of an Assyrian king; mention is made of (māt)
Pi-lis-ta-ai, (māt) Ma-tu-ki (= Amurru) and (alu)
A-zākā-a, i.e. Azaḳāt, Azaḳites (to be derived
from a city-name Asīḳāt). Since the Philistines
are spoken of, the reference can, of course, be
only to the biblical 'Azaḳā. In the Index (Cata-
logue, vol. v.) C. Bezold gives only 'Azaḳā, city,
not 'Palestinian city' or the like, so that I have
considered it a matter of importance to bring to
the notice of a wider circle this note that is buried
in the Catalogue. It is very desirable that the
fragment of twenty lines should speedily be pub-
lished, with a transcription and translation.

Fritz Hommel.

Munich.

Entre Nous.

The Church Quarterly Review opens a new
volume in October with a new editor and a strong
number. The new editor is the Rev. A. C.
Headlam, B.D., whose articles on the Theology of
the Epistle to the Romans in THE EXPOSITORY
TIMES will be remembered. He is joint-author
with Dr. Sanday of perhaps the richest commentary
in our language, the 'International Critical
Commentary' on The Epistle to the Romans.

The number of the Church Quarterly for
October opens with a criticism of Schmiedel's
recent article on the Acts of the Apostles. The
article has been handled before, but nowhere so
severely as here. One wonders what has brought
Professor Schmiedel to the front. The word
'certain,' one of the most influential words in the
English language, has done much for him. 'The
section,' says Professor Schmiedel (one example
will do), 'in which, as an eye-witness, the writer
gives his narrative in the first person plural
(16:10-17 20:5-16 21:1-18 27:1 28:10) may be implicitly
accepted. But it may be regarded as equally
certain that they are not by the same writer as the
other parts of the book.' Says the reviewer in the
Church Quarterly: 'It would be perfectly legit-
imate for any Christian apologist to maintain the
thesis that St. Paul wrote the Epistle to the
Hebrews, and if his arguments were good they
would demand respectful attention; but if he be-
gan by asserting that the Pauline authorship was
certain he would be looked upon as a writer who
did not know what he was talking about.'

As Mr. Milligan showed in his paper in THE
EXPOSITORY TIMES last month, Professor Har-
nack's contributions toward the problem of the
Western Text are against its priority. He does
not agree with Professor Blass that that text,
represented by Codex Bezae, is St. Luke's first
draft. The best summary of the arguments
against Professor Blass's theory will be found in
an appendix to the new edition of Mr. Page's
Acts (Macmillan).

Mr. Fisher Unwin is going to publish a cheaper
edition of the 'Story of the Nations' Series on the
installment plan. The prospectus should be seen
for; it is attractive.

A beautiful and most useful booklet has been
published by Messrs. Mabie, Todd, & Bard, the
manufacturers of the 'Swan' pen. It is called the
'Swan Pen Christmas Shopping List.' It contains
an alphabetical list of all likely gifts for Christmas,
and space to enter the names of those for whom
gifts are to be bought, as well as the articles and
their price. It costs nothing, and is sent post
free from 93 Cheapside.

The author of an article in the Church Quarterly
Review for October on Bishop Westcott says that
he well remembers the Bishop's horror on dis-
covering in Blass's New Testament Greek the
statement that St. Luke used a particular tense
because he liked rolling, loud-sounding words.
He did not make the mistake of supposing that
there is no difference between Classical and
Hellenistic Greek; but he maintained that each
had its own exactness; that in neither were words
or tenses used indiscriminately; and that there
was no excuse for neglecting any minute detail
that could possibly be induced to yield a
meaning.

The same writer says that the letters which
passed between Westcott and Hort while they
were engaged on the text of the New Testament
are still in existence, and he hopes that some of
them may yet see the light.

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