REMAINS OF THE OLD CITY WALL.

At the beginning of this year I reported on remains of an ancient and very strong wall found near the north-western corner of the present city, at the Latin Patriarch's palace, and my report was published, together with the drawings illustrating it, in Quarterly Statement, 1889, p. 65, where I (p. 66) promised to report whatever further may be found. I have now to fulfil this promise.

Northwards, as I hinted in my last, nothing has been done since, but southwards it was found that the wall existed only for 8 feet further south, with large stones on both sides and the middle filled up, but that beyond this such stones were only scattered here and there, most of them in situ, for a short distance; those not in situ being turned over or broken. The priest who had the direction of the work told me that a few such stones were found when the palace was built a dozen years ago and that it seems the wall had an angle just where in the Ordnance Survey Plan, scale 1/250, stands the letter R of the work, "Tarik." But this is merely a suggestion, and not proved, as he said the supposed angle of the wall gave to the latter an easterly direction, which would bring it into connection with the remains found some years ago, and reported in Quarterly Statement, 1886, p. 23, and afterwards; and this seems to me the reason why a corner is suggested, which very likely did not exist. I suppose the wall went straight on, very probably to the tower found when shops were built outside the present wall, in front of the present third tower, north of Jaffa Gate, and that here was thus a kind of corner, not a right angle, but an obtuse one.

At the little chapel north of the barracks in Tarik Sitti Maryam the work is going on again, but nothing more of interest has been found. They have cleared away all the walls, &c., towards the east, and thrown the site of this chapel and the premises of the Chapel of the Flagellation into one.

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