^{9}$
38. galu ag-giš-ra-gim erin-e ge-im-tāg-nam
39. dingir ğal-šág-ga me-nam mu-da-da-gub-bu-nam
23.
24.
25. with her sacred scepter will she overthrou.
26. Into 'brick-walled Kullab mayest thou enter.
27. My-long bow like a scorching wind shall stand.
28. My shield like a scorching wind . . . "
29. The lady, my lady, holy Innini thus spoke:
30. "Holy Lugalbanda from the palace shall go forth with them,
31. The brother of their father and their friend,
32. He the swift lion like a lion the assassin will destroy.
33. He the swift boar like a wild-boar the tyrant will expel.
34. Let this lord return to Erech,
35. Enmerkar, son of Shamash.
36. Unto Kullab alone I go and no one with me gues." So she said.
37. "Why art thon not faithful?
38. Like one who makes carnage she abandoned the yeomen.
39. Thou art a kind joy-bringer who standeth by.

Col. III.

1. lamma sáag-ga ${ }^{10}$ me-nam mu-na-gin-na-ám
2. galu ka-ás-gal galu áš-kud-du ${ }^{11}$ me-e (?)
3. Thou art a kind protecting genius who giveth confidence.
4. A mighty counselor, an adviser thou art,
${ }^{1}$ The Zabibird is mentioned in connection with $d$ Lugalbanda in PBS. V No. 16 Obv. 9. 13. 16. Rev. 1t; note ibid. amar $d$. Im-dugud (gu).
${ }^{2}$ égid-da $=\dot{a}-g i d-d a$, rendered by ariktu, IV R. 18* Col. III 7. The Var. Col. IV 11 has the ordinary word gis gid-da.
${ }^{3}$ Cf. the title of Shamash, d. Ud-de-gub-ba, CT. 24, 31, 66.

* Col. IV 12, E-BU-UR. Cf. RA. 12, 79, 17.
${ }^{5}$ Var. IV 13, ge. See Sum. Gr. § 163, and for ra emphatic, cf. BE. 29 No. 7, 21 with IV R. 13a, 12, ra Var. of ge.
${ }^{6}$ Col. IV 13 omits $\bar{u} r-g i m=k i a n$, PBS. Y 152 XII 8. Cf. Barton, Miscel. Insers. 9, 4.
${ }^{7}$ V. Sum. Gr. § 201.
${ }^{8}$ Cf. PbS. I, Part 2, No. $96,1+10$.
- See RA. 15, 211, note on pûta umniudu.
${ }^{10}$ AN-HULi and LAMMA are synonyms. Cf. dingir-gul in King, Magic, 12, 105 and BE. 31, No. 35, 2.
${ }^{11}$ Cf. Poème du Paradis, 170, 20; IV R. 21*b34.

3. galu-bi galu-va nu-gí-gí-dé ba-ra-gí-gi
4. ud-zal-li-in-zu-ta ba-ra-da-làg-gi-en-za-na
5. d.Lugal-ban-da šag-ka-silim šeš-a-ne-ne-ka
6. šag-pa ${ }^{2}$ ku-li-ne-ne-ka ${ }^{3}$
7. ninda-kaskal-ku-ni nu-um-ku-as
8. giš ku-a-ni [?]-bi šu-im-ma-an-ti
9. lur ùr-[ ]-bád-da ma-du-ım-e
10. zag-an $D U$ an-tu sag-an $D U$ an-na-ta
 bal
11. gig-par-a é-eri-dá kug a.Innina-ge nu-um$m a-k a r-a s^{4}$
12. síg Kullab-šúu gŭr ğul-la mi-ni-in-gub
13. nin-a-ni kug ${ }^{\text {d. Innini-ge }}$
14. zid-da ga-na-an-ğ $u n^{5} g i l^{6}-k i-a^{7}$ mu-un-dé-za
15. igi šag-ğul-la d. Innini-ge
16. sàb-ba Ama-ušumgal-an-na-ra mu-un-ši-bar-ra-gim ${ }^{9}$
17. kug d.Lugal-ban-da mu-un-ši-in-bar
18. gì šag-ğul-[la] d.Innini-ge
19. dumu-ni mu-un-na-de-a-gim
20. [kug] d.[Lugal-ban-]da mu-un-na-da-de-a
21. eri-tcu á-ág-gà a-na-ás mu-é-túm ${ }^{10}$
22. Šurubbak áas-zu-dé ${ }^{11}$ a-gim im-da-du-en
23. That man to revoke not (his plight) to man turn not.
24. When thou shinest forth, may you flee away." ${ }^{1}$
25. Lugalbanda, he of joyful heart, the brother of their father,
26. the sagacious, their companion,
27. food for his journey asked not.
28. His weapon . . . ly he seized.
29. The foreign land
30. To the boundaries of heaven . . . . . . the zenith (?) of heaven
31. Unto the five mountains, the six mountains, the seven mountains he penetrated.
32. In the dark chamber from the temple of the city holy Innini they caused not to flee.
33. Unto brick-walled Kullab gladly she directed her foot-steps.
34. His lady, holy Innini,
35. faithfully was appeased, with treasures she was satiated.
36. As with a glad heart Innini
37. looks upon the shepherd Ama-ušumgal ${ }^{8}$ the heavenly,
38. upon the holy Lugalbanda she looked.
39. As with glad heart Innini
40. to her son [the healer] speaks,
41. to the holy Lugalbanda she spoke:
42. "From the city why bringest thou a message
43. to Shuruppak, thou alone?" So she spoke.

[^2]24. kug d.Lagal-ban-da mu-na-ni-ib-gi-gí
25. šeš-zu a-na be-in-dúg a-na be-in-de ${ }^{1}$
26. En-me-ir-kar dumu a.Babbar-ge a-na be-in-dúg a-na be-de
27. ki ud-ba ${ }^{2}$ nin nin-mu kuy d. Innini-ge
28. kur-müs̆-ta šag azag-ga-ni-a ge ge-im-ma-ni-pad-dé
29. sig Kullab-šut ye-im-ma-ni-tu-ri
30. Unng-ga bunin ge-me-ám a ğe-im-de-a
31. parim ğe-me-ám gišA-TU-GAB-LIŠ ğe-mí-
32. gis-gi g̀e-me-ám gî-sín gi-ğenbur gémú-am
33. a.En-ki lugal Eridug- ga- ge
34. gi-sin-bi ğa-ma-zí a-bi ğga-ma-an-til

36. Ki-en-gi Uri nigin-na-a-ba
37. mar-rû galu še-nu-zu ğ $u-m u-u n-z i$
38. bád Unug-ga glt-ğı-na-dím edin-e ğe-ni-lé-
39. i-ri-ba ki-gál-la-ba gi-li-mu ba-til
40. áb-šilam-mu cumar-bi lá-gin erin-[mu] ${ }^{4} m u$ -da-lal
41. [dumu ama-ni-ir] ğul-gig eri-ki-ta è-a-gim
24. The holy Lugal-banda replied to her:
25. "What has thy brother spoken, what has he commanded?
26. Enmerkar, the son of Shamash-what has he spoken, what has he commanded?
27. Where once the lady, my lady, holy Innini,
28. in the glorious mountain chose (him) in her pure heart,
29. into brick-walled Kullab may she enter.
30. In Erech let a fountain be and water be poured out.
31. Let earth foundations exist and the serblutetree spring up.
32. Let reeds exist, let grass and ripening grain spring up.
33. May Enki, lord of Erech,
34. its verdure make good and cause its waters to give life.
35. 3000 years are past, in 3000 years verily it has been built.
36. In Sumer and Accad altogether
37. the wicked Amorite shall he expel.
38. May the wall of Erech be loftily built and the (nether) plain may it join upon.
39. Its . . . . and its . . . . . . . my riches shall
40. Like a cow that gazes upon her calf I look upon my warriors.
41. The son to his mother as to one who canses distress to depart from the city (continued to say):

Col. IV.

4. é eri-da a-na-ấs-am da-[lal-e-en]

1. The lady; my lady, holy Innini,
2. unto brick-walled Kullab
3. If her city truly she loves and the painful journey truly she
4. The temple of the city why has she despised?
${ }^{1}$ The scribe made this sign correctly after the old monumental form in line 21, but in lines $25-\mathrm{d}$ the cursive form employed at Ellasar is adopted. See Grice, Yale Series V 119, 21 \&c.
${ }^{2}$ See BL. p. 46 n. 2.
${ }^{3}$ Omitted in the original.
${ }^{4}$ Omitted on the original.
${ }^{5}$ Col. II 18 has a different text.
 an-ág]
5. é eri-da a-na-ás-ám da-lal-[e-en]
6. nu gál-gig-gi ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Im-dugud-(gu) amar-vo-[gim]
7. ní-te-ni PA-um-ma-an-[SAG?]
8. mudur-kug-ga-ni-a um-mu-an-šub-bi
9. síg Kullab-ši ğ ge-im-ma-ni-[in-tu-ri-en]
10. giš-gid-da-mu ud-dé ba-gub
11. kus̆ $E-B U-U R-m u \quad u d-d e ́$
12. nin nin-mu kug d.Innini-ge gì-[mu-na$a b-b i]$
13. Kug d.Innini-ge mu-nc-ni-ib-[gi-gi]
14. i-ne-š九 id idšin-na a
15. id ${ }^{k u s ̌} A-E D I N-L A L^{1}$ zagin dingiv.
16. kun-bi $k i a-k i-a^{2} b i$
17. essad-e u-lal-e ${ }^{3}$ ni-
18. kin-dumu(ga) ú-i-li a
in-nag-e
19. giš-urin-(ğa) an-sukud kun-
20. šáb-ba e-ne ğul-īa ?-bi
21. kun $-i b-r i-e$
22. gissinig
$a-b i$
23. bunin-bi
nag-e
24. áš-bi $d \bar{u}-d \bar{u} u ́ a ̆ s-b i d \tilde{u}-d \bar{u}$
25. giš̌inig
$d \hat{a} s-b i d \bar{u}-d \bar{u}$
26. En-me-kar dumu d.Babbar-ge
27. gišsinig un-sig gišbunin-šúu un-dim
28. $g i$
ki-kug-ga ur-ba mi-ni-siv $k i^{4}$-im-ma-an-ti
29. giš-urin( ${ }^{\prime}(a)$ an-sukud-kun-e šab-ba $\grave{c}$-ba-ra-è-a
30. ğa-bi un-ku-un-ne UN $\quad B U$
31. da-an-kar da-ag dnnina-ka ù-be-in-nag
32. enin-ni šu-bi ğg-en-HAR ni-ib-súg-súg
33. If truly she hates not (?) her city and to the journey she consents,
34. The temple of the city why has she despised?
35. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . the divine Z $\mathrm{u}-$ bird like
36. 
37. with her sacred scepter will she overthrou.
38. Into brick-walled Kullab mayest thou enter.
39. My long bow like a scorching wind shall stand.
40. My shield like a scorching wind $\qquad$
41. The lady, my lady, holy Innini spoke:
42. Holy Innini to him replied:
43. "Now the cleansing river water
44. The river, the clean water jar of
45. Its reservoir where the waters of the earth
46. The keeper of the fisheries the
47. 
48. The spear fish
49. Therein
50. The reservoir
51. Tamarisk
52. Its fountain $\qquad$ shall give to drink.
53. 
54. The tamarisk
55. Enmekar, son of Shamash,
56. the tamarisk shall plant, in the fountain he shall set it.
57. The reed . . . . . . in a pure place shall strike deep its root, and in earth it shall find life.
58. The spear fish . . . . . . therein
59. The fish.
60. . . . . . . . of Innini drink.
61. His warriors may his hand as they hasten (?).

[^3]34. zi Šuvubbak-(ki) kc-lu-la ge-ni-in-nad (?)
35. evi ki-kug-gim e-kug-gim ù-be-in-ku
36. zagin-gim ma bi-za ${ }^{1}-g i m$
37. eri-da ù-be-lal Dêr-(ki)ni-ib-? ?
38. Šurubbak-(ki) ama-dưb ama-dúb-ba šu-ğu-mu-ra-nigin
39. Šurubbak-(ki) zag-̀̀-a-bi dāgzagin-a ru-am
40. bád-bi síg sag-zi-bi ğuš-a níbi im-an-na ${ }^{2}$
41. Kur ğ $a$-šu-úur-ra sag-im-KID-ám
42. $\mathrm{kug}{ }^{\text {d. Lugal-ban-da zag-sal. }}$
34. May they with the breath of life in Shuruppak repose in
35. May the city like a consecrated place, like a consecrated temple abide.
36. Like a thing that is pure, like a carnival house may it abide,
37. If the city I dislike and to Dêr return (??),
38. Of Shuruppak the desolated sanctuctry, her desolated sanctuary I will repent me of;
39. Shuruppak whose exit was carved in lapis lazuli;
40. Its wall and its rampart splendidly and awefully arise;
41. Like the cedar mountains it . . . . . . "
42. O praise the holy Lugalbanda.
${ }^{1}$ Cf. RA. 12, 77, 7.
${ }^{2}$ anna is apparently a clear example of the verb an $=a s \hat{u}$, Var. of en, ed. See my note on gí-an-na, JRAS. 1920, 328. Cf. bád-gal . . . . . . ni-bi-̧̧á è-a, SAK. 212 b) II 6.

## A HYMN TO ENLIL-BiNI.

(W-B. 160.)
W-B. 160 is a six sided prism pierced perpendicularly by a round hole, and catries altogether about 175 lines, constituting the longest document now published concerning Enlilbani, eleventh king of the Isin dynasty ( $2201-2177$ в. с.).

The tablet is dated in the $17 \mathrm{th}(?)$ year of Samsu-iluna, $2063(?)$ b. c., or more than a century after the reign of Enlil-bani. The prism was recovered at Ellasar and proves apparently that these hymns to famous deified kings of the preceding period continued in use under the rulers of the Semitic kingdom of Babylon, or at any rate excited the religious and literary interest of the scribes in the older Sumerian cities of that period. A fragment of a hymn to the same king is published in my Historical and Religious Texts, No. 38. ${ }^{1}$

Two Babylonian chronicles preserve a tradition that Enlil-bani was not the son of his predecessor Girra-imitti, but a gardener who was placed upon the throne by his predecessor to continue the dynasty (there being no heir to perpetuate the line). ${ }^{2}$ For tablets dated in his reign see Sumerian Grammar, p. 17; Chiera, PBS. VIII, p. 70 and Scheil, RA. 14, 151.

## W-B. 160. Col. I.

7. ud kur-kur-a-
8. nam-nun-n[a
9. me-s̆ar gú-
10. zag an-

11: uku-dagal dúr-ru-
12. igi-du'̆g ${ }^{3}$ d.En-[lil-la-ge]
13. ${ }^{d}$ Nin-lil
14. mudur
15. me-dim
16. mağ (?)
17. uku šár-gal4
ba-e- . . . .
d.En-lil
19. dumu-mağ d.Sin-
sibir (?)
,
12. The favorite of Enlil.
13. Whom Ninlil
14. A scepter
15.
16. A far famed staff.
17. The multitude of people thou
18. Whom Enlil
19. Far-famed son of Sin.
${ }^{1}$ See Obv. 10.
${ }^{2}$ King, Chronieles concerning early Babylonian Kings II $12+15$.
${ }^{3}$ nis êni.
${ }^{4}$ Literally "a great sar" $=2.160 .000$. See Sum. Gr. 120 n. 1. Cf. the title of Anu, a šar-gal $=$ ša kissat samê irsitim, CT. 24, 19, 3.
20. sib-maš ${ }^{1}$
21. nig zi-gál
$D U$ - ? -
22. an-dûl-
23. kur-kur-ri
24. nun-may-
25. An-gal-e ${ }^{9}$
26. ama-gal d.Ni[n-tud tud-da]
27. nir-gál
28. a.En-lil-
29. niv-ğu-mu-un-gál-e-en
30. dúg- dúg-
31. $s u b^{4}$ enim-ma
šág
20. The
21. Them with the breath of life thou
22. The vast shadow which
23. filleth the lands.
24. The grand prince,
20. Whom great Anu named.
26. Whom the great mother Nintud [bore].
27. The heroic
28. Enlil-bani
29. Thee may she encourage.
30. With sweet words,
31. And prayers which render the (divine) commands favorable

## Col. II.



1. [May she before Enlil
2. [. . . . . . . intercede . . . . . . for thee.]
3. Thee the . . . ... . . . . . of holy Innini
4. Marduk
5. Wisdom unto thee has
6. Nidaba,
7. The priestess Nidaba,
8. The grey haired,
9. Mother-in-law of Enlil,
10. The queen who
11. 
12. 
13. 

$14-15$.
16. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . of life.
17.
18.
${ }^{1}$ Cf. RTC. 27 II 1; DP. 113 XI.
${ }^{2}$ Or read d. Gal-e =Anu. Cf. d.Gu-la, "The great god," SBP. 12, 3; 38, 3, et passim.
${ }^{3}$ Cf. PBS. X 258, 13.
4 Written $K A+N U N$.
${ }^{5}$ bursum is rendered into Semitic by the loan-word pursunu, a cup bearer, an office apparently confined to old men and women. Nidaba is called the pursmotu of Nippur, PSBA. 1911, 86, 23 and in CT. 17, 22, 132 a pursumtu priestess grinds the grain (of Nidaba) in a ritual. The purumu is associated with the pašišu, RA. 15 , 63,9 and the priestly office nant-bur $\begin{gathered}\text { suma } \\ \text { is frequently mentioned; BE. VI }\end{gathered}$ 2; 15, 4. Honce pursumu, elder, is of Sumerian origin. The word contains the noun bur $=$ paru, a bowl.
${ }^{6}$ The sign represents a confusion of two ancient signs: 1) $\dot{U} R-g u n u$, Syl. B 278 with value ushar $=$
 based upon $U$-RA. 2) $(a z u, u z u)=b a r \hat{n}$, prophet, is based upon NINDA, Syl. B 202. For the UR$G U N U$ sign see also, PBS. 12 No. 9, Rev. I 19 f.; PBS. 9 No. 132.
19. . . . . . . . . . . . . . an-gí ma-ra-ni-pad
20. nam-igi-gàl (21) . .e mu-ra-PA-KAB-DU
22. . . . . zagin (23) ká . . d. Nidaba ka-zal
24. sá-pad-dé (25) nam-šúu mu-vi-in-tar
26. nig-si-di (27) kalam-ma dalla ba-e-ed
28. šág-ga-zu (29) kur-kur-va im-me
30. a.En-lil-ba-ni (31) galga geštug-dirig tuk

34. azag-zu nig-nam-ma
19. . . . . . . . . . . . has entrusted to thee.
20. Vision has given thee.
22.
24. She has destined thee to watch.
26. Justice thou causest to arise splendidly upon the Land.
28. Thy goodness the lands proclaim.
30. Enlil-bani, the counselor, possessor of exceeding wisdom,
32. The solicitous, (33) the just, the possessor. of prudence.
34. Knower of all things.

## Col. III.


29. ud-zu erin-kuir-ra (30) a ne-ib-gar
31. giš-ku-zu (32) giš-ku gab-vi nu-tuk-a
33. tún-a-zu-dé (34) kur-kur
35. gam-e-en
29. Thy wrath (?) the army of the foe (30) overmasters.
31. Thy weapon is a weapon without rival.
33. With thy toothed sickle the lands
35. thou crushest.

## Col. IV.

1. . . . . . . . (2)
(2)
(5)
(3)
(3) . . . . .
2. . . . . . . . . . (5)
. . . . . . ni-ib-gi-gi
3. 

dug la śar-da
7. Kug dasgug zagin-ta (8) é-gal-zu-š̌ú
9. $\check{s}(a-m a-r a-n i-i n-t u(r)-t u(r)-n e$
10. sub-bi-a (11) $k i-s u-u b$ a-ra-ŝa-ne
12. d.En-lil-ba-ni lugal (13) Sag uriu-na dug$d u g$
.
(2) . . . . . .,
(3)
14. Nippur-(ki)-šúu (15) sūb ${ }^{1}$ girim-kár-ri ${ }^{2}$ me-en
16. še-mağ-tum ${ }^{3}$ (17) é ğ̆r-nu-gal me-en
18. ud-šì-uš-e (19) suğ-nu-túm-mu-bi me-en
20. d.En-lil-e (21) mu-ni-sè me-en
22. d.Nin-lil-li (23) šá-tam aš-ni me-en
24. d.Nin-urta (25) ur-sag-kialag-ga d.En-lil-lá-ge
26. $\grave{r-n a-g u b^{4}}$ (27) kur-ki-bal-zu--siu
28. gú-érim-gál (29) za-ựg (?) nu-gál-la
30. st̂-gim mu-ru-an-duğ
31. $X^{5}$-gim mut-ra-an-sal
32. d.Nusku (33) en é-lkur-e si(g)
34. á-ág-gà nig-šág-ga
4.
(5)
7. Gold, carnelian and lazuli (8) unto thy palace
9. they cause to enter for thee.
10. With adoration they make obeissance to thee.
12. Enlil-bani the king, who makes glad the heart of his city.
14. For Nippur art thou.
16. Bearer of grain in great quantity, (17) to the temple thou not
18. Daily thou ceasest not.
20. Whom Enlil chose by name thou art.
22. Of Ninlil thou art the only shattam-priest.
24. Ninurta, mighty champion of Enlil,
26. who stands impetuously, in the land hostile unto thee,
28. the wicked (29)
30. like grain in store, heaps up for thee,
31. and like. . . . . . . . scatters for thee.
32. Nusku, the lord that fills Ekur with light,
34. sender of beneficence.

## Col. V.

| (2) . . . . . . (3) | 1. . . . . . . ., (2) . . . . . ., (3) |
| :---: | :---: |
| 4. . . . $z u$. . . . (5) sag-dagal-zu | 4. . . . . . . . . ., (5) |
| 6. nam-i-ri-in-[tar] | 6. for thee decreed. |
| 7. gi-li gú kud-da-zu (8) nam-en mu-ra-an-mê | 7. He that understands the decision totality of all things lordship for thee for |

${ }^{1}$ On the possible identification of this sign, v. JRAS. 1921, 581 n. 4.
${ }^{2}$ Cf. PSBA. 1918, 83, 7.
${ }^{3}$ This passage fixes the reading of Gudea, Cyl. A 15, 12; urud-da-ni ze-may̌t-úun-a-gim "Its copper as one who brings much grain" (for Gudea the temple-builder will I cause to be obtained).
${ }^{4}$ Semitic kadriš $i z z a z u(?)$. Cf. KAR. 14 II 40 , $\grave{u}-n a=k a d r i s$, and for the phrase as title of deities, PBS. X 113, 7; SAK. 216 c) 4; BL. 115, 1.
${ }^{5}$ Cf. the similar sign in VS. XIV 163 , II $7+$ IV 2.
9. d.Nannar en zil-li (10) dumu d.En-lil-la
11. $X^{1}$ nam-ti-la (12) sag-za met-ra-ni-gi-en
13. d.Nut-dim-mud (14) dingir sag-dū-zu
15. abzu-ta (16) gege-gál ma-ra-tağ
17. d.Innini-ge (18) e-an-na-ka-ta
19. sag-ğgul-la
(20) gis-sub-ba-za mi-ni-in-gar
21. Ki ${ }^{9}$-nad-kug-ga-ni-ší (22) gal-bi mi-ri-in-túm-mu
23. gig- $\stackrel{\imath}{-n a}$ (24) $u d-m i-n i-i b-z a l-z a l-e-d e ́$
25. ama-kalam-ma (26) d.Nin-i-si-in-na-ge
27. $\grave{I}-s i-i n-(k i)-a$
(28) $k i-s t u-z a ~ m u-e-t a g$
29. d.Babbar sá-kud (30) lugal an-ki-ge
31. $u$-luğg ${ }^{4}$ sag-gig-ga (32) zi-dé-eš túm-túm-mu
33. šu-za ma-va-ni-gís-en
9. Nannar, the lord of praise, son of Enlil,
11. the . . of life, (12) has established thy head.
13. Nudimmud, god who is wise in foresight,
15. from the ocean unto thee has augmented prosperity.
17. Innini from Eanna
19. a glad heart made thy portion.
21. Upon her holy couch grandly she conducted herself toward thee.
23. During the night and when the sun shines, ${ }^{3}$
25. the mother of the Land, Nin-isinna, .
27. in Isin thy
29. Shamash, the judge, king of heaven and earth,
31. who bears the scepter of the dark-headed peoples faithfully,
33. has made firm thy haud.

Col. VI.

1. . . . . . . (2) . . . . . (3) . . . . . .
2. . . . . . . . . . (5)
3. il-la
(5)
4. . . . . . . .,
(2) . . . . . ., (3) . . . . . .
(7) an-ta ?-ga me-en
5. $u b$-?-ge (9) zür
lugal-
6. sal-i-rad-dug (11) dup-sar [kurum]-ug ${ }^{6}$
7. é-dub-a (13) é-na-ri (14) kalum-ma-ka
8. zag-sal-zu (16) mal-la (17) nam-ba-an-dág-gi
9. . . . . . . . . ., (ŏ) . . . . . . . . . . . .
10. . . . . . . . . ., (ŏ) . . . . . . . . . . . .
11. . . . . . . . . . ., (7) (7)

8-9.
offerings
10. shall be well prepared for thee.
11. The scribe of the sacred trust
12. in the house of writing, the cleansed house of the Land,
15. shall not cease to sing thy praise.

Month Addar, year when Samsuiluna, the king, the army of Emutbalum(ki) (smote). ${ }^{7}$
${ }^{1}$ The right half of this sign seems to be $M A L+N U N$. See Genoullac, TSA. 11 Rev. VI 7; RTC. 66 Rev. V 4; \&c.

2 The sign is obviously intended for $k i$, but the form is unusual.
" I. e. " by day."
${ }^{4}$ For $g$ giş-u-lug $^{\prime}=u l u h h \hat{u}$, scepter; v. MVAG. 1913, pt. 2, 29, 62; RA. 11, 146, 43; 16, 122; Thuread-Dangin, Rituels, 95, 28.
${ }^{5}$ See above, 1.12 and for $g i=k a n u$, v. Ni. 4506, Obv. 12; gi-ri-ib-gí=likûn.
${ }^{6}$ dupsarri pikitti, Scheil, Nouvelles Notes XXI in RT. 36.
${ }^{7}$ Possibly a variant of the year-date 17 of this king. The complete formula may have referred to the , defeat of the army, the destruction and restoration of the walls of Emutbal. See Poebel, Be. VI p. 75.

# HYMN AND PRAYER TO THE MOTHER GODDESS FOR SUCCOR FROM DEMONS. 

(W-B. 169.)

No. 169 is a medium sized rectangular prism pierced at the centre from top to bottom by a round smooth hole a half inch in diameter. The literary form of the composition is extraordinary. The text contains 97 lines divided into two sections. Lines $1-54$ contain six descriptions of various demons and of the hag demon Labartu, defining her nefarious practices. Not only is the text imperfectly preserved in these six paragraphs, but the language itself offers insurmountable difficulties. Paragraph I mentions the ka-gul, evil mouth (1. 1) and the eme-yul, evil tongue (1.5) of the wicked working goddess. ${ }^{1}$ The evil deity is then described as $\check{s} a y d u r r i ~ p a d d a ~ g r v-n u-u n-s u-[s u]$, "She that is named 'the womb,' whose foot falters not," and dumu-sal galu nig-nu-tuk, "The daughter (of Anu) who has no family." She is the demoness, the female with whom he that sleeps obtains not progeny (?) and unto him a wife is not given; nunuz galu nci-a-da-a-ni $n u-d u l-[d u l]^{2} d a m-a-n i$ nu-sum-ma-da-[ni] (1. 8). Each of these six paragraphs closes with the line: dingir ur-bi sí-a dingir lull-la-a-na ur-bi nu-me-en, "A god who can stand as rifal in opposition to her, a god whose wickedness is like hers, there is not."

Paragraph II begins in a liturgical strain; ni-bal-e nig ab-bal-e ud galu balag-a gigri" $z i-m u$ nu-g $\bar{u} d-d a$, "She curses, a curse she utters. When man sways to the drum not is my breath of live cut off." Line 13 mentions the dül-lal, "honey well;" a sacred place at Nippur has the name dül-làl, RA. 19, 69, 7. See also line 14. In this paragraph occur the words agrig, prophet (galu-bal, cf. SAI. 167 and PBS. V 147), and galu-gì-de-a, wailer. Line 17 again deseribes the Labartu demoness: sal-la tūr-tūr-ra galu ná-da-a-ni la-ba-an-ğyu-li, "The female who enfeebles (man)-with whom he that sleeps will not be glad." In the present condition of the text I can extract little meaning from paragraphs III, IV, V and VI which ends with Col. III 4.

The remaining 43 lines contain a remarkable address to the grain goddess Nidaba as the virgin goddess Innini. Seventeen of her temples are mentioned in which she is petitioned to extend succor to man against the demons. Nidaba was only a specialized type of the unmarried mother-goddess Innini, and as patroness of grain she possessed special power over demons. ${ }^{4}$ This section has some similarity to the "Hymn to Innini as Queen of Heaven," in which several of her temples are mentioned. ${ }^{5}$
${ }^{1}$ dingir-gul-dág-ga $=$ ilat $_{n t u s ̌ a l p i l a t ; ~ c f . ~ P S B A . ~ 1895, ~ K . ~}^{\text {K }} 41$ I 1.
 e-du-la, PBS. X 135, 33, where it should be rendered "harem." The word is probably derived from dul, to cover.
${ }^{3}$ gigri usually means h̆alālu, to creep into, not hुalālu, to sing, dance. The two words probably represent linguistic variants of one root " to dance, writhe."

- See Tamnıuz and Ishtar, 154.
${ }^{5}$ Published in Zimaran's Kullieder; v. PSBA. 1918, 79-82.


## Col. III.


6. ud gid-da ud gūd-da in-na-ni-gid-da
7. Uri-(ki)-ma kisal-ad-da-zu-šút
8. é-dilmun-na é ès-dam-zu 1-kam-ma
9. Kullab-(ki) uru-ki d.Gibilgames ${ }^{4}$
10. é-igi-dŭ-a-(ki)5 é èš-dam-zu 2-kam-ma
11. Unu-(ki)-ga uru-ki šag-gi-pad-da-zu
12. é-an-na-(ki) éèš-dam-zu 3-kam-ma
13. és Nibru-(ki) é d.En-lil-la-kam
14. é bara-dug-gar-pa-(ki) ${ }^{6}$ é èšdam-zu 4-kam-
$m a$
15. Bad-tibira-(ki) ${ }^{7}$ uru-ki nam-ma-gi-a-ta
16. é-innin-kalam-ma-(ki) ${ }^{9}$ é ès-dam-zu 5 -kam-
$m a$
17. Hallab-(ki) wu-ki d.ga-LAH(?) ${ }^{10-n a-t a ~}$
18. é-gi-gun ${ }^{11}$ - (ki) éèš-dam-zu 6-kam-ma
19. Kiš-(ki) uru-[ki n]am-lugal-la-ta
20. é-ğar-sag-kalam-ma-(ki) é èš-[dam]-za

7-kam-ma
5. In these stand fast, in these abide.
6. Length of days, shortness of days, shall be prolonged.
7. In Ur upon the court of thy father, ${ }^{2}$
8. is the Temple of Dilmun, the first temple of thy throne room. ${ }^{3}$
9. In Kullab, the city of Gilgamish,
10. is the temple Igidua, the second temple of thy throne room.
11. In Erech, the city of thy heart's choice,
12. is Eanna, the third temple of thy throne room.
13. In the house of Nippur, in the temple of Enlil,
14. is Ebaraduggarra, the fourth temple of thy throne room.
15. In Badtibira, the city of convents, ${ }^{8}$
16. is the "Temple of Innini of the Land," the fifth temple of thy throne room.
17. In Hallab, the city of d.Gaginna (?),
18. is Egigun, the sixth temple of thy throne room.
19. In Kish, the city of rulership,
20. is E-harsagkalamma, the seventh temple of thy throne room.
${ }^{1}$ See below IV 12.
${ }^{2}$ For Innini as daughter of the Moon-god, v. Tammuz and Ishtar, 98 n. 2.
${ }^{3}$ ešam is here written TUG, REC. 468, but the true reading is REC. 469. Note ki eš-dam-ma $=a s ̌ a r$ situlti,
 is more probable; cf. ana ê ès-dam eriba, DA. 92, 10, and the N. Pra. Ur-ě-dam, Gím-ěs-dam, Nin-ès-dam-kenag, \&c. CT. V 21 II 6; CT. VII 13, 16. This temple of Ishtar at Ur occurs in PSBA. 1918, 82, 32.
${ }^{4}$ Written Gišbil-mes-ga. On the various readings of this name, v. PBS. X 208.
${ }^{5}$ Throughout this text $k i$ follows the names of temples, which are thus designated as sections of the cities. The temple at Kullab occurs in PBS. V 157, 11.
${ }^{6}$ But this chapel of Innini in Ekur at Nippur is given as é bara-dur-gar-ra in ZA. X 294, 6+14 and so also the photograph in Schem, Sippar, Pl. II; dur is probably the original sign and dug a scribal error.
${ }^{7}$ Badtibira or Pantibiblos was the seat of the worship of Tammuz and Ishtar, v. JRAS. 1923, 253. Hence the description of the city which follows refers probably to the convent of the Ishtar priestesses. For magia<gagia $=g a g \hat{u}$, convent, probably also nuptial chamber, see BL. p. 35 No. 34 and JRAS. 1920, 512 n. 3.
${ }^{8}$ Or nuptials (?).
${ }^{9}$ Cf. PBS. V 157, 5.
${ }^{10}$ Cf. BE. 31, 28, 18.
${ }^{11}$ The sign is Br. 8189; probably the gunu of REC. 284, with value usan, Code of Hammurabi, § 202, and also laýtan, RA. 18, 65 VIII 36. At any rate a sign with value gun is required here. See PSBA. 1918, 82, 30, gi-gun-na at Hallab, and PBS. V 157, 16.

Weld-Blundell Collection I.
21. A-ga-dé-(ki) uru-ki mu-pad-dt-zu
22. é-ul-maš-(ki) é èš-dam-zu 8-kam-ma
23. Umma-(ki) uri-ki a.Šara-? ${ }^{1-t a}$
24. $e_{-}^{-d}$ Ib-gal ${ }^{2}$-(ki) é ès.dam-za 9-kam-ma
25. Adab-(ki) urru-ki d. Nin-tu--ra-ta
26. ésar-ra-(ki) é és-dam-zu 10-kam-ma
27. [Ellasar] ${ }^{5}-(k i)-m a ~ u r u-k i ~ s ̌ a g-t e-n a-t a a^{6}$
28. é-me-iur-ür-(ki) é èš-dam-zu 11-ma
29. [Marada?]-(ki) uru-ki gi(?)-grit-la-ta

1. é-sag-te-na-(ki) é ès-dan-zu 12-kam-ma
2. $K a(?)-z a l-l u-(k i)$ uru- $k i$ ?-ba-šág-ga-ta
3. $e$-šag-ğul-la-(ki) ${ }^{7}$ é-ès-dam-zu 13-kam-ma
4. $A k \check{s} a(k)-a-(k i) u r u-k i$ kenag-gà-ta
5. In Agade, the city whose name thou hast chosen,
6. is E-ulmash, the eighth temple of thy throne room.
7. In Umma, the city of ${ }^{d}$ Shara-gal (?),

24 . is the "Temple of the deity of the Ibgal," the ninth temple of thy throne room.
25. In Adab, the city of ${ }^{d}$ Nintur, ${ }^{3}$
26. Esarra ${ }^{4}$ is the tenth city of thy throne room.
27. In Ellasar, the city that appeases the heart,
28. is the "Temple which conducts decrees," the eleventh temple of thy throne room.
29. At Marada, city of the "opening of the ears,"

Col. IV.

1. is the "Temple that appeases the heart," the eleventh temple of thy throne room.
2. In $K a$-zallu, the city of good . . . . . .,
3. is the "Temple of the glad heart," the thirteenth temple of thy throne room.
4. In Alšak, the beloved city,
${ }^{1}$ We have here a more full form of the name of the god of Umma, but the second part of the name is defaced. Perhaps read S̆́ra-gat.
${ }^{2}$ Ibgal, "great room" is the name of Imnini's temple at Umma, PSBA. 1918, 82, 38; BL. 73, 34, and cf. Contenau, Textes Ec. dumma, 5762 I 15.
${ }^{3}$ This passage proves that the mother goddess commonly read Nintud is to be read Nintur with Demel, Pantheon Babylonicum, No. 2740 and Ponbel, PBS. IV 24, where he distinguished between the titles Nintud (Code of Hammurabi III 35; Nin-tu-ud CT. 24, 12, $13=24,25,82,8 c c$.) and Nintur. Both titles clearly refer to the same goddess, particularly associated with Adab. I was quite wrong in refusing to recognize the title Nintur in PBS. X 96, but the meaning of this title is obscure. For the reading, cf. d.Nin-tu-ra, PBS. IV 13, 3; Nies Collection II 24, 29, Nin-tu-ri, Var. 25, 29, Nin-tu-ra; and other examples in BL. 54, 5; Poème Sumérien du Paradis, 184, 40; Nin-tu-tu-ri, OT. 24, 25, 81.

4 Esarra was in reality the name of the temple of Nintur at Adab; here Innini is identified with Nintur. See PBS. V 157, 7; AJSL. 30, 221.
${ }^{5}$ Unfortunately the signs are completely defaced here and in PBS. V 157, 15. The temple E-me-ŭr-ŭr is mentioned on two bronze canephoroi, one of which is said to have been found at Afadj (but there are no ancient ruins there according to all obtainable information). See Thureat-Dangin, SAK. 218 e) and VS. I 31. In BL. Pl. XI, K. 9315, 11, umun E-me-ŭr-ür refers to Shamash (?) and d.Lugal-me-ür-ür is a title of this deity, CT. 25, 39, 9. In the canephoroi of Kudurmabug this temple belongs to Innini. The traces of the sign before $k i$ clearly indicate $U N U$ and since Ellasar is not otherwise mentioned, here or in PBS. 157, the restoration UD $U N U$ is probable.
${ }^{6}$ Cf. KAR. 99, 9, a title of Nergal there.
${ }^{7}$ The temple is mentioned on a canephorus of Kudurmabug, who built it for Nanâ, SAK. 220 I 14.
5. an-za-kar ${ }^{1-(k i) ~ e ́ ~ e ̀ s-d a m-z u ~ 14-k a m-m a ~}$
6. Gù-dam-ma-(ki) uru-ki ul-li-a-ta
7. é-mé-a-(ki) é ès-dam-zu 15-kam-ma
8. I-si-in-na-(ki) uru-ki nam-nun-na-ta
9. é-sig-me-zíd-du ${ }^{2}$-(ki) é èş-dam-zu 16-kam-ma
10. $A-U R U^{3}-a-(k i)$ uru-ki ğe-gal-la-ta
11. A-nim-ma-(ki) é ès-dam-zu 17-kam-ma
12. e-ne-ší gub-ba e-ne-šíl ku-a
13. $u d-g i d-d a \quad u d$ gūd-da in-na-ni-gid-da
14. dumu-sal Ki-en-gi-(ki) Uri-ge
15. ama dìm tù-bi silim tun-ni gul-la-ba-gim tag
16. ad.Nidaba dumu-sal dingir-kug-ga ili d:En-lil-lá dúg-bal-bal šág-šág
17. a.Innini dumu-gal-zu d.Zuen-na in-dugud gar-ra tar kur-ra in-tud
18. d.Innini in-ninni ${ }^{4}$ d.Nidaba zag-sal
$\mathbf{5}$. is Anzakar, the fourteenth temple of thy throne room.
6. In Cutha (?), the eternal city,
7. is the "Temple of battle," the fifteenth temple of thy throne room.
8. In Isin, the city of princes,
9. is Esigmeziddu, the sixteenth temple of thy throne room.
10. In . . . . . ., the city of plenty
11. Animma, is the seventeenth temple of thy throne room.
12. In these stand, in these abide.
13. Length of days, shortness of days, shall be prolonged.
14. O daughter of Sumer and Accad,
15. O mother, the curse of the hag demon appease, victoriously like . . . smite thou,
16. O Nidaba, daughter, holy goddess and exalted of Enlil, imprecator who heals.
17. Innini, thy great son Sin is glorified, mercy and the destruction of the wicked ones he has ordained.
18. Innini, the lady Nidaba, praise.
${ }^{1}$ The full form é-an-za-kar in PBS. V 157, 8. Anzakar at Akšak (Upi), PSBA. 1918, 82, 37. Anzakar is, therefore, the name of the temple of the mother goddess of Akšak, who is identical with Nin-tag-a-tud-gar-ra, glossed id-da-a-ri, BA. V 619, $28=$ BL. Pl. 54, 13, where her temple is called Urzabba, p. 72, 14; her title in VS. VI 213, 21 is kallat s̆a âl $U$-pi-ía.
${ }^{2}$ Cf. PBS. V 157, 10.
${ }^{3}$ Certainly identical with A-ra-a-(ki) somewhere in Sumer, and mentioned only in the inscriptions of Eannatum; v. SAK. 243.
${ }^{4}$ Cf. King, Magic, 1, 31; VAB. IV 276 III 37.

# RECORD OF THE ERECTION OF A TEMPLE TO NINEGAL BY THE WIFE OF RDI-SIN. 

(W-B. 2.)

This monument is a clay cone with wide base, inscribed with a two column inscription in duplicate. One copy is written on the perimeter and one on the base. A similar account of the building of this temple is inscribed on a clay tablet now in Berlin and published by Winckler. See the edition and literature by Thurdau-Dangin, SAK. 218 d ). The Cone is complete whereas the text of the Berlin tablet is sadly damaged. The new text carries $23+23$ lines, but the Berlin text only $15+14$. It adds some new epithets of the goddess Nin-egal and proves that the name means "queen of the great house," ${ }^{1}$ a clear indication of an underworld deity. For a discussion of this underworld deity see my Historical and Religious Texts, p. 17 n. 3. This Cone was excavated at Senkereh, and the text naturally refers to her temple there and to her character as received in the priestly school of Ellasar. Here she is the daughter of the moon god (1.15) and her abode is in the wide heavens (1. 9). She gave Rim-Sin's queen a name, a phrase indicating the cuit to which this woman was attached when she received her official name; the name Simak (?)-Innini contains the name of the unmarried earth and heaven goddess Innini. This mother goddess's attributes include aspects of both spheres of influence. She was essentially an astral deity, but also as patroness of vegetation and the lover who descends to the lower world in quest of Tammuz, a chthonic deity. Ninegal, or Eresh-egal is by origin only an aspect of Innini as an underworld deity, but by confusion she is identified at Eilasar with the astral Innini. The cult of Ninegal had much vogue in Asia Minor from the 25 th century onward. The fifth Cappadocian month bore her name, arah d.Nin-é-gal, see Landsberger, ZDMG. 74, 218, and the Semitic texts from the old Hittite capital frequently mẹntion her name. See Keilschrifttexte aus Boghazköi, Vol. I p. 8, 57 et passin. At Assur, in the time of Bur-Sin of Ur, a patesi (Zariku) dedicated a temple to Nin-egallim, MDOG. 54, 34.

## W-B. 2. Col. I.

1. a.Nin-égal
2. nin-gal kilib sag-gıg ${ }^{2}$-sar-ra zu
3. An ${ }^{\text {d.En-lil d.En-ki-bi }}$
4. To Ninegal,
5. Great queen, into whose hand to know the totality of the dominion of the dark headed peoples,
6. Anu, Enlil and Enki

[^4]4. šu-ni-š̌ú be-in-si-eš-a
5. di eš-bar-bi si-di-di-e
6. sá-gar-gar li-tar-tar gal-zu
7. gui dingir-gal-gal-e-ne-Ka
8. enem-mắg dúg-ga-ni nu-zag
9. ki-šig-ga-ni an dagal-a dág-ga
10. ki igi-zi-bar-ra-na
11. lamma nir- gál ${ }^{2}$
12. lám-tùm ${ }^{3}$ sum-mu-a
13. dingir $\bar{u} s$-sud su-nigin-bi $i^{4}$ dug
14. dam a-raluzu-e gis-tug ${ }^{5}$
15. dumu-gal d.Zu-en-na

17. nin-a-ni-in
18. Si-met-ág(?)-d.Innini
19. dam kenag
20. d.Ri-im- ${ }^{d}$ Zu-en
21. dun giš-tug ${ }^{6}$ d.En-ilil-lú
22. igi-dŭ-a An-na šag-kug-gi pad-da
23. lugal kenag dingir-gal-gal-e-ne
4. have entrusted;
5. Who conducts judgement and decision,
6. The counsellor, the solicitous, the wise,
7. Princess of the great gods,
8. The mighty "Word" of whose utterance is unrivaled,
9. Whose sacred place she inhabits in the wide heavens,
10. Where she contemplates with faithful eyes,
11. The protecting genius who gives confidence,
12. With mercy begifted,
13. Compassionate deity, whose favour is good,
14. Wife who harkens unto intercession,
15. Great daughter of Sin,
16. Who conducts the oracles of heaven and earth,
17. Her queen,
18. Simag(?)-Innini,
19. Beloved wife of
20. Rim-Sin,
21. The valiant, who obeys Enlil,
22. The delight of the eyes of Anu, whose pure heart chose him,
23. King beloved by the great gods,

## Col. II.

24. Whose prayers are pious,
25. Shepherd of the totality of the land in the territory of Nippur,
26. Who executes perfectly the decrees and ordinances of Eridu,
27. Faithful husbandman and caretaker of Ur,
28. engar-zid ut-a Uri-(ki)-ma
${ }^{1}$ gủ for gud $=$ ḳarradu, ašaridu.
2 lamassat mutaklcilat.
${ }^{3}$ Probably for sag-lám-túm $=$ unninu.
${ }^{4}$ ža sah̆ar-ša tatubu. See also Zmmern, KL. 65, 10, šăb-ba úúmu-gin-na-ge šu-mu-un-nigin-e, (Nidaba) who causes the heart of the wrathful lord to repent.
${ }^{5}$ Cf. the Lagash Cone of Rim-Sin, SAK. 216 a) 7.
${ }^{6}$ Cf. RA. 15, 35.
${ }^{7}$ The sign is clearly $K A R$ on the Cone's perimeter and the sign on the base appears to be intended for KAR. The Lagash Cone of Rim-Sin, Price, Literary Remains of Rin-Sin XI 11 and photograph, Découvertes Pl. 41 has $K I$, which is obviously a better reading. Cf. Sumerian Grammar, p. 58. Kalam or "land" usually means " Home Land," i. e. Sumer; originally Kingin (二 Sumer) indicated the region of which Nippur was the capital, v. Sumerian Grammar, p. 1. Note that lugal Kingira = sar Nippuri, Poeber, PBS. IV 42 and Olmstead, AJSL. 33, 293. In this passage kalam or "home land," that is Sumer, is regarded as identical with ki-Nibru-(ki).
29. é-babbar-da ní-te-ga
30. lugal Ilawar-(ki)-ma
31. lugal Ki-en-gi ki-uri-ge
32. sal dû-na ${ }^{1}$
33. me-te ${ }^{2}$ lugal-šr̂ túm-ma
34. dúg-šag-sag-gi-bi mağ-a
35. $\quad$. Nin-é-gal-ka-šúu
36. ud ${ }^{d}$.Nin-é-gal nin-a-ni
37. mu-śág-ga-ni gù-zid be-in-de-a
38. é á-ág-gì kilib $\breve{u} r-u ̆ r$
39. kidur nam-dingir-bi-şu túm-ma
40. sag-bi ğar-sag-gal-gim im-mi-in-il
41. nam-til d.Ri-im-d.Sin
42. ud-da-eri-şúu gál-li-dé
43. $\hat{u}^{3}$ nam-til-la-ni-šú
44. mu- : na-
45. temen mu-pad-da
46. nam-nin-a-ka-na
47. ud-sí-du-ší im-mi-in-gar
48. Who is filled with awe by Ebabbar,
49. King of Ellasar,
50. King of Sumer and Accad.
51. She (Simag(?)-Innini), the humble woman,
52. Who has been made fit for the adornment of a king,
53. Whose prayers are mighty,
54. To Ninegal,
55. When Ninegal her lady
56. Proclaimed her sacred name faithfully,
57. Of the temple which conducts the totality of ordinances,
58. The dwelling place, made fit for her divinity,
59. Its head she caused to be lifted up like a great mountain.
60. The life of Rim-Sin
61. To cause to be unto eternal days,
62. (And) for the days of her own life,
63. She built it.
64. The foundation inscription, whose name
65. Was chosen by her ladyship,
66. She laid unto far away days.
 1. 2, "the humble shepherd;" dर̂̀-na-bi=ašriz, humbly, SAK. 212 b ) II 1 and for sib- $\lambda \hat{\imath}$-na see year date 2 of
 V Raw. 60 A 64.
${ }^{2}$ So the inscription on the perimeter. The variant has $P A$ clearly.
${ }^{3}$ Var. on base $\dot{u}$ as on the Berlin tablet, SAK. 218 d) Rev. 9.

# SUMERIAN INSCRIPTION OF HAMMURABI. BUILDING OF THE WALL OF SIPPAR. ${ }^{1}$ 

(W-B. 6.)
Col. I.

1. ud d.Utu
2. en-gal an-ki-bi-da
3. lugal dingir-ri-e-ne
4. Ha-am-mu-va-bi
5. sib še-ga-ni me-en
6. igi-lăg-ga-na
7. gul-la-bi
8. mu-un-bar-ri-en
9. nam-lugal-da (?)-na
10. bal ud-sud-du
11. un-ni-in-PA $+\mathrm{KAB}+\mathrm{DU}$
12. dumu-na ${ }^{2}$ ma-da
13. nam-en-bi ág-dé
14. ma-an-sum-ma
15. ma-ni-in-gi-en
16. Zimbiv-(ki)
17. Ká-dingir-ra-(ki) uku-bi
18. ki-dur ne-ğa dúr-ù-da
19. dúg-kug-gi šub-da-na
20. be-in-dúg-ga-a
21. bad Zimbir-(ki)
22. $d \bar{u}-\grave{u}-d a$
23. sag-bi il-i-da
24. á-gal-ğu-mu-da-an-ág
25. udba
26. Ha-am-mu-[ra]-bi
27. lugal-kalag-ga
28. When Shamash, \&
29. great lord of heaven and earth,
30. king of the gods,
31. whose obedient shepherd
32. I, Hammurabi, am,
33. with his bright eyes
34. gladly
35. looked upon me,
36. and for his kingship
37. a reign unto far-away days
38. granted me,
39. the children of the Land-
40. to exercise their rule
41. gave me
42. and confirmed unto me,
43. and of Sippar
44. and Babylon-its people
45. to cause to dwell in habitations of peace
46. by his spoken oath
47. had commanded me,
48. (and when) to build
49. the wall of Sippar,
50. and to lift up its head,
51. grandly was I sent,
52. at that time
53. Hammurabi,
54. the valiant king,
${ }^{1}$ For a similar inscription in two columnis, see King, LIH, No. 58 with Semitic version on No. 57. The British Museum possesses several duplicates of this some-what similar inscription, all on truncated cones. W-B. 6 is a much longer text in three columns written in duplicate on a large cone with enlarged base. The projecting portion of the cone is entirely broken away and only a few signs of the beginnings of Col. I remain of that copy of the text. The circular base is also broken on one side, and of Col. III only a few signs are preserved. The cone was unbaked and is weather worn.
${ }^{2}$ mar ameli.

## Col. II.

1. lugal Ká-dingir-ra-(ki)
2. im- gi(?) ${ }^{1}$
3. d.Utu-da
4. kenag d.SIMUG (??)
5. šag-dug-ga d.Marduk
6. lugal ?-ni me-en
7. á-kalag-mağ d.SIMUG (??)
8. ma-ni-in-
9. ki-dúr . . . . . . gar
10. . . . . . . . . . da-mu
11. 

bad Zimbir-(ki)
12. sagar-ta gar-sag-gal-gim ${ }^{3}$
13. sag-bi ge-im-mi-il
14. bad-mağ ğ gr-mu-d $\bar{u}$
15. ud ul-ll-a-ta
16. lugal lugal-e-ne-ir
17. galu-na-me
18. ba-ra-an-dim-ma
19. ${ }^{d}$ Utu lugal-mà
20. gal-bi gu-mu-na-ir ${ }^{4}$
21. bad- bi
22. dug-ga ${ }^{d . U t u-t a}$
23. H $H a-a m-m u-r a-b i$
24. gab-ri na-an-tuk-tuk
25. mu-bi-im
26. bal-sáğ-ga
27. ${ }^{d .}$ Utu

1. king of Babylon,
2. an usurper
3. by the aid of Shamash (overthrew);
4. the beloved of the god
5. who maketh glad the heart of Marduk,
6. his . . . . . king I am.
7. Unto whom the god
8. gave (?) far famed power.
9. An habitation
10. 
11. . . . . . . . . . . . of the wall of Sippar ${ }^{2}$
12. with earth like a great mountain
13. its head I raised.
14. A mighty wall verily I built.
15. What since from ancient days
16. a king among kings
17. any-one of them
18. had not built,
19. to Shamash my lord
20. grandly I built.
21. Of that wall
22. "By the command of Shamash
23. may Hammurabi
24. not have a rival"
25. is the name.
26. A good reign
27. Shamash
(Col. III entirely destroyed.)
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# TABLET OF REGULATIONS FOR DISPOSITION OF REGULAR OFFERINGS TO ISHITAR AND NANÂ OF ERECH. 

(W-B. 10.)

 "Concerning the regular offerings to Ishtar of Erech and to Nana for the days of the year." The colophon reads [ $\check{s} a-\underline{t} i r]$-ma barîm; bust $\dot{\imath}$ Éanna, "It was written and collated; the property of Eanna." The tablet supplies an excellent commentary to the large tablet AO. 6451 in the Louvre, published by F. Thureau-Dangin, Rituels Accadiens, 62-5 and 74-86, in which the daily sacrifices to the gods "Anu, Antum, Ishtar, Nanâ and the gods who inhabit Bitrêés, Ešgal and Esarra, the great chapel of the stage-tower of Anu," are described. These were given at four daily meals for the gods of the great temple at Erech, the great and the little morning meals, and the great and little evening meals. The ancient name of the famous temple of Erech was Eanna, in which the cults of Anu, the heaven god, and of Innini-Ishtar were installed. In the late period this temple seems to have been enlarged into a group of temples, the cult of Innini being associated with her satellite and sub-form Nanâ and confined to the older temple Eanna; a greater temple Bit-rêsi was then built for the cult of Anu, the heaven god, and his consort Anta, and the entire group of temples came under the general name of Bit-ress(i). W-B. 10 is concerned with the disposition of the offerings to Innini-Ishtar and Nanâ of Eanna only, and the regulations were ordered by Nabu-apal-iddin, the king of Babylonia (890-854), who established similar cult regulations for the temple of Shamash at Sippar.
2. Ten haunches, ${ }^{1}$ shoulders ${ }^{2}$ and ribs, the food of the king. ${ }^{3}$
3. Ten hearts, kidneys, ${ }^{4}$ naşrapu ${ }^{5}$ (livers?) and haunches, $a$-ri-a for the urigallh. ${ }^{6}$

[^6]4. Ten haunches, ribs, breasts and ${ }^{\text {sir }} H A R-I \check{S}$ for the ministrants of the temple. ${ }^{1}$
5. [Ten] haunches- $\alpha-r i-a$, kidneys and $\tilde{s} a g g i k ; u^{2}$ for the ministrants of the temple.
6. [Ten (?)] legs, ${ }^{3}$ the benefaction of Nabu-apal-iddin, king of Babylon, which he bestowed upon

- Nabu-kuzub-ilani, son of Akar-karrad, the priest of incantations, (and) rumps, for the king.

7. Six (?) legs (of mutton) for the secretary.
8. Six (?) legs (of mutton) for the ministrants of the temple.
9. [?] ser UH゙? ṣihirti
10. [? šer] SE(?)-GAR-MAR
11. . . . . . . . ${ }^{\text {º }}$ bal-ri-e
12. . . . . . . . GÚ
13. . . . . . . . . . DU
14. (?) ribs
15. [? pi]-i kar-šu ${ }^{8}$

## for the builders. ${ }^{4}$

for the sangu priests of Eanna (??).
for the bit hilssu. ${ }^{6}$
for the psalmist(s).
for the singer(s).
for the zabardible ${ }^{7}$
for the temple confectioners."
16. . . . . meat for Ili-šu-kiti, the baker.
17. [Five(?)] hides, stripped off, on the second and fifteenth days of each month, and the pieces of flesh assigned as food for the king, belong to Nabu-kuzub-ilāni, the priest of incantations; it is the benefaction of Nabu-apal-[iddin].
18. [Five(?)] hides, stripped off, for ministrants of the temple.
19. . . . . ten hearts, small intestines, sweet-breads (?), ${ }^{10}$ livers, secondly ${ }^{11}$ for Nabu-kuzub-ilani; benefaction of Nabu-apal-iddin, which he gave secondly to the priest of incantation. ${ }^{12}$
20. [?] hides of the living animals (?) ${ }^{13}$ and Sêru at-ru-uk for the shepherds of . . . . . . (?).
21. [?] tin-lib-bi-Pl. su-ku ${ }^{14}$ lab(?)-du צerissuruku for the sailors.
22. [?] tin-lib-bi-Pl. for the builders.
23. [1] tin-lib-bi for the eunuch(s) (?). ${ }^{15}$
24. [masak] ši-iht-ţu ma-la ru-up-šu ša patri iuı Máš-te-el-uzu ša amel[. . . . . . . . .]. The skins, stripped off, as many as the rupš̌ of the knife of . . . belong to the . . . . . . .
25. . . . . - -u, the sheep, regular offerings before Ishtar of Erech and before Nanā belong to . . . .
${ }^{1}$ amelu $T U-\dot{E}$, i. e. êrib biti, "he that enters the temple," a numerous and important order of priests who assisted in rituals of the public daily cults and at the great feasts. The Semitic reading was obtained from a passage in Ranse's Business Documents of the First Dynasty, 76, 35, Ibi-Šamaš e-ri-ib biti; cf. the secular title erib elcalli = girseḳi, a chamberlain, Meissner, OLZ. 1922, $243 . \quad 2$ See below, 1. 29.
${ }^{3} u z u-u r=i s ̌ d u$. Cf. the Sippar cult-tablet, V R. 61 V 10 and Clay, BE. VIII 106, 6; $5 u r-u z u$, five legs (of mutton).

4 Read probably mu-lan-ni-Pl., cf. Obv. 22 and Rev. 20. amelubant is the usual rendering of amelu $K A K$, but this tablet proves that mubannut is also possible. $\quad 5$ Here probably some figure is to be restored.
${ }^{6}$ A treasury or store-hơve, see 1.33 and ZA. III 146, 2.
${ }^{7}$ An order of priests engaged in performing sacrifices. See especially DA. 18, 20, amelzabardibbut ina nike šarvi işten imât, "A zabardibb̂̂ will die while performing the sacrifices of some king."
${ }^{8}$ Holma, Körperteile 75 , suggests that this anatomical term is the name of the "second stomach" of ruminating animals.
${ }^{9}$ Read bappir ? See Rev. $12+30$. The sign is actually written BI-KgarA on this tablet.
${ }^{10}$ sag-ì̆ $=$ irru dâmu, ZA. 33, 25, 29. Probably the pancreas. ${ }^{11}$ ina šani-i.
${ }^{12}$ amel kispi $=$ amel $\overline{a s i p u}$ of 11.6 and 17. kispu is here regarded as a variant of lciăpu and not as the word $k i x p u$, " offering for the dead." ${ }^{13}$ masale bal-ti.
${ }^{4}$ Cf. sîku, sakku, sakku = Heb. zôk, shin, Holara, Körperteile 135.
${ }^{15}$ Read $s^{3} u$-ut (?)-[rêsi]. Ce. Rev. 21. ssu-ut is probably an abbreviation for şut-rêst.
$26=2 ; 27=3 ; 28=4 ; 29=5$.
30. Ten (?) legs and rumps for the king.
$31=7 ; 32=8$.
33. [?] UH? sinirti u sêr TAR-HU-HU-e for the bit hilsu.
$34=10 ; 35=12 ; 36=14 ; 37-38=13$ and $15(?) ; 39=16 ; 40$, cf. $18 ; 41=19 ; 42=20 ;$ $43=21 ; 44-47 \ldots .$.

## REVERSE.

Line 4: cf. Obv. 29. Line 9 mentions the portions assigned to the šangu priest of the goddess Anunitum at Erech. This title of Ishtar as war-goddess is extremely rare at Erech and does not occur at all in the late texts found in great numbers there. ${ }^{1}$ Line 27: sêer set-si-tum, a synonym of ipu, womb. See Muss-Arnolt, Lexicon, p. 1046 under šilimtu and LUM $L$ šišitum in Schmil, Le Vocabulaive HUM: hुamāšu, 1.57. On the phrase šišitam armu in liver omens, see CT. 20, 6, $9 \mathrm{f} ; 7,19$; Borssien, Choix de Textes, 92,10 . Lines $34-5$ contain the phrase $a-n a G A B-D I B-t i$ harê which is obscure. Read gabdibutti? For haru, synonym of giparu, see PSBA. 1901, $120,6$.

## a schoLar's tablet CONTAINING SYLLABARY A AND A LIST OF GODS.

(W-B. 9.)

This fragment from the lower middle section of a very large tablet contains on the Obverse a list of deities and on the Reverse the list of signs known as Syllabary A. The fragment was obtained by Mr. Weld-Blundell at Bagdad in 1922 and is inventoried W-B. 9 in the Ashmolean Collection. It is the original of an Assur text published by 'Schroeder in Keilschrifttexte aus Assur verschiedenen Inhalts, No. 65. The Assur copy, however, inverts the two faces of the original, having Syl. A on the Obverse and the list of gods on the Reverse. Similar texts with explanations of the divine names are KAV. 63 and 62 (with omission of the Syllabary) and KAV. 46 and 47, five column texts containing the original list in Col. II, the Sumerian pronunciation in Col. I, an analysis of the ideograms in Col. III and identifications in Cols. IV and V. The entire list is edited by Schromder in the Zeitschrift für Assyriologie 33, 123-147.

Of Syllabary A the text published here begins with $K A M=$ Syl. A II 16 and contains fragments as far as EZEN about the 18th line of Syl. A VI. KAV. 65 carries portions of Syl. A from $G U D=$ Syl. A IV 2 as far as $I L=$ Syl. A 15 aad continued in the break after $I L$ to $B A R A$, last sigu on Syl. A, and then adds miscellaneous Sumerian and Semitic words. Early lists of Syl. A are also pablished by L. W. King in CT. V 9-10. CT. V 9 contains all of Syl. A and continues with Syl. B ${ }^{1}$; see also the Hoffman Tablet in JSOR. III 66 ff, where Syl. $\mathrm{B}^{1}$ follows Syl. A. The copies of Syl. A in CT. V belong to the Babylonian script of the late middle period, having great resemblance to the script of Shamash-shum-ukîn. Scheil, Une Saison de Fouilles a Sippar, pp. 34-37 was able to reconstruct a large part of Syl. A from fragments which he assigned to the First Dynasty.

[^7]By combining all these sources most of the lacunae in the copy of Syl. A, now in the British Museum and published by Thompson in CT. XI 1-5, can be restored. Col. V is restored as follows:

${ }^{1}$ KAV. 65 Obv. II 5; CT. V 9 Rev. II 3.
${ }^{2}$ KAV. 65 II 6, but CT. V Rev. II 4 has a peculiar form of the element RI similar to $R I$ in Esarhaddon's inseriptions. See Amiaud et Michineau, No. 27.
${ }^{3}$ BM. 34912, Obv. 17, has $u-r u-u n-[n u$ ?]. KAV. repeats this sign five times, but it is omitted entirely on Sippar No. 503.

* Here CT. V, 9 R. II has the sign Ery a confusion which could not have arisen at any time before the middle period.
${ }^{5}$ Lines 9-11 are restored from K. 14049.
${ }^{6}$ See ibid. for ll. 12-13. KAV. has this sign thrice.
7 See K. 14049 and W-B. 9 II 2. The late texts confused the sign $S A L+K U$ with $S A L+T U \dot{G}$ and it was consequently named $N I N N U$ also. Unfortunately the Sumerian word for $S A L+K U=a \operatorname{latu}$, sister, remains unknown.
${ }^{8}$ This sign is omitted on the early text, but occurs in the late text, CT. V 9. For the reading mid (?) see Christian, wzkm. 1911, p. 135.
${ }^{9}$ W-B. 9 has $S A L$ before $1 G$ !
${ }^{10}$ This reading for $S A L$ is proven correct by W-B. 9 and removes the doubt concerning the value geme for $S A L$. The line is omitted on CT. V 9.

| 22．gi－e－me | 人全 | a－ma－at |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 23．a－ma | － | a－mu－u |
| 24．da－ga－al | ＊ | － |
| 25．e－eš | ＜＜＜ | $g i-e s$－p $u$ u－u |
| 26．zi－ib | E | zi－ib－bu |
| 27． $\mathrm{ku}-\mathrm{ur}$ | A | ku－úrum |
| 29．ša－ad | ＊ | ＊ |
| 30．la－ad | ＊ | ＊ |
| 31．ma－ad | ＂ | ＊ |
| 32．gi－in（？） | ＊ | ＊ |
| 33. | $\pm 1$ | $s i-l u-u$ |
| 34. | ＊ | ＂ |
| 35．da－ar | $\cdots$ | ［ku－ut－tu］ |
| 36．ba－aš | ＂ | ＊ |
| 37．ku ${ }^{1}$－ud | ＂ | ＊ |
| 38．si－il | ＊ | ＂ |
| 39．bi－e | － | ［ba－at－tu］ |
| $\& \mathrm{c}$. | \＆c． | $\&$ c． |

Here follow $40-42, B E$ ，thrice； $43-4, K U G ; 4 \bar{S} \dot{S} A G(s a-a)=g i$ šim－ma－ru； 46 文（？） （ $p u-u$ ）；47－50 DUMU \＆c．The remaining signs in $51-65$ and the end of Col．V are controlled by CT．V 9 Rev．III $3(D U M U-U S ̌)-10(K A R)$ ，and partly by KAV． 65 Obv．III．Syl．A，Col．VI is now restored as follows：
1．$-\boldsymbol{A} Y(b a l)$ ．
2．〈FYYYY（šul）．
3．MYYYY（sah）．
4．$\rightarrow Y=Y Y Y$（subur）．

Lines 2－3－4 are based upon KAV． 65 where theee distinct signs are given．The first of these signs is REC． 250 ，DUN and $\check{S} U L$ ．šul is the Sumerian word for $i \not t l u$ ，mighty one，as I indicated in my Sumerian Grammar（1911）p．243；Demel in ZA．23， 47 adduced the n．pr．Šul－la in CT．I 31 Rev．4，and concluded that the name of the second king of Ur must be read Šul－gi and not Dun－gi．Znmmern，without mentioning the earlier solution of the correct reading šul $=i t l u$ ，came to the same conclusion in his edition of the Lipit－Istar hymn，Berichte der Königl．S̈̈chsischen Gesellschaft，1916，No． 5 p．31．But dun also means itlu or at any rate it has a similar sense．Note $t u-n a=s ̌ a l-t i z \check{s}$ ，Ebeling，KAR． 14 III $2 \bar{o}$ and Var．dù－na，IV R． $13 b 24$ ； cf．RA．XI，146， 33 and dî－na $a g-a g-d a=s i t l u t u, "$ Thuread－Dangiv，Rituels，70，3．It is，therefore， by no means certain that Dungi is not the correct pronunciation，the probability being in farour of Šulgi．It is certain from KAV． 65 that the sign $\check{S} A H$ differed from $D U N$ and $\check{S} U B U R$ as Hrozný，ZA．19， 368 argued．KAV．has clearly three signs．1．DUN，2，太AYYYYY（ŠAH）and 3．$-\mathrm{FYYY}\left(S_{U} U B U R\right)$ ．CT．V 9 Rev．III does not distinguish $D U N$ and $\mathscr{S A H}$ ，nor do the early copies of Syl．B；see my Grammatical Texts，PBS．XII，PI．17，Col．I 7－9，and the Neo－

[^8]Babylonian copy of Syl. B, Wetssbacif, Miscellen, Pl. 11, 24-27. The early Sumerian script does not appear to have had a separate sign for sabhû. In fact dun, to root, dig, hiru, seems to have been a Sumerian word for suah $\hat{u}$, pig. But the differentiation of $D U N$ into a new sign for sah $\hat{u}$ arose in the late Sumerian period; see the form K=YYYY in Ham. Code §8. This new sign was finally replaced by $\check{S} U B U R=a r d u$, $i r s i t u$. The confusion occurred in the late period. See the vocabulary in Bezold's Allerlei versprengte Keilinschriften, p. 117, ŠAH = sahâ, PEŠ (EYY ) $=\breve{s} a h \hat{u}, \stackrel{S}{S} A H-y i \check{s}-g i=\breve{s} a h \hat{u} \ldots, D U N-D U N=\breve{s} u h \hat{u} \ldots, D U N-s i-d a=\breve{s} a h \hat{u} \ldots$. . Now the original Sumerian word for "pig" was peš and dun clearly indicates some other animal in the older texts. The Bezold vocabulary states that DUN-DUN is a certain kind of pig, and ŠAH-gǐ̌-gi, identical with the Sumerian DUV-giš-gi (ef. Genoumlac, TSA. 34 Rev. II; Allottre de la Fuy̆e, DP. 14o VI et p.), designates not "pig," but a kind of pig. DUN-si-da occurs as $D U N-s i-t a$ in Scheil, RA. 18, 65 VIII 33. For DUN probably "zebu," originally, see my Archeives of Drehem p. 8, n. 6. The sign DUN probably took over the meaning sahnt from PES', because dun meant "to root" as well as $i t l l u$ "strong one," and this gave rise to a new sign slightly different from $D U N$. It is certainly erroneous to translate $D U N$ by $\check{s} a b \hat{u}$ in classical Sumerian.



 23. (izumnu). ${ }^{7}$ 24.- (idimmu). The remainder of Col. VI is complete (1l. 25-41) in CT. XI 5 .

The Obverse of $\mathrm{W}-\mathrm{B} .9$ is well nigh obliterated, but the text, which is still decipherable, may be restored from the Assur duplicates as follows:

W-B. 9, Obv. Col. II.

| 1. . . . . . . UŠLU | 1. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2. ${ }^{\text {d }} \mathrm{I}$-šar-li-su $(?)^{8}$ | 2. Nergal. |
| 3. d. Né-u[nu-gal] | 3. Nergal. |
| 4. ${ }^{\text {d. Gir }}{ }^{*}$-ra | 4. Nergal. |
| 5. ${ }^{\text {d Gir*-ra-gal }}$ | 5. Nergal. |

${ }^{1}$ Entered but once in CT. V $9 . \quad{ }^{2}$ See ZDMG. 72, 10. Aら́ occurs only once on CT. V 9.
3 Here KAV. breaks away and CT. V 9 enters this sign only once.
4 See the Assyrian copy of Syl. A VI in CT. XI 5.

- So CT. XI 5 VI 2, but Var. by Zimmern, ZA. 4, 394, sa nit-tak-ku kur-a i-gub.

6 Var. ZA. 4, 394 (ezennu). $\quad \tau$ This sign is entered only once in CT. V 9.
${ }^{8}$ This deity occurs also in Crarg, RT. 59, 29 as $I$-sar-li-[is]-su, and means "Correct is his understanding." A similar narne is iluIšar-lci-di-su (for kidit-su), Sturpu 8, 22 (6). Kîditu is the name of part of the liver, and by metonymy it probably means " thought." See also ilu $I$-šar-be-ri-su, " Correct is his vision." The sign is sar; not zir, in all the texts which contain these names, and it seems necessary to assume a Prs. of the verb askou, i- $\bar{\alpha} a r$ as well as isir. See also Ungnad, Materialien zur altalckadischen Sprache, p. 43. In KAV. 65 R. II $16-20=$ ZA. 33 , 130 other titles of Nergal compounded with Išar are d.Išar-nati-su, d.Išar-ali-su and d. Yśar-pad-da. The n. pr. I-sar-ba-dan, "Straight is the way," for Isar-padan, occurs in the period of Ur, see Ungnad, izid., and the n. pr. d.I-xar-pad.da in Scheil, Nouvelles Notes III in RT. XXXI. In these names isar is a verb, but the adjective isaru, "the just," was applied to Nergal, and hence a name like $I-s a r-k i-i n$, "The just is faithful," really means "Nergal is faithful."

| 6. ${ }^{\text {d. }} \mathrm{Ma}-[\mathrm{ma}]$ | 6. Bêlit-iāni. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 7. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Ma-ma | 7. Bêlit-ilani. |
| 8. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Ma-lik ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 8. Nergal. |
| 9. ${ }^{d}$ Ur-ma-šum ${ }^{2}$ | 9. Ilbaba (?) |
| 10. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ La-az | 10. Consort of Nergal. |
| 11. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Su-bu-la ${ }^{3}$ | 11. Nergal. |
| 12. ${ }^{d} \mathrm{I}$-šum | 12. Nergal. |

## Col. III.

| 1. [ $\left.{ }^{d} \mathrm{Ir}-\mathrm{k}\right] \mathrm{al}-\mathrm{la}{ }^{4}$ | 1. Nergal. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Ir-ni-na | 2. Ishtar. |
| 3. Lamma-ir-[ni]-na | 3. |
| 4. |  |
| 5. |  |
| 6. | 6. |
| 7. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Lugal-sub-be ${ }^{5}$ | 7. Ninurta. |
| 8. d.Nin-tag-[tug] | 8. marat al Anu. ${ }^{6}$ |
| 9. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Ningišzida | 9. Form of Tammuz. |
| 10. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Nin-[sar (?)] | 10. Attendant of Enlil. ${ }^{\text { }}$ |
| 11. ${ }^{\text {d. Kal-kal }}{ }^{\text {s }}$ | 11. Attendant of Enlil. |
| 12. ${ }^{d}$ Dun-gi ${ }^{9}$ | 12. Attendant of Enlil (?). |

${ }^{1}$ So also KAV. 63 II 37. ${ }^{\text {ith Matik }}$ is a title of Nergal; ci. KAV. 42 I 39, iluMālic and his consort ilat Ugurtu.
2 This deity is explained by sukkal d. Gula and may possibly be the restoration of KAV. 63 II 38, explained by d.Ilbaba.
${ }^{3}$ This is obviously the name to be restored in KAV. 63 II 39. For Šubula $=$ Nergal, v. SBP. 84, 4.
${ }^{4}$ But KAV. 65 R. III 7, al, i. e. $I r-k a l(a l)$.
${ }^{5}$ KAV. 63 III 40.
${ }^{6}$ This explanation of d.Tag-tug in KAV. 65 III 41 proves that the original text must have coutained the name of a feminine deity. The sign NIN has disappeared in the Assur text.
${ }^{7}$ CT. 24, 10, 16; SBP. 154, 35.
${ }^{8}$ leal-kal is rendered by ithu dannu, BL. 68, 10 aud cf. SBII. 85, 34. d. Kal-kal-ság-ga [nij-dŭ-gal é-kur-ra $=[i t]-l u ?$ ? $d a-a n-[n u$ dam-ḳu pi-fu]-úu rabû é-kur-ra, SBF. 134 I 29, and d. Kal-[kal] = pìtù raln ékurra, CT. 24, 9, 16 $=23,9$. This minor deity of the court of Enlil occurs in a ritual, Ebsling, KAR. 137, 8, and in the n. pr. d. Kal-kalmuballit, CT. 8, 48 A 1, 8; cf. also Ranke, Personal Names, 201 and Tallquist, Neubabylonisches Namenbuch, 249, sub Lamassu. The title seems to have special connection with the moon-god as attendant of Enlil, BL. p. 138.
${ }^{9}$ Here and in the parallel passage KAV. 63 III $46=65$ Rev. III 23 the deified king of Ur, Dungi, appears as a deity in the official lists, and is apparently assigned a place in the court of Enlil. The god with whom he was identified is unfortunately broken away in KAV. Bur-Sin survived, likewise, in the official pantheon, ass one of the eight gud-balag-du(?) of some god whose name is lost on CT. $25,19,17$, but most likely the name $a$. Sin is to be restored there.

## CYLINDER OF NABONIDUS. <br> (W-B. 5.)

A fine three column barrel cylinder (W-B. 5) gives a new account of the restoration of the temple of the Sun God at Sippar. The reconstruction of Ebarra at Sippar by Nabonidus is recorled in the following previously published inscriptions:

1. A similar two column barrel cylinder with duplicates, V Raw. 65, edited in my Neubabylouische Königsinschriften, pp. 250--261, Nbn. No. 6.
2. A small barrel cylinder in two columns, PSBA. 1889, Jan. Pls. I, II = Nbn. No. 2. .
3. A three column barrel cylinder, V Raw. 64, with variants from duplicates, $=$ Nbn. No. 1 . A new duplicate in VS. I No. 53 with five variant cylinders. This text includes accounts of Ehulbúl at Harran and Eulmash at Sippar. The section concerning Ebarra is Col. II 47-III 21.
4. A small two column cylinder from Marada, published by Dhorme in RA. XI 105-117, refers briefly to this work in Col. I $33-36$.
5. A long history of the work of Nabonidus on the temples of Shamash at Sippar and Ellasar, and of Anunit at Sippar-Anunit and Agade is restored from two cylinders and a prism by the writer in AJSL. 32, 102-117. The section on Ebarra of Sippar is Col. I 1-35.

The Oxford cylinder is the only three column cylinder exclusively devoted to the restoration of Ebarra of Sippar hitherto recovered. Like Nbn. No. 1 it was apparently written in the third year of Nabonidus, or at any rate the restoration was made in that year, i. e. 553 or 552 в.c. Like Nbn. No. 6 it contains an account of the consultation of the wise men and the search for the ancient foundation of Narâm-Sin, and it adds the interesting information that they actually found this record of Narâm-Sin.

W-B. 5. Col. I.

1. ìnze-um An-num $\grave{\text { ù }}{ }^{\text {ilu }} \mathrm{En-lil}$
2. $\check{s} a$ âlu Sippar-(ki) $i k-b u-u \hat{u}$ e-di-es̆-su
3. $a$-da-an-šu-num li-i-ni ikh-su-dam
4. a-na e-bi-eš Ébàr-ra iuu Śsumaš be-el ra-be-ù
5. i-ih-su-sa šu-bat-sa ri-eš-ti-tam
6. ša zi-ku-ra-at gi-gu-na-siu
7. ri-sic-su e-li ša pa-ni ul-lu-k
8. lib-ba-šu-ni ${ }^{1}$ ha-di-is ${ }^{2}$ ub-lam-ma
9. ${ }^{i z u} \mathrm{Na}-b i-u m-n a{ }^{-}-\mathrm{id}$ šarru za-ni-nu
10. mu- $t i-i b$ lib-bi-šu-nu $i b-b u-\hat{i}$
11. ri-é-a-am ka-an-šu
12. mus̆-te- ${ }^{3}-\hat{l}$ ásés ra-a-ti ilāni rabûti
13. When Anu and Enlil
14. commanded the restoration of the city Sippar,
15. their punctual term arrived.
16. To build Ebarra of Shamash, the great lord,
17. they planned. As for its original abode,
18. of the stage tower his dark chamber,
19. to raise its top higher than before,
20. their hearts impelled them joyfully,
21. and Nabuna'id, the king, the caretaker,
22. who maketh glad their hearts, they named.
23. The meek shepherd,
24. solicitous of the sacred places of the great gods, .
${ }^{1}$ Sic! for
2 The text of the parallel passage NBK. 236 II 5 is probably ha-di-is also. Bezold in PSBA. 1889, Pl. IV gave $S U$ instead of $i s$.
25. šakkanakku it-bi-šu
26. ša a-na te-im ilāni pu-tuli-ku ${ }^{1}$
27. za-ni-in É-sag-ila ̀̀ Ézi-da
28. mu-ud-di-iš eš-vi-e-ti ilāni i Ištarāt $i$
29. mu-dah-hi-id sa-at-tuk-ku
30. mu-šar-i ì-ih̆ ni-id-bi-e
31. mar Na-bi-um-ba-la-at-su-ik-bi
32. ru-bu-u e-im-ga a-na-ku
33. [e-uu-ma inu Marduk bêlu rab̂̂ be-lu-ut] $m \bar{a} t i(?)-s ̌ u$ i-ki-pa-an-ni (?)
34. [it mar ru-bi-e] ${ }^{i l u} \mathrm{Na}$-bi-um
35. [ . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $u$-šar]-ba-an-ni

24-41.
42.
43.
$h i$-di-tim
44.
45.

GAL ga-ga-da-a
46. ì-nu-šu É-bìr-pu ki-is-si $i^{3}$ ra-aš-bu
47. šu-ba-at iluక̌amši ì ilat Aja
48. ša i-na ki-ri-ib Sippar-(ki)
49. ša šarru ma-har i-pu-šu-ma ul-la-a ri-e-ši-šu
50. $45(?)$-kam šanãti la im-la-ma i-ku-pu i-ga-
ru-šu
51. va-am-ku-tim ${ }^{5}$ É-bàr-ra i-ta-mu-nim
52. i-ku-pu bitu
53. ki-bi-it-su-nu la $a-k i-i p$
54. ma-? a-a-१ $a-n i$ ni-ki-it-ti
ō5. u-du-' $u$ ni- . . Tin-tir-(ki) и Bár-sip-(ki)
56. ìm-ku-tu mu-di-e ši-ip-ri
57. a-na ki-vi-ib k-bar-ra u-?-?-ma
58. u-pa-
59. bitu šu-ct-ti i-ga-ru-šu ku-up-pu-ma
60. pu-ut-tu-vu ri-ki-is bâbāni
13. the skillful governor,
14. who attendeth upon the counsel of the gods,
15. caretaker of Esagila and Ezida,
16. restorer of the sacred places of gods and goddesses,
17. Who maketh abundant the regular offerings,
18. and multiplieth the freewill offerings,
19. son of Nabu-balatsu-ikbi,
20. the wise prince am $I$.
21. [When Marduk, the great lord,] entrusted unto me the lordship of his land
22. and the son of the prince, Nabu,
23. with enlarged me.
24-41.
42. $\qquad$
43. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . their prayers.
44. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . steadfastly
45. . . . . ... . . . I have waited upon them.
46. At that time Ebarra, the brilliant habitation,
47. abode of Shamash and Aja,
48. which is in Sippar,
49. which a former king built and whose upper parts he raised up,
50. 45 (?) years ${ }^{4}$ were not yet completed, but its walls were decayed.
51. The ramku-priests of Ebarra spoke:
52. "The temple has fallen to ruins"
53. But their words, I trusted not.
54. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . me terror.
55. The sages . . of Babylon and Barsippa,

56 . The wise ones trained in execution,
57. unto Ebarra I
58. and I
59. Of that temple the walls were fallen.
60. Burst were all of the gates,

[^9]Col. II.

2. a-zu-u ki-ri-ib biti
3. ip-pal-su-ma u-st-am-lu-in-ni pu-lu-us-tam
4. iš-tu biti šu-a-ti
5. ga-at ${ }^{i u n}{ }^{\text {Samasic }}$ ѝ ${ }^{\text {ilat } A j a ~ i s-b a-t u-m a ~}$
6. i-na li-iss-si da-am-kia
7. $a \check{s}-r i \quad s ̌ u-u s-s u-m u u-s e-s i z-b u$
8. $a-t a-m i$. . . . . . . . . . . . . ni-şi ma-a-ti
9. mi-na-a $i-s ̧ i-i r^{2}-s ̌ u m-m a ~ i-k u-u p-m a$
10. an-ni-ta i-ta-mu-nim
11. $u l b u-{ }^{2} u-a \quad a-\bar{s} a r-\bar{s} u$
12. e-li šu-ub-ti-síu kit-ti ul e-pui-uš-ma e-ni ga-ga-ar-šu
13. ilu ${ }^{\text {Samanas beel }}$ ra-be-ì

15. sit-bi-iv-šu bu-un-ni-i
16. i-na ás-ri-šu ki-nime e-bi-eşsu
17. $\mathfrak{i - s} a-a d-g i-i l$ pa-ni-ka
18. a-na da-ki-e $\dot{E}$-bàr-ra libbi pa-li-ih
19. ra-sa-a-ku ni-ki-it-ti
20. i-na ma-ià-al mu-siti-im

22. $a \check{s}-\delta \dot{z} \quad k a-[t a-a-a \quad u-s a l-l a]-a-a$

24. [aš-šum] e-bi-[esés Éb-bèrr-ra
25. [an-na ša-lim-ti iulu Šamắs ù ${ }^{\text {ilu }}$ Ramman

27. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ituRamman

28-41.
42. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $s i t i k k-k u$
43. ǐ̌-tu ${ }^{4}$ pa-ni ga-ga-ri-im.
44. 18 ammat $\mathfrak{u}-\mathrm{s} a-a b-b i-l u-m a$
45. te-me-en la-bi-ri-im

1. (and) the beams of its roof were torn assunder.
2. The wise men looked into the interior
3. of the temple and caused me to observe fully.
4. From that temple
5. the hands of Shamash and Aja they seized,
6. and in a holy chamber,
7. a place made fit for them they caused them to dwell. ${ }^{1}$
8. I spoke to the . . . . . . . of the people of the land (saying),
9. "What has cast it down that it has fallen to ruin?"
10. This they said:
11. "Its place has not been found.
12. $\mathrm{He}^{3}$ built it not upon its sure resting place and its earth shifted.
13. Shamash, the great lord,
14. hath waited for thee to build Ebarra.
15. To beautify its construction,
16. to build it in its right place
17. he hath entrusted unto thee."
18. To demolish Ebarra (my) heart feared,
19. and I had anxiety.
20. Upon the bed at night
21. I accomplished not sweet sleep.
22. I lifted up my hand and prayed
23. to Enlil, Sin and Marduk,
24. concerning the building of Ebarra.
25. [A favorable answer] Shamash and Ramman
26. [caused to be made in my divination]. I sought
27. and . . . . . . . Shamash and Ramman

28-41.
42.
43. From the surface of the ground
44. they descended 18 cubits
45. and the ancient foundation record
${ }^{1}$ Cf. VAB. IV 254, 30-31 and 224, 54-5.
${ }^{2}$ The root wasāru, fall prostrate, has also an active meaning, " to overthrow," and is here treated as a $7^{\prime \prime \prime}$ verb. See PSBA. 1910, 123 end, aśărи, Syn. of sahāpu.
${ }^{8}$ I. e. Nebuchadnezzar.

- Text TU-IS!

46. ப̆a Na-ra-am-iluSin šarri ma-hुar
47. ap-pa-li-is-ma
48. tub-bi hurasi abanulkni ̀̀ abansamti
49. ṡa e-bi-es É-bàr-va a-mu-ur-ma

Ø0. a-šar-šu-nu la ú-na-ak-ki-ir-ma
51. ú-te-iv ás-vu-uš-šu
52. ši-ti-ir šu-mi-įa it-ti-šu-un
53. u-ki-in a-ma şa-a-ti
54. e-li te-im-mi-en-ni-šu la-bi-vi
55. ubana a-na la a-si-e ù la e-ri-bi
56. pu-lu-uk-ka-šu lu-ú̂ ú-ki-in
57. mi-im-ma hi-sii-ih-tum e-bi-eš biti šu-a-t̄u
58. la ak-la-am-ma ú-še-vi-ib ki-१i-ib-šu
59. ša šarru mu-har i-na gušur gišimmari
60. ib-nu-и́ zu-7u-ul-šu
61. ${ }^{i s u} e r i n e ̂ d a-a n-n u-t i$
46. of Narâm-Sin, a former king,
47. I beheld.
48. The tablets of gold, lapis lazuli and carnelian
49. concerning the building of Ebarra I read,
50. and I changed not their place,
51. but I restored it to its ${ }^{1}$ place.
52. The inscription of my name with them

53, I fixed forever.
54. Upon its ancient foundation
55. not a finger breadth less or more ${ }^{2}$
56. verily I fixed its foundation plan.
57. Anything necessary for the building of that temple
58. I withheld not, but I caused to be brought into it .
59. Where a former king with beams of palm wood
60. had built its roof,
61. mighty cedars

Col. III.

1. iš-tu La-ab-na-nu
2. kisti el-li-ti
3. u-bi-il-lam-ma
4. 1050 ${ }^{3}$ isu erini a-na e-bi-es Éb
5. $l u-i u \quad u-s ̌ e-r i-i b$
6. a-na ši-i-bi-şu isu erinê ellûti ač-tak-ka-an
7. isutallu is ${ }^{i} h e t t u{ }^{\text {is }} \boldsymbol{s} k c i-n a-k u$
8. isusikkur šakili ${ }^{4}$ ša isu evinê el-lu-tim
9. e-ma bâbāni ì bitāti $\mathfrak{\imath}$ 亿-šar-ši-id
10. Ki-ma ša iš-tu šadi-i isuerini
11. ilu Šamaš bêlu šur-bu-र̂́ i-na nat-pa-ḩi-šu
12. i-na ${ }^{\text {isu }}$ evini da-an-nu-tu
13. e-li-šu zu-lu-lu ab-ni
14. a-sar mu-ša-bi-šu kima kišti ha-šu?
15. $i-r i-i s-s u \quad u s$ - $t i-i b$
16. ${ }^{\text {isugisimmar }} \hat{e}(?){ }^{\text {isu }}$ erin $\hat{e} u \stackrel{i s u}{ }$ mes/tanni
17. from Lebanon
18. the clean forest
19. I brought and
20. $10 \check{0} 0$ cedars for building Ebarra
21. I caused to enter.
22. I placed clean cedars for its ceiling.
23. The door valves, the lintels, the door posts,
24. the pins of the sliding bar of clean cedars
25. in the gates and buildings I caused to be established.
26. As where from the cedar mountains
27. Shamash, the exalted lord, arises,
28. with mighty cedars
29. I built a roof over it.
30. Of its dwelling place like a cedar hasurforest
31. I made sweet its odor.
32. Palms (?), cedars and the wood of Magan,
${ }^{1}$ Sic! for "their."
${ }^{2}$ Cf. VAB. IV 226, 65.
3 The text here agrees with VAB. IV 256, 3, where ibid., 226 III 1 has 5000 !
4 Written sag-gul lal which is rendered by sikkur sakili, Meissner, ATU.I 28, 28 with Var. su-lal. silkuru means the pin or pins of a lock which fall into the holes of the sliding bar (sakilu $=m e \hat{d i l u}$ ).
33. e-ma bâbāni-šu ù-šar-ši-id
34. si-hुi-iv-ti būtāti
35. i-?̣a işuašuḩê ${ }^{1}$ pu-ag-lu-tim
36. zu-lu-ul-si-na ab-ni
37. aš-šum ug-ga-t̄ ar-ra-tim ù hi-ti-ti
38. lii-iv-ba-šu la šu-ub-ši-i
39. i-na pi-i um-ma-na-a-ti e-bi-eš šip-ri-šu
40. la ša-ka-nim-ma
41. ik-vi-ib da-mi-ik-tim
42. i-na pi i-ši-na šá-ka-na-am
43. akalê kurunnu šêrề ù karanu du-ûh-hu-du
44. gi-da-ǎ̧-ši šu-nu-ti pič-šá-tam šamnu el-lu
45. zu-mur-šu-un u-dahh-hुi-id nar-ki-ti šamni $t a ̂ b i$
46. mu-uh-ha-šu-nu u-ša-aš-ki
47. 

is lib-ba-šù-vu uš-pàr-di
32. [............ li]-ib-ba-šu-nu-ma
33.
$a-r i$
34. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $v u-u s-s ̌ u$
35. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . -an-ni-ma
36. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . da-mi-ik
37. . . . . . . . . ma . . . šarru i-na šarrãni
38. . . . . . . . . .. . . . $i a-a-t i$ ma-la ib-nu- $\hat{\imath}$
39. . . . . . . . . . a-na itu Šamaš ù itat Aja
40. . . . . . . . . . a ašsat . . . . . e-p $u$-š̌u
41. [ha-di?]-iš ab-ni-šu-ma
42. $u$-şa-ak-li-il ši-bi-ir-šu
43. iun Šamaš bêlu rab̂t sa şami-e ù irṣi-tim.
44. a-na biti šu-a-ti
45. ha $a$-di-iš i-na e-ri-bi-ka
46. šu-bat-ka el-li-ti ri-eş-ti-tam
47. ta-bi-is i-na ra-mi-e-ka

49. ik-vi-bi da-mi-ik-tu ku-ùv-bu
50. క̌u-ùr-ka-am-ma balat ̂̂mê ru-ku-ti
51. lu-šin-lka a-na dâra-tim
17. in its gates I caused to be established.
18. Of the group of buildings round about
19. with huge ašuhu-woods
20. I built their roofs.
21. In order not to cause wrath, curse and sin
22. within it;

23 . in the mouth of the craftsmen, the builders of its construction
24. ${ }^{2}$ not to place;
25. but to place blessing for
26. goodness in their mouths;
27. to make plentiful bread, sesame-wine, meat and wine;
28. of those gidasssu ${ }^{3}$ with ointment and pure oil
29. their bodies I made to drip; with an unguent ${ }^{4}$ of fine oil
30. I caused their skulls to be soaked.
31. . . . . . . . . their hearts I made happy.
32.
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41. gladly I built it.
42. Its work I caused to be completed.
43. O Shamash, great lord of heaven and earth,
44. when into this temple
45. with gladness thou enterest,
46. when thy beautiful original dwelling,
47. thou occupiest graciously,
48. upon Nabonidus, the king, the caretaker,
49. bestow a blessing of grace;
50. grant him life unto far away days.
51. May he be subservient unto thee forever.

[^10]52. id-na be-lu-tim şal-mat ga-ga-du
53. Lu lec-a-am na-gab-su-un
54. ilai Aja hi-ir-ti na-rca-[mi]-ta-Ra
55. li-ta-mi-ka da-mi-ik-tim
56. i-na di-nim to bi-ri
57. e-ma ka-ti a-na-aš-su-kit
58. $i$-s $a-r i-i s ̌ \quad a p-l a-a n-n i$
59. ma-ha-ar ilu Marduk šar šamê it irṣi-tin
60. Ka-i $\bar{n}-n a \quad{ }^{2} n-u m-g i-v a$
61. ep-se-tu-x
52. Give unto him lordship over the darkheaded peoples,
53. yea, verily all of them.
54. May Aja thy beloved spouse
55. speak unto thee of blessings.
56. In judgment and oracle
57. when I raise my hand unto thee,
58. answer thou me rightly.
59. Before Marduk, king of heaven and earth,
60. steadfastly cause to be acceptable
61. my deeds.

## INSCRIBED BRICK OF NEBUCHADNEZAR.

## (W-B. 1922, 192.)

A three column brick inscription, duplicate of the similar inseription upon a brick of Nebuchadnezar in the Manchester Library. The previously known copy of this text which refers to the restoration of Ebarra at Sippar and the construction of a well for the temple is badly damaged. This duplicate of the Ashmolean Collection is also defective, but it carries the lines which complete the text. For the Manchester inscription see the writer's Neubabylonische Königsinschriften p. 190, No. 24. In Col. II 4 of my previous edition the restoration should be ba-la-tu [ $\hat{u}-\mathrm{mi} r \mathrm{r}-\mathrm{k} u-t i]$, and in 1.8 el-li-ti, not sirtim. W-B. 192 omits lat after ki-be-ti. Col. III of the Manchester text is thas restored from the duplicate.

1. ša la šu-be-e-lam
2. $\check{s} a \quad n i-s \hat{b} \hat{e} r a-a p-s a-a \cdot t i$
3. sa-al-ma-at ${ }^{1}$ ga-ye-dam
4. e-ma $a-s l-n i$
5. $\check{s} a-\tau u-\gamma u-i-k a$
6. ?? UŠ ri-ma-at-si-ma
7. a-na ̂̂-um dâr ú-ti

## INSCRIBED BRICK OF AŠUR-ETִLLILANI. <br> (W-B. 1922, 190.)

This inscription preserved upon the edge of a brick from Dilbat is the only historical text hitherto recovered from the reign of Ašurețililāni, son and successor of Ašurbanipal, which was written in Babylonia. Several inscribed bricks from Nimrud carry a short text in seven lines which mention the construction of a temple to Nebo at Kalhu by this king. See Strecis, Assurbanipal I pp. 199-207 and II 380. It is interesting to learn that the king, whose history is still obscure, selected the long neglected temple of Urašā at Dilbat for his restorations. This temple received no attention from the later kings of Babylonia who rebuilt most of the old temples in Sumer and Accad.
${ }^{1}$ But W-B. 192 has sa-la-la. The text is clearly written and must be explained as a variant of salmatu.
 ${ }^{i l u}$ Ásur-etilli-ilāni sar mat Ā̆sur-(ki)
2. mu-ud-dis parakki ilāni ralûti (rabûti) mar ${ }^{\text {ilu }}$ Ašur-bān-apli sár mat Ašsur-(kii) re'i sal-mat - Kalkadi É-i-be- ${ }^{i l u} A-m u m^{1}$ ašr-ri el-lu,
 išid kalak-ki-šu
 u nâri ${ }^{3}$ ub-bi-ib-ma
 ̂-mi-sam ana ${ }^{\text {ibu Nabu }}$
 mi-gir-šu-un li-ili-bu-u li-ri-ik palâ-šu

1. To Urašă, far-famed lord, chief of the great gods, E-ibe-Anum, the glittering shrine of the great lord, his lord, Ašureṭiliàni, the king of Assyria,
2. renewer of the shrines of the great gods, son of Ašurbanipal, king of Assyria, shepherd of the dark-headed ones, E-ibe-Anum, the pure place,
3. which is in the midst of Dilbat, abode of Uraša and Ninegal, he made new. With burnt brick the handi-work of the plain he built it anew, and the foundation of its cellar
4. as of old he . . . . . . unto eternal days. The whole ${ }^{6}$ of that cellar he made clean as the Tigris and The River,
5. and for the table of the great gods he established it. These . . . . . . . he commanded, and they bring (them) quickly for the table. Daily unto Nebo,
6. Marduk, Urašáa and Ninegal, who dwell in that temple, may they speak for blessings on Ašureṭiliāni, the king, their favorite. May his reign be long.
[^11]
# HYMN TO NIDABA, THE GRAIN GODDESS. 

(W-B. 186.)
This text is written upon a large thin tablet, in an extremely difficult script of the period of Samsuiluna. The Reverse is weather worn and seriously defaced. The total number of lines is 119 , but only the Obverse is sufficiently well preserved to be translated. Various aspects of the grain goddess are referred to in the poem, emphasis being laid upon her character as goddess of grain and irrigation; she is especially described as a virgin goddess, daughter of Enlil and patroness of lustration rituals. A somewhat similar but shorter Sumerian hymn to Nidaba is published by Zimmern in his Sumerische Kultlieder, No. 65. W-B. 186 is the only important ${ }^{*}$ hymn to Nidaba which has been translated. For an outline of her character, see B. L., 141; Tammuz and Ishtar, 148-158. The deity Heni with whom she is frequently connected in theological texts is also mentioned in Col. IV 9. Owing to the defective condition of the text, the setting of the most interesting section, Col. I 23-31, must remain obscure. These lines are similar to the Sumerian poem on the origins of civilisation translated in Le Poème Sumérien du Paradis, 136-146; the first 24 lines of that poem described the earth before the creation of the grain goddess, when living creatures had not been created, and Tagtug, the founder of organized society, had not yet appeared. These two texts assume that the earth had been created ages before the gods created mankind and made it habitable. After the creation of mankind there followed according to other Sumerian texts a long Utopian Age.

## W-B. 186, Obv. I. Col. I.

8. ki gi-dub-ba-ta sag-dúg-dúg me-en
9. šag d.Ẻn-lil-lá dug-dug-gi me-en
10. nin-mu ${ }^{1}$ E-kur-ra kì̀r-bi za-e me-en
11. E-an-na-ka kù̀-bi me-en
12. E-kur é d.En-lil-li bur-bi za-e me-en
13. dingir-gal-gal-e-ne zi-a-a ${ }^{2}-b i$ me-en
14. nin-mu ki-gar-ra d.En-lil-lá me-en
15. al Nidab-bi me-en gar-ta divig-bi me-en
16. d.Nidaba nam-lugal suguşsi gi-na me-en
17. In the place of writing thou rejoicest.
18. The heart of Enlil thou makest glad.
19. O my lady, of Ekur thou art the food,
20. of Eanna thou art the food.
21. Of Ekur, temple of Enlil, thou art the table.
22. Of the great gods she that pacifies the soul art thou.
23. O my lady, thou art she that causes the (heart) of Enlil to return to its place. ${ }^{3}$
24. Thou art that.Nidaba; she who is all powerful to reconcile, art thou.
25. O Nidaba, thou art she who establishes the foundations of kingship.

[^12] $s \check{s} u-n u-b i$
30. sib-tūr-ra ga-ni ${ }^{8}$-ib-dùl-dùl duk-sika ga-nudúb
31. $\dot{s} a g-b i-t a ~ i ́ i ́-T U ́ G G-I R(?) ~ m u-m u-u n-\dot{-}-a$
32. . . . . . . . . . . la dingir-ri-e-ne šu-ba-ni$i b-z u r$
33. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Nidaba nin eri gar-gar-ra nin gì-zal si-di
me-en
17.
18. Nidaba, the adornment in the presence of Enlil,
19. the . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . of the gods,
20. . . ... . . . . whom a god has not taken in marriage(?).
21. . . . . . . . . . . Enlil
22. Nidaba
23. Man was not created, a city was not built.
24. A palace was not built, nor a king enthroned. ${ }^{2}$
20. The (temples?) of the gods had not been erected.
26. And thou, Nidaba, ${ }^{4}$ hadst not yet sprung up upon the earth.
27. Sheep-folds had not been built, cattle-stalls not made.
28. The shepherd played not soothing melodies on the lute. ${ }^{5}$
29. Unto the shepherd (Tammuz) lamentations for peace were not made, rituals of atonement were not said to him. ${ }^{7}$
30. For the shepherd boy milk was not . . .; in the earthen bowl milk was poured not.
31. Therefrom
was not
32. But now the gods receive sacrifices.
33. Nidaba, queen that builds cities, queen that ensures happiness, art thou.
${ }^{1}$ For $t u b=t a k \bar{a} n u$, v. CT. 12, 50 Rev. $10, t u-u b=t a-[l a-n u]$ and 1,17 , sug-tub-tub $=[t i k n u]$. The verb talcäuu is the cognate of Arabic takana, piel talckan, to water with slimy water and also to make well. Originally the verb means "pour out," then "smelt," mould metal objects. Note that inct ramaki-ka, SBH. 121, 12, is a synonym of ina tutagguni-ka.
${ }^{2}$ For this meaning of ili, cf. umun $i l-l a=$ sarra anašis, ASKT. $128,77=\mathrm{SBP}, 8,13$; men mu-ili, a crown he bore not, Paradis, 143, 16.

3 For si-si = ban̂̂ (properly suzuzu, to establish), cf. mu-nc-ni-si-si, Clay, Miscel. 4 II 7, Var. mu-na-ni-du, SAK. 26 i) III 4.
${ }^{4}$ I. e. millet, or grain. See Paradis, 136, 3.
${ }^{5}$ The translation is suggested by the primitive figurine of a shepherd lutanist, in Hilprecht, Explorations, 529. gidi $=t a k a l t i$ zammeri, CT. $18,34 b 25$, and gidida $=e b u b u$, PES. V 149,10 . But "the shepherd" probably refers to Tammuz here. See T'ammuz and Ishtar, 14.

${ }^{7}$ Cf. Tantmiz and Ishtar, 34-5.
${ }^{8}$ For $n i=n u$, ct. SBP. 138, 22, ni-kuš-ìu = nu-ikus̆-ı, SBH. 131, 48; ni-nag-a-za, PBS. V 26, 10, \&c.

## Col. II.

1. nar-balag nig-dug-gi šag-g̀ul-[la si-di-dé]
2. gi-in iz-za-am-ma ssag bur-bur- . . . . . . .
3. $\quad$.Nidaba láğ-šag-zu na-ga-an-tum-da
4. sizkur-zu dúg-dúg gì-gì-dé
5. sag-gíg-ga ki-a šù-šit-bu ${ }^{1}$-dé
6. tul-tul-lci-bi sur-sur-pi-dé
7. amá giš-gar zư-ré im-ma-ni-in-tu-tur
8. ama dumu-ni igi-nu-mu-un-ši-en-bar-e
9. ad-da ūš-tuk ùr-ra mu-un-dûg-a
10. galu nig-tuk zi-ga-al ag(?)-dé
11. $a$ Nidaba láğ-sag-zu na-an-ga-tum-da
12. ni-dagal-dagal-la ni-pes̆-peš-a me-en
13. ambar-pa ambar-ana-gim si-di-e me-en
14. giš-sag si-di-me-en sŭ̆-tub $B U-B U$
15. nig-šag-ğgl-ğgul-e-dé nin ${ }^{2}-z i-z i \quad$ bi me-en
16. a-dug-ga šag-ga gar-ra me-en
17. u-tu-da'sag-ga a peš-peš a me-en
18. ama dumu-ni kenag sum-sum-mu-dé
19. šukum dingir-gal-gal . . . . . . . . . me-en
20. dingiv-gal-gal-e-ne ka-bi gal-kid me-en
21. That the flute may give forth sweet sound rejoicing the heart,
22. 
23. Nidaba, may thy pure heart desire.
24. That prayers be recited,
25. That the black-headed race of men be established in the earth,
26. That they chant the divine services grandly,
27. That into the chambers of the goddesses tribute of sacrifice they bring,
28. That the mother search not for her son,
29. That the father constant in love . . . . (?),
30. That the wealthy man may exercise mercy,
31. Nidaba, may thy pure heart desire.
32. She that makes plentiful, makes prolific art thou.
33. She that causes the city's pools to function like the pools of hearen art thou.
34. She that directs the . . ., that beautiful things, thou art.
35. Thou art she that commands peace, to make glad the heart.
36. She that causes the fresh waters to return in flood, art thou. ${ }^{3}$
37. Thou art the creator of the floods, that makest the waters abundant.
38. That the mother bestow love upon her son, ${ }^{4}$
39. she that [establishes] the bread offerings to the great gods, art thou.
40. Of the great gods thou art the opener of their mouths. ${ }^{5}$.

${ }^{2}$ nin is apparently employed here for the abstract prefix, ordinarily written nān, cf. Col. I 29.
${ }^{3}$ The passage is parallel to Gudea, Cyl. A $1,5-9$, where the return of the floods is ascribed to Enlil, with whom Nidaba was closely associated. Nidaba is only a specialised type of Nina, the irrigation goddess, v. Tammaz and Ishtar, 149. She is probably referred to in RA. 19, 70,15 as the sinuistum id-kug-ga, " the woman, the pure river," and cf. line 23 ibid.

4 The meaning of this line must be obtained from its connection with line 19 , which refers to offerings to the gods; consequently line 18 probably refers to the cult of Tammuz and Ishtar.
"The reference is probably to the rituals of the "opening of the month" of statues, or the consecration of statues of the gods by magic rites, sometimes called the "washing of the mouth." Nidaba as grain groddess was intimately connected with mystic rites. For a parallel passage, v. IV R. 25 a 54, ka-zu nam-šib-ba gát-im-ma-ni-in-lyid.

Weld-Blundell Collection $I$.
21. sizleua.1 sag-ğul-la nin gì-zal si-di me-en
22. dingir-vi-e-ne ga-la mu-ni-ib-sum-mu
23. d.En-lil lugal kur-kur-ra-ge
24. gà-nun ${ }^{4}$ gì-mağg-EBUR dup-gál-la-ni me-en
25. sag-र̂-gal-ni me-en minda-ù-ba-ni me-en
26. uru-ba d.En-7il-lá-ge enim-ba-da-gi-di-ìa
27. ni-ba ${ }^{d \cdot}$ Kutg-sud-du ${ }^{5}$ igi-zal-la-mal-di-i.s
28. ib-dagal-dagal-la ba-ni-ib-keš-du
29. nig-tuk mà-e ba-ni-in-tu-tud
30. . . . . . . . . . . . . . gal-a ba-ni-ib-KU-a
31. $\operatorname{d}$ Nidaba lă̆-šag-zu nat-an-ga-tum-da
32. ni-dagal-dagıl-la ni-peš-pes̆ me-en
33. gà ni-dagal-dagal-la gà-nan ni-gür gūr me-en
34. šag-bi me-gal-gal za-e igi-ni-ib-gà-gà
35. nig-HAR nig-HAR-? im-ma-ab-bi-e
36. zur-zur (?) a-ra-zu-a lugal-la-a-ge
21. She that prays earnestly ${ }^{2}$ for gladness of men's hearts, queen that ensures happiness, art thou.
22. Unto the gods thou givest them their portions. ${ }^{3}$
23. Of Enlil, lord of the lands,
24. the scribe of his store-house, the far-famed house of the harvests, thou art.
25. She that furnishes him gifts, art thon; the giver of his bread art thou.
26. In his city Enlil, he who utters true words,
27. with fearful grandeur upon Kugsuddu looked with glad eyes.
28. In the wide cosmic chambers he summoned an assembly:
29. "One of much wealth have I begotten."
30.
31. Nidaba, may thy pure heart desire.
32. She that makes plentiful, that makes prolific, art thou.
33. She that multiples homes and makes the store-houses overfull, art thou.
34. Of the great decrees the meaning thou perceivest.
35. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . thou commandest.
36. Prayer and supplication of the king,

# LITURGICAL HYMN TO DUNGI. 

(W-B. 171.)

The prism, in four columns edited under this number, fortunately supplies a duplicate of Ni. 10993, a four column tablet, published by Mrhrman, PBS. I, part 1, No. 7. A small Nippur tablet, Constantinople, Ni. 2372, published in BE. 31, No. 5, carries on Obverse and Reverse 28 lines of Col. I. The prism represents the text as employed in the cult of the deified king, Dungi, at Ellasar. Col. III is entirely broken away, but the number of missing lines (22) is
${ }^{1}$ See JRAS. 1921, 574.
2 Nidaba as interceding mother goddess. See Tamnuz and Ishtar, p. 110-113.
${ }^{3}$ The grain goddess supplies the sacrifices of the gods.
${ }^{4}$ For ganun, store-house, v. Dél. Per. XIV 63 n. 1; DP. 155 XIII 1, \&c.
${ }^{5}$ A title of Nidaba as goddess of lustration.
obtained from the total (102), given by the scribe at the end of the text, and Ni. 10993 carries nearly all of the lacuna of $\mathrm{W}-\mathrm{B} .171$. The two texts from Nippur represent two editions, one on a single tablet and one on four tablets. In BE. 31, 14-18 I gave an edition of this important hymn, but the deficient character of the copy of Ni. 10993 then at my disposal seriously diminished the value of the interpretation. Dr. Legrain, curator of the Babylonian Section in the University Museum, Philadelphia, has kindly collated a number of passages for me. ${ }^{1}$ This was a favour for which I am most grateful; especially in view of the significance which I attach to this text in my reconstruction of Sumerian theology and the theory of the cults of deified kings. See Le Poème Sumérien du Paradis, p. IX.

## W-B. 171. Col. I.

1. [ba-tu-ud-dé-en-]na-ta ur-sag me-en
2. d.Dun-gi me-en ba ${ }^{2}-t u-u d-d e ́-e n-n a-t a ~ g u r ̌ a ́ s-~$ kalag-ga ${ }^{3}$ me-en
3. $\overline{\bar{u}} g$ igi-g̀̀ $u \check{s}$ ̌ušumgal-e tu-da me-en
4. lugal an-ub-da tab-tab-ba me-en
5. na-kid sib sag-gig-ga me-en
6. nir-gal an ${ }^{6}$-kur-kur-ra me-en
7. dumu ѝ-tu-da d.Nin-sun-kam me-en
8. šag-gi-pad-da an-kug-ga me-en
9. gala nam-tar-ra d.En-lil-lá me-en
10. a.Dun-gi kenag d.Nin-lil-lá me-en
11. sal-zi-dug-ga d.Nin-tu-ra me-en
12. giss-túg (gistug) sum-ma d.En-ki-kam ${ }^{7}$ me-en
13. lugal kalag-ga d.Nannar me-en
14. $\bar{u} g k a-d \breve{u}-a{ }^{d . U t u-\grave{u}^{8}}$ me-en
15. d.Dun-gi gí-li ${ }^{9}$ pad-da ${ }^{d . I n n i n i ~ m e-e n . ~}$
16. He that as a half(god) has been born, an heroic one art thou.
17. Divine Dungi thou art; he that as a half (god) has been born, a mighty man art thou.
18. Thou wast born a panther with flaming eyes, even as a great dragon. ${ }^{4}$
19. King of the four regions thou art. ${ }^{5}$
20. Pastor and shepherd of the dark-headed people thou art.
21. Pre-eminent one of the lands unto the horizon of heaven art thou.
22. Child born of Ninsun art thou.
23. Chosen by the pure heart of Ana art thou.
24. He whom Enlil predestined, art thou.
25. Divine Dungi, beloved of Ninlil, art thou.
26. Cared for faithfully by Nintur art thou.
27. Begifted with understanding by Ea art thou.
28. A king esteemed precious by Nannar art thou.
29. Raging panther, heat of the Sun art thou.
30. Divine Dangi, chosen for the adornment of Innini, art thou.
${ }^{1}$ The University Museum also placed an excellent photograph at my disposal.
${ }^{2} b a=m u t t a t u$, mešlu, portion half; cf. šumma zinnistu muttat amelûti ulid, If a woman bears a "half mau," i. e. hermaphrodite, CT. 27, 6, $2=$ Fossey, Bab. V 8, 72. The commentary ou this passage, RA. 17, 136, 26, explains muttatu' by mis̆lu, v. AJSL. 38, 198. And mišlu, hermaphrodite, is the Syrịac mullsa.
${ }^{3}$ Explained by zikaru, Poebel, BE. VI, 130, $2=$ PBS. V 75, 2, a title of Lugalannamundu. See also CT. 36, 1, I 2.

* us̆ungal may mean simply "governor"; v. Tammuz and Ishtar, 115 n. 2; PBS. X 152, 1.

5 Here begins BE. 31 No. 5, and Myrman, No. 7.
${ }^{6} a n$ is here parallel to an in an-ub-da-tabtab-ba, "the four regions unto the horizon."
7 Vars. ga.
${ }^{8}$ This variant of $d . U d$, BE. $31,15,16$, proves that the title is really utin. Cf. KL. 96,$5 ; 68$ Rev. 4 ff.
${ }^{9}$ BE. 31 No. 5 , gi-li-a.
16. anšu (gir) $)^{1-n u n-n a ~ k a ̆ s ̌-e . ~ d u ́-u ̀ ~ m e-e n ~}$
17. anšu-kur ${ }^{2}$ !ar-ru-an-na kun-sud-sud me-en
18. $\operatorname{dìr}(\grave{u} r)^{3}$ edin-n $a^{4} k d_{\grave{s}-e} k i n-g a^{4}$ me-en
19. dup-sar gal-zu d.Nidaba-kam ${ }^{5}$ me-en
20. nam-ur-sag-mu-gin nam-lalag-ga-mu-gin
21. $g i \check{s}-t u ̈ g-(g i s t u g)-g a^{6} \check{s} u-\bar{g} u-m u-n i-d t u-a^{7}$
22. enim-gi-na-bi y $\mathfrak{y} a-m a-d a-s i ́-a^{7}$
23. nig-si-di ${ }^{8}$ ki-ğab-ba-ág-gà-cinn ${ }^{8}$

25. enim nig-erim dúg-ga gul ga-ba-ra-gig-ga
26. d.Dun-gi me-en lugal kalag-ga ${ }^{10}$ sag-bi-şı́ $\grave{e}^{11} m e-e n$
27. ánun-gál zag-še ${ }^{19}-n i$ ší ğ gul-la-ni me-na-ge-eš
28. gır-ğu-mu-gur kaskal Kalam-ma-ge si-ǧe$i m-d i-d i$
29. kaskal-gid ${ }^{13}$ ğu-mu-gí é-gal-la ğe-ne-d $\bar{u}$
30. zag-ba gišsur ge-be-gín ki ni-bi gigir-gid. ğe-be-gar
31. . . . . . . . . . galu ba-a ğge-im-mi-in-ni-ku
16. Mule that speeds upon the route art thou.
17. A horse which on a journey hastens art thou.
18. Wild colt of the plains that is fashioned to run art thou.
19. The sage scribe of Nidaba art thou.
20. "Even as my heroism, as my valour,
21. with understanding may (god) adorn me.
22. By his faithful word may I be directed aright.
23. Justice may I love."
24. Wickedness mayest thou not love.
25. The speaking of wicked words mayest thou hate.
26. Thou art the divine Dungi; a mighty king who excels all art thou.
27. Powerful one
28. May turn the footsteps home and the (business) expeditions of the Land cause to fare well.
29. Fiom the far-away journey may he return and a palace build,
30. and beside it a garden set; in the awe inspiring place a "long wagon" dedicate.
31. . . . a watchman (?) cause to dwell there.

Col. II.

6. àr-mu kalam-ma la-[ba-an-da-ğalam]
7. ka-sil-mu kur-kur-ra [ye-si-si] ${ }^{1}$
8. šar kin-gal en á-Kalag-mu kàs-e
9. Nibru-(ki)-ta sig
 ma-
11. ug nam-sulu-bi-ta
dé ne ${ }^{2}$ ba gub-ba me-en
12. dur-gar-dé banda(da)-mu ${ }^{3}$ tum-mal ba-zal
13. tu-(ğu) miv-š̆̀ súr-bi dal-la gin á-mu ğu-mu-un-sud-sud ${ }^{5}$
14. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Im-dugud $(\mathfrak{y} u t)$ luur-bi-šáu igi il-la-ba šarmu gu-mu-bad-bad
10.. uru-ki-ma ${ }^{6}$-da ki-gar-gar-ra-mu y̆a-ma-lag-gi-eš-ám
16. Kalam sag-gig-ga ? ${ }^{7}-g i m ~ L U-a-m u^{8} \quad \breve{u}-d u g$ ğu-mu-ub-tu'g
17. gi $^{9}$ ğar-sag-gà kenur-bi šu-ğub-sar-sar-ri-dé
18. à.Utu â-dam-ma ud-ma-la
19. é-kisis-sir-gál-ta gab-ba-sar-ri-en
20. é d.Sin-na tùr ni-gal-gal-la gegegál-la ge-be$z i-z i^{11}$

22. ùb á-ldi-e $K$-balag-A ${ }^{13} \dot{g} a-b a-[a n ~ g i-g i]$
23. nar-balag nig-dug-gi si-ga-ba-[sá-a]
24. ${ }^{\text {d.Dun-gi galu nig-lu-lu }}{ }^{15}$ me-en nig- (?) ğa$b a-n i-d \bar{u}-[a$ ? $]$
6. My glory in the Land may not [be forgotten].
7. May my praise fill the lands.
8. May the mighty director of the universe, the lord of my strength
9. in Nippur the brick walls
10. In assembling (the troops) as one man for a distant march may he . . . my heart.
11. In the fury of his valour in his might stand . . .
12. When I take ( $n y$ ) seat Tummal let wisdom make glad,
13. the dove (? $)^{4}$ which like a dragon flies in fury make wide my powers,
14. the Zu -bird which lifts its eyes upon the foreign lands my sovereign power extend afar.
10. In my city which I have restored may they establish me.
16. The Land of the dark-headed people like . . . . . . . . may I behold benevolently.
17. To......... Kenur in the place of the " mountain," ${ }^{10}$
18. may Shamash, who gives light unto living creatures,
19. in Egišsirgal bestow abundance (?),
20. (and) the temple of Sin, the court of fearful splendor, with abundance may he fill.
21. Oxen may one slay and sheep for him furnish in abundance.
22. Timbrel and kettle drum may one cause to resound unto him.
23. May the flute sweet things unto him proffer. ${ }^{14}$
24. O divine Dungi, lord of magnificence art thou; he that creates wealth (art thou),

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{ }^{2} \text { ne, Var. né. } \quad{ }^{3} \text { On Ni. } 10993 .
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${ }^{1}$ Cf. Paradis, 244, 43. Line omitted on Ni. 10993.
${ }^{4} T U(g u)$ appears to designate a mythical monster here. Note that $T^{\prime} U(u r u)=a b u b u$, flood, the Deluge, and the $t u$ - $\left(g^{\prime} u\right)=$ summatu figures in the legend of the Deluge, Gilganish Epic, XI 147-8.
${ }^{5}$ Cf. á-sud-sud $=i$-[dan] arvakätum, Büreenrucher, Nergal, 25, 36; CT. IV $3 b 30$.
${ }^{6}$ Ni. 10993, uru-mù. uru-ki means always the "capitol" of a province or kingdom.
${ }^{7}$ Ni. 10993, sign $S \grave{G} G=$ lahbru(?), CT. 35, 5, 10.
${ }^{8}$ Ni. 10993, before gim, 盾 and $L U-A-A N$ clearly. $\quad{ }^{\circ}$ For $g i=k i$, place, locality, v. KAV. 51, 15.
${ }^{10}$ A title of the temple Ekur at Nippur. $\quad{ }^{11}$ Cf. Gudea, Cyl. A, 27, 13.
${ }^{12}$ This phrase occurs in W-B. 161 IIT 24; PBS. X 130, 39; KAR. 16 Rev. 23.
${ }^{13}$ Cf. BE. 30 No. 6 Rev. 15; Radau, Miscel. p. 431, 8 and note 8.
${ }^{14}$ Cf. Paradis, 244, 41; PBS. X 251, 29. Here begins Ni. 10993 Rev. I 1.
${ }^{15}$ Cf. PBS. I 3 Obv. I 4; BL. 53 No. 95 , 2.
25. $\overline{\bar{u}} g-g i m$ ki lugral-tuim-ta ni-il-let-mu-gim
26. é-gal-mắg ${ }^{d}$ Nin-é-gal-ka-kam ${ }^{1}$
27. dug-gan ni-dieb a-zal-li ${ }^{2}$ ni-dúb
28. dug-gan ni-kur ${ }^{3}$ ninda ğu-mu-ni-kìr
29. d. Nin-dì ${ }^{4}-s a y ~ i r-p a g-d i m ~ i ̆ a-m a-z i-d i m ~$
25. Like a panther, in a place made fit for a king, bearer of fearfulness.
26. In the far-famed palace of Ninegal
27. The jar he poured out, the holy water bowl he poured out.
28. Jars he presented in sacrifice, food he presented in sacrifice.
29. May Nindusag (these) deeds of thoughtfulness render profitable unto thee.

Col. III. ${ }^{5}$

1 (67). Nibru-(ki)-šá a-la-mà ga-ba-an-gur-ri-en
2 (68). ud-bi-a ud-dé enim-ib-bi mar-ur bat $a n-L U-L U(?)$
3 (69). mir-mir-ra im-găl-lu mur-bi ní-bi-a ğ $u-m u-u n-d u$
4 (71). $\bar{u} \cdot u^{7}$ gir-gir immir-imin-bi-ta an-na-ge ib-dug
ந̈ (72). ud gàl-dúg-ga ki ğe-im-bul-bul
6 (73). d Immer-ri an-nig-dagal-la-ba gì-jıu-mu-ni-de-de
7 (74).' immir an-na-ge a-ki-ta ${ }^{8}$ g̀̀-ğe-im-ma$d a-a b-l a l$
8 (75). dāg-tūr-tūr-bi-im dàg-gal-gal-bi-im

9 (76). síg Ékisib-ba ge-im-mi-ib-za

10 (77). lugal me-en im-ba-ra ba-da-

12 (79). ğu ̆́-ḱć-nu-gim HUB-gà ğu- . . . . . .
13 (80). dul-la-la gál-la-mu kàs ğ́u-.

1. For Nippur, my city (?), mayest thou cause her to repent.
2. Once on a time the Wrathful Word, the Deluge entered. ${ }^{6}$
3. The raging storm wind howled in fury.
4. The devastating storm with its seven winds in heaven thundered.
5. The storm making spirit caused the earth to quake.
6. The Rain God roared in the vast heavens.
7. The rains of heaven and the waters from the earth surged loudly.
8. And there were little (hail-)stones and great (hail-)stones.
9. May the brick walls of Lkišibba shew themselves in splendor.
10. A king thou art; the storm winds . . . .
11. Like a young panther
12. Like a roaring door-post
13. 

${ }^{1}$ Double genitive. See § $139 . \quad 2$ Var. argìt-bi.
${ }^{3}$ Note that this line proves lier to be the original reading of F- Ni. 10993 has < for 44.
${ }^{4} d \grave{u}=$ REC. 233 is the gunu of LAGAR; v. RA. 13, 159. This title is a variant of Nin-d立-sag, CT. 24, 12, 7, the mother goddess. Probably Ninlil is meant here.
${ }^{5}$ Col. III of the prism is entirely destroyed. The text is now taken from Ni. 10993, the numbers in Mynman's edition being given in parentheses.
${ }^{6}$ The ordinary expression for this legend is $a-m t a-r u$ ba-an-ir-ra $=a b u b u$ ibta'i. PBS.V 1 Col. V 4; SBP. 260, 19, \&c. Perhaps Myhman's ge-nigin is to be read as above.
${ }^{7}$ The sign is $\$ 1$, i. e. LAL with value uru, variant of $u r u=a b u b u$, Br. 911 .
${ }^{8}$ Ci. RA. 12, 29, 2. For gìl-lal = kalû, cry, lament, v. Br. No. 7 j 1 .
14 (81). $\operatorname{div}(u v)-a s$-du-gim ${ }^{1}$ kaš-sar-[sar me-
15 (82). d. Utu é-ct-ni-šú igi-ni ni-ib-[ra-tuğ]
16 (83). kaskal kaskal-gid ud 15-úm su-ğu-

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[\ldots . . . .]
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17--23 (84-89).

## [Six lines missing.]

15. Shamash in his rising looks upon thee.
16. A journey of 15 days (?)
$17-22$.

## Col. IV. ${ }^{2}$



# LITURGY OF THE CULT OF KÊS. 

From a Prism in the Possession of E. S. Dayid.

Through the unusual kindness of a dealer in antiquities, Mr. E. S. Davm of Paris, I am permitted to publish one of the most valuable Sumerian texts. The monument is a perfect prism, duplicate of the Ashmolean Prism, which I first published in Babylonian Liturgies, No. 197, and republished in the Revue d'Assyriologie, Vol. XVI, pp. 208-9. Several duplicates of this text were found on tablets of the Nippur Collections in Constantinople and Philadelphia., These were utilised for a new edition in my Sumerian Liturgies and Psalms, 311-323. The composition is quite unique in Cuneiform literature, having eight sections, each of which ends with the same refrain. Even with aid of the Ashmolean Prism and four duplicate fragments the text remained defective and the meaning obscure. We have now the entire text before us with numerous variant readings, and the real nature of the composition is revealed. It is in fact not only a liturgy in glorification of the temple of Ninharsag, mother-goddess of Kês, but a hymn of the cult of the dying god of Kês, son of Ninharsag. The name of this dying god, the Tammuz of Kês, is not given here, but a similar text, recently published by M. Thureat-Dangin in Revue d'Assyriologie, XIX 175 - $18 \overline{5}$, proves that at Kêš and Adab Lillu and Ninharsag were figures in a cult similar to that of Tammuz and Ishtar at Erech.

The location of Kês remains unsettled, but the evidence of the texts seems to indicate that it was either part of Erech, or in the vicinity of Erech. Ninharsag, one of the many titles of dingir-mağ $=b \hat{e} l i t i t e \hat{e},{ }^{1}$ was the goddess particularly associated with Kôs.. ${ }^{3}$ Another title of this goddess is Nintud or Nintur, also a common title of her at Kês. ${ }^{3}$ In this liturgy the name is read Nin-tu-ra in II 7; IV 5.28.33.35, and the two titles indicate the same deity. Ninharsag was the principal deity of Kểs as is known from inscriptions of Ur-Nammu, ${ }^{4}$ Eannatum ${ }^{5}$ and RimSin. ${ }^{6}$ There her name was also Aruru, ${ }^{7}$ and in a hymn to her she is described as gašen-garsagga, identical with Ninharsag. ${ }^{8}$ In this hymn her son, the dying god, is mentioned. ${ }^{9}$ At Kê̌ her temple bears the name $\bar{u} r-s ̌ a b b-b a .^{10}$ As mother of the god Lisi-gún ${ }^{11}$ she is called queen of $E$ Eur-šab-ba, ${ }^{12}$ and in the Louvre hymn Lisigún is lord of $\bar{u} r$-šcib-ba. ${ }^{12}$
${ }^{1}$ CT. $24,12,1=25,1$ and 24, 12, 3, a. Ninharsagga $=25,2$.
${ }^{2}$ See Col. III 13; IV 33 of this prism, and PBS. X 311 . : ${ }^{3}$ See BL., No. 95.
${ }^{4}$ SAK. 188, m). ${ }^{5}$ Ibid., 14 XVIII $6 . \quad{ }^{6}$ Ibid, 237 e), here called Ninmab.
${ }^{7}$ a.Aruru é Keš-(ki)-a, "Aruru in the temple of Ḳ̂ss," BL. No. 102, 1; d.Aruru, the sigal Keš-(ki)-ge, DSOR. III 15 R. 14.
${ }^{8}$ JSOR. III 15 R. 6. 17.
2 Obv. 17, a-tud-zu, " thy begotten child." See also Col. IV 13 of the David Prism.
${ }^{10}$ BL. No. 175, Obv. 14, has the ideogram for Opis or Akšak followed by $H A R-S / A G-B A$; the ideograms are glossed $k i-s a \bar{u} r-s \check{a}-b a$, see the Var. BA. V 619, 29. Here the ideogram for Akšak is confused with the ideogram for Kề.
${ }^{11}$ The gloss in Harper, Letters, XIV, No. 1449, 1. 2 indicates that the star NE-GUN was pronounced lisi-gun, but the pre-Sargonic month ezen d.NE-gin is rendered by ezen d.Nin-gin, V R. 43 a 11! Note also that d.NE-gin is a variant of d. Nin-gún, II R. $59 \mathrm{c} 40=58$.
${ }^{12}$ SBP. 156, 39; RA. XIX 178, 27.

On the other hand the same mother-goddess, under all these titles, appears as the principal deity of Adab. A brick-stamp of Dungi from Adab states that this king built Ekešlu, her beloved temple, to Ninharsag, ${ }^{1}$ and a hymu to Innini, in which she is identified with Nintur, has "Adab, the city of Nintura," where her tomple is called Esarra. ${ }^{2}$ Now in the hymn published by M. Thurdau-Danger there is a complete parallel to the theological ideas usually associated with the cult of Tammuz and Ishtar. In the Louvre text Gašanharsag is the mother of a dying god called mu-lu-lil, "the cripple lord,"s and a goddess described as munusegi-me, "queen of decrees," or $a-t u(d)-t \bar{u} \cdot$ ur-kin-me-me-ge, "who directs the decress," is his sister. With this compare ama ${ }^{d}$.Nin-tu-ra eš-bar-kin-dúg-ga, "Mother Nintur proclaim oracles," in Col. II 7 of this prism. It is, therefore, probable that, by analogy with the composite character of IshtarInnini as mother and sister of Tammuz, the mother-goddess of Kês and Adab was dissected into two aspects in relation to the dying god of that cult. In fact the refrain at the end of the sections on the David Prism seems to describe Ninharsag as weeping for the young god even as Nintur (his sister?). The Louvre hymn places the wailings for the lord Lil in Kês and Adab; ${ }^{*}$ $m u$-lu-lil is identified by Thureau-Dangin with the god Lillu, clearly a title of the god Enlil in SBP. 222, 9. Under this title ${ }^{d}$.Lil became the son and brother of the mother-goddess of Kês and Adab and the young god who was bound and imprisoned in the lower-world in this cult. For him she weeps and there are numerous references to him in this Kês Liturgy, although he is not specifically mentioned by name. The refrains are based upon this cult of weeping for the dying god at Kêś, and here he is compared to the god Aš-šir, or Aš-sir-gi on the variants. This deity appears in the Louvre hymn as $A \stackrel{s}{s}-\bar{s} i r-k i u-m u-u n K e s(k i)-g e$, "lord of Kêse," and is clearly identical with Sul-pa-èa mentioned in Col. III 15 with Ašsir. Both appear to have been associated with Ninharsag as consorts of the mother-goddess. At any rate d.Sul-pa-è is named as the husband of Mrama, one of the names of Bêlit-ile, the mother-goddess, in CT. 24, 25, 97, but in the cult of the dying god the mother-goddess has no consort. At any rate in the entire literature of the cult of Tammuz and Ishtar a husband who was the father of this young god is never mentioned. Lisigun and Ašisirgi are in fact sons of the mother-goddess themselves and Tammuz was regarded as the son, brother and husband of Ishtar. "A足-sir, son of dingir-mağ (CT. 24, 26, 110), occurs in a list headed by ${ }^{d}$ Sulpae; he and Lisigun are the sons of the same goddess, i. e., Ninharsag (1.112) and see SBP. 156, 39; ${ }^{d}$ Aš-šir-gi and ${ }^{d}$ Lillu are forms of Ninurta, son of Enlil. ${ }^{5}$ But note that Ninurta is identified with ${ }^{d} A b-\hat{\ell}$ in CT. $25,13,27$, which is, in fact, the oldest name of the dying god Tammuz. ${ }^{6}$ Ninurta is also identified with Ningirsu, ${ }^{7}$ god of Lagash, and another form of the "bound god." ${ }^{8}$

It is, therefore, certain that this cult of a dying god was associated with many types of the mother-goddess who was mother, sister and wife of the bound or cripple god. When this text and the Louvre hymn refer to Axssirgi and Sulpae as gods of Kêš, who cared for the dying youth, son of Ninharsag, and who joined in the wailings for him, we have to do with an aspect

[^13]Weld-Blandell Collection I.
of the pantheon wholly foreign to the myth of Tammuz and Ishtar and of Ninharsag and Lillu. These deities were really consorts of Ninharsag and also her sons, and different titles of Lillu himself. In the political aspect of the cults of the mother-goddesses of Kêš, Adab and Lagash, this son is given the rôle of a local Bêl, an imitation of Enlil of Nippur. But an important fact remains and is made obvious by this new prism; the original and essential cult of the great mother-goddess in every Sumerian city was based upon the myth of the dying god, born of the unmarried earth-mother, her lover and her husband.

In my edition of the new prism the variants are referred to by the following abbreviations:
$\mathrm{A}=$ Ashmolean Prism, RA. 16, 208-9.
$B=$ Constantinople tablet, BE. 31, No. 23.
C $=$ Philadelphia tablet, Ni. 8384, in Barton, Miscellaneous Babylonian Inscriptions, Nq. 11.
D $=$ Philadelphia tablet, Ni. 11876, in Hilpreeht Anniversary Volume, Radau, Miscellaneous Sumerian Texts, No. 8.
$\mathrm{E}=$ Philadelphia tablet, Ni. 14031, in my Sumerian Liturgical Texts, PBS. X, No. 22.
It should be noted that Var. C has an extra section between sections 3 and 4 of the other texts. This will be found in my edition, PBS. X 317-8.

## Liturgy of the Cult of Kês.

Col. I.

1. $̀$ è-nun-e ${ }^{1}$ ès-nun-e é-ta nam-ta-ab-ed
2. d.En-lil ès-nun-e éta nam-ta-ab-ed
3. ès-nun-e nam-lugal-la é-ta nam-ta-ab-ed
4. d.En-lil kur-kur-ra igi-mi-ni-ib-il-il-i
5. a.En-lil-ra Kur ní-ba mu-na-il-il-i ${ }^{2}$
6. an-ub-da tab-tab a.En-lil-va gišsar-gim na$s i g^{3}$
7. Keš-(ki) sag-ila mu-na-ni-in ${ }^{4}-$ gál
8. Thou of Ešnunnak, thou of Ešnunnak, upon (this) temple arise.
9. Thou, the Ešnunnakian Bèl, upon (this) temple arise.
10. Thou, the Ešnunnakian of kingship, upon (this) temple arise.
11. Thou, Enlil, of the lands lift up thine eyes.
12. Unto Enlil the foreign land bears reverence.
13. The four regions for Enlil are green like a garden.
14. He has caused to be lifted up the head of Kêš,

1 es-ıun or $d . e \grave{s}-n u n$ is by origin the title of Umun-banda, god of Ešnunnak east of the Tigris at the ancient Sumerian city Der. He was transferred to Erech as Lugalbanda, being identified there with the prehistoric king of Erech, Lugalbanda. For the migration of the pantheon of Ešnunnak to Erech, see the Weld-Blundell Collection, Vol. I 1-3, and the Introduction to W. H. Lane's Babylonian Problems. But here he was installed in a section of Erech known as Kullab; "d.Enlil of Kullab is a-Lugalbanda," V R. 46, 27; also this prism speaks of him as d.Enlil èş-nun-e, "The Ešnunak-Enlil," I 2. Kes, the city which forms the subject of this liturgy, was also a quarter of the great city Erech. Note that Ishtar of Hallab (a section of Erech) is the queen of Kês, Babyloniaca, VII 94. It is clear that ešnun means Lugalbanda here, for he is called lord of Ešnunnak in SBP. 154, 22, where the Erechian god is clearly meant. As a form of Enlil the passage requires no elucidation and for Enlil as a sun-god, as here, see PBS. X 158 n .1 ; Babyl. III 246, 17. It has been assumed that Lugalbanda was pronounced Lugal-mar-da on the authority of Scrroeder, KAV. 46, 17, probably a late Semitic interpretation; ibid. l. 15 has probably [lu-gal$b a-] a n-d a$, according to a collation sent to me by Dr. Weidner.

[^14]8. Keş-(ki) kur-kur-ra sag-gà il-bi
9. d.En-lil-li Keš-(ki) zag-sal ám-ma-ab-bi
10. d.Nidaba NU ${ }^{1} \mathrm{ka}$ - $a \check{s}-b i-i m^{2}$
11. enim-bi-ta sa-gim im-da-an-вur
12. dub-ba mă-măa ? ?-šúu al-mè-mal
13. é mūs kalam-ma gud-ğuš Šurubbak ${ }^{4}$
14. é Keš-(ki) mūs kalam-ma gud-ğuš Surubbale
15. ğ $a r-s a g-d a$ mú-a an-da gú-lá-a ${ }^{5}$
16. é-kur-da mú-a kur-эa sag-il-bi
17. $a b z u{ }^{7}-g i m \quad i^{8}-a$ ğ $a r-s a g-b i^{9}$ sîg-sîg-ga
18. Keš-(ki)-gim rib-ba galu ši-in-ga-túm-mu
19. ur-sag-bi d.Ášsir-gim rib-ba ama ši-in-ga-$\grave{u}-t u d$
20. nunusegi-bi ${ }^{12}$ d.Nin-tur-gim rib-ba-ra a-ba ${ }^{13}$
er-mu-ni-in-du ${ }^{14}$
21. é 1 kam-ma
22. $\dot{e}-d u g$ ki-dug-ga du$-a$
23. $\dot{\text { é }} K e s ̆-(k i) ~ d u g-g a ~ k i-d u g-g a ~ d u ̈-a ~$
8. Kês whose head has been exalted in the lands.
9. Of Enlil Kês doth speak in praise.
10. Nidaba, its
11. by her command like a net has woven;
12. Writing on tablets she instituted $\qquad$
13. O temple, the adornment of the Land, raging bull of Suruppak, ${ }^{5}$
14. Temple of Kêš, adornment of the Land, raging bull of Suruppak,
15. built on the nether-world mountain, rising as a rival to heaven,
16. built on the chthonian house, whose head is lifted up above the world mountain,
17. like the nether-sea founded, like the netherworld mountain made clean!
18. He like Kês made surpassing, he the lord is seized away. ${ }^{10}$
19. Him like its hero, Aššir, ${ }^{11}$ made surpassing, the mother bore.
20. Its queen, like Nintur for him the surpassing, then the wailing made.

## 21. The first lament. ${ }^{15}$

22. Beneficent temple built in a good place,
23. Beneficent temple of Kês, built in a good place,
${ }^{2}$ Var. A omits im.
${ }^{1}$ Read sir $=$ tamin, to weave (?).
3 Ibid. mà-mà. Hence SAR = šatãru, may be read ma as well as sar.
4 Var. A kur ${ }^{\text {Sururulbla-ki. }}$
$s$ Suruppak is usually identified with the modern Arabic ruins of Fara north of Erech, and this passage seems to identify or associate Kes with this city.
${ }^{6}$ Literally "to extend the shoulders," to protrude, rush into, intrude. Cf. Gudea Cyl. B 17, 19. gú-lal = ${ }^{\text {sururu }}$
 Rm. 343 Rev. 4 gú-ial = s̆urrum. $\quad{ }^{7}$ The sign seems to be the šešsig of ZU-AB, read abzu-gal? Uncertain.
${ }^{8}$ Text has HU clearly. $\quad$ Var. A gim. For this use of bi, v. Sum. Grammar, § 72.
${ }^{10}$ I now interpret this line to refer to Lillu, Tammuz of Kês, RA. 19, 177-180.
${ }^{11}$ Var. A has passim d.As-s-sir-gi, a form of Ninurta, and son of Ninharsag of Kés like the dying god Lillu who is probably referred to in line 18. ur-sag-bi I understand to be a reference to Lillu.
${ }^{12}$ NIN-bi is Ninbarsag. $\quad{ }^{13} a-b a=a r k a$, " and then." See also BE. 31, 2, 7. ${ }^{14}$ Var. A duŭ, dü.
${ }^{15}$ é on this tablet and on B, D, probably stands for the verb $e=k a b n$, to speak. Sec Sum. Grammar, 212; and note the same expression in BE. 31, 46 I 9; IL 4. See also $e=k$ kabù marû distinguished from $K A(d u-u)=k: a b u$ hamitu, RA. 13, 94, 12. This root is certainly identical with $t$, to wail, nalku, and $i=t a z z i m t u$, woe, RA. 17, 199, 10 . Var. A has $g u^{\prime}$ in all the legible parallel rubrics except at the end of the fifth section where it also has é. $g$ d is clearly an abbreviation for li-subb-g'́u$=$ sêeru, strophe, song, Ebeling, KAR. 100, 5; cf. the full form PBS. X 256, 17 et passin!; ki-šul-gú-da-kam, 151, 2.

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24.
25. [. . . . . . . . . . . kug]-gin ládgin ${ }^{2}$ ri-a
26. má an-na-ge ${ }^{3}$ mūş kur-kur-ra
27. $\bar{u}$-bàn-du-ge $k i-a-t a$ sur-sur-ra
28. é gud-gim ur-ša NTNDA ${ }^{5}$-gim gì̀-sill-di
29. é sag-bi-ta ùb kalam-ma
30. a-ga-bi-ta zi ki-en-gi-ra
31. é ib-gal an-e $e^{7} u s$-sa
32. $\hat{e}-z i-d a-g a l^{9} a n-e^{7} u \check{s}-s a$
24. Like surpassing (all),
25. Like . . . . . . adorned with a beautiful gate,
26. Like the "boat of heaven," the adornment of the lands,
27. Like a panther on earth designed,
28. The temple like a bull roars, like a young bull it bellows.
29. Within this temple is intercession of the Land.
30. In its portico is the breath of life of Sumer. ${ }^{6}$
31. O temple of the great chamber, ${ }^{8}$ attaining unto hearen,
32. Great faithful house, attaining unto heaven,

## Col. II.

1. émen-gal an-ni ${ }^{10} u \check{s}-s a$
2. é ${ }^{d}$ Ašnan-n $a^{12}$ an-ni uš-sa
3. ganun ${ }^{13}$-bi an-šag-ga lé-a
4. te-me-bi abzu-a si-ga
5. giš-sig ${ }^{14}$-bi kur-kur-ra dul-lu
6. é an-ni ki-gar-ra d.En-lil-li zag ${ }^{15}$-sal-dúg-ga
7. ama d.Nin-tu-ra eş-bar-kin dúg-ga
8. Great house of the crown, ${ }^{11}$ attaining unto heaven,
9. House of Ašnan, attaining unto heaven.
10. Its sanctuary extends toward the vault of heaven.
11. Its foundation is laid upon the abyss.
12. Its walls overwhelm the lands with awe.
13. O temple, built unto high heaven, sing the praise of Enlil.
14. O mother Nintur proclaim oracles. ${ }^{16}$
${ }^{1}$ Cf. an-na dirig-ga $=$ An-tum šu-tu-ra-[at], BA. V 707 Rev. 7.
${ }^{2}$ The sign seems to be the gumu of SI. Vars. A, B both have SI. Cf. ká-gin-a, or ka-ŝ$-a$, the "brilliant gate," in the chapel of Nebo, OLZ. 1911, 517.
${ }^{5}$ Vars. A, B, gim. Cf. Poème du Paradis, 224, 29. ${ }^{4} \bar{u}$-banda for ugbanda.
${ }^{5}$ For NINDA $=n \hat{\imath} \cdot u$, v. Bezold, Versprengte Texte, 117, 17. For the full form of this sign, v. SAI. 40t5, 3230 and REC. 63.
${ }^{8}$ For lines 29-30, see Col. III 25-6. $\quad{ }^{7}$ Var. A, an-e-ri, B, an-ni.
${ }^{8}$ ib-gal is a title of a chapel to Tnnini in various temples, especially at Umma, Erech and Lagash.
${ }^{9} \hat{e}-z i \cdot \dot{d} a=b \hat{l} h u t \hat{k} n u$, is a general title of sacred buildings, SBH. 65, 15; 130, 38; SBP, 12, 35; 22, 47;
BL. 31, 5-13; KL. 5 Rev. 38-44 \&e.
${ }^{30}$ Var. A, an-e.
${ }^{11}$ The sign men is written without interior $M E$, as in Allotte de fa Fuÿe, DP. 69. See REC. 416.
${ }_{12}$ Or read ezin-na. See PBS. X 174, 9 and e-zi-en-na, PBS. V 106 III 17. Here the grain goddess seems to be identified with Ninharsag of Kês.
${ }^{13} E-N U N$ is certainly the same ideogram as SAI. 3781, ganun = ganumu. See the gloss $E-N U N(g a-n u n)$ ?
PBS. V 106 R. IV 18. For the meaning, see RA. 12, 40 n. 7. Cf. Col. III 31.
${ }^{14}$ See ZA. 24, 387 and Poebel, BE. VI p. 50. The line is not on Var. A,

- ${ }^{15}$ Var. A zag-súl-sal! ${ }^{16} \mathrm{Cf}$.1.29 below.

8. é Kes̆-(ki) gurun-na ?-ga
9. Kešs-(ki)-gin rib-ba gulu ssi-in-gu-tum-mu
10. $u r-s a y-b i i^{a} A \dot{s}-\bar{s} i r-g i m$ rib-ba ama ši-in-ga-ù-tud
11. nuausegi-bi d-Nin-tur-gim rib-ba-ra a-ba er $m u-n i-i n-d u$
12. é 2 kam-ma
13. é an-šá 600 bur-iku ki-sku 300 bur-iku ${ }^{1}$
14. é an-šu 10 bur-iku ki-śú 5 bur-iku
15. é an-šú alima $^{2}$ lic-šú lu-lim
16. É an-š̆ú $A N S U-B A R^{3} k i-s ̌ a ́ u ~ d a ̂ r-b a r . ~$
17. é an-šúu ANŠU-BAR-dar-4-a ki-šúu dár-bar-sîg-ga
18. é an-šú babbar-gim è-a ki-šút [UD] ${ }^{6}$
d. Nannar-gim sîg-ga7
19. é an-šíl giš sitạ ${ }^{8}$ šul ki-šú gist $t u n-a m$
20. O temple of Kês, fruit
21. He like Kês made surpassing, he the lord is taken away.
22. Him like its hero, Ǎšir, made surpassing, the mother bore.
23. Its queen like Nintur, for him made surpassing then wailing made.
24. The second lament.
25. Temple, in heaven 10800 iku , on earth 5400 iku .
26. Temple, in heaven 180 iku , on earth 90 iku .
27. Temple, in heaven the fish-goat, on earth a stag.
28. Temple, in heaven the sakan (?), on earth the hart:
29. Temple, in heaven the spotted sakan (?), on earth the yellow hart. ${ }^{5}$
30. Temple, unto heaven rising like the sun, on earth like Nannar pure.
31. Temple, in heaven like a heroic mace, on earth like a toothed sickle. ${ }^{9}$
${ }^{1}$ Here begins Var. E.
${ }^{2}$ The reading a-li-int, CT. 11, $32 a 11$, is established by the gloss $a-l i$, KL. 78, 9. Undoubtedly alim, here, means kusarikku, fish-goat, name of Capricorn, and for some reason the temple of Ninharsag in Kês was identified with this constellation (?). The name of the mother-goddess which occurs here most frequently is Nintur. Ninmah, also a common title of this deity, is identified with Hydra, by Kugler, Sternkunde, I 253, and with Scorpio, CT. 26, 42, 12. Weidner, Handbuch 171 identifies her with the tail of Hydra. From lines 13-14 it is clear that Kês and its temple were located in a vast field in heaven, as other cities on eartli had their stellar counterparts. mulNun-ki, star of Eridu, CT. 33, 3, 20; 5, 20; located in Argo by Kugler, Ergünzungen, 221.
${ }^{3}$ This ideogram probably stands for the older and more common ANSU-BAR-AN, certainly a domestic animal. Teams of four of these animals, CT. 1, 6, I 1 and the same are described, ibid. 7 III 12 as R-dun-ír-ra, and ansur-dun-úr = mùr u, colt, young ass, Sum. dur. In NiкoLski, Collection Likhatcheff, 59 I 1, nită̆y-R-gal-gal, "the great male R," is referred to by anšu in 1.2, and sal-bar-an, nitağ-bar-an, ibid., 1l. 4-5 et p., obviously stand for male and female R. See also ibid. No. 63. R-nitağ, Langdon, Archives of Drehem, 51, 19. Thureav-Dangin, Inventaire I, 1105 anšu-bar-an with dusu =agalu; Th.-D., ibid., p. 6 n .5 , proposes to identify the ideogram with

${ }^{4} d a r=b u r r u m u$, spotted, is verified by Gadd in RA. 19, 159; cf. Edeling, KAR. 298 R. 21, the clay dogs $d a r-d a r$, represented in the British Museum by a clay dog painted white with red spots.
${ }^{5}$ Var. A has for this line, "Temple in heaven like the serpent gleaming, on earth like the sun thon shinest."
${ }^{6}$ The text has $U D$ here, probably a case of dittography from the line above which the scribe omitted.
${ }^{\text {T }}$ I take the word to mean damáku here; in AJSL. 33, 199, 296, KALAG $=$ dualu has the gloss .....ig, probably $s i-i g$; $\quad s i g$, sig is at any rate the word for damäpu. Luckenbicl restores e-si-ig, but this word means "to be mighty" only.
${ }^{8}$ On sita and the forms of the sign, v. RA. 13, 3-4. : $\quad{ }^{9}$ Line 19 omitted on Var. $A$.
32. é an-ší kur-ra-ám ${ }^{1}$ ki-šu idim-ma-am ${ }^{1}$
33. é an-ší $3-g \bar{a} m^{2}-b i$ na-nam
34. Keš-(lki)-gim rib-ba gälu ši i-in-ga-an-túm-mu
35. $u r$-sag-bi ${ }^{\text {d. }}$ As-šir-gim rib-ba ama si-in-ga ${ }^{3}$ u-tud
36. munusegi-bi d.Nin-tur-gim rib-ba-ra a-ba er$m u-n i-i n-d u$
37. é 3 kam-ma
38. uru-ki ${ }^{4}$ ga-ám uru-ki ga-ám sag-bi $a-b a^{5}$ $m u-z u$
39. é Keš-(ki) uru-ki ga-ám ${ }^{4}$ sag-bi a-ba ${ }^{5} m u-z u$
40. šag-bi $^{6}$ ur-sag ur-sag-e-ne si-mu-un-si-di-$e-n e^{8}$
41. eš-bar-kıin-dúg-ga šu-gal-mu-un-dú-dú
42. $e^{9}$ gud-dí-dû ${ }^{9}$-danı gū-ám-ma-gur-ri ${ }^{10}$
43. $e^{9} g u d-s ̆ a ́ r-a{ }^{11}$ al-kùr-e
44. [é udu-]s̃àr-a ${ }^{11}$ al-kùr-e
45. [é-e tum-mạ-ám] gí-bi luğg ${ }^{12}$
46. Temple, in heaven like a mountain, on earth like an abyss.
47. Temple, in hearen three are its servitors.
48. He like Kêš made surpassing, he the lord is seized away.
49. Him like its hero, Ašsir, made surpassing, the mother bore.
50. Its queen like Nintur for him the surpassing then wailing made.
51. The third lament.
52. This is (her) abode, this is (her) abode, its secrets who knows?
53. The temple of Kếs is (her) abode, its secrets who knows?
54. Within it the heroes ${ }^{7}$ assemble in order,
55. and the decrees proclaimed grandly are executed.
56. O temple, fat bulls replenish thee.
57. O temple, numerous oxen thou feedest on.
58. O temple, numerous sheeps thou feedest on.
59. Temple, which . . . . . thou art purified.

Col. III.

1. bár-bár-e-ne gui-ne ám-ma-gál-li-ne
2. ${ }^{i s} K U-d a^{13}$ men ${ }^{13}$ an-da-gùr-ru
3. They that sit in shrines assemble unto thee.
4. Like the box-wood tree thou liftest up thy crown.

1 Var. A omits.
2 Var. A, gu-ma; cf. Poème du Paradis, 269; perhaps the Semitic is käribu, or karuhu, Hebrew kêrûb, cherub, guardian genius. Note (gum) LUM =karäbu, Voc. Scheil $42=$ BM. 93058 Obv. 6, and Langdon, Epic of Creation, p. 190 n. 3.
${ }^{3}$ Var. A, ga-an.
${ }^{4}$ Vars. $A, B, C$, , $u r u$ in-ga-an. Cf. RA. 19, 68, 1 uru-ki na-nam $=\hat{a} l i-$-sunu; alu is employed in these texts in the sense of "cult centre." The emphatic particle inga, ingam is therefore only an augmented form of cam, gam, "so it is," \&e. See Sum. Gr: § 137 and RA. 13, 93 for anga, inga.

5 Vars. A, C, $a-b a-a=$ mannu; cf. SBP. 200, 22 ; PBS. X Pl. 105, 9, a-ba-a. 1bid. 319, n. 2 is false.
${ }^{6}$ Var. A, B, -hi-a.
7 Probably the Anunnaki and Igigi. The myth of an assembly of the gods in the hall of assembly, Ubšukkinnaka, in Ekur of Nippur and Esagila at Babylon is documented; v. AJSL. 39, 172, 20; VAB. IV 126, 54-64; Lanadon, Epic of Creation, 174, 51. See Col. III 1. $\quad{ }^{8}$ Cf. AJSL. 39, 172, 20 ; IV R. 12 Rev. 5.

- Var. A, é-e; A, B, gud-d亠̄匕̄-dam; $L U=d u s{ }_{s} \hat{\imath}$, is, therefore, to be read du.

10 Var. C, -ri-en. $g^{\bar{u}-g u r}=$ gú-gur, to fill up; ci. BL. $10,30=$ SBF. 123, R. 13; Gudea, Cyl. B 15, 4 \&c. See Col. III 17. $\quad{ }^{11}$ Vars. A, B, šar-ra-ám.
${ }^{12}$ This line is placed after 1.30 on $A, B, C$. A omits gú-bi; C has lư̆-e. 13 Var. B, dam and sag.
3. gišA-TU-GAB-LIŠ-gim ${ }^{1}$ an-da-PI-PI-sal-la
4. $\check{g} a r-s a g-d a^{4} a n-d a-s i \hat{i}-s i \hat{g}-g a$
5. Keses-(ki)-gim rib-ba galu ši-in-ga-an-túm-mu
 $\grave{u}$-tud
7. nunusegi-bi d.Nin-tur-gim rib-ba-va a-ba er$m u-n i-i n-d u$
8. é 4 kam-ma
9. É pirig ù-tud $\grave{x} a g-b i \quad u r-s a g ~ s u ́-u d$
10. é Keš-(ki) pirig ù-tud šag-bi ur-sag sí-ud ${ }^{6}$
11. šag-bi ${ }^{7} u r$-sag-ur-sag-e-ne sitmu-un-nin ${ }^{8}$-si-di
12. a. Nin-ğar-sag-gà us̆um-gal-ám šag ${ }^{9}$ im-mi-in-[?]
13. a.Nin-tu-ra ama-gal-la tu-tu-mu-un-gà-gì ${ }^{11}$
14. $\quad$ S.Šul-pa-i--a ${ }^{12}$ ši-iššag-ge nam-en-[na ]
15. ${ }^{d} A \check{s}$-sir ur-sag bizem ${ }^{14}$ mu-un-kur . . . . .
16. d.Uru-maš ligir-gal ${ }^{15}$ edin-na mu-un-da-an-
3. Like the ashe tree, ${ }^{2}$. . . . . . . . . . . . .
4. Like the mountains thou art verdant.
5. He like Kês made surpassing, he the lord is seized away.
6. Him like its hero, Aššir, made surpassing, the mother bore.
7. Its queen like Nintur for him the surpassing then wailing made.

## 8. The fourth lament.

9. Temple, like a lion created, whose secrets like the heroic one ${ }^{5}$ are unsearchable.
10. Temple of Kêš, like a lion created, whose secrets like the heroic one are unsearchable.
11. Within it the heroes assembled in order;
12. Ninharsag, "him who alone is great" ${ }^{10}$ [conceived].
13. Nintur, the great mother, assisted at the childbirth (?).
14. Sulpaéa, the great priest ${ }^{13}$ lordship . . . .
15. Ašsir, the heroic, fed him from the drinking cup
16. Urumas, the great prince, on the plains (shepherded) with him.
${ }^{1}$ Var. B, da; C, dan. $\quad{ }^{2}$ Cf. AJSL. 39, 285.
${ }^{3}$ A verb is expected here. But cf, šam $R=\operatorname{sum}_{a r a n t u}$, an aromatic plant, hence perhaps $R=$ avantu, perfume, nard? Cf. Landsbergen, ZA. 25, 384; Holma, Kleine Beiträge, 75 n. 2.

* Var. C adds mí-a. This text then takes $a n-d a$ sîg-sîg-ga as a phrase; "Made brilliant like heaven," and for the first half of this line, v. I 15.
${ }^{5}$ ursag probably refers to the dying god of Kés, Lillu, or to Enlil.
${ }^{\circ}$ Corresponds to A, Col. III 10 . 7 Vars. A, B, -bi-a.
${ }^{8}$ Written d.Innini. For d.Nannar employed as a phonetic element, see Babylonian Wisdom, 73 n. 1. Note $z i-s i-d i$, for si-si-di on Var. A. $\quad$ Var. A, šag-ki.
${ }^{10}$ This epithet usually refers to Tammuz. See Tamımuz and Ishtar, 115 n. 2. Cf. the N. Pr. á-gahu-ša $=a h u l a p$ vêdim, ahulap mîtim, Chiera, PBS. XI 7; VI 22. "The cry of the only one, the dead one."
${ }^{11}$ Cf. PBS. X 190, $27 . \quad{ }^{12}$ Var. C, Rev. 5 omits a.
${ }^{13}$ All the variants omit si before issag. The same deity, consort of Nintur ( $=$ dingir mag ) and father of Lillu, is called išzag-may̆ of Adab, RA. 19, 178, 23. For ši<lui<lcu=rabû, see Ebeling, KAR. 73 R. 15, ši=rubau,

14 The sign in this text and on Var. C is REC. 92 ; the sign discussed in JRAS. 1921,581 n. 4. Vars. A., B, both have a sign similar to $A B$. In any case the signs on Vars. $A, B, C$ are corruptions of an old sign later identified with PISAN, REC. 429. See also this sign in RA. 18, 73, I 12, clearly the name of a vessel, and PBS. 12 No. 22, 1, a sign similar to $A B$, clearly identical with REC. 429 and there followed by $K A+A$. For their confusion with $\underset{y}{4}$, see AJSL. 31, 282; 33, 48.

15 Var. A, gal-anı; B, gal-la; C, gal-e.
17. $e^{1}$ lulim $^{2} g \bar{u}-e-a n-g u r-e^{3}$
18. Kes̆-(kie)-gim vib-ba galu ši-in-ga-túm-mu
19. ur-sag-bi d. $\bar{A}$-s-sir-gim rib-ba ama si-in-ga-it-tud
20. numusegi-bi d.Nin-tur-gim rib-ba-ra a-bu er-mu-ni-in-du

## 21. é ò kam-ma

22. é utu-gim ki-gal-la gub-ba4
23. am-lağg-gim edin-na lalay̆ ${ }^{\text {ö }}$ dúg
24. énun-e $\mathrm{ki}^{8}$-gar-ra sim-imin-ni-da ar-ra

20̃. è sag-bi-ta ùb-bi ${ }^{10}$ kalam-ma
26. a-ga-bi-ta zi ki-en-gi-ra
27. kábib-ta $\overline{\bar{u}} g$ šu-ba-ná-a
28. ká-bi-ta ûg-gal ${ }^{19}$ inim-gar-ra
29. é gat-bi-ta kur-gal gab-nu-gi-gi
30. gišsag-gul-to am-gal-la dé-cu
31. gà-nun gù-ra-bi an ara ki ara
17. O temple, the stags replenish thee.
18. He like Kêš made surpassing, he the lord is seized away.
19. Him like its hero, Ǎšir, made surpassing, the mother bore.
20. Its queen like Nintur for him the surpassing then wailing made.

## 21. The fifth lament.

22. Temple, like the sun on the vast foundation placed,
23. Like a white ${ }^{6}$ bull founded on the plain,
24. Constructed as a house of atonement, praised on the seven cymbals, ${ }^{9}$
25. Temple, within which is intercession for the Land.
26. In its portico ${ }^{11}$ is the breath of life of Sumer.
27. In its gate a lion reposes.
28. In its gate the queen pleads.
29. Temple, at whose doors the Great Mountain ${ }^{13}$ turns not away.
30. On its lock-pin it is adorned with the "great bull." ${ }^{14}$
31. Its . . . . . sanctuary above intercedes (?), beneath intercedes (?).
${ }_{1}$ Var. C, é-e:
2 Vars. B, C, add e. Vars, B, C, have zelka lu-lim, where this text has the sign REC. 228, written $G \breve{I M}+L U+L I M$; this combination alone means lutim and shews that a sign It actually occurs on Fara texts of the archaic period; see Demer, Fara List, 250. A peculiar form of it in JRAS. 1923, 256, 1 , in $[A-]$ lulim, Var. A-lu-lim.
${ }^{3}$ Vars. A, B, C, gí-ám-na-gur-ri-[En]. See above on the importance of this variant.
${ }^{4}$ Last liue on Var. C. $\quad 5$ For this value of Br. 4945 note the gloss la-la-ay, PBS. 12 No. 2, Obv. 17.
${ }^{6}$ Var. A has lă̈y-lag. $\quad{ }^{7}$ kummu. See RA. 12, 40 n. $7 . \quad . \quad 8$ Var. A omits ki.
${ }^{9}$ Cf. nar-balag-imin, the seven flutes, or flute of seven notes (?), AJSL. 39, 169, 33; sim is probably for si-im, Sum. Gr. 240, sub sim. 2). For sim, Vars. A, B, have $\dot{e}-b i!$ Last line on Var. B, Rev. I.
${ }^{10} \dot{u} b$ is a musical instrument (BL. p. 40), but $u b b i$, here, is probably for $u b i=a b a t u$, Syl. B, 360. See Col. I 29.
${ }^{11}$ For aga, v. ZA. 18, 132, n. 1, where Thureau-Dangin reudered a-ga by portico. Note that the door of the temple follows.

12 Here uggal probably means Ninlil of Nippur. In RA. 12, 82, 43, Innini is called uggal of Nippur (三sarrat Nippuru); d.Erua is called и̂g-gal dingir-e-ne = sarrat ilāni, V Raw. 62, 37; for d.Ungal of Nippur, see PBS. X $3 \ddagger 0,27$. The word is, therefore, a title of the mother-goddesses, and especially of Ninharsag or Ninlii at Nippur. See also Ebeling, KAR. 161, Rev. 7.
${ }^{13}$ Title of Enlil. Here begins Var. E, Reverse, but this text has gar-nu-[ ].
${ }^{14}$ The passage refers to figures carved on the heads of the lock-pins; possibly the word amgal is a title of Nergal here; see SBP. 78, 12 and note.

## Col. IV.


6. é 6 kam-ma
7. é kì-dîb $b^{5}-b i$ é-nun
8. é Keš-(ki) kì-dîb ${ }^{5}-b i$ é-mun
9. $\dot{e}^{6}$ en-bi $\dot{e}^{7}$ d.A-nun-na mes
10. nu-éss-bi gir-lal-kar${ }^{8}$ é-an-na me-eṣ
11. é-e lugal-bur-ra-am mi-[in] ${ }^{10}-g u b$
12. en dug-šag ${ }^{11}$ eše-Zal-ám ${ }^{12}$ mi-in-lal
13. a-tu-e ${ }^{13}$ šibir šu-be-iu-dŭ̆ (? $)^{14}$

1. Its . . . . . stands upon the nether-sea.
2. Its mighty wall . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ${ }^{9}$
3. He like Kês made surpassing, he the lord is seized away.
4. Him like its hero, Ašsir; made surpassing, the mother bore.
5. Its queen like Nintur for the surpassing. one then made wailing. ${ }^{4}$
6. The sixth lament.
7. Of the temple the kudib is the sanctuary.
8. Of the temple of Kês the kudib is the sanctuary.
9. In the temple the Anunnaki are the high priests.
10. Its sacrificial priests are the slaughterers of Eanna. ${ }^{\text {? }}$
11. In the temple the lord of redemption stands;
12. the lord who rejoices the heart, who looks upon the bound;
13. And the (mother) who bore the son holds a wand.

[^15]${ }^{14}$ Var. D in Radau's copy has duy before in!
14. $t u-e^{1} . . . . . .^{2} a-i u r^{3}-a$ ám-mi-in-gub ${ }^{4}$
15. làl-e ki-kug-ga-ám mi-in-? ${ }^{\text {a }}$
16. enkum ${ }^{7}$-e-ne ? ki-am-ma-gál-li-[eš]
17. pap-seš-e-ne ${ }^{9}$ kuš-mu-un-sĭg-e-ne ${ }^{10}$
18. šu-sub ${ }^{11} u r u-s u b-a^{12} m u t-n i-i b-b i-e-n e$
19. si-lat $(l)-m a^{13}-g e ~ g i g{ }^{14}-g a \quad m i-n i-i b-z a$ [ ${ }^{i s}\left(i \hat{i}-l \dot{a}-e\right.$ gù $\left.{ }^{\prime} u t-m i-n i-i b-b i\right]$
20. gis̈al-sur dâr ${ }^{16-r a}$ süğ-süğ mi-ni-ib-za
21. nar-balag-sil-dug-gi mu-na-tuk-a ${ }^{17}$
22. é al-d̄̄ ka-zal-bi al-dug
23. éKeš-(ki) al-d̄ ka-zal-bi al-dug
24. nunusegi-bi tin-bi-a mu-un-ku
25. d.Nin-ğar-sag-gd egi-bi tin-bi-a mu-un-ku
26. Keš-(ki)-gim rib-ba galu ši-in-ga-an-túm-mu
27. ur-sag-bi d.As-šir-gim rib-ba ama si-in-ga-$\grave{u}-t u d$
14. O child-bearing mother, a messenger thou sendest.
15. The dear one from (?) the clean land" thou hast caused to return.
16. The enkum priests . . . . . . ${ }^{8}$ bow down,
17. and the "great brothers" are terrified.
18. "The prostrate hand," " the grief stricken city," they cry;
19. "He that is bound is full of sorrow;" ["On the alut-instrument he wails;"] ${ }^{15}$
20. "On the sighing lute like he (sings) of full sorrows;"
21. "On the sweet sounding flute he sings."
22. Temple, the beautiful, whose intercession is sweet,
23. Temple of Kêš, the beautiful, whose intercession is sweet, ${ }^{18}$
24. Its queen in its . . . . . . . . . . reposes.
25. Ninharsag, its queen in its reposes.
26. He like Kês made surpassing, he the lord is seized away.
27. Him like its hero, Ašsir, made surpassing, the mother bore.
${ }^{1}$ Var. D, a. $\quad$ Vars. A, D have no signs here.
3 Sign is ŭr. Radau's copy of $D$ has kin, which is preferabie. ${ }^{4}$ Vars. A, B, muee-gub; D, ám-mu-e-gub.
3 Var. D omits ám and has nam-mi-in-?; A, ni-?. Last sign may be $T U$.
6 Probably a reference to the lower-world. Note that Var. A has asag, field, before ki.
7 See AJSL. 39, 164 n. 11 and Poème du Paradis, 234, 29.
8 The missing sign before $k i$ is preserved on Var. D, Rev. 17, but it is not identifiable in Radau's copy. Between lines 15-16, Var. B has: . . . . . . e-ne ka-........ úm.
${ }^{9}$ pap-šeš designates an order of the priesthood; loan-word pašišu. See Pobber, OLZ. 1915, 134 and AJSL. 35,
 of certain gods. As title of Nergal, RA. $9,122,4$; of Ninurta, SBP. 228, $36 ;$ V Raw, $4 t$ III 36. Var. A omits 1.17.
${ }^{10}$ zumuи unarrata, PBS. 12 No. 6, R. 14. Var. B, sāg-gi-ne.
${ }^{11}$ The epithet certainly refers to Tammuz or Lillu. Cf, the Tammuz hymn, BE. 30, No. 1 II 20, su-ha$\not \approx u b-b a-n i=$ Nies Collection, Vol. II 26, 16. Cf. šu-su, said of Tammuz, RA. 12, 37, 25.
 BE. 29, No. 1 IV 20. Vars. A, D omit a.
${ }^{15}$ si-lant $=$ limîtu, BL. No. $8, ~$ á; silağ, simlağ, bondage, RA. 19, 179, 18-19; 180, 25-6.
14. Text has LUM; also Var. D; but Vars. A, B, gig-ga.
${ }^{15}$ Only on Var. D. Var. B omits Il. 20-21.
${ }^{16}$ The Var. $D 22$ has a much different form of the sign and the assimilation is uncertain. For sur after the instrument al-gar, v. AJSL. 39, 168 n .8 . On the al instrument, cf. PBS. X 187-189.
${ }^{17}$ Line omitted by $A, B$. For the verb, D has si-ga-ni-ib-di, "he produces correctly sweet sound."
18 Var. $B$ omits this line.
28. ${ }^{\text {nunus }}$ egi-bi $\quad$ d. Nin-tu-ra-gim rib-ba-va a-ba $e r-m u-n i-i n-d u$
29. é 7 kam-ma
30. uru ${ }^{1}-$ šú uru-šu galu te-ám te
31. é Keš-(ki) uru-šúu galu te-ám te
32. $u v-s a g-b i \quad d \cdot A s-s ̌ i v-[s ̌ i]^{2}$
33. ${ }^{\text {nunusegi-bi }}$ d.Nin-tu-vca-ší galu te-ám te
34. Keš-(ki) dū-a d.Aš-šir zag-sal
35. Kes̆-(ki) zag-sal-ám d.Nin-tu-ra zag-sal
36. é 8 kam-ma
28. Its queen like Nintur for the surpassing one then wailing made.
29. The seventh lament.
30. Unto the holy place, unto the holy place, O lord, come nigh, come nigh.
31. Unto the temple of Kês, the holy place, O lord, come nigh, come nigh.
32. Unto its hero, Aššir, $O$ lord, come nigh, come nigh.
33. Unto its queen, Nintur, O lord, come nigh, come nigh.
34. In Kêš, the beautiful, praise Ašsir.
35. Praise Kês ; praise Nintur. ${ }^{3}$
36. The eighth lament.
${ }^{1}$ ur $u$, city, but also cult-centre, consecrated place.
${ }^{2}$ Omitted here. Var. A, -gi-šui.
${ }^{3}$ The eighth strophe is parallel to the eighth strophe of the Tammuz liturgy, SBP. 340, where the refrain is te-mu-e dé-en-tíg, O approach and rest.

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| Museum Number 2 | Plates 17 | Description <br> Clay cone. See pp. 20-22. A duplicate in the Field Museum restores the Name of the wife of Rim-Sin, which should be read Si-ma-atd.Innini. Another wife of Rim Sin was Rim-Sin-d. Šala-bašta-šu, daughter of Sinmagir, on a tablet now in the Yale Collection and formerly noted by Poebel, PBS. IV 140. See L. W. King, History of Babylon, p. 156 n. 3. A seal reproduced by Delitzsor, Handel und Wandel, p. 27, is inscribed with the name of a third wife, Be-el-ta-ni, daughter of ?-an-nu-um. In line 24 the Var. has zi-ga. |
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| $\overline{5}$ | 23-28 | Barrel cylinder of Nabonidus. See pp. 32-37. |
| 6 | 18 | Clay cone. See pp. 23-4. |
| $7+8$ | 31 | Clay cone of Samsuiluna, duplicate of PBS. V 101. See Poeber in OLZ. 1915, 106-111 and 129-135. |
| 9 | 22 | Scholar's tablet. See pp. 27-31. |
| 10 | 20-21 | Cult tablet. See pp. 205-27. |
| 160 | 10-12 | Prism. Hymn to Enlil-bani. See pp. 11-15. |
| 161 | 1-4 | Prism. A hymn of Eridu. Edited in AJSL., Vol. 39, 161-173. |
| 162 | $\overline{\mathrm{o}}$-9 | Prism. Legend of early Erech. See pp. 1-10. |
| 169 | 13-16 | Prism. Incantation text. See pp. 16-19. |
| 170 | 32-35 | Prism. Religious-epical composition dedicated to the god Sin in the superscription. |
| 171 | 39-41 | Prism. Hymu to the deified ruler Dungi. See pp. 42-47. |
| 186 | 36-39 | Large thin tablet. Hymn to Nidaba. See pp. 39-42. |
| 183 | 30 | Stamped brick with inscription on the face. |
| 188 | 30 | Fragment of a large thin clay slab. Kalat Shergât. |
| 190 | 29 | Inscribed brick of Asur-etil-ilañ. See pp. 37-8. |
| 192 | 29 | Inscribed brick of Nebuchadnezzar. See p. 37. |
| 195 | 30 | Right end of a Neo-Babylonian barrel cylinder. |
| 198 | 29 | Brick stamp of Assurbanipal. |
| 199 | 29 | Brick stamp of disul ma-nu-ašarid, son of Asur-nașir-apli. |
| David Prism | 42-45 | Perfect four sided prism in possession of the dealer E. S. David. Liturgy of Kês. See pp. 48-59. |
| Stevenson Collection | 19 | Single column tablet presented to the Ashmolean Museum by Col. Kr. Stevenson. Probably contains a mythical text. |

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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The expression ama-ni-ir "to his mother" occurs also in II 17; III 41; the subject of I 18 cannot be Enmerkar for he is repeatedly described here as the son of Shamash.
    ${ }^{2}$ See Pobele, Historical Texts, p. 74.
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[^1]:    ${ }^{1}$ Restored from Col. III 31. For parim $=$ nabalu and parimu, v. VAB. IV 106, 20 and 180, 65. parim is a literal rendering of the two parts of this sign pa-rim.

    2 Concerning this important tree in Sumerian mythology, v. Meissner in MVAG. 1913, Part 2, 61-3. Meissner suggests " mulberry." Perhaps "ash;" v. AJSL. 39, 285.
    ${ }^{3}$ The reading is established by gi-sún-ni gi na-̀े-tud, "The glades produce not reeds," SBP. 334, 16; in the parallel passage, CT. 13, 37, 25, gi-sún gi-genbur $=u \dot{a} \neq u$ udittu, grass and ripe grain stalks. On the other hand gi-sún is rendered by udîtu, Ebeling, KAR. 16,33 , in a passage where gi-sín has the meaning "basin, canal," and is not properly rendered there.
    ${ }^{4} g i-K A K$ for $g i-S E-K A K$ ?
    5. Text $A D$ ! but see III 33 ; $z i$ for $z i-i b=t a \hat{b} u$. Cf. SBP. 116, 31.
    ${ }^{6}$ Var. III 33, til.
    ${ }^{7}$ Var. III 38, i-ri-ba; i-ri-a, $i-r i$ is an unknown word, hardly for e-ri-a, ruins. Perhaps for erim $=$ isittu, sanctuary.
     ATU. I 285, 11 and ef. SBH. 101, 50.
    ${ }^{9}$ Also IV 5 omits ra! A negative meaning is imposed by the context.
    10 See below, l. 37.

[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ The line is apparently taken from an incantation text; cf. CT. 16, 25, 39.
    ${ }^{2}$ This word is probably distinet from $\check{s} a g-s i \bar{g}=$ zurub libbi, distress, SAI. 6022; PBS. X 256,13 ; ऊutaktuma,
    
    ${ }^{3} k a$ is superfluous here and due to dittography.
    ${ }^{4}$ For å plural, v. Sum. Gr. p. 167 n. 7; Poème du Paradis, 145, 27-8.
    ${ }^{5}$ Cf. SBP. 274, 2.
    ${ }^{6}$ For this sign, v. PBS. I 101 II 5 ; BE. 31, No. 16 I 11.
    ${ }^{7}$ Probably the original of gilsa-a=suluttu. For the change $k i>s i>s a$, v. Sum. Gr. § 40 b and ki-gah SBP. 200, $18=s a-b a$ KL. No. 2 Rev. I $39 ; n u ́-g i ́-a=n u-s u ́, S B P .82,52=158,58$.
    ${ }^{8}$ I. e. Tammuz, the son of Innini.

    - The clause contains a grammatical construction which is new. Here gim is construed with the entire phrase which is regarded as a noun, and the whole phrase has then the force of an adverbial clause. The verb igi-bar has the subject and object and adverbial phrase inserted between its elements.
    ${ }^{10}$ Cf. Radau, Miscel. 20, 2; BE. 30, 6 IV 11.
    ${ }^{11}$ See also above II 36.

[^3]:    ${ }^{1}$ Cf. nâd mê, King, Magic 53, Rev. 17.
    ${ }^{2}$ See RA. 12, 29 n. 1.
    ${ }^{3}$ ù-lal-e also in W. B. 161 III 9 after sugur-fish; see ibid., note.
    4 Text clearly šu.
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[^4]:    ${ }^{1}$ See line 34, egal followed by the genitive suffix ka.
    $\left.{ }^{2} \mathrm{Cf}, u k u-\bar{s} a r-\mathrm{ra}=k i s ̌ s a t ~ n i s ̂ \hat{e}, \mathrm{SAK} .218 \mathrm{~d}\right) 3$.

[^5]:    ${ }^{1}$ Uncertain. Compare the year date of Samsuiluna 14, nu Samsuiluna lugal im-gi(g) gúabar-ra (= $\left.=\vec{a} \hat{i} i r u\right)$ galu Uri-(ki)-ge ib-ta-bal-bal-e-eš-a sag-gis-be-ra, "Year when S., the king, smote the rebellious and hostile king who had caused the people of Ur to revolt." See ZA. 24, 390. This date is falsely rendered by Schorr, VAB. V 595.
    ${ }^{2}$ This restoration of the wall of Sippar is mentioned in the date formula of the 23d year of Hammurabi.
    ${ }^{3}$ Restored from LIH. 58, I 11.
    4 Also Krng, LITH. 58, 40 has a variant $I R$ for $K A K=e p e \overline{s u} u$. $i r$ may be a variant of $r u$, or $I R$ which is only a gunufied form of $K A K$, may perhaps have the values mú, $d \bar{u}$.

[^6]:    ${ }^{1}$ zag-udu $=$ imittu, literally the " right leg."
    ${ }^{2}{ }^{2}$ uzu-giz-kun $=$ rapaštu. See Holma, Körperteile p. 53 and note ser'āni rapašti šumēle, "quscles of the left shoulder," RA. 17, 66, 18.
    ${ }^{3}$ The regular sacrifices of all the temples were supplied by the king and the local members of the cult (kāribu, the worshipper). In the tablet of regulations for the apportionments of the offerings to the temple of Shamash at Sippar by Nabu-apal-iddin a distinction is made between the nikế sarri and the (nikê) sa kāribi. See also niḳè šarri nik̂ê leăribi, Peiser, Verträge, CVII, $4=$ Nbk. 247, 2; King, Boundary Stones, 124, 9 and 125, 17. 31. 50; RA. 16, 132. The Sippar tablet also refers to the royal prerogative in the distribution of the sacrifices, but here the ahbu zitti šarri is resigned to the high-priest. The king's contribution (iardâtum šarri) to the daily offerings at Erech are mentioned in AO. 6451 Obv. $38 . \quad 4$ BIR $=$ kalûtu, Pl. kalêti, Rev. 46.
    ${ }^{5}$ nagrapu is identical with nagrapu, said to be the Semitic rendering of GAR-TAB, part of the liver. See Borssier, OLZ. 1915, 4. Here nagrapu (in conjunction with heart and kidney) probably means by synecdoche the liver simply. The word occurs in Nbk. 247, 5 serna-as-ra-(?)-pu?. See below, 1. 27.
    ${ }^{6}$ amel-SESK-GAL-ú. The urigalln is here distinguished from the ordinary sacerdotal classes; his position as high-priest gave him almost royal rank, and each temple seems to have possessed but one urigallu, who belonged to the asipu class of priests, or the priests of mysteries. Ašurbanipal appointed his younger brothers to this office and the rituals seem to have prescribed that he be tonsured. See Streck, Assurb. II 250, 16-18; III 648; Thubeau-Danain, Rituels, 129.

[^7]:    ${ }^{1}$ Anunit of Erech occurs in a text of the Ur period, Legrain, Le Temps des Rois dur , No. 333. It is possible that Šarrat-žamê, "Queen of heaven," is identical with Anunit in the texts of Erech; see Thureat-Dangin, Rituels Accadiens, 114, 14; 100, 16; 101, 6.

[^8]:    ${ }^{1}$ So K．7793，but gu（？）－ud，CT．XI 4， 27.

[^9]:    ${ }^{1}$ See also the Maradda cylinder of Nabonidus, RA. XI 109, 21.
    ${ }^{2}$ mâgh, mûlĉ, from walk̂, adjective formed on the analogy of $m \hat{u} d \hat{u}$ and then declined as a verb. Cf. Tammuz and Ishtar, n. 2 (?).
    ${ }^{3}$ Text $A D$ ! Cf. RA. XI 111 n. 5.
    ${ }^{4}$ See VAB. IV 225 u .3 . It is most unfortunate to find this figure almost illegible here, for it would indicate the year in which the cylinder was written. If 45 be correct the inscription dates from the same year as Nbn. No. 1, i. e. the 3d year of Nabonidus.
    ${ }^{5}$ The adjectival plural of ramku proves that this word is really an adjective, "the washed." See for ramkati, VAB. IV 216, 9 and Clay, Miscel. 45 II 25.

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[^10]:    ${ }^{1}$ Here written gis̀̀ simply, as in Gudea, Cyl. A 10, 32. The ordinary ideogram is $\dot{U}$. K $U$. See for ašuhu,
    Vab. IV 256, 3 and Meisener, myag. 1912, No. 2, p. 15.
    ${ }^{2}$ Apparently a line containing the object of šakänu has dropped out before 1. 23.
    3 gidašs̆u is apparently a synonym of uпimānu, craftsman, and a loan-word, Or read gandas̆s̆u?
    4 narkîtu, from ralk, variant root of rakēku.

[^11]:    ${ }^{1}$ This is the earliesi and most authentic writing of the name of the temple of Uras̄and Ninegal at Dilbat. The word is written $\dot{E}$-in-li-iluAnnme in Perser, Aktenstïcke II 9 (time of Nabonidus); VIII 1; IX 2 (time of Darius). The latter form of the name is therefore a late corruption. See BL. 134; Zimmenn, K-L. 102, 17; Sumerian Liturgical Texts (PBS. X) 167, 16.
    ${ }^{2}$ For the goddess Ninegal, an underworld deity, see the writer's note in BE. 31, p. 17. Lagamal, a goddess of Dilbat, is not identical with Ninegal, consort of Uras̃a. Lagamal is also an underworld deity (see Scherr, RA. 13, 169) and a Semitic title of Ninegal, but the two deities are distinct at Dilbat; see Schroeder, KAV. 46 I 3-5; 63 I 37-39 and especially RA. 14, 172. 7.

    3 "The river," i. e. the Euphrates.
    ${ }^{4}$ Cf. [ana Esagila]u Ezida us̆tah̆maṭu irišu ṭ̂bâtu, "The caused to be brought quickly sweet incense unto Esagila and Ezida, SBH. 146, 40. See also SBP. 86, 30-1, bur-zi sar-ra = naptan sakîh ana sukziutu, "To bring quickly the loity table."
    ${ }^{5}$ Written $A N-D I S ̌ . ~ C f . ~ B a ̂ h-D I S \check{S}-(k i)=$ Bâb-ili, BM. 46537, Colophon. See Hinke, A New Boundary Stone, p. 10. But here $A N$ precedes $D I \mathscr{S}$, and it is more plausible to suppose that $D I S_{\check{\prime}}$ is an error for $M E$ sign of the plural.
    ${ }^{6}$ For zunru, body, employed in the sense of "the thing itself," "the whole object," ef. itani ina zumri ummäni-ia ittest," The gods will be far from my army," Borssier, DA. 6, ̀; ilāni ina zumri māti išab-bu-su, Fossey, Babyloniaca V 22, 197, 24, 202; 96, 88.

[^12]:    ${ }^{1}$ Cf. RA. 7, 107 II 3.
    ${ }^{2}$ mun̂̂hat napixti; cf. CT. 17, 22, 155.
    ${ }^{3}$ Cf. CT. 16, 6, 231.

[^13]:    ${ }^{1}$ Banks, Bismya, 344.
    ${ }^{2}$ Weld-Blundell Collection, Vol. I 18, 25. Esarra is the usual name of the temple of Ninharsag-Nintur etc. at Adab. ${ }^{3}$ RA. XIX 178, 18; 179, 8. $A^{2}$ RA. XIX 178, 13. 15. 23. 24.
    ${ }^{5}$ Haupt, ASKT. 80, 5. Enlil's consort Ninlil is the married type of Ninharsag.
    ${ }^{6}$ See Tammuz and Ishtar, p. 8 n. 1, and SBP. 156, 38. $\quad{ }^{7}$ CT. 25, 13, 29.
    8 Note that gir-su means nalkma, bondage, AJSL. 33, 197, 260, and umun gir-su-a, lord of imprisonment, is Tammuz, PBS. X 306, 28.

[^14]:    ${ }^{2}$ Var. A, gùur-gùr-vu.
    ${ }^{3}$ Var. A omits $g i \check{s}$ and reads mu-na-sîg.
    4 Ibid. ib.

[^15]:    ${ }^{1}$ Lahama, the female of Lahmu, here represents the apsî and is identical with Damkina, wife of Ea. For Labmu identified with Ea, see my Epic of Creation, 68 n. 3 and 78 n. 4.
    ${ }^{2}$ Var. E, Rev. 5 has a different text.
    ${ }^{3}$ ra omitted in my copy. $\quad 4$ Var. D begins with line 4.
    ${ }^{5}$ Vars, A, D, dib-bi; for $K U(d i-i b)$, y. Yale Syl. 132.
    ${ }^{6}$ Vars. A, D, é-a.
    ${ }^{7}$ Vars. A, D omit $\dot{e}$, which obviously makes no sense here and is a case of dittography.
    ${ }^{8}$ Cf. amelgirlalkarru, VS. IV 177, 3. Var. D omits lal-kar!
    ${ }^{\circ}$ Eanna, chief temple of Erech. Note the association of Kess and Erech, home of the Tanmuz cult. Var. B, Rev. II 1, has me-en for me-es̆.
    ${ }^{10}$ Vars. B, D, nuu-un.
    ${ }^{11}$ Cf. RA. 16, 91, No. 50, 5.
    ${ }^{12}$ Vars. A, D omit ám and read nam-mi-in-lal. Var. B, mu-un-lal. This seribe probably iutended to write ám-mi-in-lal.
    ${ }^{13} a-t u$ is a title of the mother-goddess who wails for Tammuz, Ta.-D., URUK, $5 \pm$ Obv. 21 ; see also the hymn to Aruru of Kês, JSOR. III, 15, 17. The ideogram probably means muallidat apli and refers to the mother of the dying got.

