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My dear Marshall,

Your letter of Oct. 13th <sup>re Mohenjo-daro</sup> reached me safely on the 'Razmak' at Bombay, but as I had only a week before having to rejoin at Calcutta, and it seemed doubtful from your letter whether Mackay would be able to put me up, I decided to go instead to Sanchi & Sarnath. However I fully intend some other time to visit the place as, in view of al-Masūdi's reference to an outpost of Harranian Civilisation in Sind, the excavations at Mohenjo-daro may produce results having a direct bearing on my own studies regarding the early history of Chemistry.

I now find that the copy of our Memoir on Chemistry in Iraq and Persia in the 10th Century A. D. that I referred to in my previous letter was apparently not sent to you from the Asiatic Society till after you had written to me. I trust that it turned up safely, and that al-Masūdi's reference to the connection of Harrania with Sind (vide p. 399 and note 2) will be found useful in tracing the origin and external relationships of the Mohenjo-daro & Harappa Civilisation.

Yours sincerely,

Sir John Marshall,  
Director General of Archaeology,  
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having the origin + relationships of the

Malay + Harappa Civilisations.

Yours sincerely  
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