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a vigorous intellect and an earnest soul is contending for the Christian faith. Not that the work before us is a polemic against pantheism, or any heresy. It is the product of positive and independent thought; its negative results are not, however, on that account, the less valuable.

That this delineation of so peculiar and original a course of thought has been, in all respects, successful, is too much to hope. If, however, it does not correctly express the leading features of the system examined, to those used to the peculiar phraseology and mode of thought of modern German philosophical writers, it is not because a conscientious and painstaking endeavor has not been made.

ARTICLE II.

COMPARATIVE PHONOLOGY; OR THE PHONETIC SYSTEM OF THE INDO-EUROPEAN LANGUAGES.

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A Brief View of the Sanskrit Consonants, in their relations to the Other Classical Languages.

THE different classes of consonants, in the Sanskrit, are as follows:

(1) Gutturals. These are k, kh, g, gh, and n pronounced like our nasal n in ng and nk, as in sing and sink. This nasal n is found only before gutturals: as in the middle of a word, or at the end of a word in place of m, if that word is succeeded immediately by one beginning with a guttural. K is represented, in Greek, by κ, and in Latin by c (k) and q: as in Sansk. kapâlas, the skull; Greek, κεφαλή; and Lat. caput. Kh is represented, in Greek, by χ: as in Sansk. nakhas, a nail; Gr. ὄνυξ stem ὄνυχ (the o being euphonic); and

so khan, to dig, Gr. χαlνειν, pure stem χαν. G is equivalent to the same sound in Greek and Latin: as in Sansk. sthag, to cover; Gr. στέγω; Lat. tego. Gh, as in Sansk. gbarma; Gr. Θερμός; Lat. formus; Eng. warmth; is represented by the aspirates of different organs in other languages. In the case of laghu, light, it is represented, in Latin, by the labial v, in the word levis, light; while yet in the German leicht and English light, the original guttural form is preserved.

(2) Palatals. These are ch, chh, j, jh, and n. This class of consonants may be viewed as derivative from the preceding, and but as a mere softened form of it. They occur only before vowels and weak consonants, as semivowels and nasals; while before strong consonants they fall back at once into the class of gutturals from which they came. In the various cognate languages, we find this class of letters represented oftenest by gutturals; next, by labials, on account of the mutual etymological sympathy so apparent in various languages between gutturals and labials; next in frequency, by some t-sound, as this is the initial element of the palatal sounds generally; and, last of all, by the sibilants. Thus compare

SANSKRIT.	GREEK.	LATIN.
panchan, five.	πέντε	quinque.
pachâmi, I cook.	πέσσω (for πέσσαμι)	coquo (for coqua-
jânu, the knee. jam, to unite with.	γόνυ γαμείν	genu.
iribh, to open or draw apart.	, ,	ratch, to write.

Chh finds its equivalent, in Greek and Latin, in σκ and sc: as in chhâyâ, a shadow, and σκιά; and also in chhinadmi, I cleave; and Lat. scindo (for scindami); chhauna, a covering, and σκηνή, a tent, as well as chhali and σκύλος, the hide of an animal. When terminal in a root, it appears as g: as in Sansk. prachh, to ask; Lat. rogo for progo, stem prog (cf. also Lat. precor, Eng. pray); and German, fragen.

(3) Linguals of a special sort, peculiar to the Sanskrit.

These are written as t, th, d, dh, n, each with a dot underneath, to distinguish them from the ordinary dentals having the same symbols in their natural form.

(4) Dentals. This class embraces the common linguals of other languages, both simple and compound: as d, dh, t, th, and n. D is sometimes interchanged with 1 in Greek and Latin: as in δάκρυμα, a tear, and lacryma for dacryma; $\delta a \eta \rho$ (for $\delta a F \eta \rho$), a brother-in-law, and levir (Sansk. dêvaras); and lingua, the tongue, archaic, dingua; and δάφνη, a laurel, with its parallel form λάφνη. Bopp regards similarly, and with good reason therefore, λαμπάς as representing the Sanskrit dîpa, a lamp, in a strengthened form; and so, -λικος in ηλικος he compares with drisa Prakrit disa, like. Compare also, in the same way, licet and bien, custom, right; and lorum, a thong, with δορά, a skin. The Sanskrit d, besides being represented by its own simple equivalent in Greek and Latin, is, like dh, often represented by 9 (th); while dh itself, in addition to such an equivalent in Greek, is represented, also, by f and b in Latin. Thus compare:

SANSKRIT.	GREEK.	LATIN.
dêvas, a shining one.	θεός.	deus.
dvar, a door.	θύρα.	
duhitri, a daughter.	θύγατηρ.	
dadhâmi, I place; stem, dhâ.	τίθημι, stem, $\vartheta \epsilon$.	
madhu, an intoxicating drink.	μέθυ.	mel.
dhumas, smoke.	θυμός.	fumus.
ûdhar, a teat.	οδθαρ.	uber.

Th, in Sanskrit, is never represented by \Im in the Greek, but always by τ : as, in Sansk., stha, to stand, in the present, from tishthami, I stand, compared with $i\sigma\tau\eta\mu\iota$ for $\sigma i\sigma\tau\eta\mu\iota$ (root, $\sigma\tau a$), Lat. sto, stare, stem, sta. So, compare Sansk. asthi, a bone, with $i\sigma\tau\acute{e}o\nu$, Lat. os, stem, oss for ost; and also rath, a carriage, Lat. rota, a wheel.

(5) Labials. These are p, ph, b, bh, and m. Ph occurs rarely, while bh is, like dh, of frequent occurrence. In Greek, ϕ , and in Latin, f, represents, commonly, this aspirate, as in

Sansk. bhar, to bear, Gr. $\phi \epsilon \rho \omega$, Lat. fero; and also in bhû, to be, Gr. $\phi \epsilon \omega$, Lat. fui. In the Germanic languages, Sansk. bh becomes also b, as in (ge)bären, to bring forth, Eng. bear; compare, also, German fahren, to carry, Eng. ferry; and Germ. bin, I am, Eng. be, and Sansk. bhû.

In the dative plural ending -bus, Sansk. -bhyas, we see bh represented by b, as its equivalent in Latin. In the interior of a word, indeed, the Latin prefers the medial labial (b) to the aspirates. Compare, in connection with Sansk. tubhyam, to thee, Lat. tibi; also, Sansk. abhi, both, Gr. āpφω, and Lat. ambo; and Sansk. nabhas, rabh and lubhyati with their Latin equivalents, nubes, a cloud, rabies, rage, and lubet or libet, it pleases. Sanskrit p, b, and m are each abundantly represented by their own simple equivalents in Greek and Latin.

- (6) Semivowels. These are y, r, l, v. Y is, in sound, our y, as in year. In Prâkrit, as in Persian and Latin, it often passes into j; as in Sansk. yuvan, young, Persian javân, Lat. juvenis. In Greek, its equivalent is & Thus compare yuj, to bind, and ζευγνύναι and ζωννύναι, Lat. jungere, stem, jung and jug, as in jungo, and jugum; also, Sansk. yava, barley, and tea for teFa; as also yas and tew, to boil. So the termination -aζω (for -aζaμι) corresponds with the similar Sanskrit verbal ending -ayami. R is commonly represented by r in the other languages; and I sometimes passes over into r in them: as in Sansk. lup and lump, to break, Lat. rumpo, perf. rupi. V has the sound of our English v, except aster consonants: as in tvâm, where it is sounded like w. Neither v nor v can stand at the end of a word, since the voice cannot rest on them. As the semivowels are of so flexible and flowing a nature, they easily interchange one with the other, in the different languages, as not only an original I with r, as has been already indicated, but also an original n with l. Thus compare Sansk. anyas, another, and Gr. ἄλλος (for ἄλιος) and Lat. alius; and also Sansk. antaras and Lat. alter.
- (7) Sibilants. These are ç. sh and s. H is also classified here. The sibilant ç is very slightly aspirated. It ap-



pears to have sprung from an original k; and, in Greek and Latin, k and c regularly correspond with it. The Gothic substitutes for it h, while the Lithuanian represents it by a compound sibilant sz, pronounced like our sh. Thus Sansk. gvan, a dog, gen. gunas, is, in Greek, κύων, gen. κυνός; in Gothic, hunds; and, in Lithuanian, szuo, gen. szuns. So, açvas, a horse, is, in Latin, equus (pronounced, originally, as if written ekus) and Lithuanian, aszwa. At the end of a word, and in the middle before strong consonants, it usually reverts to its original k-sound. With the tendency of this sibilant to vibrate between a hard and soft sound, compare the double sound of c in our language, as s and k, or hard and soft; as, likewise, in the French. In Italian, also, it has a double sound, as k and ch.

The sibilant sh is pronounced as in English. Combined with k as in ksh, it is represented, in Greek, by ξ , and in Latin by x: as, in Sansk. dakshina, Gr. δεξιός, Lat. dexter, Lith. deszine. It occurs sometimes initially and sometimes terminally: as in shash, six; where it is represented, when initial, by s in Latin and the aspirate in Greek; and when terminal by x (E) in both languages; as in EE and Lat. sex; compare Lithuanian szeszi. At the end of a word, and in the middle before a strong consonant, as t and th, it passes into k and t, in Sanskrit. So, in Greek ὀκτώ; Lat. octo; Italian otto; as compared with the Sansk. ashtau, eight; a similar style of interchanges appears in the other languages. The sibilant s is the ordinary s of other lan-It is changed, in different cases, according to speguages. cial euphonic rules, into c, sh, r, and other letters, and only remains unaltered before t and th.

H was never admitted at the end of words, or in the middle before strong consonants. When coming into such positions or conjunctions, it passed, according to definite rules, into subdotted t or d, k or g; which it would be of no value to state or illustrate here, as they lie so exclusively within the bounds of specific Sanskrit scholarship, as such. The Sansk. h is represented, often, by κ in Greek and c in Latin: as in Sansk. hard, hrid, and hridaya, the heart; Gr. καρδία and κῆρ; Lat. cor, stem cord, with which compare Gothic hairto; Germ. hertz; Eng. heart; and Lith. szirdis. In Greek, χ is often, also, the equivalent of the Sansk. h: as in Sansk. hima, Gr. χείμων, Lat. hiems; and also hrish, to rejoice, Gr. χαίρω; hansas, a goose, Gr. χήν, Lat. anser for hanser; and hyas, yesterday, Gr. χθές, Lat. heri for hesi; with hesternus, the adjective form of which, compare Germ. gestern and Eng. yesterday.

2dly. The Consonantal System of the several Classical Languages, viewed pathologically.

The true laws of consonantal combinations, in reference to their proper euphonic effect, are better developed in Greek than in any, not to say all, other languages, besides the San-In no direction was their acute sense of the fitness of things more exact and artistic; and in none was their skill more vigorously employed, than in their mode of constructing word-architecture, and adorning it according to their ideas of true taste. In the forms of words that they moulded and chiselled, or, in other language, in the additions, accommodations, abrasions, contractions, and prosodial changes, that they left as the marks of their skill upon them, we see as in fixed type, the rules of art that they discovered and applied, in the mutual arrangement and harmonious distribution of sounds. Phonetic complications occur but on a very limited scale in Latin, whose laws of life and growth, in this part of its framework, are very simple.

That department of philology, which concerns itself with the affections or changes of letters and syllables, constitutes the pathology of language, and embraces the whole range of mutilations and corruptions, whether effected by time, or dialectic causes, or the influences of climatic agency; as well as the whole range of euphonic additions, substitutions and suppressions, wrought by earnest determined hands, according to real or supposed rules of art.

Letters once radical and characteristic of words in their original state, have dropped from their place, under the pressure of phonetic instincts and tastes upon them, like boughs encumbering the parent stem of a tree, beneath the pruning



knife; so that, in the scientific study of etymology, it becomes often necessary to know, not only the course of the changes that have occurred, but also the laws that have determined their rise and progress.

The consonantal, like the vowel, elements of speech, have their different degrees of weight; and their weight is but another name for the amount of their phonetic force, or the density, as it were, of their phonetic substance. breathing h is lighter even than the vowels; to which the aspirates and semi-vowels stand next in order; then follow the liquids and in the following sequence, from light to heavy, r, l, n, m. The heaviest of all the consonantal sounds are the mutes; and in the order for increasing weight of middle, smooth and rough. So also labials and palatals of the same several classes, smooth, middle and rough, as p and k, b and g, are heavier than the corresponding dentals of each class respectively, as t compared with p and k, and so also d compared with b and g. These subtle mechanical relations of sounds to each other, indicate the directions in which the inward forces at work upon language, to modify its combinations, exert their energy.

As the facts and laws that pertain to consonantal combinations are intimately interwoven with those pertaining to consonantal changes, they must, many of them, in order that either should be properly comprehended, be exhibited together in one view.

- (1) Generally: with a view of the general laws of change in word-forms. These laws of change are the following:
- § 1. The tendency is always, in the course of time, and in the passage of words from one country to another, forwards from complicated to simple forms, and not backwards from simple to complicated. Time abrades and rounds off words in its perpetually flowing stream, as it does stones and boulders on the floor of the ever heaving sea.
- § 2. The greatest mutilations in the volume of words occur in their terminal, rather than in their initial syllables; although in the latter, changes of single letters occur more frequently than in the former.



- § 3. Vowels are much more sensitive to changes in the volume of a word, and correspond more instinctively with them, than consonants.
- § 4. In vowel-changes the course of change is, for the most part, from the primary to the secondary vowels, and not backwards. The primary vowel, a, can be transformed into any of the other vowels; but they do not revert to it. So in Latin, e and o often settle down into the weaker vowels, i and u.
- § 5. The interchanges of consonants with each other, which constitute a very large class of all phonetic changes, are made on the following principles:
- 1. Inasmuch as sounds made by different organs would, when proximate, often jar phonetically upon each other, or, which is the same thing, would require special effort to be distinctly uttered in conjunction, they are harmonized on the principle that a smooth mute must precede a smooth, a medial a medial, and a rough, a rough: as in $\tilde{\epsilon}\pi\tau a$ and $\tilde{\epsilon}\beta\delta\rho\mu\sigma$, $\tilde{\delta}\kappa\tau\omega$ and $\tilde{\delta}\gamma\delta\sigma\sigma$, $\gamma\rho\dot{a}\phi\omega$, $\gamma\rho\alpha\pi\tau\dot{\sigma}$ and $\gamma\rho\dot{a}\beta\delta\eta\nu$. The law, stated in its simplest form, is this: consonants brought into immediate juxtaposition must be made homogeneous. Thus, $\kappa\delta$ and $\chi\delta$ become $\gamma\delta$; $\kappa\Im$ and $\gamma\Im$ become $\chi\Im$; $\gamma\tau$ and $\chi\tau$ become $\kappa\tau$; $\pi\delta$ and $\phi\delta$ become $\beta\delta$; $\pi\Im$ and $\beta\Im$ become $\partial\Im$; and $\partial\tau$ and $\partial\tau$ become $\pi\tau$.
- 2. Homogeneous consonants of different organs are often exchanged for each other.
- (a) Semi-vowels and aspirates, one with the other; as h and s, in ξξ and sex, ἐπτά and septem; and h and v, in ἔσπερος (Γέσπερος) and vesper. So f in Latin becomes h in Spanish, as in Lat. filius, Span. hijo; and filum, Span. hilo.
- (b) Different liquids, one with the other, as I and r, I and n, m and n; examples of which will be furnished hereafter, under the head of Substitution of Sounds for each other.
- (c) Different mutes, one with the other, in each of the three kinds respectively, smooth, middle, and rough; abundant illustrations of which will be furnished hereafter.

¹ In the preposition &x, x remains unchanged before &, as in Exdens.

3. Homorganous consonants, or those of any one specific class, as labials, palatals or dentals, severally, may readily pass into others of the same class, that is, others made by the same organs. The following are a few among many specimens: βούλομαι and volo, I wish; χεῖμα and hiems, wintry weather; χόρτος and hortus, a garden; σύ (Acol. τύ) and tu, thon; μέσος and medius, middle; βροτός (for μροτός, Cf. Sanskrit marttas, Lat. mortuus, dead, from Sansk. mri, to die, Lat. mori); and τύπτουσι, Aeol. and Dor. τύπτουτι and τύπτουσι.

The styles or forms of consonantal changes are various, as

- A. Substitutions.
- B. Insertions and Additions.
- C. Suppressions.
- D. Weakened Consonantal Forms.
- E. Strengthened Consonantal Forms.
- A. Substitution. This is of two kinds:
- 1. Literal, or pertaining to a mere change of letters.
- 2. Topical, or pertaining to a change of place or order, in respect either to a mere letter, or an entire syllable.
 - 1. Literal Substitution. This is of two kinds:
 - (1) General, or weak.
 - (2) Directly assimilative, or intensive.

Assimilative substitution occurs, when, by the strong phonetic attraction of another letter preceding or succeeding it, a consonant is changed to the same letter, or to one directly homogeneous with it; while, by general or weak substitution is described any other change of a consonant, made under the influence of weak phonetic attraction, or of indeterminate subtle affinities of any kind, or for the mere sake of avoiding phonetic monotony.

As the modes and forms of substitution are so often the same in both Greek and Latin, and these two languages are so cognate and correlated in every way, illustrations will be drawn indiscriminately from them both.

- (1) General or weak substitutions occur in each of the different classes of consonants.
- I. Palatals or Gutturals. These are in Greek κ , γ , χ , and in Latin c, g, ch.

- § 1. The gutturals when followed by σ become in Greek ξ , which, therefore, always represents as a double consonant either κ , γ or χ compounded with σ . As in Latin g is exchanged before s and t into c, x commonly represents c + s, but often also g + s, and sometimes v + s, as in vixi, perf. of vivo, for vivsi, and nix (gen. nivis) for nivs.
- § 2. The gutturals, when originally followed by ι , were afterwards changed to σ or τ ; and the vowel was itself also subsequently assimilated to the same letter, which thus become double. This is the true analysis of stems ending in $-\sigma\sigma$, or $-\tau\tau$. Thus,

τάσσω, stem ταγ, is for ταγιω. φυλάσσω, " φυλακ, " φυλακιω. ταράσσω,¹ " ταραχ, " ταραχιω. ὀρύσσω, " ὀρυχιω.

So μείζων for μεζίων is for original μεγίων, and δσσε (stem οκ) is for δκιε. Accordingly σσ represents not only τι, as in many instances, but also γι, κι, χι. Sometimes, as in κράζω (stem κραγ) for κραγίω, γι passed into ζ.

- § 3. In Latin, c² becomes, several times, g: as, (1) After n: as in quadringenti and septingenti, compared with ducenti, sexcenti, etc.
- (2) Before n. Thus: salignus, willow, from salix (stem, salic), is for salicnus, as dignus is also for dicnus; for the proper appreciation of which, compare δική, δίκαιος, and dico (stem, dic), and disco.
- (3) Before 1: as in negligo for neclego. (4) Before m: as in segmentum from seco. (5) Before a vowel: as in negotium for nec-otium. So the Latin lacus, a lake, has become the Italian lago.

In such words as ignarus (= in-gnarus), ignavus, cognosco, and ignosco, the g represents an original guttural belonging to the simple root in Latin, but now lost: as in

2 C and g were pronounced hard in Latin; c like our k, and g as our hard g.

¹ The form τέτρηχα, formerly thought to have come from an imaginary verb τρήχω, was shown by Buttmann to be derived from ταράσσω.

gnosco, the archaic form of nosco and gnavus, of navus. Compare γιγνώσκω (stem γνω) and γένναιος.

§ 4. G becomes c before t: as in actum and rectum, from ago and rego; c (for k) being the smooth mute with t, another smooth one.

II. Linguals.

These are, in Greek, τ , δ , ϑ , λ , ν , ρ , σ ; and, in Latin, d, t, th, l, n, r, s.

1st. The Substitution of Greek Linguals for each other.

- § 1. The liquids are interchangeable with each other: as, (1) λ and ρ. Thus: κεφαλαργία, headache, is for κεφαλαλγία, and ἀργαλέος, difficult, is for ἀλγαλέος. Compare, similarly, έρέβινθος and λέβινθος, pulse; συγηλός and σιγηρός, silent; λείριον and Lat. lilium, a lily; and also Lat. rumpo, perf. rupi (stem, rup), and Sansk. lup and lump, to break. In the same relation stand epis, strife, with Lat. lis; mille and millia, a thousand, with μύριοι; gramia, a humor in the eyes, with γλάμη. So coerulus, from coelum, is for coelu-In Freuch, similarly, r often represents the Latin 1: as in epître from epistola; apôtre (apostolus) and rossignol (lusciniola). Gibraltar is said, likewise, to stand for gebel al Tarik, the mountains of Tarik. So, our English word frock is derived from a Middle Latin word flocus, a monk's garment. The Latin peregrinus (per-ager) is the Italian pelegrino, French pélerin, German pilger, Eng. pilgrim; so that peregrinate and pilgrim come, immediately, from the same root. In the English word purple (Gr. πορφύρα, Lat. purpura, Fr. pourpre), we have a similar substitution of I for r.
- (2) λ and ν : as $\pi \lambda \epsilon \nu \mu \omega \nu^1$ and $\pi \nu \epsilon \nu \mu \omega \nu$, the lungs; $\lambda i \tau \rho \sigma \nu$ and $\nu i \tau \rho \sigma \nu$ (Lat. natrum), soda. In double forms of this sort, the Doric had a preference for the ν , and the Attic for the λ . So compare Lat. lympha and nympha, water, with $\nu \nu \mu \phi \eta$. Ancient Panormus, in Sicily, is now called Palermo; and the name of the modern Bologna was, originally, Bononia.

The Spanish nivel and French niveau, correspond, in the

¹ In the Latin pulmo(n) there is a metathesis of the l.

same way, with the Lat. libella, a level; as do the Latin lutra and Spanish nutria, the otter, and the Latin venenum, poison, and its Italian equivalent veleno.

- (3) μ and ν: as μων Ionic, and Doric νων, in the sense of αὐτόν. So compare μή and Latin ne, not; μῶν, whether, and Latin num; and also Sansk. accusative suffix -am, Gr. -ον, Lat. -um. Final ν, in Greek, is generally an alternate for μ, as in the 1st pers. sing. of the imperf. act. ἔτυπτον for ἔτυπτομ(ι); and in the acc. sing. ending ν of nouns; but sometimes it springs from σ, as afterwards shown.
- (4) ν and ρ. Compare the masculine comparative forms of Latin and Greek adjectives: as ἀκίων and ocior, μείζων (for μεγίων) and major; also δεινός and dirus, terrible, and δῶρον and donum, a gift.
- § 2. The other linguals (the dentals and sibilant, which is but the dental aspirate) are interchangeable with each other.
- (1) A radical δ or τ before ι, becomes generally σ, and sometimes ζ, while in Sanskrit it remained unchanged; as in πλούσιος for πλούτιος (from πλούτιος) and οὐσία, being, essence, for ὀντία, and γερουσία, a senate, for γερουτία. So, εζομαι (stem, έδ-) is for ἐδίομαι, with which compare Lat. sedeo; and ὅζω (stem ὀδ-) is for ὀδίω; and σχίζω is for σχιδίω. In a few cases, double forms of the same word in -σια and τια exist, as in ναυσία (from ναῦς, a ship) and ναυτία, Lat. nausea, sea-sickness.

The change of τ to σ , in feminine adjective and participial forms, originally ending in $-\tau \iota a$, is especially interesting. Thus the feminine suffix $-\sigma a$, of participles ending in $-\omega \nu$, $-\alpha s$, and $-\epsilon \iota s$, as $\tau \iota \tau \tau \tau \tilde{\upsilon} \tilde{\upsilon} \sigma a$, $\tau \iota \iota \psi \tilde{\upsilon} \tilde{\sigma} \sigma a$ and $\tau \iota \iota \psi \tilde{\upsilon} \tilde{\upsilon} \tilde{\sigma} \sigma a$, stands for $-\tau \iota a$. The proper feminine ending is here, as in $\dot{\upsilon} \tilde{\upsilon} \tilde{\upsilon} \tilde{\upsilon} s$ (stem $\dot{\upsilon} \tilde{\upsilon} \tilde{\upsilon} \tilde{\upsilon} s$), that of $-\iota a$; and the final letters of the stem are, in each case, $-\iota \tau s$. So that

τυπτοῦσα is for τυπτόντ-ια, originally. τυψᾶσα ' τυψάντ-ια, " τυφθεῖσα " τυφθέντ-ια. "

¹ So in πâs, πᾶσα, πᾶν we have represented with several changes the following original forms: πᾶs for παντ(s) — πᾶσα for παντια — πᾶν for παντ. 'Αναισδησία, likewise is for ἀναισδητία, from adj. ἀναισδητός; φασί is for φαντί, in which original.

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The true analysis of the changes that have occurred in the above forms, is the following: τ was changed to σ before ι , and the ι afterwards rejected; while also ν was, according to uniform Greek custom, cast away before σ , and the previous vowel was lengthened by way of etymological compensation. Stems in - $\epsilon\nu\tau$ preceded by a vowel, as $\chi a\rho i\epsilon\nu\tau$ (stem $\chi a\rho i\epsilon\nu\tau$) for $\chi a\rho i\epsilon\nu\tau$ s, have, in the feminine, the ending - $\epsilon\sigma\sigma a$ for the original - $\epsilon\nu\tau\iota a$. Here, not only is - $\tau\iota a$ changed to - σa , as above, but ν also, instead of being dropped, is assimilated to it, and changed to s. In such feminine forms as

μέλαινα, of μέλας (for μελανς) stem μελαν, τάλαινα, of τάλας (for ταλανς) stem ταλαν, τέρεινα, of τέρην (for τερενς) stem τερεν,

the same feminine suffix, $-\iota a$, really exists, but the ι is placed, by metathesis, before the final letter ν , of the stem, because probably, as that is one of the strongest of all the consonants in itself, the Greek ear forbade its being weakened in the feminine, compared with the other genders, by having two vowels after it, one of them the soft ι : so that $\mu \epsilon \lambda a \nu a$ represents an original $\mu \epsilon \lambda \acute{a} \nu a$.

(2) The sibilant (σ) is also interchanged with τ , in many forms where it would be final, and in some, also, where it would occur initially. For the exchange of σ for τ final, compare, with $\pi\rho\delta$, the Homeric form $\pi\rho\sigma\tau$ (Lat. prod-), Sansk. prati. So the neuter suffix -05, of the perf. participle active, as in $\tau\epsilon\tau\nu\phi\delta$, is but an euphonic form of the radical -0 τ , as the masculine suffix -05 ($\tau\epsilon\tau\nu\phi\delta$) is also of -0 τ 5 ($\tau\epsilon\tau\nu\phi\delta\tau$ 5). So also the final τ of those neuter stems which end in τ , and do not, like $\sigma\omega\mu$ a, drop it in the nominative, is changed, in that case, to 5, as in $\tau\epsilon\rho$ a5 (stem $\tau\epsilon\rho$ a7) and $\epsilon\epsilon$ a6 and ϵ a6 (stems ϵ 6 and ϵ 6. For the exhange of ϵ 6 for ϵ 7 initial, compare ϵ 6, epic and Ionic form of ϵ 6, with the same; also, Sansk. tvam, Lat. tu, and Gr. ϵ 7 and the



nal form (-ντι) of the third pers pl. act. of all verbs in Greek (cf. Latin third pers. pl. ending in -nt), the principal tenses are still found ending in the Doric dialect throughout. Compare also Attic είκοσι, twenty, with Doric Fείκατι, Latin viginti, Sansk. vinçati.

Cretan $\tau \rho \dot{\epsilon}$ (for $\tau F \epsilon$, Sansk. tvam) with $\sigma \dot{\epsilon}$, acc. case. Compare, also, $\tau \dot{\epsilon} \sigma \sigma s$, so great, and Lat. tot and totus; and also $\tau \dot{\epsilon} \kappa \sigma s$ offspring, and Lat. secus and sexus.

The interchangeableness of τ and σ , both phonetically and graphically, is a fact very noticeable in the pronunciation and orthography, one or both, of almost all languages. The interchangeable spelling of the Latin adjective suffix -tius, as such, or as -cius (as in adventitius or adventicius), and so of the nominal suffix -tio, as such, or as -cio (as in conditio and condicio), is noticeable in this direction. So, in the modern languages generally, t before i, in the same syllable, has a simple or mixed, s-sound. Thus, in French, nation is pronounced as if nasion; in German, as if nah-tsi-one; and, in English, as if na-shun.

In the Laconic dialect, even 9 was often changed into σ, as in σιός for θεός, a god, and ἀγασός for ἀγαθός, good, σάλασσα for θάλασσα; and πάσορ and πίσορ for πάθος and πίθος (when, also, ς final is changed euphonically to ρ).

- (3) An original sibilant is also, itself, sometimes represented by ν final. Compare ην, he was, with the Doric ης and the Vêdic as. So, in the 1st pers. pl. pres. act. of the verb, ν final stands for ς: as in τύπτομεν for τύπτομες (Doric form); with which compare the corresponding suffix -mas, in Sanskrit, as in dadamas, we give, and the corresponding Latin form in -mus, as in damus, we give. The Greek dual suffix -τον is the equivalent of the Sanskrit -thas. 'Αιέν, poetic form of alel (Eng. aye), always, is, in Doric, alés.
 - 2d. The Substitution of Latin Linguals for each other.
- § 1. D. (1) D is sometimes substituted for t, especially before r: as in quadraginta for quatraginta, and quadratus for quatratus. So, the ancient Mutina is now Modena; the river Athesis, of old, in Italy, is the present Adige; and Padua represents the ancient Patavium.
- (2) Other letters are, in several cases, substituted for an original d: as,
- (a) R, in one case: meridies is for medidies (medius + dies), noon. So r, in parricida for patricida, is equivalent in one case similarly to an original t.

- (b) L, also, represents, in some cases, an archaic d: as in lingua, archaic dingua, and lacrima, archaic dacrima (Gr. δάκρυμα). So, the Spanish cola, a tail, is but another form of the Latin cauda.
- (c) B, sometimes, represents an original d followed by u or v: as in bonus, archaic duonus; bellum, archaic duellum; and bis for dvis (Cf. Gr. δI_s for δFi_s).
- § 2. T. (1) T often becomes s, after r, as in the supines of many verbs. Thus tersum, mersum, cursum, versum, and other supines in -sum stand for tertum, mertum, etc., according to the analogy of the regular supine formation in -tum, of the various conjugations. The liquids, in fact, generally, except m, evince a special fondness for having s succeed them.
 - (2) T is in one case interchangeable with r, as in parricida.
- § 3. S. S is readily interchanged with r; as in arbor and arbos, honor and honos. The archaic forms of plurimus and melior were plusimus and melios, as in meliosem. (stem corpor) is for corpos, and this for corpor; and genus (stem gener) is for genes, and this for gener. So the Laconians often changed σ to ρ in the end of words, as in $\tau i \rho$ for τίς, and πόρ for ποῦς. Ancient Massilia has become similarly the modern Marseilles. In German, a like interchangeableness of r and s is noticeable in the words darum, therefore, and warum, wherefore, which are compounded of um + das, reversed, and um + was; as in English therefore stands for that-for; and wherefore for which-for. Compare in the same way, German Hase and English hare; German Eisen and English iron.

III. Labials.

These are in Greek π , β , ϕ , and μ ; and in Latin p, b, v, f, ph and m.

As the changes and substitutions that occur in them belong, almost all, to the class of assimilative substitutions, they demand no full, distinct treatment here, except in the following general particulars:

§ 1. In Greek, initial μ is sometimes interchanged with β , as in $\beta \lambda i \tau \tau \epsilon \iota \nu$ for $\mu \lambda i \tau \tau \epsilon \iota \nu$; $\beta \lambda \omega \sigma \kappa \omega$ for $\mu \lambda \omega \sigma \kappa \omega$; and $\beta \rho \sigma \tau \delta \sigma \tau$ for $\mu \rho \sigma \tau \delta \sigma$.



- § 2. In Latin, v becomes u, or is vowelized before a consonant, as in cautum for cavtum (caveo); fautum for favtum, and lautum for lavatum. As b and v, like p and f or ph, are all correlated labials of but different degrees of hardness, the substitution of u for b in such words as aufero and aufugio, for abfero and abfugio, is of the-same sort.
- § 3. One of the most frequent of all correspondences and interchanges in different languages is that of gutturals and labials, one with the other. Labials in Greek often correspond to gutturals in equivalent Sanskrit and Latin forms, as in επομαι (stem επ. for σεπ.), to follow, compared with Sansk. sach and Latin sequor (pronounced as sekor), root seq.; ἔππος, Aeol. ἔκκος, and equus (as if ekus); πέντε and quinque (as if kinke). So the interrogative and indefinite words πῶς, πότε, and ποῖος, are in the Ionic dialect κῶς, κότε, and κοῖος, corresponding with the Sanskrit kati, kadâ, etc.
- § 4. In a few cases, also, linguals and labials interchange in different languages, especially τ and π (t and p); as $\sigma\tau\acute{a}$ - $\delta\iota\sigma\nu$, Doric $\sigma\pi\acute{a}\delta\iota\sigma\nu$, Latin spatium; and so $\sigma\pi\epsilon\acute{\nu}\delta\omega$ and Lat. studeo.

IV. The aspirate H.

The Latin h is a much harder aspirate than the Sanskrit h, which it sometimes represents. Before s they both become x; as in vexit from veho, Sansk avâkshit from vah, to carry (cf. Greek $\partial \chi \acute{\epsilon} \omega$). In traxit, perf. of traho (perhaps for tra-veho), the same fact appears.

(2) Assimilative Substitution. Assimilation is the result of a strongly determinative, phonetic attraction between one consonant and another, when in immediate juxtaposition. The law of assimilation commonly works backwards, or from the second consonant to the preceding one, as in εννυμι for εσνυμι (for Γέσνυμι, Lat. vestio), and jussi, perf. of jubeo, for jubsi. But sometimes the law works forwards, from the first consonant to the second, as in δλλυμι for δλυυμι, Θάρρος for Θάρσος, and ἄλλος for ἄλιος, Sansk. anyas, Lat. alius. So when πρόσω was changed by metathesis to πόρσω in the Attic dialect, it was ere long harmonized to πόρρω. Positive full assimilation is the literal change of one consonant

to the same as the other connected with it; as in suffero for sub-fero, and illatus for in-latus. A more incomplete assimilation occurs in the change of one consonant, in juxtaposition with another, to one of the same class with it; as in imberbis for in-berbis, and impertio for in-pertio: m, b and p being all labials. In nihil for ne-hilum, and nisi for ne-si, and bubus for bobus (for bovibus), we seem to have a few cases also of a retrogressive vowel-assimilation.

I. Gutturals.

The law of harmonization is the same with them, as with all the other mutes, in Greek; that smooth mutes must combine with smooth, middle with middle, and rough with rough; except that, in reference to the rough mutes, there can neither be a duplication of the same mute in juxtaposition, nor a repetition of it even in successive syllables. $\Sigma a\phi\phi\dot{\omega}$ is accordingly changed to $\Sigma a\pi\phi\dot{\omega}$, and $B\dot{a}\chi$ - χ_{OS} to $B\dot{a}\kappa\chi_{OS}$, and $\tau l\Im \mu\mu$ takes the place of $\Im l\Im \mu\mu$, and $\pi\epsilon$ - $\psi l\lambda \eta \kappa a$ of $\phi\epsilon \psi l\lambda \eta \kappa a$. Before μ a guttural of whatever degree becomes uniformly γ , or medial. Thus $\delta \iota\omega\kappa\mu\dot{o}$ s becomes $\delta\iota\omega\gamma\mu\dot{o}$ s, and $\beta\dot{\epsilon}\beta\rho\epsilon\chi\mu a\iota$ becomes $\beta\dot{\epsilon}\beta\rho\epsilon\gamma\mu a\iota$.

- II. Linguals.
- 1. Greek.
- § 1. The Dentals, τ , δ , \Im .
- (1) Before dental mutes, other dentals are changed into the semi-vowel σ; to which Pott, Curtius, and Heyse agree in giving the appropriate name of dis-similation; so that ἀνυττός becomes ἀνυστός; ἀδτέον becomes ἀστέον, and πειθθηναι, πεισθήναι.
- (2) Before μ a dental becomes σ; as in ἴσμεν, first pers. pl. of οἶδα for ἴδμεν, and ἤνυσμαι for ἤνυτμαι, perf. pass. of ἀνύτω, Attic form of ἀνύω.
 - § 2. The Liquids.
- (1) L. (a) The weak vowel ι (or y) originally succeeding λ in many forms was afterwards converted into λ, as in μᾶλλον for μάλιον, comp. of μαλα; ἄλλος for ἄλιος; ἄλλομαι for ἀλίομαι (Lat. salio for saliomi); στέλλω for στελίω; βάλλω for βαλίω.
 - (b) In the Aeolic dialect σ was assimilated to a preceding

λ, as it was indeed also to μ , ν and ρ . We sometimes find this same style of assimilation in Homer, as in ιφελλα for ιφελσα, Attic ιφειλα, first Aor. of ιφέλλω. In the Attic form the tense-characteristic σ is rejected; and the preceding vowel ε is lengthened by way of compensation.

- (2) N. (a) Before λ or μ, ν is changed into the same liquid, as in συλλογίζω for συν-λογίζω, and ἐμμένω for ἐν-μένω.
 (b) Before ρ, ν is not thus changed, as in ἐνρίπτω, ἐνρήγνυμι; except in words compounded with συν, as in συρρίω. (c) Before σ, ν is, in the word σύν, assimilated to σ, as in συσσεύω, or dropped, as in συσπάω (συν + σπάω). In πάλιν, also, we find ν changed to σ in the compound παλίσσυτος.
 (d) Before a guttural, ν is always written γ, as in συγκαλέω. If the guttural is itself γ, then it is to the nasal gamma (Eng. ng final) that ν is converted, as in συγγενής (σύν + γένω).
- (3) S. Before the dentals, and the labial liquid m, any dental may be changed into σ , as in ologia for ologia, and $\delta\sigma\mu\dot{\eta}$ for $\delta\delta\mu\dot{\eta}$. So, in Latin est, he eats, third pers. Sing. of edo, for edt (for edit), we have d turned to s, before t.
 - 2. Latin.

The Dentals.

- (1) The dentals, d and t and the liquid r, are sometimes before s assimilated to it; as in cessi, perf. of cedo, for cedsi, gessi, perf. of gero, for gersi, concussi for concutsi, possum for potsum, fissum for fidsum, for fidtum, and missum for mitsum, for mittum. Such perfects as sedi, fīdi and scīdi, with supines in -ssum are undoubtedly contracted forms of original perfects in -si, as sedsi, fidsi, etc.; from which afterwards the s was rejected for better euphonic effect, and the short radical vowel, e or i, was lengthened by way of compensation.
- (2) D was sometimes assimilated to 1 before 1: as in sella for sedla, for sedela from sedeo, to sit, and lapillus (for lapidlus) for lapidulus.
- (3) N was assimilated to 1, m, and r: as in illino (in-lino, immineo (in-mineo), irruo (in-ruo).

In some of the modern languages, especially the Italian,

the law of assimilation is quite active: as in Ital. atto, an act (Lat. actum); patto, a pact (Lat. pactum), fitto, transfixed (Lat. fixus).

The letters most frequently doubled by assimilation, in the middle of words, are the liquids.

- III. Labials.
- 1st. In Greek.
- § 1. M. Whenever a labial precedes μ , in the middle of a word, it is changed to μ : as in $\gamma \rho a \mu \mu \dot{\eta}$ for $\gamma \rho a \phi \mu \dot{\eta}$ from $\gamma \rho \dot{\alpha} \phi \omega$.
- § 2. Π , B, Φ . These all, when preceding σ , combine with it, into the compound consonant Ψ ; which, while having, analytically, either one of the labials for its base, has yet, to the ear, always the sound of the smooth mute π . So, in Latin, scribsi, perf. of scribo, becomes scripsi.
 - 2d. In Latin.

M is, in a few cases, changed to n: as in tunc for tum-ce; princeps for primum (sc. gradum) capio: clandestinus, adj. formed from clam (for celam); tandem (from tam); and so quanquam, eundem, etc.

The interchanges of the different labials, one with the other, in various languages, may be here advantageously recalled: as in SANSKRIT. GREEK. LATIN. GERMAN. ENGLISH.

upari. $\upsilon\pi\dot{\epsilon}\rho$. super. über. over. upper. super. super. hyper.

saptan. ἔπτα. septem. sieben. seven.

2dly. Topical Substitution.

By this is meant a change of place, in a letter or syllable, either by accident, if there be any accidents in language, or for better euphonic effect. Topical substitution is of two kinds:

- (1) Metathesis. (2) Hyperthesis.
- (1) Metathesis (from $\mu \epsilon \tau a \tau i \Im \eta \mu \iota$, I exchange) is a change in the order of the letters of a word, in the same syllable.
 - 1st. In Greek.

¹ Webster's reference to peto, as the etymological radical of the noun fit, is absurd.

- § 1. It occurs in several, separate, individual words, that have no common elements of classification, unless it be that the consonant, before and after which the vowel plays interchangeably, is a liquid (ρ): as $\kappa \acute{a}\rho \tau o_{5}$ and $\kappa \rho \acute{a}\tau o_{5}$, strength; $\Im \acute{a}\rho \sigma o_{5}$ and $\Im \rho \acute{a}\sigma o_{5}$, courage; $\Im \rho \acute{o}\sigma \kappa \omega$ (stem, $\Im o_{\rho}$), I leap; $\kappa \rho a \delta \acute{i}\eta$ and $\kappa a \rho \delta \acute{i}a$, the heart. In Homer we find both $\kappa \acute{a}\rho \tau e \rho o_{5}$ and $\kappa \rho \acute{a}\tau e \rho o_{5}$, strong. $\Pi \rho \acute{o}\sigma \omega$ became, afterwards, $\pi \acute{o}\rho \sigma \omega$, and, still later, $\pi \acute{o}\dot{\rho}\dot{\rho}\omega$, Lat. porro. So, compare Aeol. $\tau \acute{e}\rho \tau o_{5}$ (Lat. tertius), Eng. tierce and tier, with $\tau \rho \acute{l}\tau o_{5}$.
- § 2. It occurs, frequently, in the perfect of verbs whose stems end in a liquid: as τέτμηκα from τέμνω (root, τεμ or ταμ), βέβληκα from βάλλω (stem, βαλ), τέθνηκα from θνήσκω (root, θαν). Compare, also, the perfects of καλέω, κάμνω, etc.
 - 2d. In Latin.
- § 1. A few cases occur, in proper Latin forms, compared one with the other: as, tero, perf. trivi; sterno, perf. stravi; ferveo, supine fretum, cerno, and cretum, sperno and spretum.
- § 2. There are, also, a few cases of metathesis, in equivalent forms to certain Greek words; as σκέπτομαι, I look around, and Lat. specio; κρινω, I judge, and cerno; ψύω and spuo, I spit.
 - (2) Hyperthesis.

This (derived from ὑπερτίθημι, I place or carry over) consists in changing letters from one syllable to another.

1st. In Greek.

- § 1. This occurs in a few single words: as in the genitive of $\Pi\nu\dot{\nu}\xi$, the Pnyx, $\Pi\nu\kappa\nu\dot{\nu}s$, which case, from its resemblance to the adj. $\pi\nu\kappa\nu\dot{\nu}s$, crowded, shows us the undoubted etymology of the word. Compare $\delta\chi\lambda\sigma$ s for $\delta\lambda\chi\sigma$ s, the people, Cretan $\pi\dot{\nu}s\lambda\chi\sigma$ s, Lat. vulgus, Germ. volk, Eng. folk.
- § 2. Many verbs, having now the diphthong $\epsilon \iota$ in their stems, exhibit therein a change of place of the weak vowel ι ,



¹ In English, an orthopical metathesis often occurs, if not an orthographical; as in the pronunciation of iron and fire, and in the utterance of the aspirate first in its combinations with an initial w, as in such words as which, what, where, stc.

which originally followed, instead of preceding, the final consonant of the stem. Thus:

τείνω,	stem	τεν,	is for	τενίω.
χείρων,	"	χερ	"	χερίων.
ἀμείνων,	"	ἀμεν,	"	ἀμενίων.
βαίνω,	66	βαν,	46	βανίω (cf. Lat. venio).
μαίνομαι,	"	μαν,	"	μανίωμαι.
φαίνω,	"	$\phi a \nu$	"	φανίω.

§ 3. Several feminine adjective forms in -awa exhibit the same change: as μέλαινα for μελάνια, τάλαινα for ταλάνια, etc.

2d. In Latin.

There is, in the word nervus, in Latin, as the equivalent of $\nu\epsilon\hat{\nu}\rho\rho\nu$, a single instance of hyperthesis, in the one language as compared with the other.

So Bosra, in Africa, now represents the original Búpora. Some French derivatives from the Latin, exhibiting the fact of hyperthesis, will not be inappropriate: as, tremper, to temper, Lat. temperare; tout, all, Lat. totus; noeud, a knot, Lat. nodus; peuple, the people, Lat. populus. In raison (ratio), maison (mansio), palais (palatium), we have undoubted instances of the same sort, in which the ι is to be regarded as radical, and not inserted, as in faim (fames) and foin (fenum), as a diphthongal compensation for a shortening of the original form.

In the case of some aspirated forms, there occurs a curious transfer, not indeed of a letter or syllable itself, but of a special affection belonging to it: as in $\Im\rho\epsilon\psi\omega$ fut. of $\tau\rho\epsilon\psi\omega$, $\xi\xi\omega$ fut. of $\xi\chi\omega$; $\pi\dot{\alpha}\sigma\chi\omega$ (for $\pi\dot{\alpha}\Im\sigma\kappa\omega$), stem $\pi\dot{\alpha}\Im$; and $\Im\rho\dot{\xi}$, gen. $\tau\rho\iota\chi\dot{\alpha}$ s. Compare, also, $\Im\epsilon\sigma\mu\dot{\alpha}$ s with Doric $\tau\epsilon\Im\mu\dot{\alpha}$ s, a statute. Here the aspirate, when lost in one part of the word by contraction or flexion, is carefully borne, for preservation, to another part.

The next style of Consonantal Changes consists:

B. Of Insertions and Additions. These are of a threefold character:

1st. Prosthesis. 2d. Epenthesis. 3d. Epithesis.

1st. Prosthesis. This consists in prefixing a single letter or syllable to the beginning of a word, and for the purpose simply, in nearly every case, of better euphonic effect.

- § 1. The vowel prefixes of a prosthetic sort, in Greek, are a, ϵ , and o, and, once or twice, ι .
- (1) a. Compare ἀμέργω, to pluck, with its other form μέργω, and so ἀμέρδω and μέρδω, to bereave; ἀμέλγω and Lat. mulgeo.
- (2) ε. Compare ἐρυθρός, red; Sansk. rohita, Lat. ruber; ἐχθές (also χθές), Sansk. hyas, Lat. heri for hesi. In ἐθέλω and θέλω we have both a fuller and contracted form of the same original word, in which the ε is radical and not prosthetic.
- (3) ο. Compare δδους (for δδουτς), Sansk. dantas, Latin dens for dents; δυομα, a name, Sansk. naman, Lat. nomen; δμιχέω, Sansk. mih, Lat. mingo, I void water.
 - (4) ι. As ἰαύω; I sleep, compared with αύω.
- § 2. The letter σ is found initial in some words, which appear at other times without it: as in $\sigma\mu\nu\rho\delta$ s, and $\mu\nu\rho\delta$ s, $\tau\dot{\epsilon}\gamma\sigma$ s (Lat. tectum) and $\sigma\tau\dot{\epsilon}\gamma\sigma$ s, $\sigma\mu\dot{\nu}\rho a\nu a$ and $\mu\dot{\nu}\rho a\nu a$. In some cases where σ thus occurs, it is radical to the original form; and in some cases it may be, possibly, the fragmentary representative of a lost preposition (els or ès), serving to give the form to which it was prefixed a more strongly directive sense; just as, in words beginning with $\nu\eta$ -, ν -, and a-, we often have fragments of an otherwise lost privative $d\nu e\nu$. Other prosthetic additions, particularly ϵ , may have sometimes originated in this way, and be but the remains, occasionally at least, of a primitive prepositional prefix.

Prosthetic additions to the original radical elements of a word often occur in French and Spanish. In Spanish, as in French, e is prefixed to words derived from the Latin beginning with sc, sp, and st: as in

SPANISH.	FRENCH.	LATIN.
escribir,	ecrire (originally, escrire),	scribere.
espeso,	epais,	spissus.
estado, 1	état	status.

¹ In this way English orthography has been complicated with French-Latin forms of Latin words, as in estate (Lat. status), espouse (sponsa), especial (species), establish (stabilio).

2d. Epenthesis.

This is the insertion of a letter in the middle of a word, for the purpose of a better dynamical or musical effect. In the Sanskrit, after the prepositions sam, ava, pari, and prati and some words beginning with k, an euphonic s is introduced between them and the words with which they are compounded. With this euphonic use of s, a similar addition of it to ab and ob, in Latin, before c, q, and p, remarkably agrees. Ob sometimes retains it even when alone.

1st. In Greek.

- § 1. Σ has an affinity for τ , \Im , and μ , and often occurs before them, after short vowels: as, in the 2d pers. dual and plural person-endings passive of verbs, before \Im : as, $-\sigma \Im \sigma \nu$ and $-\sigma \Im \epsilon$; and in the 3d dual passive person-ending of the historical tenses $-\sigma \Im \eta \nu$; with which compare the corresponding person-endings $\tau \sigma \nu$, $\tau \epsilon$, and $\tau \eta \nu$, in the active voice.
- § 2. We find also, in Greek, other epenthetic uses of different consonants: as, (1) Of β after μ ; as in $\mu \epsilon \sigma \eta \mu \beta \rho la$ (= $\mu \epsilon \sigma \eta + \dot{\eta} \mu \epsilon \rho a$) and $\Im a \mu \beta \sigma s$, astonishment, compared with $\Im a \hat{\nu} \mu a$, wonder. In French, a similar fact appears in some words: as in chambre, Lat. camera; nombre, Lat. numerus.
- (2) Of δ after ν : as in $\delta \nu \epsilon \rho o s$, contracted $\delta \nu \delta \rho o s$; with which also compare Fr. gendre and Lat. gener.
- (3) Of \Im after σ : as in $i\mu\acute{a}\sigma\Im\lambda\eta$, a thong; with which compare $i\mu\acute{a}\sigma\sigma\omega$ and $\mu\acute{a}\sigma\tau\imath\xi$. The \Im serves, in such cases, to facilitate, phonetically, the union of μ or ν and σ with the succeeding λ or ρ .
 - 2d. In Latin.
- § 1. N. In the Latin equivalents of some Greek and Sanskrit words an epenthetic n, or an n inserted for mere euphony, occurs: as in anguis, a snake, Gr. έχις, Sansk. ahis. The nasalization of various verb-stems, in the present and imperfect tenses of the different voices of the verb in both Greek and Latin, as in fundo, perf. fudi, and κυνέω, fut. κύσω, will be considered, by itself, under another head; and is therefore not embraced in this section.

- § 2. P is epenthetically inserted between m and t or s: as in sumpsi and promptus from sumo and promo. Compare Fr. dompter, to subdue, and Lat. domitare; and also the English word tempt, and its Latin original, tentare.
- § 3. R is euphonically inserted, by epenthesis, in the genitive plural, between the stem-vowels a and o, of the 1st or A-declension and of the 2d or O-declension and the proper plural genitive case-suffix -um: -arum being for -aüm, and -orum for -oüm; with which compare -ων, gen. pl. suffix in Greek: as in μουσά-ων, contracted μουσῶν. The r epenthetic, in Latin, prevents the unpleasant hiatus otherwise made by the concurrence of a+o in the one case, and by o+o in the other.
- § 4. S is used epenthetically, with ab and ob, in compound forms: as in abstineo, abstraho, obstinatus, and obsto. In subscus (sub+cudo) compared with incus, we see a similar use of it with sub.

Caution: D, it is often said, is also epenthetically inserted between two vowels: as in prodeo (pro+eo), and in the 2d pers. sing. and pl. of prosum (prodes and prodestis), and elsewhere in that verb. The same fact is cited, also, in reference to redeo (re+eo), reddo (re+do), and redarguo. The d, however, in these forms, is not epenthetic, but radical. The Sanskrit original of both forms is prati. Its Greek equivalent, mpos, was accordingly, at first, mport, in which form we find it in Homer, and from which, \u03c4 being interchanged for σ , it became $\pi \rho \dot{\phi}_s$ by contraction. Prod- and red- are, therefore, nearer their originals than pro- and re-, their shorter forms. In such forms as praeeo and deerro, no difficulty was felt by the Latins, on account of the hiatus caused, as there should have been, on the supposition that d, in the prefixes prod- and red- is of a mere euphonic origin.

3d. Epithesis.

This consists in adding a letter or syllable, at the end of a word, for better euphonic effect.

The ν ἐφελκύστικον, in Greek, is an addition of this sort, which, from its inherent phonetic strength, furnishes a good Vol. XVIL No. 66. 25

staff on which the voice may rest, at the end of a clause or sentence.

No epithetic addition of letters, in the modern languages, occurs to the author. There are, however, in French usage, frequent instances of phonetic, if not of graphic epithesis, in the utterance of the final letters of words which, by themselves, are silent whenever they are in regimen with words immediately following them, which begin with a vowel. So, too, the cardinal numerals, in French, which end with a consonant, as six, sept, huit, dix, have their last letter, otherwise silent except before a vowel, distinctly pronounced when at the end of a clause or sentence.

The third class of Consonantal Changes we term:

C. Suppressions and Abridgments. These may occur in the three different parts of a word: its beginning, middle, or end. Such suppressions are denominated, according to their nature and position, by the following different names: aphaeresis, elision, syncope, eethlipsis, and apocope.

1st. A suppression of a letter in the beginning of a word. This is termed aphaeresis.

I. In Greek.

- § 1. Σ often vanishes entirely, in Greek, at the commencement of a word; or, more frequently, is replaced rather by an aspirate, when a vowel follows. Sometimes both forms occur, as in $\sigma \hat{v}_S$ and \hat{v}_S (Sansk. sûkara (s), Lat. sus, Germ. sau and schwein, Eng. sow and swine.) So also $\sigma \hat{u} \lambda a \sigma \sigma a$ (Doric) and $\Im \hat{u} \lambda a \sigma \sigma a$, the sea (for $\Im \lambda a \sigma \sigma a$) from $\Im \lambda_S$, salt, Lat. sal, Sansk. sara, salt. In respect to $\Im \hat{u} \lambda a \sigma \sigma a$ and $\Im \lambda_S$, compare $\Hau \mu a$ and $\Im \mu \mu a$. The Romans liked the letter σ much better than the Greeks; and the aspirate is, accordingly, often initial in Greek where, in the equivalent forms of the Latin and the Sanskrit, the sibilant occupies its place: as in $\Hau \pi a$, seven, Lat. septem, Sansk. saptan; and $\Hau \pi b$, Lat. sex, Sansk. shash.
- § 2. In a few words λ was dropped when initial: as in $i\kappa\mu\acute{a}\omega$ for $\lambda\iota\kappa\mu\acute{a}\omega$, to winnow, and $i\gamma\delta\eta$, mortar, for $\lambda\acute{i}\gamma\delta\varsigma$. So, in the Aeolic dialect, μ was dropped from $\mu\acute{a}$, one, which thus became ia.



II. In Latin.

§ 1. We often find a suppressed or wanting, initially, before other consonants; which is retained in the equivalent Greek forms, as found in the Sanskrit; or, in some cases, prosthetically applied in Greek: as,

LATIN.	GREEK.	SANSKRIT.
tego, I cover.	στέγω	sthag.
fallo, I deceive.	σφάλλω	sphal.
fides, a cat-gut.	σφίδη (cf. φείδομαι)	bhid, a filament.
cavo, I hollow.	σκάπτω	
vespa, a wasp.	σφήξ	

§ 2. There are some interesting cases of aphaeresis, in individual Latin words:

LATIN. GREEK. SANSKRIT.

sum is for esumi. Cf. εἰμί (for ἐσμί) asmi.

nosco " gnosco. " γιγνώσκω jnâ (desiderative form,
navus " gnavus. " γειναῖος [jijnâsâ.)

So the English word stranger (Lat. extraneus, Span. estrangero, Fr. etranger) has lost its initial e: as in estrange; as also the word story (Gr. iστορία, Lat. historia, Ital. istoria and storia), has lost the initial syllable hi.

- 2d. A suppression of a letter or syllable, in the middle of a word. This is called by different names, according to circumstances.
- § 1. Elision. This occurs when a vowel is removed from before another vowel: as in nullus (= ne+ullus), nunquam (= ne+unquam), ἀνέρχομαι (= ἀνά+ἔρχομαι).
- § 2. Syncope. By this is meant the removal of a vowel from between two consonants: as in patris, gen. of pater, for pateris; and so $\pi \alpha \tau \rho \delta s$, gen. of $\pi \alpha \tau \eta \rho$, and Homeric $\tau i \pi \tau \epsilon$ for $\tau i \pi \tau \epsilon$. Valde, in Latin, is for valide, by syncope.
- § 3. Ecthlipsis. This is the removal of a consonant, or of an entire syllable, from the middle of a word.

1st. In Greek.

In Greek, σ is often rejected by ecthlipsis; sometimes in

nouns, and sometimes in verbs: as in γένεος for γένεσος, gen. of γένος, and βουλεύη for βουλεύεαι for βουλεύεσαι.

While in Sanskrit euphonic principles ruled with a force greater than in any of the cognate languages, still many harsh combinations were allowable, which seemed to the Greeks and Romans, even when occurring in a regular way, altogether too dissonant. In the case accordingly of verbs, having roots terminating in a consonant, it was an almost universal rule, in both Greek and Latin, although not in Sanskrit, to connect the personal terminations with the stem, by means of an union-vowel. In the following roots, however, the connecting vowel was suppressed, when the personal ending was affixed: in Greek, the roots ε's, to be, and ιδ, to know; and in Latin, es, to be; fer, to bear; vel, to wish; and ed, to eat; so that we have the forms εστί, ἐσμέν, ἴστε and ἰδμεν, and also est, he is, fert, vult, and est, he eats.

As in Sanskrit, before the personal terminations beginning with t, th and dh, roots that end with a consonant other than n reject s, in order to avoid a harsh combination of three consonants; so, in Greek, roots terminating with a consonant abbreviate in the perfect passive the terminations -odov, -ode, to -dov and -de, as tétupde for tétupode, and rétaxde for tétafde. Compare in Sanskrit the form sthâ, to stand, with itself as it is when compounded with the preposition "ut," up, as in utthita, upstood for ut-sthita.

Before σ the dentals and the dental liquid ν are dropped; as in $\lambda a \mu \pi \dot{\alpha}s$ for $\lambda a \mu \pi \dot{\alpha} \dot{\delta}s$, κόρυς for κόρυς, σώμασι for σώματοι, and δαίμοσι for δαίμονοι. In πούς, stem πόδ, not only is σ dropped, but σ is lengthened also by way of compensation, as likewise in the perf. act. participle in -ως, as in $\beta \epsilon \beta \sigma \nu \lambda \epsilon \nu \kappa \dot{\alpha}s$ for $\beta \epsilon \beta \sigma \nu \lambda \epsilon \nu \kappa \dot{\alpha}s$.

When both a dental and ν are omitted before σ , the absorption is indicated by an elongation of the vowel, if a, or by its diphthongation, if e or o; e becoming in such a case $e\epsilon$, and o becoming ou and ω ; as in $\pi \hat{a} \sigma \iota$ for $\pi \acute{a} \nu \tau \sigma \iota$, and $\sigma \pi \acute{e} \iota \sigma \omega$, fut. of $\sigma \pi \acute{e} \nu \delta \omega$, for $\sigma \pi \acute{e} \nu \delta$

2. In Latin.



Abridgments by ecthlipsis, accompanied often by a subsequent contraction, are numerous: as, debeo and praebeo for dehibeo and praehibeo; promo and sumo for pro-emo and sub-emo; malle for mavelle (= magis and velle); prudens for providens; amavi and docui for ama-fui and doce-fui; lumen for lucimen; hodie for hoc die; judex for jus-dex, and momentum for movimentum. So the dative and ablative pl. suffix-ending -is, is a contraction, in the different declensions, of the original forms -abus, -obus and -ibus; with which compare the double dative pl. forms, queis or quibus of the relative pronoun qui. So poematis is found in some authors for poematibus.

The above instances are of an individual sort, and better denoted by themselves, than by any attempted classification. The facts which remain, that are worthy of note, may be thus classified:

- (1) D is often suppressed before s, and so sometimes is t; as in divîsi for dividsi, mîsi for mitsi, clausi for claudsi, and laesi for laedsi. In divîsi and mîsi, or any such case, the first vowel i is long by way of contraction, as it would otherwise be made by way of compensation.
- (2) C, g and q sometimes disappear in the same way before s; as in sparsi for spargsi, mulsi for mulgsi, and torsi for torqsi.

Even in English, words are sometimes softened by the rejection of a letter belonging to the original root; as in our words speak, spake, and spoken, from the German sprechen, sprach, gesprochen.

§ 3. A suppression at the end of a word is called Apocope. In the Sanskrit, in the final form in which it has reached us, two consonants were no longer tolerated, as they once had been, at the end of a word; but the latter was rejected. That this feature of the language was not fixed upon it, until after the separation of the other languages from the common parent-stock, would seem evident from the fact, that it is not true of the Zend or of the European languages, old or new. The result to the Sanskrit is a mutilation in the present aspect of many of its original forms, which, if found

now as they were in their primeval state, would furnish much valuable light on many etymological questions and theories

1. In Greek.

(1) All final mutes are apocopated from forms, where they would otherwise appear as a radical part of the word. Thus μέλιτ becomes μέλι; σῶματ, σῶμα; ἔτυπτετ, third pers. sing. imperf. act. (for fuller form ἔτυπτετι) becomes ἔτυπτε and ἔτυπτοντ(ι), third pers. pl. of same tense, becomes ἔτυπτον; γάλακτ becomes γάλα, and ἢσαντ(ι) (compare erant for esant) becomes ἢσαν, and πᾶντ (neut. of πᾶς) becomes πᾶν. In such nominatives neuter, as κέρας, κρέας, τέρας, the final τ of the stem is merely changed to ς.

(2) No consonant can properly end a word in Greek except ν , ρ or ς . Οὐκ or οὐχ is but a mutilation of οὐκε and ἐκ or ἐξ of ἐκις (cf. ἔκας, ἐκεῖ and ἐκεῖνος); and they are properly but proclitics, never occurring at the end of a sentence; οὐκ always preceding a word beginning with a vowel and ἐκ one commencing with a consonant. In respect also to the three letters, ν , ρ and σ , it is to be remembered that ρ occurs rarely, and that ν often represents σ , or contains it by absorption, and also that ς final cannot be preceded by a dental or the liquid ν . Even ν and σ were themselves so weak at the end of words, as to be often omitted. Thus ἐγώ is for ἐγών, Sansk. aham; and τοῦτο, neuter of οῦτος, is for τοῦτον. Compare also πρόσθε and πρόσθεν, νύ and νύν.

(3) The passive person-endings -νται and -ντο cannot occur after a consonantal stem; the ν accordingly is changed to α, and the forms become τετύφαται and ἐτετύφατο instead of τετύφνται and ἐτετύφντο; like the change of the accusative case-sign ν in the third declension to α, after consonants, as in πατέρα for πατέρν, and κόρνθα for κόρνθν.

(4) When occurring between two short vowels in the end-syllable of a word, σ and ν tend to vanish, as in $\mu\epsilon i\zeta o\nu s$ for $\mu\epsilon i\zeta o(\nu)\epsilon s$ and $\gamma \epsilon \nu o\nu s$ for $\gamma \epsilon \nu \epsilon (\sigma) os$.

(5) In the third pers. sing. active of all the tenses, and in the third pers. pl. of both the imperfect and agrist tenses, an original τ, still preserved in Latin, is dropped. Thus τύπτε,

ἔτυπτε, τέτυφε, ἔτυψε are for τύπτετ(ι), ἐτύπτετ(ι), τετύφετ(ι), ἐτύψετι. Thus compare

SANSKRIT.	GREEK.	LATIN.
bharati, he bears,	φέρε(τ)ι,	fer(i)t(i).
abharat(i), he was bearing,	έφέρε(τι),	fere-bat(i).

- (6) Unsignatized masculine and feminine nominatives, or those which would normally have the gender-sign σ affixed, but which, on account of an ν final in the stem, have rejected it, have their stem-vowel lengthened by way of compensation, as in $\pi o\iota \mu \dot{\eta} \nu$ for $\pi o\iota \mu \dot{\epsilon} \nu \varsigma$, and $\dot{\eta} \gamma \epsilon \mu \dot{\omega} \nu \varsigma$.
 - 2. In Latin.

The number of final consonants in Latin, c, l, n, r, s, t, is somewhat greater than in Greek.

Apocope occurs in Latin in several interesting classes of cases.

- (1) In the loss of the final letters of many consonantal stems of nouns in the nominative; as in cor, the heart, for cord; lac, milk, stem lact; os, a bone, stem oss (Gr. stem $\delta\sigma\tau\epsilon$); leo, a lion, stem leon; and mel, honey, stem mell.
- (2) In the ablative singular form of all the declensions; in the dropping of its final characteristic d from them all; as domino for archaic dominod, and sermone for sermoned.
- (3) In several imperatives, as dic for dice; duc for duce; fac for face; and fer for fere.

The next class of consonantal changes is composed of

- IV: Weakened consonantal forms; or the weakening of individual consonants in certain specific forms or classes of forms.
- (1) The very common one of τ into σ. Thus the ending -ουσι in the third pers. pl. of the pres. and fut. active of Greek verbs, as in τύπτουσι and τύψουσι, represents an original -ουτι; which was the form also actually used by the Dorians. The analysis of the changes made in the form is this: τ was euphonically changed to σ, after which ν was dropped, according to universal Greek usage before σ, and the vowel σ was lengthened, by way of etymological compensation, into ου.



So in Latin, the proper supine-ending -tum is changed, when the stem of the verb ends in a dental, into -sum. After a long medial vowel the dental is thrown away, as in caesum for caedtum, from caedo, to kill, and laesum for laedtum, from laedo; as likewise in the supine and participial forms of cado and edo, to eat; in which the vowels a and e are accordingly lengthened by the contraction of the syllable to which they belong, as in casum for cadtum, supine of cado, and the participles ambesus and comesus of ambedo and comedo. After a short vowel, the dental is also assimilated to the changed suffix, as in fissum for fidtum, and fossum for fodtum; supines of findo and fodio.

- (2) That of the conversion of an original σ , in the beginning of a word, into the aspirate; as in \tilde{v}_s for $\sigma \hat{v}_s$, which two forms are both found in use together; and of $l\sigma \tau \eta \mu \iota$ for $\sigma l\sigma \tau \eta \mu \iota$ (Lat. sisto). This subject will, however, receive its proper treatment, under the subsequent head of Sibilation.
- (3) That of the weakening of an original Digamma into various forms; another topic reserved for fuller discussion, by and by, alone by itself.

A special hint. It must not be forgotten, that some differences in the flexion-forms both of nouns and verbs are to be resolved, not by any mere phonological analysis, but on the theory of a manifest duplication of the stems of its different forms, and sometimes even by the aggregation of very different stems together, for grammatical convenience, into one form of conjugation. In such forms as $\mu \acute{e}\gamma as$, $\mu e\gamma \acute{a}\lambda \eta$, $\mu \acute{e}\gamma a$; $\pi o\lambda \acute{v}s$, $\pi o\lambda \acute{v$

V. Strengthened consonantal forms.

Neither learner nor teacher, it is believed, can be harmed by occasional repetitions of the same fact, in other relations and for other uses. It is difficult, if not impossible, to survey phonology thoroughly on its different sides, and to do justice to each one of them by itself, without at the same time catching views of other parts already examined, or demanding afterwards more distinct and complete consideration.

The use of strengthened forms was one of the early features of language, abounding in Sanskrit and Greek, and of frequent occurrence also in Latin; but occurring less and less in subsequent and derived languages, as we go in them further and further from their primeval source. As the Latin preserves in most of its aspects more of the simple strong characteristics of the Sanskrit, than the Greek, its departure in this respect to a wider degree from its original than the Greek, is to be accounted for probably by the strong practical tendency of the Roman mind, which did not relish double forms of the same thing, and multiplied modes of reaching the same end.

The modes of strengthening stems are various, as:

- § 1. By nasalization, as in κάμνω, stem καμ, and τέμνω, stem ταμ; and in Latin, frango, findo, vinco, compared with their simple bases frag, fid and vic. But the subject of nasalization must be treated afterwards by itself.
- § 2. By the reduplication of the radical syllable or sound. A repetition or reduplication of words and syllables is the most natural and effective style of emphasizing their importance.¹ This occurs abundantly in Sanskrit and in Greek, but much less in Latin. See subsequent treatment of Reduplication by itself.
- § 3. By changing stems originally ending in one of the κ mutes or τ mutes, followed by the semivowel ι (as $\gamma\iota$, $\kappa\iota$, $\chi\iota$, $\tau\iota$, $\Im\iota$) into $\sigma\sigma$ or $\tau\tau$; and stems ending in the liquid λ followed by ι , as $\lambda\iota$ into $\lambda\lambda$. Thus: $\tau\acute{a}\sigma\sigma\omega$, $\lambda\acute{e}\prime\sigma\sigma\omega$, $\phi\rho\acute{e}\prime\sigma\sigma\omega$, $\lambda\acute{e}\sigma\sigma\rho\mu\iota\iota$ are for the earlier forms $\tau\alpha\gamma\acute{e}\omega$, $\lambda\epsilon\nu\acute{e}\omega$, $\phi\rho\iota\kappa\acute{e}\omega$, $\lambda\iota\tau\acute{e}-\mu\iota\iota$; as, also, $\beta\acute{a}\lambda\lambda\omega$, $\mu\acute{e}\lambda\lambda\omega$, and $\sigma\tau\acute{e}\lambda\lambda\omega$ are for $\beta\alpha\lambda\acute{e}\omega$, $\mu\acute{e}\lambda\acute{e}\omega$,



¹ This idea lies at the foundation of some of our most expressive words, as respect, regard, remark; where the idea, as in the word respect, is, that the person or thing respected is worthy of being looked at a second time, or, again and again.

and $\sigma \tau \epsilon \lambda l \omega$; with which compare $\mu \hat{a} \lambda \lambda \rho \nu$, comparative of $\mu \hat{a} \lambda a$ for $\mu \hat{a} \lambda l \rho \nu$.

The gemination of the final consonant of the stem, in this way, answers a double purpose: that of strengthening the stem, and that also of symbolizing, in a form so unusual in Greek, except as a special etymological contrivance, the previous changes that had occurred in these forms.

In Latin, the verbs in -io, of the third conjugation, represent the same class of verb-stems that, in Greek, were changed so as to present a duplication of the final letter of the stem: as capio, cupio, and fugio. In Greek, verbs and adjectives having ν or ρ for the final letter of the stem, followed by the half-vowel , a metathesis of the coccurs, instead of a gemination of the final consonant; as in φαίνω. stem par, for palvo, Balvo, stem Bar, for Bario (cf. Lat. vevio), etc. The half-vowel i, or y, of the original forms of these various words represents the Sanskrit va, properly meaning to go, occurring in verbs of what is called the fourth class, in that language, and characteristic, very extensively, of intransitive and passive verbs. But y was not a sound to be found in Greek; and therefore it must either be vowelized, as if 4, or expressed by some other assimilated sound. In the adjective termination - ws in Greek, as in wyws, Sansk. yajyas, we see the equivalent of the Sanskrit adjective suffix The Doric future suffix-form -σω, answers, in the same way, to the Sansk. syâmi. The analogue, accordingly, in both Greek and Latin, of the fourth Sansk. conjugation-ending vami, is ω or io (for -ιαμι). From such an original regular form in ιω, come not only the altered forms -σσω, ττω, -ζω, λλω, but also those in -aiνω (for -aνιω) and -aiρω (for aριω). So, in Latin, the adjective and nominal suffixes -ius, -ia, -ies, answer to the Sansk. yas and ya, like the verbal ending -io to the Sansk. -yami.

- § 4. By the epenthetic insertion of σ in the midst of the stem: as in $\mu l \sigma \gamma \omega$ (Lat. misceo) compared with $\mu l \gamma \nu \nu \mu \iota$; $l \sigma \chi \omega$ and $l \sigma \chi \nu \acute{\epsilon} \sigma \mu a \iota$ compared with $\tilde{\epsilon} \chi \omega$; also $\tilde{\epsilon} \sigma \vartheta l \omega$ with $\tilde{\epsilon} \delta \sigma \omega \iota$, to eat, Sansk. ad, Lat. ed.
 - § 5. By adding to consonantal stems ending in π and κ



the letter τ, and to vowel-stems \Im ; as in τύπιω (stem τυπ); κόπτω (κοπ); κρύπτω (κρυβ); πέκτω (πεκ); and τίκτω (τεκ); and for vowel-stems κυή $\Im ω$, κλή $\Im ω$, πρή $\Im ω$ and σή $\Im ω$ (stems κυα, κλε, πρη, and σα). Such forms, in Latin, as necto, plecto, flecto, are of the same analytic origin.

Even in the forms of nouns, in Greek, the strengthening of the stem by the insertion of τ appears: as in the epic forms πτόλεμος and πτόλις for πόλεμος and πόλις. Compare, also, πτέρνα and πέρνα, the heel.

We come, now, to some of the special pathological affections of the classical languages.

A. The Greek.

1st. Its dialects.

Every language, covering an area of any considerable extent, for a long period of time, tends to break into separate dialects; determined, objectively, by different physical and local causes; and also subjectively, by difference of employment, development, and culture. The effects of time and space are as marked on men as on nature, and on the world of language and of letters, as on any part of the vegetable In Greece, especially, dialectic developments were of the fullest and finest growth. Had ever a nation, in respect to all physical influences, so favorable a position, as such, for growth in all the elements of inward greatness? She was nursed in the mountains, among the giants. air that she breathed was full of the seeds of life. In the broad blue sky above, and the bright blue sea below, she saw divine aspects of energy and beauty constantly mirrored to her view. Her eye and her heart were ever invited, by surrounding objects, to a perpetual festival. She laid the beams of her greatness on two continents: combining the stern strength of the one with the soft luxuriance of the other. She sat, as queen, on many waters, and girt around, as with a mantle of stars, with clusters of islands shining about her on every side.

On no spot upon earth can one be born, to this day, where Nature will bend down more lovingly and impressively over him, to breathe her life and beauty into all the opening ele-



ments of his being. The mountains and the sea have ever been the two greatest natural teachers of mankind. No people could come into more immediate contact with Nature, in either of these forms of her presentation; none ever did so meet her constantly, in them both combined. Rome was, in some respects, similarly accoutred for greatness with Greece: with the mountains behind and the sea before; but it was with no such fulness of preparation; her home was, after all, upon a plain. Greece was, everywhere, a land full of broken and rugged surfaces, of bold shores, of short, dark. rapid, foaming streams, and of every variety of landscape, skirted, at ten thousand points of contact, with the sea, which not only surrounded it, but crept in, with its pulses of ever-quickening force, into all the folds of its physical and national life. Amid such influences, as each vegetable and animal have not only their special geographical zone, but also even a specific climate and locality, where they will best fill out the whole ideal outline of their being, man finds his most favored spot for a large growth of life and action.

When the western fracture was made from the common Graeco-Italic stock, which, under the long action of many favoring circumstances, was perfected, in the end, into the round orb of Roman life and law, the portion remaining behind, within the boundaries of Northern Greece and Asia Minor, began slowly to form a local character and language, as they settled more and more upon the same soil, into fixed communities and habits. No language can bear greater evidence of home-growth, than does the Greek. Hellenic outgrowths, of all kinds, began early to thrust forth themselves, in all the communities of Greece, with great force: so that, erelong, Hellenic, or civilized and cultivated, ideas, words, accent, and euphonism, with the power also of Hellenic arms, greatly changed the first character of the people and of their language. The Hellenes were, in a word, the Greeks, in a more cultivated period of their history, than the pioneer Pelasgi or first settlers. Thus readily is the great paradox solved, which has perplexed so long a succession of historical writers, of the connected existence, and yet supposed diverse origin,

of the two races, that peopled Greece, to which they really have themselves given, in their imagination, all the reality that they ever possessed; and which it was as easy, of course, for them to set in grand antagonism to each other, as it was, in the first place, to invent them at all. Grecian literature, art, history, genius, and advancement, are therefore, by necessity, all Hellenic.

The three leading dialects of Greece were the Aeolic, Do-The Aeolic prevailed in Boeotia, Thessaly, ric. and Ionic. and the colony of Aeolis in Asia Minor. The Doric, in the Peloponnesus and among the Dorian colonies in Asia Minor, Italy, and Sicily; and the Ionic, which was spoken by the Ionian race, and especially in Asia Minor, and also in numerous islands, and in the Ionian colonies. This was the first of all the dialects, perfected by poetic composition; and it burst forth, at different times, into three kindred varieties: the Old Ionic or Epic, as seen in Homer and Hesiod, the New Ionic of Herodotus, and the Attic, which became ultimately the standard of all the other dialects, throughout the whole of Greece. This is the dialect, in which the many chief builders of Athenian greatness erected their various structures of beauty and of strength.

The Aeolic and Doric are more simple, severe, and even rough, in their forms. In the Aeolic, Alcaeus and Sappho sang. This is the dialect with which the forms of the Latin are more correlated than with any other; and which also presents to us the patterns of Greek words very nearly as they were at the first, when unbroken, or fused and recast into other moulds. The Doric abounds more in consonants than the others. In it the Muse of Theocritus and Pindar robed herself.

The Ionic is full of vowels, and therefore soft; while, possessing also an uncontracted fulness of syllables, it moves before the eye like an Asiatic princess, with a Grecian face and smile, but sweeping a long train, and arrayed in the strong colors of the oriental world. The Attic dialect is the Ionic arrived at maturity. The hand of Time has here chiselled all its forms, according to the pure ideals of taste;

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the rules of art have been effectively applied to every side of it, by a long succession of workmen, busying themselves one after another in perfecting the details of its structure; and it contains in itself all the plain, deep strength of the Doric, with all the real, upper beauty of the Ionic.

The Attic dialect had certain classes of peculiarities, in different ages, which have led writers sometimes, and yet with no very important results, to divide it into three periods: the Older, the Middle, and the Later Attic. The Older Attic flourished five hundred years before Christ, as found in the writings of Thucydides, Aeschylus, etc.; the Middle Attic, a hundred years later, as found in the works of Plato and Xenophon; and the Later Attic, in the succeeding age, as seen in the orations of Demosthenes. On the margin between the Later Attic and the common Greek dialect, that prevailed 300 B. C., appeared that wonderful philosopher, Aristotle, who influenced the great speculative tides of thought in the ancient world quite as much perhaps as Calvin has those of the modern. Some of the leading writers in the Common Greek, into which Classic Greek slowly, and with ever increasing dimness, faded away, were Plutarch, Strabo, Dionysius of Halicarnassus, and Lucian.

[To be continued.]

Note. — Errata and additions in the portion of this Article (Vol. XVI.) previously published. Page 690, add after ras, in line 4, as part of the same sentence: or a representation of a + i, as in amem for ama-im. Page 691, lines 30, 31, for dadâmi read dadhâmi. Page 693, line 18, for which read it. Page 713, line 2 from bottom, for going read agoing. Page 722, transpose lines 3 and 4. Page 268, line 30, for form read from. Page 275, line 10, for become read became. Page 279, line 18, for when read where.