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W.A. Shelton papers, 1919-1950, bulk 1919-1920

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Abstract: Papers of educator and Methodist minister William Arthur Shelton include correspondence, photographs, and other materials related to his participation in the American Scientific Mission, a 1920 exploration through Egyptian and former Ottoman territory led by James Henry Breasted. Also included are documents related to Shelton's purchase of antiquities later housed in the Emory University Museum (now the Michael C. Carlos Museum).
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Collection Description

Biographical Note

William Arthur Shelton was born on September 6, 1875 in Azusa, California. He received a bachelor of arts degree from Hargrove College in Ardmore, Oklahoma in 1904 as well as bachelor of divinity and master of arts degrees from Yale University in 1908. He was ordained in the Methodist Episcopal Church and subsequently served as President of Oklahoma Wesleyan College in Oklahoma City from 1911 until 1914.

In 1914, Shelton began to study with James Henry Breasted, Professor of Egyptology and Oriental History and Director of the Haskell Oriental Museum at the University of Chicago. The same year, Shelton was appointed Professor of Semitic Languages and Literature at Emory University in Atlanta, where he had also been awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity. Shelton discontinued his studies at the University of Chicago within two years.

In 1919 and 1920, Shelton accompanied Breasted and three other men—Ludlow Bull, Daniel Luckenbill, and William Edgerton—on an expedition through Egyptian and former Ottoman territory then under British mandate. The expedition, called the American Scientific Mission, sailed from New York on the *S.S. Duca D'Aosta* on Christmas Eve of 1919. It passed through Egypt and eventually reached Mesopotamia via Bombay (Mumbai) in March 1920.

Shelton, Breasted, and the others were students of the Ancient Near East, and the expedition was devoted primarily to the exploration of ancient artwork and ruins throughout the so-called “Fertile Crescent” (a term coined by Breasted), and to the gathering of antiquities, especially in Egypt. Several of these items, including a full mummy purchased in Cairo, formed the initial foundation of the Emory Museum’s (now the Michael C. Carlos Museum) Egyptology collection. Shelton documented the American Scientific Mission in his memoir, *Dust and Ashes of Empires*, published in 1922.

The expedition's itinerary included the following cities and sites: Naples, Rome, Luxor, Aswan, Cairo, Port Said, Bombay (Mumbai), Basra, Ur Junction, Shatra, Naziriyah, Hillah, Baghdad, Mosul, Damascus, Jerusalem, London, and Paris. The expedition also visited numerous other places by ship, including several sites along the Euphrates River, in the Red Sea, the Persian Gulf, and through the Suez Canal.

After the American Scientific Mission, Shelton remained at Emory for nearly another decade, until he became the pastor of Mt. Vernon Place Methodist Church in Washington, DC, in 1930. Two years later he returned to Atlanta to lead Grace Methodist Church. Shelton became Superintendent of the Methodist Church’s Birmingham District in 1938. From 1949 to 1951 he was briefly Professor of Religion at Birmingham-Southern College. He died February 23, 1959.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of William Arthur Shelton primarily include materials related to his participation in the 1919 to 1920 American Scientific Mission led by James Henry Breasted of the University of Chicago, as well as some later documents cataloging his purchases for the Emory University

Museum. Shelton's diary, personal correspondence, notes on the budget and purchases, photographs, print ephemera, and numerous glass lantern slides document the expedition. This material consists primarily of reportage from the field. Shelton's primary correspondents include his wife, Ola, and their young children. Few of these materials are related to Shelton's later career and none to his earlier years, so while the collection spans the period 1919 to circa 1950, the bulk of materials originate from late 1919 and January to August 1920. Researchers should note that Series 2 includes Shelton's diary, chronicling the expedition from February 1920 forward, and that Series 3 includes fifty pages from a personal scrapbook in addition to many loose photographs.

Arrangement Note

Organized into 5 series: (1) Correspondence; (2) Ephemera and other papers; (3) Photographs; and (4) Glass lantern slides.

Description of Series

[Series 1: Correspondence, 1919-1923](#)

[Series 2: Ephemera and other papers, 1920-1950](#)

[Series 3: Photographs, circa 1920](#)

[Series 4: Glass lantern slides, circa 1920](#)

Series 1
Correspondence, 1919-1923
Box 1

Scope and Content Note

Personal correspondence, much of it from Shelton's time with the American Scientific Mission.

Arrangement Note

Arranged chronologically.

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Manget, John A., 1919 November 24-1919 November 27
1	2	Outgoing from New York, 1919 December 20-1919 December 23
1	3	Incoming Correspondence, 1919
1	4	At sea, 1919 December 25-1920 January 6
1	5	Naples, 1920 January 8-1920 January 10
1	6	Rome, 1920 January 11-1920 January 13
1	7	The Milano (ship), 1920 January 18-1920 January 19
1	8	Page from letter recounting incident on a ship in the Mediterranean, c. 1920 January
1	9	Luxor, 1920 January 26-1920 January 27
1	10	Aswan, Egypt, 1920 January 29-1920 January 30
1	11	Cairo, 1920 February 4-1920 February 16
1	12	Port Said, Egypt, 1920 February 17
1	13	Gulf of Suez, 1920 February 19
1	14	Bombay, 1920 February 29-1920 March 2
1	15	Persian Gulf, 1920 March 6
1	16	On the Euphrates, 1920 March 9
1	17	Basra, 1920 March 13-1920 March 16
1	18	Ur Junction, 1920 March 17
1	19	Shatra, 1920 March 19
1	20	Naziriyah, 1920 March 26
1	21	Hillah (Babylon), 1920 March 31-1920 April 4
1	22	Baghdad, 1920 April 7
1	23	Mosul, 1920 April 17
1	24	Baghdad, 1920 April 23-1920 April 27
1	25	Damascus, 1920 May 31
1	26	Jerusalem, 1920 May 7-1920 June 24
1	27	Cairo, 1920 July 1-1920 July 14
1	28	Port Said, Egypt, 1920 July 22
1	29	London, 1920 August 16

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| 1 | 30 | Paris, 1920 August 24 |
| 1 | 31 | Miscellaneous envelopes, 1920 |
| 1 | 32 | Incoming correspondence, 1920 |
| 1 | 33 | Incoming correspondence, 1921 |
| 1 | 34 | Incoming correspondence, 1922 |
| 1 | 35 | Incoming correspondence, 1923 |
| 1 | 36 | Incoming correspondence, n.d. |

Series 2
Ephemera and other papers, 1920-1950
Boxes 1-3

Scope and Content Note

Assorted ephemera, such as clippings, inventories, accounts, and illustrations. Includes Shelton's diaries of the American Scientific Mission.

Arrangement Note

Arranged alphabetically by topic.

Box	Folder	Content
1	37	Egyptian Antiquities Pass, 1920 January 25
1	38	Biographical Directory of American Scholars page, circa 1950
1	39	Butcher's account, undated
1	40	Card from St. James Hotel, Assouan, 1920
1	41	"Curios from the Holy Land" booklet
1	42	Expedition Diary (transcription), 1919-1920
1	43	Expenses, 1920 September
1	44	Food Inventory, circa 1920 March 15
1	45	Illustrated Biblical scenes
1	46	Inventory and description of items purchased by Shelton, undated
1	47	Invitations and Programs, circa 1920-1927
1	48	Invoices, 1920 June-1921 February
1	49	Luther illustration
1	50	Newspaper clippings, circa 1925-1930
1	51	Notes on plaster casts, circa 1921
1	52	Passenger List from SS. Duca D'Aosta, 1919 December 24
1	53	Inventory of Shelton Archives
2	1	Shelton's Diary, 1920 February-1920 September
3	2	Newspaper clippings related to mummies, etc.

Series 3
Photographs, circa 1920
Boxes 1, 3-6

Scope and Content Note

Photographs from the American Scientific Mission. Box 4 includes 50 pages from a personal scrapbook assembled by Shelton (or his family). Page numbers are noted in parentheses. Item titles in quotation are taken directly from captions on the images themselves, otherwise they are descriptive titles derived while processing the collection.

Arrangement Note

Arranged according to an index provided by Emory's Michael C. Carlos Museum.

Box	Folder	Content
1	53	Photographic negatives—Shelton's scrapbook, n.d.
3	1	Various loose photos
4	1	"Nippur" (Page 1)
4	2	"On the way to Nippur" (Page 1)
4	3	"Afaq" (Page 1)
4	4	"The smaller mound at Nippur" (Page 1)
4	5	"Basra, part of Hotel" (Page 2)
4	6	"Basra [...]" (Page 2)
4	7	"Basra" (Page 2)
4	8	"Indian Bullocks military, Basra" (Page 2)
4	9	"Mohammerah sunset, Persian oil states" (Page 3)
4	10	"Looking across the river from Basra" (Page 3)
4	11	"Basra" (Page 3)
4	12	"British Officers Hospital Shatt el-Arab" (Page 3)
4	13	"Anglo Persian oil tanks, Mohamerrah" (Page 4)
4	14	"Military Church, Basra" (Page 4)
4	15	"[...] Ottoman bank" (Page 4)
4	16	"Basra [post office]" (Page 4)
4	17	"Desert about Pithom" (Page 5)
4	18	"Our Luggage Van at Ur Junction" (Page 5)
4	19	"The Palestinian desert" (Page 5)
4	20	"First mound seen in Mesopotamia below Ur" (Page 5)
4	21	Sign at Ur Junction (Page 5)
4	22	"One of the bricks of Ur with Bitumen marks (see Gen. 11)" (Page 5)
4	23	"[...] Breasted, Luckenbill, and Edgerton" (Page 5)
4	24	Small catamaran (Page 6)
4	25	Ships on river (Page 6)

- 4 26 Large gathering around gazebo (Page 6)
- 4 27 "Eridu: This great mound is fifteen miles Southwest of Ur and was once a great city on the Persian Gulf" (Page 7)
- 4 28 "Ruins at Ur" (Page 7)
- 4 29 "[...] Lagash (with Semitic [...]) (Page 8)
- 4 30 Desert mounds (Page 8)
- 4 31 Desert mounds (Page 8)
- 4 32 Ruins of wall (Page 8)
- 4 33 "Loom at Afaq" (Page 8)
- 4 34 "Mosque, Hospital, and [...]" (Page 8)
- 4 35 "The Euphrates at Niziriyah, first view of the river" (Page 8)
- 4 36 "Ashur" (Page 9)
- 4 37 "Mosul" (Page 9)
- 4 38 "Mosul" (Page 9)
- 4 39 "Mosul" (Page 9)
- 4 40 "On Shatt el-Hai" (Page 10)
- 4 41 "Lagash [photo missing]" (Page 10)
- 4 42 "Lagash" (Page 10)
- 4 43 "Shatt el-Hai" (Page 10)
- 4 44 Mounted horse head quarters (Page 10)
- 4 45 "Kalat Sikkar" (Page 11)
- 4 46 "Captain Crawford" (Page 11)
- 4 47 "Door of Captain Crawford" (Page 11)
- 4 48 "Captain Crawford's [stable]" (Page 11)
- 4 49 "Kalat Sikkar" (Page 11)
- 4 50 "Leaving Kalit Sikkar" (Page 11)
- 4 51 "Tello, View from E. end" (Page 12)
- 4 52 "Baghdad" (Page 12)
- 4 53 "Street in Baghdad" (Page 12)
- 4 54 Balconies, Shatra (Page 13)
- 4 55 "Officer's Club, Baghdad, taken on leaving day (Page 13)
- 4 56 "Baghdad"
- 4 57 "[...] Courtyard [...]" (Page 13)
- 4 58 Balconies, Shatra (Page 13)
- 4 59 "Baghdad" (Page 14)
- 4 60 "Archway Ctesiphon" (Page 14)
- 4 61 "Porter of Baghdad" (Page 14)
- 4 62 "Lion, Babylon" (Page 14)
- 4 63 "Gate of Ishtar" (Page 14)
- 4 64 "Babylon" (Page 15)

- 4 65 "Babylon" (Page 15)
- 4 66 "[...] Babylon" (Page 15)
- 4 67 "Ruins of Babylon" (Page 15)
- 4 68 "Building stone of Nebuchadnezzar's 2nd Palace" (Page 16)
- 4 69 "Babylon" (Page 16)
- 4 70 [Illegible] (Page 16)
- 4 71 "Babylon" (Page 16)
- 4 72 Looking across river (Page 16)
- 4 73 Monument (Page 16)
- 4 74 View toward church(?) (Page 16)
- 4 75 Group entering small cottage (Page 16)
- 4 76 "San Sebastian Gate on Appian Way" (Page 17)
- 4 77 "Across the square [...]" (Page 17)
- 4 78 San Sebastian Gate (Page 17)
- 4 79 "Thermos Baths of Caracalla, Rome" (Page 17)
- 4 80 "[...] Appian Way" (Page 17)
- 4 81 "Grand Canal of Venice" (Page 17)
- 4 82 "Austrian ships in canal" (Page 17)
- 4 83 View of St. Mark's Campanile, Venice (Page 17)
- 4 84 "Babylon" (Page 18)
- 4 85 "Babylon" (Page 18)
- 4 86 Walls of Babylon (Page 18)
- 4 87 "Babylon" (Page 18)
- 4 88 "Babylon" (Page 19)
- 4 89 "Excavation on the site of the Temple of Marduk" (Page 19)
- 4 90 "Babylon" (Page 19)
- 4 91 "Babylon" (Page 19)
- 4 92 "Babylon" (Page 19)
- 4 93 "Merchant of Mosul" (Page 20)
- 4 94 "Coppersmith of Mosul" (Page 20)
- 4 95 "Mosul" (Page 21)
- 4 96 "Mosul" (Page 21)
- 4 97 "Tomb of [...] Ali" (Page 21)
- 4 98 "Mosul" (Page 21)
- 4 99 "Mosul" (Page 21)
- 4 100 "Walls of Mosul" (Page 22)
- 4 101 "Bridge of Mosul" (Page 22)
- 4 102 Minaret, Mosul (Page 22)
- 4 103 "Mosul" (Page 22)

- 4 104 Road near Mosul-Nineveh (Page 22)
- 4 105 "Nineveh: Dr. J.H. Breasted makes a landing on the east side of the Tigris, on the road to Nineveh." (Page 22)
- 4 106 "Kellik [raft on inflated goatskins] loaded with millstones, Mosul" (Page 22)
- 4 107 "Mosul crossing to Nineveh" (Page 23)
- 4 108 "Looking toward the [...]" (Page 23)
- 4 109 "Looking toward the walls of Nineveh" (Page 23)
- 4 110 "Mosul Bridge" (Page 23)
- 4 111 "Mosul" (Page 24)
- 4 112 "Nineveh" (Page 24)
- 4 113 "Ali and some Negro children [...]" (Page 24)
- 4 114 "Edgerton in the street at Neby Yunus" (Page 24)
- 4 115 "Nineveh" (Page 25)
- 4 116 "Christian village between [Nineveh and Mosul]" (Page 25)
- 4 117 Empty niche in Christian monastery near Nineveh (Page 25)
- 4 118 "Monastery near Nineveh" (probably St. Elijah's Monastery south of Mosul) (Page 25)
- 4 119 "[...] stop at an abandoned [...] desert of Syria" (Page 25)
- 4 120 "Jerua R[...]" (Page 25)
- 4 121 "Chalk hill by the Euphrates" (Page 25)
- 4 122 "[...] Euphrates" (Page 25)
- 4 123 "Near the Christian village returning from Nimrod" (Page 26)
- 4 124 View of desert and small gathering of people (Page 26)
- 4 125 Photo of ground and shadows (Page 26)
- 4 126 Breasted with Iraqi Christians, possibly including two monks (Page 26)
- 4 127 Syrian man (Page 26)
- 4 128 "NORTHERN SYRIA: This village of Beehive huts is Southeast of Aleppo" (Page 26)
- 4 129 "A broken wagon on the [...]" (Page 26)
- 4 130 "A NATIVE OF NORTHERN SYRIA: Back of him is the home in which he lives." (Page 26)
- 4 131 People bathing in river (Page 27)
- 4 132 "Hit from S.W. [...]" (Page 27)
- 4 133 Stone mounds (shelters?) (Page 27)
- 4 134 "Well at Hit" (Page 27)
- 4 135 "Aleppo" (Page 27)
- 4 136 Edgerton along Dog River, beneath inscription marking the British capture of Damascus, Homs, and Aleppo (Page 27)
- 4 137 Dog River behind [...] vines and reeds [...] by Nebuchadnezzar" (Page 27)

- 4 138 Inscription commemorating Napoleon III's intervention in Ottoman Empire (Page 27)
- 4 139 Gate (jail?) with sign reading "Syria not to be divided" (Page 27)
- 4 140 "The High Altar at Baalbek, Luckenbill" (Page 28)
- 4 141 "In a niche of the gods, Luckenbill" (Page 28)
- 4 142 "In a niche at Baalbek, W.A. Shelton" (Page 28)
- 4 143 Ludlow Bull in a niche at Baalbek (Page 28)
- 4 144 "[...] Sidon" (Page 28)
- 4 145 "Syrian Coast South of Sidon on the promontory..." (Page 28)
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- 4 150 Baalbek (Page 29)
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- 4 152 "Ruins of Baalbek" (Page 29)
- 4 153 Field with mound in the distance (Page 29)
- 4 154 "Karseir" (Page 29)
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- 4 156 Landscape with fields and stream (Page 29)
- 4 157 "Looking over Jerusalem from the top of the North wall" (Page 30)
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- 4 162 "Valley of Hinnom [...]"(Page 30)
- 4 163 "Spring [...]at the entrance to the Tomb of the Judges" (Page 30)
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- 4 165 "Marriage procession at Jerusalem" (Page 31)
- 4 166 "Indian soldiers" (Page 31)
- 4 167 "East wall [...]"(Page 31)
- 4 168 Soldiers, Jerusalem (Page 31)
- 4 169 "Via Dolorosa, place where Pilate said, "Behold the man" (Page 31)
- 4 170 "Garden of Gethsemane" (Page 31)
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- 4 172 "[...]place where Jesus was arrested" (Page 31)
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- 4 176 "Kidron Valley and Mt. Olive" (Page 32)
- 4 177 "Indian [...]on streets of Jerusalem" (Page 32)
- 4 178 "From the German Hospital tower..." (Page 32)
- 4 179 View toward Mt. Olive (Page 32)
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- 4 181 Desert landscape (Page 34)
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- 4 183 Desert landscape (Page 34)
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- 4 141 "[...] Sphinx and Pompey's Pillar" (Page 37)
- 4 142 "Zoological Gardens, Cairo" (Page 37)
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- 4 148 "Looking from new [...] hotel [...] gate Le Caire" (Page 38)
- 4 149 "Looking over Cairo from the minaret of Mosque-Madrassa of Sultan Hasan" (Page 38)
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- 4 151 "Minaret of Sultan Hasan and city of Cairo" (Page 38)
- 4 152 View of Cairo (Page 38)
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- 4 155 Ruins of wall (Page 39)
- 4 156 "Pyramid of Kufu (Cheops)" (Page 39)
- 4 157 "[...] Minaret of Alabaster [...] Cairo from Minaret of Sultan Hasan" (Page 39)
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- 4 159 "Mokattam hills, Cairo" (Page 39)
- 4 160 "Mosque of Sultan Hasan" (Page 39)
- 4 161 "Door at the Church of Holy Speulchre" (Page 33)
- 4 162 Men in street with camels (Page 33)
- 4 163 View of city from hilltop (Page 33)
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- 4 165 View toward Bethel (Page 33)
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(Emmaus)" (Page 33)
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- 4 171 "Granite Temple of [Great] Sphinx" (Page 40)
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- 4 178 View from below cliffs (perhaps ancient quarry?) (Page 42)
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- 4 182 People aboard ship (Page 43)
- 4 183 People aboard ship (Page 43)
- 4 184 People aboard ship (Page 43)
- 4 185 Sailor and group of civilians (Page 43)
- 4 186 Soldiers (Page 43)
- 4 187 Soldiers (Page 43)
- 4 188 Group of men, including priest (Page 43)
- 4 189 "The judgment of the heart before god Osiris from papyrus of Queen Maat-ka-ra,
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- 4 190 "Ramesseum, Luxor [...]" (Page 44)
- 4 191 "Ramesseum, Luxor" (Page 44)
- 4 192 "Superbe statues of Pepi I and his son..." (Page 44)

- 4 193 View of cliff with cuttings(?) (Page 44)
- 4 194 Unidentifiable (Page 44)
- 4 195 Archaeologist standing on ground with walking stick (Page 44)
- 4 196 View of cliff with cuttings (Page 44)
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- 4 205 "Sundown on the Red Sea" (Page 46)
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- 4 225 "Tributary to Shatt el Arab" (Page 50)
- 4 226 "Shatt el Arab" (Page 50)
- 4 227 Archways
- 4 228 Railroad or causeway
- 4 229 Archway, Hebron
- 4 230 "Babylon, Looking down the Hillah Euphrates. The river once ran to the left and just behind Edgerton and Bull are the hills of the Nebuchadnezzar Bridge."
- 4 231 Colossi of Memnon

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| 5 | 1 | Scrapbook cover |
| 6 | 1 | Shelton on bench |
| 6 | 2 | Hills of the Kings' Tombs, Luxor, Egypt |
| 6 | 3 | Buildings |
| 6 | 4 | Long stretch of road |
| 6 | 5 | Cairo, Mosque of Sultan Hasan |
| 6 | 6 | Metropolitan excavation near Den al-Bahri |
| 6 | 7 | Colossi of Memnon |
| 6 | 8 | Great Colonnade of the Temple of Thebes |
| 6 | 9 | Pompeii's Pillar |
| 6 | 10 | Ramesseum |
| 6 | 11 | Tombs of the Mamelukes, Cairo, Egypt |
| 6 | 12 | New gate by the Jaffa gate, opened by the Kaiser, Jerusalem |
| 6 | 13 | Cairo, looking toward the pyramids from the Hasan minaret |
| 6 | 14 | Temple of Thebes, showing colonnade, part of pylon, and obelisk |
| 6 | 15 | The Abana as it runs through Damascus |
| 6 | 16 | Animals grazing |
| 6 | 17 | Cartouche carved into stone |
| 6 | 18 | Plaque commemorating site where Pilate apprehended Jesus, Jerusalem |
| 6 | 19 | Golgotha, or Gordon's Calvary |
| 6 | 20 | Looking down the wells of Nineveh from Kunyunyik to Neby Yunus |
| 6 | 21 | Tower of Babel/Burj Nimrud |
| 6 | 22 | Tower of Babel from a distance |
| 6 | 23 | Men on horses in Lagash |
| 6 | 24 | Statue of the god Nebo in alabaster |
| 6 | 25 | Babylon, Gate of Ishtar\ |
| 6 | 26 | Bridge-head, Babylon |
| 6 | 27 | Body of water with peninsula |
| 6 | 28 | Gate of Ishtar, Babylon |
| 6 | 29 | Babylon, behind ruins of Nebuchadnezzar's palace |
| 6 | 30 | Gethsemane |
| 6 | 31 | Mosul, Kelluk loaded with millstones |
| 6 | 32 | Gateway to Persian Gulf |
| 6 | 33 | Ain Karin, where John the Baptist was born |
| 6 | 34 | Long hilly stretch of vast land |
| 6 | 35 | Front of a rock tomb outside Jerusalem, almost buried |
| 6 | 36 | Ain Karim, birthplace of John the Baptist |
| 6 | 37 | Mosque containing tombs of Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Rebekkah, Jacob, and Leah |
| 6 | 38 | Near Pithom, the city built by the Hebrews while in Egypt |

- 6 39 Ur of the Chaldees
- 6 40 Serai ' Aveh, many archways and a single flag
- 6 41 North Wall of Mosul
- 6 42 Dog River, Inscription commemorating British victory
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