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Heliopolis Cairo  
ankles, often above their  
black stockings; others below their  
stockings

Some women barefooted others wear newest pattern European shoes, but all black robed. Some without veil.

When I arrive in Cairo feel rather stiff after an all day camel ride.

Feb 11. (Sunday) Mahomet engaged a horse carriage and drove me to Heliopolis a modern city of white buildings Moorish-European style. large streets stores etc. built by a Belgian Syndicate and which is the preferred residence resort and summer place of better class Europeans. ( See ~~Baedecker~~. ) This trip to Heliopolis was made ~~on~~ on

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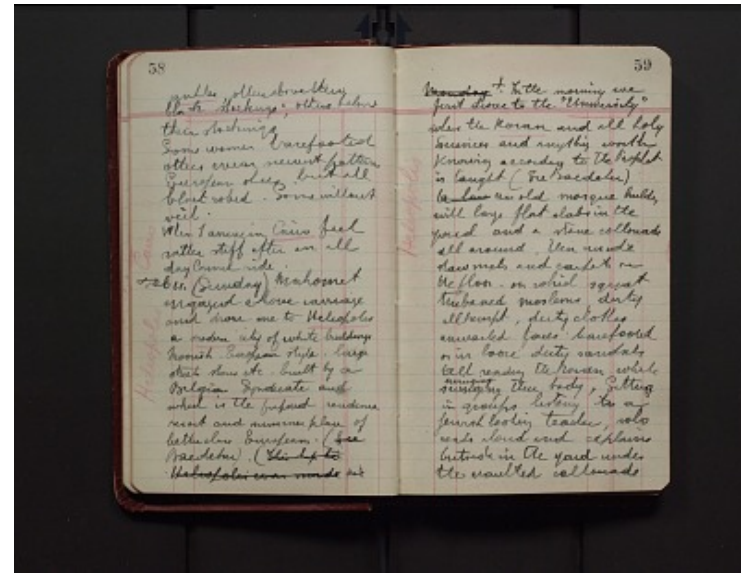
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Heliopolis

~~Monday~~ +. In the morning we first drove to the "University" where the Koran and all holy sciences and anything worth knowing according to the Prophet is taught (see Baedecker)

~~A low~~ an old mosque building with large flat slabs in the yard and a stone colonnade all around. Then inside straw mats and carpets on the floor, on which squat turbaned moslems dirty ill kempt, dirty clothes unwashed faces, barefooted or in loose dirty sandals. All reading the Koran while swinging <sup>^</sup> their body, Sitting in groups listening to a Jewish looking teacher, who reads aloud and explains Outside in the yard under the vaulted colonnade

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