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Jerusalem
January 18. 1904.

No. 4.

Sir,

With reference to my Despatch
No. 38 of the 18th of July 1902, and to
previous correspondence respecting
the excavations carried on by the
"Palestine Exploration Fund" at
Tell Jizer, I have the honour to
transmit to your Excellency herewith
a Copy of a letter which I have
received from Mr Macalister, Director
of the Excavations, asking that the

Jan. 6 1904.

His Excellency
The Right Hon^{ble}

Sir R. O'Conor, G. C. B.

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Permit

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Permit (enclosed in Your Excellency's
Despatch of March 21, 1902) under
which the excavations are being
conducted on behalf of the Fund, and
which will lapse in June next, may
be extended to a further space of twelve
months, an extension being permitted by
the Law on Excavations.

Mr. Macalister also asks
whether it would be possible to secure
an additional two months in the
extension, to make up for the time
lost during the epidemic of Cholera at
the commencement of last winter, the
disease having actually invaded the
village of Abou Shoushi, close by

Hill

till June, and necessitated a cessation
of the works."

I have the honour to be,
With the highest respect,

Sir,
Your Excellency's
Most obedient
Humble Servant,

John Jackson

Copy:

Jerusalem, 6 January, 1904.

Dear Sir,

The Imperial Firman under which excavations are being conducted by me on behalf of the Palestine Exploration Fund at Tell ej-Jezari near Abu Shoushek, will, in accordance with the Ottoman Law on Excavations, lapse in June 1904, the second anniversary of the commencement of the work. My Committee have requested me to communicate with you with a view to having the time extended, the law permitting a further extension of the time allowed by the Firman to a space of twelve months.

H. B. M. Consul
Jerusalem

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Palestine Exploration Fund.

Secretary, 199, & 200, from

Director of Excavations & -ology

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Memorandum of 1904.

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I should also be much obliged
if you would kindly enquire whether it
will be possible to secure an additional
two months in the extension, to make up
for the time which, as you will remember,
was unavoidably lost owing to the
Epidemic of Cholera last winter.

Believe me, etc.
(signed) R. A. Macalister
Director of Excavations
Palestine Exploration Fund.

Jerusalem,
January 27th, 1904

No. 6

Sir, I have the honour to acknowledge
the receipt of Your Excellency's
Despatch of the 4th instant, informing
me that the instructions issued by
the Foreign Office on the 31st of October
last, respecting applications that
may be made to His Majesty's
Consular Officers for Passports, are
suspended, and that the practice
hitherto in force with regard to

His Excellency
The Right Hon^{ble}
Sir N. O'Connor, G.C.B.
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