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July 7th
1908

Dear Sir

I am very greatly obliged to you and to Prof
Steindorff for the trouble that you have taken
to thoroughly investigate the question of Prof
Borchardt's behaviour in regard to photographs
deposited at Dittrich's. I am fully satisfied
that Prof Borchardt has acted, not indeed
with extreme punctiliousness, but with perfect
good faith; and that he has made no improper
use of information which was not intended to
come before him. Had I understood this in
the first instance I should not have felt
justified in formulating the complaint which
I made. at the same time I think it might

an Herrn Prof Adolph Eiman
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an Hon. Prof Adolf Erman
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be well to point out to Prof Borchardt that a failure to observe strict punctilio may easily be ~~not~~ misinterpreted.

I have informed the photographer Dittrich that it was I who made the complaint; and have recommended him to exercise greater discretion in future. His letter in reply to mine seems clearly to convey that he is fully satisfied with my conduct in the matter. I need only add that I consider him to be trustworthy in every respect, and to be discreet whenever he appreciates that discretion is required.

To yourself I have to express my renewed thanks

Yours truly

David Randall-MacIver

(Curator of the Egyptian section of Archaeology in
the University of Pennsylvania)

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