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Plate I. Qara Dagh. We give here our own copy of the inscription, first discovered by Miss Gertrude L. Bell, in the rock cut corridor on Mahalich above Bin Bir Kilise (Maden Shehr).¹ The application of squeeze paper makes nearly

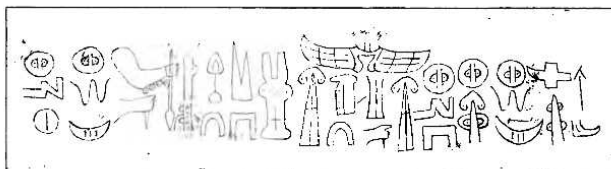


PLATE I. QARA DAGH.

all the characters stand out clearly as may be seen from the photographs made while the squeeze was drying.² It is quite apparent that two signs are to be read to the right of the arm and spear symbol, though the lower of the two is rather badly



FIG. 1. QARA DAGH INSCRIPTION, LEFT END.

weathered. The corridor in which the inscription occurs seems to have been the entrance to the shrine or citadel which occupied the peak of this mountain.

¹ Sayce, *Proc. Soc. Bibl. Arch.*, 1909, 83ff.; Ramsay and Bell, *Thousand and One Churches*, 505ff. and Fig. 376, 1a.

² Fig. 1-3.



FIG. 2. Qara Dagh inscription, right end.



FIG. 3. Mahalich, rock cut corridor.

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Plate II. Kôlit Oghlu Yaila. The well known inscription from Ilghin* lies on the plain about an hour east of the small village of Qara Kôî and two hours west by north

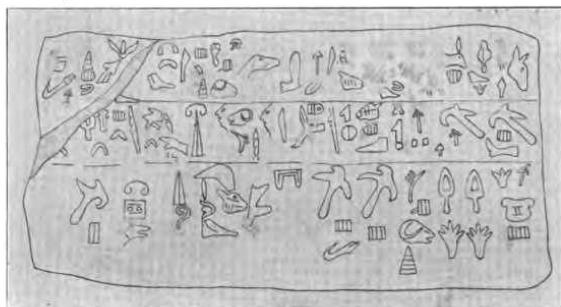


PLATE II. Kôlit Oghlu Yaila.



FIG. 4. Kôlit Oghlu Yaila inscription.

*Messerschmidt, *Corpus Inscriptionum Hittitarum* (hereafter cited as CIH.), XXXV. Cf. also Sayce, *Proc. Soc. Bibl. Arch.*, 1904, 24; 1905, 215; Garstang, *Land of the Hittites*, 173f.

from Qadyn Khân. It is carved in relief on one side of a block of hard limestone. A crack in the upper left hand corner has broken away portions of several signs, and there is a small lacuna near the right end of the first line; otherwise the inscription is fairly well preserved.⁴ The purpose of the stone on which the inscription is



FIG. 5. Back of Költ Oghlu Yaila stone.

cut is rather uncertain. A hollow in the rear portion of the stone⁵ suggests that it was used either as a water basin or as the base of a statue or stela. The former alternative seems the more likely and we may compare it with the similar stone found at Öyük north of Boghaz Köi.⁶ The embankment near by, the course of



FIG. 6. Költ Oghlu Yaila, embankment near inscription.

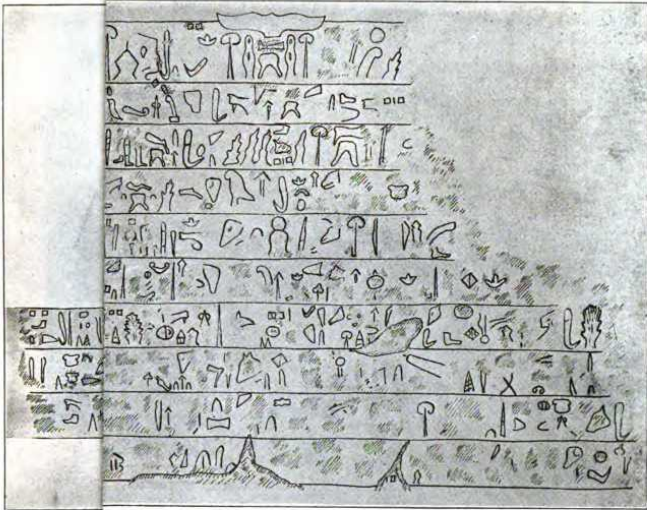
which hardly suggests a wall of defense, is very possibly the line of an aqueduct to the nearby Hittite Tyriaeum, a conclusion which is strengthened by the fact that it seems to have been continued in a cutting to the southwest.⁷

⁴Fig. 4.

⁶The so-called throne, Texier, *Asie Mineure*, Pl. lxxxii.

⁵Fig. 5.

⁷Fig. 6.



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