

The quarters of Babylon in the astronomical diaries — The edition by A. Sachs and H. Hunger, *Astronomical Diaries and Related Texts from Babylon I-III* (Vienna, 1988-95) of those of the Babylonian astronomical diaries that are dated or datable, has provided a number of new references to the quarters of Babylon. These quarters are set forth in list form in *Tintir* V 92-104 and are otherwise attested individually in Neo- and Late Babylonian deeds and documents and a very few other texts (see George, *Topographical Texts*, pp. 372-82). The diaries reveal that the quarters of Babylon, as far as they are attested, bore the same names down to the end of the city's history. Indexes to the diaries are lacking at present, so references to the quarters are given here. Collation of three suspect passages has produced readings which depart from Sachs and Hunger's transliterated text. The revised readings are sandwiched between asterisks.

Eridu (*Tintir* V 92 : « from the Market Gate to the Grand Gate »)

Vol. I, pp. 78, 8 : *ina erṣet(ki) eri-du₁₀* (« fall of fire », 382 BC) ; 120, 10' : *ina erṣet(ki) eri-du₁₀* (« fall of fire », 371 BC) ; II, pp. 22, 15' : *ina erṣet(ki-t)im eri]-du₁₀ ana tar-ṣu é.sag.g[il]* (fighting, 256 BC) ; 224, rev. 10-12 : *ina erṣet(ki-tim) eri-du₁₀ ... ana tar-ṣu ká.lamma.ra.bi* (fire, 201 BC).

Šuanna (*Tintir* V 93 : « from the Market Gate to the Uraš Gate »)

Vol. I, pp. 62, 3.13 : *ina erṣet(ki) šu-an-na* (« falls of fire », 419 BC) ; 64, 11' : *ina erṣet(ki) šu-an-na_{ki}* (« fall of fire », 419 BC) ; 156, 15' : *ina erṣet(ki) šu-an* (« fall of fire », 343 BC) ; 330, C 15' : *ina erṣet(ki) tin.tir^{ki}* (execution of thieves by burning, 278 BC) ; II, pp. 184, 18 : *ina erṣet(ki) tin.tir^{ki} ina kibir(gū) nāri(id)* (« fall of fire », 210 BC) ; 186, 21 : *ina tin.tir^{ki}* (« fall of fire », 210 BC) ; 234, rev. 13 : *ina *erṣet(ki-tim) tin.[t]ir^{ki} ana tar-[*ṣa bīt(é)] dⁿin-ur[ta]** (coll. ; broken context, 199 BC) ; 248, C 5 : *ina erṣet(ki-tim) tin.tir^{ki}* (« fall of fire », 198 BC) ; III, pp. 170, 3 : *ina erṣet(ki) tin.tir^{ki}* (« fall of fire », 138 BC) ; 274, 22' : *[t]in.tir^{ki}* (broken context, 125 BC) ; further attestations are M.W. Stolper, *Iraq* 54 (1992) 136, 1 : *ina erṣet(ki-tim) šu-an-na_{ki}* (land rental, 368 BC) ; *OECT* XI 47,4 : *abul maḥīri(ganba) [šā] [qēl]-[reb ſ]u-an-na_{ki}* (ritual).

Ka-dingirra (*Tintir* V 94 : « from the Grand Gate to the Ištar Gate »), **Newtown** (*Tintir* V 95 : « from the Ištar Gate to the temple of Bēlet-Eanna on the canal bank »), and **Kullab** (*Tintir* V 96 : « from the temple of Bēlet-Eanna on the canal bank to the Marduk Gate ») are not yet attested in the diaries.

TE.Eki (*Tintir* V 97 : « from the Zababa Gate to the dais “The Gods Pay Heed to Marduk” »)

Vol. II, pp. 10, B 5' : *ina erṣet(ki-tim) TE.Eki* (broken context, 258 BC) ; 16, 17' : *ina erṣet(ki) TE.Eki* (broken context, 256 BC) ; III, p. 72, rev. 11 : *TE.Eki* (broken context, 156 BC) ; a further attestation is C. Wunsch, *Die Urkunden des*

... *Iddin-Marduk*, no. 292, rev. 4' : *erṣet(ki-tim)* TE.E^{ki} šá qé-r[eb] tin.tirki
(land sale, 535 BC).

Kumar (*Tintir* V 100 : « from the Akus Gate to E-namtila, where Eš-mah is built ») and **Tuba** (*Tintir* V 102 : « from the Šamaš Gate to the river »)

Vol. I, pp. 176, 7' : *ina erṣet(ki) ku-*ma[r u i]na erṣet(ki) tu*-ba a-na tar-ši bīt(é) dⁿnabú(nà)* (coll. ; « falls of fire », 331 BC) ; *ina erṣet(ki) A.HA^{ki}* (« fall of fire », 301 BC) ; II, p. 94, 12 : *ina *erṣet(ki'-l[im] ku]*-mar tēh(da) é.nam.ti.la* (« fall of fire », 235 BC) ; III, p. 380, B 14' : *ina erṣet(ki-tim) A.HA^{ki} ina kišād(gú) nāri(id)* (« fall of fire », 106 BC).

Bāb-Lugalirra (*Tintir* V 101 : « from the Navel of the Bow of the temple of Bēlet-Ninua to the river bank ») is not attested in the diaries. Nor, apparently, is the quarter Nu-... (*Tintir* V 99 : « from the Adad Gate to the Akus Gate »).

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