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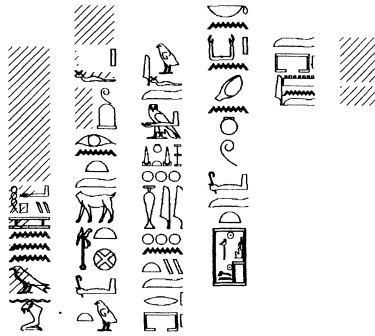
## FRAGMENT OF A STELA OF A DESERVANT OF THE RAMESSEUM

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The present fragment of stela was part of a private collection at Luxor and is now preserved in the Supreme Council of Antiquities Magazine under the registration number n° 48.

It consists in a slab of sandstone 0.36 m large, 0.32 m high and 0.18 m thick. Of the upper register, just remain the feet of a seated god (→) holding a *was*-scepter.

At the lower register, the kneeling dedicant (←) was spelling a prayer.



- x + 1 « [... Hâp]y, great of power <sup>a</sup>,  
 x + 2 ... made for you (or : that you have made) in the « victorious Thebes » <sup>b</sup>,  
 x + 3 He is among the magistrates, the praised ones who are in your sanctuary.  
 x + 4 For the *Ka* of the desservant in the temple of *Ouser-mâât-râ-setep-en-râ*  
 (Ramses II),  
 x + 5 in the dominion of Amon in  
 x + 6 [the west of Thebes (?), Mahu (?) <sup>c</sup>].

**a** — The epitheta *wr-šfy* is generally given to Amun or main deities (*Wb.* IV, 458, 23, 24, 26 and *Belegst.* : Osiris, Khnum, Montu, Amun, Hathor, Horus, Khonsu-Toth, Min-Amun, Seth). The fear of the power (*šfy*) owned by the Nile-god is referred to in the « Nile Hymnus » (*W. Helck, Der Text des « Nilhymnus », KÄT, 1972, p. 82, 85.*)

**b** — For the « victorious Thebes », see P. Vernus, *ASAE* 68, 1982, p. 131 et 133, n. g.

**c** — The identity of the stela dedicant is to be chosen between two officials :

— Usermonthu (TT 31), who seems to have born the titles of :



and :  1 ;

– Mahu (TT 257) who shows the following titulary :

 2.

This last seems much more likely than Usermonthu as the writing of his titulary is almost identical in his tomb and on our document.



<sup>1</sup> N. de G. DAVIES, A.H. GARDINER, *Seven Private Tombs*, p. 11 and n. 2.

<sup>2</sup> *LD Text III*, p. 250.



The fragment of stela of Mahu (?).  
Luxor Supreme Council of Antiquities Magazine n° 48.