

Found at Drehem, a suburb of Nippur, where there was a receiving station for the temple of Bel. This is a large tablet, broken in places, and containing a long list of animals, apparently an inventory of the property of the temple. The list begins with three fat sheep, 2 large fat kid goats, etc. The tablet is dated in the last two lines at the bottom of the back, about 2550 B.C., or early in the Ur dynasty of kings who ruled from about 2400 to 2100 B.C.

I guarantee the eight tablets described above to be the genuine ancient Babylonian originals,

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