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1 [Year 56,] king [An]tiochus. Month I, the 1st (of which followed the 30th of the preceding month; sunset to moonset): 22°; measured (despite) clouds. Night [...]

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- 2 [...] Night of the 5th, beginning of the night, the moon was $1 \frac{5}{6}$ cubits behind γ Geminorum. Night of the 6th, beginning of the night, the moon was [...] behind [β Geminorum; first part of the night,]
- 3 [Venus was] 20 fingers [below] β Tauri. Night of the 8th, beginning of the night, the moon was 2 cubits in front of α Leonis. Night of the 10th, beginning of the night, the moon was . . . β Virginis . . .]
- 4 [...] Night of the 11th, beginning of the night, the moon was 2 cubits below γ Virginis, the moon being $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit back to the west. Night of the 12th, [beginning of the night, the moon was [...] behind α [Virginis . . .]
- 5 [...] passed². Night of the 13th, moonrise to sunset: $10^{\circ} 30'$, measured. The 13th, sunrise to moonset: $4^{\circ} 50'$. Night of the 14th, sunset to moonrise: $7^{\circ} 40'$ [...] first part of the night, Mars was $2 \frac{5}{6}$ cubits above α Tauri; last part of the night, the moon was [...] in front of [δ^2]
- 6 S[corp[us].] Night of the 16th, first part of the night, Venus was $1 \frac{2}{3}$ cubits above η Geminorum; last part of the night, the moon was 3 cubits [behind] θ Ophiuchi. Night of the 18th, first part of the night, Ve[nus]
- 7 was $1 \frac{5}{6}$ cubits above [μ] Geminorum. Night of the 19th, last part of the night, the moon came cl[ose]² to the left of the lower star of the horn of Capricorn; last part of the night, the moon was 3 fingers behind the lower star of the horn of Capricorn.
- 8 Night of the 20th, last part of the night, the moon was $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits in front of γ Capricorni. Night of the 21st, first part of the night, Venus was $4 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits above γ Geminorum. Night of the 23rd, overcast. The 23rd, very overcast, [gusty²] wind,
- 9 rain shower. Night of the 24th (and) the 24th, ve[ry overcast], gusty wind, rain shower. Night of the 25th (and) the 25th, clouds crossed the sky, gusty wind, rain shower, thunder. Night of the 26th, very overcast; moonrise to sunrise: 18° ; clouds, I did not watch.
- 10 The 26th, clouds crossed the sky, much thunder, rain, much PISAN DIB. The 27th, Mercury's first appearance in the west in Taurus; clouds, I did not watch. Night of the 29th (and) the 29th, clouds crossed the sky, rain shower.
- 11 That month, the equivalent was: barley, 4 sūt; dates, 1 pān 1 sūt 3 qa; mustard, 1 kur 1 pān 1 sūt 3 qa; cress, 3 sūt; sesame, 3 sūt; wool, 4 minas for 1 shekel of wrought silver.
- 12 At that time, Jupiter was in Pisces; Venus was in Taurus, in the middle of the month, in Gemini; Saturn was in Libra; around the 27th, Mercury's first appearance in the west in Taurus; Mars was in Taurus. That month, the river level was 6 (at the) *na* (gauge).
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- 13 Month II, (the 1st of which was identical with) the 30th (of the preceding month, sunset to moonset): 13° ; dense clouds, I did not watch. Night of the 1st, [clouds] crossed the sky. Night of the 3rd, clouds crossed the sky; first part of the night, Mars was $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits below β Tauri. Night of the 4th, the moon was $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit in front of β Geminorum. Night of the 6th, beginning of the night, the moon was
- 14 3 cubits in front of α Leonis; first part of the night, [...] 2 cubits. Night of the 7th, first part of the night, Mars was $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits above ζ Tauri. Night of the 8th, beginning of the night, the moon was 3 cubits in front of β Virginis.

- 15 [... Night of the 10th, beginning of the night, the moon was $1 \frac{5}{6}$ cubits in front of α Virginis; first part of the night, Mercury was [...] above
- 16 μ [Geminorum ...x] + 1 cubits. The 12th, moonset to sunrise: $7^\circ 20'$. Night of the 13th, first part of the night, Venus was 1 cubit below β Geminorum; last part of the night, the moon was [...] behind β
- 17 [Scorpii ... Night of the 14th, moonrise to sunset: nn; fir]st part of the night, Mercury was $1 \frac{1}{2}$ ^{sic} cubits above γ Geminorum. Night of the 15th, sunset to moonrise: $16^\circ 20'$, measured.
- 18 [... Night of the 19th, last part of the night, the moon was] $\frac{5}{6}$ cubit [...] δ Capricorni. The 23rd, Mars' last appearance in Gemini. The 23rd, Sirius' last appearance.
- 19 [Night of the 24th, last part of the night, the moon was] $1 \frac{2}{3}$ cubits [...] η Piscium. Night of the 25th, last part of the night, the moon was 5 cubits below β Arietis.
- 20 [... at] the end of the month, 1 pān 1 sūt; dates, 1 pān 1 sūt 3 qa; mustard, 1 kur 1 pān 1 sūt 3 qa; cress, 3 sūt; sesame, 3 sūt;
- 21 [...] [...]

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- 1' [...] 32° onset and clearing; during its eclipse, the north wind which [...]
- 2' [...] 2^2 fingers. That month, the equivalent (of 1 shekel of silver was): barley, 1 pān 1 sūt; dates, 1 pān 4 sūt; mustard, 1 kur; cress, 3 sūt; sesame, 4 sūt; wool, 4 minas.
- 3' [At that time, ... Mercury's] last appearance in the west in Virgo; Saturn was in Libra; Mars was in Leo. That month, the river level receded $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit, 27 was the *na* (gauge). That month, ZI IR.

- 4' Month VI₂, (the 1st of which was identical with) the 30th (of the preceding month), sunset to moonset: 12° , measured; it was bright [...] Night of the 2nd, the moon was 3 cubits in front of $\langle \beta \rangle$ Scorpii. Night of the 3rd, the moon was 1 cubit in front of α Scorpii. Night of the 4th,
- 5' the moon was $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit behind ϑ Ophiuchi. [...] Night of the 7th, beginning of the night, the moon was] $\frac{2}{3}$ cubit [in front of?] the lower star of the horn of Capricorn. Night of the 8th, beginning of the night, the moon was 2 cubits in front of γ
- 6' [Capricorni. Night of the 9th, beginning of the ni]ght, the moon was x] + $\frac{2}{3}$ cubit [behind δ Capricorni.] Night of the 11th, last part of the night, Venus was 4 cubits below ϑ Leonis. The 10th, equinox. Night of the 13th, last part of the night, the moon
- 7' stood $\frac{2}{3}$ cubit in front of Jupiter to the west. Night of the 14th, [...] the moon was] 3 cubits below η Piscium. The 14th, moonset to sunrise: $3^\circ 20'$. Night of the 15th, sunset to moonrise: $1^\circ 40'$.
- 8' The 15th, sunrise to moonset: 9° , measured. Night of the 16th, last part of the night, the moon was [...] in front of η Tauri [...] Night of the 17th, last part of the night, Venus was 1 finger above β Virginis. Night of the 18th, last part of the night, the moon was
- 9' $2 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits in front of ζ Tauri. [...] Night of the 19th, last part of the night, the moon was] $1 \frac{2}{3}$ cubits below η Geminorum, the moon being a little back to the west.

- 10' Ni[ght of the 22nd,] last part of the night, the moon was $1 \frac{2}{3}$ cubits in front of ϵ Leonis. [... Ni]ght of the 24th, last part of the night, Mars was $\frac{2}{3}$ cubit below γ Virginis. Night of the 25th, last part of the night, the moon was
- 11' $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit be[low β] Virginis. Night of the 26th, last part of the night, the moon was [...] below [γ Virginis,] it stood 2 cubits [behind] Venus, $\frac{2}{3}$ cubit in front of Mars to the west. Night of the 27th, [last part of the night,]
- 12' [... the moon was] $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit [in front of] α Virginis, [it stood [...] in front of Mercury [to the west moonrise to sunrise: nn° ,] measured. Night of the 29th, Venus was $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit below γ Virginis.
- 13' [That month, the equivalent (of 1 shekel of silver was): barley,] 1 pān 1 sūt; dates, 2 pān; mustard, 1 kur; cress, 2² sūt 3 qa; sesame, [...; wo]ol, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ minas. At that time, Jupiter was in Pisces; Venus [was in Leo,]
- 14' [in the middle of the month, in Virgo; ar]ound the 18th, Mercury's first appearance in the east in the beginning of Libra; Saturn was in Libra; Mars was in [Virgo.] That [month,] the river level receded 4 fingers, 28 was the *na* (gauge). Th[at month²]
- 15' [...] entered [Babylon².] The people of the land [...] in in battle in the di[strict² of Eri]du² opposite Esang[il]

16' [D]iary from month I to the end of month VI₂, year 5[6, king] Antio[chus]

Upper edge

1 [D]iary from month I to the end of month VI₂]

Left edge

1 [... king] Antiochus.