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11, NORHAM GARDENS,
OXFORD.

15 Oct. 1920.

Dear Professor Eрман,

The break up of German work in Egypt through the war has oppressed me as a terrible calamity for Egyptology, almost from the day when war was declared. It was inevitable however then. What is to happen now that the war is ended probably even the best politician cannot forecast. But time must be given for things to settle down. The permits for archaeological work are necessarily for the present affected by politics, and for Egypt as yet the political conditions are unsettled. The report of the Tutankhamun Commission has not yet been made public; but General Allenby

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has just arrived in England and probably
affairs will soon show progress. You
may not assume that the immense
^{services}
sources of Germany to Egyptology (as to
learning generally) are recognised widely
in England and by people who have
opportunities of making their voices heard,
but naturally there is great bitterness of
feeling throughout the country.

I ought to tell you that it is not,
as you suggest in your letter, a new
society which has the concession of
Tell el Amarna. It is the Egypt Exploration

Fund under its lately-adopted name of Egypt
Exploration Society. You know of course that
the Service des Antiquités, and consequently
the allocation of sites, is entirely in the
hands of the French.

What a world it is! But German
Scholarship is ^{even working forward.} even working forward!

Yours very truly

F. Ll. Griffith.

