

mounted and walked some distance to a roadway leading down into the bowels of the earth. The drifting of the sand was at this time at its height. It filled every crevice and nook in our dress and only by covering our eyes could we escape having them filled up as well. We entered this dungeon below the plain and found it to be the tombs of the sacred bulls, twenty-four of which were buried here.

On the way to and from these interesting sights, we passed around the pyramids of steps, built differently to the pyramids of Gizeh, which are smooth in their cone-like construction. These pyramids were built in the time when Memphis was a flourishing city and Cheops, the ruler, resided there, and these pyramids were his tomb stone and a fine advertisement for they have advertised him ever since.

They are considered wonderful works of architecture by scientists and architects of the present day. How they were erected is somewhat of a mystery to Egyptologists, as many other things of those past ages are, but there is no doubt that they were built upon the most scientific order and by very clever and expert contractors. Inside of these pyramids were sealed tombs of rulers, who erected them in the same manner that Roman Emperors vied with one another in leaving monuments of some kind, generally in the shape of enormous buildings or forums to immortalize their lives. The manner in which the tombs were discovered is interesting. The pyramids showed no