

TO SEEK FOR MORE RELICS

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HAD TO WITHDRAW BEFORE

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JERUSALEM, Aug. 19.—Word is received here that Captain Montague Parker expects to resume the work of excavating for sacred relics in the Valley of Siloam very shortly. Meanwhile a decision as to whether the captain's contract with the Turkish government can be technically construed to justify his operations at the mosque of Omar is awaited with interest.

It will be recalled that after much excavating had been done and some relics, it is claimed, recovered, the explorers were interrupted by charges that the explorers had violated the holy mosque of Omar, obtaining access to it for the purposes of excavating by bribing its guardians. Popular feeling was so intense against the foreigners that after they had withdrawn, the government ordered the arrest of the guardians of the mosque and pursued an investigation into the circumstances of its alleged desecration.

Now the contract between Parker, representing an Anglo-American syndicate, and the Turkish government has come to light. Its perusal leaves one in doubt as to whether the explorers can be shown to have exceeded their rights. It develops that the Turkish government was a partner to the transaction and was to share in the spoils.

The contract contains twelve articles, some of which are worth reproducing. It was signed on October 26, 1906, by Captain Parker and Ziaf Pasha, the then minister of finance, acting for the Turkish government. Article I provides that Parker is to furnish all the necessary funds and operate in the name and under the auspices of the Turkish government. Article v has to do with an extension of the contract in the matter of time by mutual consent. In article xi Parker releases the government of any damages growing out of the possible failure of the enterprise. Article xii provides that in case of a difference of opinion or misunderstanding between the two parties the question shall be submitted for decision to a committee of four men appointed equally by the Turkish and British governments and, in the event of a deadlock, the deciding vote shall be entrusted to a fifth man named by the Turkish minister of justice.

Articles of Contract.

The other articles summarized are as follows:

Article II. The Turkish government undertakes to furnish whatever land or property the captain may select and determine upon as the site wherein to excavate, by adopting every feasible method of procuring and transferring the same to the captain, whether by right of purchase in the case of the property belonging to private individuals or by issuing a grant of land in case of the property belonging to the crown.

Article III. Captain Parker is bound to refrain from commencing his operations anywhere in the vicinity of Jerusalem until the transference or grant of a given piece of land is legally and properly executed, and a wall erected about the same.

By the terms of this article the captain is furthermore given the privilege of excavating one full year from the date of commencing operations, after the lapse of which period the work of excavation must be discontinued, unless the government should grant a further lease of the land and renew the privilege of excavation.

Article IV. Whatever articles or objects may be unearthed during the course of excavation by Captain Parker must be shared in equal proportions between the government and the members of the expedition, either in kind or by rendering to the government the equivalent of its share in money after due and proper appraisal.

Article V. The Turkish government assumes the privilege of appointing two reliable inspectors of Ottoman nationality whose duties will be to superintend and observe the process of excavation, but who, in the performance of their duties, shall have no right to interfere or intermeddle with the plans of Captain Parker or the means or methods he should employ in carrying out his purposes. Each of the aforesaid inspectors shall be entitled to a monthly stipend of \$100, which shall be compensation for his time and services.

Provide Military Force.

Article VII. The Turkish government engages to afford Captain Parker such military force as he may deem necessary for facilitating his operations, protecting the lives of those engaged in their duties, or enabling him to surmount difficulties and overcome obstacles should the latter present themselves at any time. A certain sum of money is fixed herewith to pay such military force for its services as well as to cover any incidental expenses it should entail, such to be furnished by Captain Parker.

Article VIII. In addition to the terms stipulated in article vii, it shall be incumbent upon the local government in Jerusalem to furnish all the means, facilities and protection within its power to enhance and expedite the work of excavation as well as to promote the security, interests and welfare of those engaged in it.

Article IX. Captain Parker binds himself, in the event of coming upon any valuable finds during the course of his excavations, to enclose the same in a stout case, to cause his seal as well as those of the inspectors to be fixed thereon; thereafter to arrange for its safe conveyance to the nearest and most direct board ship to Constantinople under his direct surveillance, as well as that of the local government. The case or cases in arriving at Constantinople shall be deposited in the depot of the ministry of finance pending the arrival of either Captain Parker himself or his legally authorized deputy, whereupon the contents of said case or cases will be divided into two equal shares.

Article X. Each of the two contracting parties shall appoint two trustworthy appraisers, whose duty it shall be to divide any valuables unearthed into two equal parts, or, in the event of Captain Parker's electing to pay the government in cash for its share of the finds, to fix a proper valuation thereon.

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These statements of General Sharpe's were made in a letter which was written to recommend that Miss Van Lew be reimbursed by the government to the amount of \$15,000. The money was never collected. —W. G. Beyer in Harper's Magazine.

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