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Obv.:

- 1 [....] king Arsaces. Month I, the 1st (of which followed the 30th of the preceding month),
[sunset to moonset:] 10+[x°; it was bright, measured (despite) clouds; it was low to the
sun the moon was] 1 cubit in front of α Tauri [....]
- 2 [.... Night of the 2nd,] clouds were in the sky, the south wind blew; the moon was 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
cubits in front of ζ Tauri [....] clouds were in the sky, the south wind blew; in the
afternoon, [....]
- 3 [....] were in [the sky], the south wind blew; in the afternoon, overcast. Night of the 4th,
clouds were in the sky; beginning of the night, the moon was 5 cubits below [α
Ge]minorum, the moon being $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit back to the west. The 4th, clouds were in the sky;
at noon, storm [.... Night of the 5th, beginning of the night, the moon was]
- 4 1 cubit [.... ϑ Can]cri; all ni[ght The 5th, a]ll day clouds crossed the sky; at sunset, a
little rain shower, the south and east winds bl[ew. Ni]ght of the 6th, beginning of the
night, clouds crossed the sky, lightning flashed, slow thunder, a little rain shower [....]

- 5 [...] were [in the sky,] the south wind blew. Night of the 7th, beginn[ing of the night, the m]oon was 6 fingers behind α Leonis; first part of the night, Mars was $3 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits below α Geminorum. The 7th, clouds [... the sky]; in the morning, cloudbanks which were like sections of a rainbow lay to the right of the sun and left [of the sun] [...]
- 6 [...] from the disk of the sun inside this halo to the zenith 10° ; with the rise² [...]
.... half of this halo was closed²; the south wind blew. Night of the 8th, clouds were in the sky; beginning of the ni[ght, ...]
- 7 [...] inside the halo, Saturn stood to the east. The 8th, the north wind blew. Night of the 9th, beginning of the night, the moon was $2 + [x \text{ cubits}]$ behind β Virginis, $\frac{2}{3}$ cubit² [in front of Sa]turn²; all night gusty north wind. The 9th, clouds were in the sky, the north wind blew. Night of the 10th, clouds were in the sky; beginning of the night, the m[oon]
- 8 [...] Night of the 11th, [...]; beginning of the night, the moon was 3 cubits behind α Virginis, the moon being 2 cubits high to the north. The 11th, clouds were in the sky, the north wind blew. Night of the 12th, [clouds were in the] sky, the north wind blew; [beginning] of the night, the moon was 1 cubit in front of α Librae. The 12th, moonset to sunrise: $50'$, measured. The 12th, clouds were in the sky, the north wind which [was set to the west side blew]
- 9 [Night of the 13th, beginning of the night, the moon was in fr]ont of δ Scorpii; all night clouds were in the sky, the north wind which was set to the west side blew. The 13th, sunrise to moonset: 8° , measured; clouds [...] the sky [...] the south wind which was slanted to the east blew. Night of the 14th, sunset to moonrise: 7° , measured; all night clouds were in the sky [...]
- 10 [last part of the night, the moon was in fr]ont of ϑ Ophiuchi, [the moon being] 2^2 cubits 8 fingers high to the north, $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits above Jupiter. The 14th, clouds were in the sky, the south and [...] winds bl]ew. Ni[ght] lightning flashed on the south and east side, gusty wind. The 15th, clouds were in the sky, the south and east winds blew [...]
- 11 [...] first] part of the night, Venus was [...] below α Geminorum [...] Mars was $2 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits below β Geminorum; in the morning watch, the moon was surrounded by a river, it billowed very much. The 16th, thin clouds were in the sky, the north wind which was set to the west side blew. Night of the 17th, all night thin clouds were in the sky, storm [...]
- 12 [...] clouds were in the sky, the north wind blew Night of the 18th, clouds were in the sky, the north wind blew; last part of the night, the moon was 1 cubit [in front of] β Capricorni, the moon being 2 cubits [nn fingers] high to the north. The 18th, clouds were in the sky, the north wind which was set to the west side blew. Night of the 19th, clouds were in the sky, the north wind blew; last part of the night, the moon was [...] in front of γ Capricorni
- 13 [...] The 19th, clou]ds were in the sky, the north wind blew. Night of the 20th (and) the 20th, the north wind blew. Night of the 21st, [first part of the night, Venus] was 2 cubits below β Geminorum; all night very overcast, the north wind which [was set to the we]st side blew; last part of the night, overcast. The 21st, in the morning, clouds crossed the sky; the north wind which was set to the west side blew; it thundered thrice; rain shower; all day overcast [...]
- 14 [...] first part] of the night, lightning flashed on the south and east side, strong gusty south and east storm [...] The 22nd, clouds were in the sky [...] gusty south and east winds blew. Night of the 23rd (and) the 23rd, clouds were in the sky, the north wind which was set to the west side blew. Night of the 24th (and) the 24th, clouds were in the sky, the south and east winds blew. Night of the 25th, [...]

- 15 [around the 25th, Mercury's first appearance in the east, ... om]itted[?]. The 25th, clouds were in the sky, the north wind which was set to the west side blew. Night of the 26th, all night clouds [....] The 26th, thin clouds were in the sky, the west wind blew; at noon, the sun was twice surrounded by a halo. Night of the 27th, all night very overcast, the north wind [which was set] to the west side [blew]
- 16 [....] little. Around the 27th, Jupiter's acronychal rising. The 27th, thin clouds were in the sky; [moonrise to sunrise[?]:] 22° [....] lightning flashed, much thunder, rain DUL, gusty north and west winds blew. Night of the 28th, clouds were in the sky, [the north wind which] was set to the west side bl[ew]
- 17 [.... Night of the 29th, first] part of the night, Venus was $\frac{2}{3}$ cubit above Mars, Venus having passed 4 fingers to the east. The 29th, thin clouds were in the sky [.... the equivalent was: bar]ley, in the beginning of the month, 4 pān 1 sūt, until the middle of the month, 4 pān 2 sūt, until the end of the month, 3 pān 4 sūt; dates, [in the beginning of the month, 2 kur 3 pān [....]
- 18 [....] 2 sūt 4 qa; sesame, 4 sūt; wool, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ minas for 1 shekel of s[ilver Jupi]ter was in Scorpius; Venus and Mars were in Gemini; Saturn was in Virgo; the 19th[?], Mars reached Cancer; the 21st, Venus reached Cancer; around the 25th, Mercury's [first appearance in the east, omitted]
- 19 [....] rose [nn] fingers, there was no na; the 3rd, 4th, and 5th, it receded $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit, total: 3 was the na (gauge); the 7th, 8th, and 9th [....] it rose up to the opening of the peak flood; the 14th[?], it receded 2 fingers [....]
- 20 [.... ro]se [....], total: 7 was the na (gauge); the 28th and 29th, it receded 8 fingers, total: 9 was the na (gauge). That month, the xth day [....] Esang[il[?]]
- 21 [....] the 8th day, after the minor cultic meal of the morning, the hands of Ištar of Babylon [....] [....]
- 22 [.... minor] cultic meal[?], the hands of Ištar of Babylon from the gate of the Gula temple [....] [....]
- 23 [....] from Seleucia [....] [....]

Rev.

- 1' [....] [....]
- 2' [....] [....] king of[?] [....]
- 3' [....] went, were written on a parchment [....] which is[?] year 171, ... they were read[?] [....]
- 4' [....] cities of Media [....] who from the city of Urqanānu[?], a famous [....]
- 5' [....] That month, the 22nd day, a parchment written [....] to the governor of Babylon and these[?] citizens [....]
- 6' [....] in[?] the position of general in Babylonia [....] was read in the house of observation. That day, I heard as follows: Ti'ugi[?] [....]
- 7' [....] king Arsaces to Seleucia [....] the 24th day, Antiochus, son of king Ar'abuzana, ... [....]
- 8' [....] of Assyria who before king Arsaces [....] was appointed [....] above the four generals of Babylonia. A which was like a ga[rden[?]]
- 9' [....] entered [Seleu]cia, the royal city. That month, the 28th day, [....]kā appointed great, from Seleucia entered Babylon [....]

- 10' [... year] 171, king Arsaces. Month IV, (the 1st of which was identical with) the 30th (of the preceding month), sunset to moonset: 17° , it was bright, earthshine, measured; [it could be seen] while the sun stood there; [...] it stood [...] in front of Mercury to the west, it stood $4 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits in front of Mars to the west; the north wind which was set to the west side blew. Night of the 2nd, the moon was [nn cubits] below θ Leonis [...]
- 11' [...] sunset to setting of Venus: $[x^{\circ}] 30'$. Night of the 3rd, the moon was $2 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits behind β Virginis, it stood $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits in front of Saturn to the west, the moon being $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit high to the north. The 3rd, the north wind blew. Night of the 4th, beginning of the night, the moon was $2 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits behind γ Virginis. Around the 4th, Venus' last appearance in the west in the end of Cancer; the north wind blew. Night of the 5th, beginning of the night, the moon was [...] behind α [Virginis]
- 12' [... Night of the 6th, beginning of the night,] the moon was $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits above α Librae, the moon having passed a little to the east. The 6th, the south wind blew. Night of the 7th, beginning of the night, the moon was 2 cubits in front of β Scorpii, the moon being [nn] cubits high to the north; first part of the night, a meteor which was very bright and had a tail, [...] from the constellation of Zaba[ba]
- 13' [...] The 7th², the south and west winds blew. Night of the 8th, beginning of the night, the moon was 1 cubit behind α Scorpii, $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits above Jupiter, the moon having passed a little to the east. The 8th, the north wind bl[ew. Night of the 9th, beginning of the night,] the moon was $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits behind θ Ophiuchi. The 9th, gusty north wind. Night of the 10th, [...]
- 14' [...] rain DUL²; in the morning, strong gusty north wind. Night of the 12th, beginning of the night, the moon was 1 cubit below β Capricorni, the moon being $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit back to the west. The 12th, the north wind blew [... Night of the 13th, beginning of the night, the moon was] $2 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits in front of γ Capricorni. The 13th, moonset to sunrise: 4° , measured (despite) clouds [...]
- 15' [...] the north wind blew. The 13th, lunar eclipse which was omitted; at 34° before sunset. The 13th, the north wind blew. Night of the 14th, sunset to moonrise: $30'$; beginning of the night, the moon was [...] behind δ Capricorni] The 14th, sunrise to moonset: $8^{\circ} 30'$, measured (despite) clouds; clouds were in the sky, the north wind blew [...]
- 16' [...] Night of the 19th, last part of the night, the moon was 1 cubit in front of β Arietis. The 19th, Venus' first appearance in the east in Cancer; rising of Venus to sunrise: $8^{\circ} 30'$, (ideal) first appearance on the 15th [...] Night] of the 20th, last part of the night, the moon was $2 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits behind α Arietis. The 20th, cl[ouds²]
- 17' [... Night of the 21st, last part of the night, the moon was] 5 cubits [below η Tauri], the moon being $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit back to the west. The 21st, clouds were in the sky; at noon, strong gusty east storm. Night of the 22nd, last part of the [night], the moon was $2+[x \dots]$ in front of α Tauri [... The 2]2nd, clouds were in the sky, gusty north wind. Night of the 23rd, last part of the night, the moon was [...] in front of [ζ ² Tauri]
- 18' [...] Night of the 24th, last part of the night, the moon was 1 cubit below μ Geminorum. The 24th, the north wind blew, ZI IR. Night of the 25th, last part of the night, the moon was [...] below [α ² Geminorum] ZI IR. Night of the 26th, last part of the night, the moon was [...] in front of [γ/δ] Cancr[us] [...]
- 19' [... Night of the 27th, last part of the night, the moon was] $2 \frac{1}{2}$ cubits [above] Venus, the moon being $\frac{1}{2}$ cubit back to the west. The 27th, moonrise to sunrise: 21° , it was bright; the west wind blew, ZI IR. Night of the 28th (and) the 28th, clouds were in the sky, the north wind which [...] the equi]valent was: barley, in the beginning of the month, 4 pān 4 sūt, in the middle of the mo[nth, ...]

- 20' [....] 3 qa; sesame, 4 sūt 1 qa; wool, 2 ½ minas for 1 shekel of wrought silver. At that time, Jupiter was in Scor[pus 1]5th[?], Venus' first appearance in the east in Cancer; Mercury [....]
- 21' [....] That month, the river level receded 20 fingers, total: 24 was the *na* (gauge). That month, the 3rd day, Nikan[or]

Upper edge

- 1 [....] made [.... offerings] for the life of the king (and) prostrated himself. That[?] month, [....]
- 2 [....] king Arsaces houses[?] [....]
- 3 [....] of king Arsaces, a written scroll in the streets[?] [....]
- 4 [....] Antiochus, queen Laodike [....]
- 5 [....] [....] [....]
- 6-8 [....] [....]