

R. Zadok, Catalogue of Documents from Borsippa (Messina 2009) – revisions and corrections

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0. Introduction

01. General background

There are altogether 1391 tablets. Most of them are already catalogued in CBT 1-3 and 6-8. Few of them will be catalogued in CBT 4-5. The actual number of different documents is 1367 because 24 tablets are duplicates (BM 13151 = 82696, 22087 = 29548, 25630 = 25653, 25648 = 25655, 25675 = 82638, 25676 = 25678, 25712 = 82790, 26475 = 26525, 26481 = 26504, 26485 = 26494, 26496, 26512 [and 109861], 26497 = 26575, 26539 = 26570, 26650 = 27857, 26656 = 26687, 26680 = 26754, 29162 = 29794, 31004 = 31375, 31693 = 31698, 79046 = 79048, 82653 = 82787, 82703 = 82715, 85225 = 85233).

Another 24 tablets have duplicates with higher BM numbers (26490 = 94543, 26509 = 94571 [and probably 94563], 26523 = 87281, 26543 = 102293, 26561 = 94879, 26562 = 94553, 26583 = 101987, 26586 = 94644, 26624 = 102002, 26632 = 94750, 101990, 26654 = 94674, 26696 = 94965, 26709 = 102301, 27795 = 94645, 29005 = 96201, 29035 = 96285, 82607 = 101980, 82633 = 94656, 82666 = 102010, 85229 = 109190). BM 82654, 82778 have duplicates in the Harvard Semitic Museum and three tablets are duplicates of published documents housed in other museums (BM 26492 = BE 8, 108; BM 26727 = VS 3, 107; BM 26730 = VS 6, 114).

04. Types of administrative documents

A. The *iškaru* ("work assignment" or "delivery") **lists** (Jursa 2005, 89f.:7.2.3.16)

1. Format and content

This file in the archive of Šaddinnu/Balāssu//Bēliya'u is about the administration of prebendal service in Ezida. The documents are formulated PN₁ (A PN₂) ša PN₃ (A PN₄); cf. VS 6, 174 = NRV 785. The complete ones (cf. van Driel 2002, 134f.) include interim summaries of morning main and second course plus evening main and second course, general description, and regular

deliveries of barley or flour at the beginning or at the end: BM 25590, 25631, 25635, 25639, 25641-25643, 25646, 25654, 25657, 25659, 25661, 25666, 25673, 25674, 25677, 26235, 26299, 26471, 26477, 26478, 26489, 26515, 28851, 28869, 28870, 28873, 28876, 28879, 28883, 28886, 28924, 28930, 29376, 29384, 29405, 82698, 94584, 96174, 109207. There are at least 45 such lists (in addition to the texts in the British Museum, VS 6, 159, 164, 174 in the Vorderasiatisches Museum, TBÉR 76 in the Louvre, and EAH 246 at Yale). All the tablets are vertically oriented. Shorter lists are BM 94575 and BM 26720, as well as another 18 documents (a maximum number), where only undertakers are listed, viz. BM 13608, 17662, 25667, 25846, 25995, 26663, 28999, 82805, 87259, 87374, 94771, 96269, possibly HSM 1895.1.41 and perhaps BM 96305. Related texts are BM 28964 (Gimillu/Silim-Bēl is recorded in the Šaddinnu archive), BM 29485 and VS 6, 284, 308.

PN₁ (A PN₂) refers to the undertaker who is followed by *ša* PN₃ referring to the prebend owner. The chronological framework of 35 out of the 45 detailed lists (ten do not contain dates) is between Dar I VI.7 and Ša-er 29.VII.0. Most (28) are dated to Dar I 21-36. The BM lists belong to the following collections: 98-2-16, 98-5-14, 98-7-11, 98-11-12, 98-11-14, 94-7-17, 1901-10-12, 1902-4-12, and 1914-4-6. Most of these collections contain tablets belonging to the Šaddinnu archive. Several prebend owners and undertakers mentioned in the *iškaru* dossier are recorded in the Šaddinnu archive as well.

There are at least 164 prebend owners and 236 undertakers. The number of undertakers exceeds that of prebend owners because the shorter lists do not record prebend owners. An undertaker can be ad hoc task– the same individual may act as both a prebend owner and an undertaker in different periods, cf. the case of Marduk-šuma-ibni)/ Šulâ/ /Ilīya, whose massive activity as prebend owner is well-documented. On Cyr 24.I.9, Marduk-šuma-ibni, who is recorded as prebend owner in numerous documents, functioned as undertaker of his relative Bēl-iddina/Nabû-apla-iddina/ /Ilīya according to BM 102033 from Borsippa (cf. BM 17691).

2. The sacred meals

rabû = main course of the divine meal;
tardennu “second course” (of the divine meal):
rabû ša šēri- the main meal of the morning;
tardennu ša šēri- the second meal of the morning (henceforth Ia and Ib respectively);
rabû ša kīši/līlāti - the main meal of the evening;
tardennu ša kīši/līlāti - the second meal of the evening (henceforth IIa and IIb respectively);
naptannu “sacred meal is discussed by Beaulieu 2003, 26f.

3. Classification

There are basically two main types of documents, viz. diaries listing both prebend owners and undertakers and shorter documents where only undertakers are listed. The diaries can be divided into five groups:

a. Diaries

1. With interim summaries of morning and evening sacred meals (each with main and second course) and general descriptions (regular deliveries of barley or flour) (14 documents: BM 25635, 25639, 25674, 25677, 26235, 26471, 26489, 26515, 28851, 28883, 28886, 29405, 94584, and VS 6, 174). All the general descriptions, except for one (VS 6, 174), are at the end of the diaries. Most deliveries are of flour (9 out of 14). Barley is delivered in three or four cases only (BM 28851, 28886, 94584 and perhaps BM 25674). The commodity is not preserved in BM 26489. BM 25677 adds a remark on le.e.: “[x+?] 0;0.0.1 kor Nabû-ana-mērehti received”. BM 28851, section A adds *šá* 22, possibly denoting “of day 22” in view of the addition “of day 25” in an analogous section of BM 26515, section C .

2. With interim summaries (as above), but the general description is not preserved (4 documents: BM 25642, 25654, 28924, 109207). In section B of BM 109207 it is specified that two deliveries took place in days 15 and 25 (month not indicated). The section ends with the statement “All of Šaddinnu, month VI? (and) VI[II?] 'xx'”.

3. With general description, but without interim summaries (19 documents: BM 25631, 25641, 25643, 25657, 25659, 25666, 25673, 26299, 26478, 28869, 28870, 28873, 28876, 28879, 29384, 96174, TBÉR 76, VS 6, 159, 164). Most of the general descriptions (15) are at the end of the diaries; only four (BM 25643, 26478, VS 6, 159, 164) are at the beginning. All the deliveries are of barley (the reading in BM 28870 is doubtful), except for one, where the commodity is not preserved, viz. BM 28873. The latter has two remarks: one at the end of section B: Three deliveries of Nabû [...] (of which) two were brought in charge of Zitti-Nab[û...] s. of Iddina-Nabû. This is followed by “of? 1x1-x Bēl?-ittan[nu...]” at the beginning of section C. At the end of section E it adds “24 were given”. BM 29384 has the following remark at the end: “For? the regular offering of the main course of day 24, Šam[aš-iddi]na? received”. BM 28876 has “Širku received 0;0.0.4 kor 21?” on r.e. BM 25659 ends (l.e.) with “[...] 1x1 of? Šaddinnu”. VS 6, 159 has the unintelligible sequence E d+EN GI-a (l.e.). BM 28870 has two identical intrusive combinations, both placed between an undertaker and a prebend owner: section C: (undertaker) (on day?) 24 received? (from) prebend owner and section D: (undertaker) received (on day?) 24? (from) prebend owner. For an explicit specification of days cf. BM 109207.

4. Without general description and interim summaries (six documents: BM 25590, 25646, 25661, 26477, 28930, 29376). BM 25590, section F starts with “[on]e regular offering of Nabû the deity of the temple?”.

5. With interim summaries and general description (undertakers only like the second main type, one document, viz. EAH 246, where the delivery of flour is listed at the end). Most of the general descriptions (34) are not explicit summaries (BM 26515 even does not begin with the word *iškaru*). Such are only recorded in BM 25673, 26299, 96174 (“total n deliveries”).

6. Neither commodity nor quantities are indicated in two documents. BM 94575 has interim summaries of IIa and IIb (eight deliveries each) until the end of month VII(?); days 22, 23 and 25 are mentioned in section B, where it is stated that a delivery was brought to the storehouse. There are 16 deliveries and 16

undertakers (two recurrent and three damaged), but only nine prebend owners (six undertakers are listed without prebend owners) in addition to two recipients, a deliverer (preceded by “of” probably implying “under the responsibility of”) and an explicit distributor who also acted as recipient. BM 26720 lists deliveries for both courses of the sacred evening meal (IIa-b). The statement about the deliverer and recipient of IIb is exceptionally repeated in B. The total of deliveries (15) corresponds to that of undertakers (14, one recurrent), but there are only three prebend owners (one damaged and one recurrent) and one middleman. Nine undertakers are listed without prebend owners or middlemen. No prebend owners are mentioned in B. There are two deliverers (one also a prebend owner) and two recipients (one also a prebend owner).

7. Number of sections. Having interim summaries of the four courses, categories 1, 2 and 5 contain four sections (A-D), except for BM 28924 which has only two sections as it records only two courses. On the other hand, 3 and 4 lacking interim summaries mostly (19 out of 26) contain more sections if to judge by the rulings made by their scribes (in descending order, number of document in brackets):

9 (BM 26478);

8 (BM 25641, 25661, 28869, 29384);

7 (BM 25631, 25643, 25659, 25666, 28876, 29376);

6 (BM 25590, 26299, 28873, 28879, VS 6, 164);

5 (BM 26477, 28870, VS 6, 159);

4 (BM 25646, 25657, TBÉR 76); 2 (BM 25673);

1 (BM 28930, 96174).

8. On the structure of the interim summaries. Most of the distributors mentioned in the interim summaries are identical with prebend owners. Some functioned both as distributors and as prebend owners in the same document. The most frequent distributor, Bēl-bani (or -ibni) is also the most common prebend owner.

i. Interim summaries of Ia-b and IIa-b are listed:

Ia. Total: 7 (copy 8; people preparing) deliveries of the main course of the morning meal of Mukīn-zēri (probably under his responsibility), Bēl-iddina distributor (*pa-ri-su*, NRV 657f., n. 5);

Ib. Total: 8 (people preparing) the second course of the morning meal of Nabû-ušallim (probably under his responsibility), Ardīya, distributor;

IIa. Total: 8 (people preparing) the main course of the ..., Iddina-Bēl received;

IIb. Total: 8 (people preparing) of Nabû-zēra-iddina (probably under his responsibility), Bēl-ittannu received (VS 6, 174). This scheme, viz. 7 (or 8) + 8 + 8 + 8 people preparing the four courses (Ia, Ib, IIa and IIb respectively) of (probably under his responsibility) followed by a recipient, is recorded in BM 25639, 25674, 26235, 28851. In BM 26471, Ia-b the distributor is explicit, but in IIa-b “evening” is not explicitly stated. Elsewhere explicit distributors are recorded only in BM 25642, Ia and BM 26515, Ia, IIa. The other documents list recipients.

BM 29405 has 7 + 7 + 8 + 8 and BM 28883 7 + x + 7 + 8 in the interim summaries. In BM 109207, Ib is formulated: “8 (people preparing) the second course of the morning meal, all of Šaddinnu”. The deliverer is missing in EAH 246, Ia. In BM 26489 it is stated in a postscript that four individuals received a regular offering (in one case of Šamaš), but another five did not. Six individuals are prebend owners and three are undertakers. Ib and the total (presumably 7 or 8) of Ia are not preserved in BM 25635. Ib is also lost in BM 25677 and 94584. IIb and the total (presumably 7 or 8) of Ia are not preserved in BM 25642. The total of deliveries of the well-preserved lists is in most cases 30-32 (8+8+8+8). The damaged ones have less.

ii. Irregular sequence: interim summaries of IIa, [Ib?], then Ia and IIb (8+7+8) are listed (BM 25654).

iii. Interim summaries: break-up to morning and evening meals, each only for the main course (Ia, IIa, 7+8 respectively, BM 26515, 28886).

iv. Interim summaries of Ia-b only (7+8), as well as two remarks concerning individuals (BM 28924). Only Ia and possibly part of another interim summary are preserved in BM 82698.

b. Shorter documents

1. Lists with description. In BM 17662 it is stated that 0;3 kor of Šamaš-rē'u'a are from the service period (shift) of day nine for a regular offering which he gave. There are five undertakers, of which one (Šamaš-rē'u'a) occurs three times and another one (Hašdāyu) twice. The statement "from the service period (shift) of day nine regular offering which he gave" occurs after Šamaš-rē'u'a and probably refers to him as the representative of the five undertakers. Six undertakers (including a doubtful one) received one kor of flour; there are two prebend owners (BM 82805). No less than 22 undertakers (four recurrent, two damaged and one vacant), but only three prebend owners (all anonymous and recurrent) are recorded in BM 25995. Exceptionally, one undertaker (Bēl-ēṭir) has a foreign paternal name (Ši-il(!)-ka-ni, Libyan, presumably originating from Egypt).
2. Six short lists (BM 13608, 25667, 25846, 26663, 87374, 102332) contain quantities, but the commodity is not indicated. Only undertakers are mentioned (ranging from 16 to 10, including recurrent ones), with one exception: a vacant prebend owner in BM 25667.
3. Neither commodities nor quantities not indicated in four lists of undertakers (ranging from 21 to 8, some recurrent: BM 87259, 94771, 95192). VS 6, 308 is separated into seven sections by rulings, where 21 undertakers (4+ 7+ 3+4+2+1) are recorded. The last one, Gimillu s. of Gūzānu, is elsewhere recorded as a prebend owner.
4. Detailed lists with a different scheme are BM 28999, 29405, 96269 and VS 6, 284.

05. Prebends

Read: Nabû-ṭēma-epuš // Nāru.

0511. Ilīya

B. Texts specifying offerings by day and month

1. BM 94556 from Npl 30 (text 31).II.18 is a transfer of four (text five) days of *tardinnu*(?)-offerings (1, 2, 5, 6.[MN]), another 4.5 (text 3.5) days of the brewer's prebend (5 [or rather 6], 7, 9-11.VII) as

well as two days (9 and [x].V) of *tardinnu* and *maštītu* offerings in Emahgirzal, the Mār-bīti shrine of Borsippa (see Zadok 2008, 88*f.), by Ša-pî-Nabû (filiation not preserved) on behalf of Šillâ/ / Ilīya for six minas of silver.- 2. BM 25625 (Nab 22 [+1?].VII.11) is an exchange of certain days of the brewer's prebend of Ezida among Marduk-šuma-ibni and his brothers Nergal-iddina and Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti. The latter received three shekels of silver as an equalizing payment from his brothers.- 3. BM 96214 from Camb 22.XIIb.5 (text 4) is about 40 shekels of silver. The parties are Bēl-iddina/ Nabû (less likely Bēl)-apla-iddina/ / Ilīya and Nabû-uballīṭ/ Nabû-šuma-iddina/ / Ilšu-abūšu (cf. BM 95856, 96504, 96508). Two days of (offerings) of the brewer's prebend before the (divine) chariot (cf. BM 25625, 85225), viz. 8 and 10.I are mentioned. The second (last) witness and the scribe were descendants of Kudurrānu and Ilšu-abūšu respectively, both clans of holders of the brewer's prebend.- 4. BM 85225 from Dar I 11.IV.3 is a deed about sale (for $3 \frac{1}{3}$ [3.33] minas of white silver) of certain days of the brewer's and gate-keeper's prebends of Ezida (the former prebend is described as of Ezida and the chapels = *ekurrāti* of Borsippa) to Marduk-šuma-ibni by Nabû-kuṣuršu/ Nabû-ušallim/ / Ilīya paternal nephew of Iddina-Nabû/ Nabû-bēlšunu/ / Ilīya. The prebends are defined as legacy of Iddina-Nabû. They consist of offerings before various deities, e.g. five days of V: 19, 20 (*maštītu*), 15 ([x]) and 4, 5 (*tilimdu*) as well as *tardinnu*. The *mu-šá-né-e* (offerings?) are of Nabû in IV, X and XII. The remainder of the debt, 63 shekels of silver, was paid according to HSM 1904.4.28.- 5. The prebend owner, Marduk-šuma-ibni, delivered barley of mixture for producing beer and for two days of the *eššēšu*-festival (24-25.III). The recipients are the undertakers Nabû-balāssu-iqbi/ Libluṭ/ / Ilīya and Nabû(?) -uṣuršu/ Nabû-ahhē-iddina/ / Šēpē-ilīya. Both are responsible for the preparation of the sacred meal; apart from a (previous) claim of Marduk-šuma-ibni which is charged against them. The second and third (last) witness, viz. Iddina-Nabû/ Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli/ / Šēpē-ilīya, and Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti/ Kīnâ/ / Ilīya belong to the undertakers' clans. The scribe, Rēmūt-Nabû, is the son of the first witness, Nuhšānu/ Ardi-Bēl/ Itinnu (BM 109875, Dar I 12.II.10).- 6. According to BM 102024 from Dar I 4.III.13, the prebend owner, Ardīya (= Marduk-šuma-ibni), received from the undertaker, Nādin-ahi/ Balāssu([/ / Lā-kuppuru] according to

HSM 1895.1.42 below), 18 minas of dates of two days of *kab/pru*-offering (cf. CAD K, 190f.) of month II(?) of years 12 and 13; of one silver vat before Mullittu of VI.12; of 0.5 day of *kab/pru*-offering of VII.12; of two days of *eššēšu*-festival of a good mixture for producing beer of 24 and 25.III.13; and 0; 1.3 kor remainder of the *eššēšu* day(s) of III.13. The three witnesses and the scribe belong to clans who held the brewer's prebend.- 7.

According to BM 94984 from Dar I -.VIII.[13], 21.5 minas of dates as part of the brewer's prebend from the prebendal allocation of Dar I V-VII.13 (first quarter) were received by Mušēzib-Bēl / Nabû-zēra-ušabši / / Ilīya from Lā-abâši-Marduk / Nabû-apla-iddina / / Kudurrānu. All the three witnesses are descendants of Ilšu-abūšu, a clan whose members held the brewer's prebend.- 8. BM 94567 from Dar I 7?. -.15 (place lost) is a damaged deed (presumably quitclaim) of Nergal-iddina / Šulâ / / Ilīya. It is stated that they finally settled their claims and that the deed belongs to Nergal-iddina. The other party is [Nabû-zēra-ušabši (restored according to BM 29058 from Nab 16, i.e. 33 years earlier)] / Nabû-šuma-ušur (or -nādin-ahi) / / Ardūtu (BM 29058 is also about the brewer's prebend). The clan or house(hold) of Ilšu-abūšu is mentioned in a broken context:

A. a. Seven days of *kab/pru*-offering of II / VI (at least 20.II / VI is preserved);

b. [x] day(?) of III;

c. 0.5 day of *kab/pru*-offering of 3.[MN];

d. 1.5 days of *maštītu*-libation (medium quality) of XI;

e. [Two] day(s) of *maštītu*-libation, viz. 25 and 26.XIIa;

Total: [x] days of *kab/pru* and *maštītu* offerings.

B. a. Three days of *tilimdu*- libation, viz. 24-26.II;

b. Two days of *tardinnu*-offering, viz. 21 and 22.V;

c. Two days of *tilimdu*- libation, viz. 21 and 22.IV;

d. One day of *tilimdu*- libation, viz. 8.XI;

e. Two days of *tardinnu*-offering, viz. [x] and [x+?]2.XIIa;

f. Two days of *tilimdu*- libation, viz. 3 and 4.XIIb (presumably of Dar I 13);

g. One day of *tardinnu*-offering, viz. 18.I (presumably of Dar I 14);

Total: 13 days of *tardinnu* and *tilimdu* offerings.

C. a. [Type of offering lost; 1+x days]: 20.[MN];

b. Two days of *eššēšu*-festival of a good mixture for producing beer, viz. [x] and 7. [MN];

c. Five containers in front of Adad, day(s) lost;

d'. [Offering] in front of Bēlet-bīti: 4.VII.

9. The prebend owner of the fragmentary deed BM 94699 (place and date lost) is Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti / Tabnē'a / / Kudurrānu. The undertaker, Marduk-šuma-ibni, guaranteed to perform:

a. [2 or 3] + '2' days of golden *tilimdu*-offering, viz. [1?] and [x].IV;

b. Two days of *tardinnu maštītu*-offering on 1 and 12.VI?;

c. Two *kannu lubuštu*-offerings for Sutītu on 2.I;

d. Five (*recte* four) <offerings of> [*kannu*-containers?] of *lubuštu*-offering for Sutītu on [x.MN] and 6.IV;

altogether six <offerings of> *kannu*-containers for [for Sutī]tu. [x+?]0;2 kor of dates, prebendal income and barley, excess (*ú-tur*)

of regular offerings, income of the prebend, are mentioned in broken context. The same parties are recorded in 10. BM 95187 from Dar I 13.II.15. Marduk-šuma-ibni delivered to Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti / Tabnē'a / / Kudurrānu (also the scribe) 2;0.2 kors of dates, income of a prebend of Dar I 15 and an unspecified quantity of barley, income of a prebend of of Dar I 15. The first witness (out of two) is the above-mentioned Nabû-ušuršu / Nabû-ahhē-iddina / / Šēpē-iliya (šá-pi-i-DINGIR-ia).- 11. BM 82615 is an account of prebendal allocation for [Dar I] 18 (of Marduk-šuma-ibni, implicitly brewer's prebend) with a list of days of *tilimdu* and *tardinnu* offerings in the temple of Mār-bīti.

A. Total: 21.5 minas of dates.

One *kannu* (a small container, made of stone or precious metal) of the Mār-bīti temple from 16.III;

B. Total: 20.5 minas of dates.

Grand total(?): 2 *kišru* and 14 minas of *qatātu*(? "finished, processed"?);

Total₁(?): six days of *maštītu* and *kab/pru*; eight minas of dates for Sutītu.

12. 10.75 shekels of refined? (*qalû*?) silver, capital, as much as the share of Nabû-nādin-šumi / Rēmūtu / / Kudurrānu and of his sister Nanâ-bulliṭiš and Itti-Nabû-balāṭu are charged against Nabû-nādin-šumi. The aforesaid silver, which is divided in 1.5 shekel, as much as the share of Itti-Nabû-balāṭu, Nabû-nādin-šumi, the elder brother of Itti-Nabû-balāṭu received from Nabû-zēra-ušabši / Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti / / Iliya on account of Itti-Nabû-balāṭu. The main course (?^rGAL(?))¹ of one fourth of a day and one fifth

of a day of a *kap*(? text *ur*)-*ri*-offering of 18.IX, which was entrusted by Nabû-zēra-ušabši to Nabû-nādin-šumi, the latter has promptly returned to Nabû-zēra-ušabši. There follows a statement about the deed of the prebend which Nabû-zēra-ušabši undertook with Itti-Nabû-balātu out of which five shekels.. The first witness out of four is a descendant of Ilīya. The second one and the scribe belong to the Iddina-Papsukkal clan (HSM 1909.5.602 from Dar I 18.I.-).

C. Texts specifying offerings by month (specific days not indicated or not preserved)

9. Read: (23.5 minas...).

D. Transfers, pledges and other transactions

5. Read: Nabû-ahhē-iddina / Tabnē'a / / Ahiya'ūtu.

0512. Ilšu-abūšu

B. Specifying offerings by day and month

The administrative document HAM 73.2923 (prebend owner: Rēmūt-Bēl) specifies for A. the brewer's prebend:

- a. *Maštītu*-libation: 1.II;
- b. *Maštītu*-libation: 8-9.II;
- c. Silver vat of the shrine of DN: 22.II;
- d. Large *namharu*-vat before Nabû: 11.I;
- e. One day of *tilimdu*-offering before Nabû: 24.I;
- f. One day of *tilimdu*-libation and 0;0.2(?) kor before Nabû: day not indicated;
- g. Two days of *maštītu*-libation - the daughters of Ezida: days not indicated;
- h. Daily five *šappu*-containers before Nusku.

B. Line 10ff.: baker's prebend: daily 0;0.0.4 kor of choice dates before Sîn of the court of Ezida.

silver vat of the shrine of DN: 22.II;

large *namharu*-vat before Nabû: 11.I.

C. Other transactions

1. According to BM 96508 from Dar I 15.XI.12, three kors of barley out of the income (lit. "yield") of the brewer's prebend were

delivered by Nabû-uballiṭ/Nabû-šuma-iddina//I. to Šullumâ/Kunâ of the same clan three days earlier (on the 12th).

0513. Kudurrānu

B. Other documents

1. Ina-qībi-Bēl charged figs (3;2 kors apparently of two brands), grapes (0;3 kor) and other plants, e.g. 400 sweet pomegranates, against Šamaš-aha-iddina/Nabû-kāšir (or -ikšur; surname damaged). To be delivered in VII(? , BM 29399, Nab 14.IV.8).- 2. BM 25896 (no place and date), an account of expenditures(?) of barley brought from a storehouse (presumably for a prebend of Ezida in view of the implicit prebendal allocation period VIII-X, i.e. third quarter), may belong to the Kudurrānu archive in view of the occurrence of Lā-abâši/Ṭābīya, who is also recorded in A, 12 above.

0515. Other clans

B. Ardūtu

BM 82664 (Dar I 5.XII.24) is a balanced account of Rēmūt-Nabû/Nabû-nādin-ahi//Ardūtu (implicitly owner of a brewer's prebend) with the undertakers Nabû-aha-ittannu/Kalbâ(/ /Mannu-gērûšu) and Bēl-lū-šulum about a large number of vats of mixture for producing beer. The undertakers received from him ingredients of this mixture, such as barley and cuscuta. Nabû-aha-ittannu was paid in silver by Rēmūt-Nabû. Nabû-aha-ittannu/Kalbâ(/ /Mannu-gērûšu; without the ancestor's name) is the debtor in VS 6, 144= NRV 273 (Dar. I 1.III.26): three vats of mixture for producing beer for the sacred meal of Nabû; delivery of two vats in IV (i.e. after one or two months); creditor: Nūr-Šamaš (no filiation).- An unknown prebend of Mār-bīti is recorded in VS 6, 142 = NRV 597 (Ardūtu archive).

D. Zērūtu (= E?)

Līšir/Nabû-bān-ahi//Zērūtu perpetually transferred under seal two days of *tilimdu*-offering (17 and 18.V in golden vats) of the

brewer's prebend to his paternal cousin Nabû-šuma-ušur / Nabû-zēra-ukīn / / Z. It is followed by *li-ši-ru bal-ṭu mah-ra*, implying that Lišir received something in exchange and that his motivation was that Nabû-šuma-ušur will take care of him for the rest of his life. The last witness in the damaged list is a descendant of the Ahi(ya')ūtu, a clan whose members were holders of the brewer's prebend (Nab 30.XII.10, BM 109864).

E. Zērūtīya (= D?)

Read: *lubuštu* of Nabû.

052. The baker's prebend (*nuhatimmūtu*)

p. 46: For A.1.3, 4 read: A1.3, 3.

1. Prebendal texts (mostly deeds; no lists) in the Šaddinnu archive

A. Deeds based on prebendal service agreements

All the documents presented in the following section belong to the archive of Bēliya'u (Šaddinnu / Balāssu and his son Nabû-uballit) unless otherwise indicated. The number of the days of service in the following deeds is between 1 / 6 of a day and 4 2 / 3 (4.66) days (0.33, 0.66, 1, 1.33, 1.5, 1.66, 2.33, 2.66, 3, 3.16 and 3.5 days are recorded).

A.1.3. Mār-bīti

1-2 from Dar I 2.V.6-4.I.10 are receipts based on service contracts (for 1.66 and 1[+x?] days). The undertaker is Lā-abāši / Rēmūtu / / Kidin-Sîn who guaranteed for the non-cessation and good quality of the sacred meal. The amounts of his wages are not indicated.

1. The undertaker received from Šaddinnu (in Š.'s house) his wages (in silver) for 1.66 days of the baker's prebend out of two periods of prebendal allocation (*maš-šar-ra-a-ti*, pl.) from Dar I V.6 to 1.X.6 (presumably mistake for XI). The damaged postscript specifies that the silver was given for ^{<ú>}*al-la¹-[ki]* (*allāku* "traveller, courier, agent", CAD A, 353) of Elam, i.e. for travelling to Elam (presumably for performing a royal service, cf. BM 29040, 96231 below). The first of the two witnesses belongs to the undertaker's clan (BM 96413, Dar I 2.V.6).-2. The

undertaker received from Šaddinnu his wages (means of payment not specified) for 1[+x?] day(s) from the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI.9-I.10 (last quarter, but the reading of the months and the guaranty clause is doubtful). The scribe belongs to the Bēlya’u clan (BM 96304, Dar I 4.I.10).- 3. BM 96194 from Dar I 16.XI.4 is a contract for perpetual transfer under seal of 2/3 (0.66) day of the baker’s prebend (in XII) of É-ma[h-gir₁₇.zal] (temple of Mār-bīti in Borsippa, cf. Zadok 2008, 88*f.) by Iddina-Nabû / Nabû-(mu)kīn-zēri // Kidin-Sîn to Šaddinnu. The third (last but one) witness belongs to the transferor’s clan. It is related to 4. BM 96163 from Dar I 12₁? [+2-3?] .XI.4, a contract of perpetual transfer under seal of day 17 of each month (? [x].VIII is recorded in broken context) during the entire year of the baker’s prebend of Mār-bīti in Ezida (*mašsarūtu* “safekeeping, custody” of Nabû is mentioned in broken context) by Ardi-Bēl, Iddina-Nabû’s brother, to Šaddinnu, including choice dates. The first witness (out of three) and the scribe belong to the transferor’s clan; cf. BM 29514, 29546 (below, A.4.1, A.4.7). The baker’s prebend of Mār-bīti (1;1.1.2 kor) is recorded in the undated and unassignable account of beer 5. BM 94576 (damaged; 15-day periods are mentioned) two lines after 0;0.2.4 kor of Gimillu/Silim-Bēl from <Dar I> 10.<MN>.35. Two vats from Lā-abâši/Ardīya are also listed. Both individuals are mentioned in the Šaddinnu archive: Gimillu/Silim-Bēl // Šepē-ša-iliya between Dar I IV.11 (BM 29431, 5 and *pass.*) and Dar I 14.VII.26 (BM 21962, 4; cf. below, A.4.7, A.4.9) and Lā-abâši/Ardīya // Kudurrānu between Dar I 5.XI.16 (BM 28981, 15) and Dar I -.XI.24 (34? BM 96218, 15). 1;0.3 kor + 0.5 qû (of sesame) of a 15-day period of Mār-bīti are recorded in the unprovenanced and unassignable administrative document VS 6, 318 = NRV 902 (from Borsippa?).

A.4. Implicitly the baker’s prebend

A.4.2. Nabû and Nanâ

2, 4, 5 are receipts based on service contracts (for 3-4.66 days; 2 and 5 contain no guaranty clause).

1. Wages from the prebendal allocation of Dar I V-VII.9 (second quarter) paid by Šaddinnu to the undertaker for preparation of the sacred meal for one day before Nanâ of Euršabba and 2.5 days before Nabû (the dates are not specified, BM 29749, Dar I 12.[no

MN].9). – 2. The undertakers, Nabû-gāmil/Nabû-šumakūn//Bēliya'u (also the scribe) and his son Ile'i?-Bēl, received their wages (means of payment not specified) from Šaddinnu from the prebendal allocation of Dar I VIII-X.17 (third quarter) for two days of Nabû and one day of Nanâ. The damaged postscript states: “the mutual accounting concerning the later period is hereby terminated” (cf. CAD K, 606f. *ad* VS 6, 180, 4). The first witness out of four is a descendant of Kidin-Sîn and the second one a descendant of Šillāyu (the clan of Šaddinnu's wife, BM 96253, Dar I 26.VIII.17).- 3. BM 96167 - presumably a promissory note; Dar I 10.VI.18 (see below, 0535).- 4. Šaddinnu paid wages from the prebendal allocation of Dar I V-VII.<18> (the second quarter) for the preparation of the sacred meal for Nabû and Nanâ in Ezida to the undertaker Basīya/Ardi-Sîn. The latter assumed guaranty for non-cessation and good quality of the sacred meal (BM 29034, Dar I 18.VI.18).- 5. One kor of barley, wages for 3 2/3 (=3.66) days of preparation of the sacred meal for Nabû and one day of such a preparation for Nanâ paid by Šaddinnu to the undertakers Nabû-bullissu(?)/Nabû-šumakūn//Bēliya'u and his son Rēmūt-Nabû(?) from the prebendal allocation of XI, XII and I.19 (last quarter, BM 29024, Dar I 2.X.18). - 5. BM 29447 from Dar I 21.III.19 and 6. BM 28899 from Dar I -. 20 (see below, 0535).

A.4.4. Nanâ

The undertaker in A.4.4, A.4.5 is always Nabû-gāmil/Nabû-šumakūn//Bēliya'u (cf. above, A.4.2, 1). The receipts, which are based on service contracts (for 3.5-3.66 days), were issued between Dar I 29.[x].13 and 11-XII.18):

1. The undertaker received the wages from the prebendal allocation of II-IV (first quarter) for 3.66 days, actually for the (feast) day of Nanâ (and was paid) by the prebend owner Šaddinnu. They have finally balanced their entire account; with a guaranty clause:

2.III: two meals; 4.III: one meal; 17.III: one meal; 20.III: three meals; (the same? is) in IV (VS 5, 124 = NRV 593, Dar I 29.[X].13; cf. van Driel 2002, 137).- 2. Šaddinnu paid the undertaker and his son their wages for 3.66 days including one day for preparing the sacred meal for Nanâ from (the last quarter of the

prebendal allocation of) Dar I XI.19-end of I.20 (last quarter; BM 29064, Dar I 11.XII.18).

A.4.6. Nanâ and Mār-bīti

They are juxtaposed as early as Nabû-šuma-iškun's reign (Thureau-Dangin 1919, 141f., iv, 13f.).

1. Account of dates (quantities in minas, e.g., 3.5, 7, 9 and 10), some placed by Šaddinnu at the disposal of Gimillu (presumably an undertaker) for a prebend (implicitly the baker's), sacrifices before Nanâ and Mār-bīti. Periods of prebendal allocation are recorded, e.g. Dar I VIII-X.13 (third quarter) and XI, XII, I (fourth quarter; BM 22092, <Dar I> VIII.13). Cf. BM 96305, an unprovenanced, undated and unassignable account of regular offerings (e.g. the second course of the morning sacred meal) by date:

15,18, 24, 26.II, 5, 13.III and after a break 10, 18.VI, 4, 6, 9.VII and 26, 27.VIII.- 2. Promissory note: two *kišru* and 15 minas of dates of Šaddinnu are charged against Nabû-tariš /Marduk-

ušallim/ /Kidin-Sîn; two(?) payments in kind (sg. *kišru*): five minas of dates, prebendal income of six periods of prebendal allocation of VIII and XI.18 of Nanâ and Mār-bīti, as well as II-IV.18 (first quarter) and V, VIII, XI.18 (one day of Nanâ) to be delivered at the end of IX on account of the register of Ezida. According to the postscript, they finally balanced their account from the later part of the year (BM 96288, Dar I

21.IX.18).- 3. One day of Nanâ and 1.66 day of Mār-bīti are listed in the unprovenanced, undated and unassignable document VS 6, 283 = NRV 847, which also has V-VII (three months, presumably second quarter of the prebendal allocation of the Borsippa system), two days of the 15-day period; and Muraššû/Nabû-ittannu, cf. Mu-ra(?)-šú-ú(?)/^d+AG-it-tan(?)-nu, recipient (undertaker?), Bēliya'u archive, Dar I 13.VIII.4 (below, A.4.10, 2) and the prebend owner Mu-ra-šu-ú/^d+AG-it-tan-nu, Dar I 4.-.1 (BM 25673, rev. 7, *iškaru* file); one day of the 15-day period: Iddina-Bēl; VIII-X (the three following months, presumably the third quarter of the prebendal allocation of the Borsippa system): *ina [...]-bu* of the 15-day period of Iddina-Bēl.- 4. BM 96180 from Dar. I 27.XIIb.[1]3 is about dates. The deliverer (presumably prebend owner) is Gimillu /Silim-Bēl/ / Šepē-ša-ilīya and the recipient Šaddinnu:

a. [x] kor(s) prebendal income of the fields of Nanâ and Mār-bīti;

- b. [x mina]s of Mār-bīti of the prebendal allocation of Dar I V.13;
- c. [x minas?] of Nanâ and Mār-bīti of the prebendal allocation perhaps of Dar I IX.[13];
- d. [x mina]s of Nanâ and Mār-bīti of the prebendal allocation of Dar I [x].13;
- e. Seven minas of Nanâ and Mār-bīti of the prebendal allocation of Dar I VIII.13;
- f. [x]+4.5 (or 7.5) minas of the days of Nanâ and Mār-bīti;
- g. Seven minas of dates, five (or eight) days *panāt asnê* (Tilmun dates) of the prebendal allocation of Dar I VIII and XI.11;
- h. Eight minas of dates [x]+1 and 15 days of old (? *šá la-bi-ri*) of the prebendal allocation of Dar I VIII.11.
- Total:** 15 minas of dates, choice dates and *panāt asnê* (Tilmun dates) of two periods of prebendal allocation of Dar I 11.
- Grand total:** one *kišru* and 9.5 minas of dates prebendal income of of Nanâ and Mār-bīti, which is until the end of Dar I X.13, Šaddinnu fully received from Gimillu. They balanced their account of Dar I 9.

A.4.7. Mār-bīti

The undertaker in the receipts (all based on service contracts with the deliverer Šaddinnu) 1-9 below (Dar I 10.I.8-IV.28) is Lā-abâši/Rēmūtu / / Kidin-Sîn (cf. above, A.1.3, A.4.3). The number of days is between 1.33 and 2.66. Only in 9 is the amount of the wages specified. The undertaker assumes warranty for non-cessation and good quality of the sacred meal (supplied from the prebendal allocations of the first three quarters of the year; typical guaranty clause unless otherwise indicated):

1. 8 sacred meals in $2 \frac{1}{3}$ (= 2.33) days supplied from the prebendal allocation of months II-IV (first quarter) by Lā-abâši (BM 29246, Dar I 10.I. 8).- 2. The undertaker received his wages for the preparation of the sacred meal for $1 \frac{2}{3}$ (= 1.66) days from the prebendal allocation of Dar I V-VII.8 (second quarter; BM 29016, Dar I 18.V.8, cf. BM 29242 from Dar I 7.III.5, where the name of the deity is not preserved).- 3. Wages for the preparation of the sacred meal during $2 \frac{2}{3}$ (= 2.66) days in Dar I 9; from the prebendal allocation of months Dar I V-VII.9 (second quarter). Lā-abâši (implicitly baker's prebend) received from Šaddinnu for month VIII-X, i.e. the third quarter (BM 29532, Dar I [10?]+4.-.9).- 4.

Barley for wages of $1 \frac{2}{3}$ (=1.66) day of prebend service (from the prebendal allocation of Dar I VIII-X.11, i.e. the third quarter) received by Lā-abâši; damaged (atypical?) guaranty clause (BM 29206 Dar I 7.IX.11).- **5.** The undertaker received his wages from Šaddinnu, for 2.33 days of the divine meal from the prebendal allocation of Dar I II-IV.15 (first quarter; BM 96302, Dar I 7.III.[15]).- **6.** Lā-abâši received his wages for $1 \frac{1}{3}$ (= 1.33) days (of preparing the sacred meal; supplied by Šaddinnu from the prebendal allocation of Dar I II-IV.19, i.e. the second quarter, implicitly the bakers' prebend of Ezida, BM 29514, Dar I 8.III.19).- **7.** Lā-abâši is the recipient (BM 29092, Dar I 22.XII.23).- **8.** The undertaker received his wages for monthly 1.66 day of sacred meals of Mār-bīti(?) from the prebendal allocation of Dar I VIII-X.[24] (third quarter) and for 2.33 days (?) from the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI, XII.24-I, II.25 (seven months) from Šaddinnu, and was paid (VS 5, 97 = NRV 599, Dar I 2.IV?).- **9.** One kor of barley given from the prebendal allocation of II-IV (first quarter) to the undertaker for prebend service, viz. preparation of the sacred meal during two days (minus one fifth) in Dar I II.29-I.30 (explicitly four periods of prebendal allocation, BM 28916, Dar I IV.29).- **10.** Receipt (based on a service contract) for barley (quantity not indicated) for $\frac{1}{3}$ day (of a prebend) from the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI.9 delivered by Šaddinnu. The recipient (presumably undertaker) is Erība/Nabû-bēl-zēri // Šēpē-ilīya (BM 29512, Dar I 17.III.10).- **11.** Account of prebendal income (dates) of Šaddinnu at the disposal of Uššāyu / Šumâ(// Bēliya'u, cf. below, A.4.10, 1), Dar I II, XI.5 (superscription):

- a. Seven minas (of dates) from the prebendal allocation of XIIa – Bēl-uballiṭ of 1.5 day of Nabû;
- b. 12.5 minas (of dates) for Šamaš-iddina including *panāt asnê* (Tilmun dates) from the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI.5;
- c. 2.75 minas (of dates) for one day at the disposal of Uššāyu from the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI.5;
- d. 3.5 minas and 0;0.0.3 kor (of dates) of one day, which are at the disposal of Uššāyu from the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI.5;
- e. 3.5 minas and 0;0.0.5 kor (of dates) of 0.75? day of Mār-bīti from the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI.5;

Total: 26.5 minas (actually 29.25) and 0;0.0.3 (actually 0;0.0.8) kor of Šaddinnu at Uššāyu's disposal. There follows a damaged statement about Uššāyu and the oblates (BM 96188).

12. Account of dates (from the prebendal allocation of II-IV, i.e. the first quarter) and silver (about a prebend, implicitly the baker's).

The pertinent transactions are:

Four minas received by Bēl(or Nabû?)-šumu-lišir from Gimillu(/ / Silim-Bēl); two prebendal days of Mār-bīti and [x] kor of dates from the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI.10 received by Rēmūtu / Galala from Gimillu / Silim-Bēl; and two prebendal days received by Šaddinnu from Gimillu (BM 29431, Dar I IV.11).

A.4.10. Deity not mentioned or not preserved

The receipts 2, 6, 7, 11, 12, 17, 18, 26 and perhaps 4 are based on service contracts. The same applies to the promissory notes 13, 16, 19 and the damaged deeds 20, 21. 12, 13, 17, 19 contain a guaranty clause. The receipts 24, 25 are for prebendal income (cf. 26).

Offerings to unspecified deities are recorded in the administrative document BM 29065 from Dar I 2.II.8. It is about Tilmun dates (of the 15-day period) from the prebendal allocation of Dar I II-IV.8 (1st quarter) at the disposal of Uššâ / Šumâ (a decury; implicitly of the baker's prebend):

a. Two days Bēl?--¹x₁ / Nabû-ahhē?-šullim;

b. 0;0.2 kor for one day of Nabû-bullissu? / Nabû-(mu)kīn?-zēri (mentioned in BM 29213, 4f. from Dar I [x+?]1.-. 34) and Muraššû.- The receipt BM 96336 from the reign of Dar. I (in text; place and date formula lost) has a damaged divine name (context broken). A certain Šaddinnu / Kabtīya received something (details lost) from Šaddinnu, the overseer of the bakers (of Ezida), upon authorization of Nabû-ahhē-bullit, whose title and filiation are not indicated (presumably more prominent than Šaddinnu, in which case he would have belonged to the upper echelon).

1. BM 29400, Dar I 29.VII.₁3₁ (or ₁6₁); archive of Bēliya (Uššāyu / Šumâ); receipt for one mina of silver with the *ginnu*-mark, soldier equipment (*rikis qabli*) and rations (0;3.2 kor of barley, 0;3.2 kor of flour and 0;3.2 kor of dates) given for four months service in the royal quay in Elam with his decury of the prebendal bakers of Ezida (headed by the decurion Uššāyu).- 2. Bēl-iddina / Šuma-iddina / / Bēliya'u (also the scribe) and Muraššû? / Nabû-ittannu(?), presumably undertakers, received (presumably as their wages) from Šaddinnu [x];3 kor(s) of barley, yield of Dar I 4 apparently from the prebendal allocation (but the

reading of this term is incompatible with the traces) of Dar I VIII?, IX and X.4 as well as XI, XII.4 and I.5 (this neatly corresponds to two quarters of prebendal allocation in the Borsippan practice, BM 96182, Dar I 13.VIII.4). For the second recipient cf. above, A.4.6, 3.- 3. Sworn obligation of Bēl-ikšur / Gimillu / Kidin-Sîn to serve in Elam with his decury (BM 96231, Dar. I 23.VII.6).- 4. A descendant of [Šēpē-?]Ilīya? (the scribe is Itti-Nabû-balāṭu / Nabû-ēṭir-na[pšāti] / / Šēpē-ilīya) received from Šaddinnu [x];3.1 kor(s) of barley from the prebendal allocation of [MNN], explicitly of the baker's prebend (BM 96327, Dar I 16.VIII.6). The scribe is homonymous if not identical with one of the principals of the prebendal document BM 96307 (where his surname is omitted).- 5. BM 96286 from Dar I 30.XII.[x+?] 15-9₁ (3+1 are visible; poss. 6, 7, 9 or 15, 17-19, 25, 26, 28, 36) is a contract for sale (disguised as transfer) of the baker's prebend. Nabû-nādin-ipri / Šumâ / / Bēliya'u (recorded in Dar I 6-30), transferred under seal 0;0.0.x (at least 0;0.0.1) kor of choice dates from the baker's prebend to Iddina-Nabû / Nabûnāyu / / Šēpē-ilīya. The latter paid him 0.5 mina of white silver as "gift". Iddina-Nabû received from Šaddinnu on account of Nabû-nādin-ipri 20? shekels of silver and 0;0.0.1 kor of choice dates (a certain Šamaš-iqīša is also mentioned in the operative section, but the context is damaged). Two of the seven witnesses belong to the clan of Šēpē-ilīya and three to the Ilšu-abūšu clan.- 6. BM 29197, Dar I(?) 8 (or 9).I.7; adm. (therefore there is no guaranty clause): receipt of 0;0.4 (or 5).3 kors of barley (delivered by Šaddinnu) for prebend service (2/3 day in [MN]) out of the prebendal allocation of Dar I VII-IX + X-XII.7 by Sūqāyu / Nabû-ahhē-iddina (undertaker) for Dar I V-XII.7.- 7. The undertaker, Zēru-ukīn / Bēl-uballit / / Kidin-Sîn, received dates from the prebendal allocation of Dar I V-XII.8 and I.9 (second-fourth quarters) from Šaddinnu. The latter was paid the expenditure. All the three witnesses belong to the undertaker's clan (the second one was probably his brother). The scribe is a descendant of Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli, i.e. related to Šaddinnu (VS 3, 103 = NRV 589, Dar I 11.II.9).- 8. Receipt for prebendal income of 2/3 day (BM 29182, Dar I 24.III.9).- 9. Adm.: receipt of 2[+x?] kors of figs, two kors of raisins and one kor of Tilmun dates (BM 29194, Dar I 4.VIII.9).- 10. Nabû-zēra-ukīn / Balāssu / / Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli belonged to the decury of the bakers serving in Elam. The bakers' decurions were under Šaddinnu, the bakers'

overseer (BM 29040, Dar I 26 [+x, at most 9].X.9).- **11.** BM 96320 (from Borsippa = bar-sipa^{ki}; whose signs are squeezed on the table; the witnesses and the scribe occur in other documents of the Šaddinnu archive); Dar I 23.V.14: Nabû-ahhē-iddina(?)/Uraš-ušallim/ /Dābibu and his son Iddina-Nabû (presumably undertakers) received from Šaddinnu. 0;2.3 kor of barley as their (text his) wages from the prebendal allocation of (Dar I) V-VII(.14; second quarter).- **12.** Šaddinnu gave the undertaker, Iddina-Bēl/ [Nabû-ēṭir-n]apšāti/ /Dābibu (cf. A.3.1, 2 above), a payment (details lost), apart from his wages for five deliveries (sg. *iškaru*) of Dar I VII.14. The third witness belongs to the Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli clan, which is related to Šaddinnu. The fourth (last) witness and the scribe are descendants of Kidin-Sîn (BM 96244, Dar. I - .VII.14).- **13.** Five shekels of silver with the *ginnu*-mark, provisions (0;0.0.1 kor of dates and 0;0.1+x kor of white beer) were given by Šaddinnu to Nergal-iddina/ Taqīš-Gula (undertaker) for prebendal service (preparation of the sacred meal in Ezida) from Dar I 18.V.15, i.e. one day after the date of issue of the deed. Guaranty clause: the undertaker is responsible for non-cessation (BM 29111, Dar I 17. V.15).- **14.** Balanced account of dates and barley, prebendal income from Dar I XIIb.16 (text 18) until the end of I.17, which Šaddinnu calculated with Iddina-Bēl/ Nabû-bēl-šumāti/ /Kidin-Sîn:

- a. two sheep, *panāt asnê* (Tilmun dates) from Dar I 10, which Šaddinnu brought;
- b. Apart from seven periods of prebendal allocation from Dar I 10 until the end of Dar I 14;
- c. Apart from? two periods of prebendal allocation from Dar I 18, which both parties brought on account of Šaddinnu. One of the four witnesses is a descendant of Kidin-Sîn and the other three belong to the clan of Šēpē-ilīya (BM 96132, Dar I 2.XIIb.16).- **15.** Postscript about a monthly delivery of two pieces of *šibtu*-bread (BM 21964, Dar I 28.VIII.17).- **16.** Three kors of dates, choice dates, sacred meal belonging to Šaddinnu are charged against Nabû-balāssu-iqbi/ Nabû-iddina/ / Allānu. He will deliver them in VII (during the harvest of the dates) in the storehouse of Šaddinnu in Borsippa. The second witness out of four is a descendant of Šillāyu, the clan of the creditor's wife (BM 103481, Dar I 12.V.19).- **17.** Receipt for baking the sacred meal by the undertaker Lā-abāši/ Zērīya/ / Kidin-Sîn (deliverer: Šaddinnu).

This service is for 1/3 day of 18.VIb and 1/6 day of 19.VIb, namely oven for baking, smearing hot bread with fat and burning offerings: *tinūru* <šá> *a-pu-ú* (Akk. *epû*; an Aramaism here?) *te-hu-ú* (AHw. 1385a, *s.v.* *te/ahû* II <Aram. “to smear with a fatty substance”, but CAD T, 45a, *s.v.* *ṭahû* “a culinary activity” is less specific) *ù šá-ra-pu* (BM 29115, [...], [Dar I] 19.VIb.19).- **18.** Šaddinnu paid the undertaker, Nabû-gāmil/Nabû-šuma-ukīn/ / Bēliya’u (cf. above, A.4.2, 1), on account of Ina-qībi-Bēl/Nabû-gāmil, Nabû-gāmil’s barley (1;2.3 kor), part of his wages from the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI.19-I.20 and II-IV.20 (BM 29057, Dar I 5.I.20, last and successive first quarter).- **19.** Dates (quantity not indicated) of Nabû-uballit/Šaddinnu/ / Bēliya’u for making beer: the undertaker, Lā-abāši/Bēl-iddina, will receive his wages. He assumes warranty for the quality of the dates (BM 28927, Dar I 9.VIII.20).- **20.** BM 96189 from Dar I 18.I?.34 may be based on a service contract. It records two kors of barley and [x+?] 0.66 of a day of Nabû-aha-erība/Ša-Nabû-šū and Ilu-ibni/[xx]/ / Šēpē-ilīya. Both were presumably undertakers who received the barley from Šaddinnu from the prebendal allocation of Dar I V, VI and [VII].34 (second quarter). The last witness and the scribe are descendants of Kidin-Sîn (the witnesses’ list is severely damaged).- **21.** Deed about 0;0.0.2 kor of choice dates, presumably for a sacred meal (BM 29219, Dar I 15.IV?.34). The undertaker is presumably Bēl-aha-i[ttannu?]/Nabû-aha(scribal error for ahhē?-)iddina/ / Šēpē-ilīya(?), cf. above, A.1.1, 2).- **22.** Adm. (or legal?) recording receipt of leftovers of white barley (quantity not indicated) available until the end of the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI.35 by Iddina-Nabû (undertaker, cf. perhaps 11 above) from Šaddinnu (without a filiation) and of barley (quantity not indicated) by Šaddinnu from Iddina-Nabû from the sacred meal of Dar I III.35 (implicitly the baker’s prebend of Ezida, BM 29569, Dar I 14.VIII. 35).- **23.** Deed for Tilmun dates and emmer (quantities not indicated) of Šaddinnu and his brother Nabû-ušuršu at the disposal of Esaggila-īpuš/[xx(x)] from 5.III (BM 29278, Dar I 4.VII.-).- **24.** Payments in dates of Šaddinnu brought from Gimillu/Silim-Bēl/ / Šēpē-ilīya on account of Nabû-tariš/Marduk-ušallim/ / Kidin-Sîn (cf. above, A.4.6, 2). Šaddinnu handed over the document to the debtor for cancellation (BM 29055, Dar I -.IX.-).- **25.** 0;0.0.1 kor of choice dates were received by †Andi-Nanâ/Nabû-apla(?)-iddina(?)/ / Kidin-Sîn probably through

her proxy from Šaddinnu (BM 29021, Xer 3.II.1).- **26.** The barley is for regular and irregular offerings and prebendal income (about the preparation of two sacred meals) for Dar I 20.IX.35 and 36. It is implicitly the baker's. The undertaker is Bultâ/Nabû-ittannu//Kidin-Sîn (BM 29221, Xer 10.II.[1?]).- **27.** Adm. (Šaddinnu - without a filiation - and Nabû-bēl-šumāti are mentioned). A 15-day period is mentioned, a possible hint at a prebendal service (BM 29358, 24.V).

0533. Ilšu-abūšu

5. Read: Nabû-uballit/Nabû?-aha-ēreš//Ilšu-abūšu

0536. Other clans who were involved in meat offerings (presumably after slaughtering and carving)

054. The oxherd's prebend (*rē'i-alpūtu*, simplified as *rē'ūtu*)

All the documents below were issued in Borsippa and belong to the archive of Rē'i-alpē (henceforth R. in filiations) unless otherwise indicated. This prebend, which is unique to Borsippa (cf. above, 01), is - from the point of view of its function - an extension of the butcher's prebend.

A. The documentation from the "Chaldean" period

Most documents of the oxherd's prebend are sales disguised as perpetual transfers under seal of certain prebend days among members of the Rē'i-alpē clan (cf. TĒBR 316f.). An Exception is, e.g., the service contract BM 82687, where the undertaker did not belong to the Rē'i-alpē clan. The earliest deed, BM 109859, from Npl 11.XI.3, is a contract for sale of seven unspecified days of the oxherd's prebend for 36 shekels of silver plus one shekel of silver as supplement by Nādinu//R. to Nabû-kēšir/[...]. The fourth (last but one) witness is a descendant of Rē'i-alpē. BM 82621 from Npl -III.4 is a sale of four days of the oxherd's prebend by Nabû-nādin-šumi/Nabû-bēlšunu//R. to Rēmūt-Gula//R. for 20 shekels of silver (16 days would have cost much more). Another sale of four days is BM 101988 from Npl 4.III.[1-

9]. They fall in months I, IV, VII and X, but the dates are not specified and the price is not preserved. The seller is Nabû-nādin-šumi / Nabû-bēlšunu // R. and the buyer is Rēmūt-Gula / Nabû-ahhē-bulliṭ // R. Nabû-kalab-ilāni / Nabû-eṭel-ilāni // R. was perhaps a co-buyer. The same buyers are recorded in BM 26574, which was issued on the same day as BM 26507 (Npl 11.V.4, see Zadok 2002a, 878f.). The seller, Nādinu / Bēlšunu // R., is recorded in both deeds. BM 82611 (datable to the same time) is a sale (for at least two minas of silver) of a share of the oxherd's prebend of Ezida (details lost as the operative section is damaged) by Nabû-[nādin-šumi / Nabû-bēlšunu // R.] to Rēmūt-[Gula / Nabû-ahhē-bulliṭ] of the same clan. According to BM 26475 = 26525 from Npl 15.VIII.7, Nādinu / Bēlšunu // R. sold certain days, the remainder of his share of the oxherd's prebend, to Nabû-udammiq // R. for three minas of white silver plus 13.33 shekels of white silver supplementary payment and two shekels of silver as well as a garment (^{túg}KUR.RA) *tak-PIR-ti*. Five months later, Nabû-udammiq / Nabû-ēreš // R. (prob. the same individual) sold his share to Nabû-mukīn-apli / Sūzubu // R. for three minas and 38.33 shekels of silver, i.e. he gained 23 shekels (minus the price of the garment); see Zawadzki 1995-1996, 210; cf. van Driel 2002, 122. Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli sold half of the prebend to Rēmūt-Gula for one mina and 49 shekels of silver. They intended to use the prebend together with any gains or losses. According to BM 82799 (MacGinnis 1991-92, 99f.:13; place and date lost), Nādinu / Bēlšunu // R. sold the remainder of the oxherd's prebend including day(s) of *maš-hu?* and *nam-GUR-ti* (types of offerings originating in vessels' names?), as many as there are, to Nabû-udammiq // R. for four minas of silver. *Mašhu* is a vessel used for mixture for producing beer in the Ur III and OB periods (CAD M/1, 365b, quoting Hallo 1963, 139, who is of the opinion that it denotes a jar of standardized size). It survived in NB/LB if the reading is correct. On Npl 20.IV.9 Rēmūt-Nabû / Bēl-šuma-iškun // R. who had received four days of the oxherd's prebend from Nabû-kēšir / Nabû-kāšir of the same clan, sold one day for the considerable sum of one mina and 40 shekels of silver to Nabû-šuma-iškun / Šadūnu of the same clan, who had a claim to the prebend's share (BM 26488).

BM 26482 from Nbk II 18.V.8 is a contract for sale of one day (29.VII) by Kudurru/Kīnāyu//R. to Nabû-mutīr-gimilli of the same clan (the price - including a supplement - paid in white silver is not preserved). The same Kudurru is recorded in an unpublished sale of days of the oxherd's prebend in I and VII for 50 shekels of silver plus three shekels of silver supplement to Rēmūt-Gula/Nabû-ahhē-bulliṭ (from Nbk II's reign, prob. sometime between 594 and 565 B.C.). BM 82748 from Nbk II 7 (or 8).XI.19 is about a prebend (implicitly the oxherd's). Šamaš-udammiq will give the promissory note about the prebend of 29.IV and 29.V(?) from Nabû-lē'i to Rēmūt-Gula until 25.XI, i.e. within 19 days. According to BM 82655 from [...], Nbk II 6.XI.[...] (probably from the end of his reign), Nabû-lē'i/Rēmūt-Nabû//R. (perhaps the same individual) transferred his entire property to his sons Gimillu and Nabû-kīn-zēri, presumably because of his need for care due to old age. He is entitled to one third of the yield of his arable land as long as he lives. BM 25675 = 82638 from Nab 21.II.5 is a transfer of certain days of the oxherd's prebend of Ezida by Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli/Nergal-ušēzib//R. on behalf of Rēmūt-Nabû/Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti//R. Later on the transferor reverted his deed and withdrew his transfer of prebend days.

B. Nabû-kīn-zēri/Aplâ and his descendants

For B.1-7 see NABU 2010/20.

B.8. The later career of Rēmūt-Nabû and Nabû-erība

BM 94586 from Dar I 30.VI.9 is about exchange of days of the oxherd's prebend. Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti/Nabû-ahhē-bulliṭ//R. transferred three successive days of the Oxherd's prebend of Ezida, viz. 28-30.IX, to Rēmūt-Nabû/Nabû-kīn-zēri//R. while the latter transferred to Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti 15, 16(?) and 20.I and presumably another two days (details broken). Apart from this a certain Nabû-ušallim received five days of IX (three broken [presumably prior to 26] and 26-27). BM 102285 from Bīt-harê, Dar I 29.IV.10 is a promissory note for young cattle (five months old) charged against Rēmūt-Nabû/Nabû-kīn-zēri//R. by Nabû-aha-iddina/[D]āmequ. BM 27873 from Dar I 23.III.16 is a promissory note for two shekels of white silver of *nuhhutu*-quality of Rēmūt-Nabû/Nabû-kīn-zēri charged against Nabû-ušuršu/Nabû-(mu)kīn-zēri//Sîn-tabni. The latter was obliged to deliver each month nine calves and ten sheep, as well as four

sheep as regular offerings to Nabû. From V onwards (i.e. within two months and one week) he will supply poultry (20 of excellent quality) for Nabû (= Ezida) to the creditor. Apart from a previous debt of ten shekels of silver of Rēmût-Nabû charged against Nabû-uşuršu.

BM 26509 from Dar I -.VIII.18 is about a disguised sale of 134 days of the oxherd's prebend in Ezida for two years by Rēmût-Nabû/Nabû-kîn-zēri // R. to his brother Nabû-erība (duplicate of BM 94563, 94571). BM 94571 has:

Apart from seven (also BM 26509; BM 94563: 17) shekels of white silver of *nuhhutu*-quality of Rēmût-Nabû.

IV: [...] 10, 11 [...], 20-22, [x]+2; V (explicitly [1]6 days): [...] '11-17', [...], [... 22], 23-25; VI (explicitly 2 days): [...]; VII (explicitly 23 days): [..., x], 4-8, 10, [... 1]6, 17-22, [...] 29; VIII (explicitly 15 days): [..., x], 9, 10, 11, 12, [...], [x], 18, 19; IX (explicitly 5 days): [x], 12?, 13-15; X (explicitly [... x]+7 days): [x], 4, 5, 21, 22, 24, 25, [...]; XI (explicitly 6 days): 12-17; XII (explicitly one day): 14.

Sale of 134 days of oxherd's prebend (BM 26509 combined with BM 94563):

I (explicitly 16 days): 15-20, 20+[x...], 25, 28, 29, 30;
 II (implicitly 16): 9-15, [16], 17-19, 21-23, [2]4, 20+[x];
 IV (explicitly 18 days; 19 preserved): 1, 9-22, 24, 25, 28, 29; V (implicitly 10 preserved, should be [16]): [xxx], 10-15[...], 19, 21-23, [...]; XI (explicitly 6; not preserved); XII (explicitly one day): 14; total: 134 days (only 67 preserved; in the break there were also VII and VIII). Nabû-erība paid Rēmût-Nabû five shekels of silver (context broken). Nabû-erība is responsible for the preparation, non-cessation and punctuality of the sacred meal, which contains, *inter alia*, 0;0.0.3 kor of *takkasû*-cakes, as well as the 0.0.0.3 kor of barley beer and milk (as expected from the holders of the oxherd's prebend).

Combined list of BM 26509, 94563, 94571 (133 out of 134 days are preserved):

I (explicitly 16 days): 15-20, 2[0+x...], [2]5, 28-30; II (explicitly 16 days): 9-15, [16], 17-19, 21-25; IV (explicitly 18 days, actually 19): 1, 9-22, 24, 25, 28, 29; V (explicitly 16 days): [x], 9-16, [17], 19, 21-25; VI (explicitly 2 days): 24, 26; VII (explicitly 23 days): 1-8, 10, [11/12], 13, 15, 16, <17>, 18-20, [21], 22, 24?, 28, 29; VIII (explicitly

15 days): 1 (or 2), 3, 7-13, [1]5, 16-19; IX (explicitly 5 days):[x], 12?, 13-15; X (explicitly 11 days): 1-5, 21, 22, 24, 25, [26/27], 28; XI (explicitly 6, implicitly 9 days): 9-17; XII (explicitly one day): 14.

The same creditor, scribe and most of the witnesses are recorded in BM 26647 and HSM 1895.1.9 (from Dar. I -.XI), which like BM 26647 may be dated in Dar I 20. BM 26647 from Dar I 16.XII.20 is a promissory note for three minas of white silver of *nuhhutu*-quality of Nabû-šuma-ušur slave of Ardi-Nabû(?)/Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti / / Arkât-ilī-damqā charged against Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-kīn-zēri with pledge (134 days of the oxherd's prebend of Ezida, notably bred cows, cf. BM 26509; their distribution by months and days is not given). This promissory note was issued at the debtor's behest. Copies of this note are cancelled. The same creditor is recorded in HSM 1895.1.9 from Borsippa, Dar. I -.XI. [x], a promissory note for [x minas] of white silver of which 1/8 is alloy of *nuhhutu*-quality of Nabû-šuma-ušur charged against Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-kīn-zēri. The debtor pledged 134 days of the oxherd's prebend and the prebend of the bred cows (^{8u}₄*b/pu-ra-a-tu*₄, like BM 26647, their distribution by months and days is not given). The creditor will enjoy the prebendal income. The debtor is responsible for the preparation, non-cessation and punctuality of the sacred meal. Rēmūt-Nabû, who owed five minas of silver (balance of ten minas) to a member of another clan (Itti-Nabû-balāṭu / Rēmūt-Nabû / / Malahhu) pledged ten unspecified months of the oxherd's prebend. It hardly overlaps with the 134 pledged days in other deeds as they are distributed in eleven months (BM 94670 from Dar. I 12.IV.24). The fourth (last) witness belongs to the creditor's clan. TEBR 84 from Dar I -. II.25 (in text) is about four months of the prebend of the bovines and ten days of the oxherd's prebend (|| below, VS 5, 102, where the party is Lā-abâši's father, Nabû-šuma-ukīn / Mušēzib-Marduk and Lā-abâši's brother Iddina-Nabû), which Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-kīn-zēri / / R. sold according to a sealed deed to Lā-abâši / Nabû-šuma-ukīn / / R. (the price in silver is not specified). It is stated that Lā-abâši did not pay the silver, the price of the prebends until Dar I II.25. VS 5, 102 = NRV 604 (cf. TEBR 318) from Babylon, Dar I 14.VI.29 is also about four months of the prebend of the herds of oxen (?) and ten days of the oxherd's prebend of Ezida sold by Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-kīn-zēri / / R. to Nabû-šuma-ukīn / Mušēzib-Marduk / / R. (who cared

for his elderly father, Nabû-kîn-zēri, about 25 years earlier) and his son Iddina-Nabû for $1 \frac{5}{6}$ (=1.83) minas (=110 shekels) of white silver in pieces of which $\frac{1}{8}$ is alloy. The silver was not paid, therefore the transferor declared the invalidation of the deed (cf. BM 26485 above).

Rēmût-Nabû/Nabû-kîn-zēri // R. is apparently the prebend owner, whereas Iddina-Bēl and Nabû-bullissu sons of Gimillu // Kīnīya are the undertakers (since they are not owners of the oxherd's prebend, they can belong to other Borsippan clans). They are responsible for the preparation, performance, punctuality and non-cessation of the sacred meal of Nabû (served in shifts; with mutual guaranty) during 134 days of the oxherd prebend of Ezida throughout the year (for a duration of three years), of which the following 55 are preserved: 22-23?.I; 18-19, 25.V; 13-22, 24-25, 28-29.VII (=14); 7-19.VIII (=13); 11-15.IX (= 5); 1-5, 21, 22, 24, 25, 28, 29.X (=11); [x, y], 10-15, [x], 24.XII (=12). Each day they have to supply 0;0.0.3 kor of the *takkasû*-offering and 0;0.0.3 kor of barley beer (including an offering perhaps before Marduk of the courtyard of Ezida; context damaged, BM 82687, place and date lost). According to BM 82734 from [...], Dar I, Rēmût-Nabû/Nabû-kîn-zēri was apparently the prebend owner and Šamaš-iddina the undertaker responsible for the preparation, performance and punctuality of the sacred meal of Nabû (served in shifts) during 134 (looks like a squeezed 137) days of the oxherd's prebend of Ezida throughout the year (for a duration of three years). The undertaker was presumably son of Nabû-mušētiq-ūdê (line 6: HI.BI-DIB-UD.DA; Šamaš-iddina/ Nabû-mušētiq-ūdê // R. is recorded as scribe in the Rē'i-alpē archive between Cyr 2 and Dar I 9; his father is homonymous if not identical with the protagonist mentioned in Cyr 7, cf. above, B.3). The preserved days are only 8-14, [x, y], 18, 19.XI (summarized as 11). They correspond to the above-mentioned combined list of 134 (133 preserved) days, except for the first two days and the last one. Four months (II, V, VII, VIII) per year (except for VII, the first month of each quarter of the Borsippan prebendal allocation) he has to supply straw for feeding the cattle. Each day he has to supply 0;0.0.3 kor of the *takkasû*-offering and 0;0.0.3 kor of barley beer (like in BM 82687 above).

BM 26576 (Dar I 15.IX.20) from the archive of Rē'i-*alpē* is a list recording receipt of a considerable amount of 70 minas and eight shekels of white silver, the price of landed property (cf. Zadok 2006, 395.411.417.442) as well as days of a prebend, consisting of, e.g., four sheep as irregular offering before the goddess Sutītu and 2.5 sheep as offering in month I before Nanâ Euršaba in Babylon and Kiš. It lists meat cuts of ox, sheep, fowl and lamb as offerings before Nergal. BM 26484 (early Achaemenid) is a receipt for silver and foodstuffs (as offerings to Nergal of the courtyard of Ezida) delivered by Nabû-šuma-ukīn / Mušēzib-Marduk / /R. to Hašdāyu / Bēl-ētir-Sîn, the alphabet scribe of prebends, on account of Rēmūt-Nabû / /R. BM 82665 (unprovenanced and undated) is a list of 12 days (implicitly of the oxherd's prebend as it belongs to the dossier of Nabû-erība / /R.): 10, 17, 19.X; 5-8.XI; 5, 6. 8.I; 6, 7.IV. None of these days is found in the combined list of 134 (133 preserved) days, but most of them overlap with days of the comprehensive list.

B.9. The sons of Rēmūt-Nabû

According to BE 8, 117 from Dar I 22.III.32, Bēl-ittannu and Nabû-ittannu, sons of Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-kīn-zēri / /R., had a litigation with Nabû-erība (their paternal uncle), who was in charge of the oxherd's prebend in Dar I 18-32 (see Joannès, TEBR 318f.). They wanted to get the prebend back from the undertaker, since Rēmūt-Nabû was not fully paid. Neither the witnesses nor the scribe are descendants of Rē'i-*alpē*, presumably because it was a dispute within the clan. BM 26501 from Xer 9.I.1 is a sale (for 12 shekels of silver, disguised as a transfer) of a quarter of a share of the oxherd's prebend in Ezida, offerings (consisting of *hinṣu*, a meat cut, viz. fatty tissue around the intestines and gore, cf. BM 26505) before Nabû, Nanâ and unspecified deities of Borsippa by Itti-Nabû-balātu / Nabû-ittannu / /R. to the brothers Bēl-ittannu and Nabû-ittannu / Rēmūt-Nabû of the same clan. BM 26502 from Borsippa, Ša-er, 21.IV.1 is a list of 60 days (explicitly stated; *recte* 70 according to the sum of the monthly totals in the text; actually 69) of the oxherd's prebend of Ezida held by Bēl-ittannu, Nabû-ittannu and Lā-abāši sons of Rēmūt-Nabû / /R.: 11, 16-22, 24, 25, 27, 29, 30.I (13); 16, 17.II (2); 11-22.IV (12); 16-18, 21, 25.V (5); 13-16, [17], 18-21, [22], 24, 25, 28, 29.VII (14); 1-5, 19, 21, 24, 25, 28, 29.X (12, *recte* 11); 9-19.XI (11), 14.XII (1). BM 25125 is an undated list of

61 days (each year; actually 58) of the oxherd's prebend in Ezida of Bēl-ittannu / Rēmūt-Nabû (with explicit monthly summaries of days): 11, 18-22, 25, 29, 30.I (actually 9, but subsumed as 11); 6 (text looks like 26), 7.II (2); 19-22, 28.IV (5); 16-19, 25.V (5); 13-25, 29.VII (14); 1-5, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 28, 29.X (12, erroneously summarized as 11); 9-16, 18, 22.XI (10); 14.XII (1, erroneously 2). Most of the days enumerated in both lists correspond to the combined list of 134 (133 preserved) days held by their father and subsequently by their uncle. BM 82617 Dar I 19.VIII.- (presumably end of his reign) is a sale of a prebend (implicitly the oxherd's) including irregular offerings of sheep and live oxen(?), *inter alia* on days 5.I and 3.II(?) for one mina and 6.5 shekels of white silver of which 1/8 is alloy of *nuhhutu*-quality. Among the principals (the operative section is severely damaged as the left half of the tablet is missing) are [Lā-abâš]i / Rēmūt-Nabû and his father Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-kīn-zēri / / R. as well as [...] / [Na]bû(?) -aha-ušallim / / Nūr-Papsukkal. Cf. BM 82687 below. The date of the fragmentary deed BM 94573 is lost (script early Achaemenid). The seller (disguised as transferor) is perhaps Bē[l?-ittannu] / Rēmūt-Nabû / / R. The buyer is Libluṭ / Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti / / R. (paternal cousin of Rēmūt-Nabû) who acted through his proxy Nabû-ittannu (br. of Bēl-ittannu). The price of the prebend (number of days and other details lost) is 26 shekels of white silver of *nuhhutu*-quality.

C. Others (including individuals with damaged names)

Several unassignable documents discussed below may eventually belong to individuals listed in B above. The following two unprovenanced, undated and unassignable lists of days (presumably of prebendal service) are formulated like BM 82665 (cf. above, B.8 *in fine*):

1. BM 82658 (altogether 25), viz. 13-15.I and 24, 25.IV (subsumed as 5 days); 1, 12, 13.IV as well as 1, 2.VIII; 11-15, 18-22.IV, 11-14.IX and 29.IV. Almost all the days correspond to the above-mentioned combined list of 134 (133 preserved) days.
2. BM 82659 (altogether 39), viz. 16, 18.I; 16, 17.II; 15, 17.IV; 16, 18.V; 16, 17 (or 18/19).IX; 16, 10+[x].XI; 9-15, 21-24.V (subsumed as 11 days); 27, 28.V; 9-15, 18, 19, 21-24, 26.VI. Several days correspond to the above-mentioned combined list of 134 (133 preserved) days. BM 25852 from Camb 25.I?.1 is a receipt for

(probably) five shekels of silver, prebendal income of Camb 1 by ʿNuptâ wife of Nabû-zēra-ibni (an employee, perhaps a messenger of Iddina-Nabû / Nādinu / /R. through ʿx¹-Nabû / Mušēzib-DN / /Ilu-bani (paid by Nabû-kīn-zēri, cf. above, B.2). BM 26505 from Dar I 15.VI.34 (Iddina-Nabû / Nabû-šuma-ukīn / /R. perhaps grandson of Mušēzib-Marduk, the cousin of Nabû-kīn-zēri) is a sale or a transfer of one fifth of a share of the oxherd's prebend in Ezida (held together with [Nabû-uballit] / Nabû-ittannu of the same clan, defined as "his brother", but hardly his physical one), offerings (consisting of fatty tissue around the intestines and gore, cf. BM 26501) before Nabû and unspecified deities of Borsippa. Nabû-(u)kīn / Mušēzib-Marduk / /R., who owed one mina of white silver (of which 1/8 is alloy of *nuhhutu*-quality) to Aha-iddina / Nabû-ahhē-iddina / /Iddina-Papsukkal, pledged two days of the oxherd's prebend, viz. 7 and 17 (month not preserved), throughout the year (including a monthly offering of four cuts of thigh and rib and two joint cuts [*riksu*] to Nanâ Euršaba). It seems that the pledge was for 50 shekels of the debt (the context is damaged). The first witness is Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-kīn-zēri / /R. The scribe belongs to the creditor's clan (BM 94665 from Dar I 16.III.29). BM 26537 is a list of days of the oxherd's prebend of Ezida:

a. Iddina-Nabû / Nabû-iddina / /R. (28, text erroneously 38) 1-4, 16, 17.I; 6-8, 11-18.IV (11); 1-10.VII (10); 17.XI (1);

b. Bēl-ušallim / Bēl-šuma-ukīn, 20 (*recte* 13) 22.I; 22, 30.IV; [x+?]3, 17.IX; 9, 10, 23, 30.X; ʿ4 (or ʿ7), 8, 11, 13.XII.

BM 94550 (place and date lost):

a. Iddina-Nabû / Nabû-aha-ušallim? / /R. 24 prebend days (implicit; the summary is not preserved):

1-4, 14, 15.I; 16, 14.II; 5, 7, 8, 15, 17.IV; 16, 17.V; 7, 8.VII; 16, 17.IX; 6-8, 16, 17.<MN>.

b. Rēmūtu. explicitly 20 prebend days (only 10 preserved):

[...].I; 22, [...].IV; 22, x, [...].IX; 9, 12?, 23, 30.X; 7, 8, 11, 13.XII. Apart from six days which were received from Rēmūtu.

BM 82761 is an unprovenanced, undated and unassignable list of 15 (prebend, tentatively of the oxherd) days in month V: 1-3, 5, 8-15, 19 (or 21), 22, 20+x. Most of the days overlap with those of the combined list of 134 days above.

D. Several remarkable matters

There are only six cases of transfer outside the Rē'i-*alpē* clan. Four of them (2-5) by Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-kīn-zēri, who owed large sums of silver:

1. BM 13150 from Cyr 2.II.5: Nabû-ahhē-šullim gave prebend days to Mušēzib-Marduk / Taqīš-Gula / / Sāmu.- 2. BM 26572 from Dar I 16.X.10 is a dialogue contract between Murānu / Taqīš-Gula / / Sāmu and Rēmūt-Nabû about days (15, 17, 19, 20, apparently of VII) presumably of the oxherd's prebend (cf. BM 26583).- 3. BM 26647 from Dar I 16.XII.20 is about a pledge on behalf of Nabû-šuma-ušur slave of Ardi-Nabû(?) / Nabû-ētir-napšāti / / Arkât-ilī-damqā.- 4. Rēmūt-Nabû, who owed five minas of silver to a member of another clan (Itti-Nabû-balāṭu / Rēmūt-Nabû / / Malahhu) pledged ten unspecified months of the oxherd's prebend (BM 94670). - 5. According to Berens 107 from Dar I 10.IV.30, Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-kīn-zēri sold the oxherd's prebend to Lā-abāši-Marduk / / Nūr-Papsukkal for 15 shekels of white silver of *nuhhutu*-quality, the balance of the price of the oxherd's prebend (no details, cf. TEBR 318). None of the witnesses belongs to the parties' clans. On the other hand, Nabû-kīn-zēri purchased or got prebend shares from members of other clans (Ibnāyu, Ša-rēš-ummāni, Sīn-tabni and Kīnīya, above, B.4, B.7, B.8).

3. Summary. 1. A comprehensive list of days of the oxherd's prebend

Altogether 217 (minimum)- 222 (maximum) days

I: 1-22, 23?, 24, 25, 27-30 (= 28+1); II: 3?, 7, 9-25, 27 (= 19+1); III: 11-20 (= 10); IV: 1-22, 24, 25, 28-30 (= 27); V: 9-19, 21-25, 29 (= 17); VI: 24, 26, 27, 28 (= 4); VII: 1-25, 28, 29 (= 27); VIII: 1-3, 7-22 (= 19); IX: 11, 12?, 13-17, 21, 22, 26-30 (= 13 + 1); X: 1-10, 12?, 13, 19, 21-30 (= 22 + 1); XI: 8-19, 22, 28, 29 (= 15); XII: 4 (or 7), 7, 8, 10-20, 24, 27, 28 (= 16 + 1).

The list is based on the following sources: I 1-10: BM 26480 (B.4); 11, 12: BM 13150 (B.1), 85229 (B.1); 13-16: BM 26538, 85229, 94582 (B.1); 13-22: BM 28872 (B.7); 15, 16(?), 20: BM

94586 (B.8); 17-22: BM 85229; 23(?): BM 82687 (B.8); 24: BM 26502 (B.8); 25: BM 26509, 94563 (B.8); 27: BM 26502; 28-30: BM 26509, 94563.

II 3(?): BM 82617 (B.9); 7: BM 25125 (B.9); 9-14: BM 26509, 94563; 15-25: BM 28872; 21-25: BM 13151 (B.3); 27: BM 82749 (27).

III 11-20: BM 26480.

IV 1-10: BM 26480; 6: BM 82749; 11-20: BM 28872; 11, 12: BM 13150; 11-22: BM 85229; 24, 25: BM 26513 (B.1); 28: BM 26509, 94563; 29: BM 82748 (A); 30: BM 26537 (C).

V 9-18: BM 28872; 18, 19: BM 102263 (B.1); 21, 22: BM 82633 (B.3); 23-25: BM 13151; 29: BM 82748.

VI 24: BM 94712 (68); 26: BM 26509, 94563; 27, 28: BE 8, 103.

VII 1-10: BM 26480; 11, 12: BM 13150; 13, 14: BM 85229, 94582; 13-16: BM 26538; 17-22: BM 85229; 23: BM 25125; 24, 25: BM 26513; 28: BM 26509, 94563; 29: BM 26482 (A).

VIII 1, 2: BM 26632 (68); 3: BM 26509, 94563; 7, 8: BM 26571 (B.2); 9-12: BM 94571 (B.8); 13-22: BM 28872.

IX 11: BM 82687; 12(?), 13-15: BM 94571; 16, 17, 21: BM 26537; 22: BM 94550; 26, 27-30: BM 94586.

X 1: BM 13150; 26480; 2-10: BM 26480; 4, 5: BM 26737 (B.6); 12(?): BM 26537, 94550; 13: BM 94582; 19: BM 26502; 21, 22: BM 85229; 21-28: BM 28872; 29: BM 82687; 30: BM 26537, 94550.

XI 8: BM 82734 (B.8); 9-12: BM 28872; 13, 14(/15/16/17/18): BM 26535 (B.4); 15, 16: BM 94571; 17: BM 28872; 18, 19: BM 82633; 22: BM 25125; 28: BM 26540 (B.2), 28872, 94641; 29: BM 26540.

XII 4 (or 7), 7, 8: BM 26537; 10-20: BM 26480, 82687; 24: BM 82687; 27, 28: BM 82772 (B.5).

F. Prices (in silver)

Seven prebendal days cost 36+1 shekels (Npl 3, BM 109859). The price for the same number of days was somewhat higher (22.75

shekels) about 70 years later (Nab 2, BM 82639). One day was sold for 8 shekels (Dar I 1, BM 94712) and two for more than the double amount (20 shekels, Dar I 2, BM 26632). On the face of it, there is a considerable fluctuation in prices of prebend days in view of the fact that only three or four days attained 30 shekels in Nab 3 (BM 94606) whereas seven days were sold for just 20 shekels in Nab 8 (BM 26604). In the last case the low price seems to be due to special circumstances: the seller being unable to fulfill his prebendal obligations was eager to sell his prebendal days. 12 days were sold for 62 shekels (Camb 1, BM 94653) whereas just half of this number, six days, attained the price of 57 shekels ([Camb/Dar I], BM 94579). However, on the whole, a prebend day is not a comparable unit, as one has to take into account several variables: certain prebend days included different ingredients and quantities of various meat cuts.

059. The temple organization of service

p. 79, 3 – for below, 4 read above, 0538.

p. 79, 6 – read 28.XI and 29.XI

0510. A preliminary attempt at a Borsippa list of offerings, ceremonies and festivals

A. Day and month indicated

Kab/pru-offering: 13.IV (BM 94638 = 0513, A, 10, Dar I 14.-.); 20.IV (BM 25625, Nab 11); *Kap(? text ur)-ri*-offering: 18.IX (HSM 1909.5.602 = 0511, B, 12, Dar I 18.I.-).

Lubuštu of Nabû: 2.XI and 1.I? (BM 29419, Dar I 15.VII.-), the divine meal of **Arītu** is mentioned;

Maštītu-libation: 1, 8, 9.II (HAM 73.2923 = 0512, B, early Ach.); 19, 20.V (BM 85225, Dar I 3); 25, 26.XIIa (BM 94567 = 0511, B, 8, Dar I 15);

Tardinnu-offering: 16, 18.I (BM 25625, Nab 11; BM 94567 = 0511, B, 8, presumably of Dar I 14); 11-14.II, 14, 15.III, 11-14.IV (BM 82615, [prob. Dar I]); 21, 22.V (BM 94567 = 0511, B, 8, Dar I 15); 24.V, 11.VIII; 9.XII (BM 29377, Dar I 33); 14-16.XII (BM 29419, Dar I 15.VII.-);

Tardinnu maštītu-offering: 1, 12.VI? (BM 94699 = 0511, B, 9, late “Chaldean”-early Ach.);

17.VI (BM 87271 = 0514, 2, Dar I 35); poss. 17.VI (BM 85318 = 0514,1, Nbk II 14); 1.VII (BM 103454 = 0514, 3, Dar I 35);
Tilimdu-libation before **Nabû**: 24.I (HAM 73.2923 = 0512, B, early Ach.);
Tilimdu-libation: 20.II(? BM 29419, Dar I 15.VII.-); 24-26.II (BM 94567, Dar I 15; BM 82615 [prob. Dar I]); 28, 30.III (BM 29419, Dar I 15.VII.-); 1, 2, 20.IV (BM 82615 [prob. Dar I]); 21,22.IV (BM 94567, Dar I 15); 3.V (BM 82615 [prob. Dar I]); 4, 5,15.V (BM 85225, Dar I 3); 17, 18.V (BM 82774 , Camb 5); 6.VII (BM 29377, Dar I 34, 35); 15, 16.VII (BM 82615 [prob. Dar I]); 3 and 4.X (BM 29377, Dar I 33-35); 8.XI (BM 94567 = 0511, B, 8, Dar I 15); 3, 4.XIIb (BM 94567; presumably of Dar I 13);
 Large *namharu*-vat before **Nabû**: 11.I (HAM 73.2923 = 0512, B, early Ach.);
 0.5 *namharu*-vat before **Nabû**: 5.I (HAM 73.3004 = 0516, 4);
 One? silver vat of the temple (É) for **Nabû**: 16.X. (HAM 73.3004 = 0516, 4);
 One silver vat before **Nabû** of the shrines (*bītāti*, i.e. the Ezida complex): 10.I (BM 25625, Nab 11);
 Two silver vats for **Nabû** of (the shrine of?) Amīl-Ea clan: 8.VII and 17.XII (BM 85225, Dar I 3);
Tardinnu and *maštītu* offerings in Emahgirzal, the **Mār-bīti** temple: 9, [x].V (BM 94556 = 0511, B, 1, Npl 18);
 One *kannu* of the **Mār-bīti** temple from 15.III (BM 82615 [prob. Dar I]);[x k]an-nu of the **Mār-bīti** temple: from 16.IV onwards (BM 85225, Dar I 3);
Kannu lubuštu-offerings for **Sutītu**: 2.I (BM 94699 = 0511, B, 9, late “Chaldean”-early Ach.);
 [Kannu-containers?] of *lubuštu*-offering for **Sutītu**: [x.MN] and 6.IV (BM 94699 = 0511, B, 9, late “Chaldean”-early Ach.)
 Two *ka-nik* before **Mulliltu**: 6.VII (BM 25625, Nab 11);
 One silver vat before **Mulliltu**: 8.VII (BM 25625, Nab 11);
 [x]-duk ¹-ka šá *lubušti* for **Mulliltu**: :25.III (BM 85225, Dar I 3);
 [Offering] in front of **Bēlet-bīti**: 4.VII (BM 94567= 0511, B, 8, Dar I 15);
 2/3 [vat] before the chapel of **Šamaš**: 4.VI; 25 (or 26).IX (BM 25625, Nab 11).
 Three vats for (*lapāni*) **Lisi**: 4-6.I (BM 85225, Dar I 3);
 Offerings before the **divine chariot**: 8, 10.I (BM 96214 = 0511, B, 3, Camb 22.XIIb.5);

Vats ([xx(x)]-DUG) for the **divine chariot**: 22.VI and 8.VII (BM 85225, Dar I 3);
 Silver vat of the shrine of DN: 22.II (HAM 73.2923 = 0512, B, early Ach.);
Eššešu-festival: 24, 25.III (BM 85225, Dar I 3); 8.XII (BM 25625, Nab 11).

B. Day or month lost or not specified

Kab/pru-offering: 3.[MN] (BM 94567= 0511, B, 8, Dar I 15);
 Seven days of *kab/pru*-offering of II/VI (at least 20.II/VI is preserved, BM 94567 = 0511, B, 8, Dar I 15);
 Two days of *tardinnu*-offering, viz. [x] and [x+?]2.XIIa (BM 94567= 0511, B, 8, Dar I 15); one day of *tardinnu*-offering: 14. [MN] (BM 25625, Nab 11);
Tardinnu-offerings: 10, 11.[MN] (BM 29377, Dar I 33-35);
 [x] days of *tardin[n]u*: 14, 15. [MN] (BM 82615 [prob. Dar I] 18);
Tardinnu(?)-offerings: 1, 2, 4, 6.[MN] (BM 94556= 0511, B, 1, Npl 18);
 One *tardinnu maštītu* offering;
 HAM 73.2923 = 0512, B, *Tilimdu* and *šappu* offerings before Mār-bīti: [x].XII (BM 22194, Dar I 3);
 [2 or 3] + '2' days of golden *tilimdu*-libation, viz. [1?] and [x].IV (BM 94699 = 0511, B, 9, late "Chaldean"-early Ach.); two days: Nab 17-18.V.10 (BM 109864); several unspecified days in Cyr. VI.1 (BM 29441);
 Two days of *maštītu*-libations of [...].XII – (BM 94556= 0511, B, 1, Npl 18);
 Daily five *šappu*-containers before **Nusku** (HAM 73.2923 =0512, B, early Ach.);
 Daily one *šappu*-container of **Bēlet-bīti** and 0.5 *namharu*-vat before **Nabû**: both on 5.I (HAM 73.3004 = 0516, 4, 16.X; prebend owner: Nabû-bēl-šumāti);
Eššešu-festival of a good mixture for producing beer: [x], 7.[MN] (BM 94567 = 0511, B, 8, Dar I 15).

C. Days not specified

One day of *kab/pru*-offering: II (BM 17719, Dar I 11); six days of *kab/pru*-offering: II (BM 82808, no RN 12[+x] late "Chaldean"-early Ach.); two days of *kab/pru*-offering: II (? BM 102024 = 0511, B, 6, Dar I 13);

One day of *kab/ru*(?)-offering: VI (BM 82640, Cyr 5);
 0.5 day of *kab/pru*-offering: VII (BM 17719, Dar I 11); one day of
kab/pru-offering of VII (BM 25625, Nab 11);
 2.5 days of *kab/pru*-offering: IX (BM 102033 = 0511, C, 2, Cyr
 9); BM 94978 = 0516, 2;
 1.5 days of *maštītu*-libation: II; 2.5 days of *maštītu*-libations: V (BM
 82640, Cyr 5); one day of *maštītu* (? text *maš-tú-tú*): V (BM 17719,
 Dar I 11); 2.5 days of *maštītu*-libation: VI; [two] days of *maštītu*-
 libation: XI; two days of *maštītu*-libation: XII (BM 102033 = 0511,
 C, 2, Cyr 9); two days of *maštītu*-libation: Dar I XII of 2 and
 3 (HSM 1895.1.42 = 0511, C, 3, Dar I 16[+x? at best 19].IX.4);
Maštītu-libation (medium quality): XI (BM 94567 = 0511, B, 8, Dar I
 15);
 One day of *tardinnu*-offering – XII.34 (BM 29377, Dar I 34);
Tardinnu-offering – from day 24 (BM 29377, Dar I 33-35);
 One day of *tilimdu*-libation: IV (BM 26726, Dar I 25);
 One silver vat before **Mār-bīti**: VI (BM 17719, Dar I 11).

D. Neither the days nor their number are specified

Kab/pru-offering: VII (BM 29189, early NB); VII.12 (BM 102024 =
 0511, B, 6); IX (BM 22081, Nbk II 23);
Maštītu-libations: VI (BM 29189, early NB); VII (BM 29463,
 Camb 7); of Dar I XII.27 (BM 102317 = 0511, C, 8, Dar I 28);
Maštītu-libations of **Gula** of Camb II and V.7 (BM 29463, Camb 7);
 One silver vat before **Mullittu** VI.12 (BM 102024 = 0511, B, 6);
 Sacrifice for **Adad**: II (BM 26726, Dar I 25);
 Sacrifice for **Sutītu**: VI and VII (BM 26726, Dar I 25);
Takkasû-offering and six *tilimdu*-containers in month I
 (BM 26511, Dar I 5);
 Offerings (“ritual arrangements”) in front of the socle/altar (for a
 throne/stela) of **Marduk** and **Ištar**: four months (Dar I V-end of
 VIII.26; BM 103614 = 0533, 8, Dar I 16.V.26).
 Six days of *tardinnu* and *maštītu* offerings of 5.5 days of the **Mār-
 bīti** temple (implicitly II, III or IV; BM 94978 = 0516, 2).

E. Neither the month nor the specific day is indicated

Two days of *maštītu*-libation - the **daughters of Ezida** (HAM
 73.2923 = 0512, B, early Ach);
 One day of *eššēšu*-festival (day not specified, BM 25625, Nab 11).

1. The Documents

CBT 2

BM 17690 Ach Borsippa, Nbk III 1[+x].IX.0 (see Lorenz 2008, 24).

BM 22102: Iddina-Papsukkal (Libluṭ/Tabnē'a, C. Wunsch).

BM 22172 : Iqbi-Bēl (not Nūr-Bēl).

CBT 3

BM 25632 NB/LB no place, 20.XII.13[+?]- (14 or 15; as Nbk II 14, Nab 15 and Dar I 13 and 16 have XIIb); note the statement “from XI.25 onwards”.

BM 25855 Ach no place, (Dar I) 27.VII.35; unassignable; adm.: balanced account of 6;3.5 (recte 6;1.1) kors of dates and 0;1 kor of barley expenditures (sg. *tēlītu*):

A. Dates

- a. 2;0.3 kors – Ardi-Tašmētu;
- b. 2;2.5 kors – Bazuzu;
- c. 0;4.1 kor – Ubāru, the overseer, from the storehouse;
- d. 0;1.5 kor “of the house” (temple?).

B. Barley

0;1 kor - ^fTabluṭu

Ardi-Tašmētu and ^fTabluṭu are mentioned in BM 25632 as well. .

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BM 25981 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 23.IV.30; archive of Bēliya'u (Šaddinnu/Balāssu); adm.: recording receipt of 12 kors of [grain(?)] *šibšu*-tax and five kors of dates by Šuma-uṣur (or Nādin-ahi)/Balāssu to the household of the commissioner (*bēl-piqitti*) and other individuals, including a scribe. [264]

85. BM 26267

94. BM 26276

BM 26491 Ach no place, Dar I --.14-22; archive of Rē'i-*alpē*; adm.: receipt of silver (the chief temple administrator is mentioned in the section referring to Dar I 19-20). Several recipients are enumerated; partly deliberately erased. [311]

BM 26501 Delete I after Xer.

BM 26509 – see above, 054.

BM 26540 –see above, 054, 059.

BM 26574 NB Borsippa, Npl 11.V.4; archive of Rē'i-*alpē* (Rēmūt-Gula); deed about the oxherd's prebend of Ezida (issued on the same day as BM 26507; Kennedy 1986, 181:T.4.4; see Zadok 2002a, 879), which Rēmūt-Gula received from Nādīnu / Bēlšunu / / Rē'i-*alpē* and Nabû-bēlšunu gave to Nabû-kalab(?UR)-ilāni / Nabû-eṭel-ilāni. The deed is to be returned by Nabû-eṭel-ilāni to Nabû-bēlšunu for cancellation of the debt. [390]

BM 26640 -duplicate of BM 94669 according to Jursa and Waerzeggers 2009, 247.

BM 26651 Ach Hursag-kamma (delivery in Borsippa), Camb 21.X.6; archive of Mannu-gērūšu (Bēl-kēšir / Nabû-zēra-iqīša); obligation of [Bē]l(or [Nab]û?)-ahhē-iddina / Ṭābīya / / Nikkāyu (presumably the guarantor) to deliver Kāširu / Šamaš-uballit / / Itinnu (presumably the debtor) to Bēl-kēšir (the creditor) in Borsippa on [2]2.X (i.e. on the following day if the reading is not '25'). If he fails to do so, he will have to pay since the creditor

spoke with the judge of the gate and they will finally settle their accounts. The scribe is the brother of the second (last but one) witness. Both belong to the Borsippa clan of Ibnāyu; postscript; damaged. [448]

BM 26672 NB Borsippa, -.-. '5¹(?) probably “Chaldean”; archive of Ilīya(? Aplâ / Šillâ); promissory note for 9;3.3 kors of dates (assessed rent) of Aplâ and his brother Balāṭu charged against Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti / Bēl-ēṭir / / Aqar-Nabû (presumably gardener). To be delivered in VIII (during the harvest of the dates); apart from the shares(?) of the chief temple administrator(?) and Šāpik-zēri. Bālāṭu was paid in dates (*sissinnu*). Compensation for work and the tax of the canal inspector were not paid; postscript: apart from five kors of dates; badly damaged. [469]

BM 26694 Ach no place, Dar I 10(?).II?.11; archive of Ilīya (Ardīya [= Marduk-šuma-ibni] / Šulâ; document issued in the presence of PN recording one *kišru?* of dates of Ardīya from the prebendal allocation of Dar I II-IV.11 at the disposal of Muraššû; badly damaged; cf. BM 26698. [490]

BM 26740 NB Borsippa, Nab 24.VIII.11; archive of Rē'i-alpē (Nabû-kīn-zēri / Aplâ); promissory note for 20 shekels of silver (balance of the price of slaves). One of the parties is Itti-Nabû-gūzu, courtier (*ša-rēši*) of the crown prince (Belshazzar). The buyer, Rēmūtu / Marduk-nāšir / / Nūr-Papsukkal, deposited the silver, balance of the purchase (which will take place on Nab 1.IX.<11>, i.e. a week after the issue of this deed) with Nabû-kīn-zēri / Aplâ / / Rē'i-alpē. Upon repayment of the silver by the latter to Rēmūtu, Rēmūtu returned the deed to Nabû-kīn-zēri (invalidation of the debt). The first witness is of the Nūr-Papsukkal clan. [536]

BM 26743 NB no place, Nbk II 14.XI.40; unassignable; adm.: account of silver disbursements for kiln-fired bricks (presumably for Ezida). Nādinu(?) / / Arad-Ea and Nabû-qātē-šabat are mentioned; partially damaged. [539]

BM 28863 NB Borsippa, Nab 13.II.7; archive of Ibnāyu (Nabû-nādin-šumi / Mušēzib-Marduk); dialogue contract: sale of several days of the butcher's prebend of Ezida by Ina-Esaggil-bēlet / Nabû-bēlšunu / / Naggāru wife of Nabû-šuma-ukīn / Kudurru / / Išū-abūšu to Nabû-nādin-šumi: two *sellu*-offerings of beef and one third of such a regular offering consisting of sheep before Nabû as the second course of the morning sacred meal of 5.III and 30.VI, as well as a 2/3 cut of hide of 28.III. The price is 0.5 mina of silver. The background is a marriage. The postscript has two impressions of the same cylinder seal (of the scribe) with captions. [620]

BM 28872 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 2.XI.5; archive of Rē'i-*alpē* (Nabû-kīn-zēri / Aplâ); contract: perpetual (*a-na ah-ra-ta*, i.e. *ahrātu* "future", so far recorded only in royal inscriptions in NB / LB according to CAD A / 1, 194, s.v. *ahrātu* 1, b) transfer of 60 (actually 64) days of the oxherd's prebend of Ezida by Nabû-kīn-zēri to Nabû-šuma-ukīn / Mušēzib-Marduk / / Rē'i-*alpē*: 13-22.I (ten days); 15-25.II (ten days [actually 11]); 11-20.IV (ten days); 9-18.V (ten days); 13-22.VII (ten days); 21-28.X (five days [actually eight]); 9-12, 17.XI (five days). Apart from seven days share of Nabû-šuma-ukīn held together with Nabû-kīn-zēri; plus half sheep of 28.XI before Nanâ of Euršaba in Babylon. Nabû-šuma-ukīn is responsible for performing the service shifts (*manzalātu*), feeding of the young cattle, non-cessation and punctuality (of the sacrifices). The obligations of Nabû-kīn-zēri: four months cows / heifers including four oxen as regular offerings and (his) income (*pappasu*); 0;0.0.3 kor daily provisions, 0;0.0.3 kor of first-rate beer and *malātu*-income of flour (cf. CAD M / 1, 165b) before the deities (probably of Ezida) as long as Nabû-kīn-zēri is alive (he was old then, several

years before his death). The scribe belongs to the Rē'i-alpē clan.

[625]

BM 28880 Ach no place and date; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); administrative, recording receipt of dates presumably for a prebend by several individuals: **a.** 35 *kišru* and five minas of days 7 and 8 - Nabû-x¹_J-[...] and Šaddinnu / Balāssu; **b.** 70 kors - Bēl-ittannu / Ša-[...] (or Za-[]) on account of Nabû-(mu)kīn-ahi(?); three kors - Silim-Bēl on account of Rēmūtu; two kors - Šamaš-iddina(?)/Muraššû on account of Nabû-(mu)kīn-zēri; total 74 kors of day 7 received by (Mu)kīn-zēri; **c.** Of day 8: (Mu)kīn-zēri received; 50;4 kors - Iddina-Nabû, official supervising the collection / distribution of staples (*mādidu*); 11; 0.4 kors - Iddina-Nabû, arranger (*mubannû*); 2 kor - Hahhūru / Šamaš-uballit; 0;3 kor - (Mu)kīn-zēri, overseer (*šāpiru*; the titles are indicated in order to distinguish between homonymous individuals); 4 kor - Zanzīru / Ni'ū; (at least) 156;2.3 kors which (Mu)kīn-zēri received. **Grand total:** (at least) 146+23;2; 4 kors of dates. Remainder of obv. (= rev.?) broken. Rev. (obv.?): **d.** [x];2.3 kor - Šaddinnu / [Balāssu]; [x];3.2 kor *upnātu* (pl. of *upnu* "handful", a term apparently used in connection with the prebendal system) of the barbers; 1;3 kor of the city gate and the quarter (or ward, *bābtu*) of Nabû; **total:** 155;2.3 kors of dates of day 7, received by Šaddinnu; **e.** Dates of day 8 - received by Šaddinnu: 82;1.4 kors out of which Šaddinnu gave 0;1.1 kor for (remainder damaged); 0;1.1 kor were given by Šaddinnu to Nabû-itta[nnu]; **total:** 85;3 kors of dates of day 8 received by Šaddinnu. **Grand total:** 104;1.3 kors of dates. [630]

74. BM 28898 Ach no place, Dar I 23.XIIb.16; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); adm.: list of dates (**total:** 216;3.1.3 kors) provisions of bakers and brewers, presumably of Ezida, (received) from the cultivator(s, sg. *ikkaru*), on the authorization (*ina qībi*) of Nabû(?) - šuma-ušur (or -nādin-ahi) / Nabû-[xx(x)] / Šangû-Ninurta, priest (through?) Šaddinnu: **a.** Šaddinnu / Balāssu / Bēliya'ū - [6]6;3.4.3 kors; **b.** Nabû-ušuršu / Zēršunutu - 51; 3.4.3 kors; **c.** Nabû-iddina / Nabû-ittannu - 12 kors; **d.** Nabû-ušuršu / Bēl (or Nabû)-aha-iddina - 20 kors; **e.** Iddina-Bēl / Nabû-bēl-šumāti / Kidin-Sîn - 43;4 kors; **f.**

Šumâ / Rēmūtu - 15;0.2 kors; g. Apart from 0;2.3 kor, rations xx; h. 1;3.2 kor. [637]

BM 28910 Ach Borsippa, Camb 6.VII.3; archive of Kudurrānu (Ina-qībi-Bēl / Nabû-apla-iddina); deed about offerings by days: a. 8.VII: one sheep before Urigallu (divine standard) of ^d₁A₁-ri(!)-tu₄; b. 4+[x].IX: one sheep; c. 5 & 11.I: two sheep; d. 17-19.IV to 22.VI: three <sheep>, **total**: eight [*recte* seven] sheep; e. Camb 28.IX-16.X.2: one duck; f. From Camb II to 26.VI.3: <three ducks>, **total**: four ducks. **Grand total**: eight sheep and four ducks before the divine standard of Arītu of Taqīš-Gula / Šulâ / Iddina-Papsukkal. Ina-qībi-Bēl will enjoy (*ikkal*) 15 kors of dates per year. The alphabet scribe (^{lú}*se-pi-ri*) of Taqīš-Gula on account (*ana muhhi*) of the sheep and ducks until Camb 22.VI.3. The first witness (out of two) and the scribe belong to the Ilīya clan (Camb 22.VI.3 is two weeks before the date of issue of the deed). [644]

BM 28913 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 14.XII.5; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); receipt for one mina of white silver, of which 1/8 is alloy, of *nuhhutu*-quality of Nanâ-damqat wife of Šaddinnu, by Ana-muhhi-Nabû-amur slave (*qallu*) of Nabû-šumu-līšir, the chief temple administrator (context damaged). It was received from Šaddinnu as proxy of his wife. Marduk-šuma-iddina (or -nādin-šumi) / Iddina(?) - Nanâ is mentioned in broken context. Bēl-ētir / Gūzānu / Šigū'a is the fourth (last) witness. [647]

BM 28915 Ach no place, (Dar I) 25.XII.14; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); adm.: settled account of 19 kors of dates of Šaddinnu as rations of bakers for the period Dar I 9-end of I.14 (lit. end of [the prebendal allocation quarter] XI-I; Šaddinnu was the overseer of the prebendal bakers) at the disposal of Iddina-Bēl. Apart from five prebendal allocation (periods), which Šaddinnu brought to the storehouse of the prebendal bakers. [649]

BM 28916 Ach Borsippa, Dar I IV.28; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); receipt for one kor of barley given by

Šaddinnu (from the prebendal allocation of II-IV) to the undertaker Lā-abâši/Rēmūtu / /Kidin-Sîn for prebend service, viz. preparation of the sacred meal of Mār-bīti during two days (minus one fifth) in Dar I II-III.29. The undertaker assumes warranty for non-cessation and good quality of the meal. The scribe belongs to the Bēliya'ū clan. [650]

BM 28917 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 30.VI.11; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); promissory note for exchange of a seven-year-old red donkey *šu-gu-ur-ru* (cf. CAD Š/3, 202b, s.v. *šugurruru* with a doubtful rendering) with a brand of the chief smith (*rab nappāhi*) on his thigh (cf. Moore, *Mich. Coll.* 64) and another mark on his exta, belonging to Basīya/Marduk-ēṭir / /Mandidu with a white donkey mare and her foal inscribed with the name of Mardannu on her nose (cf. *Nbk.* 360) belonging to Šaddinnu. The latter gives Basīya 20 shekels of silver as equalizing payment (*takpurtu*). There are two guarantors against *uškūtu* (cf. BM 26556 above) regarding the donkeys: Šugina/Marduk-zēra-ibni / /[Uballiṭ]-Marduk for Šaddinnu and Ina(?)-qībi-Bēl / Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti / /Kidin-Sîn for Basīya. The first and third witnesses belong to the Sîn-tabni clan, the second one to that of the first guarantor (Uballiṭ-Marduk) and the fourth to that of the other party (Mandidu). The scribe is a descendant of Ilīya (the clan of the wife of Šaddinnu's son); postscript (an additional witness). [651]

BM 29064 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 11.XII.18; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); receipt: Šaddinnu paid the undertaker Nabû-gāmil / Nabû-šuma-ukīn / /Bēliya'ū and his son their wages for $3 \frac{2}{3}$ (= 3.66) days including one day for preparing the sacred meal for Nanâ from (the prebendal allocation of) Dar I XI.19-end of I.20. [743]

BM 29065 Ach no place, Dar I 2.II.8 ; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); adm.: about Tilmun dates (presumably as a prebend) from the prebendal allocation of Dar I II-IV.8 assigned to several undertakers (implicitly of the baker's prebend). [744]

BM 29068 Ach Borsippa, Camb 9.V.3; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); receipt for 9;2[+x?].1(-3) out of 17 kors of barley by Šaddinnu from Nabû-ušuršu through Ahūšunu / Bēlšunu / / Pahāru. [747]

263. BM 29087 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 29.IV.4; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu, implicitly acting in his capacity as the prebendal bakers' overseer); receipt for one mina of silver (provisions of the *šatanmu*). [753]

BM . BM 29110 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 15.III.2; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); receipt for an assignment (*iškaru*) of flour (to be ground from 24;4 kors of barley in *bīt-šibirri* by the recipient = undertaker) for Nabû (for Dar I [IV], V, [VI].2?), probably for the royal sacred meal by Bēl-asū'a / Nabû-bullissu from Šaddinnu. The recipient is responsible for non-cessation. [767]

BM 29189 NB no place, 11.VI; script and format early NB; unassignable; adm.: receipt of barley and vats (implicitly for the brewer's prebend: *kab/pru* and *maštītu*-offerings of months VII and VI respectively) of Nabû-ēpuš (presumably prebend owner) at the disposal (*ana pāni*) Nabû-lē'i (presumably undertaker). [804]

BM 29197 Ach no place, Dar I(?) 8 (or 9).I.7; archive of Bēliya'ū (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); adm.: receipt of 0;0.4 (or 5).3 kors of barley for prebend service by Sūqāyu / Nabû-aha-ušal[lim] (undertaker) for Dar I V-XII.7. [809]

BM 29203 NB no place, Nbk II 23.XII.34; archive of Kudurrānu (Nabû-apla-iddina / Nabû-aha-iddina, creditor; debtor: Nabû-zēra-ukīn); adm.: settled account for 71 brick courses (sg. *na-da-ba-ka*).
[813]

BM 29209 NB / LB no place, 28.I.8; archive of Ina-qībi-Bēl(/ / Kudurrānu) ; adm.: account of 24 minas of barley of Gula, perhaps for her sacred meal. Ina-qībi-Bēl delivered? [x];0.1 kor(s), perhaps 13;3 [+x], the sum of a-g below:

- a. Five(?) kors – Murānu;
- b. 1;1 kor – Bēl-bāni (or –ibni);
- c. [x+?]2 kors for the house (perhaps temple);
- d. 1;4 kor – Nabû-aha (or –ahh[ē])-[...] for two days of regular offerings? – 18.V?;
- e. 0;3 kor – Nādinu;
- f. One kor – Zanzīru;
- g. Two kors – Zanzīru junior;
- h. (no quantity) Lā-abāši / Ṭābīya. Cf. BM 29463. [819]

BM 29219 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 15.IV?.34; archive of Bēliya'u (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); deed about 0;0.0.2 kor of choice dates (*makkasu*), presumably for a sacred meal. The undertaker is presumably Bēl-aha-i[ttannu] / Nabû-aha-iddina / / Šēpē-ilīya. Both witnesses and the scribe belong to the Kidin-Sîn clan; damaged.
[822]

BM 29238 Ach Borsippa, Camb 11.X.0; archive of Šillāyu (Nabû-uballiṭ / Etellu); promissory note for straw of Nabû-uballiṭ charged against Nabû-šuma-ukīn(?) the royal slave. To be delivered in III(?), i.e. -if the reading is correct- within over five months). [835]

BM 29240 NB no place, Nab 26.IV.6; unassignable; adm.: list of disbursements (on 26.IV) of barley from the storehouse (by Ṭābīya,

Nabû-zēra-ukīn, Iqīšâ, Arrabi and Šīrâ at the disposal of Nabû-ittannu); ^{lú}*at-kal-še-e* “carriers, bearers” are mentioned at the end (cf. Jursa and Weszeli 1996; Jursa 1997, 113) presumably referring to the afore-mentioned individuals. [836]

BM 29246 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 10.I. 8; archive of Bēliya’u (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); receipt for prebendal service (8 sacred meals in $2\frac{1}{3}$ (= 2.33) days before Mār-bīti) from the prebendal allocation of months II-IV by Lā-abâši / Rēmūtu / / Kidin-Sîn (undertaker). Postscript (the undertaker is responsible for non-cessation and good quality of the sacred meal). The scribe belongs to the Bēliya’u clan. [840]

BM 29358 Ach no place, 24.X; adm. (Šaddinnu - without a filiation - and Nabû-bēl-šumāti are mentioned). A 15-day period (*šapattu*) is mentioned, a possible hint at a prebendal service; badly damaged. [910]

BM 29391 NB no place, Asb; archive of Nabû-lē’i / Zakiru (other party: Šulâ and Nabû-iddina); lawsuit (see Frame 1992, 282f.; cf. Zadok 1997a, 454; the second witness is a scribe, perhaps of Ezida and the tenth is a diviner). [928]

BM 29399 NB Borsippa, Nab 14.IV.8; archive of Kudurrānu (Ina-qībi-Bēl / Nabû-apla-iddina); promissory note for figs (3;2 kors) of two brands, viz. 2.3 kor Akkadian and one kor of Išsur-Adad (perhaps named after a place, cf. Ālu-ša-Išsur-Adad, Zadok 1985, 12?), grapes (0;3 kor) and other plants, viz. 400 sweet pomegranates (^{gi}NU.ÚR (text: QU).<MA> *mat-qu*) and 2500 units of an entirely illegible fruit belonging to Ina-qībi-Bēl charged against Šamaš-aha-iddina / Nabû-kāšir (or -ikšur) / / Širku?. To be delivered in VII(? i.e. within 3.5 months if the reading is correct).

The second (last) witness and the scribe belong to the Kudurrānu clan. [929]

Sîn). [943]

BM 29416 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 3.III.[x+?] 6; archive of Bēliya'u (Šaddinnu / Balāssu; other party: Kiribbâ / Nabû-(mu)kīn-zēri / / Ilu-bani); deed for pledged garments (including *ki/qí-ri-^lmu^l?* and a *šir²am* garment worn underneath). [944]

BM 29418 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 21.III(?).22[+x]; archive of Bēliya'u (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); promissory note for 15;0.3 kors of dates (assessed rent) from a palm grove on Nār-mihri (see Zadok 2006, 405). The debtor (presumably gardener) is Ahūšunu / Marduk-erība / / Ša-haṭṭu-ēreš); partly eroded (a later MN, presumably V / VI, is expected). [945]

BM 29419 Ach [..]^{ki}, Dar I 15.VII.-; archive of Zērūtīya (Ša-Nabû-šū / [xx]-Marduk, prebend owner; undertaker: Nabû-ittannu / Haddâ / / Ahiya'ūtu); service contract (for [x] years) about the brewer's prebend in Ezida: three days of *tardinnu* (14-16.XII), three days of *tilimdu* (20.II(?), 28, 30.III) and two days of *lubuštu* of Nabû (2.XI and 1.I?) offerings. Other days occur in broken contexts: 5, 6, 11.I, 4.VI, 10[+x].IX, 16.X, and 9[+x].XII. The divine meal of Arītu is mentioned. The prebend owner gives the undertaker an annual quantity of 9;1.4 kors of barley for producing beer for the regular and irregular offerings. He also supplies him with utensils, viz. 19 fermenting vats (*namzâti*). The undertaker is responsible for the quality of the beer and the non-cessation of the service. The violator will be fined ten shekels of silver; postscript; apart from seven empty vats (followed by three potstands in a broken context); badly damaged. [946]

BM 29422 Ach Borsippa, [Dar I] 13.V(?).21; archive of Bēliya'u (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); promissory note for 17 kors of dates (assessed rent) of Šaddinnu from the inundated area of Si-₁X₁. ^fInšabtu and a storehouse are mentioned, but the context is damaged. The debtor (presumably gardener), Lā-abâši / Iššūru / / Esaggila-massi, will deliver the dates (with by-products) in VIII (during the harvest of the dates). [949]

BM 29424 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 5.X.34; archive of Ahiya'ūtu (Nabû-šuma-ukīn / Nabû-šuma-ušur); promissory note for 55 shekels of white silver of which 1 / 8 is alloy of *nuhhutu*-quality with interest (20%) of Mār-bīti-iqīša / Mušēzib-DN] / / Ka(??)-šir(?) -ilu charged against Nabû-šuma-ukīn. The term of repayment is not specified. [951]

BM 29431 Ach no place, Dar I IV.11; archive of Bēliya'u (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); adm.: receipt of dates (from the prebendal allocation of II-IV) and silver (about a prebend, implicitly the baker's).

- a. Four minas received by Bēl(or Nabû?)-šumu-līšir from Gimillu;
- b. Five kors received by: Nabû-ēṭir-napšāti from Lā-abāši;
- c. Two prebendal days of Mār-bīti received by Rēmūtu / Iddina-Gula from Gimillu;
- d. Two prebendal days received by Šaddinnu from Gimillu;
- e. One kor received by Gimillu / Gūzānu from Gimillu(/ / Silim-Bēl);
- f. Three shekels of white silver received by Nabû-upahhir / Ardi-Nanā from Hašdāyu;
- g. [...] at the disposal of (?) Mušēzibu(?); remainder broken.
- h. Three shekels(?) of silver received by Rēmūt-Gula / Uššāyu on account of Iddina-Bēl / Nabû-bēl-šumāti;
- i. Apart from two shekels of white silver received from Lūši-ana-nūri-M[arduk(?) in the presence of Kinūnāyu(?);
- j. [x] kor of dates from the prebendal allocation of Dar I XI.10 received by Rēmūtu / Galala from Gimillu / Silim-Bēl. [952]

BM 29437 NB Babylon, Nab 25.IX.0; archive of Ibnāyu (Nādinu / Šūzubu, buyer); receipt for three minas of silver (about the butcher's prebend); offerings (oxen, sheep, fowl and lamb) before Adad of Aleppo and other deities in the Enamtilla temple of Babylon. The seller, Marduk-šāpik-zēri / Mušēzib-M[arduk] / Eppēš-ilī, was presumably from Babylon. At least three out of the five witnesses belong to his clan. The first witness is the *zazakku*-official Bēl-uballit / Nabû-balāssu-iqbi of the same clan. [958]

BM 29478 NB Borsippa, Nab 18.VII.2; archive of Ibnāyu (Nabû-nādin-šumi / Šūzubu); receipt for ten shares (*zināti*) in Tāmtu obtained by Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli / Šulâ / / Šikkû'a (a future chief administrator of Ezida) from Nabû-balāssu-iqbi / Nabû-ahhē-iddina / /^{lu}PA TUK+e as proxy of Nabû-nādin-šumi (governor of Borsippa, here without his title); with an invalidation clause (the debt is repaid and the deed belongs to the debtor). The fourth (last) witness is the proxy. [983]

BM 29511 NB Borsippa, Nbk II 12.VI.41 (see Lorenz 2008, 35 with n. 170); archive of Kidin-Sîn (Nabû-(mu)kīn-zēri / Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli); promissory note for 6[+x] kors of dates (assessed rent) of Nabû-(mu)kīn-zēri. The debtor (presumably gardener), Bēl-iddina(?) / Indē / / Ibnāyu, has to deliver them (with spadices as a by-product) in Borsippa in month VII (during the harvest of the dates). Postscript: dates due to the gardener (*sissinnu*) and the tax of the canal inspector are not paid. [1005]

BM 29514 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 8.III.19; archive of Bēliya'u (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); receipt by Lā-abāši / Rēmūtu / / Kidin-Sîn (undertaker) of his wages for 1 1/3 (= 1.33) days (of preparing the sacred meal) for Mār-bīti (supplied from the prebendal allocation of Dar I II-IV.19, implicitly the bakers' prebend of Ezida). The last witness belongs to the Šillāyu clan. [1008]

BM 29749 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 12.(no MN).9; archive of Bēliya'u (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); receipt for wages from the prebendal allocation of Dar I V-VII.9 paid by Šaddinnu to the undertaker Nabû-gāmil / Nabû-šuma-ukīn / / Bēliya'u (also the scribe) for preparation of the sacred meal before Nabû (2.5 days) and Nanâ of

Euršabba (one day). The second (last) witness belongs to the Šillāyu clan. [1068]

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234. BM 30506 NB Borsippa, Nab 3.II.5; archive of Nūr-Sîn (Iddina-Marduk/Iqīšâ); promissory note for silver (Nab 187 = Speleers 279 = Wunsch 1993, 135) [1072]

398. BM 30671 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 20.IV.18; archive of Egibi (Marduk-nāšir-apli/Itti-Marduk-balātu) (Dar 501). [1073]

455. BM 30728 Ach Borsippa, Camb 3.VII.2; archive of Nūr-Papsukkal (both parties); deed about a dowry (Camb 120 = Rechtsl. 4, 11f.). [1074]

520. BM 30793 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 24.X.1; archive of Bēl-eṭēru (Itti-Nabû-balātu/Marduk-bān-zēri); promissory note for silver with interest and pledge (Dar 23). [1075]

563. BM 30836 NB Borsippa, Nab 23.I.17; archive of Nūr-Sîn (Iddina-Marduk/Iqīšâ); cession (abandonment of claims). [1076]

587. BM 30860 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 19.I.9; archive of Egibi (Libluṭ/Iddinâ); receipt for silver (house rental) (Dar 249). [1077]

730. BM 31003 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 7.VIII.9; archive of Egibi (Marduk-nāšir-apli/Itti-Marduk-balātu); receipt for silver (house rental) (Dar 259). [1078]

731. BM 31004 NB Borsippa, Nbk II 16.V.29; archive of Nūr-Sîn (Iddina-Marduk/Iqīšâ); contract: slave sale (Nbk 201 = Wunsch 1993, 3); duplicate of BM 31375. [1079]

799. BM 31072 NB Borsippa, Nab 21.XI.5; archive of Nūr-Sîn (Iddina-Marduk/Iqīšâ); contract: self rental (Nab 210 = Wunsch 1993, 136). **[1080]**

805. BM 31078 Ach Borsippa, Cyr 16.IX.0; archive of Nūr-Sîn (Iddina-Marduk/Iqīšâ); receipt for silver (Wunsch 1993, 259). **[1081]**

843. BM 31116 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 28.VI.16; archive of Egibi (Marduk-nāšir-apli/Itti-Marduk-balātu) (Dar 428). **[1082]**

993. BM 31266 Ach Borsippa, Cyr 2.III.9; archive of Egibi (Itti-Marduk-balātu/Nabû-ahhē-iddina); balanced account about sale of an ass (Cyr 338 = Rechtsl. 4, 60). **[1083]**

1041. BM 31314 NB Borsippa, Nbk II 13.IX.6; archive of [Egi]bi (? [...]/Iqīšâ); promissory note (damaged); payment/delivery in Babylon (Nbk 53). **[1084]**

1065. BM 31338 Ach Borsippa, Cyr 23.VI.4; archive of Nūr-Sîn (Iddina-Marduk/Iqīšâ); cession (abandonment of claims): receipt for payment of silver to the creditor (Cyr 172 = Wunsch 1993, 294). **[1085]**

1102. BM 31375 duplicate of BM 31004. **[1086]**

1108. BM 31381 NB Borsippa, AmM 21.VII.1; archive of Nergal-šarra-ušur/Bēl-šuma-iškun (creditor); debtor: Nabû-šuma-iškun/Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli // Arad-Ea; promissory note for silver to be repaid within slightly over five weeks (Sack 1972, 1). **[1087]**

1249. BM 31522 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 3.IX.6; archive of Egibi (Marduk-nāšir-apli/Itti-Marduk-balātu); receipt for silver (house rental) (Dar 210). **[1088]**

1420. BM 31693 duplicate of BM 31698 **[1089]**

1425. BM 31698 + 31743 Ach Borsippa, Cyr 12.X.0; archive of Egibi (Itti-Marduk-balāṭu/Nabû-ahhē-iddina; testament (Wunsch 1993, 260); duplicate of BM 31693. [1090]

1627. BM 31900 Ach Borsippa, Camb 5.V.7; archive of Egibi (Itti-Marduk-balāṭu/Nabû-ahhē-iddina); sale of a female slave and her daughters (Camb 377 = Rechtsl. 2, 39ff.). [1091]

1647. BM 31920 NB Borsippa, Nab 11.XII.16; ; archive of Nūr-Sîn (Iddina-Marduk/Iqīšâ); promissory note for onion/garlic (Nab 1014= Wunsch 1993, 247). [1092]

1771. BM 32044 NB Borsippa, Nbk II -.-.40; preserved principals: Ardi-Tašmētu and [DN]-šuma-iškun/Nabû-ittīya; sale of a field (damaged; Nbk 374, cf. Ungnad, OrNS 6, 247ff.). [1093]

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8. BM 32898 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 9.II.3; archive of Egibi (Marduk-nāšir-apli/Itti-Marduk-balāṭu); contract: house rental (Dar 64). [1095]

16. BM 32906 Ach Borsippa, Cyr 15.VIII.3; archive of Nūr-Papsukkal (both parties); contract about division of real property (Cyr 128 = Rechtsl. 2, 29ff.). [1096]

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18. BM 33922 Ach Borsippa, Camb 14.III.4; archive of Nabû-nāšir (buyer); contract: sale of a house (Camb 233, cf. Sonnenschein 192.. [RO 3, 192ff.]). [1098]

19. BM 33923 Ach Borsippa, Camb 5.V.7; archive of Egibi (Itti-Marduk-balāṭu/Nabû-ahhē-iddina); *harrānu*-transaction (Camb 376). [1099]

36. BM 33940 NB Borsippa, Nab -.VII.2; archive of Egibi (Itti-Marduk-balāṭu/Šulâ); adm. (Nab 75 = Liverpool 60). [1100]

II

11. BM 34539 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 26.XI.11 creditor: Andīya/Rēmūtu (via her slave), debtor: Banūnu/Haddâ/ /Basīya; promissory note for 15 shekels of silver with the *ginnu*-mark to be repaid in I, i.e. within slightly over two months (Dar. 311 = CT 51, 49). [1102]

37. BM 34565 Ach Cyr 24.III.1; archive of Šangû (Ištar) Bābili; damaged promissory note (Cyr 17). [1103]

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BM 49254 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 24.XII.14; archive of Basīya (Nabû-ittannu/Nabû-ušallim); receipt for silver (sum not indicated), *ilku*-tax of the lamentation priests (until the end of Dar I V.15) by Bēl-iddina/Rēmūtu / /Ša-ana-sukkali(? šá-DIŠ-LUH) from Nabû-ittannu (also the scribe). [1140]

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4121. BM 64152 Ach Borsippa, Cyr 26.III.7; archive of Kidin-Nanâ (Ú-₁xxx₁¹/Tabnē'a); promissory note (Bertin 1749). [1142]

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(from Rassam excavations at Abu Habba)

349. BM 75024 NB Borsippa, Nab 21.VI.5; archive of Nabû-šuma-iddina/Nergal-ušēzib; promissory note for dates (Nab 191). [1143]

1205. BM 75850 NB Borsippa, 18.IX.0 AmM Ebababbara archive; deed about beams (Sack 1972, 76) . [1144]

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343. BM 79046 Ach Bīt-Madāyu, 8.VII.26 Dar. I; archive of Naggāru (fInšabtu/Arad-...); cancellation of a sale document; duplicate of BM 79048; published by Waerzeggers 1999-2000, 185f.:3. [1145]

345. BM 79048 Ach Bīt-Madāyu, Dar I 8.VII.26; archive of Naggāru (fInšabtu/Arad-...); duplicate of BM 79046; published by Waerzeggers 1999-2000, 184f.:2. [1146]

370. BM 79073 Ach Bīt-našri, Dar I 11.IX.35; archive of Naggāru (fInšabtu/Arad-...); promissory note for silver; published by Waerzeggers 1999-2000, 188f.:5. [1147]

371. BM 79074 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 28.IV.36; archive of Naggāru (fInšabtu/Arad-...); promissory note for silver with antichretic pledge; published by Waerzeggers 1999-2000, 189f.:7. [1148]

384. BM 79087 Ach Babylon, Xer 16.I.1; archive of Naggāru (fInšabtu/Arad-...); obligation to hand over two promissory notes; published by Waerzeggers 1999-2000, 191:8. [1149]

419. BM 79122 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 15.XI.26; archive of Naggāru (fInṣabtu / Arad-...); cancellation of a sale document; published by Waerzeggers 1999-2000, 186f.:4. [1150]

432. 1= BM 79135 Ach Bīt-našri, Dar I 14.VIII.20; archive of Naggāru (fInṣabtu / Arad-...); obligation to restore a promissory note; published by Waerzeggers 1999-2000, 183f.: 1. [1151]

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BM 82612 NB Borsippa, Nab 5.XI.4; archive of Ilīya(?); sale of a palm grove near Til-Gula in the district of Borsippa (cf. Zadok 2006, 394, 2d). The last two witnesses are brothers of Marduk-šuma-ibni / Šulâ / / Ilīya; severely damaged. [1157]

BM 82615 Ach no place, [prob. Dar I] 18; archive of Ilīya (Marduk-šuma-ibni / Šulâ); adm.: account of prebendary allocation for the 18th year (implicitly brewer's prebend); list of days of *tilimdu* and *tardinnu* offerings in the temple of Mār-bīti.

A. Three days of *tilimdu* of II: 24-26;

Three days of *tilimdu* of IV: 1, 2, 20;

Two days of *tardinnu* of III: 14, 15;

Four days of *tardinnu* of IV: 11-14;

One *kannu* of the Mār-bīti temple from 15.III;

Total: 21.5 minas of dates.

B. [Two] days of *tilimdu* of V: 3, 5;

[Two] days of *tilimdu* of VII: 15, 16;

[x(x)]_{1xx} days of V: 11, 12 & /- 121₁ (or 119₁);

[x day(s) of *tardi*]nnu of MN.

C. [x days of *tilim*]du(?) of II: 24- 26;

[x days of *tilim*]du of IV: 1, 2, 20 and a day (or three?) of *tardinnu*;

[x] days of *tardin*[n]u of [MN]: 14, 15;

II: 25;

Four days of *tardinnu* of IV: 11-14;

One *kannu* (a small container, made of stone or precious metal) of the Mār-bīti temple from 15.III;

Total: 20.5 minas of dates.

Grand total(?): 2 *kišru* and 14 minas of *qatûtu*(? “finished, processed”, cf. BM 82664 below);

Total₁(?): six days of *maštîtu* and *kab/pru*;

Eight minas of dates for *Sutîtu*. [1159]

BM 82617 Ach [...], Dar I 19.VIII.- (presumably end of his reign); archive of Rē'i-*alpē*; sale of a prebend (implicitly the oxherd's) including irregular offerings of sheep and live oxen(?), inter alia on days 5.I and 3.II(?) for [x] minas and 6.5 shekels of white silver of which 1/8 is alloy of *nuhhutu*-quality; among the principals (the operative section is severely damaged as the left half of the tablet is missing) are [Lā-abâš]i/Rēmût-Nabû and his father Rēmût-Nabû/Nabû-kîn-zēri) of the Rē'i-*alpē* clan as well as [...]/Nabû(?)-aha-ušallim//Nūr-Papsukkal and Nabû-ēṭir-*napšāti*. A promissory note of 31 shekels of silver is mentioned, but the context is broken. [1160]

BM 82633 Borsippa, [Cyr] 12.XI.5; archive of Rē'i-*alpē* (Nabû-kîn-zēri/Aplâ); exchange of two days of the oxherd's prebend between Nabû-kîn-zēri (18-19.XI) and Nabû-mušētiq-ūdê/Nabû-šuma-ušur (or -nādin-ahi) of the same clan (21-22.V). The violator will pay ten shekels of silver. Two of the five witnesses and the scribe belong to the Rē'i-*alpē* clan (published by MacGinnis 1991-92, 98:12); duplicate of BM 94656. [1176]

BM 82642 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 21.II.27; archive of Kidin-Sîn (Libluṭ/Nabû-aha-lurši, owner of [presumably] the baker's prebend). Receipt for barley wages (quantity not indicated) of one sacred meal of Nabû (on 22.III), given to the undertaker Qībi-Bēl/Nabû-nādin(?)-apli//Bēliya'u. The latter guarantees for the quality and non-cessation of the meal. It is also stated that Bēl-ēṭir will burn (the offering). Itti-Nabû-tukti is also mentioned. He will give two kors of barley (according to a postscript at the end of the operative section). All the three witnesses belong to the Kidin-Sîn clan (the 1st and 2nd one are brothers) and the scribe to that of Bēliya'u. [1184]

BM 82646 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 22.I.3; archive of Rē'i-*alpē* (Nabû-kîn-zēri / Aplâ); promissory note for meat (a huge quantity: half a talent) of Nabû-kîn-zēri charged against Lā-abâši / Nabû-x-iddina [or -uṣur] / / [x₁-DU-Nabû. Partially to be delivered in II and the remainder in III (i.e. within slightly over five weeks and nine weeks respectively; the percentage of both shares is lost). The second (last) witness belongs to the Ibnāyu clan who owned the butcher's prebend in Ezida. [1188]

BM 82664 Ach no place, Dar I 5.XII.24; archive of Ardūtu (Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-nādin-ahi); balanced account of Rēmūt-Nabû (implicitly owner of of a brewer's prebend) with Nabû-aha-ittannu / Kalbâ(/ / Mannu-gērûšu) and Bēl-lū-šulum (undertakers):

a. Receipt of 250 vats of *billatu* (mixture for producing beer) of Rēmūtu (< Rēmūt-Nabû), which Nabû-aha-ittannu and Kalbâ delivered for the service shifts (*manzalāti*) of Rēmūt-Nabû from 25.IX until the end of (Dar I) XI.25 (presumably error for 24); cf. b;

b. Receipt of 23 out of 55 old vats of good *billatu* which Nabû-aha-ittannu and Kalbâ delivered for the service shifts of Rēmūt-Nabû from IX until the end of (Dar I) XI.24 (here written correctly). The remainder, i.e. 32 vats, was also received;

c. The undertakers received from the prebend owner in the end(?) of Dar I 24 90;2 kors of barley and ten kors of cuscuta (*kasû*, spelled *kàs-si-iá*, cf. *ka-as-si-ia*, CAD K, 249a). The latter is described as "finished" (*qa-tu-tu*, adjective as *kasû* is pl. tantum, not translated in CAD Q, 176b *ad* VS 6, 182 = NRV 616, 4), perhaps "processed" according to Stol 1994, 177;

d. Apart from 16 shekels of silver of which 1/8 is alloy, capital paid by the prebend owner to ("at the disposal of") Nabû-aha-ittannu;

e. A damaged passage concerning barley of the prebend owner as much as remains(?) together with Nabû-aha-ittannu and a certain Bēl-li(?)*-rad-di* / / Lā-kuppuru.

Then follows the dating formula. The tablet ends with a statement about the fingernail mark of Nabû-aha-ittannu / Nabû-kîn-zēri and the fingernail mark (?) of Nabû-ahhē-šullim / Bēl(?)*-šākin-šumi*(? Or rather Nabû-ukîn) / / Lā-kuppuru, but no fingernail marks are visible. Both apparently acted as witnesses; cf. VS 6, 146 = NRV 563 and VS 6, 182 = NRV 616. [1205]

BM 82674 NB/LB no place, 5.XI.18; archive of Rēmūtu / / Rē'i-*alpē*; adm.: balanced account of land parcels in the inundated area of Arahtu adjacent to the property of Nabû-bullissu / Hahhūru, the anonymous overseer of the butchers, Nabû-šuma-ukīn / Ahhēšâ, Bēl-aha-iddina / Talīmu, Iprīya / Balāṭu and a field of Bēl (=Esaggila temple); as well as Rēmūtu / / Rē'i-*alpē*, who is not described as a neighbour. [1214]

BM 82734 Ach [...], Dar I; archive of Rē'i-*alpē*. Rēmūt-Nabû / Nabû-kīn-zēri is apparently the prebend owner and Šamaš-iddina the undertaker responsible for the preparation, performance and punctuality of the sacred meal of Nabû (served in shifts) during 134 days of the oxherd's prebend of Ezida throughout the year (for a duration of three years). The preserved days are only 8(?), 9-14, 18, 19.XI (summarized as 11). Four months (II, V, VII, VIII) per year they have to supply straw for feeding the cattle. Each day 0;0.0.3 kor of the *takkasû*-offering and 0;0.0.3 kor of barley beer will be supplied; later copy; fragmentary and severely damaged. The list of witnesses is lost; cf. BM 82687. [1259]

BM 82772 NB Borsippa, Nbk IV 27.VII.1 (see Lorenz 2008, 24 with n. 122); archive of Rē'i-*alpē* (Nabû-kīn-zēri / Aplâ); contract: transfer (or sale disguised as transfer, context damaged) of two days (27-28.XII) of the oxherd's prebend of Ezida by Nabû-nādin-ahi / Marduk-nāšir / / Rē'i-*alpē* to Nabû-kīn-zēri; half or more is missing. [1284]

BM 82778 NB Borsippa, Nab 4.VII.4; archive of Rē'i-*alpē* (Nabû-kīn-zēri / Aplâ); promissory note for one mina of silver of which 1/8 is alloy of Nādinu / Balāṭu / / Arkât-ilī-damqā with interest (implicitly 20%) charged against Nabû-kīn-zēri. Remainder of the operative section and most of the witnesses' list are broken. The scribe belongs to the Arkât-ilī-damqā clan; duplicate of HSM 1899.2.104. [1290]

BM 82808 Ach place lost, 26.-.12[+x] (in text); archive of Ilīya (Ardīya [-Marduk-šuma-ibni] / Šulâ); receipt for dates (23.5 minas and 0;0.0.3 kor) for six unspecified days of the *kab/pru*-offering in II delivered by Erība to Ardīya. More principals are mentioned in a damaged section. [1319]

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BM 85009 Ach Borsippa, Dar I -.VI.20; archive of Bēliyā'u (Šaddinnu / Balāssu); promissory note (about the baker's prebend of Ezida); The debtors are Libluṭ / Nabû-kāšir / / Malahhu and Gabbu-Bēl-umma / Tattannu. They are the recipients of silver (sum lost), price of beef cuts of the *harmīlu*-type (quantity not indicated) according to the receipt BM 22070. Both deeds were issued in the same month. The obligations of the undertakers are more detailed in BM 85009: **a.** [5 (less ikely 2)] beef cuts of the *harmīlu*-type offered before Nabû [and Nanâ]; **b.** [2 (less ikely 5)] beef cuts of the *harmīlu*-type offered before Sutītu and Arītu; **c.** One meat cut of the *harmīlu*-type offered before the (divine) "sons" of ...; **d.** One meat cut of the *harmīlu*-type offered before the shrine of Bēltīya; **e.** Four beef cuts of the *harmīlu*-type offered before N[abû and Nanâ(?)]; **f.** 32 meat cuts of month VI; **g.** Two [beef] cuts of the *harmīlu*-type offered before Sutītu and Arītu; **h.** One meat cut offered before the shrine of Bēltīya. Altogether 16 beef cuts of the *harmīlu*-type, the provisions of Queen (Ap)pama, which are in the hands of Bēl-ēṭir and Bēl-ittannu, are placed at the undertakers' disposal. It is stated that these provisions are for the week 16-22.[MN]. According to the related receipt BM 22070 (recipients: Libluṭ / Nabû-kāšir and Bēl-erība / Tattannu), beef cuts of the *harmīlu*-type were given for the week of 16-22.VI following the date of issue of BM 22070 (Dar I 15.VI.20), whose scribe is the same Libluṭ. Gabbu-Bēl-umma / Tattannu, the co-debtor in BM 85009, who is mentioned in the postscript of BM 22070 as recipient of silver (after Libluṭ / Nabû-kāšir), was perhaps Bēl-erība's brother. Therefore one may restore month VI after days 16-22 in BM 85009, the more so since this month is mentioned in this deed; postscript; cf. Zadok 2002b; 2003. [1325]

BM 85225 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 11.IV.3; archive of Iliya (Marduk-šuma-ibni / Šulâ); deed about sale (for 3 1/3 [3.33] minas of white silver) of certain days of the brewer's and gate-keeper's prebends of Ezida (the former prebend is described as of Ezida and the chapels = *ekurrāti* of Borsippa) to Marduk-šuma-ibni by Nabû-kušuršu / Nabû-ušallim / / Iliya paternal nephew of Iddina-Nabû / Nabû-bēlšunu / / Iliya. The prebends are defined as *bīt ia-ari-tu-tu* (< Aram "legacy") of Iddina-Nabû. They consist of offerings before various deities:

- a. 5 days of V: 19, 20.V (*maštītu*), 15.V ([x]) and 4, 5.V (*tilimdu*) as well as *tardinnu*;
- b. 2 days of *ešeššu* (0; 3 kor of *billatu* [mixture for producing beer]): 24, 25.III;
- c. 2 days with 2 silver vats for Nabû of the clan of Amīl-Ea: 8.VII and 17.XII;
- d. 2 days with 3 vats for (*lapāni*) Lisi: 4-6.I;
- e. 3 days with vats ([xx(x)]-DUG) for the divine chariot (^{d.giš}GIGIR-su): 22.VI and 28.VII (on 85233, erroneously 8 on BM 85225 which was presumably copied from 85233). It is not known to which deity this chariot belongs. Divine chariots of Šamaš, bunene and Anu are recorded in NB/LB (see Bongenaar 1997, 231, 268, 285, 299, 399, 413; cf. CAD N/1, 357b).
- f. 2 days ([x]-^r*duk -ka šá lubušti*) for Mulliltu: : 25.III;
- g. 1 day [1? *k]an-nu* of the shrine of Mār-bīti: from 16.IV onwards;
- h. A 15-day period (*šapattu*) of *mu-šá-né-e* (hitherto unattested; cf. perhaps NB *mušannû*, which is tentatively rendered as "inconstant" [< Aram.] by AHW. 681a; CAD M/2, 259b regard it as unexplained). Does it refer to irregular offerings? No grand total of the days is preserved. The *mu-šá-né-e* are of Nabû in IV, X and XII; duplicate of BM 85233. [1330]

BM 85539 Ach Borsippa, Dar I 21.VIII.1 (year 10 according to Lorenz 2008, 24, n. 122); archive of Gallābu (Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli / Nabû-zēra-ukīn); promissory note for three minas of silver belonging to Ahūšunu / Nabû-bēlšunu / / Ibni-Adad charged against Nabû-(mu)kīn-apli. The debt without (further?) interest was received by the creditor. The rest of the operative section is badly damaged, except for its very end, where an obligation of the debtor is preserved (details lost; 1.VIII is written after a break). [1347]

BM 85703 Ach Bāb-surri, Bar 18.VI.1 (see Lorenz 2008, 24 with n. 116); archive of Kidin-Sîn (Nabû-nāšir / Nabû-ahhē-bullit); promissory note for 5;2.3 kors of dates (assessed rent) of Nabû-nāšir charged against Rēmūtu / Nabû-šuma-iškun / / Ea-ibni, who has to deliver in addition to the dates ten packs of fodder. The scribe is descendant of Šikkû'a (published by Zadok 1998, 291). [1386]

BM 85724 NB / LB no place, no ruler (presumably Nab or Cyr whose 6th year has an intercalary XII) -.XIIa.6; archive of Gallābu(?); administrative, about flour of XIIa.6 given by Nabû-zēra-ukīn to Iddinā. There follow quantities and house(hold)s of Hahhūru (0;0.5 kor), Nāširu (0;1.1 kor), Ea-ilu (0;1.3 kor), Iddina-aha / Šarru-ušur (0;2 kor), Nabû-ušuršu / x₁-lu₁ (0;2 kor) and Kalbâ / Imbâ (0;1 or 0;2 kor), as well as one individual, viz. Libluṭ / Gūzānu (0;1 kor). [1389]

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