

On a wall picture in Karnak which shows the offerings of Thutmoses (about 1470 to the God Amon) and appears in the midst of all sorts of offering utensils. A simple quadrangle with four long projections which can be seen to be hotep points. On the occasion on the find of the altar of Abusir Schafer pointed out that this picture, which was believed to be incomprehensible, shows nothing other than an altar of the hotep point. In fact, it belongs to this very type, providing that it was of stone. We can not tell from the picture whether it stood in the open or under a roof.

E. The Altar of Rameses III in Karnak.

In the middle of a closed cult chamber which is found in the second story of a building erected by Thutmoses in the rear part of the great temple of Karnak, Lepsius found a large altar block of white quartz. It is a quadrangular surface about 2 x 1.5 meters and it has on every side a long point on the order of the hotep tables, so that it seems to be composed of four hotep tables joined together. ~~It~~ It bears the name of the builder, Rameses III of the 20th dynasty (about 1170 B.C?) The inscription mentions that Thutmoses had established a similar altar, probably that referred to the one which we have just described and probably this one was modeled after that.

F. The Altar of Pianchi from Gebel Barkal (Figure 7)

In the closed room 'E' of temple 'L' in Barkal (Ethiopia) was found an altar in the form of a large block of stone (2.5 x 2.6 x .78 M) today it is divided in two parts with the one side touching the wall of the cult room while the other side supports a square rectangular projection which covers about half of the side and projects out about 20 centimeters. Near the upper edge in the middle a step is hewn out, the purpose of which is uncertain. A hieroglyphic band goes around the upper edge of the three free sides. (With the exception of the projection). We can consider this Ethiopian altar as belonging in the same group with the Egyptian altars, as the northern part of Nubia was, for many centuries, under Egyptian