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THE MOABITE STONE.

IT is now nearly twenty years since that curious monument of antiquity known as "the Moabite Stone" was first introduced to the notice of the Western public. The announcement of its discovery was made in the "leading journal" in Britain, in March, 1870. For several months afterwards it was the topic of the day. All the leading reviews—the *Athenæum*, the *Contemporary*, the *British and Foreign*, the *London Quarterly*, the *North British* and a score of others—had scholarly articles, treating of its antiquity and archæological value, for the learned, and the daily newspapers devoted columns to its discussion, for the common people. Among the students at the universities and in the fashionable circles in the metropolis it was the subject of conversation. Professor Rawlinson, speaking of the sensation created, says: "The Moabite Stone, like a lucky actress or singer, took the people by storm. Politicians,