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In Files, with Mr. Bell's Report. Papyri of 1925
Consignment

March 10, 1927

My dear Professor Kelsey:

The numbering of the papyri which were brought to the University in October, 1926, has just been completed and the typed list prepared. The task was a laborious one and took much of our spare time from October to the end of February. We checked Mr. Bell's report of September 5, 1925 with great care. We have not found the following items and assume that they were retained by the British Museum in accordance with Mr. Bell's suggestions of 16 July, 1925.

- Lot I. Nahman Collection. Greek paper MS. Hymns with neums. Probably XVII. Original binding. (p. 1).
- Lot III. 25. A. Tax-receipt. Commodus. Slightly imperfect on L. $2 \frac{3}{4}$ " x $2 \frac{1}{4}$ ". B. Order to the Arabian archers (Arabotoxotai) of Bacchias to bring the wife of the scribe of Hepaestias and to secure all her husband's property. III. Nearly complete. $2 \frac{3}{4}$ " x $4 \frac{1}{4}$ ". (p. 3).
- Lot III. 44. Fragments of deeds from Aphrodite. The provenance is proved by the occurrence of the name in one and of Dioscorus's hand in two. VI.

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(p. 41. Mr. Bell's preliminary report of 16 July, 1925, p. 5 suggested that this should go to the British Museum.)

- Lot III. 45. Letter to Paiecu, from the Meletian archive published in *Jews and Christians in Egypt*. Coptic. Imperfect and much damaged. With a small fragment of the Greek letter P. Lond. 1917. 8 3/4" x 10 1/2". (p.4). Retained by the British Museum; cf. note under the preceding.
- Lot III. 48. Two small fragments, 1 certainly, the other probably, from leases of land. III and VI. The second is perhaps in the hand of Dioscorus of Aphrodito. (p.5). Retained by the British Museum; cf. note under 44.
- Lot III. 67. Homer, II. XIV. 108-125, 162-176; a leaf from a codex. III/IV. 3 3/4" x 5". Mr. Bell suggested the retention of some small Iliad fragments; this one is not mentioned specifically.
- Lot III. 90. A. Beginning of a contract dated A.D. 569. Antinoopolis. Probably in the hand of Dioscorus. 2" x 4".
- B. Conclusion of a contract. VI. 2 1/2" x 3". (p. 7). Probably retained by the British Museum; cf. under 44.

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- Lot III. 94. A. Apparently a lease. Antioopolis. Late VI.
6" x 5 3/4".
- B. Uncertain fragment. VI. 4 1/4" x 6".
(p. 8). Probably retained by the British Museum;
cf. under 44.
- Lot III. 104. Letter to Heroninus. A.D. 264. Practically
complete. 6" x 4". (p. 8). Probably retained by
the British Museum; cf. under 44.
- Lot III. 115. Further fragments of P. Lond. 1395, of
which the right side was acquired last year. Re-
tained by the British Museum; cf. under 44.
- Lot III. 116. List of workmen. II B.C. Complete. 9" x 5".
May have been retained by the British Museum.
(See Bell's report, 5).
- Lot III. 120. Recto. Account; 2 incomplete cols. VI.
Verso. Uncertain. Some additions, possibly by
Dioscorus. 6 1/4" x 10". Also a small scrap.
(p. 9). Desired by British Museum; cf. under 44.
- Lot III. 178. Fragments, probably from the Aphredite papyri
of the first find (P. Lond. IV), but the largest
does not seem to fit any of the letters of that
volume. Retained by British Museum ? cf. under 44.
- Lot III. 185. Statement (perhaps rather than register)
of landed property. Karanis and Hiera Nicolacu
are mentioned. V. Various land categories occur,

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and the document may be of importance for the history of land tenures. Imperfect. 9 1/4" x 8".

Probably retained by the British Museum, although not specifically mentioned. Cf. under 44.

- Lot III. 189. Fragments of a land register (codex). Of some interest. IV. (?) (p. 14). May have been regained by the British Museum.
- Lot III. 221. Letter to Heroninus. A.D. 254. Complete. 8 1/4" x 3 1/4". (p. 17). Mr. Bell intimated that this would be retained.
- Lot. III. 229. A. L. side of a contract (?) relating to labor at Karanis. The words *idiotikes eideas* seem to occur. IV. 10" 3/4" x 4".
- B. Fragment of a land register (both sides). III. 10" x 5 1/2". (p. 171).
- Lot III. 265. Letter. VI. Complete. 6 1/2" x 12 1/2". (p. 20).
- Lot III. 277. Four small strips of papyrus rolled up and united by a piece of string; no doubt an amulet to be worn round the arm or elsewhere. etc. We found only three in the box. (p. 21).
- Lot IV. 8. Petition by a woman to Boethus, epistrategus (of the Thebaid). (Circa B.C. 135/4). Imperfect on R. 11 1/4" x 4 1/2". (p. 24).
- Lot IV. 10. Acknowledgment of debt for rent. A.D. 359. 8 3/4" x 4 1/2". (p. 24).

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- Lot IV. II. Homer, Od. VI. 236-275. II. B.C. With a small fragment of a letter, of about the same period. (p. 24). Mr. Bell intimated small Homeric fragments might be retained.
- Lot IV. 12. Homer, II. XII. 249-263, 128 ff. 176 ff. Textually interesting (many variants). Ptolemaic period. With two small unconnected scraps. (p. 24). This was probably retained by the British Museum.
- Askren Lot II. 21. Latin work, grammatical, in rustic capitals. On the recto a text in cursive, with the following dates in consulships: A.D. 143, 148, 150, 153. Probably a list of soldiers with dates of enlistments. 6 1/2" (p/28). In British Museum?
- Askren-Boak, from Mohammad Abdullah. 5. Petition to C. Julius Asclas, strategus (cf. P. Rylands 149). Philadelphia. A.D. 39/40. Slightly imperfect on R. 11" x 3". Retained by British Museum ? (p. 30).
- Lot II. Miscellaneous purchases. 27. Petition to Korax, presumably strategus of the Div. of Themistes, from a royal tenant of Philadelphia. A.D. 3/4. Imperft at foot. 6" x 3 1/2". (p. 33). In British Museum ?
- Lot II. Miscellaneous purchases. 68. Lease. Philadelphia. A.D. 21. Perfect. 11" x 4 3/4". (p. 36). In British Museum?

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Of the same Lot. 93 C. Uncertain fragment. II. 4 3/4" x 4". This may have been displaced in the repack-
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Of the same Lot. 100. Coptic text, early. None of the special Coptic letters occurs. Probably magical but largely obscure at present, (report by Sir H. Thompson ()). III ? Imperfect in upper L. Corner. 8 1/4" x 7". (p. 38). In the British Museum ?

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