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Danish Professor Completes
Study of 44 Tablets in the
Collection at Yale

'ONLY THE FIRST STEP'

Chairman of Department
Thinks History of Science May
Be Traced to 3000 B. C.

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 17.—

Completing the first systematic study of forty-four tablets in the Yale Babylonian collection, the largest in the United States, Professor O. Neugebauer of the University of Copenhagen has carried the history of mathematics fifteen centuries beyond Greek culture.

His report, after deciphering clay tablets which lay a quarter century locking a secret of higher mathematics and Babylonian cuneiform, reveals that many mathematical methods and rules hitherto accredited to the genius of the Greeks were well developed and in widespread use in the day of the Babylonian civilization.

Commenting upon the inscriptions deciphered by Professor Neugebauer, Prof. ... chairman of Mathematics explained of

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