Excavating in Egypt: The Egypt Exploration Society, 1882-1982

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Also known as Egypt Exploration Society. History. In 1882 Amelia Edwards, author, translator, and accidental Egyptologist, and Reginald Stuart Poole, Keeper of Coins and Medals at the British Museum and Professor of Archaeology at University College London, founded the Egypt Exploration Fund in Doughty Mews (Oxford Dictionary of National Biography; London Women’s History Network). His involvement gave the fund the British Museum's support and some facilities, although as the fund's activities became centred round Poole's department, this led to criticisms that it was
This collection of essays on the E.E.S., its history and excavations in Egypt, since its foundation by Amelia Edwards up-to 1982, is a most welcomed addition to the History of Egyptology and a "quarry" of information about those early, romantic times of British archaeology. Each contribution is due to the hand of a different, leading British scholar and the book is divided in successive chapters - following the various places where E.E.S. excavated, beginning with "The Early Years".


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