

A SURVEY OF LACONIAN EPIGRAPHY, 1913-1925.

THE year 1913 witnessed the publication, under the auspices of the Prussian Academy, of the *Corpus* of Laconian and Messenian inscriptions (*I.G.* v. 1), edited (after part of the preliminary preparation had been carried out by M. Fraenkel and H. von Prott) by Walther Kolbe, at that time Professor of Ancient History in the University of Rostock. This event marked the beginning of a new epoch in the study of Laconian inscriptions, for the volume in question, thanks to its authoritative character and to the skill and devotion of its successive editors, naturally serves as the almost unquestioned basis of all further investigation. Its completeness and its correctness are accepted as axiomatic. It seems worth while, therefore, at a time when the British School is renewing its campaigns of excavation at Sparta with every hope and prospect of important epigraphical results, to make an attempt to strengthen this foundation, in however slight a degree, (1) by presenting a brief account of the Laconian inscriptions omitted from *I.G.* v. 1 or published in the twelve years which have elapsed since its issue, and (2) by making certain additions to the bibliographies of the inscriptions which it contains.¹ With the Messenian section of the volume I shall not here deal.

¹ In this article references to *I.G.* v. 1 are indicated by Clarendon type (e.g. 1114). For economy of space I employ the following abbreviations in addition to those in current use :

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| Allen | = F. D. Allen, <i>Papers of the American School at Athens</i> , iv, Boston, 1888. |
| David | = E. David, <i>Dialecti Laconicae monumenta epigr.</i> , Königsberg, 1882. |
| Geffcken | = J. Geffcken, <i>Griechische Epigramme</i> , Heidelberg, 1916. |
| Heikel | = I. A. Heikel, <i>Griech. Inschriften sprachlich erklärt</i> , Helsingfors, 1924. |
| E. Hoffmann | = E. Hoffmann, <i>Sylloge Epigrammatum Graecorum</i> , Halle, 1893 |
| O. Hoffmann | = <i>S.G.D.I.</i> iv. pp. 678-753, Göttingen, 1911. |
| Müll. | = P. Müllensiefen, <i>De titulorum Lacon. dialecto</i> , Strasburg, 1882. |
| Schwyzler | = E. Schwyzler, <i>Dialectorum Graec. exempla epigr.</i> , Leipzig, 1923. |
| S.E.G. | = <i>Supplementum Epigraphicum Graecum</i> , Leyden, 1923 ff. |
| S.I.G. | = W. Dittenberger, <i>Sylloge Inscriptionum Graecarum</i> , Leipzig, 2nd ed. 1898-1901, 3rd ed. 1915-24. |
| Wide | = S. Wide, <i>Lakonische Kulte</i> , Leipzig, 1893. |
| Ziebarth | = E. Ziebarth in <i>Bursians Jahresbericht</i> , clxxxiv. 91 ff. |

I. LACONIAN INSCRIPTIONS OMITTED FROM *I.G.* v. 1.

The inscriptions which eluded the close scrutiny of Kolbe and his predecessors are, it need hardly be said, very few indeed. There is the doubtful case of a dedicatory text, *Λάκος ἀνέθηκε Ἡέρα*, on a bronze cow acquired in 1909 by the British Museum (*B.M. Inscr.* 948; cf. *Arch. Anz.* xxv. 506) and assigned by its editor, F. H. Marshall, to Laconia or Argos. It is true, as Marshall points out, that the dedication to Hera favours an Argive origin, but, on the other hand, Hera was also worshipped at Sparta (Wide, 24 ff.) and at Geronthrae (1114. 19), and the form of λ here used (Λ) is not that which is found in the early inscriptions of the western Argolid (F).

E. Preuner has called attention (*Ath. Mitt.* xlvi. 3) to a fragmentary epigram from Gythium published in 1870 by A. Petrides (*Πανδώρα*, xxi. 492. 282), and W. Croenert has essayed its restoration (*S.E.G.* i. 91). It has also been pointed out that four inscriptions of the Cynuria published by K. A. Romaios in *Ἀθηνᾶ*, xviii. 438 ff., should be included in *I.G.* v. 1, viz. an epitaph and a fragment of the grave-curses of Herodes Atticus from the Monastery of Loukou, a late epitaph from the Prodomos Monastery and a commemorative inscription from the Monastery of the Palaiopanagia (Ziebarth, 119). In order to complete the collection of the inscriptions of this border-district, it would further be necessary to include the three texts from Loukou which Fraenkel inserted in the Argolic *Corpus* (*I.G.* iv. 676-8).

II. LACONIAN INSCRIPTIONS PUBLISHED BETWEEN 1913 AND 1925.

In *Ἀρχ. Ἐφ.* 1919, 32 ff., A. N. Skias discussed ten short texts (of which the first had been previously published by *Φρ. Βερσάκης* in *Ἀρχ. Ἐφ.* 1912, 188) discovered during E. R. Fiechter's excavation at the Amyclaeum. These have been republished in *S.E.G.* i. 81-90, three of them with tentative restorations by W. Croenert (Nos. 87-89; cf. p. 137). Far more important is the contribution to Laconian epigraphy made by J. J. E. Hondius and A. M. Woodward in an article (*B.S.A.* xxiv. 88-143) of which, as it occurs in this periodical, I need not speak in further detail. I have briefly indicated its contents in *J.H.S.* xlv. 113, and the texts appear, some of them with brief notes, in *S.E.G.* ii. 59-179; one of the most interesting, an archaic epigram, has been restored by F. Hiller von Gaertringen (*Phil. Woch.* xliii. 1002, *S.E.G.* ii. 170). In *Ἀντίδωρον* :

Festschrift J. Wackernagel gewidmet (Göttingen, 1923), 154 f., F. Bechtel discusses six names found in these inscriptions, viz. *Θιοκορμίδας* (No. 3), *Τροῦθος* (7), *Χισιμίδας* (9), *Σόιχης* (11), *Ἀχραδαῖος* (26) and *Φειράνα* (66). Three dedications are reproduced in facsimile and others are referred to in A. M. Woodward's report 'Excavations at Sparta, 1924,' circulated by the British School to subscribers to the Excavation Fund: these and the other epigraphical spoils of the campaign will appear in due course in the *Annual*.

Finally, in a letter dated 28th December, 1906, Mr. A. J. B. Wace wrote to me: 'Here is a new inscription from Geraki (Geronthrae)—complete. Letters .07 m. high. In a ruined church to E. of Acropolis, in fields. ΘΙΟΙ.' This has not, so far as I know, been published hitherto.

III. ADDENDA TO *I.G.* v. 1.

In this section I make some additions to the bibliographies of inscriptions contained in the *Corpus*. In the interest of brevity I follow Kolbe in giving no references to the first two editions of Roehl's *Imagines* or to the first editions of Dittenberger's *Sylloge* and Cauer's *Delectus* in the case of inscriptions published in later editions of those works. I am not sure, however, that such omissions are justifiable, since there are libraries which do not yet possess the later editions. I put within brackets references to works published before 1913: all others are subsequent to the appearance of *I.G.* v. 1. Mere typographical errors, which are unlikely to cause confusion, I do not note; they are, moreover, commendably few.

1. [David, 24a, b. Cf. O. Hoffmann, 679; A. Wilhelm, *Zts. öst. Gymn.* lxii. 1029.] *S.I.G.*³ 84; E. Nachmanson, *Hist. Gr. Inschr.* 56; Schwyzer, 13. Cf. M. Cary, *J.H.S.* xlv. 245, note 9.

4. [Cf. H. Swoboda, *Gr. Volksbeschlüsse*, 108, 141.] Schwyzer, 22.

7. Cf. Ziebarth, 120.

11. See *I.G.* v. 1, p. xxiv.

18–20. Cf. E. Ziebarth, *Aus dem griechischen Schulwesen*,² 66.

18. B. Laum, *Stiftungen*, ii. 14, No. 10. In A4 the copy follows *B.S.A.* xii. 446, but the transcription gives Woodward's corrected reading (*B.S.A.* xv. 101). For B 13 cf. E. Ziebarth, *Z. f. N.* xxxiv. 50.

26. *S.I.G.*³ 932; Schwyzer, 23.

27. Cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxxiv. 60.

29. *S.I.G.*³ 669.

30. In l. 3 I think we must read [ὁ κατεσταμένο]ς ὁ τὸ πέμπτον, assuming that the word *συνέδρων* in l. 2 was left incomplete. Wilamowitz's view, 'artculus ferri nequit,' is disproved by the passages cited in *S.E.G.* ii. 53.

69. [The lines from 29 onwards are wrongly numbered.] For l. 33 cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxxiv. 61.

71. [In col. iii. l. 14 read Πό(πλιος).] For col. iii. l. 37 cf. M. N. Tod, *loc. cit.*

92. I do not know why only 'five or four names' are said to be lost before l. 1.

114. Cf. E. Preuner, *Rh. Mus.* lxxiii. 275.

124. In l. 17 I find myself unconvinced by the restoration Γραμματε[ίτιμος] and even by Γραμματι[κός], which is substituted for it in the Addenda (p. 301). I still hanker after my γραμματε[ύς].

133. [Vischer, *Inscr. Spartanæ* viii. No. 7.]

144. For II. read Πο. in *b, c.*

152. [*S.G.D.I.* 4488.]

177. Cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxxiv. 61 f.; J. Hondius, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 128; W. Vollgraff, *Mnemosyne*, li. 296.

208. [Cf. E. Ziebarth, *Gr. Vereinswesen*, 64, No. 19.]

209. Schwyzer 24. On l. 34 cf. G. H. Macurdy, *Class. Rev.* xxxiv. 98 f.

210-212. [Cf. E. Ziebarth, *Gr. Vereinswesen*, 42.] I agree in reading ἐπὶ γραφῶν in 210. 58, 211. 52, 212. 59, though I do not understand the office quite as Kolbe. For γραφαί cf. W. M. Ramsay, *J.R.S.* xii. 174 f.

210. On l. 55 I noted 'probably two or three letters are lost before σίν.' If this is so, we may read [τὸν] σὶν φέρων, as in 211. 51.

211. Schwyzer, 25.

212. [The reference to Müll. should be 55*b*.] While examining the stone at Sparta I noted 'I think l. 2 may have read ΟΙΕΙΙΙ.'

213. [C. Bursian, *Leipziger Berichte*, xii. 226 f.; Allen, 193, No. ci.; E. Hoffmann, 374; Solmsen, ¹17, ²17. Cf. Meister, *Jahrb. f. Philol.* 1882, i. 523; Wide, 174, 257. The reference to Cauer² should be 17 (not 27).] Geffcken, 78; Schwyzer, 12; Heikel, 29. In l. 36 πρατ[οπ]αίδων is proposed by C. D. Buck, *Class. Phil.* xx. 139 f.

214. [Müll. 35*c*. Cf. Wide, 4, 7, 243.]

222. Schwyzer, 9.
 224. [Cf. O. Hoffmann, 686, No. 22.]
 225. [Müll. 3; David, 4.]
 226. [David, 15.]
 229. Cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxxiv. 62.
 231. Geffcken, 21.
 232. [Cf. Wide, 310.]
 236. [Cf. Wide, 175, 198.] *S.I.G.*³ 551.
 238. [Müll. 12; Allen, 172, note 1.]
 248, 249. [Cf. *Guide to the Select Greek and Latin Inscr.* (Brit. Mus.) 70, 71.]
 252–356. [Cf. O. Hoffmann, 682 ff.; M. P. Nilsson, *Klio*, xii. 308 ff.]
 252. Hondius-Woodward, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 89, No. 1; Schwyzer, 4.
 252a. Hondius-Woodward, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 102, No. 23; Schwyzer, 51.
 252b. Hondius-Woodward, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 103, No. 25; Schwyzer, 52.
 255, 256. Schwyzer, 16, 26.
 257. [*Bull. École Fr. d'Athènes*, iii. 57. Cf. Wide, 100.]
 264, 279. Schwyzer, 27, 28.
 282. [Cf. O. Hoffmann, 680.]
 286, 289. Schwyzer, 29, 31.
 301. [Cf. O. Hoffmann, 680.] Schwyzer, 32.
 305. Schwyzer, 33.
 307. Schwyzer, 34; Heikel, 32.
 309. [Cf. *Bull. École Fr. d'Athènes*, iii. 57; O. Hoffmann, 680.] Schwyzer, 35.
 371. [P. Foucart, *B.C.H.* ii. 515; David, 8. Cf. Wide, 154 f.] Schwyzer, 8. Cf. J. Hondius, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 134.
 372. Cf. J. Hondius, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 135.
 407. Schwyzer, 30₁.
 445. Schwyzer, 30₂.
 452. A. Wilhelm, *Neue Beiträge*, iii. 28 ff., No. 18.
 457. [David, 6.] Schwyzer, 2.
 463. For l. 4 cf. E. Kjellberg, *Klio*, xvii. 45.
 471. [Cf. E. Ziebarth, *Berl. phil. Woch.* xxx. 308.] Cf. Ziebarth, 120.
 479. Cf. E. Preuner, *Ath. Mitt.* xlvi. 3.
 533. [Dessau, *Inscr. lat. sel.* 8831.]
 538. A. Wilhelm, *Sitzber. Berlin*, 1913, 858 ff.

540. Geffcken, 355.
550. Cf. A. Deissmann, *Licht vom Osten*,⁴ 66.
553. For '512' read '520.'
554. Line 3 begins with the word Αἰλ(ίου).
560. [Cf. E. Ziebarth, *Berl. phil. Woch.* xxx. 308.] Cf. Ziebarth, 120.
578. [Le Bas, *Inscr. gr. et lat.* Cahier 2, 116.]
584. My copy of the first letter of l. 5 shows clearly Ω.
596. Cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxxiv. 62.
604. My copy of the last letter of l. 3 shows, as does Kolbe's, A. Instead, therefore, of Κλ[αυδίωv] I should prefer to restore some name like Κα[λλέου] and to suppose that the lady honoured had three sons.
605. [Cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxv. 51, note 27.]
606. [Cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxv. 50, note 25.]
608. [Cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxv. 51, note 29.] Kolbe's copy shows a remarkable intermixture of two forms of sigma, Σ and C: my own copy of the stone shows C everywhere.
- 649, 653a. Schwyzer, 18, 36.
- 674-688. [Cf. O. Hoffmann, 686.]
675. In l. 2 read ΜΝΑΣΩΝΟΣΣΦΑΙΡΕΙ, Μνάσωνος σφαίρει[s].
683. Cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxxiv. 62 f.
689. [Müll. 39.]
696. Schwyzer, 14.
700. [David 1a. Cf. Wide, 17.] Schwyzer, 1; Heikel, 27.
701. [David, 26; Müll. 32 (not 33).] Schwyzer, 171.
702. [David, 31; Roberts, *Introduction* on 266.] Schwyzer, 173.
- 703, 704, 707. Schwyzer, 174, 175, 172.
708. *S.I.G.*³ 1224, Schwyzer, 176.
713. [David, 9; Müll. 4. Cf. Wide, 201.] Schwyzer, 3.
720. [David, 3.] Schwyzer, 6.
722. [David, 12.]
724. Geffcken, 193.
749. [W. Vischer, *Kleine Schriften*, ii. 35.]
800. [*S.G.D.I.* 4482.]
- 808, 809. Cf. P. Wolters, *Ath. Mitt.* xl. 105.
816. Schwyzer, p. 387, No. 1.
817. [Dessau, *Inscr. lat. sel.* 8878. Cf. V. Stais, *Guide illustré du*

Musée National (Athens, 1907), p. 169 f.; P. Kastriotēs, *Γλυπτὰ τοῦ Ἑθνικοῦ Μουσείου* (Athens, 1908), 223 f., No. 1290.]

821. In l. 5 it looks to me as if we must read [μα τοῦ]το.

828. [Allen 193, No. c.]

850 ff. [Many of these are edited in O. Hoffmann, 686 ff., Nos. 24, 25.]

850. Schwyzer, 21₁.

863. [Cf. Wide, 68.] In the *lemma* of this inscription read '15' for '16.'

864, 866. Schwyzer, 21₂, 21₃.

869. For *κατάλυμα* cf. H. Pomtow, *Klio*, xvi. 123 f.

870. Schwyzer, 21₄.

885. Schwyzer, 20. Cf. G. De Sanctis, *Storia dei Romani*, iv. 1, 110, note 222.

919. [Cf. Wide, 312.] Geffcken, 69; Schwyzer, 38.

920. [Müll. 10b; David, 28a; F. Stolz, *Wiener Studien*, viii. 159 ff.; E. W. Fay, *Zts. vergl. Sprachf.* xlii. 86. Cf. P. Kretschmer, *Glotta*, ii. 353]. Schwyzer, 37.

927. [David, 10.] Cf. Ziebarth, 119.

928. [David 19a. Cf. Wide, 71.]

929, *930. Cf. Ziebarth, 119.

932. [Cf. Wide, 70.]

937. [Cf. Wide, 312.] Schwyzer, 42.

938. [Cf. Wide, 154.] *S.I.G.*³ 948; Schwyzer. 43.

939. [Cf. Wide, 237, 367.]

945. [David, 25; Müll. 23.]

961. [Cf. Wide, 70; O. Hoffmann, 681.]

962. Schwyzer, 44.

967. Cf. J. Hondius, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 140 f.

970. B. Laum, *Stiftungen*, ii. 15, No. 11 (where it is wrongly assigned to Messenian Cyparissia).

972. A copy sent to me by A. J. B. Wace shows that the true reading is *Δαμάριν*. Cf. **1302, 1304.**

977. Cf. J. Hondius, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 141.

981. Schwyzer, 40₁. Cf. Hondius and Woodward, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 92.

983, 984, 997. Schwyzer, 40₂, 40₃, 41₁.

1014. For 20 read 210.

- 1018, 1107a. Schwyzer, 412, 45.
 1108. Cf. B. Leonardos, 'Αρχ. 'Εφ. 1923, 50.
 1110 ff. Cf. F. Bechtel, *Zeits. vergl. Sprachf.* l. 71.
 1111. Schwyzer, 48. L. Robert conjectures in ll. 11, 12 ἀξίως δὲ τὰν βι[διὰν πατρίδων, κ]αὶ κτλ. (*Rev. Ét. Gr.* xxxvii. 180 f.).
 1112. [Cf. H. Swoboda, *Gr. Volksbeschlüsse*, 108.]
 1114, 1120. Schwyzer, 49, 46.
 1124. [David 30a.] Schwyzer, 471.
 1125. [David, 26a; Müll. 32b.] Schwyzer, 472.
 1128. Read 'Ονασ[ία] λεχὸι χαίρε.
 1133. [David, 1. Cf. O. Hoffmann, 680 f.]
 1134. [David, 16.]
 1142. Cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxxiv. 63.
 1143 ff. The Latin inscription printed on p. 210 recurs on p. xxi as 1569. For an honorary inscription of Gythium found at Athens see *I.G.* iii. 668.
 1144. [Cf. H. Swoboda, *Gr. Volksbeschlüsse*, 105; Wide, 69; E. Ziebarth, *Hermes*, xxxii. 623.]
 1145. [Cf. Wide, 104.]
 1146. [Cf. M. Holleaux, *Rev. Ét. Anc.* iii. 115 f.; A. Wilhelm, *Urk. dram. Auff.* 236.]
 1152. [Cf. Wide, 172.]
 1154. [Patsourakos, 22.] Schwyzer, 50.
 1155. [Blouet, *Expéd. scient. de Morée*, iii. 55; David, 14.] Schwyzer, 51. Cf. A. M. Woodward, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 107.
 1165. [Michel, 1269; Dessau, *Inscr. lat. sel.* 8766.] *S.I.G.*³ 592.
 1169. Cf. A. Wilhelm, *Jahresh.* xvii. 47.
 1175. Cf. Ziebarth, 120.
 1188. O. Fiebigler, *Neue Jahrb.* xxxvii. 295 ff.
 1203. Cf. E. Preuner, *Ath. Mitt.* xlv. 3.
 1208. B. Laum, *Stiftungen*, ii. 11, No. 9.
 1213. Cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxxiv. 63.
 1222. Cf. B. Leonardos, 'Αρχ. Δελτίον, ii. παρ. 73.
 1224, 1225. Cf. P. Wolters, *Ath. Mitt.* xl. 103, 102.
 1226 ff. For the visit of Cyriac to Taenarum see P. Wolters, *Ath. Mitt.* xl. 91 ff.
 1228. [*Palaeographical Society's Facsimiles*, Pl. 230; Michel, 1074;
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H. S. Williams, *Hist. of the Art of Writing*, No. 52.] Schwyzer, 52₁.

1229. [David, 30.]

1230. [*Bull. École Fr. d'Athènes*, iii. 57; David 29a.] Schwyzer, 52₂.

1231. [David, 29c.] Schwyzer, 52₃.

1232. [David, 29b.] Schwyzer, 52₄.

1236. Cf. P. Wolters, *Ath. Mitt.* xl. 102.

1238. [Dessau, *Inscr. lat. sel.* 8804.]

1276. [A. Petrides, *Βύρων*, i. 349; Müll. 45a. Cf. Wide, 173.]

1277. [Cf. O. Hoffmann, 681.] In *f* read *χαίρε*.

1280. On l. 10 cf. M. N. Tod, *J.H.S.* xxxiv. 63.

1293. Cf. J. Hondius, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 141, note 1.

1307, 1309. Cf. E. Preuner, *Ath. Mitt.* xlvi. 3.

1312. Schwyzer, 53.

1315. [Cf. Wide, 314; E. Ziebarth, *Gr. Vereinswesen*, 65, No. 20; O. Hoffmann, 681.]

1316. Schwyzer, 55.

1317. Schwyzer, 54; Heikel, 31.

1320. Cf. E. Preuner, *Ath. Mitt.* xlvi. 3.

1321. [Cf. O. Hoffmann, 681.]

1329. [David, 31b.]

1334a. Cf. P. Wolters, *Ath. Mitt.* xl. 101.

1335. Cf. Ziebarth, 119.

1337, 1338. Schwyzer, 56₁, 56₂.

1517 ff. [In references to *Πρακτικά* read 1911 for 1912: the date of publication was 1912, but the title is *Πρακτικά τοῦ ἔτους 1911*.] Cf. Ziebarth, 118 f.

1517, 1519–1521. Schwyzer, 391–394.

1561–1568. I do not here deal with these 'tituli alibi inventi,' nor can I fully understand the principle of their selection.

1572. Schwyzer, 53.

1587, 1588. A. M. Woodward, *B.S.A.* xxiv. 105 f. 30, 28.

IV. MISCELLANEA.

A few miscellaneous references may well bring this bibliography to a close. Some remarks and criticisms on the 'Libri et Itinera Recentiorum,' the 'Indices' and the 'Editiones priores potissimae' of *I.G.* v. 1

will be found in Ziebarth, 116 f. As regards this last section, I would simply add that *C.I.G.* 15 = **722**, *C.I.G.* 1466 and 1467 (not 1467 and 1468) should be bracketed, *C.I.G.* 1492 = **791**, Le Bas-Foucart 203a = **921**.

Attention may be called to the grammar, vocabulary and proper names of the Laconian dialect-inscriptions in O. Hoffmann, 693 ff. A vigorous, not to say acrid, debate on the character of the neo-Laconian language has been carried on between E. Hermann (*Indog. Forsch.* xxxii. 358 ff., xxxiii. 433 f.) and A. Thumb (*ibid.* xxxiii. 294 ff., 434). The neo-Laconian genitive in *-ηρ* has been discussed by E. Schwyzler in *Mélanges Hatzidakis*, 82 ff. (cf. *Rev. Ét. Gr.* xxxiv. 427). The visit of Cyriac of Ancona to Taenarum has been treated by P. Wolters (*Ath. Mitt.* xl. 91 ff.). Constant use is made of epigraphical evidence in E. Kjellberg's article on a distinguished Spartan of the Augustan age, C. Julius Eurykles (*Klio*, xvii. 44 ff. Cf. Pauly-Wissowa, x. 580 ff.).

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