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Abstract:

The current article reveals for the first time the existence of the texts of the first chapter, with the publication of the texts of this chapter and the texts of the seventeenth chapter of the Book of the Dead, which were recorded on the ceiling of the transverse hall in the tomb of Pahemneter TT 284 in the Sheikh Abd al-Qurna area of Theban Necropolis.

Keywords:

Book of the Dead, Chapter one, Chapter 17, Theban necropolis, TT 284.

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1. Introduction:
Chapter 1, along with a few chapters of the Book of the Dead, is one of the most widely documented ancient Egyptian religious literature. The early source for this chapter is the spell 314 of the Coffin Texts, which was written on the inside part of Djehutyhotep’s coffin dated back to the middle of the Twelfth Dynasty. According to the Bonn University Book of the Dead project database, text, and vignettes of the first chapter have been recorded in 19 Theban tombs. Tomb TT 284 not one of those tombs. For the first time, the current article announces the discovery of Chapter 1 text recording in tomb TT284.

The first chapter is concerned with the person's transition to the afterlife after death and entry to the cemetery. The words of this chapter were recited on the day of the funeral. It is an appeal from Thoth, the supporter and defender of Osiris.

Chapter 17 is the most important chapter among the chapters of the Book of the Dead. According to the Saite Edition, it is the beginning of the second part of the Book of the Dead, which includes chapters from the seventeenth to sixty-third, and is the longest among them. Chapter 17 provides a summary of a complete set of chapters, in which the actual resurrection of the deceased in the netherworld begins.

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Quirke, S., Going out in Daylight prt m hrw the Ancient Egyptian Book of the Dead translation, sources, meanings, GHP Egyptology 20, London, 2013, p. 6.
http://totenbuch.awk.nrw.de/, accessed on 6/17/22, 10:26 PM.
Quirke, S., Going out in Daylight prt m hrw, pp. 5-6
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The Coffin Texts spell 335 is the main source for chapter BD 17. This chapter can be divided into two parts. The first is related to the creation of the universe and the worship of Ra and Osiris. The second part is related to the beliefs of the fate of the deceased after death.

According to the database of the Book of the Dead project in Bonn, the texts and vignettes of this chapter were recorded in 23 tombs in the Theban necropolis. Texts are recorded in five of those tombs, while the remaining tombs have vignettes of the chapter 17.

Chapter 1 and Chapter 17 are the most documented chapters of the Book of the Dead in the papyri. Since the start of the New Kingdom, the two chapters have been linked together and written at the beginning of the papyri. They were also linked together in monuments, as on the interior gold shrine that contains the sarcophagus of Tutankhamun.

2. The Text:

The texts of chapters 1 and 17 were written on the ceiling of the transverse hall, which is entered from an entrance in

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8 CT IV 184-326
9 Tarasenko, M., «Ruti-Scene» in Ancient Egyptian Religious Art, p 83
10 http://totenbuch.awk.nrw.de/, accessed on 6/17/22, 10:28 PM
11 Saleh, M., Das Totenbuch in den Thebanischen Beamtengrabern des Neuen Reiches, Philipp von Zabern, Mainz am Rhein, 1984, pp. 14-19; Tarasenko, M., "The Vignettes of the Book of Dead Chapter 17 during the Third Intermediate Period (21st – 22nd Dynasties)", in: SAK 41, 2012, pp. 379-394; The tomb (TT 11) of Djehuty, a high official who served under the joint reign of Hatshepsut and Thutmose III, was expected to contain BD 17, since early versions of the Eighteenth Dynasty preferred BD 17-18, and it is possible that it was located in the burial chamber on one of the two walls whose texts are now lost. Galán, J. M., “The Inscribed Burial Chamber of Djehuty (TT 11)”, Creativity and Innovation in the Reign of Hatshepsut. SAO 69, 2014, p. 264, n. 52.
13 Some other tombs have The text written on the walls of the burial chamber, cf. TT82. Davies, N. G., Gardiner, A. H., The tomb of Amenemhet (No. 82), The Theban Tomb series I, London, 1915, p. 105, pls. XXXIX-XL ; Cf. TT1. Toda, E., “Son Notém en Tebas. Inventario y textos de un sepulcro
the eastern wall. The hall extends from north to south with a length of 6.50 meters, a width of 2.15 meters, and a height of 2.10 meters. A band runs across the ceiling of the hall dividing it into two rectangles.

The axis of the entrance is also topped by another wide band extending from east to west. There are only a small amount remains from the drawings of these bands. Accordingly, it can be concluded that these bands were mostly intended for the vignettes of Chapter 17 of the Book of the Dead. Thus, the space designated for writing texts has been divided into four quarters. (Fig. 1)

Chapter 1 occupied the northwest quarter (A). While the Chapter 17 is written in the other three quarters, the northeast quarter (B), the southeast quarter (C), and finally the southwest quarter (D).

The texts are very difficult to read due to the exposure of the ceiling to various factors of damage, including covering some areas of the ceiling with a layer of soot. In addition, several parts of the plaster layer are lost. The texts had lost its original colors overtime, which cause additional difficulties to read and distinguish them.

**Typography:**

- The texts in the tomb have been compared to the texts of Naville, Lepsius, and Budge.
- The translations of the texts conducted employing translations made by Allen, Faulkner, Budge, and

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Quirk\textsuperscript{21}. In addition, I applied the same methodology used by Allen, where he divided the text into sections.

- The translations of the texts are written in italics.
- Small letters above some words in the translation indicate the positions of the comments.
- Rubrics are underlined in translations.
- Square brackets [ ] indicate reconstructed portions of a word or text.
- Parentheses ( ) indicate interpolations to clarify the meaning.
- Three dots … indicate a lacuna or an untranslatable word or passage.
- A parenthetical question mark (?) expresses uncertainty about the word or words which precede it.

2.1. The text of the Northwest quarter (A):

This part contains the texts of Chapter 1 of the Book of the Dead; it is divided into 32 columns. The first five columns are missing. The hieroglyphs were written facing the right, but the text was written in a retrograde\textsuperscript{22} fashion, thus the text is read from left to right.

2.1.1. Section 1:

… \textsuperscript{6} for I am \textsuperscript{1} one of \textsuperscript{b} those gods of the council which vindicated \textsuperscript{7} Osiris, the scribe Pahemneter, justified, against his enemies on this day \textsuperscript{8} of judgment. [I am]\textsuperscript{c} your people, O

\textsuperscript{18} Allen, T. G., The Book of the Dead or Going forth by Day. Chicago, 1974.
\textsuperscript{21} Quirke, S., Going out in Daylight \textit{prt m hrw} the Ancient Egyptian Book of the Dead translation, sources, meanings, \textit{GHP Egyptology} 20, London, 2013.
\textsuperscript{22} Retrograde writing is writing that is read in the opposite direction to what one would expect according to the direction of the signs. Fischer, H. G., L’écriture et l’art de l’Egypte ancienne, Presses universitaires de France, Paris, 1986, p. 105; Retrograde writing may have added to the content of the text an effective ambiguity and thus increased its effectiveness. Or perhaps this style of writing was used in frameworks closely related to the gods or the afterlife, requiring the transmission of this mysticism in a form other than the forms of everyday life. Dorman, P. F. "Compositional Format and Spell Sequencing in Early Versions of the Book of the Dead." \textit{JARCE} 55, 2019, p. 22, n. 11.
Osiris. I am one of these gods, the children of Nut, who slaughter the enemies of Osiris, who restrain the revolts against him. I am your people, O Horus, [I] have fought for you, I have spent time for your name.

Notes:

a. The title of this chapter and the beginning of this section were lost within the first five columns. The determinative of the verb h3 is appeared in beginning, then the impersonal pronoun tw, to give the passive h3.tw.j ḥr jnk I was fought, but other copies of this chapter had h3.n.j ḥr.k, it is more appropriate for the context.

b. Compared to the end of column 8 and the beginning of the column 9, this lacuna was occupied by the phrase w m one of.

c. The pronoun of the first person nwj is omitted, which had shown in the same phrase in the tenth column nwj wnḏwt.k I am your people.

d. smt(w) This word is an imperfective active participle, which means those who kill, to modify the noun

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23 Mueller, D., A concise introduction to middle Egyptian grammar, Lethbridge, 1975, p. 89.
25 nwj means 'I belong to', later it is used as absolute pronoun for the 1st person singular. Wb II, p. 210, n. 5.
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phrase msw Nwt children of Nut, as it appears in the papyrus of Ani 27 and also on the shrouds of Thutmose III 28

e. The size of the lacuna suggests ∥∥ shj before the determinative, and not ∥∥ which appears twice in this section, with the same determinative in the seventh and ninth columns. Therefore, the word could be read shjw ∥∥. rebels or revolts.29

2.1.2. Section 2:

12| I am Thoth, who vindicated Osiris against his enemies on that day 13| of judgement in the great hall of the officials which is in Heliopolis. I am a Busiritea, 14| the son of the Djedu-goda, I was born in Busirisb, my name is Djedy 15| my mother conceived mebd in Busiris. I am with [the mourners of]ec 16| Osiris [on the two shores of the Washerman.]f Vindicate Osiris against his enemies’, so he saidg, which Thoth did.

Notes:

a. Ddy is a Nisbe adjective, masculine singular of ddw, in the form of the false dual.30

b. Ddj is the name of an archaic god whose cult was mixed with the cult of Osiris.31

28 Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch I, pp. 76 ff. II, p. 3.
29 Hannig, R., Großes Handwörterbuch, p. 742.
30 Malaise, M., Winand, J., Grammaire raisonnée de l’égyptien classique. Liège, Centre d’informatique de philosophie et lettres (CIPL), 1999, pp. 84-6

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c. ḫḥw “Busiris”, the house of Osiris, is a town in the Delta, about 5.5 km south of Samanoud. It located to west of the Damietta branch and its current name is ‘Abu Sir Bana’.32

d. The scribe mentioned only jwr jm instead of jwr mwt.j jm.j. The subject of the verb and the object of the preposition are omitted to be interpretable through the context, especially by the preceded sentence "I was born".

e. The size of the lacuna in the word ḫḥj suggests the form ḫḥj. This word was written with the same form in Ag, and in different ways in other versions: ḫḥj, ḫḥj.33 ḫḥjtyw, and means the mourners.34

f. After the phrase ḫḥjtyw ṭṣjr mourners of Osiris, other versions mentioned jṣkbyt ṭṣjr m ṭṣḥwty rḥty women who mourned Osiris.35 Yet, the size of the lacuna does not allow this phrase, and the rest of the text ḫḥjtyw justify assumption that the missing part is ḫḥ only.

g. The scribe was confused, where he wrote the verb ḫḥw.fy with the sign ḫsf as ḫ. The same confusion occurred in Ag manuscript.37 The suffix of completed action n comes after the verb jṛj, in order to form the perfective relative form jṛ.n ḫḥwty.

2.1.3. Section 3:

17] I am with Horus on that day of festival of the split ones. I open the cavern, I wash the tired-[hearted one] [I made secret] to see the secrets in Rosetjau. I am with Horus [as] the protector of the right shoulder of Osiris who

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31 Budge, E. A. W., The papyrus of Ani, p. 357.
32 Gardiner, A. H., Onomastica II, p. 176*.
33 Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch, p. 6.
36 ḫhrw.fy is an irregular writing of the verb ḫhrw. Cf. Gardiner, A. H., Egyptian grammar, p. 348, §. 437.
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is in Sekhem (Letopolis). My going out to me from the devouring flame on the day of destroying the rebels in Letopolis. I am with Horus on that day of achieving the festivals of Osiris, and of making offerings to Re in Hermopolis and in the Denit festival in Heliopolis.

Notes:

a. The word ḫb festival is written ḫb clothes in other copies, to give the meaning of wrapping or covering.

b. ḫtš: tštš means ‘the Dismembered One’, name of the sacred forms of Osiris, which the deceased is with Horus clothing him in his celebration.

c. This lacuna is filled by the word jr and the determinative of the god in reference to Osiris whose body is dead.

d. All the variants cited by Navel differ in this part from this copy. Some copies contain ṣšt3.Š n j r Štėw I made secret the entrance to the secrets. Since there is no complement of the verb here, rather a new sentence, it is suggested that the scribe shortened the text or made a mistake, because the available space cannot accommodate more than the verb ḩtunu.


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e. 𓊆𓊛𓊛 nḏ-hr is written here and means protector, yet, other copies had 𓊆𓊛 nḏ ty, 𓊆𓊛 nḏ tw or just 𓊆𓊛 nḏ. Ag had the preposition m that means as before nḏty.

f. 𓊆 (A1) is a superfluous determinative placed after prepositional Nisbe jmj. Right shoulder of Osiris kḥw pw wnmy n Wsjr 𓊆𓊛𓊛 𓊆𓊛, Other versions of this chapter have 𓊆𓊛 jšby left instead of wnmy right.

g. 𓊆𓊛 shm, Letopolis, its old name was 𓊆𓊛 hṁ, whose current name is Ausim, is located northwest of Cairo. later in the nineteenth dynasty, the sign was added at the beginning of its name word, so it became pronounced sekhem.

h. The text contains the phrase: prt.j n.j, The following variants give the probability that the writer forgot to write the verb kḥw, some copies have infinitives: prt kḥt.j, while others have sḏm.fs: pr ḫ.j, pr.j kḥ.j, ḫ.j pr.j, or just ḫ.j.

i. It is not clear if 𓊆𓊛𓊛 h ḫ.i means an eighth day festival, or it is a place-name, since some texts mention it in addition to the word ḫb 𓊆𓊛𓊛 𓊆𓊛. Other texts have 𓊆𓊛 festival of the sixth day.

j. 𓊆𓊛 written at the end of the 23rd column, From the comparison with other texts, it becomes clear that it means the celebration of the seventh day dnjt.

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44 cf. Naville, Das Ägyptische Totenbuch, p. 8;
48 Hermopolis, Faulkner, R. O., Concise Dictionary, p. 191; Gardiner, A. H., Onomastica II, 79*.
2.1.4. Section 4:

*I am the pure-priest in Busiris, I am he who raises up the one who is in the high ground*. I am the prophet of Abydos on the day of the raising of the land. I am he who sees the mysteries in Rosetjau. I am he who recites the ritual book for the ram, lord of Busiris and I am the Sem-priest at [his] task. I am the great [craftsman director] on the day of placing the Henu-bark on [the sledge] I am the one who takes the plow of the land in the day of [hacking up the earth] in Heracleopolis.

Notes:

a. $\text{ḥr l`} \text{k3yt}$ hill or high ground. Name of a sacred mound on the territory of the city Ounnou, the capital of the fifteenth district of Upper Egypt (Hermopolitan), which is today El-AShmounein. It was dedicated to the divine couple Noun and Nounit.

b. $\text{w jn.s, s} \text{m3}$ Rosetjau identified the burial area that Osiris and Anubis supervised. This is a multipart region of passages st3w and doors. Mythologically envisioned as having both land-ways and water-ways. It is a synthetic view of the underground world that can be shaped by any cemetery.

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51 Faulkner, R. O., Concise dictionary, p. 275.
52 Gauthier, H., Dictionnaire Géographiques, p. 154.
c. His task or duty, the lacuna after jry has enough space to filled with $\tfrac{9}{18}$ to form the phrase jry.f, that mentioned in Ag cited by Naville.\textsuperscript{54}

d. The best prospect to fill the lacuna after wr is, $\tfrac{9}{14}$ hrp ḫmw, just as in the papyrus of Ani.\textsuperscript{55}

e. There are two possibilities to fill the lacuna after ḫr in the 28\textsuperscript{th} and 29\textsuperscript{th} columns, either $\tfrac{9}{36}$ mḥṣt scale or $\tfrac{9}{34}$ mflḥ, which means sledge. The two words were written in different forms and even determinatives.\textsuperscript{56}

f. In the 29\textsuperscript{th} column after ḫrw, the manuscripts Ag and At cited by Naville, mentioned $\tfrac{9}{18}$ hbs tꜣ hacking the earth, while An and La mentioned $\tfrac{9}{19}$ ḫbs tꜣ ḫb Festival of hacking the earth.\textsuperscript{57}

g. Herakleopolis $\tfrac{1}{3}$ Nnj nswt,\textsuperscript{58} is a town in Upper Egypt, today called Ihnasiya al-Madina, at Beni-Suef State. It was the capital of the twentieth district of Upper Egypt and the seat of the kings of the Ninth Dynasty, dedicated to the god ḫry-š.f.\textsuperscript{59}

\textit{2.1.5. Section 5:}

\textit{30| Oḥ\textsuperscript{a} you who cause the effective souls to approach\textsuperscript{b} to the house\textsuperscript{31} of Osiris, bring the soul of Osiris: Scribe of the divine offerings of all gods of Waset,\textsuperscript{32} Pahemneter justified, ... you ...\textsuperscript{c} you stand\textsuperscript{d} in the house of Osiris\textsuperscript{e}.}

\textsuperscript{54} cf. Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 10.
\textsuperscript{55} cf. Budge, The papyrus of Ani, p. 360, n. 1.
\textsuperscript{56} Quirke, S., Going out in Daylight \textit{prt m ḫrw} the Ancient Egyptian Book of the Dead translation, sources, meanings, \textit{GHP} Egyptology 20, London, 2013, p. 10; Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 10.
\textsuperscript{57} Cf. Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch, p. 11. “hacking of the earth” is the name of a ritual known since the Middle Kingdom and also mentioned in a papyrus dating back to the New Kingdom, and it is the last ritual mentioned in the first chapter of the Book of the Dead that relates to the funeral. Quirke, the Ancient Egyptian Book of the Dead, p. 6.
\textsuperscript{58} Hannig, R., Großes Handwörterbuch, p. 1157.
\textsuperscript{59} Gauthier, H., Dictionnaire Géographiques, vol. 3, Caire 1926, p. 93 ; Lexikon der ägyptischen Götter, vol. 4, pp.381-3
Notes:

a. It is noted that the interjection ཐ j was written in red ink. It is used before the vocative⁶⁰ to whom the supplication is offered. There are many supplications that were mentioned in other versions, but the writer shortened them here due to the lack of space, as it seems that column 32 is the last column in this chapter. Also, it seems that the writer wanted to end this column with the phrase “in the house of Osiris”.

b. As for the lacuna after a, other copies of this chapter mentioned the imperfective active participle ꞏ stknw those who bring on, which written in different ways.⁶¹

c. Guessing the word that precedes the suffix pronoun ꞏ tn is a real challenge. In parallel texts, the prepositional phrase حن ِ tn r pr Wsr has been mentioned after the name of the deceased. Yet, the space of the lacuna is too big to be filled with the preposition ꞏ hn ِ.

d. Compared to other versions,⁶² the phrase ꞏ ه. mj may he stand as, can fill in the lacuna before the nominal sdm. ⁶³ ꞏ ه. tn you stand, to be: ꞏ ه. mj may he stand just as you stand in the house of Osiris.

e. Due to the reasons mentioned above, which are limited space and shortening of the text, the word Osiris has been written in a rare form ꞏ  that was not written in this chapter before.

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⁶⁰ Allen, J. P., Middle Egyptian, § 16.8.1
⁶² Cf. Lepsius, R., das Totenbuch der Ägypter, pl. I, line 12.
2.2. The text of the northeast quarter (B):

Chapter 17 begins with this part of the ceiling. This part is located at the top right of the entrance. It is divided into 29 columns separated by vertical lines. The hieroglyphs facing right, and the text reading corresponds to the direction of the signs, starting from the right as well. Thus, the text in this part of the ceiling is read vertically from right to left.

2.2.1. Title:

The whole title of chapter seventeen is written in red color unless the words spoken by the owner of the tomb and his name and titles.

1) Beginning of raisings and glorifyings, (for) going out and descending in the necropolis, having benefit in the beautiful west, going out in to the day to take whatever form he desires to take, playing at Senet, sitting in the pavilion, going forth as a living soul, by Osiris the mayor, wab-priest of the temple of Amun, Pahemneter, justified after he dies. This is effective for the one who does them on earth. I was formed according to the words of the lord of all. [by Osiris] Scribe of the divine offerings of all gods of Waset, Pahemneter justified, he says:

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64 Allen divided chapter seventeen into three separate parts: A: sections 1-15; B: sections 1-5, and section C. Allen, T. G., The Book of the Dead, pp. vi, 26-32.
65 Cf Al-Ayedi, A., Index of administrative, religious and military titles of the New Kingdom, Ismailia 2006. n. (1906).
Notes:

a. \( j \uparrow \) is inserted before the determinative in the word \( stsw \), which is not found in other versions cited by Lepsius and Naville.\(^{66}\)

b. \( s\hbar w \), is also replaced in other versions with the word \( Shzw \) \( \text{\textsection}\text{\textsection} \).\(^{67}\) It is difficult to regard them as mere graphic variants. The account of creation beginning with Atum emerging from water and continued as crowned king Re. All lead to the meaning of ancient memories for \( s\hbar w \) and sacred formulas for \( s\hbar w \).\(^{68}\)

c. \( \text{\textsection}\text{\textsection}jmw \), G43 may be a typomistake of \( \text{\textsection}\text{\textsection} G17 in \( \text{\textsection}\text{\textsection} \).\(^{69}\)

d. The adverbial phrase \( r\ jrt\ hprw \) is used her instead of the infinitive \( jrt \) in other versions.

e. \( shmn \) is a typo mistake for the caus. 4ae- Inf. \( shms \) sitting.

f. \( prw.j \) prospective active \( sd mf \), may I/ I will go forth,\(^ {70}\) is used here, other versions show the infinitive \(prt\).

g. \( jw\ shw\ n\ jrr\ sn \), the 3Pl. dependent pronoun \( sn \) is used here in place of 3N. \( st \) in other versions.

h. \( hpr.j\ hr\ mdt \), in place of \( hpr\ mdt \) in other versions.

2.2.2. Section a1:

\( I \) was Atum when I was existed alone in the primordial waters\(^a \), I am \( Ra \) at his rising, in the beginning, the ruler of what he made, I was the first\(^b \), \( Ra \) who appear\(^c \) as a king in \( Wnwt \). \( \text{what does it mean?} \) \( I \)t means, Re when he began to appear as a king, before the praises of Shu had come into

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\(^{66}\) Cf  Lepsius, R., Das Todtenbuch der ägypter, pl. VII;  Naville, Das Ägyptische Totenbuch, II. varianten, p. 29.

\(^{67}\) WB IV 24.

\(^{68}\) Naville, Das Ägyptische Totenbuch, Einleitung, p. 124.


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being, \(^{11}\) when he was upon the hill\(^{\circ}\) of him who is in Khemenu (Hermopolis).\(^{71}\)

Notes:

a. *nw*, *nnw* later *nwn*,\(^{72}\) without ripples of water is written here.\(^{73}\)

b. *ššː.n.j*, this phrase was not written in other versions cited by Naville, nor in the tomb TT 265.\(^{74}\)

c. *h\(^{\circ}\)* is a perfective active participle as predicate.\(^{75}\) the clause *R\(^{\circ}\) h\(^{\circ}\).\(f\) m nswt m wnwt*, likely to be noun + *sDm.f* construction, in which Ra is the extra posed subject of the prospective *sDm.f*.\(^{76}\)

d. *Wnwt* is a place name. It is written here with the determinative of desert land \(\equiv\) (N25) instead of that of the town \(\equiv\) (O49).\(^{77}\)

e. \(\text{𓊐𓊗} \text{s}k\) hill or high ground,\(^{78}\) appears in various spellings: "\(\text{s}k\), \(\text{skz}\), \(\text{s}ky\), \(\text{sksk}\) and \(\text{kzs}\)" in Naville's edition\(^{79}\) and in TT 265\(^{80}\).

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\(^{71}\) The capital of the 15\(^{th}\) district of upper Egypt and the major cult center for the god Thoth, its modern name is el-Ashmunein.

\(^{72}\) WB II, p. 214.


\(^{74}\) Saleh, M., Das Totenbuch in den Thebanischen Beamtengrabern, p. 21.

\(^{75}\) Allen, J. P., Middle Egyptian. An Introduction to the Language and Culture of Hieroglyphs, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2010, §23.4

\(^{76}\) Doret, E., "A note on the Egyptian construction Noun + *sDm.f*", in: JNES 39, 1, 1980, p.43.


\(^{78}\) Faulkner, R. O., Concise Dictionary, p. 275.

\(^{79}\) Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 33.

\(^{80}\) Saleh, M., Das Totenbuch in den Thebanischen Beamtengrabern, p. 21.
2.2.3. Section a2:

I am the great god he who created on his own, he is water, he is Nun, gods’ [father]. Another saying: he is Ra who created the names of his members. Then came into being those gods who are accompanying Ra, the unopposed among t3rw (?) What does it mean? It means Atum in his sun-disk. Another saying: Ra, he is rising on the eastern horizon of the sky.

Notes:

a. A superfluous r inserted before hpr.

b. is rare spelling of ḫn with papyrus roll. Superfluous three vertical strokes were placed after n.

c. A superfluous m inserted after hpr.

d. t3rw is unknown word. It is written in Ag cited by Naville. Other manuscripts such Aa and Pd have ntrw gods. Perhaps this word is equivalent to the word ntrw gods, especially since it ends with the determinative of the god ( A40).

2.2.4. Section a3:

Who is he? I am Amun, Pakhnet, justified. I knew yesterday and I knew tomorrow. What does it mean? As for yesterday, it is Osiris. As for tomorrow, it is Ra. This day of destroying enemies of the lord of all, and his son Horus [was made to rule]. Another saying: it is the day where we are remain. The festival of “the burial of Osiris was ordered by his father Re”.

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81 Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 35.
Notes:

a. The lacuna that follows the word Osiris at the beginning of the seventeenth column was often filled by the titles of the deceased, and this is confirmed by the presence of his name at the end of the passage.

b. The lacuna at the end of column 17 was occupied by the ending -kw of the stative with the first person singular jw.j rh.kw. The same stative of the transitive verb rh\(^\text{82}\) is repeated in the next column.

c. The lacuna after pw was occupied by \(\text{verty}\), to make \(\text{verty pwy.}\)\(^\text{83}\)

d. lftyw has corruptly suffix pronoun 3rd masculine singular f.

e. sjp or shk\(3\) in the lacuna, as other versions show these two words.\(^\text{84}\)

f. Faulkner thought the celebration was called "We remain".\(^\text{85}\) Allen translated the passage “hrw pw jw.n mn hp n dhn.tw krs nt Wsjr jn jt(,f) R” as: “That is the day of festival (called) We abide, that is, (the day) when the burial of Osiris was directed by his father Re”\(^\text{86}\)

\(^{82}\) Allen, J. P., Middle Egyptian, §17.8.

\(^{83}\) Gardiner, A. H., Egyptian grammar, p. 85, § 110.

\(^{84}\) Cf. Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 36; Lepsius, Das Todtenbuch der ägypter, pl. VII.


\(^{86}\) Allen, T. G., The Book of the Dead, p. 27.
2.2.5. Section a4:

The battlefield of the gods was made\(^a\) according to the command of Osiris ...\(^b\). Another saying: \(^{24}\) As for this west of Re, it is where every god \([\text{descend}]\(^c\) to it and fought \(^{25}\) over it. I knew this great god \(^{26}\) who is therein. Who is he? He is Osiris. Another saying: Re \(^{27}\) is [his name]\(^d\), phallus\(^e\) of Re is [his] name, it is the copulation of Re [himself]\(^f\).

Notes:

a. \textit{jrr.tw} is a passive form of the imperfective \textit{jrr}. It could be used to refer to the past, present, or future actions as well.\(^{87}\)

b. Compared to Naville’s edition, the lacuna after Osiris can be filled with the phrase “the Lord of the Western Desert \textit{nb smt jmntt}".\(^{88}\)

c. The lacuna in the 24th column was occupied with \(\Sigma\) to complete the verb \(h\textit{Aj}\) descend. By comparing this part with the parallel texts, it suggests that the writer has shortened this passage.\(^{89}\) Thus, the text has been corrupted at this part as a result of this abbreviation. Parallel texts say: \(ky \textit{dd jmntt pw nw pw rdj.n R}\) \(\textit{h\textit{Aj nTr nb} anot}\) another saying: it is the west. It is this to which Ra caused every god to descend.\(^{90}\)

d. The context requires the phrase “his name \(rn.f\)”, in the lacuna after \(pw\), just as the sentence that comes after it.

\(^{87}\) Allen, J. P., Middle Egyptian, §§ 20.1-20.3.

\(^{88}\) Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 38.


e. This word losses some signs, which makes it subject to interpretation. It is either hknw praise that written in Aa, or Hnn that written in Le, that written in Ap of Naville’s edition, or Hnn that means phallus\(^1\) in the papyrus of Ani.\(^2\) Due to the missing of the determinative from this word, the closest interpretation could be the word Hnn of the papyrus of Ani, especially as the following word nk “copulation” that follows it goes along with the same context.

f. Parallel texts have a different syntax such as nk.f jm.f ds.f that show the reflexive pronoun (ds.f) in the end of the passage. So, it is possible that the 27\(^{th}\) column ends with the word ds. thus the text reads: nk pw n R\(^c\) [ds.f].

2.2.6. Section a5: (To be completed in the quarter C)

These are the last two columns of the A part, then the text continuous on the B part.

\(^{28}\) [I am]\(^a\) this phoenix which is in Heliopolis, who relating to the inspection of what \(^{29}\) exists\(^b\). Who is he? He is Osiris …\(^c\).

Notes:

a. The first space of the lacuna in column 28 may have been preoccupied with the suffix pronoun \(-.f\) that of the phrase ds.f. The second space is the beginning of the independent pronoun jnk.

b. A parallel text Ag\(^93\) shows … after wnn, so the same group may be fill the space after wnn in column 29.

c. As for spaces at the end of column 29, the papyrus of Ani did not add any phrases after pw, rather a new


\(^2\) Budge, E. A. W., The papyrus of Ani, p. 379.

\(^93\) Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 40.
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gloss.\(^{94}\) Ag added \(\text{r ntt wn ntr} \ \text{jr} \ \text{ntr wn m r-st3 pwy}\) what exists, is the great god.\(^{95}\) Le manuscript added \(\text{jr nty wn m r-st3 pwy}\) as for what exists, that is in the tomb.\(^{96}\) However, the space that exists does not allow such statements, so I think the appropriate phrase is \(\text{nty m Jwnw} \ \text{jr}\) who is in Heliopolis.\(^{97}\)

2.3. The text of the southeast quarter (C):

The text continues in the third part of the ceiling, this part is located at the top left of the entrance. It is divided into 39 columns 30- 69. The columns from 42- 48 and from 61- 69 in which fragments of their plaster have been lost. Columns 49 to 60 have completely lost the plaster layer. Columns are separated from each other by dividing lines. The hieroglyphs facing right, and the text is written in a retrograde format. Thus, the text in this part of the ceiling begins at the left and proceeds to the right. Thus, it is opposite to the direction of the hieroglyphs.

2.3.1. Section a5:

\(^{30}\) Another saying: It is everlasting and eternity. What does it mean? …\(^{a}\), \(^{31}\) it is daytime; as for eternity, it is night.

Notes:

a. The lacuna at the end of the 30\(^{th}\) column makes sense to be occupied by the phrase “\(\text{jr nhh}\) As for everlasting”. Because of the passage that precedes \(\text{ptr rf sw?}\) mentions the words "nhh and dt". And the passage that follows is supposed to be an interpretation or re-description of these religious terms. \(\text{dt}\) was explained in the last part of the paragraph, so the missing part could be \(\text{nhh}\).

\(^{94}\) Budge, E. A. W., The papyrus of Ani, p. 379.
\(^{95}\) Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 40.
\(^{96}\) Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 40.
\(^{97}\) Cf. Lepsius, Das Todtenbuch der ägypter, pl. VII. Col. 10. Urk V, p. 17.
2.3.2. Section a6:

31| I am Min in 32| his emergence, when he has set the [twin plumes]a on his head. What does it mean? As for 33| Min, he is Horus, the protector of his fatherb. As for his going forth, 34| it means his birthc. The double plumes exist on his head: the proceeding of Isis and 35| Nephthys when they had placed those which existd on his head (twin plumes) in their existence as two kitese. 36| …f firm on his head. Another saying: As for the two uraei, 37| they are the mighty and greatg, which are on the brow of her(?)h father Atum. Another saying: 38| the feathersi on his head are his eyes.

Notes:

a. Parallel texts have 49|, 50|, 51| Šwt.f in the lacuna after jw rdjn.f.98

b. A superfluous determinatives: (A2) is placed after the phrase jt.f in col. 33, and (A40) is placed after the prepositional phrase hr tp.f in col. 35.

c. Parallel texts have his children 52|, 53| msw.f, as well as his birth 54| mswt.f.99

98 Cf. Lepsius, Das Todtenbuch der ägypter, pl. VII. Col. 12.
d. The relative adjective *ntj* is used by itself, without an antecedent as a noun. It is used as object of the verb *rdj*.  

e. The two kites are Isis and Nephthys. They have been called by this title in the pyramid texts.  

f. \( js \ tw.k \ hr \ mn \ m \ tp.f \), this passage is ambiguous or has typo mistakes. The passage in this context has no purpose. Parallel texts have \( jsk \ sw \ hr \ mn \ tp.f \) while his head cause him pain, headache.  

g. \( j^r \), \( c^t \) is written in the end of the 36th column as \( c^t \). Parallel texts show dual feminine adjectives \( wrt \ c \).  

h. \( w\) is written in the end of the 36th column as \( w\). Parallel texts show dual feminine adjectives \( w\).  

i. Parallel texts present a difference in the suffix pronoun that comes after the word father. Where the pronoun of the first person my father \( m^a \), the third person pronoun singular “his father \( m^a \)”, and the plural their father \( m^a \) are mentioned.  

j. The twin plumes \( s\) is written here in an unusual way \( s\), parallel texts present variant spellings \( \), \( \), \( \), \( \), \( \), \( \).  

2.3.3. Section a7:  

\[ [l\,m]^a \text{ exist[ing] in [my]}^b \text{ land, I have come from my town}^c. \]  

What is it? It is the horizon of his father Atum.

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100 Allen, J. P., Middle Egyptian, §12.7.  
102 Quirke, S., Going out in Daylight prt m hrw, p. 56; Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 42.  
103 Faulkner, R. O., Concise Dictionary, pp. 11, 45.  
104 Cf. Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 43.  
105 Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 43.  

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Notes:

a. The lacuna following wn was attached by the suffix pronoun, first person singular, because parallel texts mention this pronoun. It is also repeated in the next passage jj.n.j.

b. The scribe does not mention the pronoun after the word t3. So it is possible to translate the sentence wn [.j] m t3 without this pronoun as: I exist on earth.107

c. Ag mentioned my eye jrt.j 𓊏 instead of my city. Another text, Cb explains what city he came from: jji.n.j mjn m Jwnw njwt.j I have come today from Heliopolis, my city.108

2.3.4. Section a8:

Only two columns are readable. Columns 42-48 are partially invisible, as more than half of each column has lost the plaster layer.

40| my wrongdoings have been removed, through driven evils away. What is that? It means that he cut the belly (i.e. navel cord) of the scribe Pahemneter. 42| ... those who belong to him. What ... is of his birth in the nest

107 Cf. Quirke, S., Going out in Daylight prt m hrw, p. 56;
108 Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 43.
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\[44\] ... in Hnn-nswt (Heracleopolis), it is the day \[45\] ... of/to this great god who is in it. \[46\] ... the name of one is Great Green. \[47\] ... with / and the lake of ... \[48\] ... Great Green ...

Columns 49-60 were completely lost.

Notes:

a. This text shows that eliminating errors is done by banishing evils \(h\)r sk.tw q\(w\)w. The prepositional phrase \(h\)r sk has been replaced by the verb \(h\)sr drive away\[109\] \(\rightarrow\), erroneously \(\rightarrow\), in parallel texts.\[110\]

b. The word \(\rightarrow\) that appears in parallel texts, is written here ideographically\[111\] as \(\rightarrow\).

c. The word \(h\)t belly is illogical here. In the line with the context, it could be \(h\)psw \(\rightarrow\) navel-cord, mentioned by the parallel texts in Naville’ edition which also mentioned \(\rightarrow\) \(h\)pdw \(\rightarrow\) buttocks\[112\].

Completing the missing parts of the columns is a real challenge that associate with uncertainty due to the multiplicity of parallel texts in addition to the large area of the missing parts. Also, it has been noted that the texts of the 17\(\text{th}\) chapter in this tomb incompatible completely with the texts of any of the papyri of Naville or Lepsius.

2.3.5. Section a 10:

Texts of the 9\(\text{th}\) section and the beginning of this section were lost.

\[61\] ... himself. Then they \[62\] ... in the presence of Ra [who are authority]\[63\] ...

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\[110\] Cf. Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 44.

\[111\] Gardiner, A. H., Egyptian grammar, p. 34, § 25.

\[112\] Hannig, R., Großes Handwörterbuch, p. 641.

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who are in the presence of Atum\textsuperscript{b}.

**Notes:**

a. $\text{hwr}$, is written in parallel texts as $\text{hwr ntr}$, it means Authority, a noun divinity.\textsuperscript{113} Budge translated it as the God Hu.\textsuperscript{114}

b. The name of the god Atum is written $\text{Atm rfr}$, “the father Atum” in parallel text.\textsuperscript{115}

2.3.6. Section a 11:

The lacuna which is at the beginning of column 64 may have been preoccupied with the phrase $\text{m hrt hwr nt r$\textsuperscript{c}$ nb}$ which was written in Ag cited by Naville.\textsuperscript{116}

$\text{64| } \ldots$ Another saying: I, Osiris the scribe Pahemmeter rescue\textsuperscript{a} $\text{65| } \ldots$ after its triturate\textsuperscript{c} on the day of the two combatant (Horus and Seth) fighting\textsuperscript{d} $\text{66| }$ what does it mean? it means the day\textsuperscript{67| } on which Horus fought with Seth\textsuperscript{c} when he (Horus) inflicted $\text{68| }$ [injury]\textsuperscript{f} on Horus’s face and when Horus snatched away [testicles\textsuperscript{69| } of Seth]\textsuperscript{g}. It was Thoth who did this with his own fingers.

\textsuperscript{113} Faulkner, R. O., Concise Dictionary, p. 164.
\textsuperscript{114} Budge, E. A. W., The papyrus of Ani, p. 383.
\textsuperscript{115} Cf. Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 50.
\textsuperscript{116} Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 50.
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Notes:

a. 𓊬𓊕 dakj, One of the meanings of the verb šdj, which was mentioned by Faulkner is “Rescue”\textsuperscript{117}. All other variant texts cited by Naville, Lepsius, and Budge have the verb \textit{mḥ}.

b. Some texts have 𓊲𓊠𓊪 wdst, other texts have jrt, jrty.fy in the place of the lacuna that comes at the beginning of column 64\textsuperscript{118}.

c. The lacuna in column 65 was mostly occupied by the verb 𓊬𓊕 𓊠𓊨, 𓊬𓊨 hsbk, hbk triturate, beat up\textsuperscript{119}.

d. The lacuna in column 65 was mostly occupied by the phonetic complement and the determinative of the verb 𓊬𓊕 𓊢 h3. The same verb is written in the next column.

e. 𓊥𓊱𓊱 swty is variant of %ṭḥ, the god Seth\textsuperscript{120}.

f. The lacuna at end of column 67 and beginning of column 68 was mostly occupied by the noun 𓊬𓊥𓊥 st3w injury\textsuperscript{121}.

g. Column 68 ends with a lacuna that was often occupied by the word testicles 𓊨𓊨 hrwy. They are the testicles that Horus snatched from Seth, whose name 𓊱𓊬𓊱 was written in the place of the lacuna at the beginning of column 69.

At the end of column 69, the writing space ends in the second square of the ceiling, and the text moves to the third square.

2.4. The text of the southwest quarter (D):

This part is parallel to the southeast quarter (C). It is so destructive that it has lost huge parts of its plaster.

\textsuperscript{117} Faulkner, R. O., Concise Dictionary, p. 273.
\textsuperscript{118} Cf. Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 50.
\textsuperscript{119} Hannig, R., Großes Handwörterbuch, p. 523.
\textsuperscript{120} Faulkner, R. O., Concise Dictionary, p. 218.
\textsuperscript{121} Cf. Naville, E., Das Ägyptische Totenbuch II, p. 50; Hannig, R., Großes Handwörterbuch, p. 851; WB IV, p. 355 (13).

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Comparing part D with its parallel part (C), it can be inferred that it may have been divided into 41 columns. It is clear from the rest part D’s texts that the writer has completed the texts of the Chapter 17.

The hieroglyphs facing right, and the text reading corresponds to the direction of the signs, starting from the right as well. Thus, the text in this part of the ceiling is read vertically from right to left.

2.4.1. Section a13:

... Hapi ... who are in ... evil. who ... which are in the river\textsuperscript{a} ... Ra. Another ... to kill ... all. attaching him ... among the lords of eternity ... As for blessed ones\textsuperscript{b} ... Duamutef, Qeb ... Kherbæq ... Anubis as guard of the burial ... with the body of Osiris\textsuperscript{c} ... Pahemneter justified ...

Notes:

a. Parallel texts show $\text{jmyw} \text{ mw}$ who are in water instead of river $\text{jmyw} \text{ jtrw}$.\textsuperscript{122}

b. The phrase $\text{jr grt shw}$ is written in red as rubric. Since the beginning of this chapter, all that has been

\textsuperscript{122} Lepsius, Das Todtenbuch der ägypter, pl. VIII, col. 36.
written in red is the phrases $\begin{array}{c} ky\ \dd d \text{ and } pt\ rf\ sw \end{array}$? They provide an explanation for what came before them.

c. The Papyrus of Ani have $\begin{array}{c} wbt\ nt\ Wsjr \end{array}$ the tomb/embalming place of Osiris.$^{123}$

2.4.2. Section a14:

... $hnty\ jrty^a$ ... of Osiris, soul ... of Tefnet, it is the soul ...

Notes:

a- $hnty\ jrty$ is a supplement to the name of Horus. Horus with no eyes in his forehead$^{124}$ or Horus the Eyeless.$^{125}$

From this supplement $hnty\ jrty$, it appears that the form in which this name is written here is $hr-hnty-jrty$, it is a variant of $hr-Mhnty-(n-)jrty$ “Horus-Mechentienirti”$^{126}$

2.4.3. Section a15:

... Heliopolis, on that night of the fight ...

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$^{124}$ Allen, T. G., The Book of the Dead, p. 29.
The two cross bands on the ceiling were mostly devoted to the vignettes of Chapter 17. This suggestion is supported by the three remaining vignettes on the right side of the ceiling. It is: the deceased inside a pavilion, the soul bird with a human-headed, the deceased worshiping two lions, and the deceased worshiping the phoenix bird.\textsuperscript{127}

3. Conclusion:

Chapter 1\textsuperscript{st} and Chapter 17\textsuperscript{th} of the Book of the Dead were recorded on the ceiling of Pahemneter TT 284 Tomb, probably due to the small size of the tomb.

Recording the two chapters on the ceiling of the cemetery adjacent to each other is an imitation of recording them next to each other in the papyri or even in monuments.

The first chapter expresses the funeral ceremonies and rites. Its texts state that it should be recited on the day of the funeral. The texts of the seventeenth chapter also deal with the revival of the dead, his coming out of the tomb and his entering into it in any form he likes. So, it makes sense to link these two chapters together and record them at the same place in the tomb.

The two chapters are connected in the golden shrine of Tutankhamun, which is immediately following the coffin, and this indicates the importance of these two chapters in the process of burial and resurrection. The two chapters must be recorded in the closest place to the dead person, which is the burial chamber in most cases.

Chapter seventeen is recorded in five tombs in Thebes, three of which: TT 1, TT 82 and TT 265 this chapter is recorded on the walls of the burial chamber.

Despite the writer's attempts to shorten the two chapters in many places, in order to fit them completely, he was unable to write any of the two chapters completely. Perhaps this is because it was not planned from the beginning to write these two chapters on the ceiling.

\textsuperscript{127} Tarasenko, M., "The Vignettes of the Book of Dead Chapter", pp. 379- 394.

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