

The above-mentioned proverbs are said to be centuries old, nevertheless they are still striking, and if held against a Tiriote for instance, asseverating his innocence in this or that before the Kâdy, he will hardly reply anything else in his Fellahin dialect, but : "Ya Ghânim, mfn ely Kallatsh" (literally) "My shepherd, who told you."

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ON page 108 of the April *Quarterly Statement*, Captain Conder disputes the reality of the two Phœnician characters that I found on the monolith of Siloam, and refers the reader to the "Jerusalem" volume of the "Memoirs." I can only find one passage in that volume referring to the characters. In this (page 7) Captain Conder says: "The remains of two letters, apparently of the earlier Hebrew character, have recently been observed on this tomb by M. Clermont-Ganneau, which might serve to class this monument as one earlier than those already mentioned." I formally maintain my opinion. I have had in my hands a squeeze of the letters which confirms me.

On page 105 of the same number, Captain Conder seems to assert that my identification of Hippos with *Susyeh*, where he says that Hippos was identified with Susitha by Neubauer. That identification was made long ago by Lightfoot. My discovery is this, I pointed out that *Susitha* is no other than the Arabic *Susyeh*, and that *Susyeh* mentioned by Mussulman geographers represents the name and site of Hippos.
