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In sci.lang.translation.josephus <dogbird@earthlink.net> wrote in
<d_WAd.12719\$RH4.3959@newsread1.news.pas.earthlink.net>:

sci.lang added, which is the more appropriate newsgroup for this topic.

: I have some modern syllaberies and I see the admonition that we don't know
: the vowels and Hieroglyphics are only consonants and diphthongs.

they are not attested by the writing system, but there are educated
based on Coptic. there are also some ancient Egyptian words rendered in
languages like Greek, which give us some clues as to the old vowels.

: So

: 1. Are there any related languages still in existence?

Coptic is a direct descendant of Ancient Egyptian and is still in use as
a church language.

: 2. how many speculated vowels are there and

: 3 what are those vowels?

: It's not what you know that gets you in trouble,

: It's what you know that ain't so.

: josephus