Biblical and Talmudic units of Measurement

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The size of the Talmudic units is a matter of controversy. The two major schools of thought in the 20th century were represented by Rabbi A. H. Na'eh and the Hazon Ish (Rabbi Avraham Yeshayahu Karelitz 1878-1953). Both, greatly contrasting, views are represented in the tables below.

Hazon Isn (.	Kabbi Avialia	ani resn	layanu kai	entz 10/	0-1955).	Dom, gi	eatry co	ntrastin	g, views	s are re	Jiesente	u m u	le tables	below.				
Volume Ch	omer (used in	n the Bil	ble) is equi	valent to	a kor (E	zek 45:1	4, Kings	5:11). 2	A<i>driv</i> is	equiva	lent to l	etech	(Rashi B	.Metzia	80b). I	E phah i	s de-	kor
fined in Eze	k 45:11 (Ex.	16:36, L	ev. 5:11, 6	:20; 19:3	6; Ezek.	45:10,11	,24; 46:	5; Num.	5:15; K	Ruth 2:1	7; I San	n. 1:24	4, 17:17;	Isaiah 5	5:10; Ar	nos 8:5	letech	2
and Zach. 5	:6-10). Bat is	the liqu	id equivale	ent to an	ephah (I	Kings 7	:26, 38;	II Chr 2	:10; 4:5	; Ezek.	7:22; 4	5:10,1	1,14; Isa	. 5:10).		ephah	5	10
Se'ah (Gen.	. 18:6 & Isaid	ah 40:12). Arbaim	Se'ah (4	0 se'ah),	the min	. qty of v	water ne	cessary	for a <i>n</i>	<i>iikveh</i> (1	tual l	bath), <mark>is t</mark>	the vol.	se'ah	3	15	30
of 1x1x3 an	not (Pesachin	n 109b).	Tarkav co	omes from	n t'rei v'	<i>kav</i> (2 a	nd a <i>kav</i>	, i.e. 3 <i>k</i>	av). Hir	ı, is its	liquid e	quiva	lent (Ex.	tarkav	2	6	30	60
29:40; Lev.	19:36; Num.	15:4,5,6	,9; 28:5,7,	14; Ezek.	4:11; 45	:24; 46:	5,7,11,14	4.) Reco	gnised	liquid 1	neasure	s inc-	issaron	12	3 ¹ /3	10	50	100
lude a hin, ¹ / ₂	∕2 hin, ¹ ⁄3 hin, ¹ ⁄3	¼ <i>hin</i> , a	log (see be	elow), ½	log, ¼ lo	g, ¹ 8 log	& an ¹ % (of an ¹ 8 <i>l</i>	og whic	ch is a l	kortov.	kav	14/5	3	6	18	90	180
(Bava Batra	1 90a). A 2-ka	<i>iv</i> measu	ire was not	t used as	it was to	o easily	confused	l with a	tarkav.	Issa-	kepiza	11/2	2 ² /5	4	8	24	120	240
ron (Ex. 29:	40; Lev. 5:11	, 6:20; /	<i>Vum</i> . 28:13	8 & Ezek	. 45: 11)	is equiva	alent to t	he <i>Ome</i>	r meas-	rova	3	4	7 ¹ /5	12	24	72	360	720
ure of grain	(Ex. 16:16,13	8,22,32,	33,36). Ka	v is the b	asic unit	of dry n	neasure f	rom	tomen	2	6	8	14 ² /5	24	48	96	720	1440
which others	s are derived.	Kabayin	n is2 kav. F	Kepiza (P	esachim	48b) is tl	ne min.	revi'it	2	4	12	16	28 ⁴ /5	48	96	288	1440	2880
measure req	uired for taki	ing Chal	lah. Kikar	(loaf) =	¹ /3 kav, P	ras (½	ukhlah	11/4	21/2	5	15	20	36	60	120	360	1800	3600
loaf) or Per	<i>usah</i> (broken	loaf) =	¹ % <i>kav</i> , and	Seudah	$=\frac{1}{9}kav$	betzah	1 ¹ /:	11/2	3	6	18	24	43 ¹ /5	72	144	432	2160	4320
(Eruvin 82b	and Rashi cl	hetzyah l	l'vet hamer	uga).	shminit	11/2	13/5	2	4	8	24	32	57 ³ /5	96	192	576	2880	5760
Two Seudor	t is between 6	5-8 betzi	m (Orach	kezayit	11/2	2	2 ² /s	3	6	12	36	48	86 ² /5	144	288	864	4320	8640
Chayim 368	:3, MB there) and is	mesurah	3	41/2	6	7 ¹ /5	9	18	36	108	144	259 ¹ /5	432	864	2592	12965	25,930
equiv. to M	'loHayad	kortov	11/9	5 ¹ /3	8	10 ² /3	124/5	16	32	64	192	256	460 ⁴ /5	768	1536	4608	23040	46,080
	-					Betzah	-		-	-	-				144			
-	Na'eh	5.4	9.6	28.8	43.2	57.6	69.1	86.4	172.8	345.6	1.04	1.38	2.49	4.1	8.29	24.9	124.4	248.8
desert	i tu ch	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L
	The	9.3	16.6	49.8	74.6	99.5	119.4	149.3	298.5	597.0	1.79	2.39	4.30	7.2	14.33	43.0	214.9	429.9
	Hazon Ish	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L
	1	65	11.5	24.6	51.0	Betzah	02.0	102.7	207.2	414.6	1.0.4	1.66	2.00	5.0	172.8	20.0	140.0	200.5
	Na'eh	6.5 I	11.5	34.6	51.8	69.1	82.9	103.7	207.3	414.6	1.24	1.66	2.98	5.0	9.95	29.9	149.3	298.5
Jerusalem	771	mL	mi	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL 716.4	L 2.15		L	L	L 17.10	L	L	L 515.0
	Ine Haron Jah	11.2 mI	19.9 mI	59.7	89.6	119.4	143.3	1/9.1	358.2	/16.4	2.15	2.87 T	5.16	8.0 T	17.19	51.6	257.9	515.8
	Hazon Isn	IIIL	IIIL	IIIL	IIIL	Detrah	IIIL	IIIL	IIIL	mL	L	L	L	L	207.4	L	L	L
		70	12.0	41.5	62.2	Belzan 82.0	00.5	124.4	249.7	407.4	1.40	1.00	2 5 9	6.0	207.4	25.9	170.1	259.1
	Na'eh	7.0 mI	15.0 mI	41.3 mI	02.2 mI	02.9 mI	99.3 mI	124.4 mI	240.7 mI	497.4 mI	1.49 I	1.99 T	5.58 I	0.0 I	11.94 T	33.0 I	1/9.1 T	550.1 I
Tzipori	The	13 /	23.0	71.7	107.5	1/3.3	172.0	215.0	/20 Q	850.8	2.58	3 1 1	6.19	10.3	20.64	61.9	309.5	619 1
	Hazon Ish	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	mL	2.50 L	J.44 L	L	L	L	L	L 507.5	L

(a handful) of hops or *M'loUzilta D'lkarei* (full bundle) of green grain (*Eruvin* 28b) or 2 *Shargushei* (spoonfuls) of Shesisa (*Eruvin* 29b). *Rova* (=¼ kav). *Log*, its liquid equivalent, (*Lev*.14:10,12,15,21,24) = *Old Tomnata* (*Shekalim* 8b) or Tzipporean *Kasta* (*Pesachim* 109a) or *Litra* (*Eruvin* 29a). *Tomen* = ¼ kav. *Revi'it* (¼ *log*), a common measure of liquids and also known as *Anpate*, *Anbag* and *Antal* (Bava Batra 58b), is the vol. of 2x2x2.7 *etzba'ot* (*Pesachim* 109b) or 2x2x1% *etzba'ot* (*Shekalim* 9a). This is not identical to a *rova* which is a dry measure. Half Tiberian *Sh'minit=revi'it* (Shekalim 8b). *Teitarton* was slightly smaller than a *revi'it* (*Shekalim* 8b). *Ukhlah* is ½ kav accord. to RaSHBaM (c. 1085–1174) and Rashi (*Eruvin* 29a). *Betzah* (egg), the smallest dry measure regularly used, is equal to the vol. of 2x2x1.8 *etzbaot*. *Tamnita* is Aramaic for *Sh'minit*. *M'lolugmav* (fill of his cheeks) is *rov revi'it* (or just over half a *revi'it*) and *M'lo gemi'ah* (a swallowful) (*Yoma* 8a, *Shekalim* 8b). *Kezayit* (vol. of an olive) is somewhere between < ½ of a *betzah* %½ *betzah* making it between 15-50 mL (*Orach Chayim* 368:3). *Kotevet* (large date) is a vol. > a grogeret. *Grogeret* (dry fig) = ½ of a *seudah* (*Eruvin* 8b) or ½ to f a *kav*. *Mesurah*, the smallest measure mentioned in *Lev*. 19:35, equals ½ log (*Baba Batra* 89b). Other volumes include *K'adashah* (lentil), *Se'orah* (barley), *Pol Halavan* (white bean) & *Poteach Tefach*. *M'lo Tarvad* (ladleful) is arguably equivalent to *M'lo Pisat Hayad* (palmful) or *M'lo Chofnav* (two handsful, *Lev* 16:12) (see machloket in *Nazir* 50b), and is larger than *M'lokumtzo* (*kometz*) which is 3 fingers full (*Eruvin* 28b, *Yoma* 47a-b). There were 3 separate systems, in order of both date of origin & size: (1) desert or wilderness (*midbar*), ostensibly the measures used in the years in the Sinai with Moses; (2) Jerusalem (*grushalmiti*); & (3) Tzipori (*Tzipori*). The Jerusalem measures are a f

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Length Mahalach Yom (a day's walk) beginning at dawn and									mahalach	
ending when it is completely dark (Pesachim 93b). Parsah (a									yom	
parasang or Persian mile). Mil (Talmudic mile), related parsah										
lated to but not identical with the Roman mile. <i>mil</i> 4										
Ris (Yoma 67a), the length of the Greek ris $7\frac{1}{2}$ 30										
stadium, is ² /15 mil (<i>Bava Metzia kaneh</i> 44 ⁴ /9 333 ¹ /3 1333 ¹ /3										
58b). <i>Ib</i>	58b). <i>Iburah</i> is 70 ² /3 amot amah 6266 ² /3 2000 800									
(Eruvin	30b). I	Kaneh	zeret	2	12	533 ¹ /3	6000	24000	240000	
(reed) is	s mea-	tefach	3	6	36	1600	18000	72000	720000	
sure for	etzba	4	12	24	144	6400	72000	288000	2880000	
Na'eh	1.9cm	7.62c	22.86c	45.7c	2.74m	122m	914m	3.66km	36.58km	
Iggerot Moshe	2.3cm	9.1c	27.3c	54.6c	3.28m	146m	1.09km	4.39km	43.68km	
Hazon	2.4cm	9.65c	68.95c	57.9c	3.47m	154m	1.16km	4.63km	46.32km	

buildings (*Ez.* 40:5) but rarely used in the Talmud.*Amah* (cubit), the dist. from the elbow to the middle finger, may be the same as a *Gomed* (*Judges* 3:16, *Bava Batra* 100a). While *Eruvin* 3b settles on a std *amah* of 6 *tefachim*, a short *amah* can be 5 *tefachim* (*Eruvin* 3b-4a). *Zeret* (little finger span), the dist. between the thumb & the end of the little finger, is 2 or 3 *tefachim*. *Tefach* (handbreadth), the width of a clenched fist, is equivalent to a *Sit* (used for measuring pieces of fabric), which is the distance between the index finger and the middle finger when held as far apart as possible. It is considered to be 4 *etzbaot* (fingerbreadths), 5 times the width of the middle finger or 6 times the width of the little finger (*zeret*) (*Menachot* 41, *Deut*. 3:11, *I Sam*. 17:4; *Gen*. 7:20; *Esther* 7:19; *II Kings* 14:13; *Nehem*. 3:13; *Jerem*. 52:21; *Ezek*. 40:5 & 43:13). *Etzba* (fingerbreadth) is the basic unit (*Jerem*. 52:21). *M'lo Chut Hasa'arah* (a hairsbreadth) indicates the smallest amount (*Menachot* 30a).

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Time Yovel (Jubilee) is the 50^{th} year (after the 7^{th} Shmittah year in the								yovel		
cycle). <i>Shmittah</i> (Sabbatical year) is every 7 th year. <i>Shanah shmittah</i>										
(year) is typically 354 days (i.e. 12 lunar cycles of 29 ¹ / ₂ shanah 7										
days) but m	ay also h	ave 35	3 or 35	55 days	in a	tekufah	4	28	200	
regular year &, given that 7 years in 19 chodesh 312.368 86.579 6										
is a leap yr with an extra month, <i>shavua</i> 4.214 12.642 50.568 354 25										
may have 38	33, 384 c	or 385	yom	7	29.5	88.5	354	2478	17700	
days in a lea	p year.	onah	2	14	59	177	708	4956	35400	
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refer to the vernal equinox, the summer solstice, the fall equinox or the winter solstice. *Chodesh* (month) is approx. 29½ days, so months typically alternate between 29 (*Chodesh Chaser*) and 30 (*Chodesh Maleh*) days. *Shavua* (week) is also sometimes referred to as *Shabbat*. *Yom* (day) is sometimes a 24-hr period and, at other times, referring just to daylight. Days are typically mea-sured from night-time to night-time. *Me'et l'et* (from one time to the next) is often also used to refer to a 24-hr period. Onah (period), often referring to a 1/2 day period either daytime or night-time (so may not strictly be 12 regular hrs in length), is also sometimes used to denote 1/24 of an hr (i.e. 21/2 min). Sha'ah (hour) can be either Sha'ah Regilah (regular hr i.e. 60 min) or Sha'ah Zemanit (proportional hr) where the daylight period (i.e. sunrise to sunset) is equally divided by 12 and these units are sometimes less and sometimes more than 60 min. *Chelek* (part) is $\frac{1}{100}$ of an hr. *Et* (time, plural = *itim*) is $\frac{1}{100}$ of an onah (in this sense, an hr) or 61/4 sec. Rega (moment), mostly used to denote 1/24 of an et, sometimes refers to an undefined, momentary period. Other units include Hiluch Mil (the time taken to walk 2000 cubits) varying between 18 and 24 min, Kdei Achilat P'ras (the time taken to eat 1/2 loaf of bread) varying between 2 and 9 min., and Toch K'dei Dibur (the time it takes to say shalom aleichem rebi). M'lo Nimah (hairsbreadth) is the smallest amount of time (Shabbat 30a). See Pesachim 94a for discussion on time taken to travel a specified distance, so 1 mil may be travelled in 22.5-24 min.

Area B	Area Bet Kor is the min. space necessary to sow one kor (see										
Volume	Volume) of produce. Bet Se'ah is the min. space necessary to sow										
one se'a	ah (see	Vol	ume) of	f produc	e. Bet Sa	<i>itayim</i> is	s twice	bet	30		
this amount and there is an argument if this is 50 x 100 seah									50		
amot or	a squa	re of	70 ² /3 an	not (Eru	<i>vin</i> 23a).	Bet Kav	bet	6	180		
is the m	in. spac	ce ree	quired to	o sow on	e kav (se	e	kav	0	160		
Volume) of pro	oduce	e. Bet R	<i>ova</i> is th	e min.	bet rova	4	24	720		
space re	space required to sow ¹ / ₄ of a kay amah 10.11 (11.62)								75000		
(see Vol	see Volume) of produce. Amah meruba 10476 41673 2500										
Meruba	<i>at</i> (sq	uare	cubit).	tefach	36	2750	15000	00000			
Tefach.	Merub	a (sq	uare	meruba		5750	13000	90000			
handbre	adth).		etzba	16	<u>uba</u> 56 5756 15666 (1) 16 675 703121/2						
Etzba M	1eruba	'at	meruba	10	073	/0512/2					
(square	finger	gris	1.23	19.75	711 ¹ ⁄9	74074					
breadth)	adasha	18	22 ² /9	355 ⁵ /9	12800						
Na'eh	0.181	3.25	4cm ²	64cm ²	2304cm ²	24m ²	96m ²	576m ²	17280		
Iggerot	0.224	4 21	5 2 am ²	82am ²	2081 cm ²	$21.1 m^2$	$124m^{2}$	$745m^{2}$	00250		
Moshe	0.234	4.21	5.2cm	85011	29810111	51.111	124111	745III	22330		
Hazon	0.262	1 72	F 02	02.22	22102	24.02	1202	0202	24000		
Ish	0.263	.634.73	5.8cm ²	92.2cm	3318cm	54.9m	138m-	830m-	24900		

used primarily for measuring small pieces of fabric (in order to decide whether they are susceptible to ritual impurity). *Gris* (bean's area) is the area of a Cilician bean, large enough for 26 hairs to grow on it (*Negaim* 6:1). *Adashah* (a lentil's area) is the area of 2 *Sa'arot* (hairbreadths – the space between 2 adjacent hairs approx. 9mm²) x 2 *Sa'arot. Tzemed* (yoke), an ancient Hebrew unit of land area (0.2 hectare or around ½ acre), occurs in the Bible, (*I Sam.* 14:14 & *Isa.* 5:10), where it is translated "acre." However, in *I Sam.* 14:14 it is translated as ½ acre. *Chomer* (*Lev.* 27:16), a unit of land area about 2.4 hectares (6 acres), was a seed measure of land, i.e. the amount of land that could be planted with 1 *chomer* (see Volume) of seed. It is also a unit of dry capacity, about 230 litres (6.5 bushels) (*Ezek.* 45:14, and *Hosea* 3:2. In *I Kings* 18:32 the word is translated "measure."

Weight These are very closely related to the coins (see next											
section). The different units of weight varied from <i>maneh</i>											
place to place; thus the Judean Sela weighed tartimar 2											
twice as much as the Galilean Sela. $unkeya$ $6\frac{1}{4}$ $12\frac{1}{2}$											
Two ma	in con	versior	ns were	sela	2	121/2	25	1500			
done to	our cu	rrent	shekel	2	4	25	50	3000			
weights	and	pim	11/2	3	6	371/2	75	4500			
both	dinar	1 ¹ /3	2	4	8	50	100	6000			
gerah	$h = 10 \ 13^{1}/_{3}$		20	40	80	500	1000	60000			
450mg	4½g	6g	9g	18g	36g	72g	450g	27kg			
571mg	5.71σ	7.610	11 42g	22 84o	45 680	91 36o	5710	34.26kg			

are given above. Kikar (the weight of a silver kikar) is an ancient Hebrew unit of mass, about 75.6 pounds (in 2 Kings 18:14, it is translated "talent"). Maneh (also known as Maneh Italki or Litra) is an ancient Hebrew unit of weight (Ezek. 45:12), 571g (20.15oz). Tartimar is 1/2 Maneh (Sanhedrin 70a). The strip of red wool of the he-goat weighed a Sela and that of the parah adumah weighed 2 or 21/2 Selaim (Shekalim 10a). Shekel is common in the Bible (1 Sam. 17:5,7) and was the weight of the strip of red wool of the metzora (Shekalim 10a). In the Kingdom of Judah, 8th-7th centuries BCE, it was about 11.3g. Weights representing more than 1 Shekel tend to occur in multiples of 4, such as 4, 8, 12, 16, 24 and 40 Shekels. The explanation (Raz Kletter, "Economic Keystones. The Weight System of the Kingdom of Judah" in Journal for the Study of the Old Testament, Supplement Series No. 276. Sheffield, England: Sheffield Academic Press, 1998) appears to be that 4 Shekels were very close in value to 5 Egyptian qdt, so a balance weight of, say, 12 shekels could be understood by an Egyptian trader as 15 qdt, and by a Judean as 12 shekels. Pim, an ancient Hebrew unit of weight, appears in 1 Sam. 13:21. Bekah was equivalent to a Dinar or Zuz (Shekalim 10a, Yoma 34b), about 5.7g (88.1 grains) - which was 1/2 Shekel (Gen. 24:22; Ex. 38: 24-26). Gerah is ¹/₂₀ Shekel (Ex. 30:13 Num. 3:47; 18:16; Ezek. 45:12; Lev. 27:25). Gomed, in the Assyrian "light" system of units of mass, was about 502 g (half as much in the heavy system).

Metric to non-metric conversion

Volume: 1 mL=0.033814023fl oz; 1L=33.8140227 fl oz, 0.26417205 gal

Length: 1cm=0.3937007874016 in; 1m=39.37007874016 in or 3.280839895013 ft; 1km = 3280.839895013 ft or 1093.613298338 yd or 0.6213711922373 mi.

Area: 1 cm²=0.15500031000062in² or 0.001076391041671 ft²; 1 m²= 10.76391041670972 ft² or 1.19599004630108 yd²

Weight: 1 g=0.0352739619495804 oz; 1 kg=2.204622621848776 lb

Red denotes measurements of one param. which relate to another

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riod we	re t	he mo	ost co	omplic	cated e	lemen	ts of	weight	s an	d mea	sures r	nention	ed in	shel
the Talmud. All those factors that produced differing standards of length,											kodesh			
area and volume were combined in the area of coinage. In the nature of <i>kikar</i>											2			
things, legal tender passes from one country to another, so that there maneh														
has to b	be s	ome o	correl	lation	betwee	en the	mone	etary s	yste	ms of	differ-	shel	60	120
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money, but whose value was exactly one eighth of the corresponding coins in the Tyrian money. Most of the payments specified by the Mishnah and the Talmud are reckoned according to the "sela of the state", reflecting the latter system. As with other measures, there was a systematic change of 20% in the larger coins during the Second Temple period. In the Bible a coin called Gerah is mentioned being ¹/20 of the Shekel Hakodesh (so called because it was used for payments made to the Sanctuary). During the Second Temple period, the Shekel Hakodesh was revalued to equal 24 Gerah and all coins larger than 1 Gerah were revalued accordingly. From this time the Gerah was called Ma'ah and the Shekel Hakodesh was called Sela. All payments required by the Torah to be made in units of **Shekel Hakodesh** were thenceforth to be made in units of *Sela*, thus increasing the amounts involved by one-fifth. *Garmesin* was $\frac{1}{12}$ of the Shekel Hakodesh (Shekalim 6a). A gold Darkon (Shekalim 5a), or Darkamon (Ezra 2:69, Nechem. 7:70-72) was equal to 2 Selaim. The Dinar Zahav was a gold coin resembling the silver Dinar in appearance. The Shekel, known in the Torah as Beka, was the value of a Taba'ah (Shekalim 6a). Dinar was also known as Kesef (Gen. 37:28) in Tyrian currency (Kiddushin 11b), Zuz or Zin or Keratin (quarter of Sela, Shekalim 6a). Istera, also known as Tarpe'ik, was equal to 1/2 Zuz (Gittin 45b, Yoma 35b, Ketuvot 64a, Kiddushin 11b). Ma'ah was a silver coin, known in the Bible as Gerah or Kesitah, (Gen. 33:19) or Dankei (Rosh Hashanah 26a) with a weight of 16 barleycorns of silver (384 mg). Treisit was three Issar (Bava Metzia 46a). Pundeyon was the Roman dupondium. Perutah is ¹/₈ of an Italian Issar (Kiddushin 21a).

a=Area, c=Coinage, l=Length, t=Time, v=Volume
achilat p'rast desertv kastav milv mil shekel
acrea dinarc,w kava,v mile, persianl hakodesha
adashaha zahavl sh'minitv mile, romanl sh'minitv
adriv v dupondium c kesef c mile, talmudicl shmittah
amah (amot)l,v eggt sitv keratinc momentt sitt
meruba'ata ephahv kezayitv montht solstice
anbagv equinoxv kikarv spoonfulv
anpatev et (itim)t shel kodesh c omerv sunrisev
antal v etzba l,v kometz v onaht sunset
arbaim se'ahv meruba'ata kontrankc parasangl talentw
barleya,v parsahl,v kora,v parsahl tamnitav
barleycornsc figt tarkavv kortovv periodt tarkavt
batv fingerbrdths a,l,v kotevetv perusahv tarpe'ikv
bean, Ciliciana fistc tartimarl lentila,v perutahc tartimar
whitev garmesinc letechv pimw tefach(im)
bekah
bet kava gomedl,w logv poteach tefach .v poteachv
kora grisa ma'ahc p'rast,v teitartonv
rovaa grogeretv mahalach yoml pundyonc tekufah
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seahw regat toch k'dei dibur
betzahv hairbreadth.a,l,t shel kodeshc revi'itv tomenv
breadt hectarea me'et l'ett risl tomnata
bushelsa hiluch milt m'lo chofnav v rovav treisitv
cheeksv hinv chut hasa'aral sa'arota tyriano
chelekt hourt gemiahv sabbaticalt tzemed
chodesht iburahl hayadv se'aha,v ukhlahv
chomera,v issarc kumtzov sela(im)c,w unkeyaw
circuitt issaronv lugmavv se'orahv week
cubit a,l,t,w istera c nimah t seudah v year v
dankeic jubileet pisat hayad v sha'aht yomt
darkamonc kabayimv tarvadv shanaht yovel
darkonc k'adashahv uzilta d'ikarei. v shargusheiv zeretv
date v kanehl mesimas c shavuat zin