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# ΠΟΛΥΒΙΟΥ

## FRAGMENTA LIBRI XVI

### I. RES MACEDONIAE

1 Ὅτι Φίλιππος ὁ βασιλεὺς παραγενόμενος εἰς τὸ  
Πέργαμον καὶ νομίζων οἶον αὐτόχειρ Ἀττάλου γενέ-  
2 σθαι πᾶσαν αἰκίαν ἐναπεδείκνυτο. χαριζόμενος γὰρ  
οἶον εἰ λυττῶντι τῷ θυμῷ, τὸ πλεῖον τῆς ὀργῆς οὐκ  
εἰς τοὺς ἀνθρώπους, ἀλλ' εἰς τοὺς θεοὺς διετίθετο.  
3 κατὰ μὲν γὰρ τοὺς ἀκροβολισμοὺς εὐχερῶς αὐτὸν  
ἀπήρुकον διὰ τὰς τῶν τόπων ὀχυρότητας οἱ τὸ Πέρ-  
γαμον παραφυλάττοντες· ἀπὸ δὲ τῆς χώρας οὐδὲν  
ὠφελεῖτο τῷ προνεοῆσθαι τὸν Ἀτταλον ὑπὲρ τού-  
4 των ἐπιμελῶς. λοιπὸν εἰς τὰ τῶν θεῶν ἔδη καὶ τε-  
μένη διετίθετο τὴν ὀργήν, ὑβρίζων οὐκ Ἀτταλον,  
5 ὥς γ' ἐμοὶ δοκεῖ, πολὺ δὲ μᾶλλον ἑαυτόν. οὐ γὰρ  
μόνον ἐνεπίμπρα καὶ κατασπῶν ἐρρίπτει τοὺς νεῶς  
καὶ τοὺς βωμούς, ἀλλὰ καὶ τοὺς λίθους ἔθραυε  
πρὸς τὸ μηδὲ πάλιν ἀνασταθῆναι μηδὲν τῶν κατ-  
6 εφθαρμένων. ἐπεὶ δὲ τὸ Νικηφόριον ἐλυμήνατο,  
μὲν ἄλσος ἐκτεμών, τὸν δὲ περίβολον διαρρίψας, τὸ  
τούς τε ναοὺς ἐκ θεμελίων ἀνέσκαψε, πολλοὺς καὶ  
7 πολυτελεῖς ὑπάρχοντας, ὥρμησε τὰς μὲν ἀρχὰς ἐπὶ

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### I. AFFAIRS OF MACEDONIA

#### *Philip's Operations in Asia Minor*

1. King Philip, on reaching Pergamon and thinking he had almost given a death-blow to Attalus, showed himself capable of every kind of outrage. For yielding to anger little less than insane he spent most of his fury not on men but on the gods. In the skirmishes which took place the garrison of Pergamon easily kept him at a distance owing to the strength of the town. But as he got little booty from the country owing to the care Attalus had taken to prevent this, he henceforth wreaked his fury on the statues and sanctuaries of the gods, outraging, in my opinion, not Attalus but rather himself. For he not only burnt and pulled down temples and altars, but even broke up the stones so that none of the things he destroyed could ever be repaired. After he had laid waste the Nicephorium where he cut down the holy grove, pulled down the wall enclosing it and dug up the temples, which were numerous and splendid, from their foundations, he

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Θυατείρων· ἐκεῖθεν δὲ ποιησάμενος τὴν ἀναζυγὴν εἰς τὸ Θήβης πεδῖον εἰσέβαλε, νομίζων εὐπορήσειν  
8 λείας μάλιστα περὶ τούτους τοὺς τόπους. ἀποπεσὼν δὲ καὶ ταύτης τῆς ἐλπίδος, καὶ παραγενόμενος εἰς Ἱερὰν κώμην, διεπέμπετο πρὸς Ζεῦξιν, παρακαλῶν αὐτὸν σῖτον χορηγήσαι καὶ τὰ λοιπὰ συμπράττειν  
9 κατὰ τὰς συνθήκας. ὁ δὲ Ζεῦξις ὑπεκρίνετο μὲν ποιεῖν τὰ κατὰ τὰς συνθήκας, οὐκ ἐβούλετο δὲ σωματοποιεῖν ἀληθινῶς τὸν Φίλιππον.

2 Ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος, τῶν μὲν κατὰ τὴν πολιορκίαν ἀντιπιπτόντων αὐτῷ, τῶν δὲ πολεμίων ἐφορμούντων πλείοσι καταφράκτοις ναυσίν, ἤπορεῖτο καὶ δυσχρή-  
2 στως διέκειτο περὶ τοῦ μέλλοντος. οὐκ ἐπιδεχομένων δὲ τῶν παρόντων αἵρεσιν, ἀνήχθη παρὰ τὴν  
3 τῶν πολεμίων προσδοκίαν· ἔτι γὰρ αὐτὸν ἠλπίζον οἱ περὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον προσκαρτερήσειν τῇ τῶν μετάλ-  
4 λων κατασκευῇ. μάλιστα δ' ἐσπούδαζε ποιήσασθαι τὸν ἀνάπλου ἀϊφνίδιον, πεπεισμένος καταταχῆσαι καὶ τὸ λοιπὸν ἀσφαλῶς ἤδη κομισθῆσθαι παρὰ  
5 τὴν γῆν εἰς τὴν Σάμον. διεψεύσθη δὲ παρὰ πολὺ τοῖς λογισμοῖς· οἱ γὰρ περὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον καὶ Θεοφιλίσκον, ἅμα τῷ συνιδεῖν αὐτὸν ἀναγόμενον,  
6 εἶχοντο τῶν προκειμένων εὐθέως. συνέβη δὲ τὸν ἀνάπλου αὐτῶν γενέσθαι διαλελυμένον, ἅτε πεπεισμένων τὸν Φίλιππον, καθάπερ εἶπον, ἔτι μένειν  
7 ἐπὶ τῶν ὑποκειμένων. οὐ μὴν ἀλλὰ χρησάμενοι ταῖς εἰρεσίαις ἐνεργῶς προσέβαλλον, Ἄτταλος μὲν τῷ δεξιῷ καὶ καθηγουμένῳ τῶν πολεμίων, Θεοφιλίσκος  
8 δὲ τοῖς εὐωνύμοις. Φίλιππος δὲ περικαταλαμβανόμενος τοῖς καιροῖς, δούς τὸ σύνθημα τοῖς ἐπὶ τοῦ δεξιοῦ καὶ παραγγείλας ἀντιπρώρρους ποιεῖν τὰς ναῦς καὶ συμπλέκεσθαι τοῖς πολεμίοις ἐρρωμένως,  
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## BOOK XVI. 1. 7 – 2. 8

first proceeded to Thyatira, and upon leaving that city invaded the plain of Thebe, thinking that that district would afford him plenty of booty. When he was foiled in this expectation also and reached Hieracoma, he sent a message to Zeuxis, begging him to supply him with corn and to support him according to the terms of their agreement. Zeuxis pretended to do this, but had no intention of giving Philip any real and substantial support of the kind.

### *Battle of Chios*

2. Philip, as his siege proved unsuccessful and as the enemy were blockading him with a considerable number of warships, found difficulty in deciding what to do. But as the situation did not admit of much choice he put to sea contrary to the expectation of his adversaries; for Attalus had expected that he would continue his mining operations. His great object was to get out to sea suddenly as he believed he would be able to outstrip the enemy and afterwards proceed in safety along the coast to Samos. But his calculations proved entirely fallacious. For Attalus and Theophiliscus, as soon as they saw him putting to sea, at once took the requisite steps. They were sailing in loose order, since they believed, as I said, that Philip still adhered to his original intention, but nevertheless they attacked him, rowing their hardest, Attalus engaging the right and leading wing of the enemy's fleet and Theophiliscus his left. Philip, thus anticipated, after signalling to those on his right orders to turn their ships directly towards the enemy and engage him vigorously,

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αὐτὸς ὑπὸ τὰς νησίδας ἀναχωρήσας μετὰ τινων  
λέμβων, τὰς μεταξὺ τοῦ πόρου κειμένας, ἀπεκαρ-  
9 δόκει τὸν κίνδυνον. ἦν δὲ τῶν μὲν τοῦ Φιλίππου  
νεῶν τὸ πλῆθος τὸ συγκαταστὰν εἰς τὸν ἀγῶνα  
κατάφρακτοι τρεῖς καὶ πεντήκοντα, σὺν δὲ τούτοις  
ἄφρακτα . . . λέμβοι δὲ σὺν ταῖς πρίστεσιν ἑκατὸν  
καὶ πεντήκοντα· τὰς γὰρ ἐν τῇ Σάμῳ ναῦς οὐκ  
10 ἠδυνήθη καταρτίσαι πάσας. τὰ δὲ τῶν πολεμίων  
σκάφη κατάφρακτα μὲν ἦν ἑξήκοντα καὶ πέντε σὺν  
τοῖς τῶν Βυζαντίων, μετὰ δὲ τούτων ἑννέα τριη-  
μιολίαι καὶ τριήρεις τρεῖς ὑπῆρχον.

3 Λαβούσης δὲ τὴν καταρχὴν τῆς ναυμαχίας ἐκ  
τῆς Ἀττάλου νεώς, εὐθέως πάντες οἱ σύνεγγυς ἀπαρ-  
2 αγγέλτως συνέβαλον ἀλλήλοις. Ἀτταλος μὲν οὖν  
συμπεσὼν ὀκτῆρει, καὶ προεμβάλων ταύτῃ καιρίαν  
καὶ ὕφαλον πληγὴν, ἐπὶ πολὺ τῶν ἐπὶ τοῦ καταστρώ-  
3 ματος ἀγωνισαμένων τέλος ἐβύθισε τὴν ναῦν. ἡ δὲ  
τοῦ Φιλίππου δεκῆρης, ναυαρχὶς οὖσα, παραλόγως  
4 ἐγένετο τοῖς ἐχθροῖς ὑποχείριος· ὑποπεσοῦσης γὰρ  
αὐτῇ τριημιολίας, ταύτῃ δοῦσα πληγὴν βιαίαν κατὰ  
μέσον τὸ κύτος ὑπὸ τὸν θρανίτην σκαλμὸν ἐδέθη,  
τοῦ κυβερνήτου τὴν ὄρμην τῆς νεώς οὐκέτι δυνηθέν-  
5 τος ἀναλαβεῖν· διὸ καὶ προσκρεμαμένου τοῦ πλοίου  
τοῖς ὄλοις ἐδυσχρηστεῖτο καὶ δυσκίνητος ἦν πρὸς  
6 πᾶν. ἐν ᾧ καιρῷ δύο πεντήρεις προσπεσοῦσαι, καὶ  
τρώσασαι τὴν ναῦν ἐξ ἀμφοῖν τοῖν μεροῖν, καὶ τὸ  
σκάφος καὶ τοὺς ἐπιβάτας τοὺς ἐν αὐτῷ διέφθειραν,  
ἐν οἷς ἦν καὶ Δημοκράτης ὁ τοῦ Φιλίππου ναύαρχος.  
7 κατὰ δὲ τὸν αὐτὸν καιρὸν Διονυσόδωρος καὶ Δεινο-  
κράτης, ὄντες ἀδελφοὶ καὶ ναυαρχοῦντες παρ' Ἀτ-  
τάλῳ, συμπεσόντες ὁ μὲν ἐπτήρει τῶν πολεμίων,  
ὁ δ' ὀκτῆρει, παραβόλως ἐχρήσαντο τῇ ναυμαχίᾳ.

## BOOK XVI. 2. 8 - 3. 7

retired himself with a few light vessels to the islands in the middle of the strait and awaited the result of the battle. Philip's fleet which took part in the battle consisted of fifty-three decked warships, . . . undecked ones, and a hundred and fifty galleys and beaked ships, for he had not been able to fit out all the ships which were at Samos. The enemy had sixty-five decked warships, including those of the Byzantines, nine trihemioliae,<sup>a</sup> and three triremes.

3. The ship of Attalus began the battle, and all those near it at once charged without orders. Attalus engaged an octoreme and ramming her first and inflicting on her a fatal blow under water, after considerable resistance on the part of the troops on her deck finally sank the ship. Philip's galley with ten banks of oars, which was the flag-ship, fell by a strange chance into the hands of the enemy. Charging a trihemiolia which was in her path and ramming her with great force in the middle of her hull she stuck fast under the enemy's top bench of oars, the captain being unable to arrest the way she had on her. So that as the ship was thus hanging on to the trihemiolia she was in a most difficult position and entirely incapable of moving. Two triremes seized the opportunity to attack her, and striking her on both sides destroyed the ship and all the men on board her, among whom was Democrates, Philip's admiral. Just at the same time Dionysodorus and Deinocrates, who were brothers and both of them admirals of Attalus, met with equally strange experiences in the battle.

<sup>a</sup> Long, undecked vessels.

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8 Δεινοκράτης μὲν πρὸς ὀκτῆρην συμπεσὼν αὐτὸς μὲν  
ἔξαλον ἔλαβε τὴν πληγὴν, ἀναστείρου τῆς νεῶς  
οὔσης, τὴν δὲ τῶν πολεμίων τρώσας ναῦν ὑπὸ  
τὰ. . . βίαχα τὸ μὲν πρῶτον οὐκ ἐδύνατο χωρισθῆναι,  
καίπερ πολλάκις ἐπιβαλόμενος πρύμναν κρούειν.  
9 διὸ καὶ τῶν Μακεδόνων εὐψύχως ἀγωνιζομένων εἰς  
10 τὸν ἔσχατον παρεγένετο κίνδυνον. Ἄτταλου δ' ἐπι-  
βοηθήσαντος αὐτῷ καὶ διὰ τῆς εἰς τὴν πολεμίαν  
ναῦν ἐμβολῆς λύσαντος τὴν συμπλοκὴν τῶν σκαφῶν,  
11 ὁ μὲν Δεινοκράτης ἀπελύθη παραδόξως, οἱ δὲ τῆς  
πολεμίας νεῶς ἐπιβάται πάντες εὐψύχως διαγωνισά-  
μενοι διεφθάρησαν, τὸ δὲ σκάφος ἔρημον ἀπολειφθὲν  
12 ὑποχείριον ἐγένετο τοῖς περὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον. ὁ δὲ  
Διονυσόδωρος μετὰ βίας ἐπιφερόμενος εἰς ἐμβολὴν  
αὐτὸς μὲν ἤμαρτε τοῦ τρώσαι, παραπεσὼν δὲ τοῖς  
πολεμίοις ἀπέβαλε τὸν δεξιὸν ταρσὸν τῆς νεῶς, ὁμοῦ  
13 συρραγόντων καὶ τῶν πυργούχων· οὗ γενομένου  
14 περιέστησαν αὐτὸν πανταχόθεν οἱ πολέμιοι. κραυ-  
γῆς δὲ καὶ θορύβου γενομένου τὸ μὲν λοιπὸν πλῆ-  
θος τῶν ἐπιβατῶν ἅμα τῷ σκάφει διεφθάρη, τρίτος  
δ' αὐτὸς ὁ Διονυσόδωρος ἀπενήξατο πρὸς τὴν ἐπι-  
βοηθοῦσαν αὐτῷ τριημιολίαν.

4 Τῶν δὲ λοιπῶν νεῶν τοῦ πλήθους ὁ κίνδυνος  
2 ἐφάμιλλος ἦν· καθ' ὅσον γὰρ ἐπλεόναζον οἱ παρὰ  
τοῦ Φιλίππου λέμβοι, κατὰ τοσοῦτον διέφερον οἱ  
περὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον τῷ τῶν καταφράκτων νεῶν πλή-  
3 θει. καὶ τὰ μὲν περὶ τὸ δεξιὸν κέρας τοῦ Φιλίππου  
τοιαύτην εἶχε τὴν διάθεσιν ὥστ' ἀκμὴν ἄκριτα μέ-  
νειν τὰ ὅλα, πολὺ δὲ τοὺς περὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον ἐπικυ-  
4 δεστέρας ἔχειν τὰς ἐλπίδας. οἱ δὲ Ῥόδιοι κατὰ μὲν  
τὰς ἀρχὰς εὐθέως ἐκ τῆς ἀναγωγῆς ἀπεσπᾶσθησαν  
τῶν πολεμίων, καθάπερ ἀρτίως εἶπα, τῷ δὲ ταχυ-  
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Deinocrates engaged an octoreme and himself received his adversary's blow above water, as she was very high in the prow, but striking the enemy under her . . . could not at first get free of her although he repeatedly tried to back out. So that, as the Macedonians also displayed gallantry, he was in the utmost peril. But when Attalus came up to rescue him and by ramming the enemy set the two ships free, Deinocrates was unexpectedly saved, and when the troops on the enemy's ship after a gallant resistance had all perished, she herself with no one left on board her was captured by Attalus. Dionysodorus charging a ship at full speed, missed her, but in passing close alongside her lost all his right banks of oars, his turrets also being carried away. Upon this the enemy completely surrounded him, and amidst loud and excited cheers, the rest of the crew and the ship itself were destroyed, but Dionysodorus and two others swam away to a trihemioia which was coming up to help him.

4. Among the other ordinary ships of the fleet the contest was equal; for the advantage that Philip had in the number of his galleys was balanced by Attalus' superiority in decked ships. The position of affairs on Philip's right wing was such that the result was still doubtful; but Attalus was by far the most sanguine of success. The Rhodians, as I just said, were at first from the moment that they put out to sea very widely separated from the enemy, but as they sailed



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ναυτεῖν παρὰ πολὺ διαφέροντες τῶν ἐναντίων συν-  
5 ἤψαν τοῖς ἐπὶ τῆς οὐραγίας Μακεδόσι. καὶ τὸ μὲν  
πρῶτον ὑποχωροῦσι τοῖς σκάφεσι κατὰ πρύμναν ἐπι-  
6 φερόμενοι τοὺς ταρσοὺς παρέλυνον· ὡς δ' οἱ μὲν  
παρὰ τοῦ Φιλίππου συνεπιστρέφειν ἤρξαντο παρα-  
βοηθοῦντες τοῖς κινδυνεύουσι, τῶν δὲ Ῥοδίων οἱ  
καθυστεροῦντες ἐκ τῆς ἀναγωγῆς συνῆψαν τοῖς περὶ  
7 τὸν Θεοφιλίσκον, τότε κατὰ πρόσωπον ἀντι-  
πρώρρους τάξαντες τὰς ναῦς ἀμφότεροι συνέβαλον  
εὐψύχως, ὁμοῦ ταῖς σάλπιγξι καὶ τῇ κραυγῇ παρα-  
8 καλοῦντες ἀλλήλους. εἰ μὲν οὖν μὴ μεταξύ τῶν  
καταφράκτων νεῶν ἔταξαν οἱ Μακεδόνες τοὺς λέμ-  
βους, ῥαδίαν ἂν καὶ σύντομον ἔλαβε κρίσιν ἢ  
ναυμαχία· νῦν δὲ ταῦτ' ἐμπόδια πρὸς τὴν χρεῖαν  
9 τοῖς Ῥοδίοις ἐγένετο κατὰ πολλοὺς τρόπους. μετὰ  
γὰρ τὸ κινηθῆναι τὴν ἐξ ἀρχῆς τάξιν ἐκ τῆς πρώτης  
10 συμβολῆς πάντες ἦσαν ἀναμιξ ἀλλήλοις, ὅθεν οὔτε  
διεκπλεῖν εὐχερῶς οὔτε στρέφειν ἐδύναντο τὰς ναῦς  
οὔτε καθόλου χρῆσθαι τοῖς ἰδίοις πρότερήμασιν,  
ἐμπιπτόντων αὐτοῖς τῶν λέμβων ποτὲ μὲν εἰς τοὺς  
ταρσοὺς, ὥστε δυσχρηστεῖν ταῖς εἰρεσίαις, ποτὲ δὲ  
πάλιν εἰς τὰς πλώρρας, ἔστι δ' ὅτε κατὰ πρύμναν,  
ὥστε παραποδίζεσθαι καὶ τὴν τῶν κυβερνητῶν καὶ  
11 τὴν τῶν ἐρετῶν χρεῖαν. κατὰ δὲ τὰς ἀντιπρώρρους  
12 συμπτώσεις ἐποίουν τι τεχνικόν· αὐτοὶ μὲν γὰρ  
ἔμπρωρρα τὰ σκάφη ποιοῦντες ἐξάλους ἐλάμβανον  
τὰς πληγὰς, τοῖς δὲ πολεμίοις ὕφαλα τὰ τραύματα  
13 διδόντες ἀβοηθήτους ἐσκεύαζον τὰς πληγὰς. σπα-  
νίως δ' εἰς τοῦτο συγκατέβαινον· καθόλου γὰρ  
ἐξέκλινον τὰς συμπλοκὰς διὰ τὸ γενναίως ἀμύνε-  
σθαι τοὺς Μακεδόνας ἀπὸ τῶν καταστρωμάτων ἐν  
14 ταῖς συστάδην γινομέναις μάχαις. τὸ δὲ πολὺ κατὰ

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μὲν τοὺς διέκπλους παρασύροντες τῶν πολεμίων νεῶν τοὺς ταρσοὺς ἠχρείουν· μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα πάλιν ἐκπεριπλέοντες, καὶ τοῖς μὲν κατὰ πρύμναν ἐμβάλλοντες, τοῖς δὲ πλαγίοις καὶ στρεφομένοις ἀκμὴν προσπίπτοντες οὓς μὲν ἐτίτρωσκον, οἷς δὲ παρέλκον  
15 αἰεί τι τῶν πρὸς τὴν χρεῖαν ἀναγκαίων. καὶ δὴ τῷ τοιούτῳ τρόπῳ μαχόμενοι παμπληθεῖς τῶν πολεμίων ναῦς διέφθειραν.

5 Ἐπιφανέστατα δ' ἐκινδύνευσαν τρεῖς πεντήρεις τῶν Ῥοδίων, ἣ τε ναυαρχίς, ἐφ' ἧς ἔπλει Θεοφιλίσκος, μετὰ δὲ ταύτην ἧς ἐτριηράρχει Φιλόστρατος, τρίτη δ' ἦν ἐκυβέρνα μὲν Αὐτόλυκος, ἐπέπλει δὲ  
2 Νικόστρατος. ταύτης γὰρ ἐμβαλούσης εἰς πολεμίαν ναῦν καὶ καταλιπούσης ἐν τῷ σκάφει τὸν ἔμβολον, συνέβη δὴ τὴν μὲν πληγείσαν αὐτανδρον καταδῦναι, τοὺς δὲ περὶ τὸν Αὐτόλυκον, εἰσρεούσης εἰς τὴν ναῦν τῆς θαλάττης διὰ τῆς πρῶρρας, κυκλωθέντας ὑπὸ τῶν πολεμίων τὰς μὲν ἀρχὰς ἀγωνίζεσθαι γενναίως, τέλος δὲ τὸν μὲν Αὐτόλυκον ἐκπεσεῖν τρω-  
3 θέντα μετὰ τῶν ὄπλων εἰς τὴν θάλατταν, τοὺς δὲ λοιποὺς ἐπιβάτας ἀποθανεῖν μαχομένους γενναίως.  
4 ἐν αὐτῷ καιρῷ Θεοφιλίσκος, βοηθήσας μετὰ τριῶν πεντήρων, τὴν μὲν ναῦν οὐκ ἠδυνήθη σῶσαι διὰ τὸ πλήρη θαλάττης εἶναι, δύο δὲ ναῦς πολεμίας τρώ-  
5 σας τοὺς ἐπιβάτας ἐξέβαλε. ταχὺ δὲ περιχυθέντων αὐτῷ λέμβων πλειόνων καὶ καταφράκτων νεῶν, τοὺς μὲν πλείστους ἀπέβαλε τῶν ἐπιβατῶν ἐπι-  
6 φανῶς ἀγωνισαμένους, αὐτὸς δὲ τρία τραύματα λαβὼν καὶ παραβόλως τῇ τόλμῃ κινδυνεύσας μόλις ἐξέσωσε τὴν ἰδίαν ναῦν ἐπιβοηθήσαντος αὐτῷ Φιλο-  
στράτου καὶ συναναδεξαμένου τὸν ἐνεστῶτα κίνδυνον  
7 εὐψύχως. συνάψας δὲ τοῖς αὐτοῦ σκάφεσι πάλιν

enemy's line and put his banks of oars out of action, afterwards turning and sailing round again and charging him sometimes in the stern and sometimes in flank while he was still turning; thus they made breaches in some of the ships and in others damaged some part of the necessary-gear. Indeed by this mode of fighting they destroyed quite a number of the enemy's ships.

5. The most brilliant part in the battle was taken by three Rhodian quinqueremes, the flagship on board of which was Theophiliscus, that commanded by Philostratus, and lastly that of which Autolycus was pilot, but on board of it was Nicostratus. The latter had charged an enemy ship and left her ram in it: the ship that had been struck sank with all on board, while Autolycus and his men, the sea now pouring into the ship from the prow, were surrounded by the enemy and at first fought bravely, but finally Autolycus himself was wounded and fell into the sea in his armour, and the rest of the soldiers perished after a gallant struggle. At this moment Theophiliscus came up to help with three quinqueremes, and though he could not save the ship as she was full of water, rammed two of the enemy's ships and forced the troops on board to take to the water. He was rapidly surrounded by a number of galleys and decked ships, and after losing most of his soldiers, who fought splendidly, and receiving himself three wounds and displaying extraordinary courage, just managed to save his own ship, Philostratus coming up to his succour and taking a gallant part in the struggle. Theophiliscus now joined his

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ἐξ ἄλλης ὀρμῆς συνεπλέκετο τοῖς πολεμίοις, τῇ μὲν  
σωματικῇ δυνάμει παραλυόμενος ὑπὸ τῶν τραυ-  
μάτων, τῇ δὲ τῆς ψυχῆς γενναιότητι λαμπρότερος  
8 ὢν καὶ παραστατικώτερος ἢ πρόσθεν. συνέβη δὲ  
δύο γενέσθαι ναυμαχίας πολὺ διεστώσας ἀλλήλων·  
τὸ μὲν γὰρ δεξιὸν κέρασ τοῦ Φιλίππου κατὰ τὴν ἐξ  
ἀρχῆς πρόθεσιν αἰεὶ τῆς γῆς ὀρεγόμενον οὐ μακρὰν  
9 ἀπέειχε τῆς Ἀσίας, τὸ δ' εὐώνυμον διὰ τὸ παρα-  
βοηθῆσαι τοῖς ἐπὶ τῆς οὐραγίας ἐξ ὑποστροφῆς οὐ  
πολὺ τῆς Χίας ἀπέχον ἑναυμάχει τοῖς Ῥοδίοις.

6 Οὐ μὲν ἀλλὰ παρὰ πολὺ τοῦ δεξιοῦ κέρατος  
κατακρατούντων τῶν περὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον, καὶ συνεγ-  
γίζόντων ἤδη πρὸς τὰς νησίδας ὑφ' αἷς ὁ Φίλιππος  
2 ὤρμει καταδοκῶν τὸ συμβησόμενον, συνιδὼν Ἄττα-  
λος μίαν πεντήρη τῶν ἰδίων ἐκτὸς τοῦ κινδύνου  
τετρωμένην καὶ βαπτίζομένην ὑπὸ νεῶς πολεμίας,  
ὤρμησε παραβοηθήσων ταύτῃ μετὰ δύο τετρήρων.  
3 τοῦ δὲ πολεμίου σκάφους ἐγκλίναντος καὶ ποιου-  
μένου τὴν ἀποχώρησιν ὡς πρὸς τὴν γῆν, ἐπέκειτο  
φιλοτιμότερον, ἐγκρατῆς γενέσθαι σπουδάζων τῆς  
4 νεώς. ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος, συνθεασάμενος ἀπεσπασμένον  
πολὺ τὸν Ἄτταλον ἀπὸ τῶν ἰδίων, παραλαβὼν τέτ-  
ταρας πεντήρεις καὶ τρεῖς ἡμιολίας, ἔτι δὲ τῶν λέμ-  
βων τοὺς ἐγγὺς ὄντας, ὤρμησε, καὶ διακλείσας τὸν  
Ἄτταλον ἀπὸ τῶν οἰκείων νεῶν ἠνάγκασε μετὰ με-  
γάλης ἀγωνίας εἰς τὴν γῆν ἐκβαλεῖν τὰ σκάφη.  
5 τούτου δὲ συμβάντος αὐτὸς μὲν ὁ βασιλεὺς μετὰ  
τῶν πληρωμάτων εἰς τὰς Ἐρυθρὰς ἀπεχώρησε, τῶν  
δὲ πλοίων καὶ τῆς βασιλικῆς κατασκευῆς ἐγκρατῆς ὁ  
6 Φίλιππος ἐγένετο. καὶ γὰρ ἐποίησάν τι τεχνικὸν  
ἐν τούτοις τοῖς καιροῖς οἱ περὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον· τὰ  
γὰρ ἐπιφανέστατα τῆς βασιλικῆς κατασκευῆς ἐπὶ τὸ

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other ships and again fell upon the enemy, weak in body from his wounds, but more magnificent and desperate than ever in bravery of spirit. There were now two distinct battles in progress at a considerable distance from each other. For Philip's right wing, following out his original plan, continued to make for the shore and were not far away from the continent, while his left as it had put about to assist the rear was fighting with the Rhodians at a short distance from the island of Chios.

6. Attalus, however, by this time had a distinct advantage over the Macedonian right wing and had approached the islands under which Philip lay awaiting the result of the battle. He had observed one of his own quinqueremes rammed by an enemy ship and lying in a sinking condition out of the general action, and he hastened to her assistance with two quadriremes. When the enemy vessel gave way and retired towards the land he followed her up with more energy, hoping to capture her. Philip now, seeing that Attalus was widely separated from his own fleet, took four quinqueremes and three hemioliae and such galleys as were near him and, intercepting the return of Attalus to his own fleet, compelled him in great disquietude to run his ships ashore. After this the king and the crews escaped to Erythrae, but Philip gained possession of the ships and the royal furniture. Attalus indeed resorted to an artifice on this occasion by causing the most splendid articles of his royal furniture to be exposed on the deck of his

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7 κατάστρομα τῆς νεὸς ἐξέβαλον. ὅθεν οἱ πρῶτοι τῶν  
Μακεδόνων, συνάψαντες ἐν τοῖς λέμβοις, συνθεα-  
σάμενοι ποτηρίων πλήθος καὶ πορφυρῶν ἱματίων  
καὶ τῶν τούτοις παρεπομένων σκευῶν, ἀφέμενοι τοῦ  
8 διώκειν ἀπένευσαν ἐπὶ τὴν τούτων ἀρπαγὴν. διὸ  
συνέβη τὸν Ἄτταλον ἀσφαλῆ ποιήσασθαι τὴν ἀπο-  
9 χώρησιν εἰς τὰς Ἐρυθράς. Φίλιππος δὲ τοῖς μὲν  
ἄλλοις ἠλαττωμένος παρὰ πολὺ τὴν ναυμαχίαν, τῇ  
δὲ περιπετεῖα τῇ κατὰ τὸν Ἄτταλον ἐπαρθείς, ἐπ-  
ανέπλει, καὶ πολὺς ἦν συναθροίζων τὰς σφετέρας  
ναῦς καὶ παρακαλῶν τοὺς ἄνδρας εὐθαρσεῖς εἶναι,  
10 διότι νικῶσι τῇ ναυμαχίᾳ· καὶ γὰρ ὑπέδραμέ τις  
ἔννοια καὶ πιθανότης τοῖς ἀνθρώποις ὡς ἀπολωλό-  
τος τοῦ < βασιλέως > Ἀττάλου διὰ τὸ κατάγειν τοὺς  
περὶ τὸν Φίλιππον ἀναδεδεμένους τὴν βασιλικὴν  
11 ναῦν. ὁ δὲ Διονυσόδωρος ὑπονοήσας τὸ περὶ τὸν  
αὐτοῦ βασιλέα γεγονός, ἠθροίζε τὰς οἰκείας ναῦς  
ἐξαίρων σύνθημα· ταχὺ δὲ συλλεχθεισῶν πρὸς  
αὐτὸν ἀπέπλει μετ' ἀσφαλείας εἰς τοὺς κατὰ τὴν  
12 Ἀσίαν ὄρμους. κατὰ δὲ τὸν αὐτὸν καιρὸν οἱ πρὸς  
τοὺς Ῥοδίους ἀγωνιζόμενοι τῶν Μακεδόνων, πάλαι  
κακῶς πάσχοντες, ἐξέλυον αὐτοὺς ἐκ τοῦ κινδύνου  
μετὰ προφάσεως κατὰ μέρη ποιούμενοι τὴν ἀποχώ-  
ρησιν, ὡς ταῖς οἰκείαις σπεύδοντες ἐπικουρῆσαι  
13 ναυσίν. οἱ δὲ Ῥόδιοι, τὰς μὲν ἀναδησάμενοι τῶν  
νεῶν, τὰς δὲ προδιαφθείραντες ταῖς ἐμβολαῖς,  
ἀπέπλευσαν εἰς τὴν Χίον.

7 Ἐφθάρησαν δὲ τοῦ μὲν Φιλίππου ναῦς ἐν μὲν τῇ  
πρὸς Ἄτταλον ναυμαχίᾳ δεκῆρης, ἐννήρης, ἐπτή-  
ρης, ἐξήρης, τῶν δὲ λοιπῶν κατάφρακτοι μὲν δέκα  
καὶ τριημιολίαι τρεῖς, λέμβοι δὲ πέντε καὶ εἴκοσι καὶ  
2 τὰ τούτων πληρώματα· ἐν δὲ τῇ πρὸς Ῥοδίους δι-

ship, so that the Macedonians who were the first to reach it in their galleys, when they saw such a quantity of cups, purple cloaks, and other objects to match, instead of continuing the pursuit turned aside to secure this booty, so that Attalus made good his retreat to Erythrae. Philip had been on the whole decidedly worsted in the battle, but elated by the misfortune that had befallen Attalus, he put to sea again and set busily about collecting his ships and bade his men be of good cheer as the victory was theirs. In fact a sort of notion or half belief spread among them that Attalus had perished, as Philip was returning with the royal ship in tow. Dionysodorus, however, guessing what had happened to his sovereign, began to collect his own vessels by hoisting a signal, and when they had rapidly assembled round him sailed safely away to the harbour on the mainland. At the same time the Macedonians, who were engaged with the Rhodians and had long been in distress, abandoned the scene of battle, retreating in groups on the pretence that they were hastening to the assistance of their own ships. The Rhodians, taking some of the enemy's ships in tow and sinking others with their rams before their departure, sailed off to Chios.

7. Of Philip's ships there were sunk in the battle with Attalus one ship of ten banks of oars, one of nine, one of seven, and one of six, and of the rest of his fleet ten decked ships, three trihemioliae, and twenty-five galleys with their crews. In his battle



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εφθάρησαν κατάφρακτοι μὲν δέκα, λέμβοι δὲ περὶ  
τετταράκοντα τὸν ἀριθμόν· ἤλωσαν δὲ δύο τετρή-  
3 ρεις καὶ λέμβοι σὺν τοῖς πληρώμασιν ἑπτὰ. τῶν  
δὲ παρ' Ἀττάλου κατέδυσαν μὲν τριημιολία μία καὶ  
δύο πεντήρεις, < ἤλωσαν δὲ δύο τετρήρεις > καὶ τὸ τοῦ  
4 βασιλέως σκάφος. τῶν δὲ Ῥοδίων διεφθάρησαν  
5 μὲν δύο πεντήρεις καὶ τριήρης, ἤλω δ' οὐδέν. ἄν-  
δρες δὲ τῶν μὲν Ῥοδίων ἀπέθανον εἰς ἑξήκοντα,  
τῶν δὲ παρ' Ἀττάλου πρὸς ἑβδομήκοντα, τῶν δὲ  
τοῦ Φιλίππου Μακεδόνες μὲν εἰς τρισχιλίους, τῶν  
6 δὲ πληρωμάτων εἰς ἑξακισχιλίους. ἐάλωσαν δὲ  
ζωγρία τῶν μὲν συμμάχων καὶ Μακεδόνων εἰς  
δισχιλίους, τῶν δ' ὑπεναντίων εἰς ἑπτακοσίους.

8 Καὶ τὸ μὲν τέλος τῆς περὶ Χίον ναυμαχίας τοι-  
2 οὔτον συνέβη γενέσθαι, τῆς δὲ νίκης ὁ Φίλιππος  
ἀντεποιεῖτο κατὰ δύο προφάσεις, κατὰ μίαν μὲν,  
ἢ τὸν Ἀτταλον εἰς τὴν γῆν ἐκβαλὼν ἐγκρατῆς τῆς  
νεὼς ἐγεγόνει, καθ' ἑτέραν δ', ἢ καθορμισθεὶς ἐπὶ  
τὸ καλούμενον Ἀργεννον ἐδόκει πεποιῆσθαι τὸν  
3 ὄρμον ἐπὶ τῶν ναυαγίων. ἀκόλουθα δὲ τούτοις  
ἔπραττε καὶ κατὰ τὴν ἐξῆς ἡμέραν συνάγων τὰ ναυ-  
άγια καὶ τῶν νεκρῶν ποιούμενος ἀναίρεσιν τῶν  
ἐπιγινωσκομένων, χάριν τοῦ συναύξειν τὴν προειρη-  
4 μένην φαντασίαν. ὅτι γὰρ οὐδ' αὐτὸς ἐπέπειστο  
νικᾶν, ἐξήλεγξαν αὐτὸν οἱ τε Ῥόδιοι καὶ Διονυσό-  
5 δωρος μετ' ὀλίγον· κατὰ γὰρ τὴν ἐπιούσαν ἡμέραν  
ἔτι περὶ ταῦτα γινομένου τοῦ βασιλέως διαπεμφά-  
μενοι πρὸς ἀλλήλους ἐπέπλευσαν αὐτῶ, καὶ στή-  
σαντες ἐν μετώπῳ τὰς ναῦς, οὐδενὸς ἐπ' αὐτοὺς  
6 ἀνταναγομένου πάλιν ἀπέπλευσαν εἰς τὴν Χίον. ὁ  
δὲ Φίλιππος, οὐδέποτε τοσοῦτους ἄνδρας ἀπολω-  
λεκῶς οὔτε κατὰ < γῆν οὔτε κατὰ > θάλατταν ἐνὶ



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καιρῶ, βαρέως μὲν ἔφερε τὸ γεγονὸς καὶ τὸ πολὺ  
7 τῆς ὀρμῆς αὐτοῦ παρήρητο, πρὸς μέντοι γε τοὺς  
ἐκτὸς ἐπειρᾶτο κατὰ πάντα τρόπον ἐπικρύπτεσθαι  
τὴν αὐτοῦ διάληψιν, καίπερ οὐκ ἐώντων αὐτῶν  
8 τῶν πραγμάτων. χωρὶς γὰρ τῶν ἄλλων καὶ τὰ μετὰ  
τὴν μάχην συμβαίνοντα πάντας ἐξέπληττε τοὺς θεω-  
9 μένους· γενομένης γὰρ τοσαύτης φθορᾶς ἀνθρώπων,  
παρ' αὐτὸν μὲν τὸν καιρὸν πᾶς ὁ πόρος ἐπληρώθη  
νεκρῶν, αἵματος, ὀπλων, ναυαγίων, ταῖς δ' ἐξῆς  
ἡμέραις τοὺς αἰγιαλοὺς ἦν ἰδεῖν φύρδην σεσωρευ-  
10 μένους ἀναμιξ πάντων τῶν προειρημένων. ἐξ ὧν  
οὐ μόνον αὐτός, ἀλλὰ καὶ πάντες οἱ Μακεδόνες εἰς  
διατροπὴν ἐνέπιπτον οὐ τὴν τυχοῦσαν.

9 Θεοφιλίσκος δὲ μίαν ἡμέραν ἐπιβιώσας, καὶ τῇ  
πατρίδι γράψας ὑπὲρ τῶν κατὰ τὴν ναυμαχίαν, καὶ  
Κλεωναῖον ἡγεμόνα συστήσας ἀνθ' ἑαυτοῦ ταῖς  
δυνάμεσι, μετήλλαξε τὸν βίον ἐκ τῶν τραυμάτων,  
2 ἀνὴρ καὶ κατὰ τὸν κίνδυνον ἀγαθὸς γενόμενος καὶ  
3 κατὰ τὴν προαίρεσιν μνήμης ἄξιος. μὴ γὰρ ἐκείνου  
τολμήσαντος προεπιβαλεῖν τῷ Φιλίππῳ τὰς χεῖρας  
πάντες ἂν καταπροεῖντο τοὺς καιροὺς, δεδιότες τὴν  
4 τοῦ Φιλίππου τόλμαν. νῦν δ' ἐκεῖνος ἀρχὴν πολέμου  
ποιήσας ἠνάγκασε μὲν τὴν αὐτοῦ πατρίδα συνεξανα-  
στήναι τοῖς καιροῖς, ἠνάγκασε δὲ τὸν Ἄτταλον μὴ  
μέλλειν καὶ παρασκευάζεσθαι τὰ πρὸς τὸν πόλεμον,  
5 ἀλλὰ πολεμεῖν ἐρρωμένως καὶ κινδυνεύειν. τοι-  
γαροῦν εἰκότως αὐτὸν οἱ Ῥόδιοι καὶ μεταλλάξαντα  
τοιαύταις ἐτίμησαν τιμαῖς δι' ὧν οὐ μόνον τοὺς  
ζῶντας, ἀλλὰ καὶ τοὺς ἐπιγενομένους ἐξεκαλέσαντο  
πρὸς τοὺς ὑπὲρ τῆς πατρίδος καιροὺς.

0(1<sup>a</sup>) Ὅτι μετὰ τὸ συντελεσθῆναι τὴν περὶ τὴν Λάδην  
ναυμαχίαν καὶ τοὺς μὲν Ῥοδίους ἐκποδῶν γενέσθαι,

the loss deeply, and his inclination for the war was much diminished, but he did his best to conceal his view of the situation from others, although the facts themselves did not admit of this. For, other things apart, the state of things after the battle could not fail to strike all who witnessed it with horror. There had been such a destruction of life that during the actual battle the whole strait was filled with corpses, blood, arms, and wreckage, and on the days which followed quantities of all were to be seen lying in confused heaps on the neighbouring beaches. This created a spirit of no ordinary dejection not only in Philip, but in all the Macedonians.

9. Theophiliscus survived for one day, and after writing a dispatch to his country about the battle and appointing Cleonaeus to replace him in command, died of his wounds. He had proved himself a man of great bravery in the fight and a man worthy of remembrance for his resolution. For had he not ventured to assail Philip in time all the others would have thrown the opportunity away, intimidated by that king's audacity. But as it was, Theophiliscus by beginning hostilities obliged his own countrymen to rise to the occasion and obliged Attalus not to delay until he had made preparations for war, but to make war vigorously and give battle. Therefore very justly the Rhodians paid such honours to him after his death as served to arouse not only in those then alive but in their posterity a spirit of devotion to their country's interests.

10. After the sea-fight at Lade was over, the Rhodians being out of the way and Attalus not yet

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- τὸν δ' Ἄτταλον μηδέπω συμμεμιχέναι, δῆλον ὡς ἐξῆν γε τελεῖν τῷ Φιλίππῳ τὸν εἰς τὴν Ἀλεξάνδρειαν πλοῦν. ἐξ οὗ δὴ καὶ μάλιστ' ἄν τις καταμάθοι τὸ μανιώδη γενόμενον Φίλιππον τοῦτο πράξει.
- 2 Τί οὖν ἦν τὸ τῆς ὀρμῆς ἐπιλαβόμενον; οὐδὲν  
3 ἕτερον ἄλλ' ἢ φύσις τῶν πραγμάτων. ἐκ πολλοῦ μὲν γὰρ ἐνίοτε πολλοὶ τῶν ἀδυνάτων ἐφίενται διὰ τὸ μέγεθος τῶν προφαινομένων ἐλπίδων, κρατούσης  
4 τῆς ἐπιθυμίας τῶν ἐκάστου λογισμῶν· ὅταν δ' ἐγγίσωσι τοῖς ἔργοις, οὐδενὶ λόγῳ πάλιν ἀφίστανται τῶν προθέσεων, ἐπισκοτούμενοι καὶ παραλογιζόμενοι τοῖς λογισμοῖς διὰ τὴν ἀμηχανίαν καὶ τὴν δυσχρηστίαν τῶν ἀπαντωμένων.
- 11 Μετὰ ταῦτα δὲ ποιησάμενος ὁ Φίλιππος τινὰς ἀπράκτους προσβολὰς διὰ τὴν ὀχυρότητα τοῦ πολίσματος αὐθις ἀπεχώρει, πορθῶν τὰ φρούρια καὶ  
2 τὰς κατὰ τὴν χώραν συνοικίας. ὅθεν ἀπαλαττόμενος προσεστρατοπέδευσε τῇ Πρινασσῷ. ταχὺ δὲ γέρρα καὶ τὴν τοιαύτην ἐτοιμάσας παρασκευὴν  
3 ἤρξατο πολιορκεῖν διὰ τῶν μετάλλων. οὔσης δ' ἀπράκτου τῆς ἐπιβολῆς αὐτῷ διὰ τὸ πετρώδη τὸν  
4 τόπον ὑπάρχειν ἐπινοεῖ τι τοιοῦτον. τὰς μὲν ἡμέρας ψόφον ἐποίει κατὰ γῆς, ὡς ἐνεργουμένων τῶν μετάλλων, τὰς δὲ νύκτας ἔξωθεν ἔφερε χοῦν καὶ παρέβαλλε παρὰ τὰ στόμια τῶν ὀρυγμάτων, ὥστε διὰ τοῦ πλήθους τῆς σωρευομένης γῆς στοχαζομένους καταπλαγεῖς γενέσθαι τοὺς ἐν τῇ πόλει.  
5 τὰς μὲν οὖν ἀρχὰς ὑπέμενον οἱ Πρινασσεῖς εὐγενῶς· ἐπεὶ δὲ προσπέμψας ὁ Φίλιππος ἐνεφάνιζε διότι πρὸς δύο πλέθρα τοῦ τείχους αὐτοῖς ἐξήρρισται, καὶ προσεπυθάνετο πότερα βούλονται λαβόντες τὴν

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having joined, it was evidently quite possible for Philip to sail to Alexandria. This is the best proof that Philip had become like a madman when he acted thus.

What was it then that arrested his impulse? Simply the nature of things. For at a distance many men at times strive after impossibilities owing to the magnitude of the hopes before their eyes, their desires getting the better of their reason: but when the hour of action approaches they abandon their projects again without any exercise of reason, their faculty of thought being confused and upset by the insuperable difficulties they encounter.

### *Capture of Prinassus*

11. After this Philip, having delivered several assaults which proved futile owing to the strength of the place, again withdrew, sacking the small forts and country residences, and when he had desisted from this, sat down before Prinassus. Having soon prepared pent-houses and other materials he began to besiege it by mining. But when this project proved impracticable owing to the rocky nature of the ground he hit on the following device. During the day he produced a noise underground as if the mines were going ahead, and at night he brought soil from elsewhere and heaped it round the mouths of the excavations, so that those in the town judging from the quantity of soil piled up might be alarmed. At first the Prinassians held out valiantly, but when Philip sent to inform them that about two hundred feet of their wall had been underpinned and inquired whether they wished to withdraw under promise of

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ἀσφάλειαν ἐκχωρεῖν ἢ μετὰ τῆς πόλεως συναπ-  
6 ολέσθαι πανδημεί, τῶν ἐρεισμάτων ἐμπρησθέντων,  
τηνικάδε πιστεύσαντες τοῖς λεγομένοις παρέδοσαν  
τὴν πόλιν.

12 Ἡ δὲ τῶν Ἰασέων πόλις κεῖται μὲν ἐπὶ τῆς  
Ἀσίας ἐν τῷ κόλπῳ τῷ μεταξὺ κειμένῳ τοῦ τῆς  
Μιλησίας Ποσειδίου καὶ τῆς Μυνδίων πόλεως,  
προσαγορευομένῳ . . . , παρὰ δὲ τοῖς πλείστοις  
Βαργυλιτικῶ συνωνύμῳ ταῖς περὶ τὸν μυχὸν  
2 αὐτοῦ πόλεσιν ἐκτισμέναις. εὐχονται δὲ τὸ μὲν  
ἀνέκαθεν Ἀργείων ἀποικοὶ γεγονέναι, μετὰ δὲ  
ταῦτα Μιλησίων, ἐπαγαγομένων τῶν προγόνων τὸν  
Νηλέως υἱὸν τοῦ κτίσαντος Μίλητον διὰ τὴν ἐν  
τῷ Καρικῶ πολέμῳ γενομένην φθορὰν αὐτῶν. τὸ  
3 δὲ μέγεθος τῆς πόλεως ἐστὶ δέκα στάδια. κατα-  
πεφήμισται δὲ καὶ πεπίστευται παρὰ μὲν τοῖς  
Βαργυλιήταις διότι τὸ τῆς Κινδυάδος Ἀρτέμιδος  
ἄγαλμα, καίπερ ὄν ὑπαίθριον, οὔτε νίφεται τὸ  
4 παράπαν οὔτε βρέχεται, παρὰ δὲ τοῖς Ἰασεῦσι τὸ  
τῆς Ἀστιάδος· καὶ ταῦτά τινες εἰρήκασι καὶ τῶν  
5 συγγραφέων. ἐγὼ δὲ πρὸς τὰς τοιαύτας ἀποφάσεις  
τῶν ἱστοριογράφων οὐκ οἶδ' ὅπως παρ' ὅλην τὴν  
πραγματείαν ἐναντιούμενος καὶ δυσανασχετῶν  
6 διατελῶ. δοκεῖ γάρ μοι τὰ τοιαῦτα παντάπασι  
παιδικῆς εὐηθείας ὅσα μὴ μόνον τῆς τῶν εὐλόγων  
ἐκτὸς πίπτει θεωρίας, ἀλλὰ καὶ τῆς τοῦ δυνατοῦ.  
7 τὸ γὰρ φάσκειν ἔνια τῶν σωμάτων ἐν φωτὶ τιθέμενα  
μὴ ποιεῖν σκιὰν ἀπηλγηκυίας ἐστὶ ψυχῆς· ὃ  
πεποίηκε Θεόπομπος, φήσας τοὺς εἰς τὸ τοῦ Διὸς  
ἄβατον ἐμβάντας κατ' Ἀρκαδίαν ἀσκίους γίνεσθαι.  
8 τούτῳ δὲ παραπλήσιόν ἐστὶ καὶ τὸ νυνὶ λεγόμενον.  
9 ὅσα μὲν οὖν συντείνει πρὸς τὸ διασώζειν τὴν τοῦ

## BOOK XVI. 11. 5 – 12. 9

safety or to perish all of them with their town after the underpinning had been fired, they believed what he said and surrendered the town.

12. The city of Iasus lies on the coast of Asia on the gulf situated between the Milesian Poseidion and Myndus, called by some the gulf of Iasus, but usually known as the gulf of Bargylia after the names of the cities at the head of it. It claims to have been originally a colony of Argos recolonized from Miletus, the son of Neleus the founder of Miletus having been invited there by the ancient inhabitants owing to the losses they had suffered in their war with the Carians. The town has a circumference of ten stades. It is reported and believed that at Bargylia no snow nor rain ever falls on the statue of Artemis Kindyas, although it stands in the open air, and the same story is told of that of Artemis Astias at Iasus. This statement has even been made by some authors. But I myself throughout my whole work have consistently viewed such statements by historians with a certain opposition and repugnance. For I think that to believe things which are not only beyond the limits of probability but beyond those of possibility shows quite a childish simplicity. For instance it is a sign of a blunted intelligence to say that some solid bodies when placed in the light cast no shadow, as Theopompus does when he tells us that those who enter the holy of holies of Zeus in Arcadia become shadowless. The statement about these statues is very much of the same nature. In cases indeed where such statements contribute to maintain a feeling of piety to the



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πλήθους εὐσέβειαν πρὸς τὸ θεῖον, δοτέον ἐστὶ  
συγγνώμην ἐνίοις τῶν συγγραφέων τερατευομένοις  
καὶ λογοποιοῦσι περὶ τὰ τοιαῦτα· τὸ δ' ὑπεραῖρον  
10 οὐ συγχωρητέον. τάχα μὲν οὖν ἐν παντὶ δυσ-  
παράγραφός ἐστιν ἢ ποσότης, οὐ μὲν ἀπαράγραφός  
11 γε. διὸ καὶ παρὰ βραχὺ μὲν εἰ καὶ ἀγνοεῖται καὶ  
ψευδοδοξεῖται, δεδόσθω συγγνώμη, τὸ δ' ὑπεραῖρον  
ἀθετείσθω κατὰ γε τὴν ἐμὴν δόξαν.

### II. RES GRAECIAE

13 Ὅτι κατὰ τὴν Πελοπόννησον τίνα μὲν ἐξ ἀρχῆς  
προαίρεσιν ἐνεστήσατο Νάβις ὁ τῶν Λακεδαιμονίων  
τύραννος, καὶ πῶς ἐκβαλὼν τοὺς πολίτας ἠλευθέ-  
ρωσε τοὺς δούλους καὶ συνώκισε ταῖς τῶν δεσπο-  
2 τῶν γυναῖξιν καὶ θυγατράσιν, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ τίνα  
τρόπον ἀναδείξας τὴν ἑαυτοῦ δύναμιν οἷον ἄσυλον  
ἱερὸν τοῖς ἢ δι' ἀσέβειαν ἢ πονηρίαν φεύγουσι τὰς  
ἑαυτῶν πατρίδας ἤθροισε πλῆθος ἀνθρώπων ἀνο-  
3 σίων εἰς τὴν Σπάρτην, ἐν τοῖς πρὸ τούτων δεδη-  
λώκαμεν. πῶς δὲ καὶ τίνα τρόπον κατὰ τοὺς προ-  
ειρημένους καιροὺς σύμμαχος ὑπάρχων Αἰτωλοῖς,  
'Ηλείοις, Μεσσηνίοις, καὶ πᾶσι τούτοις ὀφείλων καὶ  
κατὰ τοὺς ὄρκους καὶ κατὰ τὰς συνθήκας βοηθεῖν,  
εἴ τις ἐπ' αὐτοὺς ἴοι, παρ' οὐδὲν ποιησάμενος τὰς  
προειρημένας πίστεις ἐπεβάλετο παρασπονδῆσαι τὴν  
τῶν Μεσσηνίων πόλιν, νῦν ἐροῦμεν.

14 Ὅτι φησὶ Πολύβιος ἐπεὶ δέ τινες τῶν τὰς κατὰ  
μέρος γραφόντων πράξεις γεγράφασι καὶ περὶ τού-  
των τῶν καιρῶν, ἐν οἷς τὰ τε κατὰ Μεσσηνίους καὶ  
τὰ κατὰ τὰς προειρημένας ναυμαχίας συνετελέσθη,  
2 βούλομαι βραχέα περὶ αὐτῶν διαλεχθῆναι. ποιήσο-

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μαι δ' οὐ πρὸς ἅπαντας, ἀλλ' ὅσους ὑπολαμβάνω  
μνήμης ἀξίους εἶναι καὶ διαστολῆς· εἰσὶ δ' οὗτοι  
3 Ζήνων καὶ Ἀντισθένης οἱ Ῥόδιοι. τούτους δ'  
ἀξίους εἶναι κρίνω διὰ πλείους αἰτίας. καὶ γὰρ  
κατὰ τοὺς καιροὺς γέγονασι καὶ προσέτι πεπολί-  
τευνται καὶ καθόλου πεποίηνται τὴν πραγματείαν  
οὐκ ὠφελείας χάριν, ἀλλὰ δόξης καὶ τοῦ καθήκοντος  
4 ἀνδράσι πολιτικοῖς. τῷ δὲ τὰς αὐτὰς γράφειν ἡμῖν  
πράξεις ἀναγκαῖόν ἐστι μὴ παρασιωπᾶν, ἵνα μὴ τῷ  
τῆς πατρίδος ὀνόματι καὶ τῷ δοκεῖν οἰκειοτάτας  
εἶναι Ῥοδίοις τὰς κατὰ θάλατταν πράξεις, ἡμῶν  
ἀντιδοξούντων πρὸς αὐτοὺς ἐνίοτε, μᾶλλον ἐπακο-  
λουθήσωσιν ἐκείνοις ἢ ἡμῖν οἱ φιλομαθοῦντες.  
5 οὗτοι τοιγαροῦν ἀμφοτέρωθεν πρῶτον μὲν τὴν περὶ  
Λάδην ναυμαχίαν οὐχ ἥττω τῆς περὶ Χίου, ἀλλ'  
ἐνεργεστέραν καὶ παραβολωτέραν ἀποφαίνουσι καὶ  
τῇ κατὰ μέρος τοῦ κινδύνου χρεία καὶ συντελεία καὶ  
καθόλου φασὶ τὸ νίκημα γεγονέναι κατὰ τοὺς  
6 Ῥοδίους. ἐγὼ δὲ διότι μὲν δεῖ ῥοπὰς διδόναι ταῖς  
αὐτῶν πατρίσι τοὺς συγγραφέας, συγχωρήσαιμ' ἄν,  
οὐ μὴν τὰς ἐναντίας τοῖς συμβεβηκόσιν ἀποφάσεις  
7 ποιεῖσθαι περὶ αὐτῶν. ἵκανὰ γὰρ τὰ κατ' ἄγνοιαν  
γινόμενα τοῖς γράφουσιν, ἃ διαφυγεῖν ἄνθρωπον  
8 δυσχερές· ἐὰν δὲ κατὰ προαίρεσιν ψευδογραφῶμεν  
ἢ πατρίδος ἕνεκεν ἢ φίλων ἢ χάριτος, τί διοίσομεν  
9 τῶν ἀπὸ τούτου τὸν βίον ποριζομένων; ὥσπερ γὰρ  
ἐκεῖνοι τῷ λυσιτελεῖ μετροῦντες ἀδοκίμους ποιούσι  
τὰς αὐτῶν συντάξεις, οὕτως οἱ πολιτικοὶ τῷ μισεῖν  
ἢ τῷ φιλεῖν ἐλκόμενοι πολλάκις εἰς ταῦτο τέλος ἐμ-  
10 πίπτουσι τοῖς προειρημένοις. διὸ δεῖ καὶ τοῦτο τὸ

not criticize the whole class, but those only whom I regard as worthy of mention and detailed examination. These are Zeno and Antisthenes of Rhodes, whom for several reasons I consider worthy of notice. For not only were they contemporary with the events they described, but they also took part in politics, and generally speaking they did not compose their works for the sake of gain but to win fame and do their duty as statesmen. Since they treated of the same events as I myself I must not pass them over in silence, lest owing to their being Rhodians and to the reputation the Rhodians have for great familiarity with naval matters, in cases where I differ from them students may be inclined to follow them rather than myself. Both of them, then, declare that the battle of Lade was not less important than that of Chios, but more severe and terrible, and that both as regards the issue of the separate contests that occurred in the fight and its general result the victory lay with the Rhodians. Now I would admit that authors should have a partiality for their own country but they should not make statements about it that are contrary to facts. Surely the mistakes of which we writers are guilty and which it is difficult for us, being but human, to avoid are quite sufficient; but if we make deliberate misstatements in the interest of our country or of friends or for favour, what difference is there between us and those who gain their living by their pens? For just as the latter, weighing everything by the standard of profit, make their works unreliable, so politicians, biased by their dislikes and affections, often achieve the same result. Therefore I would add that readers should

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- μέρος ἐπιμελῶς τοὺς μὲν ἀναγινώσκοντας παρατηρεῖν, τοὺς δὲ γράφοντας αὐτοὺς παραφυλάττεσθαι.
- 15** Δῆλον δ' ἔστι τὸ λεγόμενον ἐκ τῶν ἐνεστώτων. ὁμολογοῦντες γὰρ οἱ προειρημένοι διὰ τῶν κατὰ μέρος ἐν τῇ περὶ Λάδην ναυμαχία δύο μὲν αὐτάνδρους πεντήρεις τῶν Ῥοδίων ὑποχειρίους γενέσθαι  
2 τοῖς πολεμίοις, ἐκ δὲ τοῦ κινδύνου μιᾶς νηὸς ἐπαραμένης τὸν δόλωνα διὰ τὸ τετρωμένην αὐτὴν θαλαττοῦσθαι, πολλοὺς καὶ τῶν ἐγγὺς τὸ παραπλήσιον ποιοῦντας ἀποχωρεῖν πρὸς τὸ πέλαγος,  
3 τέλος δὲ μετ' ὀλίγων καταλειφθέντα τὸν ναύαρχον ἀναγκασθῆναι ταῦτ' οἱ προειρημένοι πράττειν,  
4 καὶ τότε μὲν εἰς τὴν Μυνδίαν ἀπουρώσαντας καθορμισθῆναι, τῇ δ' ἐπαύριον ἀναχθέντας εἰς Κῶ  
5 διαῖραι, τοὺς δὲ πολεμίους τὰς πεντήρεις ἐνάψασθαι καὶ καθορμισθέντας ἐπὶ τὴν Λάδην ἐπὶ τῇ ῥεῖνῶν  
6 στρατοπεδείᾳ ποιήσασθαι τὴν ἔπαυλιν, ἔτι δὲ τοὺς Μιλησίους, καταπλαγέντας τὸ γεγονός, οὐ μόνον τὸν Φίλιππον, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὸν Ἡρακλείδην στεφανῶσαι  
7 διὰ τὴν ἔφοδον, ταῦτα δ' εἰρηκότες ἂν προφανῶς ἔστιν ἴδια τῶν ἡττημένων, ὅμως καὶ διὰ τῶν κατὰ μέρος καὶ διὰ τῆς καθολικῆς ἀποφάσεως νικῶντας  
8 ἀποφαίνουσι τοὺς Ῥοδίους, καὶ ταῦτα τῆς ἐπιστολῆς ἔτι μενούσης ἐν τῷ πρυτανείῳ τῆς ὑπ' αὐτοὺς τοὺς καιροὺς ὑπὸ τοῦ ναυάρχου πεμφθείσης περὶ τούτων τῇ τε βουλῇ καὶ τοῖς πρυτάνεσιν, οὐ ταῖς Ἀντισθένους καὶ Ζήνωνος ἀποφάσεσι <συμφωνούσης> ἀλλὰ ταῖς ἡμετέραις.
- 16** Ἐξῆς δὲ τοῖς προειρημένοις γράφουσι περὶ τοῦ  
2 κατὰ Μεσσηνίου παρασπονδήματος. ἐν ᾧ φησιν ὁ Ζήνων ὀρμήσαντα τὸν Νάβιν ἐκ τῆς Λακεδαίμονος καὶ διαβάντα τὸν Εὐρώταν ποταμὸν παρὰ τὸν  
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carefully look out for this fault and authors themselves be on their guard against it.

15. What I say will be made clear by the present case. The above authors confess that among the results of the separate actions in the battle of Lade were the following. Two Rhodian quinqueremes with their complements fell into the hands of the enemy, and when one ship after the battle raised her jury mast as she had been rammed and was going down, many of those near her followed her example and retreated to the open sea, upon which the admiral, now left with only a few ships, was compelled to do likewise. The fleet, favoured by the wind, reached the coast of Myndus and anchored there, and next day put to sea again and crossed to Cos. Meanwhile the enemy took the quinqueremes in tow and anchoring off Lade, spent the night near their own camp. They say also that the Milesians, in great alarm at what had happened, not only voted a crown to Philip for his brilliant attack, but another to Heraclides. After telling us all these things, which obviously are symptoms of defeat, they nevertheless declare that the Rhodians were victorious both in the particular engagements and generally, and this in spite of the fact that the dispatch sent home by the admiral at the very time to the Rhodian senate and prytaneis, which is still preserved in the prytaneum at Rhodes, does not confirm the pronouncements of Antisthenes and Zeno, but my own.

16. In the next place they speak of the treacherous attempt on Messene. Here Zeno tells us that Nabis, setting out from Lacedaemon and crossing the Eurotas

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Ὀπλίτην προσαγορευόμενον πορεύεσθαι διὰ τῆς  
ὁδοῦ τῆς στενῆς παρὰ τὸ Πολιάσιον, ἕως ἐπὶ  
3 τοὺς κατὰ Σελλασίαν ἀφίκετο τόπους· ἐντεῦθεν  
δ' ἐπὶ Θαλάμας ἐπιβαλόντα κατὰ Φαρὰς παρα-  
4 γενέσθαι πρὸς τὸν Πάμισον ποταμόν. ὑπὲρ ὧν  
οὐκ οἶδα πῶς χρὴ λέγειν· τοιαύτην γὰρ φύσιν  
ἔχει τὰ προειρημένα πάντα συλλήβδην ὥστε  
μηδὲν διαφέρειν τοῦ λέγειν ὅτι ποιησάμενός τις  
ἐκ Κορίνθου τὴν ὁρμὴν καὶ διαπορευθεὶς τὸν  
Ἴσθμόν καὶ συνάψας ταῖς Σκειρωνίσιν εὐθέως  
ἐπὶ τὴν Κοντοπορίαν ἐπέβαλε καὶ παρὰ τὰς  
Μυκῆνας ἐποιεῖτο τὴν πορείαν εἰς Ἄργος. ταῦτα  
5 γὰρ οὐχ οἶον παρὰ μικρόν ἐστιν, ἀλλὰ τὴν ἐναντίαν  
διάθεσιν ἔχει πρὸς ἄλληλα, καὶ τὰ μὲν κατὰ τὸν  
Ἴσθμόν ἐστι καὶ τὰς Σκιράδας πρὸς ἀνατολὰς τοῦ  
Κορίνθου, τὰ δὲ κατὰ τὴν Κοντοπορίαν καὶ Μυ-  
6 κῆνας ἔγγιστα πρὸς δύοσις χειμερινάς, ὥστ' εἶναι  
τελέως ἀδύνατον ἀπὸ τῶν προηγουμένων ἐπι-  
7 βαλεῖν τοῖς προειρημένοις τόποις. τὸ δ' αὐτὸ  
καὶ περὶ τοὺς κατὰ τὴν Λακεδαίμονα συμβέβηκεν·  
8 ὁ μὲν γὰρ Εὐρώτας καὶ τὰ περὶ τὴν Σελλασίαν  
κεῖται τῆς Σπάρτης ὡς πρὸς τὰς θερινὰς ἀνατολὰς,  
τὰ δὲ κατὰ Θαλάμας καὶ Φαρὰς καὶ Πάμισον ὡς  
9 πρὸς τὰς χειμερινὰς δύοσις, ὅθεν οὐχ οἶον ἐπὶ τὴν  
Σελλασίαν, ἀλλ' οὐδὲ τὸν Εὐρώταν δέον ἐστὶ δια-  
βαίνειν τὸν προτιθέμενον παρὰ Θαλάμας ποιεῖσθαι  
τὴν πορείαν εἰς τὴν Μεσσηνίαν.

17 Πρὸς δὲ τούτοις φησὶ τὴν ἐπάνοδον ἐκ τῆς  
Μεσσηνίας πεποιῆσθαι τὸν Νάβιν κατὰ τὴν πύλην  
2 τὴν φέρουσαν ἐπὶ Τεγέαν. τοῦτο δ' ἔστιν ἄλογον·  
πρόκειται γὰρ τῆς Τεγέας ἡ Μεγάλη πόλις ὡς  
πρὸς τὴν Μεσσηνίαν, ὥστ' ἀδύνατον εἶναι καλεῖ-

near the so-called Hoplites, marched by the narrow road skirting Poliasion until he arrived at the district of Sellasia and thence passing Thalamae reached the river Pamisus at Pharae. I really am at a loss what to say about all this: for the character of the description taken as a whole is exactly as if one were to say that a man setting out from Corinth and crossing the Isthmus and reaching the Scironic rocks at once entered the Contoporia and passing Mycenae proceeded towards Argos. For this is no slight error, but the places in question are in quite opposite quarters, the Isthmus and Scirades being to the east of Corinth while the Contoporia and Messene are very nearly south-west, so that it is absolutely impossible to reach the latter locality by the former. The same is the case with regard to the topography of Laconia. The Eurotas and Sellasia are south-east of Sparta, while Thalamae, Pharae, and the Pamisus are south-west. So that one who intends to march past Thalamae to Messenia not only need not go to Sellasia, but need not cross the Eurotas at all.

17. In addition to this he says that Nabis on returning from Messene quitted it by the gate leading to Tegea. This is absurd, for between Messene and Tegea lies Megalopolis, so that none



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σθαί τινα πύλην παρὰ τοῖς Μεσσηνίοις ἐπὶ Τεγέαν.  
 3 ἄλλ' ἔστι παρ' αὐτοῖς πύλη Τεγεᾶτις προσαγο-  
 ρευομένη, καθ' ἣν ἐποίησατο τὴν ἐπάνοδον Νάβις·  
 ὧ πλανηθεὶς ἔγγιον ὑπέλαβε τὴν Τεγέαν εἶναι  
 4 Μεσσηνίων· τὸ δ' ἔστιν οὐ τοιοῦτον, ἀλλ' ἡ  
 Λακωνικὴ καὶ [ἡ] Μεγαλοπολίτις χώρα μεταξύ  
 5 κεῖται τῆς Μεσσηνίας καὶ Τεγεατίδος. τὸ δὲ  
 τελευταῖον· φησὶ γὰρ. τὸν Ἄλφειὸν ἐκ τῆς πηγῆς  
 εὐθέως κρυφθέντα καὶ πολὺν ἐνεχθέντα τόπον ὑπὸ  
 6 γῆς ἐκβάλλειν περὶ Λυκόαν τῆς Ἀρκαδίας. ὁ δὲ  
 ποταμὸς οὐ πολὺν τόπον ἀποσχὼν τῆς πηγῆς, καὶ  
 7 κρυφθεὶς ἐπὶ δέκα στάδια, πάλιν ἐκπίπτει, καὶ τὸ  
 λοιπὸν φερόμενος διὰ τῆς Μεγαλοπολίτιδος τὰς μὲν  
 ἀρχὰς ἐλαφρὸς, εἶτα λαμβάνων αὔξησιν καὶ δια-  
 νύσας ἐπιφανῶς πᾶσαν τὴν προειρημένην χώραν  
 ἐπὶ διακοσίους σταδίους γίνεται πρὸς Λυκόαν, ἤδη  
 προσειληφῶς καὶ τὸ τοῦ Λουσίου ρεῦμα καὶ παν-  
 τελῶς ἄβατος ὢν καὶ βαρὺς. . . .  
 8 Οὐ μὲν ἀλλὰ καὶ πάντα μοι δοκεῖ τὰ προ-  
 ειρημένα διαπτώματα μὲν εἶναι, πρόφασιν δ' ἐπι-  
 δέχεσθαι καὶ παραίτησιν· τὰ μὲν γὰρ δι' ἄγνοια  
 γέγονε, τὸ δὲ περὶ τὴν ναυμαχίαν διὰ τὴν πρὸς τὴν  
 9 πατρίδα φιλοστοργίαν. τί τις οὖν εἰκότως ἂν  
 Ζήνωνι μέμψαιτο; διότι τὸ πλεῖον οὐ περὶ τὴν  
 τῶν πραγμάτων ζήτησιν οὐδὲ περὶ τὸν χειρισμὸν  
 τῆς ὑποθέσεως, ἀλλὰ περὶ τὴν τῆς λέξεως κατα-  
 σκευὴν ἐσπούδακε, καὶ δῆλός ἐστι πολλάκις ἐπὶ  
 τούτῳ σεμνυνόμενος, καθάπερ καὶ πλείους ἕτεροι  
 10 τῶν ἐπιφανῶν συγγραφέων. ἐγὼ δὲ φημὶ μὲν  
 δεῖν πρόνοιαν ποιεῖσθαι καὶ σπουδάζειν ὑπὲρ τοῦ  
 δεόντως ἐξαγγέλλειν τὰς πράξεις—δῆλον γὰρ ὡς  
 οὐ μικρά, μεγάλα δὲ συμβάλλεται τοῦτο πρὸς τὴν



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ἱστορίαν—οὐ μὴν ἡγεμονικώτατόν γε καὶ πρῶτον  
 11 αὐτὸ παρὰ τοῖς μετρίοις ἀνδράσι τίθεσθαι· πολλοῦ  
 γε δεῖν· ἄλλα γὰρ ἂν εἶη καλλίω μέρη τῆς ἱστορίας,  
 ἐφ' οἷς ἂν μᾶλλον σεμνυνθεῖη πολιτικὸς ἀνὴρ.

18 Ὁ δὲ λέγειν βούλομαι, γένοιτ' ἂν οὕτω μάλιστα  
 2 καταφανές. ἐξηγούμενος γὰρ ὁ προειρημένος συγ-  
 γραφεὺς τὴν τε Γάζης πολιορκίαν καὶ τὴν γενομέ-  
 νην παράταξιν Ἀντιόχου πρὸς Σκόπαν ἐν Κοίλῃ  
 Συρία περὶ τὸ Πάνιον, περὶ μὲν τὴν τῆς λέξεως  
 κατασκευὴν δῆλός ἐστιν ἐπὶ τοσοῦτον ἐσπουδακῶς  
 ὡς ὑπερβολὴν τερατείας μὴ καταλιπεῖν τοῖς τὰς  
 ἐπιδεικτικὰς καὶ πρὸς ἔκπληξιν τῶν πολλῶν  
 3 συντάξεις ποιουμένοις, τῶν γε μὴν πραγμάτων  
 ἐπὶ τοσοῦτον ὀλιγώρηκεν ὥστε πάλιν ἀνυπέρ-  
 βλητον εἶναι τὴν εὐχέρειαν καὶ τὴν ἀπειρίαν τοῦ  
 4 συγγραφέως. προθέμενος γὰρ πρώτην διασαφεῖν  
 τὴν τῶν περὶ τὸν Σκόπαν ἔκταξιν, τῷ μὲν δεξιῷ  
 κέρατί φησι τῆς ὑπωρείας ἔχεσθαι τὴν φάλαγγα  
 μετ' ὀλίγων ἰππέων, τὸ δ' εὐώνυμον αὐτῆς καὶ  
 τοὺς ἰππεῖς πάντας τοὺς ἐπὶ τούτου τεταγμένους  
 5 ἐν τοῖς ἐπιπέδοις κεῖσθαι. τὸν δ' Ἀντιόχον ἐπὶ  
 μὲν τὴν ἐωθινὴν ἐκπέμψαι φησὶ τὸν πρεσβύτερον  
 υἱὸν Ἀντιόχον ἔχοντα μέρος τι τῆς δυνάμεως, ἵνα  
 προκαταλάβηται τῆς ὀρεινῆς τοὺς ὑπερκειμένους  
 6 τῶν πολεμίων τόπους, τὴν δὲ λοιπὴν δύναμιν ἅμα τῷ  
 φωτὶ διαβιβάσαντα τὸν ποταμὸν <τὸν> μεταξύ  
 τῶν στρατοπέδων ἐν τοῖς ἐπιπέδοις ἐκτάττειν,  
 τιθέντα τοὺς μὲν φαλαγγίτας ἐπὶ μίαν εὐθείαν  
 κατὰ μέσσην τὴν τῶν πολεμίων τάξιν, τῶν δ'  
 ἰππέων τοὺς μὲν ἐπὶ τὸ λαιὸν κέρας τῆς φάλαγγος,  
 τοὺς δ' ἐπὶ τὸ δεξιόν, ἐν οἷς εἶναι καὶ τὴν κατά-  
 φρακτον ἵππον, ἧς ἡγείτο πάσης ὁ νεώτερος

tributes to the value of history—but we should not regard this as the first and leading object to be aimed at by sober-minded men. Not at all: there are, I think, other excellences on which an historian who has been a practical statesman should rather pride himself.

18. I will attempt to make my meaning clear by the following instance. The above-mentioned author in narrating the siege of Gaza and the engagement between Antiochus and Scopas at the Panium in Coele-Syria has evidently taken so much pains about his style that the extravagance of his language is not excelled by any of those declamatory works written to produce a sensation among the vulgar. He has, however, paid so little attention to facts that his recklessness and lack of experience are again unsurpassed. Undertaking in the first place to describe Scopas's order of battle he tells us that the phalanx with a few horsemen rested its right wing on the hills, while the left wing and all the cavalry set apart for this purpose stood on the level ground. Antiochus, he says, had at early dawn sent off his elder son, Antiochus, with a portion of his forces to occupy the parts of the hill which commanded the enemy, and when it was daylight he took the rest of his army across the river which separated the two camps and drew it up on the plain, placing the phalanx in one line opposite the enemy's centre and stationing some of his cavalry to the left of the phalanx and some to the right, among the latter being the troop of mailed horsemen which was all under the command

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7 Ἀντίοχος τῶν υἱῶν. μετὰ δὲ ταῦτά φησι τὰ  
 θηρία προτάξαι τῆς φάλαγγος ἐν διαστήματι καὶ  
 τοὺς μετ' Ἀντιπάτρου Ταραντίνους, τὰ δὲ μεταξύ  
 τῶν θηρίων πληρῶσαι τοῖς τοξόταις καὶ σφενδονή-  
 ταις, αὐτὸν δὲ μετὰ τῆς ἑταιρικῆς ἵππου καὶ τῶν  
 8 ὑπασπιστῶν κατόπιν ἐπιστῆναι τοῖς θηρίοις. ταῦτα  
 δ' ὑποθέμενος, τὸν μὲν νεώτερον Ἀντίοχόν φησιν,  
 ὃν ἐν τοῖς ἐπιπέδοις ἔθηκε κατὰ τὸ λαιὸν τῶν  
 πολεμίων ἔχοντα τὴν κατάφρακτον ἵππον, τοῦτον  
 ἐκ τῆς ὀρεινῆς ἐπενεχθέντα τρέψασθαι τοὺς ἱππέας  
 τοὺς περὶ τὸν Πτολεμαῖον τὸν Ἀερόπου καὶ  
 καταδιώκειν, ὃς ἐτύγχανε τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς ἐπιτε-  
 ταγμένος ἐν τοῖς ἐπιπέδοις ἐπὶ τῶν εὐωνύμων, τὰς  
 9 δὲ φάλαγγας, ἐπεὶ συνέβαλλον ἀλλήλαις, μάχην  
 10 ποιεῖν ἰσχυράν. ὅτι δὲ συμβαλεῖν ἀδύνατον ἦν  
 τῶν θηρίων καὶ τῶν ἱππέων καὶ τῶν εὐζώνων  
 προτεταγμένων, τοῦτ' οὐκέτι συνορᾷ.

19 Μετὰ δὲ ταῦτά φησι καταπροτερουμένην τὴν  
 φάλαγγα ταῖς εὐχειρίαις καὶ πιεζομένην ὑπὸ τῶν  
 Αἰτωλῶν ἀναχωρεῖν ἐπὶ πόδα, τὰ <δὲ> θηρία  
 τοὺς ἐγκλίνοντας ἐκδεχόμενα καὶ συμπύπτοντα τοῖς  
 2 πολεμίοις μεγάλην παρέχεσθαι χρεῖαν. πῶς δὲ  
 ταῦτα γέγονεν ὀπίσω τῆς φάλαγγος οὐ ῥάδιον  
 3 καταμαθεῖν, ἢ πῶς γεγόμενα παρείχετο χρεῖαν  
 μεγάλην· ὅτε γὰρ ἅπαξ αἱ φάλαγγες συνέπεσον  
 ἀλλήλαις, οὐκέτι δυνατόν ἦν κρίναι τὰ θηρία τίς  
 <τῶν> ὑποπιπτόντων φίλιος ἢ πολεμιός ἐστι.  
 4 πρὸς δὲ τούτοις φησὶ τοὺς Αἰτωλῶν ἱππέας δυσ-  
 χρηστεῖσθαι κατὰ τὸν κίνδυνον διὰ τὴν ἀσυνήθειαν  
 5 τῆς τῶν θηρίων φαντασίας. ἀλλ' οἱ μὲν ἐπὶ τοῦ  
 δεξιοῦ ταχθέντες ἐξ ἀρχῆς ἀκέραιοι διέμενον, ὡς  
 αὐτός φησι· τὸ δὲ λοιπὸν πλῆθος τῶν ἱππέων τὸ

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of his younger son, Antiochus. Next he tells us that the king posted the elephants at some distance in advance of the phalanx together with Antipater's Tarantines, the spaces between the elephants being filled with bowmen and slingers, while he himself with his horse and foot guards took up a position behind the elephants. Such being their positions as laid down by him, he tells us that the younger Antiochus, whom he stationed in command of the mailed cavalry on the plain opposite the enemy's left, charged from the hill, routed and pursued the cavalry under Ptolemy, son of Aeropus, who commanded the Aetolians in the plain and on the left, and that the two phalanxes met and fought stubbornly, forgetting that it was impossible for them to meet as the elephants, cavalry, and light-armed troops were stationed in front of them.

19. Next he states that the phalanx, proving inferior in fighting power and pressed hard by the Aetolians, retreated slowly, but that the elephants were of great service in receiving them in their retreat and engaging the enemy. It is not easy to see how this could happen in the rear of the phalanx, or how if it did happen great service was rendered. For once the two phalanxes had met it was not possible for the elephants to distinguish friend from foe among those they encountered. In addition to this he says the Aetolian cavalry were put out of action in the battle because they were unaccustomed to the sight of the elephants. But the cavalry posted on the right remained unbroken from the beginning as he says himself, while the rest of the cavalry, which

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μερισθὲν ἐπὶ τὸ λαιὸν ἐπεφεύγει πᾶν ὑπὸ τῶν περι  
6 τὸν Ἀντίοχον ἠττημένον. ποῖον οὖν μέρος τῶν  
ἰππέων ἦν κατὰ μέσσην τὴν φάλαγγα τὸ τοὺς  
7 ἐλέφαντας ἐκπληττόμενον; ποῦ δ' ὁ βασιλεὺς  
γέγονεν, ἢ τίνα παρέσχηται χρεῖαν ἐν τῇ μάχῃ,  
τὸ κάλλιστον σύστημα περι αὐτὸν ἐσχηκῶς καὶ  
τῶν πεζῶν καὶ τῶν ἰππέων; ἀπλῶς γὰρ οὐδὲν  
8 εἴρηται περι τούτων. ποῦ δ' ὁ πρεσβύτερος τῶν  
υἱῶν Ἀντίοχος ὁ μετὰ μέρος τινὸς τῆς δυνάμεως  
προκαταλαβόμενος τοὺς ὑπερδεξίους τόπους;  
9 οὗτος μὲν γὰρ οὐδ' εἰς τὴν στρατοπεδείαν ἀνα-  
κεχώρηκεν αὐτῷ μετὰ τὴν μάχην. εἰκότως· δύο  
γὰρ Ἀντιόχους ὑπέθετο τοῦ βασιλέως υἱούς,  
10 ὄντος ἑνὸς τοῦ τότε συνεστρατευμένου. πῶς δ'  
ὁ Σκόπας ἅμα μὲν αὐτῷ πρῶτος, ἅμα δ' ἔσχατος  
ἀναλέλυκεν ἐκ τοῦ κινδύνου; φησὶ γὰρ αὐτὸν  
ἰδόντα τοὺς περι τὸν νεώτερον Ἀντίοχον ἐκ τοῦ  
διώγματος ἐπιφαινομένους κατὰ νότου τοῖς φαλαγγί-  
ταις, καὶ διὰ τοῦτο τὰς τοῦ νικᾶν ἐλπίδας ἀπο-  
11 γνόντα, ποιεῖσθαι τὴν ἀποχώρησιν· μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα  
συστῆναι τὸν μέγιστον κίνδυνον, κυκλωθείσης τῆς  
φάλαγγος ὑπὸ τε τῶν θηρίων καὶ τῶν ἰππέων, καὶ  
τελευταῖον ἀποχωρῆσαι τὸν Σκόπαν ἀπὸ τοῦ κιν-  
δύνου.

20 Ταῦτα δὲ μοι δοκεῖ, καὶ καθόλου τὰ τοιαῦτα  
τῶν ἀλογημάτων, πολλὴν ἐπιφέρειν αἰσχύνην τοῖς  
2 συγγραφεῦσι. διὸ δεῖ μάλιστα μὲν πειρᾶσθαι  
πάντων κρατεῖν τῶν τῆς ἱστορίας μερῶν· καλὸν  
γάρ· εἰ δὲ μὴ τοῦτο δυνατόν, τῶν ἀναγκαιοτάτων  
καὶ τῶν μεγίστων ἐν αὐτῇ πλείστην ποιεῖσθαι  
πρόνοιαν.

3 Ταῦτα μὲν οὖν προήχθην εἰπεῖν, θεωρῶν νῦν,

had been assigned to the left wing, had been vanquished and put to flight by Antiochus. What part of the cavalry, then, was it that was terrified by the elephants in the centre of the phalanx, and where was the king all this time and what service did he render in the action with the horse and foot he had about him, the finest in the army? We are not told a single word about this. Where again was the king's elder son, Antiochus, who had occupied positions overlooking the enemy with a part of the army? Why! according to Zeno this young man did not even take part in the return to the camp after the battle; naturally not, for he supposes there were two Antiochi there, sons of the king, whereas there was only one with him in this campaign. And can he explain how Scopas was both the first and the last to leave the field? For he tells us that when he saw the younger Antiochus returning from the pursuit and threatening the phalanx from the rear he despaired of victory and retreated; but after this the hottest part of the battle began, upon the phalanx being surrounded by the elephants and cavalry, and now Scopas was the last to leave the field.

20. Writers it seems to me should be thoroughly ashamed of nonsensical errors like the above. They should therefore strive above all to become masters of the whole craft of history, for to do so is good; but if this be out of their power, they should give the closest attention to what is most necessary and important.

I was led to make these observations, because I



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καθάπερ καὶ ἐπὶ τῶν ἄλλων τεχνῶν καὶ ἐπιτη-  
δευμάτων, τὸ μὲν ἀληθινὸν καὶ πρὸς τὴν χρεῖαν  
4 ἀνῆκον ἐν ἑκάστοις ἐπισεσυρμένον, τὸ δὲ πρὸς  
ἀλαζονείαν καὶ φαντασίαν ἐπαινούμενον καὶ ζη-  
λούμενον, ὡς μέγα τι καὶ θαυμάσιον, ὃ καὶ τὴν  
κατασκευὴν ἔχει ραδιεστέραν καὶ τὴν εὐδόκησιν  
ὀλιγοδεεστέραν, καθάπερ αἱ λοιπαὶ τῶν γραφῶν.  
5 περὶ δὲ τῆς τῶν τόπων ἀγνοίας τῶν κατὰ τὴν  
Λακωνικὴν διὰ τὸ μεγάλην εἶναι τὴν παράπτωσιν  
οὐκ ὤκνησα γράψαι καὶ πρὸς αὐτὸν Ζήνωνα,  
6 κρίνων καλὸν εἶναι τὸ μὴ τὰς τῶν πέλας ἀμαρτίας  
ἴδια προτερήματα νομίζειν, καθάπερ ἔνιοι ποιεῖν  
εἰώθασιν, ἀλλὰ μὴ μόνον τῶν ἰδίων ὑπομνημάτων,  
ἀλλὰ καὶ τῶν ἀλλοτρίων, καθ' ὅσον οἰοί τ' ἐσμέν,  
ποιεῖσθαι πρόνοιαν καὶ διόρθωσιν χάριν τῆς κοι-  
7 νῆς ὠφελείας. ὃ δὲ λαβὼν τὴν ἐπιστολήν, καὶ  
γνοὺς ἀδύνατον οὔσαν τὴν μετάθεσιν διὰ τὸ προ-  
εκδεδωκέναι τὰς συντάξεις, ἐλυπήθη μὲν ὡς ἐνι  
μάλιστα, ποιεῖν δ' οὐδὲν εἶχε, τὴν γε μὴν ἡμετέραν  
8 αἴρεσιν ἀπεδέξατο φιλοφρόνως. ὃ δὲ καὶ ἐγὼ  
παρακαλέσαιμι περὶ αὐτοῦ <τοῦς> καθ' ἡμᾶς καὶ  
τοῦς ἐπιγινομένους, εἴαν μὲν κατὰ πρόθεσιν εὐρι-  
σκώμεθά που κατὰ τὴν πραγματείαν διαψευ-  
δόμενοι καὶ παρορῶντες τὴν ἀλήθειαν, ἀπαι-  
9 τήτως ἐπιτιμᾶν, εἴαν δὲ κατ' ἀγνοίαν, συγγνώμην  
ἔχειν, καὶ μάλιστα πάντων ἡμῖν διὰ τὸ μέγεθος  
τῆς συντάξεως καὶ διὰ τὴν καθόλου περιβολὴν  
τῶν πραγμάτων.

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21 Ὅτι ὁ Τληπόλεμος ὃ τὰ τῆς βασιλείας τῶν  
Αἰγυπτίων πράγματα μεταχειριζόμενος ἦν μὲν

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κατὰ τὴν ἡλικίαν νέος καὶ κατὰ τὸ συνεχές ἐν  
2 στρατιωτικῷ βίῳ διεγεγόνει μετὰ φαντασίας, ἦν  
δὲ καὶ τῇ φύσει μετέωρος καὶ φιλόδοξος, καὶ  
καθόλου πολλὰ μὲν εἰς πραγμάτων λόγον ἀγαθὰ  
3 προσεφέρετο, πολλὰ δὲ καὶ κακά. στρατηγεῖν  
μὲν γὰρ ἐν τοῖς ὑπαίθροις καὶ χειρίζειν πολεμικὰς  
πράξεις δυνατὸς ἦν, καὶ . . . ἀνδρώδης ὑπῆρχε τῇ  
φύσει, καὶ πρὸς τὰς στρατιωτικὰς ὀμιλίας εὐφυῶς  
4 διέκειτο· πρὸς δὲ ποικίλων πραγμάτων χειρισμόν,  
δεόμενον ἐπιστάσεως καὶ νήψεως, καὶ πρὸς φυλα-  
κὴν χρημάτων καὶ καθόλου τὴν περὶ τὸ λυσιτελές  
5 οἰκονομίαν, ἀφυέστατος ὑπῆρχε πάντων. ἦ καὶ  
ταχέως οὐ μόνον ἔσφηλεν, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὴν βασιλείαν  
6 ἠλάττωσε· παραλαβὼν γὰρ τὴν τῶν χρημάτων  
ἐξουσίαν, τὸ μὲν πλείστον μέρος τῆς ἡμέρας  
κατέτριβε σφαιρομαχῶν καὶ πρὸς τὰ μειράκια  
7 διαμιλλώμενος ἐν τοῖς ὄπλοις, ἀπὸ δὲ τούτων  
γινόμενος εὐθέως πότους συνῆγε καὶ τὸ πλείον  
μέρος τοῦ βίου περὶ ταῦτα καὶ σὺν τούτοις εἶχε  
8 τὴν διατριβήν. ὃν δέ ποτε χρόνον τῆς ἡμέρας  
ἀπεμέριζε πρὸς ἐντεύξεις, ἐν τούτῳ διεδίδου,  
μᾶλλον δ', εἰ δεῖ τὸ φαινόμενον εἰπεῖν, διερρίπτει  
τὰ βασιλικὰ χρήματα τοῖς ἀπὸ τῆς Ἑλλάδος  
παραγεγονόσι πρεσβευταῖς καὶ τοῖς περὶ τὸν  
Διόνυσον τεχνίταις, μάλιστα δὲ τοῖς περὶ τὴν  
9 αὐλὴν ἡγεμόσι καὶ στρατιώταις. καθόλου γὰρ  
ἀνανεύειν οὐκ ἤδει, τῷ δὲ πρὸς χάριν ὀμιλήσαντι  
10 πᾶν ἐξ ἐτοίμου τὸ φανὲν ἐδίδου· τὸ λοιπὸν  
ἠϋξάνετο <τὸ> κακόν, ἐξ αὐτοῦ λαμβάνον τὴν  
11 ἐπίδοσιν. πᾶς γὰρ ὁ παθὼν εὖ παρὰ τὴν προσ-  
δοκίαν καὶ τοῦ γεγονότος χάριν καὶ τοῦ μέλλοντος  
12 ὑπερεβάλλετο ταῖς τῶν λόγων εὐχαριστίαις· ὁ δὲ

stantly lived the life of a soldier addicted to display. He was also by nature too buoyant and fond of fame, and generally speaking many of the qualities he brought to bear on the management of affairs were good but many also were bad. As regards campaigning and the conduct of war he was capable, and he was also naturally courageous and happy in his intercourse with soldiers ; but as for dealing with complicated questions of policy—a thing which requires application and sobriety—and as for the charge of money and in general all that concerned financial profit no one was more poorly endowed ; so that speedily he not only came to grief but diminished the power of the kingdom. For when he assumed the financial control, he spent the most part of the day in sparring and fencing bouts with the young men, and when he had finished this exercise, at once invited them to drink with him, spending the greater part of his life in this manner and with these associates. During that portion of the day that he set apart for audiences he used to distribute, or rather, if one must speak the plain truth, scatter the royal funds among the envoys who had come from Greece and the actors of the theatre of Dionysus and chiefly among the generals and soldiers present at court. For he was quite incapable of refusing and gave at once to anyone who made himself pleasant to him any sum he thought fit. So the evil went on growing and propagating itself. For every one who had received an unexpected favour was for the sake both of the past and of the future profuse in his expressions of thanks. Tlepolemus, when he heard these

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πυνθανόμενος τὸν γινόμενον ἐκ πάντων ἔπαινον  
 ὑπὲρ αὐτοῦ καὶ τὰς ἐν τοῖς πότοις ἐπιχύσεις, ἔτι  
 δὲ τὰς ἐπιγραφὰς καὶ τὰ διὰ τῶν ἀκροαμάτων εἰς  
 αὐτὸν ἀδόμενα παίγνια καθ' ὅλην τὴν πόλιν, εἰς  
 τέλος ἔχαινοντο καὶ μᾶλλον αἰεὶ καὶ μᾶλλον  
 ἐξετυφούτο, καὶ προχειρότερος ἐγένετο πρὸς τὰς  
**22** ξενικὰς καὶ στρατιωτικὰς χάριτας. ἐφ' οἷς οἱ  
 περὶ τὴν αὐλὴν ἀσχάλλοντες πάντα παρεσημαί-  
 νοντο καὶ βαρέως αὐτοῦ τὴν αὐθάδειαν ὑπέφερον,  
**2** τὸν δὲ Σωσίβιον ἐκ παραθέσεως ἐθαύμαζον. ἐδόκει  
 γὰρ οὗτος τοῦ τε βασιλέως προεστάναι φρονιμώ-  
 τερον ἢ κατὰ τὴν ἡλικίαν, τὴν τε πρὸς τοὺς ἐκτὸς  
 ἀπάντησιν ἀξίαν ποιεῖσθαι τῆς ἐγκεχειρισμένης  
 αὐτῷ πίστεως· αὕτη δ' ἦν ἡ σφραγὶς καὶ τὸ τοῦ  
**3** βασιλέως σῶμα. κατὰ δὲ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον  
 ἀνακομιζόμενος ἦκει παρὰ τοῦ Φιλίππου Πτολε-  
**4** μαῖος ὁ Σωσιβίου. καὶ πρὶν μὲν οὖν ἐκ τῆς Ἀλεξ-  
 ανδρείας ἐκπλεῦσαι πλήρης ἦν τύφου διὰ τε τὴν  
 ἰδίαν φύσιν καὶ διὰ τὴν προσγεγεννημένην ἐκ τοῦ  
**5** πατρὸς εὐκαιρίαν· ὡς δὲ καταπλεύσας εἰς τὴν  
 Μακεδονίαν συνέμιξε τοῖς περὶ τὴν αὐλὴν νεανί-  
 σκοις, ὑπολαβὼν εἶναι τὴν Μακεδόνων ἀνδρείαν ἐν  
 τῇ τῆς ὑποδέσεως καὶ τῇ τῆς ἐσθῆτος διαφορᾷ,  
 παρῆν ταῦτα πάντ' ἐζηλωκῶς καὶ πεπεισμένος  
 αὐτὸν μὲν ἄνδρα γεγονέναι διὰ τὴν ἐκδημίαν καὶ  
 διὰ τὸ Μακεδόσιν ὠμιληκέναι, τοὺς δὲ κατὰ τὴν  
 Ἀλεξάνδρειαν ἀνδράποδα καὶ βλάκας διαμένειν.  
**6** διόπερ εὐθέως ἐζηλοτύπει καὶ παρετρίβετο πρὸς  
**7** τὸν Τληπόλεμον. πάντων δ' αὐτῷ συγκατατιθε-  
 μένων τῶν περὶ τὴν αὐλὴν διὰ τὸ τὸν Τληπόλεμον  
 καὶ τὰ πράγματα καὶ τὰ χρήματα μὴ ὡς ἐπίτροπον,  
 ἀλλ' ὡς κληρονόμον χειρίζειν, ταχέως ηὐξήθη τὰ

universal eulogies of himself and the toasts drunk to him at table, when he read the inscriptions in his honour and heard of the playful verses sung about him to popular audiences all through the town, became at length very vainglorious, and every day his self-conceit increased and he grew more lavish of gifts to foreigners and soldiers. 22. All this gave the courtiers much cause for complaint. They noted all his acts with disapproval, and found his arrogance hard to put up with, while Sosibius when compared with him aroused their admiration. The latter, they thought, had shown a wisdom beyond his years in his guardianship of the king, and in his communications with foreign representatives had conducted himself in a manner worthy of the charge committed to him, the seal that is to say and the person of the king. At this time Ptolemaeus, the son of Sosibius, arrived on his way back from the court of Philip. Even before leaving Alexandria he had been full of conceit owing to his own nature and owing to the affluence he owed to his father. But when on arriving in Macedonia he met the young men at that court, conceiving that Macedonian manhood consisted in the superior elegance of their dress and footgear, he returned to Egypt full of admiration for all such things, and convinced that he alone was a man owing to his having travelled and come in contact with the Macedonians, while all the Alexandrians were still slaves and blockheads. In consequence he at once grew jealous of Tlepolemus and acted so as to cause friction between them ; and as all the courtiers took his part, because Tlepolemus administered public affairs and finances more like an heir than like a trustee, the difference soon became more acute.

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- 8 τῆς διαφορᾶς. καθ' ὃν καιρὸν ὁ Τληπόλεμος, προσπιπτόντων αὐτῷ λόγων δυσμενικῶν ἐκ τῆς τῶν αὐλικῶν παρατηρήσεως καὶ κακοπραγμοσύνης, τὰς μὲν ἀρχὰς παρήκουε καὶ κατεφρόνει τῶν  
9 λεγομένων. ὡς δέ ποτε καὶ κοινῇ συνεδρεύσαντες ἐτόλμησαν ἐν τῷ μέσῳ καταμέμφεσθαι τὸν Τληπόλεμον, ὡς κακῶς χειρίζοντα τὰ κατὰ τὴν  
10 βασιλείαν, οὐ παρόντος αὐτοῦ, τότε δὴ παροξυνθεὶς συνῆγε τὸ συνέδριον καὶ παρελθὼν ἐκείνους μὲν ἔφη λάθρα καὶ κατ' ἰδίαν ποιεῖσθαι κατ' αὐτοῦ τὰς διαβολάς, αὐτὸς δ' ἔκρινε κοινῇ καὶ κατὰ πρόσωπον αὐτῶν ποιήσασθαι τὴν κατηγορίαν.
- 11 "Ὅτι μετὰ τὴν δημηγορίαν ἔλαβε καὶ τὴν σφραγίδα παρὰ Σωσιβίου, καὶ ταύτην παρειληφῶς ὁ Τληπόλεμος λοιπὸν ἤδη πάντα τὰ πράγματα κατὰ τὴν αὐτοῦ προαίρεσιν ἔπραττεν.

### IV. RES SYRIAE

- 2<sup>a</sup>(40) "Ὅτι Ἀντιόχου τοῦ βασιλέως τὴν τῶν Γαζαίων πόλιν πορθήσαντος φησὶν ὁ Πολύβιος· ἐμοὶ δὲ καὶ δίκαιον ἅμα καὶ πρέπον εἶναι δοκεῖ τὸ τοῖς Γαζαίοις ἀποδοῦναι τὴν καθήκουσαν μαρτυρίαν. οὐδὲν γὰρ διαφέροντες ἀνδρεία τῶν κατὰ Κοίλην Συρίαν πρὸς τὰς πολεμικὰς πράξεις, ἐν κοινωνίᾳ πραγμάτων καὶ τῷ τηρεῖν τὴν πίστιν πολὺ διαφέρουσι καὶ συλλήβδην ἀνυπόστατον ἔχουσι τὴν τόλμαν.  
4 κατὰ γὰρ τὴν Περσῶν ἔφοδον ἐκπλαγέντων τῶν ἄλλων διὰ τὸ μέγεθος τῆς δυναστείας, καὶ πάντων ἐγχειρισάντων σφᾶς αὐτοὺς καὶ τὰς πατρίδας Μήδοις, μόνοι τὸ δεινὸν ὑπέμειναν πάντες, τὴν  
5 πολιορκίαν ἀναδεξάμενοι. κατὰ δὲ τὴν Ἀλεξ-

And now Tlepolemus, when hostile utterances due to the captiousness and malignancy of the courtiers reached his ears, at first refused to listen to these and treated them with contempt ; but when on some occasions they even held public meetings and ventured to blame him for his maladministration of the affairs of the kingdom and this in his absence, he became really incensed, and calling a meeting of the Council, appeared in person and said that they brought false accusations against him secretly and in private, but that he thought proper to accuse them in public and to their faces.

After his speech he took the seal from Sosibius, and having taken possession of it continued henceforth to act in all matters exactly as he chose.

#### IV. AFFAIRS OF SYRIA

*After King Antiochus had taken and sacked the city of Gaza Polybius writes as follows.*

22<sup>a</sup>. It seems to me both just and proper here to testify, as they merit, to the character of the people of Gaza. Although in war they display no more valour than the people of Coele-Syria in general, they are far superior as regards acting in unison and keeping their faith ; and to put it shortly show a courage which is irresistible. For instance in the Persian invasion, when all other towns were terrified by the vast power of the invaders and surrendered themselves and their homes to the Medes, they alone faced the danger as one man and submitted to a siege. Again on the arrival of Alexander, when not



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άνδρου παρουσίαν οὐ μόνον τῶν ἄλλων παραδεδω-  
κότων αὐτοῦς, ἀλλὰ καὶ Τυρίων ἐξηνδραποδισμένων  
μετὰ βίας, καὶ σχεδὸν ἀνελπίστου τῆς σωτηρίας  
ὑπαρχούσης τοῖς ἐναντιουμένοις πρὸς τὴν ὄρμην  
καὶ βίαν τὴν Ἰαλεξάνδρου, μόνοι τῶν κατὰ Συρίαν  
6 ὑπέστησαν καὶ πάσας ἐξήλεγγξαν τὰς ἐλπίδας· τὸ  
δὲ παραπλήσιον ἐποίησαν καὶ κατὰ τοὺς ἐνεστῶτας  
καιροῦς· οὐδὲν γὰρ ἀπέλειπον τῶν ἐνδεχομένων,  
σπουδάζοντες διαφυλάξει τὴν πρὸς τὸν Πτολεμαῖον  
7 πίστιν. διὸ καθάπερ καὶ κατ' ἰδίαν ἐπισημαινόμεθα  
τοὺς ἀγαθοὺς ἄνδρας ἐν τοῖς ὑπομνήμασι, τὸν  
αὐτὸν τρόπον χρῆ καὶ κοινῇ τῶν πόλεων τὴν ἐπ'  
ἀγαθῷ ποιήσασθαι μνήμην, ὅσαι τῶν καλῶν ἐκ  
παραδόσεώς τι καὶ προθέσεως πράττειν εἰώθασιν.

### V. RES ITALIAE

23 Πόπλιος δὲ Σκιπίων ἦκεν ἐκ Λιβύης οὐ πολὺ  
2 κατόπιν τῶν προειρημένων καιρῶν. οὔσης δὲ  
τῆς προσδοκίας τῶν πολλῶν ἀκολουθῶν τῷ μεγέθει  
τῶν πράξεων, μεγάλην εἶναι συνέβαινε καὶ τὴν  
φαντασίαν περὶ τὸν ἄνδρα καὶ τὴν τοῦ πλήθους  
3 εὐνοίαν πρὸς αὐτόν. καὶ τοῦτ' εἰκότως ἐκ τῶν  
4 κατὰ λόγον ἐγένετο καὶ καθηκόντως· οὐδέποτε  
γὰρ ἂν ἐλπίσαντες Ἄννιβαν ἐκβαλεῖν ἐξ Ἰταλίας  
οὐδ' ἀποτρίψασθαι τὸν ὑπὲρ αὐτῶν καὶ τῶν ἀναγ-  
καίων κίνδυνον, τότε δοκοῦντες ἤδη βεβαίως οὐ  
μόνον ἐκτὸς γεγονέναι παντὸς φόβου καὶ πάσης  
περιστάσεως, ἀλλὰ καὶ κρατεῖν τῶν ἐχθρῶν,  
5 ὑπερβολὴν οὐ κατέλιπον χαρᾶς. ὡς δὲ καὶ τὸν  
θρίαμβον εἰσήγε, τότε καὶ μᾶλλον ἔτι διὰ τῆς τῶν  
εἰσαγομένων ἐνεργείας μιμησκόμενοι τῶν προγε-  
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γονότων κινδύνων ἐκπαθείς ἐγίνοντο κατά τε τὴν  
πρὸς θεοὺς εὐχαριστίαν καὶ κατά τὴν πρὸς τὸν  
6 αἴτιον τῆς τηλικαύτης μεταβολῆς εὐνοίαν. καὶ  
γὰρ ὁ Σύφαξ ὁ τῶν Μασαιουλίων βασιλεὺς ἤχθη  
τότε διὰ τῆς πόλεως ἐν τῷ θριάμβῳ μετὰ τῶν  
αἰχμαλώτων· ὅς καὶ μετὰ τινα χρόνον ἐν τῇ  
7 φυλακῇ τὸν βίον μετήλλαξε. τούτων δὲ συν-  
τελεσθέντων οἱ μὲν ἐν τῇ Ῥώμῃ κατὰ τὸ συνεχὲς  
ἐπὶ πολλὰς ἡμέρας ἀγῶνας ἤγον καὶ πανηγύρεις  
ἐπιφανῶς, χορηγὸν ἔχοντες εἰς ταῦτα τὴν Σκιπίωνος  
μεγαλοψυχίαν.

### VI. RES MACEDONIAE ET GRAECIAE

24 Ὅτι Φίλιππος ὁ βασιλεὺς τοῦ χειμῶνος ἤδη  
καταρχομένου, καθ' ὃν Πόπλιος Σολπίκιος ὑπάτος  
κατεστάθη ἐν Ῥώμῃ, ποιούμενος τὴν διατριβὴν  
ἐν τοῖς Βαργυλίοις, θεωρῶν καὶ τοὺς Ῥοδίους  
καὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον οὐχ οἶον διαλύοντας τὸ ναυτικόν,  
ἀλλὰ καὶ προσπληροῦντας ναῦς καὶ φιλοτιμότερον  
προσκειμένους ταῖς φυλακαῖς, δυσχρήστως δι-  
έκειτο καὶ πολλὰς καὶ ποικίλας εἶχε περὶ τοῦ  
2 μέλλοντος ἐπινοίας. ἅμα μὲν γὰρ ἠγωνία τὸν ἐκ  
τῶν Βαργυλίων ἔκπλουν καὶ προεωρᾶτο τὸν κατὰ  
θάλατταν κίνδυνον, ἅμα δὲ τοῖς κατὰ τὴν Μακε-  
δονίαν πράγμασι διαπιστῶν οὐδαμῶς ἐβούλετο  
παραχειμάζειν κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν, φοβούμενος [μὲν  
3 οὖν] καὶ τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς καὶ τοὺς Ῥωμαίους· καὶ  
γὰρ οὐδ' ἠγνόει τὰς ἐξαποστελλομένας κατ' αὐτοῦ  
πρεσβείας εἰς Ῥώμην, . . . διόπερ πέρας ἔχει  
4 τὰ κατὰ τὴν Λιβύην. ἐξ ὧν ἐδυσχρηστεῖτο μὲν  
ὑπερβαλλόντως, ἠναγκάζετο δὲ κατὰ τὸ παρὸν

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cession, and expressed with passionate fervour their thanks to the gods and their love for him who had brought about so great a change. For among the prisoners led through the town in the triumph was Syphax, king of the Masaesylii, who shortly afterwards died in prison. After the termination of the triumph the Roman populace continued for many days to celebrate games and hold festival, the funds for the purpose being provided by the bounty of Scipio.

### VI. AFFAIRS OF MACEDONIA AND GREECE

#### *Philip in Caria*

24. At the beginning of the winter in which Publius Sulpicius was appointed consul in Rome, King Philip, who remained at Bargylia, when he saw that the Rhodians and Attalus were not only not dissolving their fleet but were manning other ships and paying more earnest attention to the maintenance of their garrisons, was much embarrassed and felt for many reasons serious disquietude as to the future. For one thing he dreaded setting sail from Bargylia as he foresaw the dangers of the sea, and in the next place as he was not confident about the position of affairs in Macedonia he did not at all wish to pass the winter in Asia, being afraid both of the Aetolians and of the Romans. For he was not ignorant of the embassies which had been sent to Rome to act against him, and he had learnt that the campaign in Africa was over. All these things caused him exceeding great disquietude, and for the present he was compelled to remain where he was,

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ἐπιμένων αὐτοῦ, τὸ δὴ λεγόμενον, λύκου βίον  
 5 ζῆν. παρ' ὧν μὲν γὰρ ἀρπάζων καὶ κλέπτων, τοὺς  
 δ' ἀποβιαζόμενος, ἐνίους δὲ παρὰ φύσιν αἰκάλλων  
 διὰ τὸ λιμώττειν αὐτῷ τὸ στράτευμα, ποτὲ μὲν  
 ἐσιτεῖτο κρέα, ποτὲ δὲ σῦκα, ποτὲ δὲ σιτάρια  
 6 βραχέα παντελῶς· ὧν τινὰ μὲν αὐτῷ Ζεῦξις  
 ἐχορήγει, τὰ δὲ Μυλασεῖς καὶ Ἀλαβανδεῖς καὶ  
 Μάγνητες, οὓς, ὅποτε μὲν τι δοῖεν, ἔσαινεν, ὅτε  
 δὲ μὴ δοῖεν, ὑλάκτει καὶ ἐπεβούλευεν αὐτοῖς.  
 7 τέλος ἐπὶ τὴν Μυλασέων πόλιν πράξεις συνεστή-  
 σατο διὰ Φιλοκλέους, ἐσφάλη δὲ διὰ τὴν ἀλογίαν  
 8 τῆς ἐπιβολῆς. τὴν δ' Ἀλαβανδέων χώραν ὡς  
 πολεμίαν κατέφθειρε, φήσας ἀναγκαῖον εἶναι πορί-  
 ζειν τῷ στρατεύματι τὰ πρὸς τὴν τροφήν.

9 Πολύβιος δ' ὁ Μεγαλοπολίτης ἐν τῇ ις' τῶν  
 ἱστοριῶν “ Φίλιππος ” φησὶν “ ὁ Περσέως πατήρ,  
 ὅτε τὴν Ἀσίαν κατέτρεχεν, ἀπορῶν τροφῶν τοῖς  
 στρατιώταις παρὰ Μαγνήτων, ἐπεὶ σῖτον οὐκ  
 εἶχον, σῦκα ἔλαβε. διὸ καὶ Μυοῦντος κυριεύσας  
 τοῖς Μάγνησιν ἐχαρίσατο τὸ χωρίον ἀντὶ τῶν  
 σύκων.”

25 “ Ὅτι ὁ τῶν Ἀθηναίων δῆμος ἐξέπεμπε πρεσβευ-  
 τὰς πρὸς Ἀτταλον τὸν βασιλέα τοὺς ἅμα μὲν  
 εὐχαριστήσοντας ἐπὶ τοῖς γεγονόσιν, ἅμα δὲ  
 παρακαλέσοντας αὐτὸν ἐλθεῖν Ἀθήναζε χάριν τοῦ  
 2 συνδιαλαβεῖν περὶ τῶν ἐνεστώτων. ὁ δὲ βασιλεὺς  
 μετὰ τινὰς ἡμέρας πυθόμενος καταπεπλευκέναι  
 Ῥωμαίων πρεσβευτὰς εἰς τὸν Πειραιᾶ, καὶ νομίζων  
 ἀναγκαῖον εἶναι τὸ συμμίξαι τούτοις, ἀνήχθη  
 3 κατὰ σπουδὴν. ὁ δὲ τῶν Ἀθηναίων δῆμος γνοὺς

## BOOK XVI. 24. 4 – 25. 3

leading the life of a wolf as the saying is. By preying on some and robbing them, by putting pressure on others and by cringing to others contrary to his nature, as his army was starving, he sometimes managed to get a supply of meat, sometimes of figs and sometimes a quite insignificant quantity of corn. Zeuxis provided him with some of these things and others he got from the people of Mylasa, Alabanda, and Magnesia, whom he used to caress whenever they gave him anything, but if they did not he used to growl at them and make plots against them. Finally he arranged for Mylasa to be betrayed to him by Philocles, but failed owing to the stupid way in which the design was managed. As for the territory of Alabanda he devastated it as if it were enemy soil, alleging that it was necessary for him to procure food for his army.

(From Athenaeus iii. 78 c)

King Philip, the father of Perseus, as Polybius tells us in his 16th Book, when he overran Asia, being in want of food for his soldiers, obtained figs from the Magnesians as they had no corn, and on taking Myus presented it to the Magnesians in return for the figs.

### *Attalus at Athens*

25. The people of Athens sent an embassy to King Attalus to congratulate him on what had happened and to invite him to come to Athens to discuss the situation. The king, learning a few days afterwards that a legation from Rome had arrived at Piraeus, and thinking it necessary to meet them, sailed off in haste. The Athenians, hearing of his

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τὴν παρουσίαν αὐτοῦ μεγαλομερῶς ἐψηφίσατο  
 περὶ τῆς ἀπαντήσεως καὶ τῆς ὅλης ἀποδοχῆς τοῦ  
 4 βασιλέως. Ἄτταλος δὲ καταπλεύσας εἰς τὸν  
 Πειραιᾶ τὴν μὲν πρώτην ἡμέραν ἐχρημάτισε τοῖς  
 ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης πρεσβευταῖς, θεωρῶν δ' αὐτοὺς  
 καὶ τῆς προγεγεννημένης κοινοπραγίας μνημονεύον-  
 5 τας καὶ πρὸς τὸν κατὰ τοῦ Φιλίππου πόλεμον  
 ἐτοίμους ὄντας περιχαρῆς ἦν. τῇ δ' ἐπαύριον  
 ἅμα τοῖς Ῥωμαίοις καὶ τοῖς τῶν Ἀθηναίων  
 ἄρχουσι ἀνέβαινεν εἰς ἄστυ μετὰ μεγάλης προσ-  
 6 τασίας· οὐ γὰρ μόνον οἱ τὰς ἀρχὰς ἔχοντες μετὰ  
 τῶν ἰππέων, ἀλλὰ καὶ πάντες οἱ πολῖται μετὰ  
 7 τῶν τέκνων καὶ γυναικῶν ἀπήντων αὐτοῖς. ὡς  
 δὲ συνέμιξαν, τοιαύτη παρὰ τῶν πολλῶν ἐγένετο  
 κατὰ τὴν ἀπάντησιν φιλανθρωπία πρὸς τε Ῥω-  
 μαίους καὶ ἔτι μᾶλλον πρὸς τὸν Ἄτταλον ὥσθ'  
 8 ὑπερβολὴν μὴ καταλιπεῖν. ἐπεὶ δ' εἰσῆει κατὰ  
 τὸ Δίπυλον, ἐξ ἑκατέρου τοῦ μέρους παρέστησαν  
 τὰς ἱερείας καὶ τοὺς ἱερεῖς. μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα  
 9 πάντας μὲν τοὺς ναοὺς ἀνέωξαν, ἐπὶ δὲ πᾶσι θύματα  
 τοῖς βωμοῖς παραστήσαντες ἠξίωσαν αὐτὸν θῦσαι.  
 10 τὸ δὲ τελευταῖον ἐψηφίσαντο τιμὰς τηλικαύτας  
 ἡλίκας οὐδενὶ ταχέως τῶν πρότερον εἰς αὐτοὺς  
 11 εὐεργετῶν γεγονότων· πρὸς γὰρ τοῖς ἄλλοις  
 καὶ φυλὴν ἐπώνυμον ἐποίησαν Ἀττάλω, καὶ  
 κατένειμαν αὐτὸν εἰς τοὺς ἐπωνύμους τῶν ἀρχη-  
 12 γετῶν.

**26** Μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα συναγαγόντες ἐκκλησίαν ἐκάλουν  
 2 τὸν προειρημένον. παραιτουμένου δὲ καὶ φάσκον-  
 τος εἶναι φορτικὸν τὸ κατὰ πρόσωπον εἰσελθόντα  
 διαπορεύεσθαι τὰς εὐεργεσίας τὰς αὐτοῦ τοῖς εὐ-  
 3 πεπονθόσι, τῆς εἰσόδου παρήκαν, γράψαντα δ'

approaching arrival, made a most generous grant for the reception and the entertainment in general of the king. Attalus, on the first day after his arrival at Piraeus, had an interview with the Roman legates, and was highly gratified to find that they were both mindful of his joint action with Rome in the past, and ready to engage in war with Philip. Next day he went up to Athens in great state accompanied by the Romans and the Athenian archons. For not only all the magistrates and the knights, but all the citizens with their wives and children went out to meet them, and when they joined them there was such a demonstration on the part of the people of their affection for the Romans and still more for Attalus that nothing could have exceeded it in heartiness. As he entered the Dipylon, they drew up the priests and priestesses on either side of the road; after this they threw all the temples open and bringing victims up to all the altars begged him to perform sacrifice. Lastly they voted him such honours as they had never readily paid to any former benefactors. For in addition to other distinctions they named one of the tribes Attalis after him and they added his name to the list of the heroes who gave their names to these tribes.

26. In the next place they summoned an assembly and invited the king to attend. But when he begged to be excused, saying that it would be bad taste on his part to appear in person and recite to the recipients all the benefits he had conferred, they did not insist on his presence, but begged him to write



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αὐτὸν ἡξίουσαν ἐκδοῦναι περὶ ὧν ὑπολαμβάνει  
4 συμφέρειν πρὸς τοὺς ἐνεστῶτας καιροὺς. τοῦ δὲ  
πεισθέντος καὶ γράψαντος εἰσήνεγκαν τὴν ἐπι-  
5 στολὴν οἱ προεστῶτες. ἦν δὲ <τὰ> κεφάλαια τῶν  
γεγραμμένων ἀνάμνησις τῶν πρότερον ἐξ αὐτοῦ  
γεγονότων εὐεργετημάτων εἰς τὸν δῆμον, ἐξαρί-  
θμησις τῶν πεπραγμένων αὐτῷ πρὸς Φίλιππον  
6 κατὰ τοὺς ἐνεστῶτας καιροὺς, τελευταία δὲ παρά-  
κλησις εἰς τὸν κατὰ Φιλίππου πόλεμον, καὶ  
διορκισμός, ὡς εἴαν μὴ νῦν ἔλονται συνεμβαίνειν  
εὐγενῶς εἰς τὴν ἀπέχθειαν ἅμα Ῥοδίοις καὶ  
Ῥωμαίοις καὶ αὐτῷ, μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα παρέντες  
τοὺς καιροὺς κοινωνεῖν βούλωνται τῆς εἰρήνης,  
ἄλλων αὐτὴν κατεργασαμένων, ἀστοχήσειν αὐτοὺς  
7 τοῦ τῆ πατρίδι συμφέροντος. τῆς δ' ἐπιστολῆς  
ταύτης ἀναγνωσθείσης ἔτοιμον ἦν τὸ πλῆθος  
ψηφίζεσθαι τὸν πόλεμον καὶ διὰ τὰ λεγόμενα καὶ  
8 διὰ τὴν εὐνοίαν τὴν πρὸς τὸν Ἄτταλον. οὐ μὴν  
ἀλλὰ καὶ τῶν Ῥοδίων ἐπεισελθόντων καὶ πολλοὺς  
πρὸς τὴν αὐτὴν ὑπόθεσιν διαθεμένων λόγους,  
ἔδοξε τοῖς Ἀθηναίοις ἐκφέρειν τῷ Φιλίππῳ τὸν  
9 πόλεμον. ἀπεδέξαντο δὲ καὶ τοὺς Ῥοδίους μεγα-  
λομερῶς καὶ τὸν τε δῆμον ἐστεφάνωσαν ἀριστείων  
στεφάνῳ καὶ πᾶσι Ῥοδίοις ἰσοπολιτείαν ἐψηφί-  
σαντο διὰ τὸ κακείνους αὐτοῖς χωρὶς τῶν ἄλλων  
τάς τε ναῦς ἀποκαταστήσαι τὰς αἰχμαλώτους  
10 γενομένας καὶ τοὺς ἄνδρας. οἱ μὲν οὖν πρέσβεις  
οἱ παρὰ τῶν Ῥοδίων ταῦτα διαπράξαντες ἀνήχ-  
θησαν εἰς τὴν Κέων ἐπὶ τὰς νήσους μετὰ τοῦ  
στόλου.

27 Ὅτι καθ' ὃν χρόνον οἱ τῶν Ῥωμαίων πρέσβεις  
ἐν ταῖς Ἀθήναις ἐποιοῦντο τὴν διατριβήν, Νικ-

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άνορος τοῦ παρὰ Φιλίππου κατατρέχοντος τὴν  
 Ἄττικὴν ἕως τῆς Ἀκαδημείας, προδιαπεμφάμενοι  
 πρὸς αὐτὸν οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι κήρυκα συνέμιξαν αὐτῷ  
 2 καὶ παρεκάλεσαν ἀναγγεῖλαι τῷ Φιλίππῳ διότι  
 Ῥωμαῖοι παρακαλοῦσι τὸν βασιλέα τῶν μὲν  
 Ἑλλήνων μηδενὶ πολεμεῖν, τῶν δὲ γεγονότων εἰς  
 Ἄτταλον ἀδικημάτων δίκας ὑπέχειν ἐν ἴσῳ  
 3 κριτηρίῳ, καὶ διότι πράξαντι μὲν ταῦτα τὴν  
 εἰρήνην ἄγειν ἔξεστι πρὸς Ῥωμαίους, μὴ βουλο-  
 μένῳ δὲ πείθεσθαι τάναντία συνεξακολουθήσειν  
 ἔφασαν. ὁ μὲν οὖν Νικάνωρ ταῦτ' ἀκούσας  
 4 ἀπηλλάγη· τὸν αὐτὸν δὲ λόγον τοῦτον οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι  
 καὶ πρὸς Ἡπειρώτας εἶπαν περὶ Φιλίππου παρα-  
 πλέοντες ἐν Φοινίκῃ καὶ πρὸς Ἀμύνανδρον ἀνα-  
 βάντες εἰς Ἀθαμανίαν· παραπλησίως καὶ πρὸς  
 Αἰτωλοὺς ἐν Ναυπάκτῳ καὶ πρὸς τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς  
 5 ἐν Αἰγίῳ. τότε δὲ διὰ τοῦ Νικάνορος τῷ Φιλίππῳ  
 ταῦτα δηλώσαντες αὐτοὶ μὲν ἀπέπλευσαν ὡς  
 Ἀντίοχον καὶ Πτολεμαῖον ἐπὶ τὰς διαλύσεις.

28 Ἄλλ' ἐμοὶ δοκεῖ τὸ μὲν ἄρξασθαι καλῶς καὶ  
 συνακμάσαι ταῖς ὀρμαῖς πρὸς τὴν τῶν πραγμάτων  
 2 αὔξησιν ἐπὶ πολλῶν ἤδη γεγονέναι, τὸ δ' ἐπὶ  
 τέλος ἀγαγεῖν τὸ προτεθὲν καὶ πού καὶ τῆς τύχης  
 ἀντιπιπτούσης συνεκπληρῶσαι τῷ λογισμῷ τὸ  
 3 τῆς προθυμίας ἔλλιπὲς ἐπ' ὀλίγων γίνεσθαι. διὸ  
 καὶ τότε δικαίως ἂν τις τὴν μὲν Ἀττάλου καὶ  
 Ῥοδίων ὀλιγοπονίαν καταμέμψαιτο, τὸ δὲ Φιλίπ-  
 που βασιλικὸν καὶ μεγαλόψυχον καὶ τὸ τῆς προ-  
 θέσεως ἐπίμονον ἀποδέξαιτο, οὐχ ὡς καθόλου τὸν  
 τρόπον ἐπαινῶν, ἀλλ' ὡς τὴν πρὸς τὸ παρὸν ὀρμὴν  
 4 ἐπισημαινόμενος. ποιῶμαι δὲ τὴν τοιαύτην δια-  
 στολήν, ἵνα μή τις ἡμᾶς ὑπολάβῃ μαχόμενα

Attica up to the Academy, upon which the Romans, after sending a herald to him in the first place, met him and asked him to inform Philip that the Romans requested that king to make war on no Grecian state and also to give such compensation to Attalus for the injuries he had inflicted on him as a fair tribunal should pronounce to be just. If he acted so, they added, he might consider himself at peace with Rome, but if he refused to accede the consequences would be the reverse. Nicanor on hearing this departed. The Romans conveyed the contents of this communication to the Epirots at Phoenice in sailing along that coast and to Amynder, going up to Athamania for that purpose. They also apprised the Aetolians at Naupactus and the Achaeans at Aegium. After having made this statement to Philip through Nicanor they sailed away to meet Antiochus and Ptolemy for the purpose of coming to terms.

28. But it seems to me that while there are many cases in which men have begun well and in which their spirit of enterprise has kept pace with the growth of the matter in hand, those who have succeeded in bringing their designs to a conclusion, and even when fortune has been adverse to them, have compensated for deficiency in ardour by the exercise of reason, are few. Therefore we should be right on this occasion in finding fault with the remissness of Attalus and the Rhodians and in approving Philip's truly kingly conduct, his magnanimity and fixity of purpose, not indeed praising his character as a whole, but noting with admiration his readiness to meet present circumstances. I make this express statement lest anyone should think I contradict myself, as but lately I

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λέγειν ἑαυτοῖς, ἄρτι μὲν ἐπαινοῦντας Ἄτταλον  
καὶ Ῥοδίους, Φίλιππον δὲ καταμεμφομένους, νῦν  
5 δὲ τοῦναντίον. τούτου γὰρ χάριν ἐν ἀρχαῖς τῆς  
πραγματείας διεστειλάμην, φήσας ἀναγκαῖον εἶναι  
ποτὲ μὲν εὐλογεῖν, ποτὲ δὲ ψέγειν τοὺς αὐτούς,  
6 ἐπειδὴ πολλάκις μὲν αἰ πρὸς τὸ χεῖρον τῶν πραγ-  
μάτων ῥοπαὶ καὶ περιστάσεις ἀλλοιοῦσι τὰς προαι-  
ρέσεις τῶν ἀνθρώπων, πολλάκις δ' αἰ πρὸς τὸ  
7 βέλτιον, ἔστι δ' ὅτε κατὰ τὴν ἰδίαν φύσιν ἀνθρωποι  
ποτὲ μὲν ἐπὶ τὸ δέον ὀρμῶσι, ποτὲ δ' ἐπὶ τοῦ-  
ναντίον. ὧν ἔν τί μοι δοκεῖ καὶ τότε γεγονέναι  
8 περὶ τὸν Φίλιππον· ἀσχάλλων γὰρ ἐπὶ τοῖς γεγο-  
νόσιν ἐλαττώμασι, καὶ τὸ πλεῖον ὀργῇ καὶ θυμῷ  
χρώμενος, παραστατικῶς καὶ δαιμονίως ἐνήρμο-  
σεν εἰς τοὺς ἐνεστῶτας καιρούς, καὶ τούτῳ τῷ  
τρόπῳ κατανέστη τῶν Ῥοδίων καὶ τοῦ βασιλέως  
9 Ἄττάλου, καὶ καθίκετο τῶν ἐξῆς πράξεων. ταῦτα  
μὲν οὖν προήχθην εἰπεῖν διὰ τὸ τινὰς μὲν πρὸς τῷ  
τέρματι, καθάπερ οἱ κακοὶ τῶν σταδιέων, ἐγκατα-  
λιπεῖν τὰς ἑαυτῶν προθέσεις, τινὰς δ' ἐν τούτῳ  
μάλιστα νικᾶν τοὺς ἀντιπάλους.

29 Ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος ἐβούλετο παρελέσθαι Ῥωμαίων  
τὰς ἐν τούτοις τοῖς τόποις ἀφορμὰς καὶ τὰς ἐπι-  
βάθρας.

2 Ἴνα, ἐὰν πρόθηται διαβαίνειν αὐθις εἰς τὴν  
Ἄσίαν, ἐπιβάθραν ἔχοι τὴν Ἄβυδον.

3 Τὴν δὲ τῆς Ἄβύδου καὶ Σηστοῦ θέσιν καὶ τὴν  
εὐκαιρίαν τῶν πόλεων τὸ μὲν διὰ πλειόνων  
ἐξαριθμεῖσθαι μάταιον εἶναί μοι δοκεῖ διὰ τὸ  
πάντας, ὧν καὶ μικρὸν ὄφελος, ἱστορηκέναι διὰ τὴν  
4 ἰδιότητα τῶν τόπων· κεφαλαιωδῶς γε μὴν ὑπο-  
μνήσαι τοὺς ἀναγινώσκοντας ἐπιστάσεως χάριν οὐκ

praised Attalus and the Rhodians and blamed Philip, and now I do the reverse. For it was for this very reason that at the outset of this work I stated as a principle that it was necessary at times to praise and at times to blame the same person, since often the shifts and turns of circumstances for the worse or for the better change the resolves of men, and at times by their very nature men are impelled to act either as they should or as they should not. One or other of these things happened then to Philip. For in his vexation at his recent losses and prompted chiefly by anger and indignation, he adapted himself to the situation with frenzied and almost inspired vigour, and by this means was able to resume the struggle against the Rhodians and King Attalus and achieve the success which ensued. I was induced, then, to say this because some people, like bad racers, give up their determination near the end of the course while it is just then that others overcome their adversaries.

29. Philip wished to cut off the resources and stepping-stones of the Romans in those parts.

So that if he meant to cross again to Asia, he might have Abydus as a stepping-stone.

### *Siege of Abydus*

To describe at length the position of Abydus and Sestus and the peculiar advantages of those cities seems to me useless, as every one who has the least claim to intelligence has acquired some knowledge of them owing to the singularity of their position, but I think it of some use for my present purpose to recall it summarily to the minds of my readers so

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5 ἄχρηστον εἶναι νομίζω πρὸς τὸ παρόν. γνοίη δ'  
 ἂν τις τὰ περὶ τὰς προειρημένας πόλεις οὐχ οὕτως  
 6 ἐξ αὐτῶν τῶν ὑποκειμένων τόπων ὡς ἐκ τῆς  
 παραθέσεως καὶ συγκρίσεως τῶν λέγεσθαι μελ-  
 7 λόντων. καθάπερ γὰρ οὐδ' ἐκ τοῦ παρὰ μέν  
 τισιν Ὠκεανοῦ προσαγορευομένου, παρὰ δέ τισιν  
 Ἀτλαντικοῦ πελάγους, δυνατὸν εἰς τὴν καθ' ἡμᾶς  
 8 θάλατταν εἰσπλεῦσαι μὴ οὐχὶ διὰ τοῦ καθ' Ἡρα-  
 κλέους στήλας περαιωθέντα στόματος, οὕτως οὐδ'  
 ἐκ τῆς καθ' ἡμᾶς εἰς τὴν Προποντίδα καὶ τὸν  
 Πόντον ἀφικέσθαι μὴ οὐχὶ διὰ τοῦ μεταξὺ Σηστοῦ  
 καὶ Ἀβύδου διαστήματος ποιησάμενον τὸν εἰς-  
 9 πλουν. ὥσπερ δὲ πρὸς τινα λόγον τῆς τύχης  
 ποιουμένης τὴν κατασκευὴν ἀμφοτέρων τῶν πορ-  
 10 θμῶν, πολλαπλάσιον εἶναι συμβαίνει τὸν καθ'  
 Ἡρακλέους στήλας πόρον τοῦ κατὰ τὸν Ἑλλήσ-  
 11 ποντον· ὁ μὲν γὰρ ἐστὶν ἐξήκοντα σταδίων, ὁ  
 δὲ κατὰ τὴν Ἀβυδον δυεῖν, ὡς ἂν εἴ τις τεκ-  
 μαιρομένου διὰ τὸ πολλαπλασίαν εἶναι τὴν ἔξω  
 12 θάλατταν τῆς καθ' ἡμᾶς. εὐκαιρότερον μέντοι γε  
 τοῦ καθ' Ἡρακλείους στήλας στόματός ἐστι τὸ  
 13 κατὰ τὴν Ἀβυδον. τὸ μὲν γὰρ ἐξ ἀμφοῖν ὑπ'  
 ἀνθρώπων οἰκούμενον πύλης ἔχει διάθεσιν διὰ  
 τὴν πρὸς ἀλλήλους ἐπιμιξίαν, ποτὲ μὲν γεφυ-  
 ρούμενον ὑπὸ τῶν πεζεύειν ἐπ' ἀμφοτέρας τὰς  
 ἡπείρους προαιρουμένων, ποτὲ δὲ πλωτευόμενον  
 συνεχῶς· τὸ δὲ καθ' Ἡρακλείους στήλας σπάνιον  
 ἔχει τὴν χρῆσιν καὶ σπανίοις διὰ τὴν ἀνεπιμιξίαν  
 τῶν ἐθνῶν τῶν πρὸς τοῖς πέρασι κατοικούντων  
 τῆς Λιβύης καὶ τῆς Εὐρώπης καὶ διὰ τὴν ἀγνωσίαν  
 τῆς ἐκτὸς θαλάττης. αὐτὴ δ' ἢ τῶν Ἀβυδηνῶν  
 πόλις περιέχεται μὲν ἐξ ἀμφοῖν τοῖν μεροῖν ὑπὸ

as to fix their attention on it. One can form an idea of the facts about these cities not so much from a study of their actual topography as from dwelling on the comparison I am about to adduce. For just as it is impossible to sail from the sea called by some the Ocean and by others the Atlantic Sea into our own sea except by passing through the mouth of it at the Pillars of Heracles, so no one can reach the Euxine and Propontis from our sea except by sailing through the passage between Sestus and Abydus. Now, just as if chance in forming these two straits had exercised a certain proportion, the passage at the Pillars of Heracles is far wider than the Hellespont, being sixty stades in width while the width of the latter at Abydus is two stades, just as if this distance had been designed owing to the Ocean being many times the size of this sea of ours. The natural advantages, however, of the entrance at Abydus far excel those of that at the Pillars of Heracles. For the former, lying as it does between two inhabited districts, somewhat resembles a gate owing to the free intercourse it affords, being sometimes bridged over by those who intend to pass on foot from one continent to the other and at other times constantly traversed by boats, while the latter is used by few and rarely for passage either from sea to sea or from land to land, owing to the lack of intercourse between the peoples inhabiting the extremities of Africa and Europe and owing to our ignorance of the outer sea. The city of Abydus itself lies between two capes on the European shore and has



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τῶν τῆς Εὐρώπης ἀκρωτηρίων, ἔχει δὲ λιμένα  
 δυνάμενον σκέπειν ἀπὸ παντὸς ἀνέμου τοὺς ἐνορ-  
 14 μοῦντας. ἐκτὸς δὲ τῆς εἰς τὸν λιμένα καταγωγῆς  
 οὐδαμῶς οὐδαμῇ δυνατόν ἐστιν ὀρμηῆσαι πρὸς  
 τὴν πόλιν διὰ τὴν ὀξύτητα καὶ βίαν τοῦ ῥοῦ τοῦ  
 κατὰ τὸν πόρον.

30 Οὐ μὲν ἀλλ' ὁ γε Φίλιππος τὰ μὲν ἀποσταυ-  
 ρώσας, τὰ δὲ περιχαρακώσας τοὺς Ἀβυδηνοὺς  
 ἐπολιόρκει καὶ κατὰ γῆν ἅμα καὶ κατὰ θάλατταν.  
 2 ἢ δὲ πράξις αὕτη κατὰ μὲν τὸ μέγεθος τῆς παρα-  
 σκευῆς καὶ τὴν ποικιλίαν τῶν ἐν τοῖς ἔργοις  
 ἐπινοημάτων, δι' ὧν οἱ τε <πολιορκοῦντες καὶ>  
 πολιορκούμενοι πρὸς ἀλλήλους εἰώθασιν ἀντιμη-  
 3 χανᾶσθαι καὶ φιλοτεχνεῖν, οὐ γέγονε θαυμάσιος,  
 κατὰ δὲ τὴν γενναιότητα τῶν πολιορκουμένων καὶ  
 τὴν ὑπερβολὴν τῆς εὐψυχίας, εἰ καὶ τις ἄλλη,  
 4 μνήμης ἀξία καὶ παραδόσεως. τὰς μὲν γὰρ  
 ἀρχὰς πιστεύοντες αὐτοῖς οἱ τὴν Ἀβυδὸν κατ-  
 οικοῦντες ὑπέμενον ἐρρωμένως τὰς τοῦ Φιλίππου  
 παρασκευάς, καὶ τῶν τε κατὰ θάλατταν προσ-  
 αχθέντων μηχανημάτων τὰ μὲν τοῖς πετροβόλοις  
 τύπτοντες διεσάλευσαν, τὰ δὲ τῷ πυρὶ διέφθει-  
 ραν, οὕτως ὥστε καὶ τὰς ναῦς μόλις ἀνασπάσαι  
 5 τοὺς πολεμίους ἐκ τοῦ κινδύνου. τοῖς δὲ κατὰ  
 γῆν ἔργοις ἕως μὲν τινος προσαντεῖχον εὐψύχως,  
 οὐκ ἀπελπίζοντες κατακρατήσειν τῶν πολεμίων.  
 6 ἐπειδὴ δὲ τὸ μὲν ἐκτὸς τοῦ τείχους ἔπεσε διὰ τῶν  
 ὀρυγμάτων, μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα διὰ τῶν μετάλλων  
 ἤγγιζον οἱ Μακεδόνες τῷ κατὰ <τὸ> πεπτωκὸς  
 7 ὑπὸ τῶν ἐνδοθεν ἀντωκοδομημένῳ τείχει, τὸ  
 τηνικάδε πέμψαντες πρεσβευτὰς Ἰφιάδην καὶ  
 Παντάγνωτον ἐκέλευον παραλαμβάνειν τὸν Φίλιπ-



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πον τὴν πόλιν, τοὺς μὲν στρατιώτας ὑποσπόνδους ἀφέντα τοὺς παρὰ Ῥοδίων καὶ παρ' Ἀττάλου, τὰ δ' ἐλεύθερα τῶν σωμάτων ἐάσαντα σώζεσθαι κατὰ δύναμιν οὐ ποτ' ἂν ἕκαστος προαιρῆται μετὰ τῆς  
8 ἐσθῆτος τῆς περὶ τὸ σῶμα. τοῦ δὲ Φιλίππου προστάττοντος περὶ πάντων ἐπιτρέπειν ἢ μάχεσθαι  
31 γενναίως, οὗτοι μὲν ἐπανῆλθον. οἱ δ' Ἀβυδηνοὶ πυθόμενοι τὰ λεγόμενα, συνελθόντες εἰς ἐκκλησίαν ἐβουλεύοντο περὶ τῶν ἐνεστώτων ἀπονοηθέντες  
2 ταῖς γνώμαις. ἔδοξεν οὖν αὐτοῖς πρῶτον μὲν τοὺς δούλους ἐλευθεροῦν, ἵνα συναγωνιστὰς ἔχοιεν ἀπροφασίστους, ἔπειτα συναθροῖσαι τὰς μὲν γυναῖκας εἰς τὸ τῆς Ἀρτέμιδος ἱερὸν ἀπάσας, τὰ  
3 δὲ τέκνα σὺν ταῖς τροφοῖς εἰς τὸ γυμνάσιον, ἐξῆς δὲ τούτοις τὸν ἄργυρον καὶ τὸν χρυσὸν εἰς τὴν ἀγορὰν συναγαγεῖν, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ τὸν ἱματισμὸν τὸν ἀξιόλογον εἰς τὴν τετρήρη <τὴν> τῶν Ῥοδίων  
4 καὶ τὴν τριήρη τὴν τῶν Κυζικηνῶν. ταῦτα δὲ προθέμενοι καὶ πράξαντες ὁμοθυμαδὸν κατὰ τὸ δόγμα πάλιν συνηθροίσθησαν εἰς τὴν ἐκκλησίαν, καὶ πεντήκοντα προεχειρίσαντο τῶν πρεσβυτέρων ἀνδρῶν καὶ μάλιστα πιστευομένων, ἔτι δὲ τὴν σωματικὴν δύναμιν ἐχόντων πρὸς τὸ δύνασθαι τὸ  
5 κριθὲν ἐπιτελεῖν, καὶ τούτους ἐξώρκισαν ἐναντίον ἀπάντων τῶν πολιτῶν ἢ μὴν, εἰ ἴδωσι τὸ διατείχισμα καταλαμβανόμενον ὑπὸ τῶν ἐχθρῶν, κατασφάξειν μὲν τὰ τέκνα καὶ τὰς γυναῖκας, ἐμπρήσειν δὲ τὰς προειρημένας ναῦς, ρίψειν δὲ κατὰ τὰς ἀρὰς τὸν ἄργυρον καὶ τὸν χρυσὸν εἰς τὴν θάλατταν.  
6 μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα παραστησάμενοι τοὺς ἱερέας ὤμνουσαν πάντες ἢ κρατήσειν τῶν ἐχθρῶν ἢ τελευτήσειν  
7 μαχόμενοι περὶ τῆς πατρίδος. ἐπὶ δὲ πᾶσι σφαιγια-  
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the town, if he should allow the soldiers sent by Attalus and the Rhodians to depart under flag of truce, and all free inhabitants to escape with the clothes on their backs to whatever place they severally chose. But when Philip ordered them either to surrender at discretion or to fight bravely the commissioners returned, (31) and the people of Abydus, when they heard the answer, summoned a public assembly and discussed the situation in a despairing mood. They decided first of all to liberate the slaves, that they might have no pretext for refusing to assist them in the defence, in the next place to assemble all the women in the temple of Artemis and the children with their nurses in the gymnasium, and finally to collect all their gold and silver in the market-place and place all valuable articles of dress in the Rhodian quadrireme and the trireme of the Cyziceniens. Having resolved on this they unanimously put their decree into execution, and then calling another assembly they nominated fifty of the older and most trusted citizens, men who possessed sufficient bodily strength to carry out their decision, and made them swear in the presence of all the citizens that whenever they saw the inner wall in the possession of the enemy they would kill all the women and children, set fire to the ships I mentioned, and throw the gold and silver into the sea with curses.<sup>a</sup> After this, calling the priests before them they all swore either to conquer the foe or die fighting for their country.

<sup>a</sup> Curses, that is to say, on anyone who recovered it.

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σάμενοι κατάρας ἠνάγκασαν ἐπὶ τῶν ἐμπύρων ποιῆσθαι τοὺς ἱερέας καὶ τὰς ἱερείας περὶ τῶν 8 προειρημένων. ταῦτα δ' ἐπικυρώσαντες τοῦ μὲν ἀντιμεταλλεύειν τοῖς πολεμίοις ἀπέστησαν, ἐπὶ δὲ τοιαύτην γνώμην κατέστησαν ὥστ' ἐπειδὴν πέση τὸ διατείχισμα, τότε ἐπὶ τοῦ πτώματος διαμάχεσθαι καὶ διαποθνήσκειν πρὸς τοὺς βιαζομένους.

32 Ἐξ ὧν εἶποι τις ἂν καὶ τὴν λεγομένην Φωκικὴν ἀπόνοιαν καὶ τὴν Ἀκαρνάνων εὐψυχίαν ὑπερ- 2 ηρκέσαι τὴν τῶν Ἀβυδηνῶν τόλμαν. Φωκεῖς τε γὰρ δοκοῦσι τὰ παραπλήσια βουλευσασθαι περὶ τῶν ἀναγκαίων, οὐκ εἰς τέλος ἀπηλπισμένας ἔχοντες τὰς τοῦ νικᾶν ἐλπίδας διὰ τὸ μέλλειν ποιῆσθαι τὸν κίνδυνον πρὸς τοὺς Θετταλοὺς ἐν 3 τοῖς ὑπαίθροις ἐκ παρατάξεως· ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ τὸ τῶν Ἀκαρνάνων ἔθνος, ὅτε προιδόμενοι τὴν Αἰτωλῶν ἔφοδον, ἐβουλευσαντο παραπλήσια περὶ τῶν ἐνεστώτων· ὑπὲρ ὧν τὰ κατὰ μέρος ἡμεῖς 4 ἐν τοῖς πρὸ τούτων ἱστορήκαμεν. Ἀβυδηνοὶ δέ, συγκεκλεισμένοι καὶ σχεδὸν ἀπηλπικότες τὴν σωτηρίαν, πανδημεὶ προείλοντο τῆς εἰμαρμένης τυχεῖν μετὰ τῶν τέκνων καὶ τῶν γυναικῶν μᾶλλον ἢ ζῶντες ἔτι πρόληψιν ἔχειν τοῦ πεσεῖσθαι τὰ σφέτερα τέκνα καὶ τὰς γυναῖκας ὑπὸ τὴν τῶν 5 ἐχθρῶν ἐξουσίαν. διὸ καὶ μάλιστ' ἂν τις ἐπὶ τῆς Ἀβυδηνῶν περιπετείας μέμψαιτο τῇ τύχῃ, διότι τὰς μὲν τῶν προειρημένων συμφορὰς οἶον ἐλεήσασα παραυτίκα διωρθώσατο, περιθείσα τὴν νίκην ἅμα καὶ τὴν σωτηρίαν τοῖς ἀπηλπισμένοις, περὶ δ' 6 Ἀβυδηνῶν τὴν ἐναντίαν εἶχε διάληψιν. οἱ μὲν γὰρ ἄνδρες ἀπέθανον, ἡ δὲ πόλις ἐάλω, τὰ δὲ 70

Last of all they slew some victims and obliged the priests and priestesses to pronounce over the burning entrails curses on those who neglected to perform what they had sworn. Having thus made sure of everything they stopped countermining against the enemy and came to the decision that as soon as the cross wall fell they would fight on its ruins and resist the assailants to the death.

32. All this would induce one to say that the daring courage of the Abydenes surpassed even the famous desperation of the Phocians and the courageous resolve of the Acarnanians. For the Phocians are said to have decided on the same course regarding their families at a time when they had by no means entirely given up the hope of victory, as they were about to engage the Thessalians in a set battle in the open, and very similar measures were resolved on by the Acarnanian nation when they foresaw that they were to be attacked by the Aetolians. I have told both the stories in a previous part of this work. But the people of Abydus, when thus completely surrounded and with no hope of safety left, resolved to meet their fate and perish to a man together with their wives and children rather than to live under the apprehension that their families would fall into the power of their enemies. Therefore one feels strongly inclined in the case of the Abydenes to find fault with Fortune for having, as if in pity, set right at once the misfortunes of those other peoples by granting them the victory and safety they despaired of, but for choosing to do the opposite to the Abydenes. For the men perished, the city was taken and the

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τέκνα σὺν αὐταῖς μητράσιν ἐγένετο τοῖς ἐχθροῖς ὑποχείρια.

**33** Πεσόντος γὰρ τοῦ διατειχίσματος, ἐπιβάντες ἐπὶ τὸ πτώμα κατὰ τοὺς ὄρκους διεμάχοντο τοῖς πολεμίοις οὕτω τετολμηκότως ὥστε τὸν Φίλιππον, καίπερ ἐκ διαδοχῆς προβαλλόμενον τοὺς Μακεδόνας ἕως νυκτός, τέλος ἀποστήναι τῆς μάχης, δυσελπιστήσαντα καὶ περὶ τῆς ὅλης ἐπιβολῆς.

2 οὐ γὰρ μόνον ἐπὶ τοὺς θνήσκοντας τῶν πολεμίων ἐπιβαίνοντες ἠγωνίζοντο μετὰ παραστάσεως οἱ προκινδυνεύοντες τῶν Ἀβυδηνῶν, οὐδὲ τοῖς ξίφεσι καὶ τοῖς δόρασιν αὐτοῖς ἐμάχοντο παρα-

3 βόλως, ἀλλ' ὅτε τι τούτων ἀχρειωθὲν ἀδυνατήσειεν ἢ μετὰ βίας προοῖντ' ἐκ τῶν χειρῶν, συμπλεκόμενοι τοῖς Μακεδόσιν οὓς μὲν ἀνέτρεπον ὁμοῦ τοῖς ὅπλοις, ὧν δὲ συντρίβοντες τὰς σαρίσας αὐτοῖς τοῖς ἐκείνων κλάσμασιν ἐκ διαλήψεως . . .

τύπτοντες αὐτῶν ταῖς ἐπιδορατίσι τὰ πρόσωτα καὶ τοὺς γυμνοὺς τόπους εἰς ὀλοσχερῇ διατροπῇ

4 ἤγον. ἐπιγενομένης δὲ τῆς νυκτός καὶ διαλυθείσης τῆς μάχης, τῶν μὲν πλείστων τεθνεώτων ἐπὶ τοῦ πτώματος, τῶν δὲ λοιπῶν ὑπὸ τοῦ κόπου καὶ τῶν τραυμάτων ἀδυνατούντων, συναγαγόντες ὀλίγους τινὰς τῶν πρεσβυτέρων Γλαυκίδης καὶ Θεόγνητος κατέβαλον τὸ σεμνὸν καὶ θαυμάσιον τῆς τῶν πολιτῶν προαιρέσεως διὰ τὰς ἰδίας ἐλ-

5 πίδας· ἐβουλεύσαντο γὰρ τὰ μὲν τέκνα καὶ τὰς γυναῖκας ζωγρεῖν, ἅμα δὲ τῷ φωτὶ τοὺς ἱερεῖς καὶ τὰς ἱερείας ἐκπέμπειν μετὰ στεμμάτων πρὸς τὸν Φίλιππον, δεησομένους καὶ παραδιδόντας αὐτῷ τὴν πόλιν.

**34** Κατὰ δὲ τοὺς καιροὺς τούτους Ἄτταλος ὁ

children and their mothers fell into the hands of the enemy.

33. For after the fall of the cross wall, its defenders, mounting the ruins as they sworn, continued to fight with such courage that Philip, though he had thrown his Macedonians on them corps after corps until nightfall, finally abandoned the struggle, having even almost given up hope of success in the siege as a whole. For the foremost of the Abydenes not only mounted the bodies of their dead enemies and kept up the struggle thence with the utmost desperation, not only did they fight most fiercely with sword and spear alone, but whenever any of these weapons became unserviceable and powerless to inflict injury, or when they were forced to drop it, they took hold of the Macedonians with their hands and threw them down in their armour, or breaking their pikes, stabbed them repeatedly with the fragments or else striking them on the face or the exposed parts of the body with the points threw them into utter confusion. When night came on and the battle was suspended, as most of the defenders were lying dead on the ruins and the remainder were exhausted by wounds and toil, Glaucides and Theognetus, calling a meeting of a few of the elder citizens, sacrificed in hope of personal advantage all that was splendid and admirable in the resolution of the citizens by deciding to save the women and children alive and to send out as soon as it was light the priests and priestesses with supplicatory boughs to Philip to beg for mercy and surrender the city to him.

34. At this time King Attalus, on hearing that



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βασιλεὺς ἀκούσας πολιορκεῖσθαι τοὺς Ἀβυδηνοὺς,  
 δι' Αἰγαίου ποιησάμενος τὸν πλοῦν εἰς Τένεδον,  
 ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ τῶν Ῥωμαίων Μάρκος Αἰμίλιος ὁ  
 νεώτατος ἦκε καταπλέων εἰς αὐτὴν τὴν Ἀβύδον.  
 2 οἱ γὰρ Ῥωμαῖοι τὸ σαφὲς ἀκούσαντες ἐν τῇ  
 Ῥόδῳ περὶ τῆς τῶν Ἀβυδηνῶν πολιορκίας καὶ  
 βουλόμενοι πρὸς αὐτὸν τὸν Φίλιππον ποιήσασθαι  
 τοὺς λόγους κατὰ τὰς ἐντολάς, ἐπιστήσαντες τὴν  
 3 πρὸς τοὺς βασιλέας ὀρμὴν ἐξέπεμψαν τὸν προ-  
 ειρημένον, ὃς καὶ συμμίξας περὶ τὴν Ἀβύδον  
 διεσάφει τῷ βασιλεῖ διότι δέδοκται τῇ συγκλήτῳ  
 παρακαλεῖν αὐτὸν μήτε τῶν Ἑλλήνων μηδενὶ  
 πολεμεῖν μήτε τοῖς Πτολεμαίου πράγμασιν ἐπι-  
 βάλλειν τὰς χεῖρας, περὶ δὲ τῶν εἰς Ἀτταλον  
 4 καὶ Ῥοδίου ἀδικημάτων δίκας ὑποσχεῖν, καὶ  
 διότι ταῦτα μὲν οὕτω πράττοντι τὴν εἰρήνην  
 ἄγειν ἐξέσται, μὴ βουλομένῳ δὲ πειθαρχεῖν ἐτοί-  
 5 μως ὑπάρξει τὸν πρὸς Ῥωμαίους πόλεμον. τοῦ  
 δὲ Φιλίππου βουλομένου διδάσκειν ὅτι Ῥόδιοι  
 τὰς χεῖρας ἐπιβάλοιεν αὐτῷ, μεσολαβήσας ὁ  
 Μάρκος ἤρετο “ Τί δαὶ Ἀθηναῖοι; τί δαὶ Κιανοί;  
 τί δαὶ νῦν Ἀβυδηνοί; καὶ τούτων τίς ” ἔφη  
 6 “ σοὶ πρότερος ἐπέβαλε τὰς χεῖρας; ” ὁ δὲ  
 βασιλεὺς ἐξαπορήσας κατὰ τρεῖς τρόπους ἔφησεν  
 αὐτῷ συγγνώμην ἔχειν ὑπερηφάνως ὁμιλοῦντι,  
 πρῶτον μὲν ὅτι νέος ἐστὶ καὶ πραγμάτων ἄπειρος,  
 δεύτερον ὅτι κάλλιστος ὑπάρχει τῶν καθ' αὐτὸν  
 —καὶ γὰρ ἦν τοῦτο κατ' ἀλήθειαν— < μάλιστα δ'  
 7 ὅτι Ῥωμαῖος. “ ἐγὼ δὲ > μάλιστα μὲν ἀξιῶ Ῥω-  
 μαίους ” ἔφη “ μὴ παραβαίνειν τὰς συνθήκας μηδὲ  
 πολεμεῖν ἡμῖν· εἰ δὲ καὶ τοῦτο ποιῶσιν, ἀμυνού-  
 μεθα γενναίως, παρακαλέσαντες τοὺς θεούς.”

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Οὗτοι μὲν οὖν ταῦτ' εἰπόντες διεχωρίσθησαν  
 ἀπ' ἀλλήλων· ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος κυριεύσας τῆς  
 8 πόλεως, τὴν ὑπαρξίν ἅπασαν καταλαβὼν συν-  
 ηθροισμένην ὑπὸ τῶν Ἀβυδηνῶν ἐξ ἐτοίμου παρ-  
 9 ἔλαβε. θεωρῶν δὲ τὸ πλῆθος καὶ τὴν ὄρμην τῶν  
 σφᾶς αὐτοὺς καὶ τὰ τέκνα καὶ τὰς γυναῖκας ἀπο-  
 σφαπτόντων, κατακαόντων, ἀπαγχόντων, εἰς τὰ  
 10 φρέατα ρίπτούντων, κατακρημνιζόντων ἀπὸ τῶν  
 τεγῶν, ἐκπλαγῆς ἦν, καὶ διαलगῶν ἐπὶ τοῖς γινομέ-  
 νοις παρήγγειλε διότι τρεῖς ἡμέρας ἀναστροφὴν  
 δίδωσι τοῖς βουλομένοις ἀπάγχεσθαι καὶ σφάτ-  
 11 τειν αὐτούς. οἱ δ' Ἀβυδηνοί, προδιειληφότες  
 ὑπὲρ αὐτῶν κατὰ τὴν ἐξ ἀρχῆς στάσιν, καὶ νομίζον-  
 τες οἷον εἰ προδόται γίνεσθαι τῶν ὑπὲρ τῆς  
 πατρίδος ἠγωνισμένων καὶ τεθνεώτων, οὐδαμῶς  
 ὑπέμενον τὸ ζῆν, ὅσοι μὴ δεσμοῖς ἢ τοιαύταις  
 12 ἀνάγκαις προκατελήφθησαν· οἱ δὲ λοιποὶ πάντες  
 ὤρμων ἀμελλήτως κατὰ συγγενείας ἐπὶ τὸν  
 θάνατον.

35 Ὅτι παρήσαν μετὰ τὴν ἄλωσιν Ἀβύδου παρὰ  
 τοῦ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ἔθνους εἰς τὴν Ῥόδον πρεσβευταί,  
 παρακαλοῦντες τὸν δῆμον εἰς τὰς πρὸς τὸν  
 2 Φίλιππον διαλύσεις. οἷς ἐπελθόντων <τῶν> ἐκ  
 τῆς Ῥώμης πρεσβευτῶν καὶ διαλεγομένων ὑπὲρ  
 τοῦ μὴ ποιεῖσθαι διαλύσεις πρὸς Φίλιππον ἄνευ  
 Ῥωμαίων, ἔδοξε προσέχειν τῷ δήμῳ τοῖς Ῥω-  
 μαίοις καὶ στοχάζεσθαι τῆς τούτων φιλίας.

36 Ὁ δὲ Φιλοποίμην ἐξελογίσατο τὰ διαστήματα  
 τῶν Ἀχαικῶν πόλεων ἁπασῶν καὶ ποῖαι δύνανται  
 κατὰ τὰς αὐτὰς ὁδοὺς εἰς τὴν Τεγέαν παραγίνεσθαι.  
 2 λοιπὸν ἐπιστολὰς ἔγραψε πρὸς πάσας τὰς πόλεις,  
 καὶ ταύτας διέδωκε ταῖς πορρωτάτω πόλεσι,

After exchanging these words they separated, and Philip on gaining possession of the city found all their valuables collected in a heap by the Abydenes ready for him to seize. But when he saw the number and the fury of those who destroyed themselves and their women and children, either by cutting their throats, or by burning or by hanging or by throwing themselves into wells or off the roofs, he was amazed, and grieving much thereat announced that he granted a respite of three days to those who wished to hang themselves and cut their throats. The Abydenes, maintaining the resolve they had originally formed concerning themselves, and regarding themselves as almost traitors to those who had fought and died for their country, by no means consented to live except those of them whose hands had been stayed by fetters or such forcible means, all the rest of them rushing without hesitation in whole families to their death.

35. After the fall of Abydus an embassy from the Achaean League reached Rhodes begging that people to come to terms with Philip. But when the legates from Rome presented themselves after the Achaeans and requested the Rhodians not to make peace with Philip apart from the Romans, it was resolved to stand by the Roman people and aim at maintaining friendship with them.

### *Expedition of Philopoemen against Nabis*

36. Philopoemen, after calculating the distances of all the Achaean cities and from which of them troops could reach Tegea by the same road, proceeded to write letters to all of them and distributed these among the most distant cities, arranging so that

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μερίσας οὕτως ὥστε καθ' ἐκάστην ἔχειν μὴ μόνον  
 τὰς ἑαυτῆς, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὰς τῶν ἄλλων πόλεων,  
 3 ὅσαι κατὰ τὴν αὐτὴν ὁδὸν ἔπιπτον. ἐγγέγραπτο  
 δ' ἐν ταῖς πρώταις τοῖς ἀποτελείοις τοιαῦτα.  
 “ὅταν κομίσησθε τὴν ἐπιστολήν, παραχρῆμα  
 ποιήσασθε τοὺς ἐν ταῖς ἡλικίαις ἔχοντας τὰ ὄπλα  
 καὶ πένθ' ἡμερῶν ἐφόδια καὶ πέντ' ἀργύριον,  
 ἀθροίζεσθαι παραυτίκα πάντα εἰς τὴν ἀγοράν.  
 4 ἐπειδὴν δὲ συλλεχθῶσιν οἱ παρόντες, ἀναλαβόντες  
 αὐτοὺς ἄγετ' εἰς τὴν ἐξῆς πόλιν· ὅταν δ' ἐκεῖ  
 παραγένησθε, τὴν ἐπιστολήν ἀπόδοτε τὴν ἐπι-  
 γεγραμμένην τῷ παρ' ἐκείνων ἀποτελείῳ καὶ  
 5 πειθαρχεῖτε τοῖς ἐγγεγραμμένοις.” ἐγγέγραπτο  
 δ' ἐν ταύτῃ ταῦτα, τοῖς πρόσθεν, πλὴν διότι τὸ  
 τῆς ἐξῆς κειμένης ὀνομα πόλεως οὐ ταῦτὸν εἶχεν,  
 6 εἰς ἣν ἔδει προάγειν. τοιούτου δὲ τοῦ χειρισμοῦ  
 γενομένου κατὰ τὸ συνεχές, πρῶτον μὲν οὐδεὶς  
 ἐγίνωσκε πρὸς τίνα πράξιν ἢ πρὸς ποίαν ἐπιβολὴν  
 ἐστὶν ἢ παρασκευή, εἶτα ποῦ πορεύεται, πλὴν τῆς  
 7 ἐξῆς πόλεως, οὐδεὶς ἀπλῶς ἤδει, πάντες δὲ δια-  
 ποροῦντες καὶ παραλαμβάνοντες ἀλλήλους προ-  
 8 ἦγον εἰς τοῦμπροσθεν. τῷ δὲ μὴ τὸ ἴσον ἀπέχειν  
 τῆς Τεγέας τὰς πορρωτάτω κειμένας πόλεις οὐχ  
 ἅμα πάσαις ἀπεδόθη τὰ γράμματα ταύταις, ἀλλὰ  
 9 κατὰ λόγον ἐκάσταις. ἐξ ὧν συνέβη, μήτε τῶν  
 Τεγεατῶν εἰδόντων τὸ μέλλον μήτε τῶν παρα-  
 γινομένων, ἅμα πάντας τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς καὶ κατὰ  
 37 πᾶσας τὰς πύλας εἰς τὴν Τεγέαν εἰσπορεύεσθαι  
 σὺν τοῖς ὄπλοις. ταῦτα δὲ διεστρατήγει καὶ  
 περιεβάλλετο τῇ διανοίᾳ διὰ τὸ πλῆθος τῶν  
 <ὦτ>ακουστῶν καὶ κατασκόπων τοῦ τυράννου.  
 2 Κατὰ δὲ τὴν ἡμέραν, ἐν ἣ συναθροίζεσθαι τὸ

each city received not only its own letter but those of the other cities on the same line of road. In the first letters he wrote to the commanding officers<sup>a</sup> as follows: “On receiving this you will make all of military age assemble at once in the market-place armed, with provisions and money sufficient for five days. As soon as all those present in the town are collected you will march them to the next city, and on arrival there you will hand the letter addressed to it to their commanding officer and obey the instructions contained in it.” The contents in this letter were the same as those of the former one except that the name of the city to which they were to advance was different. This proceeding being repeated in city after city, it resulted in the first place that none knew for what action or what purpose the preparations were being made, and next that absolutely no one was aware where he was marching to but simply the name of the next city on the list, so that all advanced picking each other up and wondering what it was all about. As the distances of Tegea from the most remote cities differ, the letters were not delivered to them simultaneously but at a date in proportion to the distance. The consequence was that without either the people at Tegea or those who arrived there knowing what was contemplated, all the Achaean forces with their arms marched into Tegea by all the gates simultaneously. He contrived matters so and made this comprehensive plan owing to the number of eavesdroppers and spies employed by the tyrant.

37. On the day on which the main body of the

<sup>a</sup> There were two Apoteleioi in each city, commanding the cavalry and infantry respectively.

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πλήθος ἔμελλε τῶν Ἀχαιῶν εἰς Τεγέαν, ἐξαπέ-  
στειλε τοὺς ἐπιλέκτους, ὥστε νυκτερεύσαντας περὶ  
Σελλασίαν ἅμα τῷ φωτὶ κατὰ τὴν ἐπιούσαν  
3 ἡμέραν ἐπιτρέχειν τὴν Λακωνικὴν. εἰ δ' οἱ  
μισθοφόροι βοηθήσαντες παρενοχλῶσιν αὐτούς,  
συνέταξε ποιεῖσθαι τὴν ἀποχώρησιν ἐπὶ τὸν  
Σκοτίταν καὶ τὰ λοιπὰ πειθαρχεῖν Διδασκαλιῶνδα  
τῷ Κρητί· τούτῳ γὰρ ἐπεπιστεύκει καὶ διέτέτακτο  
4 περὶ τῆς ὅλης ἐπιβολῆς. οὗτοι μὲν οὖν προῆγον  
εὐθαρσῶς ἐπὶ τὸ συντάταγμένον· ὁ δὲ Φιλοποίμην  
ἐν ὥρᾳ παραγγείλας δειπνοποιεῖσθαι τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς  
ἐξῆγε τὴν δύναμιν ἐκ τῆς Τεγέας, καὶ νυκτο-  
πορήσας ἐνεργῶς περὶ τὴν ἐωθινὴν ἐνεκάθισε τὴν  
στρατιὰν ἐν τοῖς περὶ τὸν Σκοτίταν προσαγορευο-  
μένοις τόποις, ὅς ἐστι μεταξύ τῆς Τεγέας καὶ τῆς  
5 Λακεδαίμονος. οἱ δ' ἐν τῇ Πελλήνῃ μισθοφόροι κατὰ  
τὴν ἐπιούσαν ἡμέραν ἅμα τῷ σημῆναι τοὺς σκοποὺς  
τὴν καταδρομὴν τῶν πολεμίων ἐκ χειρὸς ἐβοήθουν,  
καθάπερ ἔθος ἦν αὐτοῖς, καὶ προσέκειντο τοῖς ὑπ-  
6 εναντίοις. τῶν δ' Ἀχαιῶν κατὰ τὸ συνταχθὲν ὑπο-  
χωρούντων εἶποντο κατόπιν ἐπικείμενοι θρασέως  
7 καὶ τετολμηκότως. ἅμα δὲ τῷ παραβάλλειν εἰς  
τοὺς κατὰ τὴν ἐνέδραν τόπους, διαναστάντων τῶν  
Ἀχαιῶν οἱ μὲν κατεκόπησαν, οἱ δ' ἐάλωσαν αὐτῶν.  
38 Ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος ὄρων τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς εὐλαβῶς  
διακειμένους πρὸς τὸν κατὰ Ῥωμαίων πόλεμον,  
ἐσπούδαζε κατὰ πάντα τρόπον ἐμβιβάσαι αὐτοὺς  
εἰς ἀπέχθειαν.

### VII. RES ASIAE

39 Μαρτυρεῖ τούτοις ἡμῶν τοῖς λόγοις Πολύβιος  
ὁ Μεγαλοπολίτης· ἐν γὰρ τῇ ἐξκαιδεκάτῃ τῶν

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Achaean would arrive in Tegea he dispatched his picked troops to pass the night at Sellasia and next day at daybreak to commence a raid on Laconia. If the mercenaries came to protect the country and gave them trouble, he ordered them to retire on Scotitas and afterwards to place themselves under the orders of Didascalondas the Cretan, who had been taken into his confidence and had received full instructions about the whole enterprise. These picked troops, then, advanced confidently to carry out their orders. Philopoemen, ordering the Achaeans to take an early supper, led the army out of Tegea, and making a rapid night march, halted his forces at early dawn in the district called the country round Scotitas, a place which lies between Tegea and Sparta. The mercenaries at Pellene, when their scouts reported the invasion of the enemy, at once, as is their custom, advanced and fell upon the latter. When the Achaeans, as they had been ordered, retreated, they followed them up, attacking them with great daring and confidence. But when they reached the place where the ambushade had been placed and the Achaeans rose from it, some of them were cut to pieces and others made prisoners.

38. Philip, when he saw that the Achaeans were chary of going to war with Rome, tried by every means to create animosity between the two peoples.

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(From Josephus, *Ant. Jud.* xii. 3. 3)

39. Polybius of Megalopolis testifies to this. For he says in the 16th Book of his Histories, "Scopas,



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ἱστοριῶν αὐτοῦ φησιν οὕτως· “ὁ δὲ τοῦ Πτολεμαίου στρατηγὸς Σκόπας ὀρμήσας εἰς τοὺς ἄνω τόπους κατεστρέψατο ἐν τῷ χειμῶνι τὸ Ἰουδαίων ἔθνος.”

2 Τῆς δὲ πολιορκίας ῥεμβώδους γενομένης ὁ μὲν Σκόπας ἠδόξει καὶ διεβέβλητο νεανικῶς.

3 Λέγει δὲ ἐν τῇ αὐτῇ βίβλῳ ὡς “τοῦ Σκόπα νικηθέντος ὑπ’ Ἀντιόχου τὴν μὲν Βατανέαν καὶ Σαμάρειαν καὶ Ἀβιλα καὶ Γάδαρα παρέλαβεν

4 Ἀντίοχος· μετ’ ὀλίγον δὲ προσεχώρησαν αὐτῷ καὶ τῶν Ἰουδαίων οἱ περὶ τὸ ἱερὸν τὸ προσαγο-  
5 ρευόμενον Ἱεροσόλυμα κατοικοῦντες. ὑπὲρ οὗ καὶ πλείω λέγειν ἔχοντες, καὶ μάλιστα περὶ τῆς γενομένης περὶ τὸ ἱερὸν ἐπιφανείας, εἰς ἕτερον καιρὸν ὑπερθησόμεθα τὴν διήγησιν.”



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# FRAGMENTA LIBRI XVIII

## I. RES MACEDONIAE ET GRAECIAE

(17 1) Ἐπελθόντος δὲ τοῦ τεταγμένου καιροῦ παρῆν  
ὁ μὲν Φίλιππος ἐκ Δημητριάδος ἀναχθεὶς εἰς  
τὸν Μηλιέα κόλπον, πέντε λέμβους ἔχων καὶ μίαν  
2 πρίστιν, ἐφ' ἧς αὐτὸς ἐπέπλει. συνῆσαν δ' αὐτῷ  
Μακεδόνες μὲν Ἀπολλόδωρος καὶ Δημοσθένης  
οἱ γραμματεῖς, ἐκ Βοιωτίας Βραχύλλης, Ἀχαιοὶ  
δὲ Κυκλιάδας, ἐκπεπτωκῶς ἐκ Πελοποννήσου  
διὰ τὰς πρότερον ὑφ' ἡμῶν εἰρημένας αἰτίας.  
3 μετὰ δὲ τοῦ Τίτου παρῆν ὁ τε βασιλεὺς Ἀμύναν-  
4 δρος καὶ παρ' Ἀττάλου Διονυσόδωρος, ἀπὸ δὲ τῶν  
ἔθνῶν καὶ πόλεων τῶν μὲν Ἀχαιῶν Ἀρίσταινος  
καὶ Ξενοφῶν, παρὰ δὲ Ῥοδίων Ἀκεσίμβροτος ὁ  
ναύαρχος, παρὰ δὲ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν Φαινέας ὁ στρα-  
τηγός, καὶ πλείους δ' ἕτεροι τῶν πολιτευομένων.  
5 συνεγγίσαντες δὲ κατὰ Νίκαιαν πρὸς τὴν θάλατ-  
ταν, οἱ μὲν περὶ τὸν Τίτον ἐπέστησαν παρ' αὐτὸν  
<τὸν> αἰγιαλόν, ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος ἐγγίσας τῇ γῆ  
6 μετέωρος ἔμενε. τοῦ δὲ Τίτου κελεύοντος αὐτὸν  
ἀποβαίνειν, διαναστὰς ἐκ τῆς νεῶς οὐκ ἔφησεν  
7 ἀποβήσεσθαι. τοῦ δὲ πάλιν ἐρομένου τίνα φο-  
βεῖται, φοβεῖσθαι μὲν ἔφησεν ὁ Φίλιππος οὐδένα  
πλὴν τοὺς θεούς, ἀπιστεῖν δὲ τοῖς πλείστοις τῶν

# FRAGMENTS OF BOOK XVIII

## I. AFFAIRS OF MACEDONIA AND GREECE

### *Flamininus and Philip*

1. When the time fixed for the conference came, Philip arrived, having sailed from Demetrias to the Melian gulf with five galleys and a beaked ship in which he travelled himself. He was accompanied by the Macedonians Apollodorus and Demosthenes, his secretaries, by Brachylles from Boeotia, and by Cycliadas the Achaean, who had had to leave the Peloponnesus for the reasons stated above. Flamininus had with him King Amynder and the representative of Attalus Dionysodorus, and on the part of cities and nations Aristaeus and Xenophon from Achaea, Acesimbrotus, the admiral, from Rhodes, and from Aetolia the strategus Phaeneas and several other politicians. Flamininus and those with him reached the sea at Nicaea and waited standing on the beach, but Philip on approaching land remained afloat. When Flamininus asked him to come ashore he rose from his place on the ship and said he would not disembark. Upon Flamininus again asking him of whom he was afraid Philip said he was afraid of no one but the gods, but he was suspicious of most

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8 παρόντων, μάλιστα δ' Αἰτωλοῖς. τοῦ δὲ τῶν  
 Ῥωμαίων στρατηγοῦ θαυμάσαντος καὶ φήσαντος  
 ἴσον εἶναι πᾶσι τὸν κίνδυνον καὶ κοινὸν τὸν καιρὸν,  
 μεταλαβὼν ὁ Φίλιππος οὐκ ἔφησεν αὐτὸν ὀρθῶς  
 9 λέγειν· Φαινέου μὲν γὰρ παθόντος τι πολλοὺς  
 εἶναι τοὺς στρατηγήσοντας Αἰτωλῶν, Φιλίππου  
 δ' ἀπολομένου κατὰ τὸ παρὸν οὐκ εἶναι τὸν  
 10 βασιλεύοντα Μακεδόνων. ἐδόκει μὲν οὖν πᾶσι  
 φορτικῶς κατάρχεσθαι τῆς ὀμιλίας. ὅμως δὲ  
 λέγειν αὐτὸν ἐκέλευεν ὁ Τίτος ὑπὲρ ὧν πάρεστιν.  
 11 ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος οὐκ ἔφη τὸν λόγον αὐτῷ καθήκειν,  
 ἀλλ' ἐκείνῳ· διόπερ ἠξίου διασαφεῖν τὸν Τίτον  
 12 τί δεῖ ποιήσαντα τὴν εἰρήνην ἄγειν. ὁ δὲ τῶν  
 Ῥωμαίων στρατηγὸς αὐτῷ μὲν ἀπλοῦν τινα λόγον  
 13 ἔφη καθήκειν καὶ φαινόμενον. κελεύειν γὰρ αὐτὸν  
 ἐκ μὲν τῆς Ἑλλάδος ἀπάσης ἐκχωρεῖν, ἀποδόντα  
 τοὺς αἰχμαλώτους καὶ τοὺς αὐτομόλους ἐκάστοις  
 14 οὓς ἔχει, τοὺς δὲ κατὰ τὴν Ἰλλυρίδα τόπους  
 παραδοῦναι Ῥωμαίοις, ὧν γέγονε κύριος μετὰ τὰς  
 ἐν Ἠπείρῳ διαλύσεις· ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ Πτολεμαίῳ  
 τὰς πόλεις ἀποκαταστήσαι πάσας, ἃς παρήρηται  
 μετὰ τὸν Πτολεμαίου τοῦ Φιλοπάτορος θάνατον.

2 Ταῦτα δ' εἰπὼν ὁ Τίτος αὐτὸς μὲν ἐπέσχε, πρὸς  
 (17 2) δὲ τοὺς ἄλλους ἐπιστραφεῖς ἐκέλευε λέγειν ἅπερ  
 ἐκάστοις αὐτῶν οἱ πέμψαντες εἶησαν ἐντεταλμένοι.  
 2 πρῶτος δὲ Διονυσόδωρος ὁ παρ' Ἀττάλου μετα-  
 λαβὼν τὸν λόγον τὰς τε ναῦς ἔφη δεῖν αὐτὸν ἀπο-  
 δοῦναι τὰς τοῦ βασιλέως τὰς γενομένας αἰχμαλώ-  
 τους ἐν τῇ περὶ Χίον ναυμαχίᾳ καὶ τοὺς ἅμα  
 ταύταις ἄνδρας, ἀποκαταστήσαι δὲ καὶ τὸ τῆς  
 Ἀφροδίτης ἱερὸν ἀκέραιον καὶ τὸ Νικηφόριον,  
 3 ἃ κατέφθειρε. μετὰ δὲ τοῦτον ὁ τῶν Ῥοδίων

## BOOK XVIII. 1. 8 – 2. 3

of those present and especially of the Aetolians. When the Roman general expressed his surprise and said that the danger was the same for all and the chances equal, Philip said he was not right ; for if anything happened to Phaeneas, there were many who could be strategi of the Aetolians, but if Philip perished there was no one at present to occupy the throne of Macedon. He seemed to them all to have opened the conference with little dignity, but Flamininus, however, begged him to state his reasons for attending it. Philip said it was not his own business to speak first, but that of Flamininus, and he therefore asked him to explain what he should do to keep the peace. The Roman general said that what it was his duty to say was simple and obvious. He demanded that Philip should withdraw from the whole of Greece after giving up to each power the prisoners and deserters in his hands ; that he should surrender to the Romans the district of Illyria that had fallen into his power after the treaty made in Epirus, and likewise restore to Ptolemy all the towns that he had taken from him after the death of Ptolemy Philopator.

2. Flamininus after speaking thus stopped, and turning to the others bade them each speak as they had been instructed by those who had commissioned them. Dionysodorus, the representative of Attalus, was the first to speak. He said that Philip must give up those of the king's ships he had taken in the battle of Chios, together with the men captured in them, and that he must restore to their original condition the temple of Aphrodite and the Nicephorium which he had destroyed. Next Acesimbrotus, the Rhodian admiral, demanded that Philip

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ναύαρχος Ἀκεσίμβροτος τῆς μὲν Περαιίας ἐκέλευεν ἐκχωρεῖν τὸν Φίλιππον, ἧς αὐτῶν παρήρηται, τὰς δὲ φρουρὰς ἐξάγειν ἐξ Ἰασοῦ καὶ Βαργυλίων 4 καὶ τῆς Εὐρωμέων πόλεως, ἀποκαταστήσαι δὲ καὶ Περιθίους εἰς τὴν Βυζαντίων συμπολιτείαν, παραχωρεῖν δὲ καὶ Σηστοῦ καὶ Ἀβύδου καὶ τῶν ἐμπορίων καὶ λιμένων τῶν κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν 5 ἀπάντων. ἐπὶ δὲ τοῖς Ῥοδίοις Ἀχαιοὶ Κόρινθον ἀπήτουν καὶ τὴν τῶν Ἀργείων πόλιν ἀβλαβῆ. 6 μετὰ δὲ τούτους Αἰτωλοὶ πρῶτον μὲν τῆς Ἑλλάδος ἀπάσης ἐκέλευον ἐξίστασθαι, καθάπερ καὶ Ῥωμαῖοι, δεύτερον αὐτοῖς ἀποκαθιστάναί τὰς πόλεις ἀβλαβεῖς τὰς πρότερον μετασχούσας τῆς τῶν Αἰτωλῶν συμπολιτείας.

3 Ταῦτα δ' εἰπόντος τοῦ Φαινέου τοῦ τῶν Αἰτω-  
 (17 3) λῶν στρατηγοῦ, μεταλαβὼν Ἀλέξανδρος ὁ προσ-  
 αγορευόμενος Ἴσιος, ἀνὴρ δοκῶν πραγματικὸς  
 2 εἶναι καὶ λέγειν ἰκανός, οὔτε διαλύεσθαι νῦν  
 ἔφησε τὸν Φίλιππον ἀληθινῶς οὔτε πολεμεῖν  
 γενναίως, ὅταν δέη τοῦτο πράττειν, ἀλλ' ἐν μὲν  
 τοῖς συλλόγοις καὶ ταῖς ὁμιλίαις ἐνεδρεύειν καὶ  
 παρατηρεῖν καὶ ποιεῖν τὰ τοῦ πολεμοῦντος ἔργα,  
 κατ' αὐτὸν δὲ τὸν πόλεμον ἀδίκως ἴστασθαι καὶ  
 3 λίαν ἀγεννῶς· ἀφέντα γὰρ τοῦ κατὰ πρόσωπον  
 ἀπαντᾶν τοῖς πολεμίοις, φεύγοντα τὰς πόλεις  
 ἐμπιπράναι καὶ διαρπάζειν καὶ διὰ ταύτης τῆς  
 προαιρέσεως ἠττώμενον τὰ τῶν νικῶντων ἀθλα  
 4 λυμαίνεσθαι. καίτοι γε τοὺς πρότερον Μακε-  
 δόνων βεβασιλευκότας οὐ ταύτην ἐσχηκέναι τὴν  
 πρόθεσιν, ἀλλὰ τὴν ἐναντίαν· μάχεσθαι μὲν γὰρ  
 πρὸς ἀλλήλους συνεχῶς ἐν τοῖς ὑπαίθροις, τὰς δὲ  
 5 πόλεις σπανίως ἀναιρεῖν καὶ καταφθείρειν. τοῦτο

should evacuate the Peraea which he had taken from the Rhodians, withdraw his garrisons from Iasus, Bargylia, and Euromus, permit the Perinthians to resume their confederacy with Byzantium, and retire from Sestus and Abydus and all commercial depots and harbours in Asia. After the Rhodians the Achaeans demanded Corinth and Argos undamaged, and next the Aetolians first of all, as the Romans had done, bade him withdraw from the whole of Greece, and next asked him to restore to them undamaged the cities which were formerly members of the Aetolian League.

3. After Phaeneas, the strategus of the Aetolians, had spoken thus, Alexander called the Isian, a man considered to be a practical statesman and an able speaker, took part in the debate and said that Philip neither sincerely desired peace at present nor did he make war bravely when he had to do so, but that in assemblies and conferences he laid traps and watched for opportunities and behaved as if he were at war, but in war itself adopted an unfair and very ungenerous course. For instead of meeting his enemies face to face he used to flee before them, burning and sacking cities, and by this course of conduct though beaten he spoilt the prizes of the victors. Not this but quite the reverse had been the object of the former kings of Macedon ; for they used to fight constantly with each other in the field but very seldom destroyed or ruined cities. This was evident



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δ' εἶναι πᾶσι φανερόν ἕκ τε τοῦ πολέμου τοῦ  
 περὶ τὴν Ἀσίαν, ὃν Ἀλέξανδρος ἐπολέμησε πρὸς  
 Δαρεῖον, ἕκ τε τῆς τῶν διαδεξαμένων ἀμφισβη-  
 6 τήσεως, καθ' ἣν ἐπολέμησαν πάντες πρὸς Ἀντί-  
 γονον ὑπὲρ τῆς Ἀσίας. παραπλησίως δὲ καὶ τοὺς  
 7 τούτους διαδεξαμένους μέχρι Πύρρου κεχρηῆσθαι  
 τῇ προαιρέσει ταύτῃ· διακινδυνεύειν μὲν γὰρ  
 πρὸς αὐτοὺς ἐν τοῖς ὑπαίθροις προχείρως καὶ  
 πάντα ποιεῖν εἰς τὸ καταγωνίσασθαι διὰ τῶν  
 ὀπλων ἀλλήλους, τῶν δὲ πόλεων φεΐδεσθαι χάριν  
 τοῦ τοὺς νικήσαντας ἡγεῖσθαι τούτων καὶ τιμᾶ-  
 8 σθαι παρὰ τοῖς ὑποταττομένοις. τὸ δ' ἀναιροῦντα  
 περὶ ὧν ὁ πόλεμος ἐστὶ τὸν πόλεμον αὐτὸν κατα-  
 λιπεῖν μανίας ἔργον εἶναι, καὶ ταύτης ἐρρωμένης,  
 9 ὃ νῦν ποιεῖν τὸν Φίλιππον· τοσαύτας γὰρ δι-  
 εφθαρκέσαι πόλεις ἐν Θετταλία, φίλον ὄντα καὶ  
 σύμμαχον, καθ' ὃν καιρὸν ἕκ τῶν ἐν Ἠπείρῳ  
 στενῶν ἐποιεῖτο τὴν σπουδὴν, ὅσας οὐδεὶς ποτε  
 10 τῶν Θετταλοῖς πεπολεμηκότων διέφθειρε. πολλὰ  
 δὲ καὶ ἕτερα πρὸς ταύτην τὴν ὑπόθεσιν διαλεχθεῖς  
 11 τελευταίοις ἐχρήσατο τούτοις. ἤρετο γὰρ τὸν  
 Φίλιππον διὰ τί Λυσιμάχεια μετ' Αἰτωλῶν  
 ταττομένην καὶ στρατηγὸν ἔχουσαν παρ' αὐτῶν  
 12 ἐκβαλὼν τοῦτον κατάσχοι φρουρᾷ τὴν πόλιν· διὰ  
 τί δὲ Κιανούς, παραπλησίως μετ' Αἰτωλῶν συμ-  
 πολιτευομένους ἐξανδραποδίσαιτο, φίλος ὑπάρχων  
 Αἰτωλοῖς· τί δὲ λέγων κατέχει νῦν Ἐχῖνον καὶ  
 Θήβας τὰς Φθίας καὶ Φάρσαλον καὶ Λάρισαν.

4 Ὁ μὲν οὖν Ἀλέξανδρος ταῦτ' εἰπὼν ἀπεσιώπη-  
 (17 1) σεν. ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος ἐγγίσας τῇ γῆ μάλλον ἢ πρό-  
 σθεν καὶ διαναστὰς ἐπὶ τῆς νεῶς Αἰτωλικὸν ἔφη  
 καὶ θεατρικὸν διατεθεῖσθαι τὸν Ἀλέξανδρον λόγον.

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2 σαφῶς γὰρ πάντα γινώσκειν ὅτι τοὺς ἰδίους συμ-  
 μάχους ἐκὼν μὲν οὐδεὶς διαφθείρει, κατὰ δὲ τὰς  
 τῶν καιρῶν περιστάσεις πολλὰ ποιεῖν ἀναγκάζεσθαι  
 τοὺς ἡγουμένους παρὰ τὰς ἑαυτῶν προαιρέσεις.  
 3 ἔτι δὲ ταῦτα λέγοντος τοῦ βασιλέως ὁ Φαινέας,  
 ἡλαττωμένος τοῖς ὄμμασιν ἐπὶ πλείον, ὑπέκρουε  
 τὸν Φίλιππον, φάσκων αὐτὸν ληρεῖν· δεῖν γὰρ ἢ  
 μαχόμενον νικᾶν ἢ ποιεῖν τοῖς κρείττοσι τὸ προσ-  
 4 ταπτόμενον. ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος, καίπερ ἐν κακοῖς  
 ὦν, ὅμως οὐκ ἀπέσχετο τοῦ καθ' αὐτὸν ἰδιώματος,  
 ἀλλ' ἐπιστραφεὶς “ τοῦτο μὲν ” ἔφησεν “ ὦ  
 Φαινέα, καὶ τυφλῶ δῆλον.” ἦν γὰρ εὐθικτος καὶ  
 πρὸς τοῦτο τὸ μέρος εὖ πεφυκῶς πρὸς τὸ δια-  
 5 χλευάζειν ἀνθρώπους. αὐθὶς δὲ πρὸς τὸν Ἀλέξ-  
 ανδρον ἐπιστρέψας “ ἐρωτᾶς με ” φησὶν “ Ἀλέξ-  
 6 ανδρε, διὰ τί Λυσιμάχειαν προσέλαβον; ἵνα  
 μὴ διὰ τὴν ὑμετέραν ὀλιγωρίαν ἀνάστατος ὑπὸ  
 Θρακῶν γένηται, καθάπερ νῦν γέγονεν ἡμῶν  
 ἀπαγαγόντων τοὺς στρατιώτας διὰ τοῦτον τὸν  
 πόλεμον, οὐ τοὺς φρουροῦντας αὐτήν, ὡς σὺ  
 7 φῆς, ἀλλὰ τοὺς παραφυλάττοντας. Κιανοῖς δ'  
 ἐγὼ μὲν οὐκ ἐπολέμησα Προυσίου δὲ πολεμοῦντος  
 βοηθῶν ἐκείνῳ συνεξείλον αὐτούς, ὑμῶν αἰτίων  
 8 γενομένων· πολλάκις γὰρ κάμου καὶ τῶν ἄλλων  
 Ἑλλήνων διαπρεσβευομένων πρὸς ὑμᾶς, ἵνα τὸν  
 νόμον ἄρητε τὸν διδόντα τὴν ἐξουσίαν ὑμῖν ἄγειν  
 λάφυρον ἀπὸ λαφύρου, πρότερον ἔφατε τὴν Αἰτω-  
 λίαν ἐκ τῆς Αἰτωλίας ἀρεῖν ἢ τοῦτον τὸν νόμον.”

5 Τοῦ δὲ Τίτου θαυμάσαντος τί τοῦτ' ἐστίν, ὁ  
 (17 5) βασιλεὺς ἐπειρᾶτο διασαφεῖν αὐτῶ, λέγων ὅτι  
 τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς ἔθος ὑπάρχει μὴ μόνον πρὸς οὓς  
 ἂν αὐτοὶ πολεμῶσι, τούτους αὐτοὺς ἄγειν καὶ τὴν

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theatrical. Everyone, he said, was aware that no one ever of his own free will ruins his own allies, but that by changes of circumstance commanders are forced to do many things that they would have preferred not to do. The king had not finished speaking when Phaeneas, whose sight was badly impaired, interrupted him rudely, saying that he was talking nonsense, for he must either fight and conquer or do the bidding of his betters. Philip, though in an evil case, could not refrain from his peculiar gift of raillery, but turning to him said, "Even a blind man, Phaeneas, can see that"; for he was ready and had a natural talent for scoffing at people. Then, turning again to Alexander, "You ask me," he said, "Alexander, why I annexed Lysimachia. It was in order that it should not, owing to your neglect, be depopulated by the Thracians, as has actually happened since I withdrew to serve in this war those of my troops who were acting not as you say as its garrison, but as its guardians. As for the people of Cius, it was not I who made war on them, but when Prusias did so I helped him to exterminate them, and all through your fault. For on many occasions when I and the other Greeks sent embassies to you begging you to remove from your statutes the law empowering you to get booty from booty, you replied that you would rather remove Aetolia from Aetolia than that law. 5. When Flamininus said he wondered what that was, the king tried to explain to him, saying that the Aetolians have a custom not only to make booty of the persons and territory of those

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2 τούτων χώραν, ἀλλὰ κὰν ἕτεροί τινες πολεμῶσι  
 πρὸς ἀλλήλους, ὄντες Αἰτωλῶν φίλοι καὶ σύμμαχοι,  
 μηδὲν ἤττον ἐξεῖναι τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς ἄνευ κοινοῦ  
 δόγματος καὶ παραβοηθεῖν ἀμφοτέροις τοῖς  
 πολεμοῦσι καὶ τὴν χώραν ἄγειν τὴν ἀμφοτέρων,  
 3 ὥστε παρὰ μὲν τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς μήτε φιλίας ὄρους  
 ὑπάρχειν μήτ' ἐχθρας, ἀλλὰ πᾶσι τοῖς ἀμφισβη-  
 τοῦσι περί τινος ἐτοίμους ἐχθροὺς εἶναι τούτους  
 4 καὶ πολεμίους. “ πόθεν οὖν ἔξεστι τούτοις ἐγ-  
 καλεῖν νῦν, εἰ φίλος ὑπάρχων Αἰτωλοῖς ἐγώ,  
 Προυσίου δὲ σύμμαχος, ἔπραξά τι κατὰ Κιανῶν,  
 5 βοηθῶν τοῖς αὐτοῦ συμμάχοις; τὸ δὲ δὴ πάν-  
 των δεινότατον, οἱ ποιοῦντες ἑαυτοὺς ἐφαιμίλλους  
 Ῥωμαίοις καὶ κελεύοντες ἐκχωρεῖν Μακεδόνας  
 6 ἀπάσης τῆς Ἑλλάδος· τοῦτο γὰρ ἀναφθέγγασθαι  
 καὶ καθόλου μὲν ἐστὶν ὑπερήφανον, οὐ μὴν ἀλλὰ  
 Ῥωμαίων μὲν λεγόντων ἀνεκτόν, Αἰτωλῶν δ' οὐκ  
 7 ἀνεκτόν· ποίας δὲ κελεύετε με ” φησὶν “ ἐκχωρεῖν  
 Ἑλλάδος καὶ πῶς ἀφορίζετε ταύτην; αὐτῶν γὰρ  
 8 Αἰτωλῶν οὐκ εἰσὶν Ἕλληνες οἱ πλείους· τὸ γὰρ  
 τῶν Ἀγραῶν ἔθνος καὶ τὸ τῶν Ἀποδωτῶν,  
 9 ἔτι δὲ τῶν Ἀμφιλόχων, οὐκ ἔστιν Ἑλλάς. ἢ  
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 Ῥοδίου καὶ πρὸς Ἀτταλον ἐν μὲν ἴσῳ κριτῇ  
 δικαιότερον ἂν νομισθεῖη τούτους ἡμῖν ἀποδιδόναι  
 τὰς αἰχμαλώτους ναῦς καὶ τοὺς ἄνδρας ἢ ἡμᾶς  
 2 τούτοις· οὐ γὰρ ἡμεῖς Ἀττάλῳ πρότεροι καὶ  
 Ῥοδίοις τὰς χεῖρας ἐπεβάλομεν, οὗτοι δ' ἡμῖν



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2 τούτων χώραν, ἀλλὰ καὶ ἕτεροί τινες πολεμῶσι  
 πρὸς ἀλλήλους, ὄντες Αἰτωλῶν φίλοι καὶ σύμμαχοι,  
 μηδὲν ἤττον ἐξεῖναι τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς ἄνευ κοινοῦ  
 δόγματος καὶ παραβοηθεῖν ἀμφοτέροις τοῖς  
 πολεμοῦσι καὶ τὴν χώραν ἄγειν τὴν ἀμφοτέρων,  
 3 ὥστε παρὰ μὲν τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς μήτε φιλίας ὄρους  
 ὑπάρχειν μήτ' ἐχθρας, ἀλλὰ πᾶσι τοῖς ἀμφισβη-  
 τοῦσι περί τινος ἐτοίμους ἐχθροὺς εἶναι τούτους  
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 δικαιότερον ἂν νομισθεῖη τούτους ἡμῖν ἀποδιδόναί  
 τὰς αἰχμαλώτους ναῦς καὶ τοὺς ἄνδρας ἥπερ ἡμᾶς  
 2 τούτοις· οὐ γὰρ ἡμεῖς Ἀττάλῳ πρότεροι καὶ  
 Ῥοδίοις τὰς χεῖρας ἐπεβάλομεν, οὗτοι δ' ἡμῖν

with whom they are themselves at war, but if any other peoples are at war with each other who are friends and allies of theirs, it is permissible nevertheless to the Aetolians without any public decree to help both belligerents and pillage the territory of both; so that with the Aetolians there is no precise definition of friendship and enmity, but they promptly treat as enemies and make war on all between whom there is a dispute about anything. "So what right have they," he continued, "to accuse me now, because, being a friend of the Aetolians and the ally of Prusias, I acted against the people of Cius in coming to the aid of my ally? But what is most insufferable of all is that they assume they are the equals of the Romans in demanding that the Macedonians should withdraw from the whole of Greece. To employ such language at all is indeed a sign of haughtiness, but while we may put up with it from the lips of Romans we cannot when the speakers are Aetolians. And what," he said, "is that Greece from which you order me to withdraw, and how do you define Greece? For most of the Aetolians themselves are not Greeks. No! the countries of the Agraeae, the Apodotae, and the Amphilocheians are not Greece. Do you give me permission to remain in those countries?"

6. Upon Flamininus smiling, "That is all I have to say to the Aetolians," he said, "but my answer to the Romans and Attalus is that a fair judge would pronounce that it would be more just for them to give up the captured ships and men to me than for me to give them up to them. For it was not I who first took up arms against Attalus and the Rhodians, but they cannot deny that they were the aggressors.



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3 ὁμολογουμένως. οὐ μὴν ἀλλὰ σοῦ κελεύοντος  
 Ῥοδίοις μὲν ἀποδίδωμι τὴν Περαιάν, Ἀττάλῳ δὲ  
 τὰς ναῦς καὶ τοὺς ἄνδρας τοὺς διασωζομένους.  
 4 τὴν δὲ τοῦ Νικηφορίου καταφθορὰν καὶ τοῦ τῆς  
 Ἀφροδίτης τεμένους ἄλλως μὲν οὐκ εἰμὶ δυνατὸς  
 ἀποκαταστήσαι, φυτὰ δὲ καὶ κηπουροὺς πέμψω  
 τοὺς φροντιοῦντας θεραπείας τοῦ τόπου καὶ τῆς  
 5 αὐξήσεως τῶν ἐκκοπέντων δένδρων." πάλιν δὲ  
 τοῦ Τίτου γελάσαντος ἐπὶ τῷ χλευασμῷ, μεταβὰς  
 ὁ Φίλιππος ἐπὶ τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς πρῶτον μὲν τὰς  
 εὐεργεσίας ἐξηριθμήσατο τὰς ἐξ Ἀντιγόνου γε-  
 6 γενημένας εἰς αὐτούς, εἶτα τὰς ἰδίας· ἐξῆς δὲ  
 τούτοις προηνέγκατο τὸ μέγεθος τῶν τιμῶν τῶν  
 7 ἀπηντημένων αὐτοῖς παρὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν. τε-  
 λευταῖον δ' ἀνέγνω τὸ περὶ τῆς ἀποστάσεως  
 ψήφισμα καὶ τῆς πρὸς Ῥωμαίους μεταθέσεως,  
 ἣ χρησάμενος ἀφορμῇ πολλὰ κατὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν  
 8 εἰς ἀθεσίαν εἶπε καὶ ἀχαριστίαν. ὅμως δ' ἔφη  
 τὸ μὲν Ἄργος ἀποδώσειν, περὶ δὲ τοῦ Κορίνθου  
 βουλευέσθαι μετὰ τοῦ Τίτου.

7 Ταῦτα δὲ διαλεχθεὶς πρὸς τοὺς ἄλλους ἤρετο  
 (17 7) τὸν Τίτον, φήσας πρὸς ἐκείνον αὐτῷ τὸν λόγον  
 εἶναι καὶ πρὸς Ῥωμαίους, πότερον οἶεται δεῖν  
 ἐκχωρεῖν ὧν ἐπέκτηται πόλεων καὶ τόπων ἐν  
 τοῖς Ἑλλησιν, ἣ καὶ τούτων ὅσα παρὰ τῶν γονέων  
 2 παρείληφε. τοῦ δ' ἀποσιωπήσαντος ἐκ χειρὸς  
 ἀπαντᾶν οἰοί τ' ἦσαν ὁ μὲν Ἀρίσταινος ὑπὲρ  
 τῶν Ἀχαιῶν, ὁ δὲ Φαινέας ὑπὲρ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν.  
 3 ἤδη δὲ τῆς ὥρας συγκλειούσης ὁ μὲν τούτων  
 λόγος ἐκωλύθη διὰ τὸν καιρόν, ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος  
 ἠξίου γράψαντας αὐτῷ δοῦναι πάντα ἐφ' οἷς  
 δεήσει γίνεσθαι τὴν εἰρήνην· μόνος γὰρ ὧν οὐκ

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4 ἔχειν μεθ' ὧν βουλευήται· διὸ θέλειν αὐτῷ λόγον  
 5 δοῦναι περὶ τῶν ἐπιταττομένων. ὁ δὲ Τίτος οὐκ  
 ἀηδῶς μὲν ἤκουε τοῦ Φιλίππου χλευάζοντος· μὴ βου-  
 λόμενος δὲ τοῖς ἄλλοις [μὴ] δοκεῖν ἀντεπέσκωψε  
 6 τὸν Φίλιππον εἰπὼν οὕτως· “ εἰκότως ” ἔφη  
 “ Φίλιππε, μόνος εἶ νῦν· τοὺς γὰρ φίλους τοὺς τὰ  
 κράτιστά σοι συμβουλεύοντας ἀπώλεσας ἅπαντας.”  
 ὁ δὲ Μακεδὼν ὑπομειδιάσας σαρδάνιον ἀπεσιώπησε.  
 7 Καὶ τότε μὲν ἅπαντες, ἐγγράπτους δόντες τῷ  
 Φιλίππῳ τὰς ἑαυτῶν προαιρέσεις ἀκολούθως τοῖς  
 προειρημένοις, ἐχωρίσθησαν, ταξάμενοι κατὰ τὴν  
 8 ἐπιούσαν εἰς Νίκαιαν πάλιν ἀπαντήσειν· τῇ δ'  
 αὖριον οἱ μὲν περὶ τὸν Τίτον ἤκον ἐπὶ τὸν ταχθέντα  
 τόπον ἐν ὤκρα πάντες [ἦσαν], ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος οὐ  
 παρεγίνετο.

8 Τῆς δ' ἡμέρας ἤδη προαγούσης ἐπὶ πολὺ καὶ  
 (17 8) σχεδὸν ἀπεγνωκότων τῶν περὶ τὸν Τίτον, παρῆν  
 ὁ Φίλιππος δειλῆς ὀψίας ἐπιφαινόμενος μεθ' ὧν  
 2 καὶ πρότερον, κατατετριφῶς τὴν ἡμέραν, ὡς μὲν  
 αὐτὸς ἔφη, διὰ τὴν ἀπορίαν καὶ δυσχρηστίαν τῶν  
 ἐπιταττομένων, ὡς δὲ τοῖς ἄλλοις ἐδόκει, βουλό-  
 μενος ἐκκλεῖσαι τῷ καιρῷ τὴν τε τῶν Ἀχαιῶν  
 3 καὶ τὴν τῶν Αἰτωλῶν κατηγορίαν· ἑώρα γὰρ  
 τῇ πρόσθεν ἀπαλλαττόμενος ἀμφοτέρους τούτους  
 ἑτοίμους ὄντας πρὸς τὸ συμπλέκεσθαι καὶ μεμψι-  
 4 μοιρεῖν αὐτῷ. διὸ καὶ τότε συνεγγίσας ἠξίου  
 τὸν τῶν Ῥωμαίων στρατηγὸν ἰδίᾳ πρὸς αὐτὸν  
 διαλεχθῆναι περὶ τῶν ἐνεστώτων, ἵνα μὴ λόγοι  
 γένωνται μόνον ἐξ ἀμφοτέρων ἀψιμαχούντων·  
 ἀλλὰ καὶ τέλος τι τοῖς ἀμφισβητουμένοις ἐπιτεθῆ,  
 5 πλεονάκεις δ' αὐτοῦ παρακαλοῦντος καὶ προσ-  
 αξιούντος, ἤρετο τοὺς συμπαρόντας ὁ Τίτος τί

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was alone and had no one to consult, so he wished to think over their demands. Flaminius was by no means displeased by Philip's jests, and not wishing the others to think he was so, rallied Philip in turn by saying, "Naturally you are alone now, Philip, for you have killed all those of your friends who would give you the best advice." The Macedonian monarch smiled sardonically and made no reply.

They all now, after handing to Philip their decisions in writing—decisions similar to those I have stated—separated, making an appointment to meet next day again at Nicaea. On the morrow Flaminius and all the others arrived punctually at the appointed place, but Philip did not put in an appearance.

8. When it was getting quite late in the day and Flaminius had nearly given up all hope, Philip appeared at dusk accompanied by the same people, having, as he himself asserted, spent the day in puzzling over the conditions and dealing with the difficult points, but in the opinion of others his object was to prevent, by cutting down the time, the accusations of the Achaeans and Aetolians. For on the previous day at the moment of his departure he saw they were both ready to join issue with him and load him with reproach. So that now, approaching nearer, he asked the Roman general to converse with him in private about the situation, so that there should not be a mere skirmishing with words on both sides but that an end of some kind should be put to the dispute. When he begged and demanded this repeatedly, Flaminius asked

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6 δέον εἶη ποιεῖν. τῶν δὲ κελευόντων συνελθεῖν καὶ  
 διακοῦσαι τῶν λεγομένων, παραλαβὼν ὁ Τίτος  
 Ἄππιον Κλαύδιον χιλίαρχον ὄντα τότε, τοῖς μὲν  
 ἄλλοις μικρὸν ἀπὸ τῆς θαλάττης ἀναχωρήσασιν  
 εἶπεν αὐτόθι μένειν, αὐτὸς δὲ τὸν Φίλιππον ἐκέ-  
 7 λευσεν ἐκβαίνειν. ὁ δὲ βασιλεὺς παραλαβὼν Ἀπολ-  
 λόδωρον καὶ Δημοσθένην ἀπέβη, συμμίξας δὲ τῷ  
 8 Τίτῳ διελέγετο καὶ πλείῳ χρόνον. τίνα μὲν οὖν  
 ἦν τὰ τότε ῥηθέντα παρ' ἑκατέρου, δυσχερὲς  
 εἶπεῖν· ἔφη δ' οὖν ὁ Τίτος μετὰ τὸ χωρισθῆναι  
 τὸν Φίλιππον, διασαφῶν τοῖς ἄλλοις τὰ παρὰ  
 9 τοῦ βασιλέως, Αἰτωλοῖς μὲν ἀποδοῦναι Φάρσαλον  
 καὶ Λάρισαν, Θήβας δ' οὐκ ἀποδιδόναι, Ῥοδίοις  
 δὲ τῆς μὲν Περαίας παραχωρεῖν, Ἰασοῦ δὲ καὶ  
 Βαργυλίων οὐκ ἐκχωρεῖν· Ἀχαιοῖς δὲ παραδιδόναι  
 10 τὸν Κόρινθον καὶ τὴν τῶν Ἀργείων πόλιν. Ῥω-  
 μαίοις δὲ τὰ κατὰ τὴν Ἰλλυρίδα φάναι παραδώσειν  
 καὶ τοὺς αἰχμαλώτους πάντας, Ἀττάλῳ δὲ τὰς  
 τε ναῦς ἀποκαταστήσειν καὶ τῶν ἀνδρῶν τῶν  
 ἐν ταῖς ναυμαχίαις ἀλόντων ὅσοι περίεσι.

9 Πάντων δὲ τῶν παρόντων δυσारेστουμένων  
 (17 9) τῇ διαλύσει καὶ φασκόντων δεῖν τὸ κοινὸν ἐπί-  
 ταγμα πρῶτον ποιεῖν—τοῦτο δ' ἦν ἀπάσης ἐκχω-  
 ρεῖν τῆς Ἑλλάδος—εἰ δὲ μή, διότι τὰ κατὰ μέρος  
 2 μάταια γίνεται καὶ πρὸς οὐδέν, θεωρῶν ὁ Φίλιππος  
 τὴν ἐν αὐτοῖς ἀμφισβήτησιν καὶ δεδιὼς ἅμα τὰς  
 κατηγορίας, ἠξίου τὸν Τίτον ὑπερθέσθαι τὴν  
 σύνοδον εἰς τὴν αὔριον διὰ τὸ καὶ τὴν ὥραν εἰς  
 ὄψε̄ συγκλείειν· ἢ γὰρ πείσειν ἢ πεισθήσεσθαι  
 3 τοῖς παρακαλουμένοις. τοῦ δὲ συγχωρήσαντος,  
 ταξάμενοι συμπορεύεσθαι πρὸς τὸν κατὰ Θρόνιον



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αἰγιαλόν, τότε μὲν ἐχωρίσθησαν, τῇ δ' ὑστεραία  
 πάντες ἦκον ἐπὶ τὸν ταχθέντα τόπον ἐν ὥρᾳ.  
 4 καὶ βραχέα διαλεχθεὶς ὁ Φίλιππος ἠξίου πάντα,  
 μάλιστα δὲ τὸν Τίτον, μὴ διακόψαι τὴν διάλυσιν,  
 τῶν γε δὴ πλείστων εἰς συμβατικὴν διάθεσιν  
 5 ἠγμένων, ἀλλ' εἰ μὲν ἐνδέχεται δι' αὐτῶν συμ-  
 φώνους γενέσθαι περὶ τῶν ἀντιλεγομένων· εἰ δὲ  
 μή, πρεσβεύσειν ἔφη πρὸς τὴν σύγκλητον, κα-  
 κείνην πείσειν περὶ τῶν ἀμφισβητουμένων, ἢ  
 6 ποιήσειν ὅτι ποτ' ἂν ἐπιτάττη. ταῦτα δ' αὐτοῦ  
 προτείνοντος, οἱ μὲν ἄλλοι πάντες ἔφασαν δεῖν  
 πράττειν τὰ τοῦ πολέμου καὶ μὴ προσέχειν τοῖς  
 7 ἀξιουμένοις. ὁ δὲ τῶν Ῥωμαίων στρατηγὸς οὐκ  
 ἀγνοεῖν μὲν οὐδ' αὐτὸς ἔφη διότι τὸν Φίλιππον  
 οὐκ εἰκὸς ἐστὶ ποιῆσαι τῶν παρακαλουμένων  
 8 οὐδέν· τῷ δ' ἀπλῶς μηδὲν ἐμποδίζειν τὰς σφετέρας  
 πράξεις τὴν αἰτουμένην χάριν ὑπὸ τοῦ βασιλέως  
 9 ἐκποιεῖν ἔφη χαρίζεσθαι. κυρωθῆναι μὲν γὰρ οὐδ'  
 ὡς εἶναι δυνατόν οὐδὲν τῶν νῦν λεγομένων ἄνευ τῆς  
 συγκλήτου, πρὸς δὲ τὸ λαβεῖν πείραν τῆς ἐκείνων  
 γνώμης εὐφυῶς ἔχειν τὸν ἐπιφερόμενον καιρόν· τῶν  
 10 γὰρ στρατοπέδων οὐδ' ὡς δυναμένων οὐδὲν πράττειν  
 διὰ τὸν χειμῶνα, τοῦτον ἀποθέσθαι τὸν χρόνον εἰς  
 τὸ προσανενεγκεῖν τῇ συγκλήτῳ περὶ τῶν προσ-  
 πιπτόντων, οὐκ ἄθετον, ἀλλ' οἰκείον εἶναι πᾶσι.

10 Ταχὺ δὲ συγκαταθεμένων ἀπάντων διὰ τὸ  
 (17 10) θεωρεῖν τὸν Τίτον οὐκ ἀλλότριον ὄντα τῆς ἐπὶ  
 2 τὴν σύγκλητον ἀναφορᾶς, ἔδοξε συγχωρεῖν τῷ  
 Φιλίππῳ πρεσβεύειν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, ὁμοίως  
 δὲ καὶ παρ' αὐτῶν πέμπειν ἐκάστους πρεσβευτὰς  
 τοὺς διαλεχθησομένους τῇ συγκλήτῳ καὶ κατ-  
 ηγορήσοντας τοῦ Φιλίππου.

beach at Thronion they separated, and all next day arrived in time at the appointed place. Philip now in a short speech begged them all and especially Flamininus not to break off negotiations now that they were on the verge of a settlement of most questions, but if possible to come to an agreement among themselves about the disputed points. If not, however, he said he would send an embassy to the senate and either persuade that body about these points or do whatever it ordered him. On his making this proposal all the others said they ought to continue the war and not accede to the request; but the Roman general said that while he too was quite aware that there was no probability of Philip's really doing anything they demanded, yet as the king's request in no way interfered with their own action, it perfectly suited them to grant it. For as things stood, nothing they now said could be made valid without consulting the senate, and besides the general advantage of arriving at a knowledge of the will of the senate, the immediate future was a favourable time for taking this course. The armies, in fact, could do nothing owing to the winter, and therefore to devote this time to referring the matter to the senate was by no means useless, but in the interest of them all. 10. They all soon gave their consent as they saw that Flamininus was evidently not averse from referring things to the senate, and it was decided to allow Philip to send an embassy to Rome, and that they also should each send ambassadors to speak before the senate and accuse Philip.



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3 Τοῦ δὲ πράγματος τῷ Τίτῳ τοῦ κατὰ τὸν σύλ-  
 λογον κατὰ νοῦν καὶ κατὰ τοὺς ἐξ ἀρχῆς δια-  
 λογισμοὺς προκεχωρηκότος, παραυτίκα τὸ συνεχὲς  
 τῆς ἐπιβολῆς ἐξύφαινε, τά τε καθ' αὐτὸν ἀσφαλι-  
 ζόμενος ἐπιμελῶς καὶ πρόλημα τῷ Φιλίππῳ  
 4 ποιῶν οὐδέν. δούς γὰρ ἀνοχὰς διμήνους αὐτῷ  
 τὴν μὲν πρεσβείαν τὴν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην ἐν τούτῳ  
 τῷ χρόνῳ συντελεῖν ἐπέταξε, τὰς δὲ φρουρὰς  
 ἐξάγειν παραχρῆμα τὰς ἐκ τῆς Φωκίδος καὶ  
 5 Λοκρίδος ἐκέλευσε. διετάξατο δὲ καὶ περὶ τῶν  
 ἰδίων συμμάχων φιλοτίμως, ἵνα κατὰ μηδένα  
 τρόπον μηδὲν εἰς αὐτοὺς ἀδίκημα γίνηται κατὰ  
 6 τοῦτον τὸν χρόνον ὑπὸ Μακεδόνων. ταῦτα δὲ  
 ποιήσας πρὸς τὸν Φίλιππον ἔγγραπτα, λοιπὸν  
 αὐτὸς ἤδη δι' αὐτοῦ τὸ προκείμενον ἐπετέλει.  
 7 καὶ τὸν μὲν Ἀμύνανδρον εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην ἐξέπεμπε  
 παραχρῆμα, γινώσκων αὐτὸν εὐάγωγον μὲν ὄντα  
 καὶ ῥαδίως ἐξακολουθήσοντα τοῖς ἐκεῖ φίλοις,  
 ἐφ' ὅποτέρ' ἂν ἄγωσιν αὐτόν, φαντασίαν δὲ ποιή-  
 σοντα καὶ προσδοκίαν διὰ τὸ τῆς βασιλείας  
 8 ὄνομα. μετὰ δὲ τοῦτον ἐξέπεμπε τοὺς παρ'  
 αὐτοῦ πρέσβεις, Κόιντόν τε τὸν Φάβιον, ὃς ἦν  
 αὐτῷ τῆς γυναικὸς ἀδελφιδοῦς, καὶ Κόιντον  
 Φολούιον, σὺν δὲ τούτοις Ἀππιον Κλαύδιον  
 9 ἐπικαλούμενον Νέρωνα. παρὰ δὲ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν  
 ἐπρέσβευον Ἀλέξανδρος Ἴσιος, Δαμόκριτος Κα-  
 λυδώνιος, Δικαίαρχος Τριχωνιεύς, Πολέμαρχος  
 10 Ἀρσινοεύς, Λάμιος Ἀμβρακιώτης, Νικόμαχος  
 Ἀκαρνὰν τῶν ἐκ Θουρίου πεφευγόντων κατοι-  
 κούντων δ' ἐν Ἀμβρακίᾳ, Θεόδοτος Φεραῖος,  
 11 φυγὰς ἐκ Θετταλίας, κατοικῶν δ' ἐν Στράτῳ,  
 παρὰ δὲ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν Ξενοφῶν Αἰγυεύς, παρὰ δὲ τοῦ

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βασιλέως Ἀττάλου μόνος Ἀλέξανδρος, παρὰ δὲ τοῦ δήμου τῶν Ἀθηναίων οἱ περὶ Κηφισόδωρον.

**11** Οὗτοι δὲ παρεγενήθησαν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην πρὸ  
 (17 11) τοῦ τὴν σύγκλητον διαλαβεῖν ὑπὲρ τῶν εἰς τοῦτον  
 τὸν ἐνιαυτὸν καθεσταμένων ὑπάτων, πότερον ἀμ-  
 φοτέρους εἰς τὴν Γαλατίαν ἢ τὸν ἕτερον αὐτῶν  
 2 δεήσει πέμπειν ἐπὶ Φίλιππον. πεπεισμένων δὲ  
 τῶν τοῦ Τίτου φίλων μένειν τοὺς ὑπάτους ἀμφο-  
 τέρους κατὰ τὴν Ἰταλίαν διὰ τὸν ἀπὸ τῶν Κελτῶν  
 φόβον, εἰσελθόντες εἰς τὴν σύγκλητον πάντες  
 3 κατηγοροῦν ἀποτόμως τοῦ Φιλίππου. τὰ μὲν  
 οὖν ἄλλα παραπλήσια τοῖς καὶ πρὸς αὐτὸν τὸν  
 4 βασιλέα πρότερον εἰρημένοις ἦν· τοῦτο δ' ἐπι-  
 μελῶς ἐντίκτειν ἐπειρῶντο τῇ συγκλήτῳ πάντες,  
 διότι τῆς Χαλκίδος καὶ τοῦ Κορίνθου καὶ τῆς  
 Δημητριάδος ὑπὸ τῷ Μακεδόνι ταπτομένων οὐχ  
 οἷόν τε τοὺς Ἕλληνας ἐννοίαν λαβεῖν ἐλευθερίας.  
 5 ὃ γὰρ αὐτὸς Φίλιππος εἶπε, τοῦτο καὶ λίαν ἀληθὲς  
 ἔφασαν ὑπάρχειν· ὃς ἔφη τοὺς προειρημένους  
 τόπους εἶναι πέδας Ἑλληνικάς, ὀρθῶς ἀποφαι-  
 6 νόμενος. οὔτε γὰρ Πελοποννησίους ἀναπνεῦσαι  
 δυνατὸν ἐν Κορίνθῳ βασιλικῆς φρουρᾶς ἐγκα-  
 θημένῃς, οὔτε Λοκροὺς καὶ Βοιωτοὺς καὶ Φωκέας  
 θαρρῆσαι Φιλίππου Χαλκίδα κατέχοντος καὶ τὴν  
 7 ἄλλην Εὐβοίαν, οὐδὲ μὴν Θετταλοὺς οὐδὲ Μά-  
 γνητας δυνατὸν ἐπαύρασθαι τῆς ἐλευθερίας οὐδέ-  
 ποτε, Δημητριάδα Φιλίππου κατέχοντος καὶ Μα-  
 8 κεδόνων. διὸ καὶ τὸ παραχωρεῖν τῶν ἄλλων  
 τόπων τὸν Φίλιππον φαντασίαν εἶναι χάριν τοῦ  
 τὸν παρόντα καιρὸν ἐκφυγεῖν· ἢ δ' ἂν ἡμέρα  
 βουληθῆ, ραδίως πάλιν ὑφ' αὐτὸν ποιήσεσθαι  
 τοὺς Ἕλληνας, εἰ κρητὴ τῶν προειρημένων

sent Alexander alone, and the Athenian people Cephisodorus.

11. The envoys arrived in Rome before the senate had decided whether the consuls of the year should be both sent to Gaul or one of them against Philip. But when the friends of Flamininus were assured that both consuls were to remain in Italy owing to the fear of the Celts, all the envoys entered the senate-house and roundly denounced Philip. Their accusations were in general similar to those they had brought against the king in person, but the point which they all took pains to impress upon the senate was that as long as Chalcis, Corinth, and Demetrias remained in Macedonian hands it was impossible for the Greeks to have any thought of liberty. For Philip's own expression when he pronounced these places to be the fetters of Greece, was, they said, only too true, since neither could the Peloponnesians breathe freely with a royal garrison established in Corinth, nor could the Locrians, Boeotians, and Phocians have any confidence while Philip occupied Chalcis and the rest of Euboea, nor again could the Thessalians and Magnesians ever enjoy liberty while the Macedonians held Demetrias. Therefore his withdrawal from the other places was a mere show of concession on the part of Philip in order to get out of his present difficulty, and if he commanded the above places he could easily bring the Greeks under subjection any day he wished. They

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9 τόπων. διόπερ ἠξίουν τὴν σύγκλητον ἢ τούτων  
 τῶν πόλεων ἀναγκάσαι τὸν Φίλιππον ἐκχωρεῖν  
 ἢ μένειν ἐπὶ τῶν ὑποκειμένων καὶ πολεμεῖν ἐρρω-  
 10 μένως πρὸς αὐτόν. καὶ γὰρ ἠνύσθαι τὰ μέγιστα  
 τοῦ πολέμου, τῶν τε Μακεδόνων προηττημένων  
 δὲ ἤδη καὶ κατὰ γῆν πλείστων αὐτοῖς χορηγιῶν  
 11 ἐκδεδαπανημένων. ταῦτα δ' εἰπόντες παρεκάλουν  
 μήτε τοὺς Ἕλληνας ψεῦσαι τῶν περὶ τῆς ἐλευ-  
 θερίας ἐλπίδων μήθ' ἑαυτοὺς ἀποστερῆσαι τῆς  
 12 καλλίστης ἐπιγραφῆς. οἱ μὲν οὖν παρὰ τῶν  
 Ἑλλήνων πρέσβεις ταῦτα καὶ τούτοις παραπλήσια  
 διελέχθησαν, οἱ δὲ παρὰ τοῦ Φιλίππου παρ-  
 εσκευάσαντο μὲν ὡς ἐπὶ πλεῖον ποιησόμενοι τοὺς  
 13 λόγους, ἐν ἀρχαῖς δ' εὐθέως ἐκωλύθησαν. ἐρω-  
 τηθέντες γὰρ εἰ παραχωροῦσι Χαλκίδος καὶ Κο-  
 ρίνθου καὶ Δημητριάδος, ἀπεῖπαν μηδεμίαν ἔχειν  
 περὶ τούτων ἐντολήν.

14 Οὗτοι μὲν οὖν ἐπιτμηθέντες οὕτως κατέπαυσαν  
 12 τὸν λόγον. ἡ δὲ σύγκλητος τοὺς μὲν ὑπάτους  
 (17 12) ἀμφοτέρους εἰς Γαλατίαν ἐξαπέστειλε, καθάπερ  
 ἐπάνω προεῖπα, τὸν δὲ πρὸς τὸν Φίλιππον πόλεμον  
 ἐψηφίσατο κατάμονον εἶναι, δοῦσα τῷ Τίτῳ τὴν  
 2 ἐπιτροπὴν ὑπὲρ τῶν Ἑλληνικῶν. ταχὺ δὲ τούτων  
 εἰς τὴν Ἑλλάδα διασαφηθέντων ἐγεγόνει τῷ  
 Τίτῳ πάντα κατὰ νοῦν, ἐπὶ βραχὺ μὲν καὶ ταῦ-  
 τομάτου συνεργήσαντος, τὸ δὲ πολὺ διὰ τῆς  
 αὐτοῦ προνοίας ἀπάντων κεχειρισμένων. πάνυ  
 3 γὰρ ἀγχίνους, εἰ καὶ τις ἕτερος Ῥωμαίων, [καὶ]  
 4 ὁ προειρημένος ἀνὴρ γέγονεν. οὕτως γὰρ εὐ-  
 στόχως ἐχείριζε καὶ νουνεχῶς οὐ μόνον τὰς  
 κοινὰς ἐπιβολὰς, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὰς κατ' ἰδίαν ἐντεύξεις,  
 5 ὥσθ' ὑπερβολὴν μὴ καταλιπεῖν. καίτοι γε [καὶ]



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νέος ἦν κομιδῇ· πλείω γὰρ τῶν τριάκοντ' ἐτῶν οὐκ εἶχε· καὶ πρῶτος εἰς τὴν Ἑλλάδα διαβεβήκει μετὰ στρατοπέδων.

**13** Ἐμοιγε πολλάκις μὲν καὶ ἐπὶ πολλοῖς θανάμαζεν ἐπέρχεται τῶν ἀνθρωπείων ἀμαρτημάτων, (17 13) μάλιστα δ' ἐπὶ τῷ κατὰ τοὺς προδότας. διὸ καὶ βούλομαι τὰ πρέποντα τοῖς καιροῖς διαλεχθῆναι περὶ αὐτῶν. καίτοι γ' οὐκ ἀγνοῶ διότι δυσθεώρητον ὁ τόπος ἔχει τι καὶ δυσπαράγραφον· τίνα γὰρ ὡς ἀληθῶς προδότην δεῖ νομίζειν, οὐ 4 ῥάδιον ἀποφῆνασθαι. δῆλον γὰρ ὡς οὔτε τοὺς ἐξ ἀκεραίου συντιθεμένους τῶν ἀνδρῶν πρὸς τινὰς βασιλεῖς ἢ δυνάστας κοινωνίαν πραγμάτων 5 εὐθέως προδότας νομιστέον, οὔτε τοὺς κατὰ <τὰς> περιστάσεις μετατιθέντας τὰς αὐτῶν πατρίδας ἀπὸ τινῶν ὑποκειμένων πρὸς ἑτέρας φιλίας 6 καὶ συμμαχίας, οὐδὲ τούτους. πολλοῦ γε δεῖν· ἐπεῖτοι γε πολλάκις οἱ τοιοῦτοι τῶν μεγίστων ἀγαθῶν γεγόνασιν αἴτιοι ταῖς ἰδίαις πατρίσιν. 7 ἵνα δὲ μὴ πόρρωθεν τὰ παραδείγματα φέρωμεν, ἐξ αὐτῶν τῶν ἐνεστώτων ῥαδίως ἔσται τὸ λεγόμενον κατανοεῖν. εἰ· γὰρ μὴ σὺν καιρῷ τότε μετέρριψε τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς Ἀρίσταινος ἀπὸ τῆς Φιλίππου συμμαχίας πρὸς τὴν Ῥωμαίων, φανερῶς 9 ἄρδην ἀπολώλει τὸ ἔθνος. νῦν δὲ χωρὶς τῆς παρ' αὐτὸν τὸν καιρὸν ἀσφαλείας ἐκάστοις περιγενομένης, αὐξήσεως τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ὁμολογουμένως ὁ προειρημένος ἀνὴρ κακεῖνο τὸ διαβούλιον αἴτιος 10 ἔδόκει γεγονέναι· διὸ καὶ πάντες αὐτὸν οὐχ ὡς προδότην, ἀλλ' ὡς εὐεργέτην καὶ σωτῆρα τῆς 11 χώρας ἐτίμων. ὁ δ' αὐτὸς ἂν εἴη λόγος καὶ περὶ

young, not being over thirty. He was the first Roman who had crossed to Greece in command of an army.

### *Definition of Treachery*

13. I have often had occasion to wonder where the truth lies about many human affairs and especially about the question of traitors. I therefore wish to say a few words on the subject appropriate to the times I am dealing with, although I am quite aware that it is one which is difficult to survey and define ; it being by no means easy to decide whom we should really style a traitor. It is evident that we cannot pronounce offhand to be traitors men who take the initiative in engaging in common action against certain kings and princes, nor again those who at the bidding of circumstances induce their countries to exchange their established relations for other friendships and alliances. Far from it ; in view of the fact that such men have often conferred the greatest benefit on their country. Not to draw examples from far-off times, what I say can easily be observed from the very circumstances we are dealing with. For if Aristaenus had not then in good time made the Achaeans throw off their alliance with Philip and change it for that with Rome, the whole nation would evidently have suffered utter destruction. But now, apart from the temporary safety gained for all the members of the League, this man and that council were regarded as having beyond doubt contributed to the increase of the Achaean power ; so that all agreed in honouring him not as a traitor, but as the benefactor and preserver of the land. And the same is the case



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τῶν ἄλλων, ὅσοι κατὰ τὰς τῶν καιρῶν περιστάσεις  
 τὰ παραπλήσια τούτοις πολιτεύονται καὶ πράττουσιν.

**14** Ἡ καὶ Δημοσθένην κατὰ πολλά τις ἂν ἐπαι-  
 (17 14) νέσας ἐν τούτῳ μέμφαιτο, διότι πικρότατον ὄνειδος  
 τοῖς ἐπιφανεστάτοις τῶν Ἑλλήνων εἰκῆ καὶ  
 2 ἀκρίτως προσέριψε, φήσας ἐν μὲν Ἀρκαδία τοὺς  
 περὶ Κερκιδᾶν καὶ Ἰερώνυμον καὶ Εὐκαμπίδα  
 3 προδότας γενέσθαι τῆς Ἑλλάδος, ὅτι Φιλίππῳ  
 συνεμάχουν, ἐν δὲ Μεσσήνῃ τοὺς Φιλιάδου παῖδας  
 Νέωνα καὶ Θρασύλοχον, ἐν Ἀργεῖ δὲ τοὺς περὶ  
 4 Μύρτιν καὶ Τελέδαμον καὶ Μνασέα, παραπλη-  
 σίως ἐν Θετταλία μὲν τοὺς περὶ Δάοχον καὶ  
 Κινέα, παρὰ δὲ Βοιωτοῖς τοὺς περὶ Θεογεΐτονα  
 5 καὶ Τιμόλαν· σὺν δὲ τούτοις καὶ πλείους ἑτέρους  
 ἐξηρίθμηται, κατὰ πόλιν ὀνομάζων, καίτοι γε  
 πάντων μὲν τῶν προειρημένων ἀνδρῶν πολὺν  
 ἐχόντων λόγον καὶ φαινόμενον ὑπὲρ τῶν καθ'  
 αὐτοὺς δικαίων, πλείστον δὲ τῶν ἐξ Ἀρκαδίας  
 6 καὶ Μεσσήνης. οὗτοι γὰρ ἐπισπασάμενοι Φίλ-  
 ιππον εἰς Πελοπόννησον καὶ ταπεινώσαντες Λα-  
 κεδαιμονίους πρῶτον μὲν ἐποίησαν ἀναπνεῦσαι καὶ  
 λαβεῖν ἐλευθερίας ἔννοιαν πάντας τοὺς τὴν Πελο-  
 7 πόννησον κατοικοῦντας, ἔπειτα δὲ τὴν χώραν  
 ἀνακομισάμενοι καὶ τὰς πόλεις, ἃς παρήρηστο  
 Λακεδαιμόνιοι κατὰ τὴν εὐκαιρίαν Μεσσηνίων,  
 Μεγαλοπολιτῶν, Τεγεατῶν, Ἀργείων, ἠΰξησαν  
 8 τὰς ἑαυτῶν πατρίδας ὁμολογουμένως· ἀνθ' ὧν  
 οὐ πολεμεῖν ὤφειλον Φιλίππῳ καὶ Μακεδόσιν,  
 ἀλλὰ πάντα κατὰ δύναμιν ἐνεργεῖν ὅσα πρὸς  
 9 δόξαν καὶ τιμὴν ἀνήκεν. εἰ μὲν οὖν ταῦτ' ἐπραττον  
 ἢ φρουρὰν παρὰ Φιλίππου δεχόμενοι ταῖς πατρίσιν  
 ἢ καταλύοντες τοὺς νόμους ἀφηροῦντο τὴν ἐλευ-

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θερίαν καὶ παρρησίαν τῶν πολιτῶν χάριν τῆς  
 ἰδίας πλεονεξίας ἢ δυναστείας, ἄξιοι τῆς προση-  
 10 γορίας ἦσαν ταύτης· εἰ δὲ τηροῦντες τὰ πρὸς  
 τὰς πατρίδας δίκαια κρίσει πραγμάτων διεφέ-  
 ροντο, νομίζοντες οὐ ταῦτὸ συμφέρον Ἀθηναίοις  
 εἶναι καὶ ταῖς ἑαυτῶν πόλεσιν, οὐ δήπου διὰ  
 τοῦτο καλεῖσθαι προδότας ἐχρῆν αὐτοὺς ὑπὸ Δη-  
 11 μοσθένους. ὁ δὲ πάντα μετρῶν πρὸς τὸ τῆς  
 ἰδίας πατρίδος συμφέρον, καὶ πάντας ἡγούμενος  
 δεῖν τοὺς Ἕλληνας ἀποβλέπειν πρὸς Ἀθηναίους,  
 εἰ δὲ μή, προδότας ἀποκαλῶν, ἀγνοεῖν μοι δοκεῖ  
 12 καὶ πολὺ παραπαίειν τῆς ἀληθείας [ὃ πεποίηκε  
 Δημοσθένης], ἄλλως τε δὴ καὶ τῶν συμβάντων  
 τότε τοῖς Ἕλλησιν οὐ Δημοσθένει μεμαρτυρη-  
 κότων ὅτι καλῶς προυνοήθη τοῦ μέλλοντος, ἀλλ'  
 Εὐκαμπίδα καὶ Ἰερωνύμω καὶ Κερκιδᾷ καὶ τοῖς  
 13 Φιλιάδου παισίν. Ἀθηναίοις μὲν γὰρ τῆς πρὸς  
 Φίλιππον ἀντιπαραγωγῆς τὸ τέλος ἀπέβη τὸ  
 πείραν λαβεῖν τῶν μεγίστων συμπτωμάτων πταί-  
 14 σασι τῇ μάχῃ τῇ περὶ Χαιρώνειαν· εἰ δὲ μὴ διὰ  
 τὴν τοῦ βασιλέως μεγαλοψυχίαν καὶ φιλοδοξίαν,  
 καὶ πορρωτέρω τὰ τῆς ἀτυχίας ἂν αὐτοῖς προύβη  
 15 διὰ τὴν Δημοσθένους πολιτείαν. διὰ δὲ τοὺς  
 προειρημένους ἄνδρας κοινῇ μὲν Ἀρκάσι καὶ  
 Μεσσηνίοις ἀπὸ Λακεδαιμονίων ἀσφάλεια καὶ  
 ῥαστώνη παρεσκευάσθη, κατ' ἰδίαν δὲ ταῖς αὐτῶν  
 πατρίσι πολλὰ καὶ λυσιτελῆ συνεξηκολούθησε.  
 15 Τίσιν οὖν εἰκότως ἂν ἐπιφέρῃ τις τὴν ὀνομα-  
 (17 15) σίαν ταύτην, ἔστι μὲν δυσπαράγραφον· μάλιστα  
 2 δ' ἂν προστρέχοι πρὸς τὴν ἀλήθειαν ἐπὶ τοὺς  
 τοιούτους φέρων, ὅσοι τῶν ἀνδρῶν κατὰ τὰς  
 ὀλοσχερεῖς περιστάσεις ἢ τῆς ἰδίας ἀσφαλείας

citizens of freedom of action and speech to serve their own ambition and place themselves in power, they would have deserved the name of traitor. But if preserving the rights of their respective countries, they simply differed in their judgement of facts, thinking that the interests of Athens were not identical with those of their countries, they should, I maintain, not have been dubbed traitors for this reason by Demosthenes. Measuring everything by the interests of his own city, thinking that the whole of Greece should have its eyes turned on Athens, and if people did not do so, calling them traitors, Demosthenes seems to me to have been very much mistaken and very far wide of the truth, especially as what actually befel the Greeks then does not testify to his own admirable foresight but rather to that of Eucampidas, Hieronymus, Cercidas, and the sons of Philiadas. For the opposition offered to Philip by the Athenians resulted in their being overtaken by the gravest disasters, defeated as they were at the battle of Chaeronea. And had it not been for the king's magnanimity and love of glory, their misfortune would have been even more terrible and all due to the policy of Demosthenes. But it was owing to the men whose names I mentioned that the two states of Arcadia and Messene obtained public security and rest from Lacedaemonian aggression, and that so many private advantages to their citizens resulted.

15. It is, then, difficult to define who are the men to whom we may legitimately give this name, but one would most nearly approach the truth by applying it to those who in a season of imminent danger, either for their own safety or advantage or owing

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καὶ λυσιτελείας χάριν ἢ τῆς πρὸς τοὺς ἀντιπολι-  
 τευομένους διαφορᾶς ἐγχειρίζουσι τοῖς ἐχθροῖς  
 3 τὰς πόλεις, ἢ καὶ νῆ Δία πάλιν ὅσοι φρουρὰν  
 εἰσδεχόμενοι καὶ συγχρώμενοι ταῖς ἔξωθεν ἐπι-  
 κουρίαις πρὸς τὰς ἰδίας ὁρμὰς καὶ προθέσεις  
 ὑποβάλλουσι τὰς πατρίδας ὑπὸ τὴν τῶν πλείων  
 4 δυναμένων ἐξουσίαν. τοὺς τοιούτους ὑπὸ τὸ τῆς  
 προδοσίας ὄνομα μετρίως ἂν τις ὑποτάττοι πάντα.  
 5 οἷς λυσιτελὲς μὲν ἀληθῶς ἢ καλὸν οὐδὲν οὐδέ-  
 ποτε συνεξηκολούθησε, τὰ δ' ἐναντία πᾶσιν ὁμο-  
 6 λογουμένως. ἢ καὶ θαυμάζειν ἔστι πρὸς τὸν  
 ἐξ ἀρχῆς λόγον, πρὸς τί ποτε βλέποντες ἢ τίσι  
 χρώμενοι διαλογισμοῖς ὁρμῶσι πρὸς τὴν τοιαύ-  
 7 τὴν ἀτυχίαν. οὔτε γὰρ ἔλαθε πώποτε προδοὺς  
 οὐδεὶς πόλιν ἢ στρατόπεδον ἢ φρούριον, ἀλλὰ  
 καὶ παρ' αὐτὸν τὸν τῆς πράξεως καιρὸν ἀγνοηθῆ  
 τις, ὃ γ' ἐπιγινόμενος χρόνος ἐποίησε φανεροὺς  
 8 ἅπαντας· οὐδὲ μὲν γινώσθεις οὐδεὶς οὐδέποτε  
 μακάριον ἔσχε βίον, ἀλλ' ὡς μὲν ἐπίπαν ὑπ'  
 αὐτῶν τούτων οἷς χαρίζονται τυγχάνουσι τῆς  
 9 ἀρμοζούσης τιμωρίας. χρῶνται μὲν γὰρ τοῖς  
 προδόταις οἱ στρατηγοὶ καὶ δυνάσται πολλάκις  
 διὰ τὸ συμφέρον· ὅταν γε μὲν ἀποχρήσωνται,  
 χρῶνται λοιπὸν ὡς προδόταις, κατὰ τὸν Δημο-  
 10 σθένην, μάλ' εἰκότως ἡγούμενοι τὸν ἐγχειρίσαντα  
 τοῖς ἐχθροῖς τὴν πατρίδα καὶ τοὺς ἐξ ἀρχῆς  
 φίλους μηδέποτ' ἂν εὖνουν σφίσι γενέσθαι μηδὲ  
 11 διαφυλάξαι τὴν πρὸς αὐτοὺς πίστιν. οὐ μὲν  
 ἀλλ' εἰάν καὶ τὰς τούτων διαφύγῃ χειράς, τὰς  
 γε δὴ τῶν παρασπονδηθέντων οὐ ῥαδίως ἐκφυγ-  
 12 γάνουσιν. εἰάν δέ ποτε καὶ τὰς ἀμφοτέρων τούτων  
 ἐπιβουλάς διολίσθωσιν, ἢ γε παρὰ τοῖς ἄλλοις



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ἀνθρώποις φήμη τιμωρὸς αὐτοῖς ἔπεται παρ'  
 ὄλον τὸν βίον, πολλοὺς μὲν φόβους ψευδεῖς,  
 πολλοὺς δ' ἀληθεῖς παριστάνουσα καὶ νύκτωρ  
 καὶ μεθ' ἡμέραν, πᾶσι δὲ συνεργούσα καὶ συν-  
 υποδεικνύουσα τοῖς κακόν τι κατ' ἐκείνων βου-  
 13 λευομένοις, τὸ δὲ τελευταῖον οὐδὲ κατὰ τοὺς  
 ὕπνους ἕωσα λήθην αὐτοὺς ἔχει τῶν ἡμαρτη-  
 μένων, ἀλλ' ὄνειρώττειν ἀναγκάζουσα πᾶν γένος  
 ἐπιβουλήσ καὶ περιπετείας, ἅτε συνειδότας ἑαυτοῖς  
 τὴν ὑπάρχουσαν ἐκ πάντων ἀλλοτριότητα πρὸς  
 14 σφᾶς καὶ τὸ κοινὸν μῖσος. ἀλλ' ὅμως τούτων  
 οὕτως ἐχόντων οὐδεὶς οὐδέποτε δεηθεὶς ἠπόρησε  
 15 προδότου πλὴν τελέως ὀλίγων τινῶν. ἐξ ὧν  
 εἰκότως εἶποι τις ἂν ὅτι τὸ τῶν ἀνθρώπων γένος,  
 δοκοῦν πανουργότατον εἶναι τῶν ζώων, πολὺν  
 16 ἔχει λόγον τοῦ φαυλότατον ὑπάρχειν. τὰ μὲν  
 γὰρ ἄλλα ζῶα, ταῖς τοῦ σώματος ἐπιθυμίαις  
 αὐταῖς δουλεύοντα, διὰ μόνας ταύτας σφάλλεται.  
 τὸ δὲ τῶν ἀνθρώπων γένος, καίπερ δεδοξο-  
 ποιημένον, οὐχ ἦττον διὰ τὴν ἀλογιστίαν ἢ διὰ  
 17 τὴν φύσιν ἀμαρτάνει. καὶ ταῦτα μὲν ἡμῖν ἐπὶ  
 τοσοῦτον εἰρήσθω.

16 "Ὅτι ὁ βασιλεὺς Ἄτταλος ἐτιμᾶτο μὲν καὶ  
 17 16) πρότερον ὑπὸ τῆς τῶν Σικυωνίων πόλεως δια-  
 φερόντως, ἐξ οὗ τὴν ἱερὰν χώραν τοῦ Ἀπόλλωνος  
 2 ἐλυτρώσατο χρημάτων αὐτοῖς οὐκ ὀλίγων, ἀνθ'  
 ὧν καὶ τὸν κολοσσὸν αὐτοῦ τὸν δεκάπηχυν ἔστησαν  
 3 παρὰ τὸν Ἀπόλλωνα τὸν κατὰ τὴν ἀγοράν. τότε  
 δὲ πάλιν αὐτοῦ δέκα τάλαντα δόντος καὶ μυρίους  
 μεδίμνους πυρῶν, πολλαπλασίως ἐπιταθέντες ταῖς  
 εὐνοίαις εἰκόνα τε χρυσοῦν ἐψηφίσαντο καὶ θυσίαν  
 4 αὐτῷ συντελεῖν κατ' ἔτος ἐνομοθέτησαν. Ἄτ-

them for their whole life, producing many false apprehensions and many real ones by night and by day, aiding and abetting all who have evil designs against them, and finally not allowing them even in sleep to forget their offence, but compelling them to dream of every kind of plot and peril, conscious as they are of the estrangement of everybody and of men's universal hatred of them. But in spite of all this being so, no one ever, when he had need of one, failed to find a traitor, except in a very few cases. All this would justify us in saying that man, who is supposed to be the cleverest of the animals, may with good reason be called the least intelligent. For the other animals are the slaves of their bodily wants alone and only get into trouble owing to these, but man, for all the high opinion that has been formed of him, makes mistakes just as much owing to want of thought as owing to his physical impulses. I have now said enough on this subject.

*Attalus at Sicyon*

16. King Attalus had received exceptional honours on a former occasion also from the Sicyonians after he had ransomed for them at considerable expense the land consecrated to Apollo, in return for which they set up a colossal statue of him ten cubits high, next that of Apollo in their market-place. And now again, upon his giving them ten talents and ten thousand medimni of wheat, his popularity increased fourfold, and they voted his portrait in gold and passed a law enjoining the performance of



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ταλος μὲν οὖν τυχῶν τῶν τιμῶν τούτων ἀπῆρεν εἰς Κεγχρεάς.

17 "Οτι Νάβις ὁ τύραννος ἀπολιπὼν ἐπὶ τῆς τῶν  
 17 17) Ἀργείων πόλεως Τιμοκράτην τὸν Πελληνέα διὰ  
 τὸ μάλιστα τούτῳ πιστεύειν καὶ χρῆσθαι πρὸς  
 τὰς ἐπιφανεστάτας πράξεις, ἐπανῆλθεν εἰς τὴν  
 2 Σπάρτην, καὶ μετὰ τινὰς ἡμέρας ἐξέπεμψε τὴν  
 γυναῖκα, δούσ ἐντολὰς παραγενομένην εἰς Ἄργος  
 3 περὶ πόρον γίνεσθαι χρημάτων. ἡ δ' ἀφικομένη  
 4 πολὺ κατὰ τὴν ὠμότητα Νάβιν ὑπερέθετο· ἀνα-  
 καλεσαμένη γὰρ τῶν γυναικῶν τινὰς μὲν κατ'  
 ἰδίαν, τινὰς δὲ κατὰ συγγένειαν, πᾶν γένος αἰκίας  
 5 καὶ βίας προσέφερε, μέχρι σχεδὸν ἀπασῶν οὐ  
 μόνον τὸν χρυσοῦν ἀφείλετο κόσμον, ἀλλὰ καὶ  
 τὸν ἱματισμὸν τὸν πολυτελέστατον.

6 Ὁ δὲ Ἄτταλος περιβαλλόμενος πλείω λόγον,  
 ὑπεμίμησκειν αὐτοὺς τῆς ἀνέκαθεν τῶν προγό-  
 νων ἀρετῆς.

8 (1) Ὁ δὲ Τίτος οὐ δυνάμενος ἐπιγνῶναι τοὺς πολε-  
 μίους ἢ στρατοπεδεύουσι, τοῦτο δὲ σαφῶς εἰδὼς  
 ὅτι πάρεισιν εἰς Θετταλίαν, προσέταξε κόπτειν  
 χάρακα πᾶσιν ἕνεκα τοῦ παρακομίζειν μεθ' αὐτῶν  
 2 πρὸς τὰς ἐκ τοῦ καιροῦ χρείας. τοῦτο δὲ κατὰ  
 μὲν τὴν Ἑλληνικὴν ἀγωγὴν ἀδύνατον εἶναι δοκεῖ,  
 3 κατὰ δὲ τὴν τῶν Ῥωμαίων εὐκοπον. οἱ μὲν  
 γὰρ Ἕλληνες μόλις αὐτῶν κρατοῦσι τῶν σαρισῶν  
 ἐν ταῖς πορείαις καὶ μόλις ὑπομένουσι τὸν ἀπὸ  
 4 τούτων κόπον, Ῥωμαῖοι δὲ τοὺς μὲν θυρεοὺς  
 τοῖς ὀχεῦσι τοῖς σκυτίνοις ἐκ τῶν ὤμων ἐξηρτη-  
 κότες, ταῖς δὲ χερσὶν αὐτοὺς τοὺς γαίσους φέροντες,  
 5 ἐπιδέχονται τὴν παρακομιδὴν τοῦ χάρακος. ἅμα

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δὲ καὶ μεγάλην εἶναι συμβαίνει τὴν διαφορὰν  
 6 τούτων· οἱ μὲν γὰρ Ἕλληνες τοῦτον ἡγοῦνται  
 χάρακα βέλτιστον, ὃς ἂν ἔχη πλείστας ἐκφύσεις  
 7 καὶ μεγίστας περίξ τοῦ πρέμνου, παρὰ δὲ Ῥωμαίοις  
 δύο κεραίας ἢ τρεῖς ἔχουσιν οἱ χάρακες, ὁ δὲ  
 πλείστας τέτταρας· καὶ ταύτας . . . ἔχοντες λαμ-  
 8 βάνονται . . . οὐκ ἐναλλάξ. ἐκ δὲ τούτου  
 συμβαίνει τὴν τε κομιδὴν εὐχερῆ γίνεσθαι τελέως  
 —ὁ γὰρ εἷς ἀνὴρ φέρει τρεῖς καὶ τέτταρας συνθεῖς  
 9 ἐπ' ἀλλήλους—τὴν τε χρεῖαν ἀσφαλῆ διαφερόντως.  
 ὁ μὲν <γὰρ> τῶν Ἑλλήνων ὅταν τεθῆ πρό τῆς  
 παρεμβολῆς, πρῶτον μὲν ἐστὶν εὐδιάσπαστος·  
 10 ὅταν γὰρ τὸ μὲν κρατοῦν καὶ πιεζούμενον ὑπὸ  
 τῆς γῆς ἐν ὑπάρχει μόνον, αἱ δ' ἀποφύσεις ἐκ  
 τούτου πολλαὶ καὶ μεγάλαι, κἄπειτα δύο παρα-  
 στάντες ἢ τρεῖς ἐκ τῶν ἀποφύσεων ἐπισπᾶσονται  
 11 τὸν αὐτὸν χάρακα, ῥαδίως ἐκσπᾶται. τούτου  
 δὲ συμβάντος εὐθέως πύλη γίνεται διὰ τὸ μέγεθος  
 καὶ τὰ παρακείμενα λένυται, τῷ βραχείας τὰς  
 εἰς ἀλλήλους ἐμπλοκὰς καὶ τὰς ἐπαλλάξεις γίνε-  
 12 σθαι τοῦ τοιούτου χάρακος. παρὰ δὲ Ῥωμαίοις  
 συμβαίνει τοῦναντίον. τιθέασιν γὰρ εὐθέως ἐμπλέ-  
 κοντες εἰς ἀλλήλους οὕτως ὥστε μήτε τὰς κεραίας  
 εὐχερῶς ἐπιγνῶναι, ποίας εἰσὶν ἐκφύσεως τῶν  
 ἐν τῇ γῇ κατωρυγμένων, μήτε τὰς ἐκφύσεις,  
 13 ποίων κεραιῶν. λοιπὸν οὐτ' ἐπιλαβέσθαι παρεί-  
 ραντα τὴν χεῖρα δυνατόν, ἅτε πυκνῶν οὐσῶν καὶ  
 προσπιπτουσῶν αὐταῖς, ἔτι δὲ φιλοπόνως ἀπωξυμ-  
 14 μένων τῶν κεραιῶν, οὐτ' ἐπιλαβόμενον ἐκσπᾶσαι  
 ῥάδιον διὰ τὸ πρῶτον μὲν πάσας τὰς προσβολὰς  
 σχεδὸν αὐτοκράτορα τὴν ἐκ τῆς γῆς δύναμιν  
 15 ἔχειν, δεύτερον δὲ τῷ τὸν μίαν ἐπισπώμενον

Also the stakes are quite different. For the Greeks consider that stake the best which has the most and the stoutest offshoots all round the main stem, while the stakes of the Romans have but two or three, or at the most four straight lateral prongs, and these all on one side and not alternating. The result of this is that they are 'quite easy to carry—for one man can carry three or four, making a bundle of them, and when put to use they are much more secure. For the Greek stakes, when planted round the camp, are in the first place easily pulled up; since when the portion of a stake that holds fast closely pressed by the earth is only one, and the offshoots from it are many and large, and when two or three men catch hold of the same stake by its lateral branches, it is easily pulled up. Upon this an entrance is at once created owing to its size, and the ones next to it are loosened, because in such a palisade the stakes are intertwined and criss-crossed in few places. With the Romans it is the reverse; for in planting them they so intertwine them that it is not easy to see to which of the branches, the lower ends of which are driven into the ground, the lateral prongs belong, nor to which prongs the branches belong. So, as these prongs are close together and adhere to each other, and as their points are carefully sharpened, it is not easy to pass one's hand through and grasp the stake, nor if one does get hold of it, is it easy to pull it up, as in the first place the power of resistance derived from the earth by all the portions open to attack is almost absolute, and next because a man who pulls at one prong is obliged to lift up

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κεραίαν πολλοὺς ἀναγκάζεσθαι πειθομένους ἅμα  
 βαστάζειν διὰ τὴν εἰς ἀλλήλους ἐμπλοκὴν· δύο  
 δὲ καὶ τρεῖς ἐπιλαβέσθαι ταύτου χάρακος οὐδ'  
 16 ὄλως εἰκός. ἔαν δέ ποτε καὶ κατακρατήσας  
 ἐκσπάσῃ τις ἓνα καὶ δεύτερον, ἀνεπιγνώστως  
 17 γίνεται τὸ διάστημα. διὸ καὶ μεγάλης <οὔσης>  
 διαφορᾶς τῷ καὶ τὴν εὗρεσιν ἐτοίμην εἶναι τοῦ  
 τοιούτου χάρακος καὶ τὴν κομιδὴν εὐχερῆ καὶ  
 18 τὴν χρεῖαν ἀσφαλῆ καὶ μόνιμον, φανερόν ὡς εἶ  
 καί τι τῶν ἄλλων πολεμικῶν ἔργων ἄξιον ζήλου  
 καὶ μιμήσεως ὑπάρχει παρὰ Ῥωμαίοις, καὶ τοῦτο,  
 κατὰ γε τὴν ἐμὴν γνώμην.

19 (2) Πλὴν ὃ γε Τίτος ἐτοιμασάμενος ταῦτα πρὸς  
 τὰς ἐκ τοῦ καιροῦ χρεῖας, προῆγε παντὶ τῷ στρα-  
 τεύματι βᾶδην, ἀποσχὼν δὲ περὶ πεντήκοντα  
 στάδια τῆς τῶν Φεραίων πόλεως αὐτοῦ παρεν-  
 2 ἔβαλε. κατὰ δὲ τὴν ἐπιούσαν ὑπὸ τὴν ἑωθινὴν  
 ἐξέπεμπε τοὺς κατοπτεύσοντας καὶ διερευνη-  
 σομένους, εἴ τινα δυνηθεῖεν λαβεῖν ἀφορμὴν εἰς  
 τὸ γνῶναι ποῦ ποτ' εἰσὶ καὶ τί πράττουσιν οἱ  
 3 πολέμιοι. Φίλιππος δὲ [καὶ] κατὰ τὸν αὐτὸν  
 καιρὸν πυνθανόμενος τοὺς Ῥωμαίους στρατο-  
 πεδεύειν περὶ τὰς Θήβας, ἐξάρας ἀπὸ τῆς Λαρίσης  
 παντὶ τῷ στρατεύματι προῆγε, ποιούμενος τὴν πο-  
 4 ρεῖαν ὡς ἐπὶ τὰς Φεράς. ἀποσχὼν δὲ περὶ τριάκοντα  
 στάδια, τότε μὲν αὐτοῦ καταστρατοπεδεύσας ἐν  
 ὥρᾳ παρήγγειλε πᾶσι γίνεσθαι περὶ τὴν τοῦ  
 5 σώματος θεραπείαν, ὑπὸ δὲ τὴν ἑωθινὴν ἐξεγείρας  
 τὴν δύναμιν τοὺς μὲν εἰθισμένους προπορεύεσθαι  
 τῆς δυνάμεως προεξαπέστειλε, συντάξας ὑπερβάλ-  
 λειν τὰς ὑπὲρ τὰς Φεράς ἀκρολοφίας, αὐτὸς δὲ  
 τῆς ἡμέρας διαφαινούσης ἐκίνει τὴν δύναμιν ἐκ



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6 τοῦ χάρακος. παρ' ὀλίγον μὲν οὖν ἦλθον ἀμφοτέ-  
 7 ρων οἱ προεξαπεσταλμένοι τοῦ συμπεσεῖν ἀλ-  
 8 λήλοις περὶ τὰς ὑπερβολάς· προϊδόμενοι γὰρ  
 9 σφᾶς αὐτοὺς ὑπὸ τὴν ὄρφνην ἐκ πάνυ βραχείος  
 10 διαστήματος ἐπέστησαν, καὶ ταχέως ἔπεμπον,  
 11 ἀποδηλοῦντες ἀμφότεροι τοῖς ἡγεμόσι τὸ γεγονὸς  
 12 καὶ πυνθανόμενοι τί δέον εἶη ποιεῖν. . . . ἐπὶ  
 τῶν ὑποκειμένων στρατοπεδειῶν κακείνους ἀνα-  
 9 καλεῖσθαι. τῇ δ' ἐπαύριον ἐξέπεμψαν ἀμφότεροί  
 κατασκοπῆς ἕνεκα τῶν ἰππέων καὶ τῶν εὐζώνων  
 περὶ τριακοσίους ἑκατέρων, ἐν οἷς ὁ Τίτος καὶ  
 τῶν Αἰτωλῶν δύο οὐλαμοὺς ἐξαπέστειλε διὰ  
 10 τὴν ἐμπειρίαν τῶν τόπων· οἱ καὶ συμμίζαντες  
 ἀλλήλοις ἐπὶ τὰδε τῶν Φερῶν ὡς πρὸς Λάρισαν  
 11 συνέβαλλον ἐκθύμως. τῶν δὲ περὶ τὸν Εὐπόλεμον  
 τὸν Αἰτωλὸν εὐρώστως κινδυνευόντων καὶ συνεκ-  
 καλουμένων τοὺς Ἰταλικοὺς πρὸς τὴν χρεῖαν,  
 12 θλίβεσθαι συνέβαινε τοὺς Μακεδόνας. καὶ τότε  
 μὲν ἐπὶ πολὺν χρόνον ἀκροβολισάμενοι διεχω-  
 20 (3) ρίσθησαν εἰς τὰς αὐτῶν παρεμβολάς· κατὰ δὲ  
 τὴν ἐπιούσαν ἀμφότεροι δυσαρεστούμενοι τοῖς  
 περὶ τὰς Φεράς τόποις διὰ τὸ καταφύτους εἶναι  
 καὶ πλήρεις αἵμασιῶν καὶ κηπίων ἀνέζευξαν.  
 2 ὁ μὲν οὖν Φίλιππος ἐποιεῖτο τὴν πορείαν ὡς ἐπὶ  
 τὴν Σκοτοῦσσαν, σπεύδων ἐκ ταύτης τῆς πόλεως  
 ἐφοδιάσασθαι, μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα γενόμενος εὐτρεπῆς  
 λαβεῖν τόπους ἀρμόζοντας ταῖς αὐτοῦ δυνάμεσιν·  
 3 ὁ δὲ Τίτος ὑποπτεύσας τὸ μέλλον ἐκίνει τὴν  
 δύναμιν ἅμα τῷ Φιλίππῳ, σπεύδων προκατα-  
 4 φθεῖραι τὸν ἐν τῇ Σκοτουσσαίᾳ σῖτον. τῆς δ'  
 ἑκατέρων πορείας μεταξὺ κειμένων ὄχθων ὑψηλῶν,  
 οὗθ' οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι συνεώρων τοὺς Μακεδόνας,

camp. The advanced sections of both armies very nearly came into contact at the pass over the hills ; for when in the early dusk they caught sight of each other, they halted when already quite close and sent at once to inform their respective commanders of the fact and inquire what they should do. It was decided to remain for that day in their actual camp and to recall the advanced forces. Next day both commanders sent out some horse and light-armed infantry—about three hundred of either arm to reconnoitre. Among these Flaminius included two squadrons of Aetolians owing to their acquaintance with the country. The respective forces met on the near-side of Pherae, in the direction of Larisa, and a desperate struggle ensued. As the force under Eupolemus the Aetolian fought with great vigour and called up the Italians to take part in the action, the Macedonians found themselves hard pressed. For the present, after prolonged skirmishing, both forces separated and retired to their camps. 20. Next day both armies, dissatisfied with the ground near Pherae, as it was all under cultivation and covered with walls and small gardens, retired from it. Philip for his part began to march towards Scotussa, hoping to procure supplies from that town and afterwards when fully furnished to find ground suitable for his own army. But Flaminius, suspecting his purpose, put his army in motion at the same time as Philip with the object of destroying the corn in the territory of Scotussa before his adversary could get there. As there were high hills between the two armies in their march neither did the Romans perceive where the Macedonians



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ποῖ ποιοῦνται τὴν πορείαν, οὐθ' οἱ Μακεδόνες  
 5 τοὺς Ῥωμαίους. ταύτην μὲν <οὖν> τὴν ἡμέραν  
 ἑκάτεροι διανύσαντες, ὁ μὲν Τίτος ἐπὶ τὴν προσ-  
 αγορευομένην Ἐρέτριαν τῆς <Φθιώτιδος χώρας>,   
 ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος ἐπὶ τὸν Ὀγχηστὸν ποταμόν, αὐτοῦ  
 κατέζευξαν, ἀγνοοῦντες ἀμφοτέρω τὰς ἀλλήλων  
 6 παρεμβολάς· τῇ δ' ὑστεραία προελθόντες ἐστρα-  
 τοπέδευσαν, Φίλιππος μὲν ἐπὶ τὸ Μελάμβιον  
 προσαγορευόμενον τῆς Σκοτουσσαίας, Τίτος δὲ  
 περὶ τὸ Θετίδειον τῆς Φαρσαλίας, ἀκμὴν ἀ-  
 7 γνοοῦντες ἀλλήλους. ἐπιγενομένου δ' ὄμβρου καὶ  
 βροντῶν ἐξαισίων, πάντα συνέβη τὸν ἀέρα τὸν  
 ἐκ τῶν νεφῶν κατὰ τὴν ἐπιούσαν ἡμέραν ὑπὸ τὴν  
 ἑωθινήν πεσεῖν ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, ὥστε διὰ τὸν ἐφ-  
 εστῶτα ζόφον μηδὲ τοὺς ἐν ποσὶ δύνασθαι βλέπειν.  
 8 οὐ μὲν ἀλλ' ὅ γε Φίλιππος κατανύσαι σπεύδων  
 ἐπὶ τὸ προκείμενον, ἀναζεύξας προῆει μετὰ πάσης  
 9 τῆς στρατιᾶς. δυσχρηστούμενος δὲ κατὰ τὴν  
 πορείαν διὰ τὴν ὀμίχλην, βραχὺν τόπον διανύσας  
 τὴν μὲν δύναμιν εἰς χάρακα παρενέβαλε, τὴν δ'  
 ἐφεδρείαν ἀπέστειλε, συντάξας ἐπὶ τοὺς ἄκρους  
 ἐπιβαλεῖν τῶν μεταξὺ κειμένων βουνῶν.

1 (4) Ὁ δὲ Τίτος στρατοπεδεύων περὶ τὸ Θετίδειον,  
 καὶ διαπορούμενος ὑπὲρ τῶν πολεμίων ποῦ ποτ'  
 εἰσί, δέκα προθέμενος οὐλαμοὺς καὶ τῶν εὐζώνων  
 εἰς χιλίους ἐξαπέστειλε, παρακαλέσας εὐλαβῶς  
 2 ἐξερευνωμένους ἐπιπορεύεσθαι τὴν χώραν· οἱ  
 καὶ προάγοντες ὡς ἐπὶ τὰς ὑπερβολὰς ἔλαθον  
 ἐμπεσόντες εἰς τὴν τῶν Μακεδόνων ἐφεδρείαν  
 3 διὰ τὸ δύσοπτον τῆς ἡμέρας. οὗτοι μὲν οὖν ἐν  
 ταῖς ἀρχαῖς ἐπὶ βραχὺ διαταραχθέντες ἀμφοτέρω  
 μετ' ὀλίγον ἤρξαντο καταπειράζειν ἀλλήλων, δι-

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επέμφαντο δὲ καὶ πρὸς τοὺς ἑαυτῶν ἡγεμόνας  
 4 ἑκάτεροι τοὺς διασαφήσοντας τὸ γεγονός· ἐπειδὴ  
 δὲ κατὰ τὴν συμπλοκὴν οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι κατεβα-  
 ροῦντο καὶ κακῶς ἔπασχον ὑπὸ τῆς τῶν Μακεδόνων  
 ἐφεδρείας, πέμποντες εἰς τὴν ἑαυτῶν παρεμβολὴν  
 5 ἐδέοντο σφίσι βοηθεῖν. ὁ δὲ Τίτος, παρακαλέσας  
 τοὺς περὶ τὸν Ἀρχέδαμον καὶ τὸν Εὐπόλεμον  
 Αἰτωλοὺς καὶ δύο τῶν παρ' αὐτοῦ χιλιάρχων, ἐξ-  
 6 ἐπέμψε μετὰ πεντακοσίων ἰππέων καὶ δισχιλίων  
 πεζῶν. ὧν προσγενομένων τοῖς ἐξ ἀρχῆς ἀκρο-  
 βολιζομένοις, παραυτίκα τὴν ἐναντίαν ἔσχε διάθεσιν  
 7 ὁ κίνδυνος· οἱ μὲν γὰρ Ῥωμαῖοι, προσλαβόντες τὴν  
 ἐκ τῆς βοηθείας ἐλπίδα διπλασίως ἐπερρώσθησαν  
 8 πρὸς τὴν χρείαν, οἱ δὲ Μακεδόνες ἡμύνοντο μὲν  
 γενναίως, πιεζούμενοι δὲ πάλιν οὗτοι καὶ κατα-  
 βαρούμενοι τοῖς ὅλοις προσέφυγον πρὸς τοὺς ἄκρους  
 καὶ διεπέμποντο πρὸς τὸν βασιλέα περὶ βοηθείας.

**22** (5) Ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος οὐδέποτ' ἂν ἐλπίσας κατ'  
 ἐκείνην τὴν ἡμέραν ὀλοσχερῆ γενέσθαι κίνδυνον  
 διὰ τὰς προειρημένας αἰτίας, ἀφεικῶς ἔτυχε καὶ  
 πλείους ἐκ τῆς παρεμβολῆς ἐπὶ χορτολογία.ν.  
 2 τότε δὲ πυνθανόμενος τὰ συμβαίνοντα παρὰ τῶν  
 διαποστελλομένων, καὶ τῆς ὀμίχλης ἤδη διαφαι-  
 νούσης, παρακαλέσας Ἡρακλείδην τε τὸν Γυρτώ-  
 νιον, ὃς ἡγεῖτο τῆς Θετταλικῆς ἵππου, καὶ Λέοντα  
 τὸν τῶν Μακεδόνων ἰππάρχην ἐξέπεμπε, σὺν  
 δὲ τούτοις Ἀθηναγόραν ἔχοντα πάντας τοὺς  
 3 μισθοφόρους πλὴν τῶν Θρακῶν. συναψάντων δὲ  
 τούτων τοῖς ἐν ταῖς ἐφεδρείαις, καὶ προσγενο-  
 μένης τοῖς Μακεδόσι βαρείας χειρός, ἐνέκειντο  
 τοῖς πολεμίοις· καὶ πάλιν οὗτοι τοὺς Ῥωμαίους  
 4 ἤλαυνον ἐκ μεταβολῆς ἀπὸ τῶν ἄκρων. μέγιστον

tive commanders messengers to inform them of what had happened. When in the combat that ensued the Romans began to be overpowered and to suffer loss at the hands of the Macedonian covering force they sent to their camp begging for help, and Flamininus, calling upon Archedamus and Eupolemus the Aetolians and two of his military tribunes, sent them off with five hundred horse and two thousand foot. When this force joined the original skirmishers the engagement at once took an entirely different turn. For the Romans, encouraged by the arrival of the reinforcements, fought with redoubled vigour, and the Macedonians, though defending themselves gallantly, were in their turn pressed hard, and upon being completely overmastered, fled to the summits and sent to the king for help.

22. Philip, who had never expected, for the reasons I have stated, that a general engagement would take place on that day, had even sent out a fair number of men from his camp to forage, and now when he heard of the turn affairs were taking from the messengers, and as the mist was beginning to clear, he called upon Heraclides of Gyrtion, the commander of the Thessalian horse, and Leo, who was in command of the Macedonian horse, and dispatched them, together with all the mercenaries except those from Thrace, under the command of Athenagoras. Upon their joining the covering force the Macedonians, having received such a large reinforcement, pressed hard on the enemy and in their turn began to drive the Romans from the heights. But the chief obstacle to their putting

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δ' αὐτοῖς ἐμπόδιον ἦν τοῦ μὴ τρέψασθαι τοὺς  
 πολεμίους ὀλοσχερῶς ἢ τῶν Αἰτωλικῶν ἱππέων  
 φιλοτιμία· πάνυ γὰρ ἐκθύμως οὗτοι καὶ παρα-  
 5 βόλως ἐκινδύνεον. Αἰτωλοὶ γάρ, καθ' ὅσον ἐν  
 τοῖς πεζικοῖς ἔλλιπεῖς εἰσι καὶ τῷ καθοπλισμῷ  
 καὶ τῇ συντάξει πρὸς τοὺς ὀλοσχερεῖς ἀγῶνας,  
 κατὰ τοσοῦτον τοῖς ἱππικοῖς διαφέρουσι πρὸς τὸ  
 βέλτιον τῶν ἄλλων Ἑλλήνων ἐν τοῖς κατὰ μέρος  
 6 καὶ κατ' ἰδίαν κινδύνοις. διὸ καὶ τότε τούτων  
 παρακατασχόντων τὴν ἐπιφορὰν τῶν πολεμίων,  
 οὐκέτι συνηλάσθησαν ἕως εἰς τοὺς ἐπιπέδους  
 τόπους, βραχὺ δ' ἀποσχόντες ἐκ μεταβολῆς ἔστη-  
 7 σαν. ὁ δὲ Τίτος, θεωρῶν οὐ μόνον τοὺς εὐζῶνους  
 καὶ τοὺς ἱππέας ἐγκεκλικότας, ἀλλὰ διὰ τούτους  
 καὶ τὴν ὅλην δύναμιν ἐπτοημένην, ἐξῆγε τὸ στρα-  
 τευμα πᾶν καὶ παρενέβαλε πρὸς τοῖς βουνοῖς.  
 8 κατὰ δὲ τὸν αὐτὸν καιρὸν ἕτερος ἐφ' ἑτέρῳ τῶν  
 ἐκ τῆς ἐφεδρείας Μακεδόνων ἔθει πρὸς τὸν Φί-  
 λιππον, ἀναβοῶν “ Βασιλεῦ, φεύγουσιν οἱ πολέμιοι·  
 μὴ παρῆς τὸν καιρὸν· οὐ μένουσιν ἡμᾶς οἱ βάρβα-  
 9 ροι· σὴ νῦν ἐστὶν ἡμέρα, σὸς ὁ καιρός.” ὥστε  
 τὸν Φίλιππον, καίπερ οὐκ εὐδοκούμενον τοῖς  
 τόποις, ὅμως ἐκκληθῆναι πρὸς τὸν κίνδυνον. οἱ  
 γὰρ προειρημένοι λόφοι καλοῦνται μὲν Κυνὸς  
 Κεφαλαί, τραχεῖς δ' εἰσὶ καὶ περικεκλασμένοι καὶ  
 10 πρὸς ὕψος ἱκανὸν ἀνατείνοντες. διὸ καὶ προ-  
 ορώμενος ὁ Φίλιππος τὴν δυσχρηστίαν τῶν τό-  
 πων, ἐξ ἀρχῆς μὲν οὐδαμῶς ἠρμόζετο πρὸς ἀγῶνα·  
 τότε δὲ παρορμηθεὶς διὰ τὴν ὑπερβολὴν τῆς  
 εὐελπιστίας τῶν ἀγγελλόντων ἔλκειν παρήγγελλε  
 τὴν δύναμιν ἐκ τοῦ χάρακος.

3 (6) Ὁ δὲ Τίτος παρεμβαλὼν τὴν αὐτοῦ στρατιὰν



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2 ἐξῆς ἅπασαν, ἅμα μὲν ἐφήδρευε τοῖς προκινδυνεύουσιν, ἅμα δὲ παρεκάλει τὰς τάξεις ἐπιπο-  
 3 ρεύόμενος. ἡ δὲ παράκλησις ἦν αὐτοῦ βραχεῖα μὲν, ἐμφαντικὴ δὲ καὶ γνώριμος τοῖς ἀκούουσιν. ἐναργῶς γὰρ ὑπὸ τὴν ὄψιν ἐνδεικνύμενος ἔλεγε  
 4 τοῖς αὐτοῦ στρατιώταις “ Οὐχ οὗτοι Μακεδόνες εἰσίν, ὦ ἄνδρες, οὓς ὑμεῖς προκατέχοντας ἐν Μακεδονίᾳ τὰς εἰς τὴν Ἑορδαίαν ὑπερβολὰς ἐκ  
 5 τοῦ προφανοῦς μετὰ Σολπικίου βιασάμενοι πρὸς τόπους ὑπερδεξίους ἐξεβάλετε, πολλοὺς αὐτῶν ἀποκτείναντες; οὐχ οὗτοι Μακεδόνες εἰσίν, οὓς ὑμεῖς προκατέχοντας τὰς ἀπηλπισμένας ἐν Ἠπείρῳ  
 6 δυσχωρίας ἐκβιασάμενοι ταῖς ἑαυτῶν ἀρεταῖς φεύγειν ἠναγκάσατε ρίψαντας τὰ ὄπλα, τέως εἰς Μακεδονίαν ἀνεκομίσθησαν; πῶς οὖν ὑμᾶς εὐλαβεῖσθαι καθήκει, μέλλοντας ἐξ ἴσου ποιεῖσθαι τὸν κίνδυνον πρὸς τοὺς αὐτούς; τί δὲ προορᾶσθαι τῶν προγεγονότων, ἀλλ’ οὐ τᾶναντία δι’ ἐκεῖνα  
 7 καὶ νῦν θαρρεῖν; διόπερ, ὦ ἄνδρες, παρακαλέσαντες σφᾶς αὐτοὺς ὀρμᾶσθε πρὸς τὸν κίνδυνον ἐρρωμένως· θεῶν γὰρ βουλομένων ταχέως πέπεισμαι ταῦτὸ τέλος ἀποβήσεσθαι τῆς παρούσης  
 8 μάχης τοῖς προγεγονόσι κινδύνοις.” οὗτος μὲν οὖν ταῦτ’ εἰπὼν τὸ μὲν δεξιὸν μέρος ἐκέλευε μένειν κατὰ χώραν καὶ τὰ θηρία πρὸ τούτων, τῷ δ’ εὐωνύμῳ μετὰ τῶν εὐζώνων ἐπήει σοβαρῶς  
 9 τοῖς πολεμίοις· οἱ δὲ προκινδυνεύοντες τῶν Ῥωμαίων, προσλαβόντες τὴν τῶν πεζῶν στρατοπέδων ἐφεδρείαν, ἐκ μεταβολῆς ἐνέκειντο τοῖς ὑπεναντίοις.

**24** (7) Φίλιππος δὲ κατὰ τὸν αὐτὸν καιρὸν, ἐπειδὴ τὸ πλέον μέρος ἤδη τῆς ἑαυτοῦ δυνάμεως ἑώρα παρεμβεβληκὸς πρὸ τοῦ χάρακος, αὐτὸς μὲν

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in line, both took steps to cover the retreat of his advanced force and walking along the ranks addressed his men. His address was brief, but vivid and easily understood by his hearers. For pointing to the enemy, who were now in full view, he said to his men, "Are these not the Macedonians whom, when they held the pass leading to Eordaea, you under Sulpicius attacked in the open and forced to retreat to the higher ground after slaying many of them? Are these not the same Macedonians who when they held that desperately difficult position in Epirus you compelled by your valour to throw away their shields and take to flight, never stopping until they got home to Macedonia? What reason, then, have you to be timid now when you are about to do battle with the same men on equal terms? What need for you to dread a recurrence of former danger, when you should rather on the contrary derive confidence from memory of the past! And so, my men, encouraging each other dash on to the fray and put forth all your strength. For if it be the will of Heaven, I feel sure that this battle will end like the former ones." After speaking thus he ordered those on the right to remain where they were with the elephants in front of them, and taking with him the left half of his army, advanced to meet the enemy in imposing style. The advanced force of the Romans thus supported by the infantry of the legions now turned and fell upon their foes.

24. Philip at this same time, now that he saw the greater part of his army drawn up outside the entrenchment, advanced with the peltasts and the



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ἀναλαβὼν τοὺς πελταστὰς καὶ τὸ δεξιὸν τῆς  
φάλαγγος προῆγε, σύντονον ποιούμενος τὴν πρὸς  
2 τοὺς λόφους ἀνάβασιν, τοῖς δὲ περὶ τὸν Νικάνορα  
τὸν ἐπικαλούμενον ἐλέφαντα συνέταξε φροντίζειν  
ἵνα τὸ λοιπὸν μέρος τῆς δυνάμεως ἐκ ποδὸς  
3 ἔπηται. ἅμα δὲ τῷ τοὺς πρώτους ἄψασθαι τῆς  
ὑπερβολῆς εὐθέως ἐξ ἀσπίδος παρενέβαλε καὶ  
προκατελάμβανε τοὺς ὑπερδεξίους· τῶν γὰρ προ-  
κινδυνευόντων Μακεδόνων ἐπὶ πολὺ τεθλιφόντων  
τοὺς Ῥωμαίους ἐπὶ θάτερα μέρη τῶν λόφων,  
4 ἐρήμους κατέλαβε τοὺς ἄκρους. ἔτι δὲ παρ-  
εμβάλλοντος αὐτοῦ τὰ δεξιὰ μέρη τῆς στρατιᾶς,  
παρήσαν οἱ μισθοφόροι, πιεζούμενοι κατὰ κράτος  
5 ὑπὸ τῶν πολεμίων· προσγενομένων γὰρ τοῖς  
τῶν Ῥωμαίων εὐζώνοις τῶν ἐν τοῖς βαρέσιν  
ὄπλοις ἀνδρῶν, καθάπερ ἀρτίως εἶπα, καὶ συν-  
εργούντων κατὰ τὴν μάχην, προσλαβόντες οἷον  
εἰ σήκωμα τὴν τούτων χρεῖαν, βαρέως ἐπέκειντο  
6 τοῖς πολεμίοις καὶ πολλοὺς αὐτῶν ἔκτεινον. ὁ  
δὲ βασιλεὺς ἐν μὲν ταῖς ἀρχαῖς, ὅτε παρεγίνετο,  
θεωρῶν οὐ μακρὰν τῆς τῶν πολεμίων παρεμβολῆς  
συνεστῶτα τὸν τῶν εὐζώνων κίνδυνον περιχαρῆς  
7 ἦν· ὡς δὲ πάλιν ἐκ μεταβολῆς ἑώρα κλίνοντας  
τοὺς ἰδίους καὶ προσδεομένους ἐπικουρίας, ἠναγ-  
κάζετο βοηθεῖν καὶ κρίνειν ἐκ τοῦ καιροῦ τὰ  
ὄλα, καίπερ ἔτι τῶν πλείστων μερῶν τῆς φά-  
λαγγος κατὰ πορείαν ὄντων καὶ προσβαινόντων  
8 πρὸς τοὺς βουνούς. προσδεξάμενος δὲ τοὺς ἀγω-  
νιζομένους, τούτους μὲν ἤθροιζε πάντας ἐπὶ τὸ  
δεξιὸν κέρασ, καὶ τοὺς πεζοὺς καὶ τοὺς ἵππέας,  
τοῖς δὲ πελτασταῖς καὶ τοῖς φαλαγγίταις παρήγ-  
γελλε διπλασιάζειν τὸ βάθος καὶ πυκνοῦν ἐπὶ τὸ

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9 δεξιόν. γενομένου δὲ τούτου, καὶ τῶν πολεμίων  
 ἐν χερσὶν ὄντων, τοῖς μὲν φαλαγγίταις ἐδόθη παρ-  
 ἀγγελμα καταβαλοῦσι τὰς σαρίσας ἐπάγειν, τοῖς  
 10 δ' εὐζώνοις κερᾶν. κατὰ δὲ τὸν αὐτὸν καιρὸν καὶ  
 Τίτος, δεξάμενός εἰς τὰ διαστήματα τῶν σημαιῶν  
 τοὺς προκινδυνεύοντας, προσέβαλε τοῖς πολεμίοις.

25 (8) Γενομένης δὲ τῆς ἐξ ἀμφοῖν συμπτώσεως μετὰ  
 βίας καὶ κραυγῆς ὑπερβαλλούσης, ὡς ἂν ἀμφο-  
 τέρων ὁμοῦ συναλαζόντων, ἅμα δὲ καὶ τῶν  
 ἐκτὸς τῆς μάχης ἐπιβοώντων τοῖς ἀγωνιζομένοις,  
 ἦν τὸ γινόμενον ἐκπληκτικὸν καὶ παραστατικὸν  
 2 ἀγωνίας. τὸ μὲν οὖν δεξιὸν τοῦ Φιλίππου λαμπρῶς  
 ἀπήλλαττε κατὰ τὸν κίνδυνον, ἅτε καὶ τὴν ἔφ-  
 οδον ἐξ ὑπερδεξίου ποιούμενον καὶ τῷ βάρει τῆς  
 συντάξεως ὑπερέχον καὶ τῇ διαφορᾷ τοῦ καθ-  
 οπλισμοῦ πρὸς τὴν ἐνεστῶσαν χρεῖαν πολὺ παρ-  
 3 ἀλλάττον· τὰ δὲ λοιπὰ μέρη τῆς δυνάμεως αὐτῷ  
 τὰ μὲν ἐχόμενα τῶν κινδυνευόντων ἐν ἀποστάσει  
 τῶν πολεμίων ἦν, τὰ δ' ἐπὶ τῶν εὐωνύμων ἄρτι  
 διηνυκότα τὰς ὑπερβολὰς ἐπεφαίνετο τοῖς ἄκροις.  
 4 ὁ δὲ Τίτος, θεωρῶν οὐ δυναμένους τοὺς παρ'  
 αὐτοῦ στέγειν τὴν τῆς φάλαγγος ἔφοδον, ἀλλ'  
 ἐκπιεζομένους τοὺς ἐπὶ τῶν εὐωνύμων, καὶ  
 τοὺς μὲν ἀπολωλότας ἤδη, τοὺς δ' ἐπὶ πόδα  
 ποιούμενους τὴν ἀναχώρησιν, ἐν δὲ τοῖς δεξιοῖς  
 μέρεσι καταλειπομένας τῆς σωτηρίας τὰς ἐλπίδας,  
 5 ταχέως ἀφορμήσας πρὸς τούτους, καὶ συνθεασά-  
 μενος [τῆς] τῶν πολεμίων τὰ μὲν συνεχῆ τοῖς  
 διαγωνιζομένοις . . ., τὰ δ' ἐκ τῶν ἄκρων ἀκμὴν  
 ἐπικαταβαίνοντα, τὰ δ' ἔτι τοῖς ἄκροις ἐφεστῶτα,  
 προθέμενος τὰ θηρία προσῆγε τὰς σημαίας τοῖς  
 6 πολεμίοις. οἱ δὲ Μακεδόνες, οὔτε τὸν παραγ-

close upon them, orders were sent to the men of the phalanx to lower their spears and charge, while the light infantry were ordered to place themselves on the flank. At the same moment Flamininus, having received his advanced force into the gaps between the maniples, fell upon the enemy.

25. As the encounter of the two armies was accompanied by deafening shouts and cries, both of them uttering their war-cry and those outside the battle also cheering the combatants, the spectacle was such as to inspire terror and acute anxiety. Philip's right wing acquitted themselves splendidly in the battle, as they were charging from higher ground and were superior in the weight of their formation, the nature of their arms also giving them a decided advantage on the present occasion. But as for the rest of his army, those next to the force actually engaged were still at a distance from the enemy and those on the left had only just surmounted the ridge and come into view of the summits. Flamininus, seeing that his men could not sustain the charge of the phalanx, but that since his left was being forced back, some of them having already perished and others retreating slowly, his only hope of safety lay in his right, hastened to place himself in command there, and observing that those of the enemy who were next the actual combatants were idle, and that some of the rest were still descending to meet him from the summits and others had halted on the heights, placed his elephants in front and led on his legions to the attack. The Macedonians

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γελοῦντ' ἔχοντες οὔτε συστήναι δυνάμενοι καὶ λαβεῖν τὸ τῆς φάλαγγος ἴδιον σχῆμα διὰ τε τὰς τῶν τόπων δυσχερείας καὶ διὰ τὸ τοῖς ἀγωνιζομένοις ἐπόμενοι πορείας ἔχειν διάθεσιν καὶ  
 7 μὴ παρατάξεως, οὐδὲ προσεδέξαντο τοὺς Ῥωμαίους εἰς τὰς χεῖρας ἔτι, δι' αὐτῶν δὲ τῶν θηρίων πτοηθέντες καὶ διασπασθέντες ἐνέκλιναν.

26 (9) Οἱ μὲν οὖν πλείους τῶν Ῥωμαίων ἐπόμενοι  
 2 τούτους ἔκτεινον· εἰς δὲ τῶν χιλιάρχων τῶν ἅμα τούτοις, σημαίας ἔχων οὐ πλείους εἴκοσι, καὶ παρ' αὐτὸν τὸν τῆς χρείας καιρὸν συμφρονήσας ὃ δέον εἶη ποιεῖν, μεγάλα συνεβάλετο πρὸς  
 3 τὴν τῶν ὄλων κατόρθωσιν. θεωρῶν γὰρ τοὺς περὶ τὸν Φίλιππον ἐπὶ πολὺ προπεπτωκότας τῶν ἄλλων καὶ πιεζοῦντας τῷ βάρει τὸ σφέτερον εὐώνυμον, ἀπολιπὼν τοὺς ἐπὶ τοῦ δεξιοῦ νικῶντας ἤδη καταφανῶς, ἐπιστρέψας ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀγωνιζομένους καὶ κατόπιν ἐπιγενόμενος προσέβαλλε κατὰ  
 4 νώτου τοῖς Μακεδόσι. τῆς δὲ τῶν φαλαγγιτῶν χρείας ἀδυνάτου καθεστῶσης ἐκ μεταβολῆς καὶ κατ' ἄνδρα κινδυνεύειν, οὗτος μὲν ἐπέκειτο κτείνων τοὺς ἐν ποσίν, οὐ δυναμένους αὐτοῖς βοηθεῖν,  
 5 ἕως οὗ ρίψαντες τὰ ὄπλα φεύγειν ἠναγκάσθησαν οἱ Μακεδόνες, συνεπιθεμένων αὐτοῖς ἐκ μεταβολῆς καὶ τῶν κατὰ πρόσωπον ἐγκεκλικότων.  
 6 ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος ἐν μὲν ταῖς ἀρχαῖς, καθάπερ εἶπα, τεκμαιρόμενος ἐκ τοῦ καθ' αὐτὸν μέρους  
 7 ἐπέπειστο τελέως νικᾶν· τότε δὲ συνθεασάμενος ἄφνω ριπτοῦντας τὰ ὄπλα τοὺς Μακεδόνας καὶ τοὺς πολεμίους κατὰ νώτου προσβεβληκότας,



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βραχὺ γενόμενος ἐκ τοῦ κινδύνου μετ' ὀλίγων  
 8 ἰππέων καὶ πεζῶν συνεθεώρει τὰ ὅλα. κατα-  
 νοήσας δὲ τοὺς Ῥωμαίους κατὰ τὸ δίωγμα τοῦ  
 λαιοῦ κέρως τοῖς ἄκροις ἤδη προσπελάζοντας,  
 ἐγένετο <πρὸς τὸ φεύγειν, ὅσους ἐδύνατο> πλεί-  
 9 στους ἐκ τοῦ καιροῦ συναθροίσας τῶν Θρακῶν  
 καὶ Μακεδόνων. Τίτος δὲ τοῖς φεύγουσιν ἐπό-  
 μενος, καὶ καταλαβὼν ἐν ταῖς ὑπερβολαῖς ἄρτι  
 τοῖς ἄκροις ἐπιβαλλούσας τὰς εὐωνύμους τάξεις  
 τῶν Μακεδόνων τὰς μὲν <ἀρχὰς> . . . ἐπέστη,  
 τῶν πολεμίων ὀρθὰς ἀνασχόντων τὰς σαρίσας,  
 10 ὅπερ ἔθος ἐστὶ ποιεῖν τοῖς Μακεδόσιν, ὅταν ἢ  
 παραδιδῶσιν αὐτοὺς ἢ μεταβάλλωνται πρὸς τοὺς  
 11 ὑπεναντίους· μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα πυθόμενος τὴν αἰτίαν  
 τοῦ συμβαίνοντος παρακατεῖχε τοὺς μεθ' αὐτοῦ  
 12 φείσασθαι κρίνων τῶν ἀποδεδειλιακότων. ἀκμὴν  
 δὲ τοῦ Τίτου ταῦτα διανοουμένου τῶν προηγουμέ-  
 νων τινὲς ἐπιπεσόντες αὐτοῖς ἐξ ὑπερδεξίου προσ-  
 ἔφερον τὰς χεῖρας, καὶ τοὺς μὲν πλείους διέφθειρον,  
 ὀλίγοι δὲ τινες διέφυγον ρίψαντες τὰ ὄπλα.

27 Πανταχόθεν δὲ τοῦ κινδύνου συντέλειαν εἶλη-  
 (10) φότος καὶ κρατούντων τῶν Ῥωμαίων, ὃ μὲν  
 Φίλιππος ἐποιεῖτο τὴν ἀποχώρησιν ὡς ἐπὶ τὰ  
 2 Τέμπη. καὶ τῇ μὲν πρώτῃ περὶ τὸν Ἀλεξάνδρου  
 καλούμενον πύργον ἠϋλίσθη, τῇ δ' ὑστεραία  
 προελθὼν εἰς Γόννους ἐπὶ τὴν εἰσβολὴν τῶν Τεμ-  
 πῶν ἐπέμεινε, βουλόμενος ἀναδέξασθαι τοὺς  
 3 ἐκ τῆς φυγῆς ἀνασωζομένους. οἱ δὲ Ῥωμαῖοι,  
 μέχρι μὲν τινος ἐπακολουθήσαντες τοῖς φεύγουσιν,  
 οἱ μὲν ἐσκύλευον τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, οἱ δὲ τοὺς  
 αἰχμαλώτους ἠθροίζον, οἱ δὲ πλείους ὤρμησαν  
 ἐπὶ τὴν διαρπαγὴν τοῦ τῶν πολεμίων χάρακος·

retired with a small number of horse and foot to a short distance from the scene of action and remained<sup>1</sup> to observe the whole scene. When he noticed that the Romans in pursuit of his left wing had already reached the summits, he decided to fly, collecting hastily as many Thracians and Macedonians as he could. Flamininus, pursuing the fugitives and finding when he reached the crest of the ridge that the ranks of the Macedonian left were just attaining the summits, at first halted. The enemy were now holding up their spears, as is the Macedonian custom when they either surrender or go over to the enemy, and on learning the significance of this he kept back his men, thinking to spare the beaten force. But while he was still making up his mind some of the Romans who had advanced further fell on them from above and began to cut them down. Most of them perished, a very few escaping after throwing away their shields.

27. The battle being now over and the Romans everywhere victorious, Philip retreated towards Tempe. He spent the following night under canvas at a place called "Alexander's Tower" and next day went on to Gonni at the entrance of Tempe, and remained there wishing to pick up the survivors of the rout. The Romans, after following up the fugitives for a certain distance, began, some of them, to strip the dead and others to collect prisoners, but most of them ran to plunder the enemy's camp.



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4 ἔνθα δὴ καταλαβόντες τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς προεμ-  
πεπτωκότας καὶ δόξαντες στέρεσθαι τῆς σφίσι  
καθηκούσης ὠφελείας, ἤρξαντο καταμέμφεσθαι  
τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς καὶ λέγειν πρὸς τὸν στρατηγὸν  
ὅτι τοὺς μὲν κινδύνους αὐτοῖς ἐπιτάττει, τῆς δ'  
5 ὠφελείας ἄλλοις παρακεχώρηκε. καὶ τότε μὲν  
ἐπανελθόντες εἰς τὴν ἑαυτῶν στρατοπεδείαν ηὐ-  
λίσθησαν, εἰς δὲ τὴν ἐπαύριον ἅμα μὲν ἤθροιζον  
τοὺς αἰχμαλώτους καὶ τὰ λειπόμενα τῶν σκύλων,  
ἅμα δὲ προῆγον ποιούμενοι τὴν πορείαν ὡς ἐπὶ  
6 Λαρίσης. ἔπεσον δὲ τῶν Ῥωμαίων πρὸς τοὺς  
ἐπτακοσίους· τῶν δὲ Μακεδόνων ἀπέθανον μὲν  
οἱ πάντες εἰς ὀκτακισχιλίους, ζωγρία δ' ἐάλωσαν  
οὐκ ἐλάττους πεντακισχιλίων.

7 Καὶ τῆς μὲν ἐν Θετταλία γενομένης περὶ Κυνὸς  
Κεφαλᾶς Ῥωμαίων καὶ Φιλίππου μάχης τοιοῦτον  
28 ἀπέβη τὸ τέλος· ἐγὼ δὲ κατὰ μὲν τὴν ἕκτην  
(11) βύβλον ἐν ἐπαγγελίᾳ καταλιπὼν ὅτι λαβὼν τὸν  
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νῦν ἐπ' αὐτῶν τῶν πράξεων πειράσομαι τὴν  
2 ἐπαγγελίαν ἐπὶ τέλος ἀγαγεῖν. ἐπεὶ γὰρ ἡ μὲν  
Μακεδόνων σύνταξις ἐν τοῖς πρὸ τοῦ χρόνοις,  
δι' αὐτῶν τῶν ἔργων διδοῦσα τὴν πείραν, ἐκράτει  
τῶν τε κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν καὶ τῶν Ἑλληνικῶν  
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Λιβύην καὶ τῶν κατὰ τὴν Εὐρώπην προσεσπε-  
3 ρίων ἔθνῶν ἀπάντων, ἐν δὲ τοῖς καθ' ἡμᾶς καιροῖς  
οὐχ ἅπαξ, ἀλλὰ πλεονάκις γέγονε τούτων τῶν  
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29 "Ὅτι μὲν ἐχούσης τῆς φάλαγγος τὴν αὐτῆς  
(12) ἰδιότητα καὶ δύναμιν οὐδὲν ἂν ὑποσταίῃ κατὰ  
πρόσωπον οὐδὲ μείναι τὴν ἔφοδον αὐτῆς, εὐχερὲς  
2 καταμαθεῖν ἐκ πολλῶν. ἐπεὶ γὰρ ὁ μὲν ἀνὴρ  
ἴσταται σὺν τοῖς ὅπλοις ἐν τρισὶ ποσὶ κατὰ τὰς  
ἐναγωνίους πυκνώσεις, τὸ δὲ τῶν σαρισῶν μέγε-  
θὸς ἐστὶ κατὰ μὲν τὴν ἐξ ἀρχῆς ὑπόθεσιν ἐκκαί-  
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4 κατόπιν σήκωμα τῆς προβολῆς, φανερόν ὅτι τοὺς  
δέκα πήχεις προπίπτει ἀνάγκη τὴν σάρισαν  
πρὸ τῶν σωμάτων ἐκάστου τῶν ὀπλιτῶν, ὅταν  
ἴῃ δι' ἀμφοῖν τοῖν χεροῖν προβαλόμενος ἐπὶ  
5 τοὺς πολεμίους. ἐκ δὲ τούτου συμβαίνει τὰς  
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ρος ὑποδείκνυσιν ἐν τούτοις·

ἀσπίς ἄρ' ἀσπίδ' ἔρειδε, κόρυς κόρυν, ἀνέρα δ'  
ἀνὴρ·

ψαῦον δ' ἰππόκομοι κόρυθες λαμπροῖσι φάλιοισι  
νευόντων· ὡς πυκνοὶ ἐφέστασαν ἀλλήλοισι.

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σας ἀλλήλων κατὰ μῆκος.

30 Ἐκ δὲ τούτου ῥάδιον ὑπὸ τὴν ὄψιν λαβεῖν τὴν  
(13) τῆς ὄλης φάλαγγος ἔφοδον καὶ προβολήν, ποίαν  
τιν' εἰκὸς εἶναι καὶ τίνα δύναμιν ἔχειν, ἐφ' ἑκκαί-  
2 δεκα τὸ βάθος οὔσαν. ὧν ὅσοι <τὸ> πέμπτον  
ζυγὸν ὑπεραίρουσι, ταῖς μὲν σαρίσαις οὐδὲν οἰοί-  
τ' εἰσὶ συμβαλέσθαι πρὸς τὸν κίνδυνον· διόπερ  
3 οὐδὲ ποιοῦνται κατ' ἄνδρα τὴν προβολήν, παρὰ  
δὲ τοὺς ὤμους τῶν προηγουμένων ἀνανευκυίας  
φέρουσι χάριν τοῦ τὸν κατὰ κορυφήν τόπον ἀσφα-  
λίξειν τῆς ἐκτάξεως, εἰργουσῶν τῇ πυκνώσει  
τῶν σαρισῶν ὅσα τῶν βελῶν ὑπερπετῇ τῶν πρω-  
τοστατῶν φερόμενα δύναται προσπίπτειν πρὸς  
4 τοὺς ἐφεστῶτας. αὐτῷ γε μὴν τῷ τοῦ σώματος  
βάρει κατὰ τὴν ἐπαγωγὴν πιεζοῦντες οὔτοι τοὺς  
προηγουμένους βιαίαν μὲν ποιοῦσι τὴν ἔφοδον,  
ἀδύνατον δὲ τοῖς πρωτοστάταις τὴν εἰς τοῦπισθεν  
μεταβολήν.

5 Τοιαύτης περὶ τὴν φάλαγγα διαθέσεως καὶ  
καθόλου καὶ κατὰ μέρος <οὔσης>, ῥητέον ἂν εἴη  
καὶ τοῦ Ῥωμαίων καθοπλισμοῦ καὶ τῆς ὄλης  
συντάξεως τὰς ιδιότητας καὶ διαφορὰς ἐκ παρα-  
6 θέσεως. ἴστανται μὲν οὖν ἐν τρισὶ ποσὶ μετὰ  
7 τῶν ὄπλων καὶ Ῥωμαῖοι· τῆς μάχης δ' αὐτοῖς  
κατ' ἄνδρα τὴν κίνησιν λαμβανούσης διὰ τὸ τῷ  
μὲν θυρεῷ σκέπειν τὸ σῶμα, συμμετατιθεμένους  
αἰεὶ πρὸς τὸν τῆς πληγῆς καιρὸν τῇ μαχαίρᾳ δ'  
ἐκ καταφορᾶς καὶ διαιρέσεως ποιεῖσθαι τὴν μά-  
8 χην προφανὲς ὅτι χάλασμα καὶ διάστασιν ἀλλήλων  
ἔχειν δεήσει τοὺς ἄνδρας ἐλάχιστον τρεῖς πόδας  
κατ' ἐπιστάτην καὶ κατὰ παραστάτην, εἰ μέλ-

the points of five pikes extending beyond him, each at a distance of two cubits from the next.

30. From this we can easily conceive what is the nature and force of a charge by the whole phalanx when it is sixteen deep. In this case those further back than the fifth rank cannot use their pikes so as to take any active part in the battle. They therefore do not severally level their pikes, but hold them slanting up in the air over the shoulders of those in front of them, so as to protect the whole formation from above, keeping off by this serried mass of pikes all missiles which, passing over the heads of the first ranks, might fall on those immediately in front of and behind them. But these men by the sheer pressure of their bodily weight in the charge add to its force, and it is quite impossible for the first ranks to face about.

Such being in general and in detail the disposition of the phalanx, I have now, for purposes of comparison, to speak of the peculiarities of the Roman equipment and system of formation and the points of difference in both. Now in the case of the Romans also each soldier with his arms occupies a space of three feet in breadth, but as in their mode of fighting each man must move separately, as he has to cover his person with his long shield, turning to meet each expected blow, and as he uses his sword both for cutting and thrusting it is obvious that a looser order is required, and each man must be at a distance of at least three feet from the man next him in the same rank and those in front of and behind him,

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9 λουσιν εὐχρηστεῖν πρὸς τὸ δέον. ἐκ δὲ τούτου  
 συμβήσεται τὸν ἕνα Ῥωμαῖον ἴστασθαι κατὰ  
 δύο πρωτοστάτας τῶν φαλαγγιτῶν, ὥστε πρὸς  
 δέκα σαρίσας αὐτῷ γίνεσθαι τὴν ἀπάντησιν καὶ  
 10 τὴν μάχην, ἃς οὔτε κόπτοντα τὸν ἕνα κατα-  
 ταχῆσαι δυνατόν, ὅταν ἅπαξ συνάψωσιν εἰς τὰς  
 χεῖρας, οὔτε βιάσασθαι ῥάδιον, μηδὲν γε τῶν  
 ἐφεστῶτων δυναμένων συμβάλλεσθαι τοῖς πρω-  
 τοστάταις μήτε πρὸς τὴν βίαν μήτε πρὸς τὴν  
 11 τῶν μαχαιρῶν ἐνέργειαν. ἐξ ὧν εὐκατανόητον  
 ὡς οὐχ οἶόν τε μέναι κατὰ πρόσωπον τὴν τῆς  
 φάλαγγος ἔφοδον οὐδέν, διατηρούσης τὴν αὐτῆς  
 ιδιότητα καὶ δύναμιν, ὡς ἐν ἀρχαῖς εἶπα.

31 Τίς οὖν αἰτία τοῦ νικᾶν Ῥωμαίους καὶ τί τὸ  
 (14) σφάλλον ἐστὶ τοὺς ταῖς φάλαγξι χρωμένους;  
 2 ὅτι συμβαίνει τὸν μὲν πόλεμον ἀορίστους ἔχειν  
 καὶ τοὺς καιροὺς καὶ τοὺς τόπους τοὺς πρὸς τὴν  
 χρείαν, τῆς δὲ φάλαγγος ἕνα καιρὸν εἶναι καὶ  
 τόπων ἐν γένος, ἐν οἷς δύναται τὴν αὐτῆς χρείαν  
 3 ἐπιτελεῖν. εἰ μὲν οὖν τις ἦν ἀνάγκη τοῖς ἀντι-  
 πάλοις εἰς τοὺς τῆς φάλαγγος καιροὺς καὶ τόπους  
 συγκαταβαίνειν, ὅτε μέλλοιεν κρίνεσθαι περὶ τῶν  
 ὄλων, εἰκὸς ἦν κατὰ τὸν ἄρτι λόγον ἀεὶ φέρεσθαι  
 4 τὸ πρωτεῖον τοὺς ταῖς φάλαγξι χρωμένους· εἰ  
 δὲ δυνατόν ἐκκλίνειν καὶ τοῦτο ποιεῖν ῥαδίως,  
 πῶς ἂν ἔτι φοβερόν εἴη τὸ προειρημένον σύνταγμα;  
 5 καὶ μὴν ὅτι χρείαν ἔχει τόπων ἐπιπέδων καὶ  
 ψιλῶν ἢ φάλαγξ, πρὸς δὲ τούτοις μηδὲν ἐμπόδιον  
 ἐχόντων, λέγω δ' οἶον τάφρους, ἐκρήγματα,  
 συναγκείας, ὄφρυς, ρεῖθρα ποταμῶν, ὁμολογού-  
 6 μενόν ἐστι. πάντα γὰρ τὰ προειρημένα παρα-  
 ποδίζειν καὶ λύειν τὴν τοιαύτην τάξιν ἱκανὰ



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7 γίνεται. διότι δ' εὐρεῖν τόπους ποτέ μὲν ἐπὶ  
 σταδίου εἴκοσι, ποτέ δὲ καὶ πλείους, ἐν οἷς  
 μηδέν τι τοιοῦτον ὑπάρχει, σχεδόν, ὡς εἰπεῖν,  
 ἀδύνατόν ἐστιν, εἰ δὲ μή γε, τελέως σπάνιον,  
 8 καὶ τοῦτο πᾶς ἂν τις ὁμολογήσειεν. οὐ μὴν  
 ἄλλ' ἔστω τόπους εὐρήσθαι τοιούτους. εἰ οὖν  
 οἱ [μὲν] πολεμοῦντες εἰς μὲν τούτους μὴ συγ-  
 καταβαίνωσι, περιπορευόμενοι δὲ πορθῶσι τὰς  
 πόλεις καὶ τὴν χώραν τὴν τῶν συμμάχων, τί τῆς  
 9 τοιαύτης ὄφελος ἔσται συντάξεως; μένουσα μὲν  
 γὰρ ἐν τοῖς ἐπιτηδείοις αὐτῇ τόποις οὐχ οἷον  
 ὠφελεῖν δύναται ἂν τοὺς φίλους, ἀλλ' οὐδ' ἑαυτὴν  
 10 σώζειν. αἱ γὰρ τῶν ἐπιτηδείων παρακομιδαὶ  
 κωλυθήσονται ῥαδίως ὑπὸ τῶν πολεμίων, ὅταν  
 11 ἀκονιτὶ κρατῶσι τῶν ὑπαίθρων· εἰ δ' ἀπο-  
 λιποῦσα τοὺς οἰκείους τόπους βούληται τι πράτ-  
 12 τειν, εὐχείρωτος ἔσται τοῖς πολεμίοις. οὐ μὴν  
 ἀλλὰ καὶ εἰς τοὺς ἐπιπέδους συγκαταβάς τις  
 τόπους μὴ πᾶν ἅμα τὸ σφέτερον στρατόπεδον  
 ὑπὸ τὴν ἐπαγωγὴν τῆς φάλαγγος καὶ τὸν ἕνα  
 καιρὸν ὑποβάλλῃ, βραχέα δὲ φυγομαχίῃ κατ'  
 αὐτὸν τὸν τοῦ κινδύνου καιρὸν εὐθεώρητον γί-  
 νεται τὸ συμβησόμενον ἐξ ὧν ποιοῦσι Ῥωμαῖοι  
 32 νῦν. οὐκέτι γὰρ ἐκ τοῦ λόγου δεῖ τεκμαίρεσθαι  
 (15) τὸ νυνὶ λεγόμενον ὑφ' ἡμῶν, ἀλλ' ἐκ τῶν ἤδη  
 2 γεγονότων. οὐ γὰρ ἐξισώσαντες τὴν παράταξιν  
 πᾶσιν ἅμα συμβάλλουσι τοῖς στρατοπέδοις με-  
 τωπηδὸν πρὸς τὰς φάλαγγας, ἀλλὰ τὰ μὲν ἐφ-  
 εδρεύει τῶν μερῶν αὐτοῖς, τὰ δὲ συμμίσγει τοῖς  
 3 πολεμίοις. λοιπόν, ἂν τ' ἐκπιέσωσιν οἱ φαλαγγί-  
 γῆται τοὺς καθ' αὐτοὺς προσβάλλοντες ἂν τ'  
 4 ἐκπιεσθῶσιν ὑπὸ τούτων, λέλυται τὸ τῆς φάλαγγ-

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Every one would also acknowledge that it is almost impossible except in very rare cases to find spaces of say twenty stades or even more in length with no such obstacles. But even if we assume it to be possible, supposing those who are fighting against us refuse to meet us on such ground, but go round sacking the cities and devastating the territory of our allies, what is the use of such a formation? For by remaining on the ground that suits it, not only is it incapable of helping its friends but cannot even ensure its own safety. For the arrival of supplies will easily be prevented by the enemy, when they have undisturbed command of the open country. But if the phalanx leaves the ground proper to it and attempts any action, it will be easily overcome by the enemy. And again, if it is decided to engage the enemy on level ground, but instead of availing ourselves of our total force when the phalanx has its one opportunity for charging, we keep out of action even a small portion of it at the moment of the shock, it is easy to tell what will happen from what the Romans always do at present, (32) the likelihood of the result I now indicate requiring no argument but only the evidence of actual facts. For the Romans do not make their line equal in force to the enemy and expose all the legions to a frontal attack by the phalanx, but part of their forces remain in reserve and the rest engage the enemy. Afterwards whether the phalanx drives back by its charge the force opposed to it or is repulsed by this force, its own peculiar formation



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γος ἴδιον· ἢ γὰρ ἐπόμενοι τοῖς ὑποχωροῦσιν  
ἢ φεύγοντες τοὺς προσκειμένους ἀπολείπουσι τὰ  
5 λοιπὰ μέρη τῆς οἰκείας δυνάμεως, οὗ γενομένου  
δέδοται τοῖς ἐφεδρεύουσι τῶν πολεμίων διάστημα  
καὶ τόπος, ὃν οὗτοι κατεῖχον, πρὸς τὸ μηκέτι  
κατὰ πρόσωπον ὀρμᾶν, ἀλλὰ παρεισπεσόντας πλα-  
γίους παρίστασθαι καὶ κατὰ νώτου τοῖς φαλαγ-  
6 γίταις. ὅταν δὲ τοὺς μὲν τῆς φάλαγγος καιροὺς  
καὶ τὰ προτερήματα ῥάδιον ἢ φυλάξασθαι, τοὺς  
δὲ κατὰ τῆς φάλαγγος ἀδύνατον, πῶς οὐ μεγάλην  
εἰκὸς εἶναι τὴν διαφορὰν ἐπὶ τῆς ἀληθείας τῶν  
7 προειρημένων; καὶ μὴν πορευθῆναι διὰ τόπων  
παντοδαπῶν ἀναγκαῖον τοὺς χρωμένους φάλαγγι  
καὶ καταστρατοπεδεῦσαι, ἔτι δὲ τόπους εὐκαί-  
ρους προκαταλαβέσθαι καὶ πολιορκῆσαί τινας  
καὶ πολιορκηθῆναι καὶ παραδόξοις ἐπιφανείαις  
8 περιπεσεῖν· ἅπαντα γὰρ ταῦτ' ἐστὶ πολέμου  
μέρη καὶ ῥοπὰς ποιεῖ πρὸς τὸ νικᾶν, ποτὲ μὲν  
9 ὀλοσχερεῖς, ποτὲ δὲ μεγάλας. ἐν οἷς πᾶσιν ἢ  
μὲν Μακεδόνων ἐστὶ σύνταξις δύσχρηστος, ποτὲ  
δ' ἄχρηστος, διὰ τὸ μὴ δύνασθαι τὸν φαλαγγίτην  
μήτε κατὰ τάγμα μήτε κατ' ἄνδρα παρέχεσθαι  
10 χρεῖαν, ἢ δὲ Ῥωμαίων εὐχρηστος· πᾶς γὰρ  
Ῥωμαῖος, ὅταν ἅπαξ καθοπλισθεὶς ὀρμήσῃ πρὸς  
τὴν χρεῖαν, ὁμοίως ἤρμοσται πρὸς πάντα τόπον  
11 καὶ καιρὸν καὶ πρὸς πᾶσαν ἐπιφάνειαν. καὶ μὴν  
ἔτοιμός ἐστι καὶ τὴν αὐτὴν ἔχει διάθεσιν, ἂν τε  
μετὰ πάντων δέῃ κινδυνεύειν ἂν τε μετὰ μέρους  
12 ἂν τε κατὰ σημαίαν ἂν τε καὶ κατ' ἄνδρα. διὸ  
καὶ παρὰ πολὺ τῆς κατὰ μέρος εὐχρηστίας δια-  
φερούσης, παρὰ πολὺ καὶ τὰ τέλη συνεξακολουθεῖ-  
ταῖς Ῥωμαίων προθέσεσι μᾶλλον ἢ ταῖς τῶν  
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13 ἄλλων. περὶ μὲν <οὖν> τούτων ἀναγκαῖον ἡγη-  
 σάμην εἶναι τὸ διὰ πλειόνων ποιήσασθαι μνήμην  
 διὰ τὸ καὶ παρ' αὐτὸν τὸν καιρὸν πολλοὺς τῶν  
 Ἑλλήνων διαλαμβάνειν, ὅτε Μακεδόνες ἡττή-  
 θησαν, ἀπίστῳ τὸ γεγονὸς εἰκέναι, καὶ μετὰ  
 ταῦτα πολλοὺς διαπορήσειν διὰ τί καὶ πῶς. λεί-  
 πεται τὸ σύνταγμα τῆς φάλαγγος ὑπὸ τοῦ Ῥω-  
 μαίων καθοπλισμοῦ.

33 Φίλιππος δέ, τὰ δυνατὰ πεποιηκῶς πρὸς τὸν  
 (16) ἀγῶνα, τοῖς δ' ὅλοις πράγμασιν ἐσφαλμένος,  
 ἀναδεξάμενος ὅσους ἐδύνατο πλείστους τῶν ἐκ  
 τῆς μάχης ἀνασωζομένων, αὐτὸς μὲν ὤρμησε  
 2 διὰ τῶν Τεμπῶν εἰς Μακεδονίαν. εἰς δὲ τὴν  
 Λάρισαν ἔτι τῇ προτεραίᾳ νυκτὶ διεπέμψατό  
 τινα τῶν ὑπασπιστῶν, ἐντειλάμενος ἀφανίσαι καὶ  
 κατακαῦσαι τὰ βασιλικὰ γράμματα, ποιῶν πρᾶγμα  
 βασιλικὸν τὸ μηδ' ἐν τοῖς δεινοῖς λήθην ποιεῖσθαι  
 3 τοῦ καθήκοντος· σαφῶς γὰρ ἦδει διότι πολλὰς  
 ἀφορμὰς δώσει τοῖς ἐχθροῖς καὶ καθ' ἑαυτοῦ  
 καὶ κατὰ τῶν φίλων, εἴαν κρατήσωσι Ῥωμαῖοι  
 4 τῶν ὑπομνημάτων. ἴσως μὲν οὖν καὶ ἑτέροις  
 ἤδη τοῦτο συμβέβηκε, τὸ τὰς μὲν ἐν ταῖς ἐπι-  
 τυχίαις ἐξουσίας μὴ δύνασθαι φέρειν ἀνθρωπίνως,  
 ἐν δὲ ταῖς περιπετείαις εὐλαβῶς ἴστασθαι καὶ  
 5 νουνεχῶς· ἐν τοῖς δὲ μάλιστα καὶ περὶ Φίλιππον  
 τοῦτο γέγονε. δῆλον δ' ἔσται τοῦτο διὰ τῶν  
 6 μετὰ ταῦτα ῥηθησομένων· καθάπερ γὰρ καὶ  
 τὰς ἐξ ἀρχῆς ὁρμὰς ἐπὶ τὸ δέον αὐτοῦ σαφῶς  
 ἐδηλώσαμεν, καὶ πάλιν τὴν ἐπὶ τὸ χεῖρον μετα-  
 βολήν, καὶ πότε καὶ διὰ τί καὶ πῶς ἐγένετο,  
 καὶ τὰς ἐν ταύτῃ πράξεις μετ' ἀποδείξεως ἐξη-  
 7 γησάμεθα, τὸν αὐτὸν τρόπον χρῆ καὶ τὴν μετά-

to result in success than those of others. I thought it necessary to speak on this subject at some length because many Greeks on the actual occasions when the Macedonians suffered defeat considered the event as almost incredible, and many will still continue to wonder why and how the phalanx comes to be conquered by troops armed in the Roman fashion.

33. Philip had done his best in the battle, but on being thus thoroughly defeated, after first picking up as many as he could of the survivors from the battle himself hastily retired through Tempe to Macedonia. He had sent one of his aides-de-camp on the previous night to Larisa, with orders to destroy and burn the royal correspondence, acting like a true king in not forgetting his duty even in the hour of disaster: for he well knew that if the documents fell into the hands of the Romans he would be giving them much material to use against himself and his friends. Perhaps in the case of others also it has happened that in seasons of prosperity they have not been able to wear their authority with the moderation that befits a man, yet in the hour of danger have exercised due caution and kept their heads, but this was particularly so with Philip, as will be evident from what I am about to say. For just as I have clearly pointed out his early impulse to do what was right, and again the time, reasons, and circumstances of the change for the worse in him, narrating with documentary proofs his actions after this change, so must I in the same manner point

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νοϊαν αὐτοῦ δηλῶσαι καὶ τὴν εὐστοχίαν, καθ' ἣν μεταθέμενος τοῖς ἐκ τῆς τύχης ἐλαττώμασιν εὐλογιστότατα δοκεῖ κεχρῆσθαι τοῖς καθ' αὐτὸν 8 καιροῖς. Τίτος δὲ μετὰ τὴν μάχην ποιησάμενος τὴν καθήκουσαν πρόνοϊαν περί τε τῶν αἰχμαλώτων καὶ τῶν ἄλλων λαφύρων, ἦει πρὸς Λάρισαν.

**34** . . . καθόλου τῇ περὶ τὰ λάφυρα πλεονεξία  
 (17) τῶν Αἰτωλῶν . . . εἴτ' οὐκ ἐβούλετο Φίλιππον  
 ἐκβαλὼν ἐκ τῆς ἀρχῆς Αἰτωλοῦς καταλιπεῖν  
 2 δεσπότας τῶν Ἑλλήνων. δυσχερῶς δ' ἔφερε καὶ  
 τὴν ἀλαζονείαν αὐτῶν, θεωρῶν ἀντεπιγραφομέ-  
 νους ἐπὶ τὸ νίκημα καὶ πληροῦντας τὴν Ἑλλάδα  
 3 τῆς αὐτῶν ἀνδραγαθίας. διὸ καὶ κατὰ τε τὰς  
 ἐντεύξεις ἀγερωχότερον αὐτοῖς ἀπήντα καὶ περὶ  
 τῶν κοινῶν ἀπεσιώπα, τὰ δὲ προκείμενα συν-  
 ετέλει καὶ δι' αὐτοῦ καὶ διὰ τῶν ἰδίων φίλων.  
 4 τοιαύτης δ' οὔσης δυσχρηστίας ἐν ἀμφοτέροις,  
 ἦκον πρεσβευταὶ μετὰ τινὰς ἡμέρας παρὰ τοῦ  
 Φιλίππου Δημοσθένης καὶ Κυκλιάδας καὶ Λι-  
 5 μναῖος. πρὸς οὓς κοινολογηθεὶς ὁ Τίτος ἐπὶ πλεῖον  
 μετὰ τῶν χιλιάρχων πεντεκαιδεχημέρους ἀνοχὰς  
 ἐποιήσατο παραχρῆμα, συνετάξατο δὲ καὶ συμ-  
 πορεύεσθαι τῷ Φιλίππῳ κοινολογησόμενος ὑπὲρ  
 6 τῶν καθεστώτων ἐν ταύταις. γενομένης δὲ  
 ταύτης τῆς ἐντεύξεως φιλανθρώπου, διπλασίως ἐξ-  
 7 εκάετο τὰ τῆς ὑποψίας κατὰ τοῦ Τίτου· ἤδη γὰρ  
 κατὰ τὴν Ἑλλάδα τῆς δωροδοκίας ἐπιπολαζούσης  
 καὶ τοῦ μηδένα μηδὲν δωρεὰν πράττειν, καὶ  
 τοῦ χαρακτῆρος τούτου νομιστευομένου παρὰ  
 τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς, οὐκ ἐδύναντο πιστεύειν διότι  
 χωρὶς δώρων ἢ τηλικαύτη μεταβολὴ γέγονε τοῦ  
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8 Τίτου πρὸς τὸν Φίλιππον, οὐκ εἰδότες τὰ Ῥωμαίων ἔθνη καὶ νόμιμα περὶ τοῦτο τὸ μέρος, ἀλλ' ἐξ αὐτῶν τεκμαιρόμενοι καὶ συλλογιζόμενοι διότι τὸν μὲν Φίλιππον εἰκὸς ἦν προτείνειν πλῆθος χρημάτων διὰ τὸν καιρόν, τὸν δὲ Τίτον μὴ δύνασθαι τούτοις ἀντοφθαλμεῖν.

35 Ἐγὼ δὲ κατὰ μὲν τοὺς ἀνωτέρω χρόνους καὶ  
 (18) κοινήν ἂν ποιούμενος ἀπόφασιν ἐθάρρησα περὶ πάντων Ῥωμαίων εἰπεῖν ὡς οὐδὲν ἂν πράξαιεν τοιοῦτον, λέγω δὲ πρότερον ἢ τοῖς διαποντίοις αὐτοὺς ἐγχειρῆσαι πολέμοις, ἕως ἐπὶ τῶν ἰδίων  
 2 ἔθων καὶ νομίμων ἔμενον. ἐν δὲ τοῖς νῦν καιροῖς περὶ πάντων μὲν οὐκ ἂν τολμήσαιμι τοῦτ' εἰπεῖν· κατ' ἰδίαν μέντοι γε περὶ πλειόνων ἀνδρῶν ἐν Ῥώμῃ θαρρήσαιμι ἂν ἀποφήνασθαι διότι δύνανται τὴν πίστιν ἐν τούτῳ τῷ μέρει διαφυλάττειν.  
 3 μαρτυρίας δὲ χάριν ὁμολογούμενα δὴ ὀνόματα  
 4 . . . τοῦ μὴ δοκεῖν ἀδύνατα λέγειν. Λεύκιος μὲν γὰρ Αἰμίλιος ὁ Περσέα νικήσας, κύριος γενόμενος τῆς Μακεδόνων βασιλείας, ἐν ἧ τῆς ἄλλης χωρὶς κατασκευῆς καὶ χορηγίας ἐν αὐτοῖς εὐρέθη τοῖς θησαυροῖς ἀργυρίου καὶ χρυσίου πλείω  
 5 τῶν ἑξακισχιλίων ταλάντων, οὐχ οἷον ἐπεθύμησε τούτων τινός, ἀλλ' οὐδ' αὐτόπτης ἠβουλήθη γενέσθαι, δι' ἑτέρων δὲ τὸν χειρισμὸν ἐποιήσατο τῶν προειρημένων, καίτοι κατὰ τὸν ἴδιον βίον οὐ περιττεύων τῇ χορηγίᾳ, τὸ δ' ἐναντίον ἐλλείπων  
 6 μᾶλλον. μεταλλάξαντος γοῦν αὐτοῦ τὸν βίον οὐ πολὺ κατόπιν τοῦ πολέμου, βουλευθέντες οἱ κατὰ φύσιν υἱοὶ Πόπλιος Σκιπίων καὶ Κόιντος Μάξιμος ἀποδοῦναι τῇ γυναικὶ τὴν φερνήν, εἴκοσι τάλαντα καὶ πέντε, ἐπὶ τοσοῦτον ἐδυσχρηστήθησαν ὡς  
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have been brought about without a bribe, since they were ignorant of the Roman principles and practice in this matter, but judged from their own, and calculated that it was probable that Philip would offer a very large sum owing to his actual situation and Flaminius would not be able to resist the temptation.

35. If I were dealing with earlier times, I would have confidently asserted about all the Romans in general, that no one of them would do such a thing ; I speak of the years before they undertook wars across the sea and during which they preserved their own principles and practices. At the present time, however, I would not venture to assert this of all, but I could with perfect confidence say of many particular men in Rome that in this matter they can maintain their faith. That I may not appear to be stating what is impossible, I will cite as evidence the names of two men regarding whom none will dispute my assertion. The first is Lucius Aemilius Paullus, the conqueror of Perseus. For when he became master of the palace of the Macedonian kings, in which, apart from the splendid furniture and other riches, more than six thousand talents of gold and silver were found in the treasury alone, not only did he not covet any of his treasure, but did not even wish to look upon it, and disposed of it all by the hands of others, and this although his private fortune was by no means ample, but on the contrary rather meagre. At least when he died not long after the war, and his sons by birth, Publius Scipio and Quintus Fabius Maximus, wished to give back to his wife her dowry of twenty-five talents they found such difficulty in raising the sum that



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οὐδ' εἰς τέλος ἐδυνήθησαν, εἰ μὴ τὴν ἐνδουχίαν ἀπέδοντο καὶ τὰ σώματα καὶ σὺν τούτοις ἔτι  
 7 τινὰς τῶν κτήσεων. εἰ δέ τισιν ἀπίστῳ τὸ λε-  
 γόμενον εἰκέναι δόξει, ῥάδιον ὑπὲρ τούτου λαβεῖν  
 8 πίστιν· πολλῶν γὰρ ἀμφισβητουμένων παρὰ Ῥω-  
 μαίοις καὶ μάλιστα περὶ τοῦτο τὸ μέρος διὰ τὰς  
 πρὸς ἀλλήλους ἀντιπαραγωγάς, ὅμως τὸ νῦν  
 εἰρημένον ὑφ' ἡμῶν ὁμολογούμενον εὐρήσει παρὰ  
 9 πᾶσιν ὁ ζητῶν. καὶ μὴν Πόπλιος Σκιπίων ὁ  
 τούτου μὲν κατὰ φύσιν υἱός, Ποπλίου δὲ τοῦ  
 μεγάλου κληθέντος κατὰ θέσιν υἱωνός, κύριος  
 γενόμενος τῆς Καρχηδόνας, ἣτις ἐδόκει πολυχρη-  
 μονεστάτη τῶν κατὰ τὴν οἰκουμένην εἶναι πό-  
 λεων, ἀπλῶς τῶν ἐξ ἐκείνης οὐδὲν εἰς τὸν ἴδιον  
 βίον μετήγαγεν, οὔτ' ὠνησάμενος οὔτ' ἄλλῳ  
 10 τρόπῳ κτησάμενος οὐδέν, καίπερ οὐχ ὅλως εὐπο-  
 ρούμενος κατὰ τὸν βίον, ἀλλὰ μέτριος ὢν κατὰ  
 11 τὴν ὑπαρξίν, ὡς Ῥωμαῖος. οὐχ οἶον δὲ τῶν  
 ἐξ αὐτῆς τῆς Καρχηδόνας ἀπέσχετο μόνον, ἀλλὰ  
 καὶ καθόλου τῶν ἐκ τῆς Λιβύης οὐδὲν ἐπιμιχθῆναι  
 12 πρὸς τὸν ἴδιον εἶασε βίον. περὶ δὲ τούτου πάλιν  
 τὰνδρὸς ὁ ζητῶν ἀληθινῶς ἀναμφισβήτητον εὐ-  
 ρήσει παρὰ Ῥωμαίοις τὴν περὶ τοῦτο τὸ μέρος  
 δόξαν.

36 Ἀλλὰ γὰρ ὑπὲρ μὲν τούτων οἰκειότερον λαβόν-  
 (19) τες καιρὸν ποιησόμεθα <τὴν> ἐπὶ πλείον δια-  
 στολήν. ὁ δὲ Τίτος ταξάμενος ἡμέραν πρὸς  
 τὸν Φίλιππον τοῖς μὲν συμμάχοις ἔγραψε παρα-  
 χρῆμα, διασαφῶν πότε δεήσει παρεῖναι πρὸς  
 τὸν σύλλογον, αὐτὸς δὲ μετὰ τινὰς ἡμέρας ἦκε  
 πρὸς τὴν εἰσβολὴν τῶν Τεμπῶν εἰς τὸν ταχθέντα

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2 χρόνον. ἀθροισθέντων δὲ τῶν συμμάχων καὶ  
 τοῦ συνεδρίου συναχθέντος ἐξ αὐτῶν τούτων,  
 ἀναστὰς ὁ τῶν Ῥωμαίων στρατηγὸς ἐκέλευε  
 λέγειν ἕκαστον ἐφ' οἷς δεῖ ποιεῖσθαι τὰς πρὸς  
 3 τὸν Φίλιππον διαλύσεις. Ἀμύνανδρος μὲν οὖν  
 ὁ βασιλεὺς βραχέα διαλεχθεὶς καὶ μέτρια κατ-  
 4 ἔπαυσε τὸν λόγον· ἡξίου γὰρ πρόνοιαν αὐτοῦ  
 ποιήσασθαι πάντα, ἵνα μὴ χωρισθέντων Ῥω-  
 μαίων ἐκ τῆς Ἑλλάδος εἰς ἐκείνον ἀπερείδηται  
 τὴν ὄργην ὁ Φίλιππος· εἶναι γὰρ εὐχειρώτους  
 Ἀθαμᾶνας αἰεὶ Μακεδόσι διὰ τε τὴν ἀσθένειαν  
 5 καὶ γειτνίασιν τῆς χώρας. μετὰ δὲ τοῦτον Ἀλέξ-  
 ανδρος ὁ Αἰτωλὸς ἀναστὰς, καθότι μὲν ἠθροικε  
 τοὺς συμμάχους ἐπὶ τὸ περὶ τῶν διαλύσεων  
 διαβούλιον καὶ καθόλου νῦν ἑκάστους ἀξιοῖ λέγειν  
 6 τὸ φαινόμενον, ἐπήνεσε τὸν Τίτον, τοῖς δ' ὅλοις  
 πράγμασιν ἀγνοεῖν ἔφη καὶ παραπίπτειν αὐτόν,  
 εἰ πέπεισται διαλύσεις ποιησάμενος πρὸς Φίλ-  
 ιππον ἢ Ῥωμαίοις τὴν εἰρήνην ἢ τοῖς Ἑλλησι  
 τὴν ἐλευθερίαν βέβαιον ἀπολείψειν· οὐδέτερον  
 7 γὰρ εἶναι τούτων δυνατόν, ἀλλ' εἰ βούλεται καὶ  
 τὴν τῆς πατρίδος πρόθεσιν ἐπιτελῆ ποιεῖν καὶ  
 τὰς ἰδίας ὑποσχέσεις, ἃς ὑπέσχηται πᾶσι τοῖς  
 Ἑλλησι, μίαν ὑπάρχειν ἔφη διάλυσιν πρὸς Μα-  
 κεδόνας τὸ Φίλιππον ἐκβάλλειν ἐκ τῆς ἀρχῆς.  
 8 τοῦτο δ' εἶναι καὶ λίαν εὐχερές, εἰ μὴ παρῆ  
 9 τὸν ἐνεστῶτα καιρόν. πλείω δὲ πρὸς ταύτην  
 τὴν ὑπόθεσιν διαλεχθεὶς κατέπαυσε τὸν λόγον.

37 Ὁ δὲ Τίτος ἀναδεξάμενος ἀστοχεῖν αὐτόν  
 (20) ἔφησεν οὐ μόνον τῆς Ῥωμαίων προαιρέσεως,  
 ἀλλὰ καὶ τῆς αὐτοῦ προθέσεως καὶ μάλιστα τοῦ  
 2 τῶν Ἑλλήνων συμφέροντος. οὔτε γὰρ Ῥω-

When the allies had assembled, and while the council was exclusively composed of them, the Roman proconsul got up and asked them to state severally on what terms peace should be made with Philip. King Amynder resumed his seat after speaking briefly and with moderation. For he begged them all to take steps for his protection, in case, when the Romans had left Greece, Philip might vent his anger on him. For, he said, the Athamanians were always easy victims of the Macedonians owing to their weakness and the closeness of the two countries. After him Alexander the Aetolian got up. He praised Flamininus for having called the allies to take part in the Peace Conference and for inviting them now to give their several opinions, but he said he was much mistaken and wide of the mark if he believed that by coming to terms with Philip he would ensure either peace for the Romans or liberty for the Greeks. For neither of these results was possible ; but if he wished to carry out completely the policy of his country and fulfil the promises he had given to all the Greeks, there was but one way of making peace with Macedonia and that was to depose Philip. To do so, he said, was really quite easy, if he did not let the present opportunity slip. After speaking at some length in the same sense he resumed his seat.

37. Flamininus spoke next. He said that Alexander was mistaken not only as to the policy of Rome, but as to his own particular design, and especially as to the interests of Greece. For neither

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3 μαίους οὐδενὶ τὸ πρῶτον πολεμήσαντας εὐθέως  
 ἀναστάτους ποιεῖν τούτους· πίστιν δ' ἔχειν τὸ  
 λεγόμενον ἔκ [τε] τῶν κατ' Ἀννίβαν καὶ Καρ-  
 χηδονίους, ὑφ' ὧν τὰ δεινότατα παθόντας Ῥω-  
 μαίους, καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα γενομένους κυρίου ὁ  
 4 βουλευθεῖεν πράξαι κατ' αὐτῶν ἀπλῶς, οὐδέν  
 ἀνήκεστον βουλευσασθαι περὶ Καρχηδονίων· καὶ  
 μὴν οὐδ' αὐτὸς οὐδέποτε ταύτην ἐσχηκέναι τὴν  
 αἴρεσιν, ὅτι δεῖ πολεμεῖν πρὸς τὸν Φίλιππον  
 ἀδιαλύτως· ἀλλ' εἶπερ ἐβουλήθη ποιεῖν τὰ παρα-  
 καλούμενα πρὸ τῆς μάχης, ἐτοίμως ἂν διαλελύ-  
 5 σθαι πρὸς αὐτόν. διὸ καὶ θαυμάζειν ἔφη πῶς  
 μετέχοντες τότε τῶν περὶ τῆς διαλύσεως συλ-  
 6 λόγων ἅπαντες νῦν ἀκαταλλάκτως ἔχουσιν. “ ἢ  
 δῆλον ὅτι νενικήκαμεν; ἀλλὰ τοῦτό γ' ἐστὶ πάν-  
 7 των ἀγνωμονέστατον· πολεμοῦντας γὰρ δεῖ τοὺς  
 ἀγαθοὺς ἄνδρας βαρεῖς εἶναι καὶ θυμικούς, ἡττω-  
 μένους δὲ γενναίους καὶ μεγαλόφρονας, νικῶντάς  
 γε μὴν μετρίους καὶ πραεῖς καὶ φιλανθρώπους.  
 8 ὑμεῖς δὲ τὰναντία παρακαλεῖτε νῦν. ἀλλὰ μὴν  
 καὶ τοῖς Ἕλλησι ταπεινωθῆναι μὲν ἐπὶ πολὺ  
 συμφέρει τὴν Μακεδόνων ἀρχήν, ἀρθῆναί γε μὴν  
 9 οὐδαμῶς.” τάχα γὰρ αὐτοὺς πείραν λήψεσθαι  
 τῆς Θρακῶν καὶ Γαλατῶν παρανομίας· τοῦτο  
 10 γὰρ ἤδη καὶ πλεονάκεις γεγονέναι. καθόλου δ'  
 αὐτὸς μὲν ἔφη καὶ τοὺς παρόντας Ῥωμαίων  
 κρίνειν, εἰάν Φίλιππος ὑπομένη πάντα ποιεῖν τὰ  
 πρότερον ὑπὸ τῶν συμμάχων ἐπιταττόμενα, δι-  
 δόναι τὴν εἰρήνην αὐτῷ, προσλαβόντας καὶ τὴν  
 τῆς συγκλήτου γνώμην· Αἰτωλοὺς δὲ κυρίους  
 11 εἶναι βουλευομένους ὑπὲρ σφῶν αὐτῶν. τοῦ δὲ  
 Φαινέου μετὰ ταῦτα βουλομένου λέγειν ὅτι μάταια



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πάντα τὰ πρὸ τοῦ γέγονε· τὸν γὰρ Φίλιππον, ἔαν διολίσθη τὸν παρόντα καιρόν, ἤδη πάλιν  
 12 ἀρχὴν ἄλλην ποιήσεσθαι πραγμάτων· ὁ Τίτος αὐτόθεν ἐξ ἔδρας καὶ θυμικῶς “παῦσαι” φησί  
 “Φαινέα, ληρῶν· ἐγὼ γὰρ οὕτως χειριῶ τὰς διαλύσεις ὥστε μηδὲ βουλευθέντα τὸν Φίλιππον ἀδικεῖν δύνασθαι τοὺς Ἕλληνας.”

38 Καὶ τότε μὲν ἐπὶ τούτοις ἐχωρίσθησαν. τῇ δ’  
 (21) ὑστεραία παραγενομένου τοῦ βασιλέως, καὶ τῇ τρίτῃ πάντων εἰς τὸν σύλλογον ἀθροισθέντων, εἰσελθὼν ὁ Φίλιππος εὐστόχως καὶ συνετῶς  
 2 ὑπετέμετο τὰς πάντων ὀρμάς· ἔφη γὰρ τὰ μὲν πρότερον ὑπὸ Ῥωμαίων καὶ τῶν συμμάχων ἐπιταπτόμενα πάντα συγχωρεῖν καὶ ποιήσειν, περὶ δὲ τῶν λοιπῶν διδόναι τῇ συγκλήτῳ τὴν  
 3 ἐπιτροπὴν. τούτων δὲ ῥηθέντων οἱ μὲν ἄλλοι πάντες ἀπεσιώπησαν, ὁ δὲ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν Φαινέας “τί οὖν ἡμῖν οὐκ ἀποδίδως, Φίλιππε” ἔφη  
 “Λάρισαν τὴν Κρεμαστήν, Φάρσαλον, Θήβας  
 4 τὰς Φθίας, Ἐχῖνον;” ὁ μὲν οὖν Φίλιππος ἐκέλευε παραλαμβάνειν αὐτούς, ὁ δὲ Τίτος τῶν μὲν ἄλλων οὐκ ἔφη δεῖν οὐδεμίαν, Θήβας δὲ μόνον τὰς Φθίας·  
 5 Θηβαίους γὰρ ἐγγίσαντος αὐτοῦ μετὰ τῆς δυνάμεως καὶ παρακαλοῦντος σφᾶς εἰς τὴν Ῥωμαίων πίστιν οὐ βουλευθῆναι· διὸ νῦν, κατὰ πόλεμον ὑποχειρίων ὄντων, ἔχειν ἐξουσίαν ἔφη βουλευέσθαι  
 6 περὶ αὐτῶν ὡς ἂν προαιρῆται. τῶν δὲ περὶ τὸν Φαινέα ἀγανακτούντων, καὶ λεγόντων ὅτι δέον αὐτοὺς εἶη, πρῶτον μὲν, καθότι συνεπολέμησαν νῦν, κομίζεσθαι τὰς πόλεις τὰς πρότερον μεθ’ αὐτῶν συμπολιτευομένας, ἔπειτα κατὰ τὴν ἐξ ἀρχῆς συμμαχίαν, καθ’ ἣν ἔδει τῶν κατὰ πόλεμον

all that had happened was of no use, for Philip, if he could wriggle out of the present crisis, would at once begin to re-establish his power, Flamininus interrupted him angrily and without rising from his seat, exclaiming, “ Stop talking nonsense, Phaeneas ; for I will so manage the peace that Philip will not, even if he wishes it, be able to wrong the Greeks.”

38. On that day they broke up on these terms. Next day the king arrived, and on the following day, when all had assembled at the conference, Philip entered and with great skill and sound sense cut away the ground on which they all based their violent demands by saying that he yielded to and would execute all the former demands of the Romans and the allies, and that he submitted all other questions to the decision of the Senate. After he had said this, all the others remained silent, but Phaeneas the Aetolian representative said, “ Why then, Philip, do you not give up to us Larisa Cremaste, Pharsalus, Phthiotic Thebes, and Echinus ? ” Philip told him to take them, but Flamininus said that they ought not to take any of the other towns, but only Phthiotic Thebes. For the Thebans, when on approaching the town with his army he demanded that they should submit to Rome, had refused. So that, now that they had been reduced by force of arms, he had a right to decide as he chose about them. When, upon this, Phaeneas grew indignant and said that in the first place the Aetolians should, as they had fought side by side with the Romans, receive back the towns which had formerly been members of their League, and next that the same resulted from the terms of their original alliance, by which the possessions



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ἐλόντων τὰ μὲν ἔπιπλα Ῥωμαίων εἶναι, τὰς δὲ  
 πόλεις Αἰτωλῶν, ὃ Τίτος ἀγνοεῖν αὐτοὺς ἔφη κατ'  
 8 ἀμφότερα. τὴν τε γὰρ συμμαχίαν λελύσθαι, καθ'  
 ὃν καιρὸν τὰς διαλύσεις ἐποιήσαντο πρὸς Φίλιππον  
 ἐγκαταλείποντες Ῥωμαίους, εἴ τε καὶ μένειν ἔτι  
 9 τὴν συμμαχίαν, δεῖν αὐτοὺς κομίζεσθαι καὶ παρα-  
 λαμβάνειν, οὐκ εἴ τινες ἐθελοντὴν σφᾶς εἰς τὴν  
 Ῥωμαίων πίστιν ἐνεχείρισαν, ὅπερ αἱ κατὰ Θετ-  
 ταλίαν πόλεις ἅπασαι πεποιήκασιν νῦν, ἀλλ' εἴ  
 τινες κατὰ κράτος ἐάλωσαν.

**39** Τοῖς μὲν οὖν ἄλλοις ὃ Τίτος ἤρεσκε ταῦτα λέ-  
 (22) γων, οἱ δ' Αἰτωλοὶ βαρέως ἤκουον καὶ τις οἶον  
 2 ἀρχὴ κακῶν ἐγεννᾶτο μεγάλων· ἐκ γὰρ ταύτης  
 τῆς διαφορᾶς καὶ τούτου τοῦ σπινθῆρος μετ'  
 ὀλίγον ὃ τε πρὸς Αἰτωλοὺς ὃ τε πρὸς Ἀντίοχον  
 3 ἐξεκαύθη πόλεμος. τὸ δὲ συνέχον ἦν τῆς ὀρμῆς  
 τῆς τοῦ Τίτου πρὸς τὰς διαλύσεις, ἐπυρνήθη  
 τὸν Ἀντίοχον ἀπὸ Συρίας <ἀν>ῆχθαι μετὰ δυνά-  
 μεως, ποιούμενον τὴν ὀρμὴν ἐπὶ τὴν Εὐρώπην.  
 4 διόπερ ἠγωνία μὴ ταύτης ὃ Φίλιππος τῆς ἐλπίδος  
 ἀντιλαμβανόμενος ἐπὶ τὸ πολιοφυλακεῖν ὀρμήσῃ  
 καὶ τρίβειν τὸν πόλεμον, εἶθ' ἑτέρου παραγεννηθέντος  
 ὑπάτου τὸ κεφάλαιον τῶν πράξεων εἰς ἐκεῖνον  
 5 ἀνακλασθῆ. διὸ συνεχωρήθη τῷ βασιλεῖ, καθάπερ  
 ἠξίου, λαβόντα τετραμήνους ἀνοχὰς παραχρῆμα  
 μὲν δοῦναι τῷ Τίτῳ τὰ διακόσια τάλαντα καὶ  
 Δημήτριον τὸν υἱὸν εἰς ὀμηρείαν καὶ τινὰς ἑτέρους  
 τῶν φίλων, περὶ δὲ τῶν ὄλων πέμπειν εἰς τὴν  
 Ῥώμην καὶ διδόναι τῇ συγκλήτῳ τὴν ἐπιτροπὴν.  
 6 καὶ τότε μὲν ἐχωρίσθησαν πιστωσάμενοι περὶ  
 τῶν ὄλων πρὸς ἀλλήλους, ἔφ' ᾧ Τίτον, εἰ μὴ  
 συντελήται τὰ κατὰ τὰς διαλύσεις, ἀποδοῦναι

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Φιλίππῳ τὰ διακόσια τάλαντα καὶ τοὺς ὀμήρους· μετὰ  
7 δὲ ταῦτα πάντες ἔπεμπον εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, οἳ μὲν  
συνεργοῦντες, οἳ δ' ἀντιπράττοντες τῇ διαλύσει. . . .  
40 Τί δή ποτ' ἐστὶν ὅτι τοῖς αὐτοῖς καὶ διὰ τῶν  
(23) αὐτῶν ἀπατώμενοι πάντες οὐ δυνάμεθα λῆξαι  
2 <τῆς> ἀνοίας; τοῦτο γὰρ τὸ γένος τῆς ῥαδιουργίας  
3 πολλάκις ὑπὸ πολλῶν ἤδη γέγονε· καὶ τὸ μὲν  
παρὰ τοῖς ἄλλοις διαχωρεῖν ἴσως οὐ θαυμαστόν,  
τὸ δέ, παρ' οἷς ἡ πηγὴ τῆς τοιαύτης ὑπάρχει  
4 κακοπραγμοσύνης. ἀλλ' ἐστὶν αἴτιον τὸ μὴ πρό-  
χειρον ὑπάρχειν τὸ παρ' Ἐπιχάρμῳ καλῶς εἰρη-  
μένον

ναῖφε καὶ μέμνασ' ἀπιστεῖν· ἄρθρα ταῦτα τῶν  
φρενῶν.

### II. RES ASIAE

40<sup>a</sup> "Ὅτι Ἀντίοχος ὁ βασιλεὺς πάνυ ὠρέγετο τῆς  
Ἐφέσου διὰ τὴν εὐκαιρίαν, τῷ δοκεῖν μὲν κατὰ  
τῆς Ἰωνίας καὶ τῶν ἐφ' Ἑλλησπόντου πόλεων  
καὶ κατὰ γῆν καὶ κατὰ θάλατταν ἀκροπόλεως ἔχειν  
θέσιν, κατὰ δὲ τῆς Εὐρώπης ἀμυντήριον ὑπάρχειν  
αἰεὶ τοῖς Ἀσίας βασιλεῦσιν εὐκαιρότατον.

41 "Ὅτι φησὶν ὁ Πολύβιος ἐν τῷ ἰη' λόγῳ. ὅτι  
(24) Ἀτταλος ἐτελεύτησε τὸν βίον· ὑπὲρ οὗ δίκαιόν  
ἐστὶ, καθάπερ περὶ τῶν ἄλλων εἰθίσμεθα ποιεῖν, καὶ  
περὶ τούτου νῦν ἐπιφθέγξασθαι τὸν ἀρμόζοντα  
2 λόγον. ἐκείνῳ γὰρ ἐξ ἀρχῆς ἄλλο μὲν οὐδὲν  
ἐφόδιον ὑπῆρξε πρὸς βασιλείαν τῶν ἐκτός, πλοῦτος  
3 δὲ μόνον, ὃς μετὰ νοῦ μὲν καὶ τόλμης χειριζόμενος  
ὡς ἀληθῶς μεγάλην παρέχεται χρεῖαν πρὸς πᾶσαν  
ἐπιβολήν, ἄνευ δὲ τῶν προειρημένων τοῖς πλείστοις

two hundred talents and the hostages. After this all the parties sent to Rome, some working for the peace and others against it. . . .

40. What can the reason be that we all, though deceived by the same means and through the same persons, cannot yet give over our folly? For this sort of fraud has been practised often and by many. It is perhaps not surprising that it succeeds with others, but it is indeed astonishing that it does so with those who are the very fount of such trickery. The reason however is that we do not bear in mind Epicharmus's excellent advice, "Be sober and mindful to mistrust; these are the thews of the mind."

## II. AFFAIRS OF ASIA

### *Advantageous Site of Ephesus*

40a. King Antiochus was very anxious to get possession of Ephesus because of its favourable site, as it may be said to stand in the position of a citadel both by land and sea for anyone with designs on Ionia and the cities of the Hellespont, and is always a most favourable point of defence against Europe for the kings of Asia. 197 B.C.

### *Character of Attalus*

41. So died Attalus, and justice demands that, as is my practice in the case of others, I should pronounce a few befitting words over his grave. He possessed at the outset no other quality fitting him to rule over those outside his own household but wealth, a thing that when used with intelligence and daring is of real service in all enterprises but, when these virtues are absent, proves in most

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κακῶν παραίτιος πέφυκε γίνεσθαι καὶ συλλήβδην  
4 ἀπωλείας. καὶ γὰρ φθόνους γεννᾷ καὶ ἐπιβουλάς  
καὶ πρὸς διαφθορὰν σώματος καὶ ψυχῆς μεγίστας  
ἔχει ῥοπάς. ὀλίγαι δέ τινές εἰσι ψυχαὶ παντάπασι  
αἱ ταῦτα δυνάμεναι διωθεῖσθαι τῇ τοῦ πλούτου  
5 δυνάμει. διὸ καὶ τοῦ προειρημένου ἄξιον ἀγασθῆ-  
ναι τὴν μεγαλοψυχίαν, ὅτι πρὸς οὐδὲν τῶν ἄλλων  
ἐπεβάλετο χρήσασθαι τοῖς χορηγίοις ἀλλὰ πρὸς  
βασιλείας κατάκτησιν, οὐ μείζον ἢ κάλλιον οὐδὲν  
6 οἷόν τ' ἐστὶν οὐδ' εἰπεῖν· ὃς τὴν ἀρχὴν ἐνεστήσατο  
τῆς προειρημένης ἐπιβολῆς οὐ μόνον διὰ τῆς εἰς  
τοὺς φίλους εὐεργεσίας καὶ χάριτος, ἀλλὰ καὶ  
7 διὰ τῶν κατὰ πόλεμον ἔργων. νικήσας γὰρ μάχῃ  
Γαλάτας, ὃ βαρύτερον καὶ μαχιμώτατον ἔθνος  
ἦν τότε κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν, ταύτην ἀρχὴν ἐποιήσατο  
8 καὶ τότε πρῶτον αὐτὸν ἔδειξε βασιλέα. τυχῶν  
δὲ τῆς τιμῆς ταύτης καὶ βιώσας ἔτη δύο πρὸς τοῖς  
ἑβδομήκοντα, τούτων δὲ βασιλεύσας τετταράκοντα  
καὶ τέτταρα, σωφρονέστατα μὲν ἐβίωσε καὶ  
9 σεμνότατα πρὸς γυναῖκα καὶ τέκνα, διεφύλαξε  
δὲ τὴν πρὸς πάντας τοὺς συμμάχους καὶ φίλους  
πίστιν, ἐναπέθανε δ' ἐν αὐτοῖς τοῖς καλλίστοις  
ἔργοις, ἀγωνιζόμενος ὑπὲρ τῆς τῶν Ἑλλήνων  
10 ἐλευθερίας. τὸ δὲ μέγιστον, τέτταρας υἱοὺς ἐν  
ἡλικίᾳ καταλιπὼν οὕτως ἡρμόσατο τὰ κατὰ τὴν  
ἀρχὴν ὥστε παισὶ παίδων ἀστασίαστον παρα-  
δοθῆναι τὴν βασιλείαν.

### III. RES ITALIAE

42 Ὅτι ἐπὶ Μαρκέλλου Κλαυδίου ὑπάτου παρειλη-  
(25) φότος τὴν ὑπατον ἀρχὴν ἦκον εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην



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οἱ τε παρὰ τοῦ Φιλίππου πρέσβεις οἱ τε παρὰ τοῦ  
Τίτου καὶ τῶν συμμάχων ὑπὲρ τῶν πρὸς Φίλιππον  
2 συνθηκῶν. λόγων δὲ πλείονων γενομένων ἐν τῇ  
συγκλήτῳ, ταύτῃ μὲν ἔδόκει βεβαιοῦν τὰς ὁμολο-  
3 γίας· εἰς δὲ τὸν δῆμον εἰσενεχθέντος τοῦ δια-  
βουλίου Μάρκος, αὐτὸς ἐπιθυμῶν τῆς εἰς τὴν  
Ἑλλάδα διαβάσεως, ἀντέλεγε καὶ πολλὴν ἐποιεῖτο  
4 σπουδὴν εἰς τὸ διακόψαι τὰς συνθήκας. οὐ μὴν  
ἀλλ' ὁ γε δῆμος κατὰ τὴν τοῦ Τίτου προαίρεσιν  
5 ἐπεκύρωσε τὰς διαλύσεις. ὧν ἐπιτελεσθεισῶν  
εὐθέως ἢ σύγκλητος ἄνδρας δέκα καταστήσασα  
τῶν ἐπιφανῶν ἐξέπεμπε τοὺς χειριοῦντας τὰ κατὰ  
τὴν Ἑλλάδα μετὰ τοῦ Τίτου καὶ βεβαιώσοντας  
6 τοῖς Ἕλλησι τὴν ἐλευθερίαν. ἐποιήσαντο δὲ  
λόγους ἐν τῇ συγκλήτῳ καὶ περὶ τῆς συμμαχίας οἱ  
παρὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν πρέσβεις, οἱ περὶ Δαμόξενον  
7 τὸν Αἰγία· γενομένης δ' ἀντιρρήσεως κατὰ τὸ  
παρὸν διὰ τὸ κατὰ πρόσωπον Ἡλείους μὲν ἀμφι-  
σβητεῖν τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς ὑπὲρ τῆς Τριφυλίας, Μεσ-  
σηνίου δ' ὑπὲρ Ἀσίνης καὶ Πύλου, συμμάχους  
τότε Ῥωμαίων ὑπάρχοντας, Αἰτωλοὺς δὲ περὶ  
τῆς Ἡραιῶν πόλεως, ὑπέρθεσιν ἔλαβε τὸ δια-  
8 βούλιον ἐπὶ τοὺς δέκα. καὶ τὰ μὲν κατὰ τὴν  
σύγκλητον ἐπὶ τούτοις ἦν.

### IV. RES GRAECIAE

43 Ὅτι κατὰ τὴν Ἑλλάδα μετὰ τὴν μάχην Τίτου  
(26) παραχειμάζοντος ἐν Ἐλατεία Βοιωτοί, σπου-  
δάζοντες ἀνακομίσασθαι τοὺς ἄνδρας τοὺς παρ'  
αὐτῶν στρατευσαμένους παρὰ τῷ Φιλίππῳ, δι-  
επρεσβεύοντο περὶ τῆς ἀσφαλείας αὐτῶν πρὸς

bassadors from Philip and also the legates sent by Flaminius and the allies on the subject of the peace with Philip. After considerable discussion in the Senate that body resolved to confirm the peace. But when the *senatus-consultum* was brought before the People, Marcus, who himself was desirous of crossing to Greece, spoke against it and did all in his power to break off the negotiation. But in spite of this the people yielded to the wishes of Flaminius and ratified the peace. Upon the conclusion of peace the Senate at once nominated ten of its most distinguished members and sent them to manage Grecian affairs in conjunction with Flamininus, and to assure the liberties of the Greeks. The Achaean legate Damoxenus of Aegae also spoke in the Senate on the subject of the alliance. But since some opposition was raised for the time being, because the Eleans made a claim against the Achaeans for Triphylia, the Messenians (who were then the allies of Rome) for Asine and Pylus, and the Aetolians for the possession of Heraea, the decision was referred to the ten commissioners. Such was the result of the proceedings in the Senate.

#### IV. AFFAIRS OF GREECE

##### *Conduct of the Boeotians*

43. While Flaminius was wintering in Elatea 196 B.C. after the battle, the Boeotians, anxious to recover the men they had sent to serve under Philip in the campaign, sent an embassy to Flaminius begging



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2 Τίτον. ὁ δὲ βουλόμενος ἐκκαλεῖσθαι τοὺς Βοιω-  
 3 τοὺς πρὸς τὴν σφετέραν εὐνοίαν διὰ τὸ προορᾶσθαι  
 4 τὸν Ἀντίοχον, ἐτοίμως συνεχώρησεν. ταχὺ δὲ  
 5 πάντων ἀνακομισθέντων ἐκ τῆς Μακεδονίας, ἐν-  
 6 οῖς ἦν καὶ Βραχύλλης, τοῦτον μὲν εὐθέως βοιω-  
 7 τάρχην κατέστησαν, παραπλησίως δὲ καὶ τοὺς  
 8 ἄλλους τοὺς δοκοῦντας εἶναι φίλους τῆς Μακεδόνων  
 9 οἰκίας ἐτίμων καὶ προῆγον οὐχ ἤττον ἢ πρότερον.  
 10 ἔπεμψαν δὲ καὶ πρεσβείαν πρὸς τὸν Φίλιππον τὴν  
 11 εὐχαριστήσουσαν ἐπὶ τῇ τῶν νεανίσκων ἐπανόδῳ,  
 12 λυμαινόμενοι τὴν τοῦ Τίτου χάριν. ἃ συνορῶντες  
 13 οἱ περὶ τὸν Ζεύξιππον καὶ Πεισίστρατον, καὶ  
 14 πάντες οἱ δοκοῦντες εἶναι Ῥωμαίοις φίλοι δυσχερῶς  
 15 ἔφερον, προορώμενοι τὸ μέλλον καὶ δεδιότες περὶ  
 16 σφῶν αὐτῶν καὶ τῶν ἀναγκαίων· σαφῶς γὰρ  
 17 ἤδεισαν ὡς, εἰ μὲν οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι χωρισθῶσιν ἐκ  
 18 τῆς Ἑλλάδος, ὁ δὲ Φίλιππος μένη παρὰ πλευράν,  
 19 συνεπισχύων αἰεὶ τοῖς πρὸς σφᾶς ἀντιπολιτευομέ-  
 20 νοις, οὐδαμῶς ἀσφαλῆ σφίσιν ἐσομένην τὴν ἐν τῇ  
 21 Βοιωτίᾳ πολιτείαν. διὸ καὶ συμφρονήσαντες ἐπρέ-  
 22 σβευον πρὸς Τίτον εἰς τὴν Ἐλάτειαν. συμμίξαντες  
 23 δὲ τῷ προειρημένῳ πολλοὺς καὶ ποικίλους εἰς  
 24 τοῦτο τὸ μέρος διετίθεντο λόγους, ὑποδεικνύντες  
 25 τὴν ὀρμὴν τοῦ πλήθους τὴν οὖσαν ἤδη νῦν καθ'  
 26 αὐτῶν καὶ τὴν ἀχαριστίαν τῶν ὄχλων. καὶ τέλος  
 27 ἐθάρρησαν εἰπεῖν <ὡς>, εἰ μὴ τὸν Βραχύλλην  
 28 ἐπανελόμενοι καταπλήξωνται τοὺς πολλούς, οὐκ  
 29 ἔστιν ἀσφάλεια τοῖς Ῥωμαίων φίλοις χωρισθέντων  
 30 τῶν στρατοπέδων. ὁ δὲ Τίτος ταῦτα διακούσας  
 31 αὐτὸς μὲν οὐκ ἔφη κοινωνεῖν τῆς πράξεως ταύτης,  
 32 τοὺς δὲ βουλομένους πράττειν οὐ κωλύειν· καθόλου  
 33 δὲ λαλεῖν αὐτοὺς ἐκέλευε περὶ τούτων Ἀλεξαμενῶ

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- 12 τῷ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν στρατηγῷ. τῶν δὲ περὶ τὸν Ζεύξιππον πειθαρχησάντων καὶ διαλεγομένων, ταχέως ὁ προειρημένος πεισθεὶς καὶ συγκαταθέμενος τοῖς λεγομένοις τρεῖς μὲν τῶν Αἰτωλικῶν συνέστησε, τρεῖς δὲ τῶν Ἰταλικῶν νεανίσκων τοὺς προσοίοντας τὰς χεῖρας τῷ Βραχύλλῃ. . . .
- 13 Οὐδεὶς γὰρ οὕτως οὔτε μάρτυς ἐστὶ φοβερὸς οὔτε κατήγορος δεινὸς ὡς ἡ σύνεσις ἢ κατοικοῦσ' ἐν ταῖς ἐκάστων ψυχαῖς.
- 44 "Ὅτι κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον ἤκον ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης (27) οἱ δέκα, δι' ὧν ἔμελλε χειρίζεσθαι τὰ κατὰ τοὺς Ἕλληνας, κομίζοντες τὸ τῆς συγκλήτου <δῶγμα> 2 τὸ περὶ τῆς πρὸς Φίλιππον εἰρήνης. ἦν δὲ τὰ συνέχοντα τοῦ δόγματος ταῦτα, τοὺς μὲν ἄλλους Ἕλληνας πάντας, τοὺς τε κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν καὶ κατὰ τὴν Εὐρώπην, ἐλευθέρους ὑπάρχειν καὶ 3 νόμοις χρῆσθαι τοῖς ἰδίοις· τοὺς δὲ ταπτομένους ὑπὸ Φίλιππον καὶ τὰς πόλεις τὰς ἐμφρούρους παραδοῦναι Φίλιππον Ῥωμαίοις πρὸ τῆς τῶν 4 Ἰσθμίων πανηγύρεως, Εὐρωμον δὲ καὶ Πήδασα καὶ Βαργύλια καὶ τὴν Ἰασέων πόλιν, ὁμοίως Ἀβυδον, Θάσον, Μύριναν, Πέρινθον, ἐλευθέρας ἀφεῖναι τὰς φρουρὰς ἐξ αὐτῶν μεταστησάμενον· 5 περὶ δὲ τῆς τῶν Κιανῶν ἐλευθέρωσεως Τίτον γράψαι πρὸς Προυσίαν κατὰ τὸ δῶγμα τῆς συγκ- 6 κλήτου· τὰ δ' αἰχμάλωτα καὶ τοὺς αὐτομόλους ἅπαντας ἀποκαταστήσαι Φίλιππον Ῥωμαίοις ἐν τοῖς αὐτοῖς χρόνοις, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ τὰς καταφράκτους ναῦς πλὴν πέντε σκαφῶν καὶ τῆς ἐκ- 7 καιδεκῆρους· δοῦναι δὲ καὶ χίλια τάλαντα, τούτων τὰ μὲν ἡμίση παραυτίκα, τὰ δ' ἡμίση κατὰ φόρους ἐν ἔτεσι δέκα.

When Zeuxippus and the others acted on this advice and spoke about the matter, Alexamenus was soon persuaded and agreeing to what they said, arranged for three Aetolians and three Italian soldiers to assassinate Brachylles. . . .

For no one is such a terrible witness or such a dread accuser as the conscience that dwells in all our hearts.

*Flamininus and the Roman Commissioners in Greece*

44. At this time the ten commissioners who were to control the affairs of Greece arrived from Rome bringing the senatus-consultum about the peace with Philip. Its principal contents were as follows : All the rest of the Greeks in Asia and Europe were to be free and subject to their own laws ; Philip was to surrender to the Romans before the Isthmian games those Greeks subject to his rule and the cities in which he had garrisons ; he was to leave free, withdrawing his garrisons from them, the towns of Euromus, Pedasa, Bargyia, and Iasus, as well as Abydus, Thasos, Myrina, and Perinthus ; Flamininus was to write to Prusias in the terms of the senatus-consultum about restoring the freedom of Cius ; Philip was to restore to the Romans all prisoners of war and deserters before the same date, and to surrender to them all his warships with the exception of five light vessels and his great ship of sixteen banks of oars ; he was to pay them a thousand talents, half at once and the other half by instalments extending over ten years.

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**45** Τούτου δὲ τοῦ δόγματος διαδοθέντος εἰς τοὺς  
**(28)** Ἕλληνας οἱ μὲν ἄλλοι πάντες εὐθαρσεῖς ἦσαν καὶ  
 περιχαρεῖς, μόνοι δ' Αἰτωλοί, δυσχεραίνοντες ἐπὶ  
 τῷ μὴ τυγχάνειν ὧν ἠλπίζον, κατελάλουν τὸ  
 δόγμα, φάσκοντες οὐ πραγμάτων, ἀλλὰ γραμμάτων  
 2 μόνον ἔχειν αὐτὸ διάθεσιν. καὶ τινες ἐλάμβανον  
 πιθανότητας ἐξ αὐτῶν τῶν ἐγγράπτων πρὸς τὸ  
 3 διασεῖειν τοὺς ἀκούοντας τοιαύτας. ἔφασκον γὰρ  
 εἶναι δύο γνώμας ἐν τῷ δόγματι περὶ τῶν ὑπὸ  
 Φιλίππου φρουρουμένων πόλεων, τὴν μὲν μίαν  
 ἐπιτάττουσαν ἐξάγειν τὰς φρουρὰς τὸν Φίλιππον,  
 τὰς δὲ πόλεις παραδιδόναι Ῥωμαίοις, τὴν δ'  
 ἑτέραν ἐξάγοντα τὰς φρουρὰς ἐλευθεροῦν τὰς  
 4 πόλεις. τὰς μὲν οὖν ἐλευθερουμένας ἐπ' ὀνόματος  
 δηλοῦσθαι, ταύτας δ' εἶναι τὰς κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν,  
 τὰς δὲ παραδιδόμενας Ῥωμαίοις φανερόν ὅτι τὰς  
 5 κατὰ τὴν Εὐρώπην. εἶναι δὲ ταύτας Ὠρεόν,  
 6 Ἐρέτριαν, Χαλκίδα, Δημητριάδα, Κόρινθον. ἐκ  
 δὲ τούτων εὐθεώρητον ὑπάρχειν πᾶσιν ὅτι μετα-  
 λαμβάνουσι τὰς Ἑλληνικὰς πέδας παρὰ Φιλίππου  
 Ῥωμαῖοι, καὶ γίνεται μεθάρμοσις δεσποτῶν, οὐκ  
 ἐλευθέρωσις τῶν Ἑλλήνων.  
 7 Ταῦτα μὲν οὖν ὑπ' Αἰτωλῶν ἐλέγετο κατακόρως.  
 ὁ δὲ Τίτος ὀρμήσας ἐκ τῆς Ἐλατείας μετὰ τῶν  
 δέκα καὶ κατάρας εἰς τὴν Ἀντίκυραν, παραυτίκα  
 διέπλευσεν εἰς τὸν Κόρινθον, κακεῖ παραγενό-  
 μενος συνήδρευε μετὰ τούτων καὶ διελάμβανε  
 8 περὶ τῶν ὄλων. πλεοναζούσης δὲ τῆς τῶν Αἰτωλῶν  
 διαβολῆς καὶ πιστευομένης παρ' ἐνίοις, πολλοὺς  
 καὶ ποικίλους ἠναγκάζετο ποιεῖσθαι λόγους ὁ  
 9 Τίτος ἐν τῷ συνεδρίῳ, διδάσκων ὡς εἴπερ βούλονται  
 καὶ τὴν τῶν Ἑλλήνων εὐκλειαν ὀλόκληρον περι-



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ποιήσασθαι, καὶ καθόλου πιστευθῆναι παρὰ πᾶσι  
 διότι καὶ τὴν ἐξ ἀρχῆς ἐποιήσαντο διάβασιν οὐ  
 τοῦ συμφέροντος ἕνεκεν, ἀλλὰ τῆς τῶν Ἑλλήνων  
 ἐλευθερίας, ἐκχωρητέον εἶη πάντων τῶν τόπων  
 καὶ πάσας ἐλευθερωτέον τὰς πόλεις τὰς νῦν  
 10 ὑπὸ Φιλίππου φρουρουμένας. ταύτην δὲ συνέβαινε  
 γίνεσθαι τὴν ἀπορίαν ἐν τῷ συνεδρίῳ διὰ τὸ περι-  
 μὲν τῶν ἄλλων ἐν τῇ Ῥώμῃ προδιειληφθαι καὶ  
 ῥητὰς ἔχειν τοὺς δέκα παρὰ τῆς συγκλήτου τὰς  
 ἐντολάς, περὶ δὲ Χαλκίδος καὶ Κορίνθου καὶ  
 Δημητριάδος ἐπιτροπὴν αὐτοῖς δεδόσθαι διὰ  
 τὸν Ἀντίοχον, ἵνα βλέποντες πρὸς τοὺς καιροὺς  
 βουλεύωνται περὶ τῶν προειρημένων πόλεων κατὰ  
 11 τὰς αὐτῶν προαιρέσεις· ὁ γὰρ προειρημένος βασι-  
 λεὺς δῆλος ἦν ἐπέχων πάλαι τοῖς κατὰ τὴν  
 12 Εὐρώπην πράγμασιν. οὐ μὴν ἀλλὰ τὸν μὲν  
 Κόρινθον ὁ Τίτος ἔπεισε τὸ συνέδριον ἐλευθεροῦν  
 παραχρῆμα καὶ τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς ἐγχειρίζειν διὰ τὰς  
 ἐξ ἀρχῆς ὁμολογίας, τὸν δ' Ἀκροκόρινθον καὶ  
 Δημητριάδα καὶ Χαλκίδα παρακατέσχευεν.  
 46 Δοξάντων δὲ τούτων, καὶ τῆς Ἰσθμίων παν-  
 (29) ηγύρεως ἐπελθούσης, καὶ σχεδὸν ἀπὸ πάσης τῆς  
 οἰκουμένης τῶν ἐπιφανεστάτων ἀνδρῶν συνεληλυ-  
 θότων διὰ τὴν προσδοκίαν τῶν ἀποβησομένων,  
 πολλοὶ καὶ ποικίλοι καθ' ὅλην τὴν πανήγυριν  
 2 ἐνέπιπτον λόγοι, τῶν μὲν ἀδύνατον εἶναι φασκόντων  
 Ῥωμαίους ἐνίων ἀποστήναι τόπων καὶ πόλεων,  
 τῶν δὲ διοριζομένων ὅτι τῶν μὲν ἐπιφανῶν εἶναι  
 δοκούντων τόπων ἀποστήσονται, τοὺς δὲ φαν-  
 τασίαν μὲν ἔχοντας ἐλάττω, χρεῖαν δὲ τὴν αὐτὴν  
 3 παρέχεσθαι δυναμένους καθέξουσι. καὶ τούτους

Greece and in general convince all that the Romans had originally crossed the sea not in their own interest but in that of the liberty of Greece, they must withdraw from every place and set free all the cities now garrisoned by Philip. The hesitation felt in the conference was due to the fact that, while a decision had been reached in Rome about all other questions, and the commissioners had definite instructions from the Senate on all other matters, the question of Chalcis, Corinth, and Demetrias had been left to their discretion owing to the fear of Antiochus, in order that with an eye to circumstances they should take any course on which they determined. For it was evident that Antiochus had been for some time awaiting his opportunity to interfere in the affairs of Greece. However, Flamininus persuaded his colleagues to set Corinth free at once, handing it over to the Achaeans, as had originally been agreed, while he remained in occupation of the Acrocorinth, Demetrias, and Chalcis.

46. This having been decided and the Isthmian games being now close at hand, the most distinguished men from almost the whole world having assembled there owing to their expectation of what would take place, many and various were the reports prevalent during the whole festival, some saying that it was impossible for the Romans to abandon certain places and cities, and others declaring that they would abandon the places which were considered famous, but would retain those, which while less illustrious, would serve their purpose equally well, even at once naming these latter out



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εὐθέως ἐπεδείκνυσαν αὐτοὶ καθ' αὐτῶν διὰ τῆς  
 4 πρὸς ἀλλήλους εὐρεσιλογίας. τοιαύτης δ' οὔσης  
 ἐν τοῖς ἀνθρώποις τῆς ἀπορίας, ἀθροισθέντος τοῦ  
 πλήθους εἰς τὸ στάδιον ἐπὶ τὸν ἀγῶνα, προελθὼν  
 ὁ κῆρυξ καὶ <κατα>σιωπησάμενος τὰ πλήθη διὰ  
 τοῦ σαλπικτοῦ τόδε <τὸ> κήρυγμ' ἀνηγόρευσε·  
 5 “Ἡ σύγκλητος ἢ Ῥωμαίων καὶ Τίτος Κοῖντιος  
 στρατηγὸς ὕπατος, καταπολεμήσαντες βασιλέα  
 Φίλιππον καὶ Μακεδόνας, ἀφιασιν ἐλευθέρους,  
 ἀφρουρήτους, ἀφορολογήτους, νόμοις χρωμένους  
 τοῖς πατρίοις, Κορινθίους, Φωκέας, Λοκρούς,  
 Εὐβοεῖς, Ἀχαιοὺς τοὺς Φθιώτας, Μάγνητας,  
 6 Θετταλοὺς, Περραιβοὺς.” κρότου δ' ἐν ἀρχαῖς  
 εὐθέως ἐξαισίου γενομένου τινὲς μὲν οὐδ' ἤκουσαν  
 τοῦ κηρύγματος, τινὲς δὲ πάλιν ἀκούειν ἐβούλοντο.  
 7 τὸ δὲ πολὺ μέρος τῶν ἀνθρώπων διαπιστούμενον  
 καὶ δοκοῦν ὡς ἂν εἰ καθ' ὕπνον ἀκούειν τῶν  
 λεγομένων διὰ τὸ παράδοξον τοῦ συμβαίνοντος,  
 8 πᾶς τις ἐξ ἄλλης ὀρμῆς ἐβόα προάγειν τὸν κήρυκα  
 καὶ τὸν σαλπικτὴν εἰς μέσον τὸ στάδιον καὶ λέγειν  
 πάλιν ὑπὲρ τῶν αὐτῶν, ὡς μὲν ἐμοὶ δοκεῖ, βου-  
 λομένων τῶν ἀνθρώπων μὴ μόνον ἀκούειν, ἀλλὰ  
 καὶ βλέπειν τὸν λέγοντα διὰ τὴν ἀπιστίαν τῶν  
 9 ἀναγορευομένων. ὡς δὲ πάλιν ὁ κῆρυξ, προελθὼν  
 εἰς τὸ μέσον καὶ κατασιωπησάμενος διὰ τοῦ  
 σαλπικτοῦ τὸν θόρυβον, ἀνηγόρευσε ταῦτα καὶ  
 ὡσαύτως τοῖς πρόσθεν, τηλικούτον συνέβη καταρ-  
 ραγῆναι τὸν κρότον ὥστε καὶ μὴ ῥαδίως ἂν ὑπὸ  
 τὴν ἔννοιαν ἀγαγεῖν τοῖς νῦν ἀκούουσι τὸ γεγονός.  
 10 ὡς δὲ ποτε κατέληξεν ὁ κρότος, τῶν μὲν ἀθλητῶν  
 ἀπλῶς οὐδεὶς οὐδένα λόγον εἶχεν ἔτι, πάντες δὲ  
 διαλαλοῦντες, οἱ μὲν ἀλλήλοις, οἱ δὲ πρὸς σφᾶς

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- αὐτούς, οἷον εἰ παραστατικοὶ τὰς διανοίας ἦσαν.
- 11 ἦ καὶ μετὰ τὸν ἀγῶνα διὰ τὴν ὑπερβολὴν τῆς  
 χαρᾶς μικροῦ διέφθειραν τὸν Τίτον εὐχαριστοῦντες·
- 12 οἱ μὲν γὰρ ἀντοφθαλμῆσαι κατὰ πρόσωπον καὶ  
 σωτήρα προσφωνῆσαι βουλόμενοι, τινὲς δὲ τῆς  
 δεξιᾶς ἄψασθαι σπουδάζοντες, οἱ δὲ πολλοὶ στεφά-  
 νους ἐπιρριπτοῦντες καὶ λημνίσκους, παρ' ὀλίγον
- 13 διέλυσαν τὸν ἄνθρωπον. δοκούσης δὲ τῆς εὐχα-  
 ριστίας ὑπερβολικῆς γενέσθαι, θαρρῶν ἂν τις εἶπε  
 διότι πολὺ καταδεεστέραν εἶναι συνέβαινε τοῦ τῆς
- 14 πράξεως μεγέθους. θαυμαστὸν γὰρ ἦν καὶ τὸ  
 Ῥωμαίους ἐπὶ ταύτης γενέσθαι τῆς προαιρέσεως  
 καὶ τὸν ἡγούμενον αὐτῶν Τίτον, ὥστε πᾶσαν  
 ὑπομεῖναι δαπάνην καὶ πάντα κίνδυνον χάριν τῆς
- 15 τῶν Ἑλλήνων ἐλευθερίας· μέγα δὲ καὶ τὸ δύναμιν  
 ἀκόλουθον τῇ προαιρέσει προσενέγκασθαι· τούτων  
 δὲ μέγιστον ἔτι τὸ μηδὲν ἐκ τῆς τύχης ἀντιπαῖσαι  
 πρὸς τὴν ἐπιβολήν, ἀλλ' ἀπλῶς ἅπαντα πρὸς ἓνα  
 καιρὸν ἐκδραμεῖν, ὥστε διὰ κηρύγματος ἑνὸς  
 ἅπαντας καὶ τοὺς τὴν Ἀσίαν κατοικοῦντας Ἕλλη-  
 νας καὶ τοὺς τὴν Εὐρώπην ἐλευθέρους, ἀφρουρήτους,  
 ἀφορολογήτους γενέσθαι, νόμοις χρωμένους τοῖς  
 ἰδίοις.
- 47 Διελθούσης δὲ τῆς πανηγύρεως πρώτοις μὲν  
 (30) ἐχρημάτισαν τοῖς παρ' Ἀντιόχου πρεσβευταῖς,  
 διακελευόμενοι τῶν ἐπὶ τῆς Ἀσίας πόλεων τῶν  
 μὲν αὐτονόμων ἀπέχεσθαι καὶ μηδεμιᾶ πολεμεῖν,  
 ὅσας δὲ νῦν παρείληφε τῶν ὑπὸ Πτολεμαῖον καὶ
- 2 Φίλιππον ταττομένων, ἐκχωρεῖν. σὺν δὲ τούτοις  
 προηγόρευον μὴ διαβαίνειν εἰς τὴν Εὐρώπην μετὰ  
 δυνάμεως· οὐδένα γὰρ ἔτι τῶν Ἑλλήνων οὔτε  
 πολεμεῖσθαι νῦν ὑπ' οὐδενὸς οὔτε δουλεύειν οὐδενί.

men beside themselves. So much so indeed that after the games were over they very nearly put an end to Flamininus by their expressions of thanks. For some of them, longing to look him in the face and call him their saviour, others in their anxiety to grasp his hand, and the greater number throwing crowns and fillets on him, they all but tore the man in pieces. But however excessive their gratitude may seem to have been, one may confidently say that it was far inferior to the greatness of the event. For it was a wonderful thing, to begin with, that the Romans and their general Flamininus should entertain this purpose incurring every expense and facing every danger for the freedom of Greece; it was a great thing that they brought into action a force adequate to the execution of their purpose; and greatest of all was the fact that no mischance of any kind counteracted their design, but everything without exception conduced to this one crowning moment, when by a single proclamation all the Greeks inhabiting Asia and Europe became free, ungarrisoned, subject to no tribute and governed by their own laws.

47. When the festival was over, the commissioners first gave audience to the ambassadors of Antiochus. They ordered him, as regards the Asiatic cities, to keep his hands off those which were autonomous and make war on none of them and to withdraw from those previously subject to Ptolemy and Philip which he had recently taken. At the same time they enjoined him not to cross to Europe with an army, for none of the Greeks were any longer being attacked by anyone or the subjects of any-

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3 καθόλου δὲ καὶ ἐξ αὐτῶν τινὰς ἔφασαν ἤξειν πρὸς  
4 τὸν Ἀντίοχον. ταύτας μὲν οὖν οἱ περὶ τὸν Ἡγη-  
σιάνακτα καὶ Λυσίαν λαβόντες τὰς ἀποκρίσεις  
5 ἐπανῆλθον· μετὰ δὲ τούτους εἰσεκαλοῦντο πάντας  
τοὺς ἀπὸ τῶν ἔθνῶν καὶ πόλεων παραγεγονότας,  
6 καὶ τὰ δόξαντα τῷ συνεδρίῳ διεσάφουν. Μακε-  
δόνων μὲν οὖν τοὺς Ὀρέστας καλουμένους διὰ τὸ  
προσχωρῆσαι σφίσι κατὰ τὸν πόλεμον αὐτονόμους  
ἀφείσαν, ἠλευθέρωσαν δὲ Περραιβοὺς καὶ Δόλοπας  
7 καὶ Μάγνητας. Θετταλοῖς δὲ μετὰ τῆς ἐλευθερίας  
καὶ τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς τοὺς Φθιώτας προσένειμαν,  
8 ἀφελόμενοι Θήβας τὰς Φθίας καὶ Φάρσαλον· οἱ  
γὰρ Αἰτωλοὶ περὶ τε τῆς Φαρσάλου μεγάλην  
ἐποιοῦντο φιλοτιμίαν, φάσκοντες αὐτῶν δεῖν  
ὑπάρχειν κατὰ τὰς ἐξ ἀρχῆς συνθήκας, ὁμοίως δὲ  
9 καὶ περὶ Λευκάδος. οἱ δ' ἐν τῷ συνεδρίῳ περὶ  
μὲν τούτων τῶν πόλεων ὑπερέθεντο τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς  
τὸ διαβούλιον πάλιν ἐπὶ τὴν σύγκλητον, τοὺς δὲ  
Φωκέας καὶ τοὺς Λοκροὺς συνεχώρησαν αὐτοῖς  
ἔχειν, καθάπερ εἶχον καὶ πρότερον, ἐν τῇ συμ-  
10 πολιτείᾳ. Κόρινθον δὲ καὶ τὴν Τριφυλίαν καὶ  
τὴν Ἡραιῶν πόλιν Ἀχαιοῖς ἀπέδωκαν. Ὠρεὸν  
δ', ἔτι δὲ τὴν Ἐρετριέων πόλιν ἐδόκει μὲν τοῖς  
11 πλείοσιν Εὐμένει δοῦναι. Τίτου δὲ πρὸς τὸ συν-  
ἔδριον διαστείλαντος οὐκ ἐκυρώθη τὸ διαβούλιον·  
διὸ καὶ μετὰ τινὰ χρόνον ἠλευθερώθησαν αἱ πόλεις  
αὗται διὰ τῆς συγκλήτου καὶ σὺν ταύταις Κάρυστος.  
12 ἔδωκαν δὲ καὶ Πλευράτῳ Λυχνίδα καὶ Πάρθον,  
οὓσας μὲν Ἰλλυρίδας, ὑπὸ Φίλιππον δὲ ταπτομένας.  
13 Ἀμυνάνδρῳ δὲ συνεχώρησαν, ὅσα παρεσπάσατο  
κατὰ πόλεμον ἐρύματα τοῦ Φιλίππου, κρατεῖν  
τούτων.



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8 (31) Ταῦτα δὲ διοικήσαντες ἐμέρισαν σφᾶς αὐτούς,  
 2 καὶ Πόπλιος μὲν Λέντλος εἰς Βαργύλια πλεύσας  
 ἤλευθέρωσε τούτους, Λεύκιος δὲ Στερτίνιος εἰς  
 Ἑφαιστίαν καὶ Θάσον ἀφικόμενος καὶ τὰς ἐπὶ  
 3 Θράκης πόλεις ἐποίησε τὸ παραπλήσιον. πρὸς  
 δὲ τὸν Ἀντίοχον ὤρμησαν Πόπλιος Οὐίλλιος καὶ  
 Λεύκιος Τερέντιος, οἱ δὲ περὶ Γνάιον τὸν Κορνήλιον  
 4 πρὸς τὸν βασιλέα Φίλιππον. ὧ καὶ συμμίξαντες  
 πρὸς τοῖς Τέμπεσι περί τε τῶν ἄλλων διελέχθησαν  
 ὑπὲρ ὧν εἶχον τὰς ἐντολάς, καὶ συνεβούλευον  
 αὐτῷ πρεσβευτὰς πέμπειν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην ὑπὲρ  
 συμμαχίας, ἵνα μὴ δοκῆ τοῖς καιροῖς ἐφεδρεύων  
 5 ἀποκαραδοκεῖν τὴν Ἀντιόχου παρουσίαν. τοῦ δὲ  
 βασιλέως συγκαταθεμένου τοῖς ὑποδεικνυμένοις,  
 εὐθέως ἀπ' ἐκείνου χωρισθέντες ἦκον ἐπὶ τὴν τῶν  
 6 Θερμικῶν σύνοδον, καὶ παρελθόντες εἰς τὰ πλήθη  
 παρεκάλουν τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς διὰ πλειόνων μένειν  
 ἐπὶ τῆς ἐξ ἀρχῆς αἰρέσεως καὶ διαφυλάττειν τὴν  
 7 πρὸς Ῥωμαίους εὐνοίαν. πολλῶν δὲ παριστα-  
 μένων, καὶ τῶν μὲν πρᾶως καὶ πολιτικῶς μεμψι-  
 μοιρούντων αὐτοῖς ἐπὶ τῷ μὴ κοινωνικῶς χρῆσθαι  
 τοῖς εὐτυχήμασι μηδὲ τηρεῖν τὰς ἐξ ἀρχῆς συνθήκας,  
 8 τῶν δὲ λοιδορούντων καὶ φασκόντων οὔτ' ἂν  
 ἐπιβῆναι τῆς Ἑλλάδος οὐδέποτε Ῥωμαίους οὔτ'  
 9 ἂν νικῆσαι Φίλιππον, εἰ μὴ δι' ἑαυτούς, τὸ μὲν  
 ἀπολογεῖσθαι πρὸς ἕκαστα τούτων οἱ περὶ τὸν  
 Γνάιον ἀπεδοκίμασαν, παρεκάλουν δ' αὐτοὺς πρε-  
 σβεύειν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, διότι πάντων παρὰ τῆς  
 συγκλήτου τεύξονται τῶν δικαίων· ὃ καὶ πεισθέντες  
 10 ἐποίησαν. καὶ τὸ μὲν τέλος τοῦ πρὸς Φίλιππον  
 <πολέμου> τοιαύτην ἔσχε διάθεσιν.

48. After making these arrangements they separated. Publius Lentulus sailed to Bargylia and set it free, and Lucius Stertinius proceeded to Hephaestia, Thasos and the Thracian cities for the same purpose. Publius Villius and Lucius Terentius went to King Antiochus and Gnaeus Cornelius to King Philip. Encountering him near Tempe he conveyed his other instructions to him and advised him to send an embassy to Rome to ask for an alliance, that they might not think he was watching for his opportunity and looking forward to the arrival of Antiochus. Upon the king's accepting this suggestion, Lentulus at once took leave of him and proceeded to Thermae, where the general assembly of the Aetolians was in session. Appearing before the people he exhorted them, speaking at some length, to maintain their original attitude and keep up their friendliness to Rome. Upon many speakers presenting themselves, some gently and diplomatically rebuking the Romans for not having used their success in a spirit of partnership or observed the terms of the original treaty, while others spoke abusively saying that the Romans could never have landed in Greece or conquered Philip except through the Aetolians, he refrained from replying to these different accusations, but begged them to send an embassy, as they would obtain complete justice from the senate. This he persuaded them to do. Such was the situation at the end of the war against Philip.



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49 Ἐάν, τὸ δὴ λεγόμενον, τρέχωσι τὴν ἐσχάτην,  
(35 6) ἐπὶ τοὺς Ῥωμαίους καταφεύξονται καὶ τούτοις  
ἐγχειριοῦσι σφᾶς αὐτοὺς καὶ τὴν πόλιν.

32 3) 2 Ὅτι προχωρούσης τῷ Ἀντιόχῳ κατὰ νοῦν τῆς  
ἐπιβολῆς παρόντι ἐν Θράκῃ τῷ Ἀντιόχῳ κατέπλευ-  
3 (4) σαν εἰς Σηλυβρίαν οἱ περὶ Λεύκιον Κορνήλιον.  
οὗτοι δ' ἦσαν παρὰ τῆς συγκλήτου πρέσβεις ἐπὶ  
50 τὰς διαλύσεις ἐξαπεσταλμένοι τὰς Ἀντιόχου καὶ  
(33) Πτολεμαίου. κατὰ δὲ τὸν αὐτὸν καιρὸν ἦκον καὶ  
2 τῶν δέκα Πόπλιος μὲν Λέντλος ἐκ Βαργυλίων,  
Λεύκιος δὲ Τερέντιος καὶ Πόπλιος Οὐίλλιος ἐκ  
3 Θάσου. ταχὺ δὲ τῷ βασιλεῖ διασαφηθείσης τῆς  
τούτων παρουσίας, πάντες ἐν ὀλίγαις ἡμέραις  
ἠθροίσθησαν εἰς τὴν Λυσιμάχειαν. συνεκύρησαν  
4 δὲ καὶ οἱ περὶ τὸν Ἡγησιάνακτα καὶ Λυσίαν οἱ  
πρὸς τὸν Τίτον ἀποσταλέντες εἰς τὸν καιρὸν  
τοῦτον. αἱ μὲν οὖν κατ' ἰδίαν ἐντεύξεις τοῦ τε  
βασιλέως καὶ τῶν Ῥωμαίων τελέως ἦσαν ἀφελεῖς  
5 καὶ φιλόανθρωποι· μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα γενομένης  
συνεδρείας κοινῆς ὑπὲρ τῶν ὄλων ἀλλοιοτέραν  
ἔλαβε τὰ πράγματα διάθεσιν. ὁ γὰρ Λεύκιος ὁ  
Κορνήλιος ἠξίου μὲν καὶ τῶν ὑπὸ Πτολεμαῖον  
6 ταπτομένων πόλεων, ὅσας νῦν εἴληφε κατὰ τὴν  
Ἀσίαν, παραχωρεῖν τὸν Ἀντίοχον, τῶν δ' ὑπὸ  
Φίλιππον διεμαρτύρετο φιλοτίμως ἐξίστασθαι·  
γελοῖον γὰρ εἶναι τὰ Ῥωμαίων ἄθλα τοῦ γεγονότος  
αὐτοῖς πολέμου πρὸς Φίλιππον Ἀντίοχον ἐπελθόντα  
7 παραλαμβάνειν. παρήνει δὲ καὶ τῶν αὐτρονόμων  
8 ἀπέχεσθαι πόλεων. καθόλου δ' ἔφη θαυμάζειν  
τίνι λόγῳ τοσαύταις μὲν πεζικαῖς, τοσαύταις δὲ

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ναυτικάῃς δυνάμεσι πεποιήται τὴν εἰς τὴν Εὐρώπην  
 9 διάβασιν· πλὴν γὰρ τοῦ προτίθεσθαι Ῥωμαίοις  
 ἐγχειρεῖν αὐτόν, οὐδ' ἔννοϊαν ἑτέραν καταλείπεσθαι  
 παρὰ τοῖς ὀρθῶς λογιζομένοις. οἱ μὲν οὖν Ῥω-  
 51 μαῖοι ταῦτ' εἰπόντες ἀπεσιώπησαν· ὁ δὲ βασιλεὺς  
 (34) πρῶτον μὲν διαπορεῖν ἔφη κατὰ τίνα λόγον ἀμφι-  
 σβητοῦσι πρὸς αὐτόν ὑπὲρ τῶν ἐπὶ τῆς Ἀσίας  
 πόλεων· πᾶσι γὰρ μᾶλλον ἐπιβάλλειν τοῦτο  
 2 ποιεῖν ἢ Ῥωμαίοις. δεύτερον δ' ἠξίου μηδὲν  
 αὐτοὺς πολυπραγμονεῖν καθόλου τῶν κατὰ τὴν  
 Ἀσίαν· οὐδὲ γὰρ αὐτὸς περιεργάζεσθαι τῶν κατὰ  
 3 τὴν Ἰταλίαν ἀπλῶς οὐδέν. εἰς δὲ τὴν Εὐρώπην  
 ἔφη διαβεβηκέναι μετὰ τῶν δυνάμεων ἀνακτησόμε-  
 νος τὰ κατὰ τὴν Χερρόνησον καὶ τὰς ἐπὶ Θράκης  
 πόλεις· τὴν γὰρ τῶν τόπων τούτων ἀρχὴν μάλιστα  
 4 πάντων αὐτῷ καθήκειν. εἶναι μὲν γὰρ ἐξ ἀρχῆς  
 τὴν δυναστείαν ταύτην Λυσιμάχου, Σελεύκου δὲ  
 πολεμήσαντος πρὸς αὐτόν καὶ κρατήσαντος τῷ  
 πολέμῳ πᾶσαν τὴν Λυσιμάχου βασιλείαν δορί-  
 5 κτητον γενέσθαι Σελεύκου. κατὰ δὲ τοὺς τῶν  
 αὐτοῦ προγόνων περισπασμοὺς ἐν τοῖς ἐξῆς χρόνοις  
 πρῶτον μὲν Πτολεμαῖον παρασπασάμενον σφετερί-  
 σασθαι τοὺς τόπους τούτους, δεύτερον δὲ Φίλιππον.  
 6 αὐτὸς δὲ νῦν οὐ κτᾶσθαι τοῖς Φιλίππου καιροῖς  
 συνεπιτιθέμενος, ἀλλ' ἀνακτᾶσθαι τοῖς ἰδίοις δι-  
 7 καίοις συγχρώμενος. Λυσιμαχεῖς δέ, παραλόγως  
 ἀναστάτους γεγονότας ὑπὸ Θρακῶν, οὐκ ἀδικεῖν  
 8 Ῥωμαίους κατάγων καὶ συνοικίζων· ποιεῖν γὰρ  
 τοῦτ' ἔφη βουλόμενος οὐ Ῥωμαίοις τὰς χεῖρας  
 ἐπιβαλεῖν, Σελεύκῳ δ' οἰκητήριον ἐτοιμάζειν.

such large military and naval forces. For anyone who judged correctly could not suppose that the reason was any other than that he was trying to put himself in the way of the Romans. The Roman envoy having concluded his speech thus, (51) the king replied that in the first place he was at a loss to know by what right they disputed his possession of the Asiatic towns; they were the last people who had any title to do so. Next he requested them not to trouble themselves at all about Asiatic affairs; for he himself did not in the least go out of his way to concern himself with the affairs of Italy. He said that he had crossed to Europe with his army for the purpose of recovering the Chersonese and the cities in Thrace, for he had a better title to the sovereignty of these places than anyone else. They originally formed part of Lysimachus's kingdom, but when Seleucus went to war with that prince and conquered him in the war, the whole of Lysimachus's kingdom came to Seleucus by right of conquest. But during the years that followed, when his ancestors had their attention deflected elsewhere, first of all Ptolemy and then Philip had robbed them of those places and appropriated them. At present he was not possessing himself of them by taking advantage of Philip's difficulties, but he was repossessing himself of them by his right as well as by his might. As for the Lysimachians, who had been unexpectedly expelled from their homes by the Thracians, he was doing no injury to Rome in bringing them back and resettling them; for he did this not with the intention of doing violence to the Romans, but of providing a residence for Seleucus. And regarding the auto-

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9 τὰς δ' αὐτονόμους τῶν κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν πόλεων  
οὐ διὰ τῆς Ῥωμαίων ἐπιταγῆς δέον εἶναι τυγ-  
χάνειν τῆς ἐλευθερίας, ἀλλὰ διὰ τῆς αὐτοῦ χάριτος.  
10 τὰ δὲ πρὸς Πτολεμαῖον αὐτὸς ἔφη διεξάξειν  
εὐδοκουμένως ἐκείνῳ· κρίνειν γὰρ οὐ φιλίαν  
μόνον, ἀλλὰ καὶ μετὰ τῆς φιλίας ἀναγκαιότητα  
συντίθεσθαι πρὸς αὐτόν.

**52** Τῶν δὲ περὶ τὸν Λεύκιον οἰομένων δεῖν καλεῖ-  
(35) σθαι τοὺς Λαμψακηνοὺς καὶ τοὺς Σμυρναίους καὶ  
2 δοῦναι λόγον αὐτοῖς, ἐγένετο τοῦτο. παρήσαν δὲ  
παρὰ μὲν Λαμψακηνῶν οἱ περὶ Παρμενίωνα καὶ  
Πυθόδωρον, παρὰ δὲ Σμυρναίων οἱ περὶ Κοίρανον.  
3 ὧν μετὰ παρρησίας διαλεγομένων, δυσχεράνας ὁ  
βασιλεὺς ἐπὶ τῷ δοκεῖν λόγον ὑπέχειν ἐπὶ Ῥωμαίων  
τοῖς πρὸς αὐτὸν ἀμφισβητοῦσι, μεσολαβήσας τὸν  
4 Παρμενίωνα “παῦσαι” φησὶ “τῶν πολλῶν· οὐ  
γὰρ ἐπὶ Ῥωμαίων, ἀλλ' ἐπὶ Ῥοδίων ὑμῖν εὐδοκῶ  
5 διακριθῆναι περὶ τῶν ἀντιλεγομένων.” καὶ τότε  
μὲν ἐπὶ τούτοις διέλυσαν τὸν σύλλογον, οὐδαμῶς  
εὐδοκήσαντες ἀλλήλοις.

### VI. RES AEGYPTI

**3** (36) Τῶν γὰρ παραβόλων καὶ καλῶν ἔργων ἐφίενται  
2 μὲν πολλοί, τολμῶσι δ' ὀλίγοι ψεύειν. καίτοι  
πολὺ καλλίους ἀφορμὰς εἶχε Σκόπας Κλεομένους  
3 πρὸς τὸ παραβάλλεσθαι καὶ τολμᾶν. ἐκείνος μὲν  
γὰρ προκαταληφθεὶς εἰς αὐτὰς συνεκλείσθη τὰς  
ἐν τοῖς ἰδίῳ οἰκέταις καὶ φίλοις ἐλπίδας· ἀλλ'  
ὅμως οὐδὲ ταύτας ἐγκατέλιπεν, ἀλλ' ἐφ' ὅσον ἦν  
δυνατὸς ἐξήλεγε, τὸ καλῶς ἀποθανεῖν τοῦ ζῆν  
4 αἰσchrῶς περὶ πλείονος ποιησάμενος. Σκόπας δέ,



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καὶ χεῖρα βαρεῖαν ἔχων συνεργὸν καὶ καιρόν, ἅτε  
 τοῦ βασιλέως ἔτι παιδὸς ὄντος, μέλλων καὶ βου-  
 5 λευόμενος προκατελήφθη. γνόντες γὰρ αὐτὸν οἱ  
 περὶ τὸν Ἀριστομένην συναθροίζοντα τοὺς φίλους  
 εἰς τὴν ἰδίαν οἰκίαν καὶ συνεδρεύοντα μετὰ τούτων,  
 πέμψαντές τινες τῶν ὑπασπιστῶν ἐκάλουν εἰς τὸ  
 6 συνέδριον. ὁ δ' οὕτω παρειστήκει τῶν φρενῶν  
 ὡς οὔτε πράττειν ἐτόλμα τῶν ἐξῆς οὐδὲν οὔτε  
 καλούμενος ὑπὸ τοῦ βασιλέως οἷός τ' ἦν πειθαρχεῖν,  
 7 ὁ πάντων ἐστὶν ἔσχατον, ἕως οἱ περὶ τὸν Ἀρι-  
 στομένην γνόντες αὐτοῦ τὴν ἀλογίαν τοὺς μὲν  
 στρατιώτας καὶ τὰ θηρία περιέστησαν περὶ τὴν  
 8 οἰκίαν, Πτολεμαῖον δὲ τὸν Εὐμένους πέμψαντες  
 μετὰ νεανίσκων ἄγειν αὐτὸν ἐκέλευον, εἴ μὲν  
 ἐκὼν βούληται πειθαρχεῖν· εἰ δὲ μή, μετὰ βίας.  
 9 τοῦ δὲ Πτολεμαίου παρεισελθόντος εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν  
 καὶ δηλοῦντος ὅτι καλεῖ Σκόπαν ὁ βασιλεύς, τὰς  
 μὲν ἀρχὰς οὐ προσεῖχε τοῖς λεγομένοις, ἀλλὰ καὶ  
 βλέπων εἰς τὸν Πτολεμαῖον ἀτενὲς ἔμενε καὶ  
 πλείω χρόνον ὡς ἂν εἰ προσανατεινόμενος αὐτῷ  
 10 καὶ θαυμάζων τὴν τόλμαν. ὡς δ' ἐπελθὼν ὁ  
 Πτολεμαῖος θρασέως ἐπελάβετο τῆς χλαμύδος  
 11 αὐτοῦ, τότε βοηθεῖν ἠξίου τοὺς παρόντας. ὄντων  
 δὲ καὶ τῶν εἰσελθόντων νεανίσκων πλειόνων καὶ  
 τὴν ἔξω περίστασιν διασαφήσαντός τινος, συνείξας  
 τοῖς παροῦσιν ἠκολούθει μετὰ τῶν φίλων.

**54** Ἄμα δὲ τῷ παρελθεῖν εἰς τὸ συνέδριον βραχέα  
 (37) μὲν ὁ βασιλεὺς κατηγόρησε, μετὰ δὲ τοῦτον  
 Πολυκράτης, ἄρτι παραγεγονῶς ἀπὸ Κύπρου,  
 2 τελευταῖος δ' Ἀριστομένης. ἦν δὲ τὰ μὲν ἄλλα  
 παραπλήσιος ἢ κατηγορία πάντων τοῖς ἄρτι  
 ῥηθείσι, προσετέθη δὲ τοῖς προειρημένοις ἢ μετὰ  
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on the contrary, while he had a numerous band of supporters and a fine opportunity, as the king was still a child, was forestalled while still deferring and planning. For Aristomenes, having discovered that he used to collect his friends in his own house and hold conferences there with them, sent some officers to summon him before the royal council. But he had so far lost his head that he neither dared to carry on his project, nor, worst of all, even felt himself capable of obeying when summoned by the king, until Aristomenes recognizing his confusion surrounded his house with soldiers and elephants. They then sent Ptolemy, the son of Eumenes, with some soldiers with orders to bring him, if he were willing to obey so much the better, but if not by force. When Ptolemy made his way into the house and announced that the king summoned Scopas, at first he paid no attention to what was said, but simply stared at Ptolemy for a considerable time, as if inclined to threaten him and astonished at his audacity. But when Ptolemy came up to him and boldly took hold of his cloak, he then called on those present to assist him. But as the number of soldiers who had entered the house was considerable, and as some one informed him that it was surrounded outside, he yielded to circumstances and followed Ptolemy accompanied by his friends.

54. When he entered the council-chamber, the king first accused him in a few words and was followed by Polycrates who had lately arrived from Cyprus, and last by Aristomenes. The accusations brought by all were similar to those I have just stated, but in addition they mentioned his conferences with



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τῶν φίλων συνεδρεία καὶ τὸ μὴ πειθαρχῆσαι  
 3 καλούμενον ὑπὸ τοῦ βασιλέως. ἐφ' οἷς οὐ μόνον  
 οἱ τοῦ συνεδρίου κατεγίνωσκον αὐτοῦ πάντες,  
 ἀλλὰ καὶ τῶν ἔξωθεν τῶν πρεσβευτῶν οἱ συμ-  
 4 παρόντες. ὁ δ' Ἀριστομένης, ὅτε κατηγορεῖν  
 ἔμελλε, πολλοὺς μὲν καὶ ἑτέρους παρέλαβε τῶν  
 ἐπιφανῶν ἀνδρῶν ἀπὸ τῆς Ἑλλάδος, καὶ τοὺς  
 παρὰ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν δὲ πρεσβεύοντας ἐπὶ τὰς  
 διαλύσεις, ἐν οἷς ἦν καὶ Δωρίμαχος ὁ Νικοστράτου.  
 5 ῥηθέντων δὲ τούτων μεταλαβὼν ὁ Σκόπας ἐπειρᾶτο  
 μὲν φέρειν τινὰς ἀπολογισμούς, οὐδενὸς δὲ προσ-  
 έχοντος αὐτῷ διὰ τὴν τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλογίαν,  
 εὐθέως οὗτος μὲν εἰς φυλακὴν ἀπήγετο μετὰ  
 6 τῶν φίλων· ὁ δ' Ἀριστομένης ἐπιγενομένης τῆς  
 νυκτὸς τὸν μὲν Σκόπαν καὶ τοὺς συγγενεῖς αὐτοῦ  
 7 καὶ φίλους πάντας διέφθειρε φαρμάκῳ, Δικαιάρχῳ  
 δὲ καὶ στρέβλας καὶ μάστιγας προσαγαγὼν οὕτως  
 αὐτὸν ἐπανείλετο, λαβὼν παρ' αὐτοῦ δίκην καθή-  
 κουσας καὶ κοινὴν ὑπὲρ πάντων τῶν Ἑλλήνων.  
 8 ὁ γὰρ Δικαίάρχος οὗτος ἦν, ὃν Φίλιππος, ὅτε  
 προέθετο παρασπονδεῖν τὰς Κυκλάδας νήσους  
 καὶ τὰς ἐφ' Ἑλλησπόντου πόλεις, ἀπέδειξε τοῦ  
 στόλου παντὸς ἡγεμόνα καὶ τῆς ὅλης πράξεως  
 9 προστάτην. ὃς ἐπὶ πρόδηλον ἀσέβειαν ἐκπεμπό-  
 μενος οὐχ οἷον ἄτοπόν τι πράττειν ἐνόμιζεν, ἀλλὰ  
 τῇ τῆς ἀπονοίας ὑπερβολῇ καὶ τοὺς θεοὺς ὑπέλαβε  
 10 καταπλήξεσθαι καὶ τοὺς ἀνθρώπους· οὐ γὰρ ὀρ-  
 μίσσειε τὰς ναῦς, δύο κατεσκευάζε βωμούς, τὸν  
 μὲν Ἀσεβείας, τὸν δὲ Παρανομίας, καὶ ἐπὶ τούτοις  
 ἔθνε καὶ τούτους προσεκύνει καθάπερ ἂν εἰ δαί-  
 11 μονας. διὸ καὶ δοκεῖ μοι τυχεῖν τῆς ἀρμοζούσης  
 δίκης καὶ παρὰ θεῶν καὶ <παρ' > ἀνθρώπων·

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- παρὰ φύσιν γὰρ ἐνστησάμενος τὸν αὐτοῦ βίον εἰκότως παρὰ φύσιν καὶ τῆς εἰμαρμένης ἔτυχε.
- 12 τῶν δὲ λοιπῶν Αἰτωλῶν τοὺς βουλομένους εἰς τὴν οἰκείαν ἀπαλλάττεσθαι πάντας ἀπέλυσεν ὁ βασιλεὺς μετὰ τῶν ὑπαρχόντων.
- 55 Σκόπα δὲ καὶ ζῶντος μὲν ἐπίσημος ἦν ἢ  
(38) φιλαργυρία—πολὺ γὰρ δὴ τι τοὺς ἄλλους ἀνθρώπους ὑπερέθετο κατὰ τὴν πλεονεξίαν—ἀποθανόντος δὲ καὶ μᾶλλον ἐγενήθη διὰ τοῦ πλήθους τοῦ χρυσίου καὶ  
2 τῆς κατασκευῆς τῆς εὐρημένης παρ' αὐτῷ. λαβὼν γὰρ συνεργὸν τὴν ἀγριότητα τὴν Χαριμόρτου καὶ τὴν μέθην, ἄρδην ἐξετοιχωρύχησε τὴν βασιλείαν.
- 3 Ἐπειδὴ δὲ τὰ κατὰ τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς ἔθεντο καλῶς οἱ περὶ τὴν αὐλήν, εὐθέως ἐγίνοντο περὶ τὸ ποιεῖν Ἀνακλητήρια τοῦ βασιλέως, οὐδέπω μὲν τῆς ἡλικίας κατεπειγούσης, νομίζοντες δὲ λήψεσθαι τινα τὰ πράγματα κατάστασιν καὶ πάλιν ἀρχὴν τῆς ἐπὶ τὸ βέλτιον προκοπῆς, δόξαντος αὐτοκράτορος ἤδη γεγονέναι τοῦ βασιλέως.
- 4 χρησάμενοι δὲ ταῖς παρασκευαῖς μεγαλομερῶς, ἐπετέλουν τὴν πράξιν ἀξίως τοῦ τῆς βασιλείας προσχήματος, πλείστα Πολυκράτους δοκοῦντος εἰς τὴν ἐπιβολὴν ταύτην αὐτοῖς συνηρηκέναι.
- 5 ὁ γὰρ προειρημένος ἀνὴρ καὶ κατὰ τὸν πατέρα μὲν ἔτι νέος ὢν οὐδενὸς ἐδόκει τῶν περὶ τὴν αὐλήν δευτερεύειν οὔτε κατὰ τὴν πίστιν οὔτε κατὰ τὰς πράξεις, ὁμοίως δὲ κατὰ τὸν ἐνεστῶτα βασιλέα.
- 6 πιστευθεὶς γὰρ τῆς Κύπρου καὶ τῶν ἐν ταύτῃ προσόδων ἐν καιροῖς ἐπισφαλέσι καὶ ποικίλοις, οὐ μόνον διεφύλαξε τῷ παιδί τὴν νῆσον, ἀλλὰ καὶ πλῆθος ἱκανὸν ἤθροισε χρημάτων, ἃ τότε παραγεγόνει κομίζων τῷ βασιλεῖ, παραδεδωκῶς τὴν

regulated his life by unnatural principles he met likewise with no natural death. The other Aetolians who wished to leave for home, were all allowed by the king to depart with their property.

55. The avarice of Scopas had been notorious even when he was alive—for his rapacity much excelled that of any other man—but by his death it became more so owing to the quantity of money and precious objects found in his house. For, aided by the savagery and drunken violence of Charimortus he had utterly stripped the palace like a burglar.

After the officials of the court had set to rights the matter of the Aetolians, they at once began to occupy themselves with the celebration of the king's Proclamation (Anacleteria). Although his age was not such as to make it pressing, they thought that it would contribute to the settlement of affairs and be the beginning of a change for the better if the king were thought to be now invested with full authority. Having made preparations on a generous scale they carried out the ceremony in a manner worthy of His Majesty's dignity, Polycrates, as it appears, having taken the greatest share in furthering this scheme of theirs. This man had while still young, during the reign of the king's father, been considered second to none at court in loyalty and energy, and so he continued to be under the present king. For, being entrusted with the government of Cyprus and its revenue in hazardous and complicated circumstances, he had not only preserved the island for the boy but had collected a considerable sum of money, and had now come to Alexandria to bring this money to the king, having handed over

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ἀρχὴν τῆς Κύπρου Πτολεμαίῳ τῷ Μεγαλοπολίτῃ.  
7 τυχῶν δὲ διὰ ταῦτα μεγάλης ἀποδοχῆς καὶ περι-  
ουσίας ἐν τοῖς ἐξῆς χρόνοις, μετὰ ταῦτα προ-  
βαινούσης τῆς ἡλικίας ὀλοσχερῶς εἰς ἀσέλγειαν  
8 ἐξώκειλε καὶ βίον ἀσυρῆ. παραπλησίαν δέ τινα  
τούτῳ φήμην ἐκληρονόμησεν ἐπὶ γήρως καὶ Πτο-  
9 λεμαῖος ὁ Ἀγησάρχου. περὶ ὧν, ὅταν ἐπὶ τοὺς  
καιροὺς ἔλθωμεν, οὐκ ὀκνήσομεν διασαφεῖν τὰ  
παρακολουθήσαντα ταῖς ἐξουσίαις αὐτῶν ἀπρεπῆ.



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# FRAGMENTA LIBRI XX

## I. RES GRAECIAE

- 1 Καὶ αὖθις Πολύβιος· τριάκοντα τῶν ἀποκλήτων προεχειρίσαντο τοὺς συνεδρεύοντας μετὰ τοῦ βασιλέως· καὶ αὖθις· ὁ δὲ συνῆγε τοὺς ἀποκλήτους καὶ διαβούλιον ἀνεδίδου περὶ τῶν ἐνεστώτων.—
- 2 Ὅτι Φιλίππου πρεσβεύσαντος πρὸς Βοιωτοὺς οἱ Βοιωτοὶ ἀπεκρίθησαν τοῖς πρεσβευταῖς διότι παραγενομένου τοῦ βασιλέως πρὸς αὐτοὺς, τότε βουλευσονται περὶ τῶν παρακαλουμένων.—
- 3 Ὅτι Ἀντιόχου διατρίβοντος ἐν τῇ Χαλκίδι καὶ τοῦ χειμῶνος καταρχομένου παρεγένοντο πρὸς αὐτὸν πρεσβευταὶ παρὰ μὲν τοῦ τῶν Ἑπειρωτῶν ἔθνους οἱ περὶ Χάροπα, παρὰ δὲ τῆς τῶν Ἠλείων πόλεως οἱ περὶ Καλλίστρατον. οἱ μὲν οὖν Ἑπειρῶται παρεκάλουν αὐτὸν μὴ προεμβιβάσειν σφᾶς εἰς τὸν πρὸς Ῥωμαίους πόλεμον, θεωροῦντα διότι πρόκεινται πάσης τῆς Ἑλλάδος πρὸς τὴν Ἰταλίαν· ἀλλ' εἰ μὲν αὐτὸς δύναται προκαθίσας τῆς Ἠπείρου παρασκευάζειν σφίσι τὴν ἀσφάλειαν, ἔφασαν αὐτὸν

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<sup>a</sup> The Apocleti were a select council. See Livy xxxv. 34. 2.

<sup>b</sup> The excerptor by mistake has substituted Philip for Antiochus.

## FRAGMENTS OF BOOK XX

### I. AFFAIRS OF GREECE

(Suid. ; cp. Livy xxxv. 48. 2.)

1. "The Aetolians appointed thirty of the Apocleti<sup>a</sup> to sit with King Antiochus," and again, "He summoned the Apocleti to meet and submitted the situation to them." 192-191  
B.C.

#### *Antiochus and Boeotia*

(Cp. Livy xxxv. 50. 5.)

2. When Antiochus<sup>b</sup> sent an embassy to the Boeotians, they replied to the envoys that on the king presenting himself in person, they would take his demands into consideration.

#### *Embassies to Antiochus from Epirus and Elis*

(Cp. Livy xxxvi. 5. 1-8.)

3. While Antiochus was at Chalcis at the beginning of the winter, Charops came to him as envoy on the part of the whole nation of Epirus, and Callistratus on that of the city of Elis. The Epirots begged him not to involve them in the first place in a war with Rome, exposed as they were to Italy in front of all Greece. If indeed he was capable of protecting Epirus and assuring their safety, they



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4 δέξασθαι καὶ ταῖς πόλεσι καὶ τοῖς λιμέσιν· εἰ δὲ  
 μὴ κρίνει τοῦτο πράττειν κατὰ τὸ παρόν, συγ-  
 γνώμην ἔχειν ἡξίου ἀποδοῦναι τὸν ἀπὸ  
 5 Ῥωμαίων πόλεμον. οἱ δ' Ἑλλήες παρεκάλουν  
 πέμπειν τῇ πόλει βοήθειαν· ἐψηφισμένων γὰρ  
 τῶν Ἀχαιῶν τὸν πόλεμον εὐλαβεῖσθαι τὴν τούτων  
 6 ἔφοδον. ὁ δὲ βασιλεὺς τοῖς μὲν Ἑπειρώταις  
 ἀπεκρίθη διότι πέμψει πρεσβευτὰς τοὺς διαλεχθη-  
 σομένους ἀποδοῦναι τῶν κοινῆ συμφερόντων,  
 7 τοῖς δ' Ἑλλήεσσι ἐξαπέστειλε χιλίους πεζοὺς, ἡγε-  
 μόνα συστήσας Εὐφάνη τὸν Κρήτα.—

4 Ὅτι Βοιωτοὶ ἐκ πολλῶν ἤδη χρόνων καχε-  
 κτοῦντες ἦσαν καὶ μεγάλην εἶχον διαφορὰν πρὸς  
 τὴν γεγενημένην εὐεξίαν καὶ δόξαν αὐτῶν τῆς  
 2 πολιτείας. οὗτοι γὰρ μεγάλην περιποιησάμενοι  
 καὶ δόξαν καὶ δύναμιν ἐν τοῖς Λευκτρικοῖς καιροῖς,  
 οὐκ οἶδ' ὅπως κατὰ τὸ συνεχὲς ἐν τοῖς ἐξῆς χρό-  
 νοις ἀφήρουν ἀμφοτέρων αἰεὶ τῶν προειρημένων,  
 3 ἔχοντες στρατηγὸν Ἀβαιόκριτον. ἀπὸ δὲ τούτων  
 τῶν καιρῶν οὐ μόνον ἀφήρουν, ἀλλ' ἀπλῶς εἰς  
 τὰναντία τραπέντες καὶ τὴν πρὸ τοῦ δόξαν ἐφ'  
 4 ὅσον οἰοί τ' ἦσαν ἡμαύρωσαν. Ἀχαιῶν γὰρ  
 αὐτοὺς πρὸς Αἰτωλοὺς ἐκπολεμωσάντων, μετα-  
 σχόντες τούτοις τῆς αὐτῆς αἰρέσεως καὶ ποιη-  
 σάμενοι συμμαχίαν, μετὰ ταῦτα κατὰ τὸ συνεχὲς  
 5 ἐπολέμουν πρὸς Αἰτωλοὺς. ἐμβαλόντων δὲ μετὰ  
 δυνάμει εἰς τὴν Βοιωτίαν τῶν Αἰτωλῶν ἐκ-  
 στρατεύσαντες πανδημεῖ, καὶ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ἡθρο-  
 σμένων καὶ μελλόντων παραβοηθεῖν οὐκ ἐκδεξάμενοι

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τὴν τούτων παρουσίαν συνέβαλον τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς,  
 6 ἡττηθέντες δὲ κατὰ τὸν κίνδυνον οὕτως ἀνέπεσον  
 ταῖς ψυχαῖς ὥστ' ἀπ' ἐκείνης τῆς χρείας ἀπλῶς  
 οὐδενὸς ἔτι τῶν καλῶν ἀμφισβητεῖν ἐτόλμησαν  
 οὐδ' ἐκοινώνησαν οὔτε πράξεως οὔτ' ἀγῶνος  
 οὐδενὸς ἔτι τοῖς Ἑλλησι μετὰ κοινῶ δόγματος,  
 7 ἀλλ' ὀρμήσαντες πρὸς εὐωχίαν καὶ μέθας οὐ  
 μόνον τοῖς σώμασιν ἐξελύθησαν, ἀλλὰ καὶ ταῖς  
 ψυχαῖς.

5 Τὰ δὲ κεφάλαια τῆς κατὰ μέρος ἀγνοίας ἐχειρίσθη  
 2 παρ' αὐτοῖς τὸν τρόπον τούτον. μετὰ γὰρ τὴν  
 προειρημένην ἡτταν εὐθέως ἐγκαταλιπόντες τοὺς  
 3 Ἀχαιοὺς προσένειμαν Αἰτωλοῖς τὸ ἔθνος. ἀνελο-  
 μένων δὲ καὶ τούτων πόλεμον μετὰ τινα χρόνον  
 πρὸς Δημήτριον τὸν Φιλίππου πατέρα, πάλιν  
 ἐγκαταλιπόντες τούτους, καὶ παραγενομένου Δη-  
 μητρίου μετὰ δυνάμεως εἰς τὴν Βοιωτίαν οὐδενὸς  
 πείραν λαβόντες τῶν δεινῶν, ὑπέταξαν σφᾶς  
 4 αὐτοὺς ὀλοσχερῶς Μακεδόσι. βραχέος <δ' > αἰθύγ-  
 ματος ἐγκαταλειπομένου τῆς προγονικῆς δόξης,  
 ἦσαν τινες οἱ δυσηρεστοῦντο τῇ παρούσῃ κατα-  
 5 στάσει καὶ τῷ πάντα πείθεσθαι Μακεδόσι. διὸ  
 καὶ μεγάλην ἀντιπολιτείαν εἶναι συνέβαινε τούτοις  
 πρὸς τοὺς περὶ τὸν Ἀσκώνδαν καὶ Νέωνα, τοὺς  
 Βραχύλλου προγόνους· οὗτοι γὰρ ἦσαν οἱ μάλιστα  
 6 τότε μακεδονίζοντες. οὐ μὲν ἀλλὰ τέλος κατ-  
 ἴσχυσαν οἱ περὶ τὸν Ἀσκώνδαν γενομένης τινὸς  
 7 περιπετείας τοιαύτης. Ἀντίγονος μετὰ τὸν Δη-  
 μητρίου θάνατον ἐπιτροπεύσας Φιλίππου, πλέων  
 ἐπὶ τινὰς πράξεις πρὸς τὰς ἐσχατίας τῆς Βοιωτίας  
 πρὸς Λάρυμναν, παραδόξου γενομένης ἀμπώτεως  
 8 ἐκάθισαν εἰς τὸ ξηρὸν αἰ νῆες αὐτοῦ. κατὰ δὲ

waiting for their arrival they engaged the Aetolians. When defeated in the battle they so much lost their spirit, that they never after that affair ventured to pretend to any honourable distinction, nor did they ever by public decree take part with the other Greeks in any action or in any struggle, but abandoning themselves to good cheer and strong drink sapped the energy not only of their bodies but of their minds.

5. The chief errors into which they fell, leading to many minor ones, were the following. After the defeat I mentioned they at once abandoned the Achaeans and attached their own League to that of the Aetolians. Shortly afterwards, when the Aetolians undertook a war against Demetrius, the father of Philip, the Boeotians again deserted them and on the arrival of Demetrius with his army in Boeotia would not face any danger whatever but completely submitted to Macedonia. But as there were some slight sparks left of their ancestral glory, there were some who were by no means pleased with the present situation and this implicit obedience to the Macedonians. There was in consequence a violent opposition on the part of these to Ascondas and Neon, the grandfather and father of Brachylles, who were then the warmest partisans of Macedonia. However, in the end, Ascondas and Neon got the upper hand owing to the following accident. Antigonus, who after the death of Demetrius had become Philip's guardian, was sailing on some business to Larymna at the extremity of Boeotia, when owing to an extraordinarily low ebb tide his vessels settled on the land. It had just

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τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον προσπεπτωκυίας φήμης ὅτι  
 μέλλει κατατρέχειν τὴν χώραν Ἐπιγονοῦ, Νέων,  
 ἱππαρχῶν τότε καὶ πάντας τοὺς Βοιωτῶν ἱππεῖς  
 μεθ' αὐτοῦ περιηγόμενος χάριν τοῦ παραφυλάττειν  
 τὴν χώραν, ἐπεγένετο τοῖς περὶ τὸν Ἐπιγονοῦ  
 ἀπορουμένοις καὶ δυσχρηστουμένοις διὰ τὸ συμ-  
 9 βεβηκός, καὶ δυνάμενος μεγάλα βλάψαι τοὺς  
 Μακεδόνας ἔδοξε φείσασθαι παρὰ τὴν προσδοκίαν  
 10 αὐτῶν. τοῖς μὲν οὖν ἄλλοις Βοιωτοῖς ἤρεσκε  
 τοῦτο πράξας, τοῖς δὲ Θηβαίοις οὐχ ὅλως εὐδόκει  
 11 τὸ γεγονός. ὁ δ' Ἐπιγονοῦ, ἐπελθούσης μετ'  
 ὀλίγον τῆς πλήμης καὶ κουφισθισῶν τῶν νεῶν,  
 τῷ μὲν Νέωνι μεγάλην εἶχε χάριν ἐπὶ τῷ μὴ  
 συνεπιτεθεῖσθαι σφίσι κατὰ τὴν περιπέτειαν, αὐτὸς  
 δὲ τὸν προκείμενον ἐτέλει πλοῦν εἰς τὴν Ἀσίαν.  
 12 διὸ καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα, νικήσας Κλεομένη τὸν Σπαρ-  
 τιάτην καὶ κύριος γενόμενος τῆς Λακεδαίμονος,  
 ἐπιστάτην ἀπέλειπε τῆς πόλεως Βραχύλλην, ταύτην  
 αὐτῷ χάριν ἀποδιδούς τῆς τοῦ πατρὸς Νέωνος  
 εὐεργεσίας· ἐξ ὧν οὐδὲ κατὰ μικρὸν συνέβη τὴν  
 οἰκίαν ἐπανορθωθῆναι τὴν περὶ τὸν Βραχύλλην.  
 13 οὐ μόνον δὲ ταύτην αὐτῶν ἔσχε τὴν πρόνοιαν, ἀλλὰ  
 καὶ κατὰ τὸ συνεχές, ὅτε μὲν αὐτός, ὅτε δὲ Φιλίππος,  
 χορηγοῦντες καὶ συνεπισχύοντες αἰεὶ, ταχέως  
 κατηγωνίσαντο τοὺς ἐν ταῖς Θήβαις αὐτοῖς ἀντι-  
 πολιτευομένους καὶ πάντας ἠνάγκασαν μακεδονίζειν  
 πλὴν τελέως ὀλίγων τινῶν.

14 Τὰ μὲν οὖν κατὰ τὴν οἰκίαν τὴν Νέωνος τοιαύτην  
 ἔλαβε τὴν ἀρχὴν καὶ τῆς πρὸς Μακεδόνας συστάσεως  
 6 καὶ τῆς κατὰ τὴν οὐσίαν ἐπιδόσεως· τὰ δὲ κοινὰ  
 τῶν Βοιωτῶν εἰς τοσαύτην παραγεγόνει καχεξίαν  
 ὥστε σχεδὸν εἴκοσι καὶ πέντ' ἔτων τὸ δίκαιον



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μη διεξήχθαι παρ' αὐτοῖς μήτε περὶ τῶν ἰδιωτικῶν  
συμβολαίων μήτε περὶ τῶν κοινῶν ἐγκλημάτων,  
2 ἀλλ' οἱ μὲν φρουρὰς παραγγέλλοντες τῶν ἀρχόντων,  
οἱ δὲ στρατείας κοινὰς, ἐξέκοπτον αἰεὶ τὴν δικαιο-  
δοσίαν· ἔνιοι δὲ τῶν στρατηγῶν καὶ μισθοδοσίας  
ἐποίουν ἐκ τῶν κοινῶν τοῖς ἀπόροις τῶν ἀνθρώπων.  
3 ἐξ ὧν ἐδιδάχθη τὰ πλήθη τούτοις προσέχειν καὶ  
τούτοις περιποιεῖν τὰς ἀρχάς, δι' ὧν ἔμελλε τῶν  
μὲν ἀδικημάτων καὶ τῶν ὀφειλημάτων οὐχ ὑφέξειν  
δίκας, προσλήψεσθαι <δὲ> τῶν κοινῶν αἰεὶ τι διὰ  
4 τὴν τῶν ἀρχόντων χάριν. πλεῖστα δὲ συνεβάλετο  
πρὸς τὴν τοιαύτην . . . Ὀφέλτας, αἰεὶ τι προσ-  
επινοῶν ὃ κατὰ τὸ παρὸν ἐδόκει τοὺς πολλοὺς  
ὠφελεῖν, μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα πάντα ἀπολεῖν ἔμελλεν  
5 ὁμολογουμένως. τούτοις δ' ἠκολούθησε καὶ ἕτερος  
ζῆλος οὐκ εὐτυχής. οἱ μὲν γὰρ ἄτεκνοι τὰς  
οὐσίας οὐ τοῖς κατὰ γένος ἐπιγενομένοις τελευ-  
τῶντες ἀπέλειπον, ὅπερ ἦν ἔθος παρ' αὐτοῖς  
πρότερον, ἀλλ' εἰς εὐωχίας καὶ μέθας διετίθεντο  
6 καὶ κοινὰς τοῖς φίλοις ἐποίουν· πολλοὶ δὲ καὶ  
τῶν ἐχόντων γενεὰς ἀπεμέριζον τοῖς συσσιτίοις τὸ  
πλεῖον μέρος τῆς οὐσίας, ὥστε πολλοὺς εἶναι  
Βοιωτῶν οἷς ὑπῆρχε δεῖπνα τοῦ μηνὸς πλείω τῶν  
εἰς τὸν μῆνα διατεταγμένων ἡμερῶν.  
7 Διὸ καὶ Μεγαρεῖς, μισήσαντες μὲν τὴν τοιαύτην  
κατάστασιν, μνησθέντες δὲ τῆς προγεγενημένης  
αὐτοῖς μετὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν συμπολιτείας, αὐτὶς  
ἀπένευσαν πρὸς τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς καὶ τὴν ἐκείνων  
8 αἵρεσιν. Μεγαρεῖς γὰρ ἐξ ἀρχῆς μὲν ἐπολιτεύοντο  
μετὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ἀπὸ τῶν κατ' Ἀντίγονον τὸν

had ceased to be administered there, the magistrates by issuing orders, some of them for the dispatch of garrisons and others for general campaigns, always contriving to abolish legal proceedings. Certain *strategi* even provided pay out of the public funds for the indigent, the populace thus learning to court and invest with power those men who would help them to escape the legal consequences of their crimes and debts and even in addition to get something out of the public funds as a favour from the magistrates. The chief abettor of these abuses was Opheltas, who was constantly contriving some scheme apparently calculated to benefit the populace for the moment, but perfectly sure to ruin everyone at the end. Incident upon all this was another most unfortunate mania. For childless men, when they died, did not leave their property to their nearest heirs, as had formerly been the custom there, but disposed of it for purposes of junketing and banqueting and made it the common property of their friends. Even many who had families distributed the greater part of their fortune among their clubs, so that there were many Boeotians who had each month more dinners than there were days in the calendar.

### *Defection of Megara from the Boeotian League*

One consequence of this was that the Megarians, detesting this state of affairs and mindful of their former confederacy with the Achaean League, once more inclined towards the Achaeans and their policy. For the Megarians had originally, from the days of Antigonus Gonatas, formed part of the



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Γονατᾶν χρόνων· ὅτε δὲ Κλεομένης εἰς τὸν Ἴσθμὸν  
 προεκάθισεν, διακλεισθέντες προσέθεντο τοῖς Βοιω-  
 9 τοῖς μετὰ τῆς τῶν Ἀχαιῶν γνώμης. βραχὺ δὲ  
 πρὸ τῶν νῦν λεγομένων καιρῶν δυσαρεστήσαντες  
 τῇ πολιτεία τῶν Βοιωτῶν αὐτίς ἀπένευσαν πρὸς  
 10 τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς. οἱ δὲ Βοιωτοὶ διοργισθέντες ἐπὶ  
 τῷ καταφρονεῖσθαι δοκεῖν ἐξῆλθον ἐπὶ τοὺς  
 11 Μεγαρεῖς πανδημεὶ σὺν τοῖς ὄπλοις. οὐδένα δὲ  
 ποιουμένων λόγον τῶν Μεγαρέων τῆς παρουσίας  
 αὐτῶν, οὕτω θυμωθέντες πολιορκεῖν ἐπεβάλλοντο  
 12 καὶ προσβολὰς ποιεῖσθαι τῇ πόλει. πανικοῦ δ'  
 ἔμπεσόντος αὐτοῖς καὶ φήμης ὅτι πάρεστιν Φιλο-  
 ποίμην τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς ἔχων, ἀπολιπόντες πρὸς τῷ  
 τείχει τὰς κλίμακας ἔφυγον προτροπάδην εἰς τὴν  
 οἰκείαν.

7 Τοιαύτην δ' ἔχοντες οἱ Βοιωτοὶ τὴν διάθεσιν τῆς  
 πολιτείας, εὐτυχῶς πως διώλισθον καὶ τοὺς κατὰ  
 2 Φίλιππον καὶ τοὺς κατ' Ἀντίοχον καιροῦς. ἔν γε  
 μὴν τοῖς ἐξῆς οὐ διέφυγον, ἀλλ' ὥσπερ ἐπίτηδες  
 ἀνταπόδοσιν ἢ τύχη ποιουμένη βαρέως ἔδοξεν  
 αὐτοῖς ἐπεμβαίνειν· ὑπὲρ ὧν ἡμεῖς ἐν τοῖς ἐξῆς  
 ποιησόμεθα μνήμην.

3 Ὅτι οἱ πολλοὶ πρόφασιν μὲν εἶχον τῆς πρὸς  
 Ῥωμαίους ἀλλοτριότητος τὴν ἐπαναίρεσιν τὴν  
 Βραχύλλου καὶ τὴν στρατείαν, ἣν ἐποιήσατο Τίτος  
 ἐπὶ Κορώνειαν διὰ τοὺς ἐπιγινομένους φόνους ἐν  
 4 ταῖς ὁδοῖς τῶν Ῥωμαίων, τῇ δ' ἀληθεία καχ-  
 εκτοῦντες <ἦσαν> ταῖς ψυχαῖς διὰ τὰς προ-  
 5 ειρημένας αἰτίας. καὶ γὰρ τοῦ βασιλέως συνεγ-  
 γίζοντος ἐξήεσαν ἐπὶ τὴν ἀπάντησιν οἱ τῶν Βοιω-

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τῶν ἄρξαντες· συμμίζαντες δὲ καὶ φιλανθρώπως ὁμιλήσαντες ἤγον αὐτὸν εἰς τὰς Θήβας.

8 Ἄντιοχος δὲ ὁ μέγας ἐπικαλούμενος, ὃν Ῥωμαῖοι καθεῖλον, ὡς ἱστορεῖ Πολύβιος ἐν τῇ εἰκοστῇ, παρελθὼν εἰς Χαλκίδα τῆς Εὐβοίας συνετέλει γάμους, πεντήκοντα μὲν ἔτη γεγονῶς καὶ δύο τὰ μέγιστα τῶν ἔργων ἀνειληφῶς, τὴν τε τῶν Ἑλλήνων ἐλευθέρωσιν, ὡς αὐτὸς ἐπηγγέλλετο, καὶ τὸν 2 πρὸς Ῥωμαίους πόλεμον. ἐρασθεῖς οὖν παρθένου Χαλκιδικῆς κατὰ τὸν τοῦ πολέμου καιρὸν ἐφιλοτιμήσατο γῆμαι αὐτήν, οἰνοπότης ὢν καὶ μέθαις 3 χαίρων. ἦν δ' αὕτη Κλεοπτολέμου μὲν θυγάτηρ, ἐνὸς τῶν ἐπιφανῶν, κάλλει δὲ πάσας ὑπερβάλλουσα. 4 καὶ τοὺς γάμους συντελῶν ἐν τῇ Χαλκίδι αὐτόθι διέτριψε τὸν χειμῶνα, τῶν ἐνεστώτων οὐδ' ἠντινοῦν ποιούμενος πρόνοιαν. ἔθετο δὲ καὶ τῇ παιδὶ ὄνομα 5 Εὐβοίαν. ἠττηθεῖς οὖν τῷ πολέμῳ ἔφυγεν εἰς Ἔφεσον μετὰ τῆς νεογάμου.

6 Nec praeter quingentos, qui circa regem fuerunt, ex toto exercitu quisquam effugit, etiam ex decem milibus militum, quos Polybio auctore traiecisse secum regem in Graeciam scripsimus, exiguus numerus.

9 Ὅτι οἱ περὶ τὸν Φαιεάν τὸν τῶν Αἰτωλῶν στρατηγὸν μετὰ τὸ γενέσθαι τὴν Ἡράκλειαν

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went out to meet him, and on joining him addressed him in courteous terms and brought him into Thebes.

### *Wedding of Antiochus*

(From Athen. x. 439 e, f.)

8. Antiochus, surnamed the Great, he whom the Romans overthrew, upon reaching Chalcis, as Polybius tells us in his 20th Book, celebrated his wedding. He was then fifty years old, and had undertaken two very serious tasks, one being the liberation of Greece, as he himself gave out, the other a war with Rome. He fell in love, then, with a maiden of Chalcis at the time of the war, and was most eager to make her his wife, being himself a wine-bibber and fond of getting drunk. She was the daughter of Cleoptolemus, a noble Chalcidian, and of surpassing beauty. So celebrating his wedding at Chalcis, he spent the whole winter there not giving a moment's thought to the situation of affairs. He gave the girl the name Euboea, and when defeated in the war fled to Ephesus with his bride.

### *Battle of Thermopylae*

(Livy xxxvi. 19. 11.)

Not a soul escaped from the whole army except the five hundred who were round the king, and a very small number of the ten thousand soldiers whom Polybius tells us he had brought over with him to Greece.

### *The Achaeans make Peace*

(Cp. Livy xxxvi. 27.)

9. After Heraclea had fallen into the hands of the Romans, Phaeneas, the strategus of the Aetolians,

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ὑποχείριον τοῖς Ῥωμαίοις, ὄρωντες τὸ νπεριεστῶτα  
 καιρὸν τὴν Αἰτωλίαν καὶ λαμβάνοντες πρὸ ὀφθαλμῶν  
 τὰ συμβησόμενα ταῖς ἄλλαις πόλεσιν, ἔκριναν  
 διαπέμπεσθαι πρὸς τὸν Μάνιον ὑπὲρ ἀνοχῶν καὶ  
 2 διαλύσεως. ταῦτα δὲ διαλαβόντες ἐξαπέστειλαν  
 3 Ἀρχέδαμον καὶ Πανταλέοντα καὶ Χάλεπον· οἱ  
 συμμίζαντες τῷ στρατηγῷ τῶν Ῥωμαίων προ-  
 ἔθεντο μὲν καὶ πλείους ποιεῖσθαι λόγους, μεσο-  
 4 λαβηθέντες δὲ κατὰ τὴν ἔντευξιν ἐκωλύθησαν. ὁ  
 γὰρ Μάνιος κατὰ μὲν τὸ παρὸν οὐκ ἔφασκεν  
 εὐκαιρεῖν, περισπώμενος ὑπὸ τῆς τῶν ἐκ τῆς  
 5 Ἡρακλείας λαφύρων οἰκονομίας· δεχημέρους δὲ  
 ποιησάμενος ἀνοχὰς ἐκπέμψειν ἔφη μετ' αὐτῶν  
 Λεύκιον, πρὸς ὃν ἐκέλευε λέγειν ὑπὲρ ὧν ἂν δέοιντο.  
 6 γενομένων δὲ τῶν ἀνοχῶν, καὶ τοῦ Λευκίου συνελ-  
 θόντος εἰς τὴν Ὑπάταν, ἐγένοντο λόγοι καὶ πλείους  
 7 ὑπὲρ τῶν ἐνεστώτων. οἱ μὲν οὖν Αἰτωλοὶ συν-  
 ἴσταντο τὴν δικαιολογίαν ἀνέκαθεν προφερόμενοι  
 τὰ προγεγονότα σφίσι φιλάνθρωπα πρὸς τοὺς  
 8 Ῥωμαίους· ὁ δὲ Λεύκιος ἐπιτεμὼν αὐτῶν τὴν  
 ὄρμην οὐκ ἔφη τοῖς παροῦσι καιροῖς ἀρμόζειν  
 τοῦτο τὸ γένος τῆς δικαιολογίας· λελυμένων γὰρ  
 τῶν ἐξ ἀρχῆς φιλανθρώπων δι' ἐκείνους, καὶ  
 τῆς ἐνεστώσης ἔχθρας δι' Αἰτωλοὺς γεγεννημένης,  
 οὐδὲν ἔτι συμβάλλεσθαι τὰ τότε φιλάνθρωπα πρὸς  
 9 τοὺς νῦν καιροὺς. διόπερ ἀφεμένους τοῦ δι-  
 καιολογεῖσθαι συνεβούλευε τρέπεσθαι πρὸς τὸν  
 ἀξιωματικὸν λόγον καὶ δεῖσθαι τοῦ στρατηγοῦ  
 10 συγγνώμης τυχεῖν ἐπὶ τοῖς ἡμαρτημένοις. οἱ δ'  
 Αἰτωλοὶ καὶ πλείω λόγον ποιησάμενοι περὶ τῶν  
 ὑποπιπτόντων ἔκριναν ἐπιτρέπειν τὰ ὅλα Μανίῳ,  
 11 δόντες αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν Ῥωμαίων πίστιν, οὐκ



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εἰδότες τίνα δύναμιν ἔχει τοῦτο, τῷ δὲ τῆς πίστεως ὀνόματι πλανηθέντες, ὡς ἂν διὰ τοῦτο τελειότερου  
 12 σφίσιν ἐλέους ὑπάρξοντος. παρὰ <δὲ> Ῥωμαίοις ἰσοδυναμεί τὸ τ' εἰς τὴν πίστιν αὐτὸν ἐγχειρίσαι καὶ τὸ τὴν ἐπιτροπὴν δοῦναι περὶ αὐτοῦ τῷ κρατοῦντι.

10 Πλὴν ταῦτα κρίναντες ἐξέπεμψαν ἅμα τῷ Λευκίῳ τοὺς περὶ Φαινέαν διασαφήσοντας τὰ  
 2 δεδογμένα τῷ Μανίῳ κατὰ σπουδὴν· οἱ καὶ συμμίζαντες τῷ στρατηγῷ καὶ πάλιν ὁμοίως δικαιολογηθέντες ὑπὲρ αὐτῶν, ἐπὶ καταστροφῆς εἶπαν διότι κέκριται τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς σφᾶς αὐτοὺς  
 3 ἐγχειρίζειν εἰς τὴν Ῥωμαίων πίστιν. ὁ δὲ Μάνιος μεταλαβὼν “οὐκοῦν οὕτως ἔχει ταῦτα,” φησὶν,  
 4 “ὦ ἄνδρες Αἰτωλοί;” τῶν δὲ κατανευσάντων, “τοιγαροῦν πρῶτον μὲν δεήσει μηδένα διαβαίνειν ὑμῶν εἰς τὴν Ἀσίαν, μήτε κατ' ἰδίαν μήτε μετὰ  
 5 κοινῷ δόγματος, δεύτερον Δικαίαρχον ἔκδοτον δοῦναι καὶ Μενέστρατον τὸν Ἡπειρώτην,” ὃς ἐτύγχανε τότε παραβεβοηθηκῶς εἰς Ναύπακτον,  
 “σὺν δὲ τούτοις Ἀμύνανδρον τὸν βασιλέα καὶ τῶν Ἀθαμάνων τοὺς ἅμα τούτῳ συναποχωρήσαντας  
 6 πρὸς αὐτούς.” ὁ δὲ Φαινέας μεσολαβήσας “ἀλλ' οὔτε δίκαιον,” ἔφησεν, “οὔθ' Ἑλληνικόν ἐστίν,  
 7 ὦ στρατηγέ, τὸ παρακαλούμενον.” ὁ δὲ Μάνιος οὐχ οὕτως ὀργισθεὶς ὡς βουλόμενος εἰς ἔννοιαν αὐτοὺς ἀγαγεῖν τῆς περιστάσεως καὶ καταπλήξασθαι τοῖς ὅλοις, “ἔτι γὰρ ὑμεῖς ἑλληνοκοπεῖτε” φησὶ “καὶ περὶ τοῦ πρέποντος καὶ καθήκοντος ποιείσθε λόγον, δεδωκότες ἑαυτοὺς εἰς τὴν πίστιν; οὓς ἐγὼ δήσας εἰς τὴν ἄλυσιν ἀπάξω πάντα, ἂν  
 8 τοῦτ' ἐμοὶ δόξη.” ταῦτα λέγων φέρειν ἄλυσιν

Romans, not knowing the exact meaning of the phrase, but deceived by the word “faith” as if they would thus obtain more complete pardon. But with the Romans to commit oneself to the faith of a victor is equivalent to surrendering at discretion.

10. However, having reached this decision they sent off Phaeneas and others to accompany Flaccus and convey it at once to Glabrio. On meeting the general, after again pleading in justification of their conduct, they wound up by saying that the Aetolians had decided to commit themselves to the faith of the Romans. Upon this Glabrio, taking them up, said, “So that is so, is it, ye men of Aetolia?” and when they assented, “Very well,” he said, “then in the first place none of you must cross to Asia, either on his own account or by public decree; next you must surrender Dicaearchus and Menestratus of Epirus” (the latter had recently come to their assistance at Naupactus) “and at the same time King Amynder and all the Athamanians who went off to join you together with him.” Phaeneas now interrupted him and said, “But what you demand, O General, is neither just nor Greek.” Glabrio, not so much incensed, as wishing to make them conscious of the real situation they were in and thoroughly intimidate them, said: “So you still give yourselves Grecian airs and speak of what is meet and proper after surrendering unconditionally? I will have you all put in chains if I think fit.” Saying this he ordered a chain to be brought



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ἐκέλευσε καὶ σκύλακα σιδηροῦν ἐκάστῳ περι-  
 9 θεῖναι περὶ τὸν τράχηλον. οἱ μὲν οὖν περὶ τὸν  
 Φαινέαν ἔκθαμβοι γεγονότες ἔστασαν ἄφωνοι  
 πάντες, οἷονεὶ παραλελυμένοι καὶ τοῖς σώμασι  
 καὶ ταῖς ψυχαῖς διὰ τὸ παράδοξον τῶν ἀπαντω-  
 10 μένων· ὁ δὲ Λεύκιος καὶ τινες ἕτεροι τῶν συμ-  
 παρόντων χιλιάρχων ἐδέοντο τοῦ Μανίου μηδὲν  
 βουλεύσασθαι δυσχερὲς ὑπὲρ τῶν παρόντων ἀνδρῶν,  
 11 ἐπεὶ τυγχάνουσιν ὄντες πρεσβευταί. τοῦ δὲ συγ-  
 χωρήσαντος ἤρξατο λέγειν ὁ Φαινέας· ἔφη γὰρ  
 αὐτὸν καὶ τοὺς ἀποκλήτους ποιήσειν τὰ προσ-  
 ταττόμενα, προσδεῖσθαι δὲ καὶ τῶν πολλῶν, εἰ  
 12 μέλλει κυρωθῆναι τὰ παραγγελλόμενα. τοῦ δὲ  
 Μανίου φήσαντος αὐτὸν ὀρθῶς λέγειν, ἡξίου  
 πάλιν ἀνοχὰς αὐτοῖς δοθῆναι δεχημέρους. συγ-  
 χωρηθέντος δὲ καὶ τούτου, τότε μὲν ἐπὶ τούτοις  
 13 ἐχωρίσθησαν· παραγενόμενοι δ' εἰς τὴν Ὑπάταν  
 διεσάφουν τοῖς ἀποκλήτοις τὰ γεγονότα καὶ τοὺς  
 ῥηθέντας λόγους. ὧν ἀκούσαντες τότε πρῶτον  
 ἔννοιαν ἔλαβον Αἰτωλοὶ τῆς αὐτῶν ἀγνοίας καὶ  
 14 τῆς ἐπιφερομένης αὐτοῖς ἀνάγκης. διὸ γράφειν  
 ἔδοξεν εἰς τὰς πόλεις καὶ συγκαλεῖν τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς  
 χάριν τοῦ βουλεύσασθαι περὶ τῶν προσταττομένων.  
 15 διαδοθείσης δὲ τῆς φήμης ὑπὲρ τῶν ἀπηντημένων  
 τοῖς περὶ τὸν Φαινέαν, οὕτως ἀπεθριώθη τὸ  
 πλῆθος ὥστ' οὐδ' ἀπαντᾶν οὐδεὶς ἐπεβάλετο πρὸς  
 16 τὸ διαβούλιον. τοῦ δ' ἀδυνάτου κωλύσαντος βου-  
 λεύσασθαι περὶ τῶν ἐπιταττομένων, ἅμα δὲ καὶ  
 τοῦ Νικάνδρου κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον καταπλεύ-  
 σαντος ἐκ τῆς Ἀσίας εἰς τὰ Φάλαρα τοῦ κόλπου  
 τοῦ Μηλιέως, ὅθεν καὶ τὴν ὄρμην ἐποιήσατο, καὶ  
 διασαφούντος <τὴν> τοῦ βασιλέως εἰς αὐτὸν προ-

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θυμίαν καὶ τὰς εἰς τὸ μέλλον ἐπαγγελίας, ἔτι  
μᾶλλον ὀλιγώρησαν, τοῦ μηδὲν γενέσθαι πέρασ  
17 ὑπὲρ τῆς εἰρήνης. ὅθεν ἅμα τῷ διελθεῖν τὰς ἐν  
ταῖς ἀνοχαῖς ἡμέρας κατάμονος αὐθις ὁ πόλεμος  
ἐγεγόνει τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς.

11 Περὶ δὲ τῆς συμβάσης τῷ Νικάνδρῳ περι-  
2 πετείας οὐκ ἄξιον παρασιωπήσαι. παρεγενήθη  
μὲν γὰρ ἐκ τῆς Ἐφέσου δωδεκαταῖος εἰς τὰ  
3 Φάλαρα πάλιν, ἀφ' ἧς ὥρμηθ' ἡμέρας· καταλαβὼν  
δὲ τοὺς Ῥωμαίους ἔτι περὶ τὴν Ἡράκλειαν, τοὺς  
<δὲ> Μακεδόνας ἀφεστῶτας μὲν ἀπὸ τῆς Λαμίας,  
4 οὐ μακρὰν δὲ στρατοπεδεύοντας τῆς πόλεως, τὰ  
μὲν χρήματ' εἰς τὴν Λαμίαν διεκόμισε παραδόξως,  
αὐτὸς δὲ τῆς νυκτὸς ἐπεβάλετο κατὰ τὸν μεταξὺ  
τόπον τῶν στρατοπέδων διαπεσεῖν εἰς τὴν Ὑπάταν.  
5 ἐμπεσὼν δ' εἰς τοὺς προκοίτους τῶν Μακεδόνων  
ἀνήγετο πρὸς τὸν Φίλιππον ἔτι τῆς συνουσίας  
ἀκμαζούσης, προσδοκῶν πείσεσθαι τι δεινὸν  
πεσὼν ὑπὸ τοῦ Φιλίππου τὸν θυμὸν ἢ παραδοθή-  
6 σεσθαι τοῖς Ῥωμαίοις. τοῦ δὲ πράγματος ἀγ-  
γελθέντος τῷ βασιλεῖ, ταχέως ἐκέλευσε τοὺς ἐπὶ  
τούτων ὄντας θεραπεῦσαι τὸν Νίκανδρον καὶ τὴν  
λοιπὴν ἐπιμέλειαν αὐτοῦ ποιήσασθαι φιλόανθρωπον.  
7 μετὰ δέ τινα χρόνον αὐτὸς ἐξαναστὰς συνέμιξε  
τῷ Νικάνδρῳ καὶ πολλὰ καταμεμψάμενος τὴν  
κοινὴν τῶν Αἰτωλῶν ἄγνοιαν, ἐξ ἀρχῆς μὲν, ὅτι  
Ῥωμαίους ἐπαγάγοιεν τοῖς Ἕλλησι, μετὰ δὲ  
ταῦτα πάλιν Ἀντίοχον, ὅμως ἔτι καὶ νῦν παρε-  
κάλει λήθην ποιησαμένους τῶν προγεγονότων ἀντ-  
έχεσθαι τῆς πρὸς αὐτὸν εὐνοίας καὶ μὴ θελήσαι  
8 συνεπεμβαίνειν τοῖς κατ' ἀλλήλων καιροῖς. ταῦτα  
μὲν οὖν παρήνει τοῖς προεστῶσι τῶν Αἰτωλῶν

of him and his promises of future assistance, they neglected the matter more and more ; so that no steps tending to the conclusion of peace were taken. In consequence, after the termination of the armistice, the Aetolians remained as before *in statu belli*.

11. The dangerous experience that had befallen Nicander must not be passed over in silence. For starting from Ephesus he reached Phalara on the twelfth day after he had set sail from it. Finding that the Romans were still near Heraclea and that the Macedonians had retired from Lamia, but were encamped not far from the town, he managed by a wonder to convey the money to Lamia, and himself attempted at night to escape between the two armies to Hypata. Falling into the hands of the Macedonian sentries, he was being brought before Philip while the banquet was still at its height, quite expecting to suffer the worst at the hands of the enraged king, or to be given up to the Romans. But when the matter was reported to Philip, he at once ordered those whose business this was, to attend to Nicander's personal wants and treat him kindly in every respect. After a little he himself rose from table and came to visit Nicander. He severely blamed the errors into which the Aetolian state had fallen, by calling in first of all the Romans and subsequently Antiochus to attack the Greeks, but nevertheless he still implored them to forget the past, and to cultivate their friendship with himself, and not be ever disposed to take advantage of circumstances adverse to either. This message he begged him to convey to the leading Aetolian statesmen, and after exhorting

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ἀναγγέλλειν· αὐτὸν δὲ τὸν Νίκανδρον παρακαλέσας  
 μνημονεύειν τῆς εἰς αὐτὸν γεγενημένης εὐεργεσίας  
 ἐξέπεμπε μετὰ προπομπῆς ἱκανῆς, παραγγείλας  
 τοῖς ἐπὶ τούτῳ τεταγμένοις ἀσφαλῶς εἰς τὴν  
 9 Ἰπάταν αὐτὸν ἀποκαταστήσαι. ὁ δὲ Νίκανδρος,  
 τελέως ἀνελπίστου καὶ παραδόξου φανείσης αὐτῷ  
 τῆς ἀπαντήσεως, τότε μὲν ἀνεκομίσθη πρὸς τοὺς  
 οἰκείους, κατὰ δὲ τὸν ἐξῆς χρόνον ἀπὸ ταύτης  
 τῆς συστάσεως εὖνους ὧν διετέλει τῇ Μακεδόνων  
 10 οἰκίᾳ. διὸ καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα κατὰ τοὺς Περσικοὺς  
 καιροὺς ἐνδεδεμένος τῇ προειρημένη χάριτι καὶ  
 δυσχερῶς ἀντιπράττων ταῖς τοῦ Περσέως ἐπι-  
 βολαῖς, εἰς ὑποψίας καὶ διαβολὰς ἐμπεσὼν καὶ  
 τέλος ἀνακληθεὶς εἰς Ῥώμην ἐκεῖ μετήλλαξε τὸν  
 βίον.—

12 . . . ἐξ αὐτῶν τὸν ἐροῦντα περὶ τούτων πρὸς  
 xi. 15) αὐτόν· ἀλλ' ὥσπερ ἐπὶ τῶν πλείστων ἐργολάβοι  
 πολλοὶ προσφέρουσι τὰς τοιαύτας χάριτας καὶ  
 ταύτην ἀρχὴν ποιοῦνται φιλίας καὶ συστάσεως,  
 οὕτως ἐπὶ Φιλοποίμενος ὁ προσοίσων ταύτην τὴν  
 2 χάριν ἐκὼν οὐχ εὕρισκετο τὸ παράπαν, ἕως [ἂν]  
 ἐξαπορήσαντες ψήφῳ προεχειρίσαντο Τιμόλαον,  
 ὃς ὑπάρχων καὶ ξένος πατρικὸς καὶ συνήθης ἐπὶ  
 πολὺ τῷ Φιλοποίμενι, δις εἰς τὴν Μεγάλην πόλιν  
 ἐκδημήσας αὐτοῦ τούτου χάριν οὐκ ἐτόλμησε  
 φθέγξασθαι περὶ τούτων οὐδέν, μέχρις ὅτε μυωπί-  
 σασ ἐαυτὸν καὶ τρίτον ἐλθὼν ἐθάρρησε μνησθῆναι  
 3 τῆς δωρεᾶς. τοῦ δὲ Φιλοποίμενος παραδόξως  
 αὐτὸν ἐπὶ τούτοις ἀποδεξαμένου καὶ φιλανθρώπως,



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4 ὁ μὲν Τιμόλαος περιχαρῆς ἦν, ὑπολαβὼν καθῆχθαι τῆς ἐπιβολῆς, ὁ δὲ Φιλοποίμην ἤξειν ἔφη μετ' ὀλίγας ἡμέρας εἰς τὴν Λακεδαίμονα· θέλειν γὰρ εὐχαριστῆσαι πᾶσι τοῖς ἄρχουσι περὶ τούτων.  
5 ἔλθων δὲ μετὰ ταῦτα καὶ κληθεὶς εἰς τὸ συνέδριον πάλαι μὲν ἔφη γινώσκειν τὴν τῶν Λακεδαιμονίων πρὸς αὐτὸν εὐνοίαν, μάλιστα δ' ἐκ τοῦ νῦν προτεινομένου στεφάνου καὶ τῆς τοιαύτης τιμῆς.  
6 τὴν μὲν οὖν προαίρεσιν αὐτῶν ἔφησεν ἀποδέχεσθαι, τῷ δὲ χειρισμῷ δυσωπεῖσθαι. δεῖν γὰρ οὐ τοῖς φίλοις δίδοσθαι τὰς τοιαύτας τιμὰς καὶ τοὺς στεφάνους, ἐξ ὧν ὁ περιθέμενος οὐδέποτε μὴ τὸν  
7 ἰὸν ἐκνίψηται, πολὺ δὲ μᾶλλον τοῖς ἐχθροῖς, ἵν' οἱ μὲν φίλοι τηροῦντες τὴν παρρησίαν πιστεύωνται παρὰ τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς, ἐπὰν προθῶνται τῇ πόλει βοηθεῖν, οἱ δ' ἐχθροὶ καταπιόντες τὸ δέλεαρ ἢ συνηγορεῖν αὐτοῖς ἀναγκάζωνται ἢ σιωπῶντες μηδὲν δύνωνται βλάπτειν.

## II. FRAGMENTUM INCERTAE SEDIS

8 "Ὅτι οὐχ ὁμοίον ἐστὶν ἐξ ἀκοῆς περὶ πραγμάτων διαλαμβάνειν καὶ γενόμενον αὐτόπτην, ἀλλὰ καὶ μεγάλα διαφέρει, πολὺ δέ τι συμβάλλεσθαι πέφυκεν ἑκάστοις ἢ κατὰ τὴν ἐνάργειαν πίστις.

the proposal quite courteously, he was delighted, as he thought he had attained his object, and Philopoemen said he would come to Sparta in a few days, as he wished to thank all the magistrates for this favour. Upon his going there later and being invited to attend the Council, he said that he had long recognized the kind feelings the Spartans entertained for him and now did so more than ever from the crown and very high honour that they offered him. So, he said, he perfectly appreciated their intentions, but was a little abashed by the manner in which they proceeded. For such honours and such crowns, the rust of which he who once put them on would never wash off his head, should never be given to friends, but much rather to enemies, in order that their friends, retaining the right to speak their minds, might be trusted by the Achaeans when they proposed to help Sparta, while their enemies, who had swallowed the bait, might either be compelled to support the proposal or have to hold their tongues and be incapacitated from doing any harm.

## II. A FRAGMENT, THE PLACE OF WHICH IS UNCERTAIN

It is not at all the same to judge of things from hearsay and from having actually witnessed them, but there is a great difference. In all matters a certainty founded on the evidence of one's eyes is of the greatest value.



# FRAGMENTA LIBRI XXI

## I. RES ITALIAE

1 "Οτι κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον συνέβη καὶ τὴν  
xx. 21) ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης πρεσβείαν, ἣν ἀπέστειλαν οἱ  
Λακεδαιμόνιοι, παραγενέσθαι διεψευσμένην τῶν  
2 ἐλπίδων. ἐπρέσβευον μὲν γὰρ περὶ τῶν ὁμήρων  
3 καὶ τῶν κωμῶν· ἡ δὲ σύγκλητος περὶ μὲν τῶν  
κωμῶν ἔφησεν ἐντολὰς δώσειν τοῖς παρ' αὐτῶν  
ἀποστελλομένοις πρέσβεσιν, περὶ δὲ τῶν ὁμήρων  
4 ἔτι βουλεύσασθαι θέλει. περὶ δὲ τῶν φυγάδων  
τῶν ἀρχαίων θαυμάζειν ἔφησαν, πῶς οὐ κατ-  
άγουσιν αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν, ἡλευθερωμένης  
τῆς Σπάρτης.

2 "Οτι τοῖς Ῥωμαίοις τῆς κατὰ τὴν ναυμαχίαν  
(3) (1) νίκης ἄρτι προσηγγελημένης, πρῶτον μὲν τῷ  
δήμῳ παρήγγειλαν ἐλινύσας ἄγειν ἡμέρας ἐννέα—  
2 τοῦτο δ' ἔστιν σχολάζειν πανδημεὶ καὶ θύειν τοῖς  
3 θεοῖς χαριστήρια τῶν εὐτυχημάτων—μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα  
τοὺς παρὰ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν πρέσβεις καὶ τοὺς παρὰ  
4 τοῦ Μανίου προσῆγον τῇ συγκλήτῳ. γενομένων

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δὲ πλειόνων παρ' ἀμφοῖν λόγων, ἔδοξε τῷ συνεδρίῳ  
δύο προτείνειν γνώμας τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς, ἢ δίδόναι  
τὴν ἐπιτροπὴν περὶ πάντων τῶν καθ' αὐτοὺς ἢ  
χίλια τάλαντα παραχρῆμα δοῦναι καὶ τὸν αὐτὸν  
5 ἐχθρὸν καὶ φίλον νομίζειν Ῥωμαίοις. τῶν δ'  
Αἰτωλῶν ἀξιούντων διασαφῆσαι ῥητῶς ἐπὶ τίσι  
δεῖ δίδόναι τὴν ἐπιτροπὴν, οὐ προσδέχεται τὴν  
6 διαστολὴν ἢ σύγκλητος. διὸ καὶ τούτοις γέγονε  
κατάμονος ὁ πόλεμος.

3 (2) "Ὅτι κατὰ τοὺς αὐτοὺς καιροὺς ἢ σύγκλητος  
x. 13) ἐχρημάτισε τοῖς παρὰ Φιλίππου πρεσβευταῖς·  
2 ἦκον γὰρ παρ' αὐτοῦ πρέσβεις ἀπολογιζόμενοι  
τὴν εὐνοίαν καὶ προθυμίαν, ἣν παρέσχηται Ῥω-  
μαίοις ὁ βασιλεὺς ἐν τῷ πρὸς Ἀντίοχον πολέμῳ.  
3 ὧν διακούσασα τὸν μὲν υἱὸν Δημήτριον ἀπέλυσε  
τῆς ὀμηρείας παραχρῆμα· ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ τῶν  
φόρων ἐπηγγείλατο παραλύσειν, διαφυλάξαντος  
4 αὐτοῦ τὴν πίστιν ἐν τοῖς ἐνεστῶσι καιροῖς. παρα-  
πλησίως δὲ καὶ τοὺς τῶν Λακεδαιμονίων ὀμήρους  
ἀφῆκε πλὴν Ἀρμένα τοῦ Νάβιδος υἱοῦ· τοῦτον  
δὲ μετὰ ταῦτα συνέβη νόσῳ μεταλλάξαι τὸν βίον.

## II. RES GRAECIAE

3<sup>b</sup> (9) (7) "Ὅτι καὶ κατὰ τὴν Ἑλλάδα, πρεσβείας παρα-  
γενομένης εἰς Ἀχαΐαν παρ' Εὐμένους τοῦ βασιλέως  
2 ὑπὲρ συμμαχίας, ἀθροισθέντες εἰς ἐκκλησίαν οἱ  
πολλοὶ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν τὴν τε συμμαχίαν ἐπεκύρωσαν  
καὶ νεανίσκους ἐξαπέστειλαν, πεζοὺς μὲν χιλίους

After both had addressed them at some length, the senate decided to give the Aetolians the choice of two courses, either to submit all matters to the decision of the senate or to pay at once a thousand talents and enter into an offensive and defensive alliance with Rome. When they demanded a definite statement of what matters were to be submitted to the senate's decision, that body refused to admit any distinction, and therefore the Aetolians remained *in statu belli*.

### *Embassy from Philip*

3. At about the same time the senate gave a hearing to the envoys of Philip; for he had sent this embassy to call attention in his favour to the goodwill and readiness to help he had shown in the war with Antiochus. After listening to him the senate at once set free his son Demetrius, who was their hostage, and also promised to relieve him of some of the payments due, if he kept his faith to them under present circumstances. They also set free the Lacedaemonian hostages except Armenas, the son of Nabis, who soon after this sickened and died.

## II. AFFAIRS OF GREECE

### *Eumenes and Achaëa*

3b. In Greece, too, when an embassy reached Achaëa from King Eumenes proposing an alliance, the Achaean people meeting in a general assembly voted the alliance and sent off soldiers—a thousand

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ἵππεῖς δ' ἑκατόν, ὧν ἠγεῖτο Διοφάνης ὁ Μεγαλοπολίτης.

4 (2) Ὅτι πολιορκουμένων τῶν Ἀμφισσέων ὑπὸ Μανίου τοῦ Ῥωμαίων στρατηγοῦ, κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον ὁ τῶν Ἀθηναίων δῆμος, πυνθανόμενος τὴν τε τῶν Ἀμφισσέων ταλαιπωρίαν καὶ τὴν τοῦ Ποπλίου παρουσίαν, ἐξαπέστειλε πρεσβευτὰς τοὺς περὶ τὸν Ἐχέδημον, ἐντειλάμενος ἅμα μὲν ἀσπάσασθαι τοὺς περὶ τὸν Λεύκιον καὶ Πόπλιον, ἅμα δὲ καταπειράζειν τῆς πρὸς Αἰτωλοὺς 3 διαλύσεως. ὧν παραγενομένων ἀσμένως ἀποδεξάμενος ὁ Πόπλιος ἐφιλανθρώπει τοὺς ἄνδρας, θεωρῶν ὅτι παρέξονται χρεῖαν αὐτῷ πρὸς τὰς 4 προκειμένας ἐπιβολάς. ὁ γὰρ προειρημένος ἀνὴρ ἐβούλετο θέσθαι μὲν καλῶς τὰ κατὰ τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς· εἰ δὲ μὴ συνυπακούοιεν, πάντως διειλήφει παρα- 5 λιπῶν ταῦτα διαβαίνειν εἰς τὴν Ἀσίαν, σαφῶς γινώσκων διότι τὸ τέλος ἐστὶ τοῦ πολέμου καὶ τῆς ὅλης ἐπιβολῆς οὐκ ἐν τῷ χειρώσασθαι τὸ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν ἔθνος, ἀλλ' ἐν τῷ νικήσαντας τὸν Ἀντίοχον 6 κρατῆσαι τῆς Ἀσίας. διόπερ ἅμα τῷ μνησθῆναι τοὺς Ἀθηναίους ὑπὲρ τῆς διαλύσεως, ἐτοίμως προσδεξάμενος τοὺς λόγους ἐκέλευσε παραπλησίως 7 πειράζειν αὐτοὺς καὶ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν. οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἐχέδημον, προδιαπεμφάμενοι καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα πορευθέντες εἰς τὴν Ἰπάταν αὐτοί, διελέγοντο περὶ τῆς διαλύσεως τοῖς ἄρχουσι τῶν Αἰτωλῶν. 8 ἐτοίμως δὲ κακείνων συνυπακουόντων κατεστάθησαν οἱ συμμίζοντες τοῖς Ῥωμαίοις· οἱ καὶ παραγενόμενοι πρὸς τοὺς περὶ τὸν Πόπλιον, καταλαβόντες αὐτοὺς στρατοπεδεύοντας ἐν ἐξήκοντα σταδίοις ἀπὸ τῆς Ἀμφίσσης, πολλοὺς



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10 διετίθεντο λόγους, ἀναμιμνήσκοντες τῶν γεγο-  
 νότων σφίσι φιλανθρώπων πρὸς Ῥωμαίους. ἔτι  
 δὲ πραότερον καὶ φιλανθρωπότερον ὁμιλήσαντος  
 τοῦ Ποπλίου καὶ προφερομένου τὰς τε κατὰ τὴν  
 Ἰβηρίαν καὶ τὴν Λιβύην πράξεις καὶ διασαφοῦντος  
 11 τίνα τρόπον κέχρηται τοῖς κατ' ἐκείνους τοὺς  
 τόπους αὐτῷ πιστεύσασιν καὶ τέλος οἰομένου  
 δεῖν ἐγχειρίζειν σφᾶς αὐτῷ καὶ πιστεύειν, τὰς μὲν  
 ἀρχὰς ἅπαντες οἱ παρόντες εὐέλπιδες ἐγενήθησαν,  
 ὡς αὐτίκα μάλα τελεσιουργηθησομένης τῆς δια-  
 12 λύσεως· ἐπεὶ δέ, πυθομένων τῶν Αἰτωλῶν ἐπὶ τίσι  
 δεῖ ποιεῖσθαι τὴν εἰρήνην, ὁ Λεύκιος διεσάφησεν  
 διότι δυεῖν προκειμένων αὐτοῖς αἵρεσις ὑπάρχει—  
 13 δεῖν γὰρ ἢ τὴν ἐπιτροπὴν διδόναι περὶ πάντων τῶν  
 καθ' αὐτοὺς ἢ χίλια τάλαντα παραχρῆμα καὶ τὸν  
 14 αὐτὸν ἐχθρὸν αἰρεῖσθαι καὶ φίλον Ῥωμαίοις—ἐδυ-  
 σχρήστησαν μὲν οἱ παρόντες τῶν Αἰτωλῶν ὡς ἔνι  
 μάλιστα διὰ τὸ μὴ γίνεσθαι τὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀκόλουθον  
 τῇ προγενομένη λαλιᾷ, πλὴν ἐπανοίσειν ἔφασαν  
 ὑπὲρ τῶν ἐπιταττομένων τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς.

5 (3) Οὗτοι μὲν οὖν ἐπανήεσαν βουλευσόμενοι περὶ  
 2 τῶν προειρημένων· οἱ <δὲ> περὶ τὸν Ἐχέδημον  
 συμμίξαντες τοῖς ἀποκλήτοις ἐβουλεύοντο περὶ  
 3 τῶν προειρημένων. ἦν δὲ τῶν ἐπιταττομένων τὸ  
 μὲν ἀδύνατον διὰ τὸ πλῆθος τῶν χρημάτων, τὸ δὲ  
 φοβερὸν διὰ τὸ πρότερον αὐτοὺς ἀπατηθῆναι,  
 καθ' ὃν καιρὸν ἐπινεύσαντες ὑπὲρ τῆς ἐπιτροπῆς  
 4 παρὰ μικρὸν εἰς τὴν ἄλυσιν ἐνέπεσον. διόπερ  
 ἀπορούμενοι καὶ δυσχρηστούμενοι περὶ ταῦτα  
 πάλιν ἐξέπεμπον τοὺς αὐτοὺς δεησομένους ἢ τῶν  
 χρημάτων ἀφελεῖν, ἵνα δύνωνται τελεῖν, ἢ τῆς  
 ἐπιτροπῆς ἐκτὸς ποιῆσαι τοὺς πολιτικοὺς ἄνδρας

made a long speech reminding him of all the kindness they had shown the Romans. When Scipio addressed them in a still milder and kinder tone, recounting his action in Spain and Africa, and explaining how he had dealt with people in those countries who had relied on him, and when he finally expressed his opinion that they ought to place themselves in his hands and rely on him, all those present at first became most sanguine, thinking that peace would be at once concluded. But when, upon the Aetolians inquiring on what conditions they should make peace, Lucius Scipio informed them that there were two alternatives open to them, either to submit entirely to Rome or to pay a thousand talents at once and make a defensive and offensive alliance, the Aetolians present were exceedingly distressed to find that this decision was not at all conformable to their previous conversation. They, however, said they would submit the conditions to the people of Aetolia.

5. These delegates, then, returned home to discuss the matter, and Echedemus meeting the Apocleti also talked it over. One of the alternative conditions was impossible owing to the magnitude of the sum demanded, and the other frightened them owing to what had taken place on the occasion of their former mistake, when after having assented to absolute submission they came very near being placed in chains. Consequently, in their difficulty and distress, they sent off the same envoys again to beg either that the sum might be reduced so that they would be able to pay it, or that their politicians and their women should be excluded from the total



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5 καὶ τὰς γυναῖκας. οἱ καὶ συμμίξαντες τοῖς περὶ  
6 τὸν Πόπλιον διεσάφουν τὰ δεδογμένα. τοῦ δὲ  
Λευκίου φήσαντος ἐπὶ τούτοις ἔχειν παρὰ τῆς  
συγκλήτου τὴν ἐξουσίαν, ἐφ' οἷς ἀρτίως εἶπεν,  
7 οὔτοι μὲν αὖθις ἐπανῆλθον, οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἐχέδημον  
ἐπακολουθήσαντες εἰς τὴν Ἰπάταν συνεβούλευσαν  
τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς, ἐπεὶ τὰ τῆς διαλύσεως ἐμποδίζοιτο  
κατὰ τὸ παρὸν, ἀνοχὰς αἰτησαμένους καὶ τῶν  
ἐνεστώτων κακῶν ὑπέρθεσιν ποιησαμένους πρε-  
σβεύειν πρὸς τὴν σύγκλητον, κὰν μὲν ἐπιτυγχάνωσι  
8 περὶ τῶν ἀξιουμένων· εἰ δὲ μή, τοῖς καιροῖς  
9 ἐφεδρεύειν. χεῖρω μὲν γὰρ ἀδύνατον γενέσθαι  
τῶν ὑποκειμένων τὰ περὶ σφᾶς, βελτίω γε μὴν  
10 οὐκ ἀδύνατον διὰ πολλὰς αἰτίας. φανέντων δὲ  
καλῶς λέγειν τῶν περὶ τὸν Ἐχέδημον, ἔδοξε  
πρεσβεύειν τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς ὑπὲρ τῶν ἀνοχῶν.  
11 ἀφικόμενοι δὲ πρὸς τὸν Λεύκιον ἐδέοντο συγχωρη-  
θῆναι σφίσι κατὰ τὸ παρὸν ἑξαμήνους ἀνοχὰς,  
12 ἵνα πρεσβεύσωσι πρὸς τὴν σύγκλητον. ὁ δὲ  
Πόπλιος, πάλαι πρὸς τὰς κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν πράξεις  
παρωρμημένος, ταχέως ἔπεισε τὸν ἀδελφὸν ὑπ-  
13 ακοῦσαι τοῖς ἀξιουμένοις. γραφεισῶν δὲ τῶν ὁμο-  
λογιῶν, ὁ μὲν Μάνιος, λύσας τὴν πολιορκίαν καὶ  
παραδοὺς ἅπαν τὸ στράτευμα καὶ τὰς χορηγίας  
τοῖς περὶ τὸν Λεύκιον, εὐθέως ἀπηλλάττετο μετὰ  
τῶν χιλιάρχων εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην.

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6 (4) Οἱ δὲ Φωκαιοὶς, τὰ μὲν ὑπὸ τῶν ἀπολειφθέντων  
Ῥωμαίων ἐν ταῖς ναυσὶν ἐπισταθμευόμενοι, τὰ  
δὲ τὰς ἐπιταγὰς δυσχερῶς φέροντες, ἐστασίαζον.

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2 Ὅτι κατὰ τοὺς αὐτοὺς χρόνους οἱ τῶν Φωκαίων  
 ἄρχοντες, δεδιότες τὰς τε τῶν πολλῶν ὀρμὰς διὰ  
 τὴν σιτοδείαν καὶ τὴν τῶν Ἀντιοχιστῶν φιλο-  
 τιμίαν, ἐξέπεμψαν πρεσβευτὰς πρὸς Σέλευκον,  
 3 ὄντα πρὸς τοῖς ὄροις τῆς χώρας αὐτῶν, ἀξιοῦντες  
 μὴ πελάζειν τῆς πόλεως, ὅτι πρόκειται σφίσι τὴν  
 ἡσυχίαν ἄγειν καὶ καταδοκεῖν τὴν τῶν ὄλων  
 κρίσιν, μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα πειθαρχεῖν τοῖς εἰρημένοις.  
 4 ἦσαν δὲ τῶν πρεσβευτῶν ἴδιοι μὲν τοῦ Σελεύκου  
 καὶ ταύτης τῆς ὑποθέσεως Ἀρίσταρχος καὶ  
 Κάσσανδρος καὶ Ῥόδων, ἐναντίοι δὲ καὶ πρὸς  
 5 Ῥωμαίους ἀπονενευκότες Ἡγίας καὶ Γελίας. ὧν  
 συμμαχάντων ὁ Σέλευκος εὐθέως τοὺς μὲν περὶ  
 τὸν Ἀρίσταρχον ἀνὰ χεῖρας εἶχε, τοὺς δὲ περὶ  
 6 τὸν Ἡγίαν παρεώρα. πυθόμενος δὲ τὴν ὀρμὴν  
 τῶν πολλῶν καὶ τὴν σπάνιν τοῦ σίτου, παρὶς  
 τὸν χρηματισμὸν καὶ τὴν ἔντευξιν τῶν παρα-  
 γεγονότων προῆγε πρὸς τὴν πόλιν.

7 Ἐξελθόντες μὲν Γάλλοι δύο μετὰ τύπων καὶ  
 προστηθιδίων ἐδέοντο μηδὲν ἀνήκεστον βου-  
 λεύεσθαι περὶ τῆς πόλεως.

7 (5) Πυρφόρος, ᾧ ἐχρήσατο Πανσίστρατος ὁ τῶν  
 2 Ῥοδίων ναύαρχος. ἦν δὲ κημός· ἐξ ἑκατέρου δὲ  
 τοῦ μέρους τῆς πύργου ἀγκύλαι δύο παρέκειντο  
 παρὰ τὴν ἐντὸς ἐπιφάνειαν τῶν τοίχων, εἰς ἃς  
 ἐνηρμόζοντο κοντοὶ προτείνοντες τοῖς κέρασιν  
 3 εἰς θάλατταν. ἐπὶ δὲ τὸ τούτων ἄκρον ὁ κημὸς  
 4 ἀλύσει σιδηρᾷ προσήρτητο πλήρης πυρός, ὥστε

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<sup>a</sup> Son of Antiochus the Great, afterwards King Seleucus IV.

## BOOK XXI. 6. 2 – 7. 4

At the same date the magistrates of Phocaea, afraid both of the excited state the people were in owing to the dearth of corn and of the active propaganda of the partisans of Antiochus, sent envoys to Seleucus,<sup>a</sup> who was on the borders of their territory, begging him not to approach the town, as it was their intention to keep quiet and await the issue of events, after which they would yield obedience to orders given them. Of these envoys Aristarchus, Cassander, and Rhodon were attached to Seleucus and his cause, while Hegias and Gelias were opposed to him and inclined to favour the Romans. Upon their meeting him, Seleucus at once admitted the three first into his intimacy, neglecting Hegias and Gelias. But when he heard of the excitement of the populace and the dearth of corn he advanced to the town without giving the envoys a formal audience.

(Suid.; cp. Livy xxxvii. 11. 7.)

Two Galli or priests of Cybele with images and pectorals came out of the town, and besought them not to resort to extreme measures against the city.

### *Naval Matters*

(Suid.)

7. The engine for throwing fire used by Pausistratus, the Rhodian admiral, was funnel-shaped. On each side of the ship's prow noosed ropes were run along the inner side of the hull, into which were fitted poles stretching out seawards. From the extremity of each hung by an iron chain the funnel-shaped vessel full of fire, so that, in charging or

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κατὰ τὰς ἐμβολὰς καὶ παραβολὰς εἰς μὲν τὴν πολεμίαν ναῦν ἐκτινάττεσθαι πῦρ, ἀπὸ δὲ τῆς οἰκείας πολὺν ἀφεστάναι τόπον διὰ τὴν ἔγκλισιν.

5 "Ὅτι Παμφιλίδας ὁ τῶν Ῥοδίων ναύαρχος ἐδόκει πρὸς πάντας τοὺς καιροὺς εὐαρμοστότερος εἶναι τοῦ Πανσιστράτου διὰ τὸ βαθύτερος τῆ φύσει καὶ στασιμώτερος μᾶλλον ἢ τολμηρότερος  
6 ὑπάρχειν. ἀγαθοὶ γὰρ οἱ πολλοὶ τῶν ἀνθρώπων οὐκ ἐκ τῶν κατὰ λόγον, ἀλλ' ἐκ τῶν συμβαινόντων  
7 ποιεῖσθαι τὰς διαλήψεις. ἄρτι γὰρ δι' αὐτὸ τοῦτο προκεχειρισμένοι τὸν Πανσίστρατον, διὰ τὸ πρᾶξιν ἔχειν τινὰ καὶ τόλμαν, παραχρῆμα μετέπιπτον εἰς τὰναντία ταῖς γνώμας διὰ τὴν περιπέτειαν.

8 (6) "Ὅτι κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον εἰς τὴν Σάμον προσέπεσε γράμματα τοῖς περὶ τὸν Λεύκιον καὶ τὸν Εὐμένη παρά τε τοῦ Λευκίου τοῦ τὴν ὕπατον ἀρχὴν ἔχοντος καὶ παρά Ποπλίου Σκιπίωνος,  
2 δηλοῦντα τὰς πρὸς τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς γεγενημένας συνθήκας ὑπὲρ τῶν ἀνοχῶν καὶ τὴν ἐπὶ τὸν Ἑλλήσποντον πορείαν τῶν πεζικῶν στρατοπέδων. ὁμοίως  
3 δὲ καὶ τοῖς περὶ τὸν Ἀντίοχον καὶ Σέλευκον ταῦτα διεσαφεῖτο παρά τῶν Αἰτωλῶν.

9 "Ὅτι Διοφάνης ὁ Μεγαλοπολίτης μεγάλην ἔξιν  
(7) (3) εἶχεν ἐν τοῖς πολεμικοῖς διὰ τὸ πολυχρονίου γεγονότος τοῦ πρὸς Νάβιν πολέμου τοῖς Μεγαλοπολίταις ἀστυγείτονος πάντα συνεχῶς τὸν χρόνον ὑπὸ τὸν Φιλοποίμενα τεταγμένος τριβὴν ἐσχηκέναι  
2 (4) τῶν κατὰ πόλεμον ἔργων ἀληθινῆν. χωρὶς τε τούτων κατὰ τὴν ἐπιφάνειαν καὶ κατὰ τὴν σωματικὴν χρεῖαν ἦν ὁ προειρημένος ἀνὴρ δυνατὸς



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3 (5) καὶ καταπληκτικός. τὸ δὲ κυριώτατον, πρὸς πόλεμον ὑπῆρχεν ἀνὴρ ἀγαθὸς καὶ τοῖς ὅπλοις ἐχρήτο διαφερόντως.

10 (8) Ὅτι Ἀντίοχος ὁ βασιλεὺς εἰς τὸν Πέργαμον ἐμβαλὼν, πυθόμενος δὲ τὴν παρουσίαν Εὐμένους τοῦ βασιλέως καὶ θεωρῶν οὐ μόνον τὰς ναυτικάς, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὰς πεζικὰς δυνάμεις ἐπ' αὐτὸν παραγινόμενας, ἐβουλεύετο λόγους ποιήσασθαι περὶ διαλύσεως ὁμοῦ πρὸς τε Ῥωμαίους καὶ τὸν Εὐμένην  
 2 καὶ τοὺς Ῥοδίους. ἐξάρας οὖν ἅπαντι τῷ στρατεύματι παρῆν πρὸς τὴν Ἐλαίαν καὶ λαβὼν λόφον τινὰ καταντικρὺ τῆς πόλεως τὸ μὲν πεζικὸν ἐπὶ τούτου κατέστησε, τοὺς δ' ἵππεῖς παρ' αὐτὴν τὴν πόλιν παρενέβαλε, πλείους ὄντας ἑξακισχιλίων.  
 3 αὐτὸς δὲ μεταξὺ τούτων γενόμενος διεπέμπετο πρὸς τοὺς περὶ τὸν Λεύκιον εἰς τὴν πόλιν ὑπὲρ  
 4 διαλύσεων. ὁ δὲ στρατηγὸς ὁ τῶν Ῥωμαίων συναγαγὼν τοὺς τε Ῥοδίους καὶ τὸν Εὐμένην ἠξίου λέγειν περὶ τῶν ἐνεστώτων τὸ φαινόμενον.  
 5 οἱ μὲν οὖν περὶ τὸν Εὐδαμον καὶ Παμφιλίδαν οὐκ ἀλλότριον τῆς διαλύσεως ἦσαν· ὁ δὲ βασιλεὺς οὐτ' εὐσχήμονα τὴν διάλυσιν οὔτε δυνατὴν ἔφησε  
 6 κατὰ τὸ παρὸν εἶναι. “εὐσχήμονα γάρ” ἔφη “πῶς οἶόν τε γίνεσθαι τὴν ἔκβασιν, εἰ τειχήρεις  
 7 ὄντες ποιῶμεθα τὰς διαλύσεις;” καὶ μὴν οὐδὲ δυνατὴν ἔφησε κατὰ τὸ παρὸν. “πῶς γὰρ ἐνδέχεται, μὴ προσδεξαμένους ὑπατον, ἄνευ τῆς ἐκείνου γνώμης βεβαιῶσαι τὰς ὁμολογηθείσας συνθήκας;  
 8 χωρὶς τε τούτων, εἰ ὄλως γένηται τι σημεῖον ὁμολογίας πρὸς Ἀντίοχον, οὔτε τὰς ναυτικὰς δυνάμεις δυνατὸν ἐπανελθεῖν δήπουθεν εἰς τὴν

redoubtable. And, most important of all, he was a gallant man-at-arms and exceptionally skilled in their use.

*Antiochus negotiates*

(Cp. Livy xxxvii. 18. 6.)

10. King Antiochus had entered the territory of Pergamus, where hearing of the arrival of King Eumenes, and seeing that both the naval and military forces were coming up to the assistance of that prince, was desirous of making proposals for peace simultaneously to the Romans, to Eumenes and to the Rhodians. Setting out, then, with his whole army he came to Elaea, and seizing on an eminence opposite the town, established his infantry there, encamping his cavalry, more than six thousand in number, under the walls of the town. He accompanied the latter force, and sent a messenger to Lucius Aemilius, who was within the town, on the subject of peace. The Roman general, summoning Eumenes and the Rhodians to meet him, begged them to give him their view of the situation. Eudamus and Pamphilidas were not opposed to peace, but the king said that for the present peace neither befitted their dignity nor was possible. "For how," he said, "can the result fail to be undignified if we make peace while we are shut up within the walls? And indeed how is it even possible for the present? For how can we, unless we await the arrival of a general of consular rank, confirm any agreement we arrive at without his consent? And, apart from this, if we manage at all to come to some semblance of an agreement with Antiochus, I scarcely suppose that your naval and military forces



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ἰδίαν οὔτε τὰς πεζικάς, εἰ μὴ πρότερον ὁ τε  
 δῆμος ἢ τε σύγκλητος ἐπικυρώσῃ τὰ δοχθέντα.  
 9 λείπεται δὴ καταδοκούντας τὴν ἐκείνων ἀπόφασιν  
 παραχειμάζειν ἐνθάδε καὶ πράττειν μὲν μηδέν,  
 ἐκδαπανᾶν δὲ τὰς τῶν ἰδίων συμμάχων χορηγίας  
 10 καὶ παρασκευάς· ἔπειτ', ἂν μὴ σφίσι παρῆ τῇ  
 συγκλήτῳ διαλύεσθαι, καινοποιεῖν πάλιν ἀπ' ἀρχῆς  
 τὸν πόλεμον, παρέντας τοὺς ἐνεστῶτας καιροῦς,  
 ἐν οἷς δυνάμεθα θεῶν βουλομένων πέρας ἐπιθεῖναι  
 11 τοῖς ὅλοις." ὁ μὲν οὖν Εὐμένης ταῦτ' εἶπεν· ὁ  
 δὲ Λεύκιος ἀποδεξάμενος τὴν συμβουλίαν, ἀπεκρίθη  
 τοῖς περὶ τὸν Ἀντίοχον ὅτι πρὸ τοῦ τὸν ἀνθύπατον  
 12 ἐλθεῖν οὐκ ἐνδέχεται γενέσθαι τὰς διαλύσεις. ὧν  
 ἀκούσαντες οἱ περὶ τὸν Ἀντίοχον παραυτίκα μὲν  
 13 ἐδήουν τὴν τῶν Ἐλαιτῶν χώραν· ἐξῆς δὲ τούτοις  
 Σέλευκος μὲν ἐπὶ τούτων ἔμεινε τῶν τόπων,  
 Ἀντίοχος δὲ κατὰ τὸ συνεχὲς ἐπιπορευόμενος  
 14 ἐνέβαλλεν εἰς τὸ Θήβης καλούμενον πεδῖον, καὶ  
 παραβεβληκῶς εἰς χώραν εὐδαίμονα καὶ γέμουσαν  
 ἀγαθῶν ἐπλήρου τὴν στρατιὰν παντοδαπῆς λείας.—  
 11 (9) Ὅτι Ἀντίοχος ὁ βασιλεὺς παραγενόμενος εἰς  
 τὰς Σάρδεις ἀπὸ τῆς προρρηθείσης στρατείας  
 2 διεπέμπετο συνεχῶς πρὸς Προυσίαν, παρακαλῶν  
 αὐτὸν εἰς τὴν σφετέραν συμμαχίαν. ὁ δὲ Προυσίας  
 κατὰ μὲν τοὺς ἀνώτερον χρόνους οὐκ ἀλλότριος  
 ἦν τοῦ κοινωνεῖν τοῖς περὶ τὸν Ἀντίοχον· πάνυ  
 γὰρ ἐδεδῖει τοὺς Ῥωμαίους, μὴ ποιῶνται τὴν εἰς  
 Ἀσίαν διάβασιν ἐπὶ καταλύσει πάντων τῶν δυνα-  
 3 στῶν. παραγενομένης δ' ἐπιστολῆς αὐτῷ παρά τε  
 Λευκίου καὶ Ποπλίου τῶν ἀδελφῶν, κομισάμενος  
 ταύτην καὶ διακναγνοὺς ἐπὶ ποσὸν ἔστη τῇ διανοίᾳ  
 4 καὶ προείδετο τὸ μέλλον ἐνδεχομένως, ἅτε τῶν

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περὶ τὸν Πόπλιον ἐναργέσι κεχρημένων καὶ πολλοῖς μαρτυρίοις πρὸς πίστιν διὰ τῶν ἐγγράπτων.  
5 οὐ γὰρ μόνον ὑπὲρ τῆς ἰδίας προαιρέσεως ἔφερον ἀπολογισμούς, ἀλλὰ καὶ περὶ τῆς κοινῆς ἀπάντων  
6 Ῥωμαίων, δι' ὧν παρεδείκνυον οὐχ οἷον ἀφηρημένοι τινὸς τῶν ἐξ ἀρχῆς βασιλέων τὰς δυναστείας, ἀλλὰ τινὰς μὲν καὶ προσκατεσκευακότες αὐτοὶ  
7 δυνάστας, ἐνίους δ' ἠϋξηκότες καὶ πολλαπλασίους αὐτῶν τὰς ἀρχὰς πεποιηκότες. ὧν κατὰ μὲν τὴν Ἰβηρίαν Ἀνδοβάλην καὶ Κολίχαντα προεφέροντο, κατὰ δὲ τὴν Λιβύην Μασαννάσαν, ἐν δὲ τοῖς κατὰ  
8 τὴν Ἰλλυρίδα τόποις Πλευράτον· οὓς ἅπαντας ἔφασαν ἐξ ἐλαφρῶν καὶ τῶν τυχόντων δυναστῶν  
9 πεποιηκένοι βασιλεῖς ὁμολογουμένως. ὁμοίως κατὰ τὴν Ἑλλάδα Φίλιππον καὶ Νάβιν, ὧν Φίλιππον μὲν καταπολεμήσαντες καὶ συγκλείσαντες εἰς ὄμηρα καὶ φόρους, βραχεῖαν αὐτοῦ νῦν λαβόντες ἀπόδειξιν εὐνοίας ἀποκαθεστακένοι μὲν αὐτῷ τὸν υἱὸν καὶ τοὺς ἅμα τούτῳ συνομηρεύοντας νεανίσκους, ἀπολελυκένοι δὲ τῶν φόρων, πολλὰς δὲ τῶν πόλεων ἀποδεδωκένοι τῶν ἀλουσῶν κατὰ πόλεμον.  
10 Νάβιν δὲ δυνηθέντες ἄρδην ἐπανελέσθαι, τοῦτο μὲν οὐ ποιῆσαι, φείσασθαι δ' αὐτοῦ, καίπερ ὄντος  
11 τυράννου, λαβόντες πίστει τὰς εἰθισμένας. εἰς ἃ βλέποντα παρεκάλουν τὸν Προυσίαν διὰ τῆς ἐπιστολῆς μὴ δεδιέναι περὶ τῆς ἀρχῆς, θαρροῦντα δ' αἰρεῖσθαι τὰ Ῥωμαίων· ἔσεσθαι γὰρ ἀμετα-  
12 μέλητον αὐτῷ τὴν τοιαύτην προαίρεσιν. ὧν ὁ Προυσίας διακούσας ἐπ' ἄλλης ἐγένετο γνώμης. ὡς δὲ καὶ παρεγενήθησαν πρὸς αὐτὸν πρέσβεις οἱ περὶ τὸν Γάιον Λίβιον, τελέως ἀπέστη τῶν κατὰ τὸν Ἀντίοχον ἐλπίδων, συμμίξας τοῖς προειρη-

happen, as the Scipios in their communication employed many clear arguments in confirmation of their assertions. For they not only pleaded their own policy but the universal policy of Rome, pointing out that not only had the Romans deprived no former prince of his kingdom, but had even themselves created some new kingdoms, and had augmented the power of other princes, making their dominion many times more extensive than formerly. In Spain they cited the cases of Andobales and Colichas, in Africa that of Massanissa, and that of Pleuratus in Illyria; all of whom they said they had made real and acknowledged kings out of petty and insignificant princelets. In Greece itself they adduced the cases of Philip and Nabis. As for Philip, after they had crushed him in war and tied his hands by imposing hostages and tribute on him, no sooner had they received from him a slight proof of his goodwill than they had restored to him his son and the other young men who were held as hostages together with Demetrius; they had remitted the tribute and given him back many of the cities taken in the war. And while they could have utterly annihilated Nabis, they had not done so, but spared him, although he was a tyrant, on receipt of the usual pledges. They wrote begging Prusias, in view of this, not to be afraid about his kingdom, but confidently to take the side of the Romans, for he would never repent of his decision. Prusias, then, after reading the letter, changed his mind, and when Gaius Livius also arrived on an embassy to him, after meeting that legate he entirely relin-

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- 13 μένοις ἀνδράσιν. Ἀντίοχος δὲ ταύτης ἀποπεσῶν τῆς ἐλπίδος παρῆν εἰς Ἔφεσον καὶ συλλογιζόμενος ὅτι μόνως ἂν οὕτω δύναίτο κωλύσαι τὴν τῶν πεζικῶν στρατοπέδων διάβασιν καὶ καθόλου τὸν πόλεμον ἀπὸ τῆς Ἀσίας ἀποτρίβεσθαι . . . βεβαίως κρατοίῃ τῆς θαλάττης, προέθετο ναυμαχεῖν καὶ κρίνειν τὰ πράγματα διὰ τῶν κατὰ θάλατταν κινδύνων.
- 12 Πολύβιος· οἱ δὲ πειραταὶ θεασάμενοι τὸν ἐπίπλουν τῶν Ῥωμαϊκῶν πλοίων, ἐκ μεταβολῆς ἐποιοῦντο τὴν ἀναχώρησιν.—
- 3 (10) Ὅτι ὁ Ἀντίοχος μετὰ τὴν κατὰ τὴν ναυμαχίαν γενομένην ἦτταν ἐν ταῖς Σάρδεσιν παριεῖς τοὺς 2 καιροὺς καὶ καταμέλλων ἐν τοῖς ὅλοις, ἅμα τῷ πυθέσθαι τῶν πολεμίων τὴν διάβασιν συντριβείς τῇ διανοίᾳ καὶ δυσελπιστήσας ἔκρινεν διαπέμπεσθαι πρὸς τοὺς περὶ τὸν Λεύκιον καὶ Πόπλιον 3 ὑπὲρ διαλύσεων. προχειρισάμενος οὖν Ἡρακλείδην τὸν Βυζάντιον ἐξέπεμψε, δούς ἐντολὰς ὅτι παραχωρεῖ τῆς τε τῶν Λαμψακηνῶν καὶ Σμυρναίων, ἔτι δὲ τῆς Ἀλεξανδρέων πόλεως, 4 ἐξ ὧν ὁ πόλεμος ἔλαβε τὰς ἀρχάς· ὁμοίως δὲ κἂν τινὰς ἑτέρας ὑφαιρεῖσθαι βούλωνται τῶν κατὰ τὴν Αἰολίδα καὶ τὴν Ἰωνίαν, ὅσαι τὰ κείνων 5 ἦρηνται κατὰ τὸν ἐνεστῶτα πόλεμον. πρὸς δὲ τούτοις ὅτι τὴν ἡμίσειαν δώσει τῆς γεγενημένης σφίσι δαπάνης εἰς τὴν πρὸς αὐτὸν διαφοράν. 6 ταύτας μὲν οὖν ὁ πεμπόμενος εἶχε τὰς ἐντολὰς πρὸς τὴν κατὰ κοινὸν ἔντευξιν, ἰδίᾳ δὲ πρὸς τὸν

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<sup>a</sup> In the bay of Teos. See Livy xxxvii. 30.



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Πόπλιον ἑτέρας, ὑπὲρ ὧν τὰ κατὰ μέρος ἐν τοῖς  
 7 ἐξῆς δηλώσομεν. ἀφικόμενος δ' εἰς τὸν Ἑλλήσ-  
 ποντον ὁ προειρημένος πρεσβευτῆς καὶ καταλαβὼν  
 τοὺς Ῥωμαίους μένοντας ἐπὶ τῆς στρατοπεδείας,  
 8 οὗ πρῶτον κατεσκήνωσαν ἀπὸ τῆς διαβάσεως, τὰς  
 μὲν ἀρχὰς ἤσθη, νομίζων αὐτῷ συνεργὸν εἶναι  
 πρὸς τὴν ἔντευξιν τὸ μένειν ἐπὶ τῶν ὑποκειμένων  
 καὶ πρὸς μηδὲν ὠρμηκέναί τῶν ἐξῆς τοὺς ὑπ-  
 9 εναντίους, πυθόμενος δὲ τὸν Πόπλιον ἔτι μένειν ἐν  
 τῷ πέραν ἐδυσχρήστησε διὰ τὸ τὴν πλείστην  
 ῥοπὴν κείσθαι τῶν πραγμάτων ἐν τῇ ῥείνου  
 10 προαιρέσει. αἴτιον δ' ἦν καὶ τοῦ μένειν τὸ στρα-  
 τόπεδον ἐπὶ τῆς πρώτης παρεμβολῆς καὶ τοῦ  
 κεχωρίσθαι τὸν Πόπλιον ἀπὸ τῶν δυνάμεων τὸ  
 σάλιον εἶναι τὸν προειρημένον ἄνδρα. τοῦτο δ'  
 11 ἔστιν, καθάπερ ἡμῖν ἐν τοῖς περὶ τῆς πολιτείας  
 εἴρηται, τῶν τριῶν ἐν σύστημα, δι' ὧν συμβαίνει  
 τὰς ἐπιφανεστάτας θυσίας ἐν τῇ Ῥώμῃ συντελεῖσθαι  
 12 τοῖς θεοῖς . . . τριακονθήμερον μὴ μεταβαίνειν  
 κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τῆς θυσίας, ἐν ἧ ἄν χώρα  
 13 καταληφθῶσιν [οἱ σάλιοι οὗτοι]. ὁ καὶ τότε  
 συνέβη γενέσθαι Ποπλίῳ· τῆς γὰρ δυνάμεως  
 μελλούσης περαιουῆσθαι κατέλαβεν αὐτὸν οὗτος ὁ  
 χρόνος, ὥστε μὴ δύνασθαι μεταβαλεῖν τὴν χώραν.  
 14 διὸ συνέβη τὸν τε Σκιπίωνα χωρισθῆναι τῶν  
 στρατοπέδων καὶ μείναι κατὰ τὴν Εὐρώπην, τὰς  
 δὲ δυνάμεις περαιωθείσας μένειν ἐπὶ τῶν ὑποκει-  
 μένων καὶ μὴ δύνασθαι πράττειν τῶν ἐξῆς μηθέν,  
 προσαναδεχομένας τὸν προειρημένον ἄνδρα.

4 (11) Ὁ δ' Ἡρακλείδης, μετὰ τινὰς ἡμέρας παρα-  
 γενομένου τοῦ Ποπλίου, κληθεὶς πρὸς τὸ συνέδριον  
 εἰς ἔντευξιν διελέγετο περὶ ὧν εἶχε τὰς ἐντολάς,

to Scipio of which I will give a detailed account further on. Heracleides, on reaching the Hellespont and finding the Romans still encamped on the place where they had pitched their tents immediately after crossing, was at first glad of this, thinking that the fact that the enemy remained stationary and had as yet not attempted to make any progress would tell in his favour at the audience ; but on learning that Publius Scipio still remained on the further side, he was distressed, as the result very largely depended on the intentions of that commander. The real reason why both the army remained in its first camp and Scipio was apart from it was that the latter was one of the Salii. These are, as I said in my book on the Roman constitution, one of the three colleges whose duty it is to perform the principal sacrifices, and, no matter where they happen to be, it is forbidden for them to change their residence for thirty days during the celebration of the sacrifices. This was now the case with Scipio ; for just as his army was crossing, he was caught by this period, so that he could not change his residence. The consequence was that he was separated from his army and stopped behind in Europe, while the legions after crossing remained inactive, and were unable to make any progress as they were awaiting his arrival.

14. When Scipio arrived a few days afterwards, Heracleides was summoned for an audience to the Army Council and addressed them on the subject



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2 φάσκων τῆς τε τῶν Λαμψακηνῶν καὶ Σμυρναίων,  
 ἔτι δὲ τῆς τῶν Ἀλεξανδρέων πόλεως ἐκχωρεῖν  
 τὸν Ἀντίοχον, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ τῶν κατὰ τὴν Αἰολίδα  
 καὶ τὴν Ἰωνίαν, ὅσαι τυγχάνουσιν ἡρημέναι τὰ  
 3 Ῥωμαίων· πρὸς δὲ τούτοις τὴν ἡμίσειαν ἀνα-  
 δέχεσθαι τῆς γεγενημένης αὐτοῖς δαπάνης εἰς τὸν  
 4 ἐνεστῶτα πόλεμον. πολλὰ δὲ καὶ ἕτερα πρὸς  
 ταύτην τὴν ὑπόθεσιν διελέχθη, παρακαλῶν τοὺς  
 Ῥωμαίους μήτε τὴν τύχην λίαν ἐξελέγχειν ἀνθρώ-  
 πους ὑπάρχοντας, μήτε τὸ μέγεθος τῆς αὐτῶν  
 ἐξουσίας ἀόριστον ποιεῖν, ἀλλὰ περιγράφειν, μά-  
 5 λιστα μὲν τοῖς τῆς Εὐρώπης ὄροις· καὶ γὰρ  
 ταύτην μεγάλην ὑπάρχειν καὶ παράδοξον διὰ τὸ  
 6 μηδένα καθίχθαι τῶν προγεγονότων αὐτῆς· εἰ δὲ  
 πάντως καὶ τῆς Ἀσίας βούλονταί τινα προσεπι-  
 δράττεσθαι, διορίσαι ταῦτα· πρὸς πᾶν γὰρ τὸ  
 7 δυνατὸν προσελεύσεσθαι τὸν βασιλέα. ῥηθέντων  
 δὲ τούτων, ἔδοξε τῷ συνεδρίῳ τὸν στρατηγὸν ἀπο-  
 κριθῆναι διότι τῆς μὲν δαπάνης οὐ τὴν ἡμίσειαν,  
 ἀλλὰ πᾶσαν δίκαιόν ἐστιν Ἀντίοχον ἀποδοῦναι·  
 φῦναι γὰρ τὸν πόλεμον ἐξ ἀρχῆς οὐ δι' αὐτούς,  
 8 ἀλλὰ δι' ἐκείνον· τῶν δὲ πόλεων μὴ τὰς κατὰ τὴν  
 Αἰολίδα καὶ τὴν Ἰωνίαν μόνον ἐλευθεροῦν, ἀλλὰ  
 πάσης τῆς ἐπὶ τάδε τοῦ Ταύρου δυναστείας ἐκ-  
 9 χωρεῖν. ὁ μὲν οὖν πρεσβευτῆς ταῦτ' ἀκούσας  
 παρὰ τοῦ συνεδρίου, διὰ τὸ πολὺ τῶν ἀξιουμένων  
 τὰς ἐπιταγὰς ὑπεραίρειν οὐδένα λόγον ποιησάμενος,  
 τῆς μὲν κοινῆς ἐντεύξεως ἀπέστη, τὸν δὲ Πόπλιον  
 ἐθεράπευσε φιλοτίμως.

5 (12) Λαβὼν δὲ καιρὸν ἀρμόζοντα διελέγετο περὶ ᾧ  
 2 εἶχε τὰς ἐντολάς. αὐταὶ δ' ἦσαν διότι πρῶτον μὲν  
 χωρὶς λύτρων ὁ βασιλεὺς αὐτῷ τὸν υἱὸν ἀποδώσει·

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3 συνέβαινε γὰρ ἐν ἀρχαῖς τοῦ πολέμου τὸν υἱὸν τὸν  
 τοῦ Σκιπίωνος γεγονέναι τοῖς περὶ Ἀντίοχον  
 4 ὑποχείριον· δεύτερον δὲ διότι καὶ κατὰ τὸ παρὸν  
 ἔτοιμός ἐστιν ὁ βασιλεὺς ὅσον ἂν ἀποδείξῃ διδόναι  
 πλῆθος χρημάτων καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα κοινὴν ποιεῖν  
 τὴν ἐκ τῆς βασιλείας χορηγίαν, εἰὰν συνεργήσῃ  
 ταῖς ὑπὸ τοῦ βασιλέως προτεινομέναις διαλύσεσιν.  
 5 ὁ δὲ Πόπλιος τὴν μὲν κατὰ τὸν υἱὸν ἐπαγγελίαν  
 ἔφη δέχεσθαι καὶ μεγάλην χάριν ἔξειν ἐπὶ τούτοις,  
 6 εἰὰν βεβαιώσῃ τὴν ὑπόσχεσιν· περὶ δὲ τῶν ἄλλων  
 ἀγνοεῖν αὐτὸν ἔφη καὶ παραπαίειν ὀλοσχερῶς τοῦ  
 σφετέρου συμφέροντος οὐ μόνον κατὰ τὴν πρὸς  
 αὐτὸν ἔντευξιν, ἀλλὰ <καὶ> κατὰ τὴν πρὸς τὸ  
 7 συνέδριον. εἰ μὲν γὰρ ἔτι Λυσιμαχείας καὶ τῆς  
 εἰς τὴν Χερρόνησον εἰσόδου κύριος ὑπάρχων  
 ταῦτα προύτεινε, ταχέως ἂν αὐτὸν ἐπιτυχεῖν.  
 8 ὁμοίως, εἰ καὶ τούτων ἐκχωρήσας παραγεγόνει  
 πρὸς τὸν Ἑλλησποντον μετὰ τῆς δυνάμεως καὶ  
 δῆλος ὢν ὅτι κωλύσει τὴν διάβασιν ἡμῶν ἐπρέσβευε  
 περὶ τῶν αὐτῶν τούτων, ἦν ἂν οὕτως αὐτὸν ἐφ-  
 9 ικέσθαι τῶν ἀξιουμένων. ὅτε δ' εἶσας ἐπιβῆναι  
 τῆς Ἀσίας τὰς ἡμετέρας δυνάμεις καὶ προσδεξά-  
 μενος οὐ μόνον τὸν χαλινόν, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὸν ἀναβάτην  
 παραγίνεται πρεσβεύων περὶ διαλύσεων ἴσων,  
 εἰκότως αὐτὸν ἀποτυγχάνειν καὶ διεψεῦσθαι τῶν  
 10 ἐλπίδων. διόπερ αὐτῷ παρήνει βέλτιον βουλευέ-  
 σθαι περὶ τῶν ἐνεστώτων καὶ βλέπειν τοὺς καιροὺς  
 11 ἀληθινῶς. ἀντὶ δὲ τῆς κατὰ τὸν υἱὸν ἐπαγγελίας  
 ὑπισχνεῖτο δώσειν αὐτῷ συμβουλίαν ἀξίαν τῆς  
 προτεινομένης χάριτος· παρεκάλει γὰρ αὐτὸν εἰς  
 πᾶν συγκαταβαίνειν, μάχεσθαι δὲ κατὰ μηδένα  
 12 τρόπον Ῥωμαίοις. ὁ μὲν <οὖν> Ἡρακλείδης

at the beginning of the war, Scipio's son had happened to fall into the hands of Antiochus ; secondly that he was ready to give to Scipio at present any sum he named and afterwards to share the revenue of his kingdom with him, if he helped him now to obtain the terms of peace he proposed. Scipio answered that he accepted the promise about his son, and would be most grateful to Antiochus if he fulfilled it ; but as to the rest he made a great mistake and had entirely failed to recognize the king's own true interest not only in this private interview with himself, but at his audience before the Council. For had he made these proposals while he was still master of Lysimachia and the approach to the Chersonese, he would soon have obtained his terms. Or again, even after retiring from those positions, had he proceeded to the Hellespont with his army, and showing that he would prevent our crossing, had sent to propose the same terms, it would still have been possible for him to obtain them. " But now," he said, " that he has allowed our army to land in Asia, when after letting himself not only be bitted but mounted he comes to us asking for peace on equal terms he naturally fails to get it and is foiled in his hopes." He advised him, therefore, to take better counsel in his present situation and look facts in the face. In return for his promise about his son, he would give him a piece of advice equal in value to the favour he offered, and that was to consent to everything and avoid at all cost a battle with the Romans. Heracleides,

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ταῦτ' ἀκούσας ἐπανῆλθε καὶ συμμίξας διεσάφει  
 13 τῷ βασιλεῖ τὰ κατὰ μέρος· Ἀντίοχος < δὲ > νομίσας  
 οὐδὲν ἂν βαρύτερον αὐτῷ γενέσθαι πρόσταγμα  
 τῶν νῦν ἐπιταπτομένων, εἰ λειφθείη μαχόμενος,  
 τῆς μὲν περὶ τὰς διαλύσεις ἀσχολίας ἀπέστη, τὰ  
 δὲ πρὸς ἀγῶνα πάντα καὶ πανταχόθεν ἠτοίμαζεν.

6 (13) Ὅτι μετὰ τὴν νίκην οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι τὴν αὐτῶν πρὸς  
 Ἀντίοχον παρείληφότες καὶ τὰς Σάρδεις καὶ τὰς  
 ἀκροπόλεις ἄρτι . . . ἦκε Μουσαῖος ἐπικηρυκευό-  
 2 μενος παρ' Ἀντιόχου. τῶν δὲ περὶ τὸν Πόπλιον  
 φιλανθρώπως προσδεξαμένων αὐτόν, ἔφη βούλεσθαι  
 τὸν Ἀντίοχον ἐξαποσταλῆναι πρεσβευτὰς τοὺς  
 3 διαλεχθησομένους ὑπὲρ τῶν ὄλων. διόπερ ἀσφά-  
 4 λειαν ἠξίου δοθῆναι τοῖς παραγινομένοις. τῶν  
 δὲ συγχωρησάντων οὗτος μὲν ἐπανῆλθεν, μετὰ δέ  
 τινας ἡμέρας ἦκον πρέσβεις παρὰ τοῦ βασιλέως  
 Ἀντιόχου Ζεῦξις ὁ πρότερον ὑπάρχων Λυδίας  
 5 σατράπης καὶ Ἀντίπατρος ἀδελφιδούης. οὗτοι δὲ  
 πρῶτον μὲν ἔσπευδον ἐντυχεῖν Εὐμένει τῷ βασιλεῖ,  
 διευλαβούμενοι μὴ διὰ τὴν προγεγεννημένην παρα-  
 τριβὴν φιλοτιμότερος ἢ πρὸς τὸ βλάπτειν αὐτούς.  
 6 εὐρόντες δὲ παρὰ τὴν προσδοκίαν μέτριον αὐτὸν  
 καὶ πρᾶον, εὐθέως ἐγίνοντο περὶ τὴν κοινὴν ἔντευξιν.  
 7 κληθέντες δ' εἰς τὸ συνέδριον πολλὰ μὲν καὶ  
 ἕτερα διελέχθησαν, παρακαλοῦντες πρᾶως χρή-  
 8 σασθαι καὶ μεγαλοψύχως τοῖς εὐτυχήμασι, φά-  
 σκοντες οὐχ οὕτως Ἀντιόχῳ τοῦτο συμφέρειν ὡς  
 αὐτοῖς Ῥωμαίοις, ἐπεὶπερ ἡ τύχη παρέδωκεν



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αὐτοῖς τὴν τῆς οἰκουμένης ἀρχὴν καὶ δυναστείαν·  
 9 τὸ δὲ συνέχον ἡρώτων τί δεῖ ποιήσαντας τυχεῖν  
 τῆς εἰρήνης καὶ τῆς φιλίας τῆς πρὸς Ῥωμαίους.  
 10 οἱ δ' ἐν τῷ συνεδρίῳ πρότερον ἤδη συνηδρευκότες  
 καὶ βεβουλευμένοι περὶ τούτων, τότε ἐκέλευον  
 διασαφεῖν τὰ δεδογμένα τὸν Πόπλιον.

7 (14) Ὁ δὲ προειρημένος ἀνὴρ οὔτε νικήσαντας ἔφη  
 2 Ῥωμαίους οὐδέποτε γενέσθαι βαρυτέρους, . . . διὸ  
 καὶ νῦν αὐτοῖς τὴν αὐτὴν ἀπόκρισιν δοθήσεσθαι  
 παρὰ Ῥωμαίων, ἣν καὶ πρότερον ἔλαβον, ὅτε  
 πρὸ τῆς μάχης παρεγενήθησαν ἐπὶ τὸν Ἑλλήσ-  
 3 <ποντον>. δεῖν γὰρ αὐτοὺς ἔκ τε τῆς Εὐρώπης  
 ἐκχωρεῖν καὶ <τῆς Ἀσίας> τῆς ἐπὶ τάδε τοῦ  
 4 Ταύρου πάσης. πρὸς δὲ τούτοις Εὐβοϊκὰ τάλαντ'  
 ἐπιδοῦναι μύρια καὶ πεντακισχίλια Ῥωμαίοις ἀντὶ  
 5 τῆς εἰς τὸν πόλεμον δαπάνης. τούτων δὲ πεντα-  
 κόσια μὲν παραχρῆμα, δισχίλια δὲ καὶ πεντακόσια  
 πάλιν, ἐπειδὴν ὁ δῆμος κυρώσῃ τὰς διαλύσεις, τὰ  
 δὲ λοιπὰ τελεῖν ἐν ἔτεσι δώδεκα, διδόντα καθ'  
 6 ἕκαστον ἔτος χίλια τάλαντα. ἀποδοῦναι δὲ καὶ  
 Εὐμένει τετρακόσια τάλαντα <τὰ> προσοφειλόμενα  
 καὶ τὸν ἐλλείποντα σῖτον κατὰ τὰς πρὸς τὸν  
 7 πατέρα συνθήκας. σὺν δὲ τούτοις Ἀννίβαν ἐκ-  
 δοῦναι τὸν Καρχηδόνιον καὶ Θόαντα τὸν Αἰτωλὸν  
 καὶ Μνασίλοχον Ἀκαρναῖνα καὶ Φίλωνα καὶ  
 8 Εὐβουλίδαν τοὺς Χαλκιδέας. πίστιν δὲ τούτων  
 ὁμήρους εἴκοσι δοῦναι παραχρῆμα τὸν Ἀντίοχον  
 9 τοὺς παραγραφέντας. ταῦτα μὲν οὖν ὁ Πόπλιος  
 ἀπεφήναθ' ὑπὲρ παντὸς τοῦ συνεδρίου. συγκατα-  
 θεμένων δὲ τῶν περὶ τὸν Ἀντίπατρον καὶ Ζεῦξιν,  
 ἔδοξε πᾶσιν ἕξαποστεῖλαι πρεσβευτὰς εἰς τὴν  
 Ῥώμην τοὺς παρακαλέσοντας τὴν σύγκλητον καὶ  
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that Fortune had made them rulers and masters of the whole world. But their main object was to ask what they must do in order to secure peace and alliance with Rome. The members of the Council had previously sat to consider this, and they now asked Scipio to communicate their decision.

17. Scipio said that victory had never made the Romans more exacting nor defeat less so : therefore they would now give them the same answer as they had formerly received, when before the battle they came to the Hellespont. They must retire from Europe and from all Asia on this side Taurus : Antiochus must pay to the Romans for the expenses of the war 15,000 Euboean talents, 500 at once, 2500 upon the peace being ratified by the People, and the remainder in twelve yearly instalments of 1000 talents each : he must also pay to Eumenes the 400 talents he still owed him and the corn he had not yet delivered according to the terms of his agreement with his father Attalus. In addition he was to give up Hannibal the Carthaginian, Thoas the Aetolian, Mnasilochus the Acarnanian, and Philo and Eubulidas of Chalcis. As security Antiochus was to give at once the twenty hostages whose names were appended. Such was the decision which Scipio pronounced in the name of the whole Council. Upon Antipater and Zeuxis accepting the terms, it was universally decided to send envoys to Rome to beg the Senate and People to ratify the



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10 τὸν δῆμον ἐπικυρῶσαι τὰς συνθήκας. καὶ τότε  
μὲν ἐπὶ τούτοις ἐχωρίσθησαν, ταῖς δ' ἐξῆς ἡμέραις  
11 οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι διεῖλον τὰς δυνάμεις . . . μετὰ δέ  
τινας ἡμέρας παραγενομένων <τῶν> ὁμήρων εἰς  
τὴν Ἔφεσον, εὐθέως ἐγίνοντο περὶ τὸ πλεῖν εἰς  
τὴν Ῥώμην ὃ τ' Εὐμένης οἱ τε παρ' Ἀντιόχου  
12 πρεσβευταί, παραπλησίως δὲ καὶ παρὰ Ῥοδίων  
καὶ παρὰ Σμυρναίων καὶ σχεδὸν τῶν ἐπὶ τάδε τοῦ  
Ταύρου πάντων τῶν κατοικούντων ἔθνων καὶ  
πολιτευμάτων ἐπρέσβευον εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην.

### IV. RES ITALIAE

18 Ὅτι ἤδη τῆς θερείας ἐνισταμένης μετὰ τὴν  
xii. 1) νίκην τῶν Ῥωμαίων τὴν πρὸς Ἀντιόχον παρῆν  
ὃ τε βασιλεὺς Εὐμένης οἱ τε παρ' Ἀντιόχου  
πρέσβεις οἱ τε παρὰ τῶν Ῥοδίων, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ  
2 παρὰ τῶν ἄλλων· σχεδὸν γὰρ ἅπαντες οἱ κατὰ τὴν  
Ἀσίαν εὐθέως μετὰ τὸ γενέσθαι τὴν μάχην ἔπεμπον  
πρεσβευτὰς εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, διὰ τὸ πᾶσιν τότε καὶ  
πάσας τὰς ὑπὲρ τοῦ μέλλοντος ἐλπίδας ἐν τῇ  
3 συγκλήτῳ κείσθαι. ἅπαντας μὲν οὖν τοὺς παρα-  
γενομένους ἐπεδέχετο φιλανθρώπως ἢ σύγκλητος,  
μεγαλομερέστατα δὲ καὶ κατὰ τὴν ἀπάντησιν καὶ  
τὰς τῶν ξενίων παροχὰς Εὐμένης τὸν βασιλέα,  
4 μετὰ δὲ τοῦτον τοὺς Ῥοδίους. ἐπειδὴ δ' ὁ τῆς  
ἐντεύξεως καιρὸς ἦλθεν, εἰσεκαλέσαντο πρῶτον  
τὸν βασιλέα καὶ λέγειν ἠξίου μετὰ παρρησίας  
5 ὧν βούλεται τυχεῖν παρὰ τῆς συγκλήτου. τοῦ  
δ' Εὐμένους φήσαντος διότι εἰ καὶ παρ' ἑτέρων  
τυχεῖν τινος ἐβούλετο φιλανθρώπου, Ῥωμαίοις  
ἂν ἐχρήσατο συμβούλοις πρὸς τὸ μήτ' ἐπιθυμεῖν  
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μηδενὸς παρὰ τὸ δέον μήτ' ἀξιούν μηδ' ἐν πέρα  
 6 τοῦ καθήκοντος· ὁπότε δ' αὐτῶν πάρεστι δεόμενος  
 Ῥωμαίων, ἄριστον εἶναι νομίζει τὸ δίδόναι τὴν  
 ἐπιτροπὴν ἐκείνοις καὶ περὶ αὐτοῦ καὶ περὶ τῶν  
 7 ἀδελφῶν· τῶν δὲ πρεσβυτέρων τινὸς ἀναστάντος  
 καὶ κελεύοντος μὴ κατορρωδεῖν, ἀλλὰ λέγειν τὸ  
 φαινόμενον, διότι πρόκειται τῇ συγκλήτῳ πᾶν  
 αὐτῷ χαρίζεσθαι τὸ, δυνατόν, ἔμεινεν ἐπὶ τῆς  
 8 αὐτῆς γνώμης. χρόνου δ' ἐγγυνομένου ὁ μὲν  
 βασιλεὺς ἐξεχώρησεν, ἢ δὲ ἐντὸς ἐβουλεύετο τί  
 9 δεῖ ποιεῖν. ἔδοξεν οὖν τὸν Εὐμένη παρακαλεῖν  
 αὐτὸν ὑποδεικνύναι θαρροῦντα περὶ ὧν πάρεστιν·  
 καὶ γὰρ εἰδέναί τὰ διαφέροντα τοῖς ἰδίῳις πράγ-  
 μασιν ἐκείνον ἀκριβέστερον τὰ κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν.  
 10 δοξάντων δὲ τούτων εἰσεκλήθη, καὶ τῶν πρε-  
 σβυτέρων τινὸς ἀποδείξαντος τὰ δεδογμένα λέγειν  
 19 ἠναγκάσθη περὶ τῶν προκειμένων. ἔφασκεν οὖν  
 xxiī. 2) ἄλλο μὲν οὐδὲν ἂν εἰπεῖν περὶ τῶν καθ' αὐτόν,  
 ἀλλὰ μείναι . . . τελέως δίδουσι ἐκείνοις τὴν  
 ἐξουσίαν· ἓνα δὲ τόπον ἀγωνιᾶν τὸν κατὰ τοὺς  
 2 Ῥοδίους· διὸ καὶ προῆχθαι νῦν εἰς τὸ λέγειν ὑπὲρ  
 3 τῶν ἐνεστώτων. ἐκείνους γὰρ παρῆναι μὲν οὐδὲν  
 ἠττον ὑπὲρ τῆς σφετέρας πατρίδος συμφερόντως  
 σπουδάζοντας ἢ περ αὐτοὺς ὑπὲρ τῆς ἰδίας ἀρχῆς  
 4 φιλοτιμείσθαι κατὰ τὸ παρόν· τοὺς δὲ λόγους  
 αὐτῶν τὴν ἐναντίαν ἔμφασιν ἔχειν τῇ προθέσει τῇ  
 κατὰ τὴν ἀλήθειαν. τοῦτο δ' εἶναι ῥάδιον κατα-  
 5 μαθεῖν. εἰρεῖν μὲν γὰρ αὐτούς, ἐπειδὴν εἰσπορευ-  
 θῶσιν, διότι πάρεσιν οὔτε παρ' ὑμῶν αἰτούμενοι  
 τὸ παράπαν οὐδὲν οὔθ' ἡμᾶς βλάπτειν θέλοντες  
 κατ' οὐδένα τρόπον, πρεσβεύονται δὲ περὶ τῆς

nor make any exorbitant demand, but now that he appeared as a suppliant before the Romans he thought it best to commit to them the decision about himself and his brothers. Here one of the senators interrupted him and bade him not to be afraid, but say what he thought, as the senate were resolved to grant him anything that was in their power, but Eumenes held to his opinion. After some time had elapsed, the king took his departure, and the senate considered what they should do. It was resolved to beg Eumenes to appear alone and indicate to them frankly the object of his visit. For he knew more accurately than anyone what was in his own interest so far as Asia was concerned. After this decision he was again called in ; and, upon one of the senators showing him the decree, he was compelled to speak about the matter at issue. 19. He said, then, that he had nothing further to say about what concerned him personally but adhered to his resolution, giving the senate complete authority to decide. But there was one point on which he was anxious, and that was the action of the Rhodians ; and for this reason he had now been induced to speak about the situation. “ For the Rhodians,” he said, “ have come to promote the interests of their country, with just as much warmth as we at the present crisis plead for our dominions. But at the present crisis, whatever they say is meant to give an impression quite contrary to their real purpose, and this you will easily discover. For when they enter this house they will say that they have come neither to beg for anything at all from you nor with the wish to harm myself in any way, but that they send this

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ἐλευθερίας τῶν τὴν Ἀσίαν κατοικούντων Ἑλλήνων.  
 6 “ τοῦτο δ’ οὐχ οὕτως αὐτοῖς εἶναι κεχαρισμένον  
 φήσουσιν ὡς ὑμῖν καθῆκον καὶ τοῖς γεγονόσιν  
 7 ἔργοις ἀκόλουθον. ἢ μὲν οὖν διὰ τῶν λόγων  
 φαντασία τοιαύτη τις αὐτῶν ἔσται· τὰ δὲ κατὰ  
 τὴν ἀλήθειαν τὴν ἐναντίαν ἔχοντα τούτοις εὐρε-  
 8 θήσεται διάθεσιν. τῶν γὰρ πόλεων ἐλευθερω-  
 θεισῶν, ὡς αὐτοὶ παρακαλοῦσιν, τὴν μὲν τούτων  
 συμβήσεται δύναμιν αὐξηθῆναι πολλαπλασίως, τὴν  
 9 δ’ ἡμετέραν τρόπον τινὰ καταλυθῆναι. τὸ γὰρ  
 τῆς ἐλευθερίας ὄνομα καὶ τῆς αὐτονομίας ἡμῖν  
 μὲν ἄρδην ἀποσπάσει πάντα οὐ μόνον τοὺς νῦν  
 ἐλευθερωθησομένους, ἀλλὰ καὶ τοὺς πρότερον  
 ἡμῖν ὑποτακτομένους, ἐπειδὴν ὑμεῖς ἐπὶ ταύτης  
 ὄντες φανεροὶ γένησθε τῆς προαιρέσεως, τούτοις  
 10 δὲ προσθήσει πάντα. τὰ γὰρ πράγματα φύσιν  
 ἔχει τοιαύτην· δόξαντες γὰρ ἠλευθερῶσθαι διὰ  
 τούτους ὀνόματι μὲν ἔσονται σύμμαχοι τούτων,  
 τῇ δ’ ἀληθείᾳ πᾶν ποιήσουσι τὸ κελευόμενον  
 ἑτοίμως, τῇ μεγίστῃ χάριτι γεγονότες ὑπόχρεοι.  
 11 διόπερ, ὦ ἄνδρες, ἀξιούμεν ὑμᾶς τοῦτον τὸν τόπον  
 ὑπιδέσθαι, μὴ λάθητε τοὺς μὲν παρὰ τὸ δέον  
 αὐξοντες, τοὺς δ’ ἐλαττοῦντες τῶν φίλων ἀλόγως,  
 12 ἅμα δὲ τούτοις τοὺς μὲν πολεμίους γεγονότας  
 εὐεργετοῦντες, τοὺς δ’ ἀληθινοὺς φίλους παρ-  
 20 ορῶντες καὶ κατολιγωροῦντες τούτων. ἐγὼ δὲ περὶ  
 xii. 3) μὲν τῶν ἄλλων, ὅτου δέοι, παντὸς < ἂν > παρα-  
 χωρήσαιμι τοῖς πέλας ἀφιλονίκως, περὶ δὲ τῆς  
 ὑμετέρας φιλίας καὶ τῆς εἰς ὑμᾶς εὐνοίας ἀπλῶς  
 οὐδέποτ’ ἂν οὐδενὶ τῶν ὄντων ἐκχωρήσαιμι κατὰ  
 2 δύναμιν. δοκῶ δὲ καὶ τὸν πατέρα τὸν ἡμέτερον,  
 εἴπερ ἔζη, τὴν αὐτὴν ἂν προέσθαι φωνὴν ἐμοί.



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3 καὶ γὰρ ἐκεῖνος, πρῶτος μετασχὼν τῆς ὑμετέρας  
 φιλίας καὶ συμμαχίας, σχεδὸν πάντων τῶν [κατὰ]  
 τὴν Ἀσίαν καὶ τὴν Ἑλλάδα νεμομένων, εὐγενέ-  
 στατα διεφύλαξε ταύτην ἕως τῆς τελευταίας  
 ἡμέρας, οὐ μόνον κατὰ τὴν προαίρεσιν, ἀλλὰ καὶ  
 4 κατὰ τὰς πράξεις. πάντων γὰρ ὑμῖν ἐκοινώνησε  
 τῶν κατὰ τὴν Ἑλλάδα πολέμων καὶ πλείστας  
 μὲν εἰς τούτους καὶ πεζικὰς καὶ ναυτικὰς δυνάμεις  
 παρέσχετο τῶν ἄλλων συμμάχων, πλείστην δὲ  
 συνεβάλετο χορηγίαν καὶ μεγίστους ὑπέμεινε κιν-  
 5 δύνους· τέλος δ' εἰπεῖν, κατέστρεψε τὸν βίον ἐν  
 αὐτοῖς τοῖς ἔργοις κατὰ τὸν Φιλιππικὸν πόλε-  
 μον, παρακαλῶν Βοιωτοὺς εἰς τὴν ὑμετέραν  
 6 φιλίαν καὶ συμμαχίαν. ἐγὼ δὲ διαδεξάμενος τὴν  
 ἀρχὴν τὴν μὲν προαίρεσιν τὴν τοῦ πατρὸς διεφύ-  
 λαξα—ταύτην γὰρ οὐχ οἶόν τ' ἦν ὑπερθέσθαι—  
 7 τοῖς δὲ πράγμασι ὑπερεθέμην. οἱ γὰρ καιροὶ  
 τὴν ἐκ πυρὸς βάσανον ἐμοὶ μᾶλλον ἢ ἄλλῳ  
 8 προσῆγον. Ἀντιόχου γὰρ σπουδάζοντος ἡμῖν θυ-  
 γατέρα δοῦναι καὶ συνοικειωθῆναι τοῖς ὄλοις,  
 δίδόντος <δὲ> παραχρῆμα μὲν τὰς πρότερον  
 ἀπηλλοτριωμένας ἀφ' ἡμῶν πόλεις, μετὰ δὲ  
 ταῦτα πᾶν ὑπισχνουμένου ποιήσειν, εἰ μετα-  
 9 σχοιμεν τοῦ πρὸς ὑμᾶς πολέμου, τοσοῦτον ἀπ-  
 ἔσχομεν τοῦ προσδέξασθαι τι τούτων, ὡς πλεί-  
 σταις μὲν καὶ πεζικαῖς καὶ ναυτικαῖς δυνάμεσιν  
 τῶν ἄλλων συμμάχων ἠγωνίσμεθα μεθ' ὑμῶν  
 πρὸς Ἀντιόχον, πλείστας δὲ χορηγίας συμβε-  
 βλήμεθα πρὸς τὰς ὑμετέρας χρείας ἐν τοῖς ἀναγ-  
 καιοτάτοις καιροῖς, εἰς πάντας δὲ τοὺς κινδύνους  
 δεδώκαμεν αὐτοὺς ἀπροφασίστως μετὰ γε τῶν  
 10 ὑμετέρων ἠγεμόνων. τὸ δὲ τελευταῖον ὑπεμεί-

the same words. For he, who was, I think, the first of the inhabitants of Asia and Greece to gain your friendship and alliance, most nobly maintained these until the day of his death, and not only in principle, but by actual deeds, taking part in all your wars in Greece and furnishing for these wars larger military and naval forces than any other of your allies; contributing the greatest quantity of supplies and incurring the greatest danger; and finally ending his days in the field of action during the war with Philip, while he was actually exhorting the Boeotians to become your friends and allies. On succeeding to the throne I adhered to my father's principles—those indeed it was impossible to surpass; but I surpassed him in putting them in practice; because the times were such as to try me as by fire in a way he never had been tried. For when Antiochus was anxious to give me his daughter in marriage, and to cement our union in every respect, giving me back at once the cities he had formerly alienated from me, and next promising to do everything for me if I would take part in the war against you, I was so far from accepting any of these offers that I fought at your side against Antiochus with larger naval and military forces than any other of your allies, and contributed the greatest quantity of supplies to meet your needs when they were most urgent: I shared unhesitatingly with your generals the danger of all the battles that were fought, and



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ναμεν συγκλεισθέντες εἰς αὐτὸν τὸν Πέργαμον  
 πολιορκεῖσθαι καὶ κινδυνεύειν ἅμα περὶ τοῦ βίου  
 καὶ τῆς ἀρχῆς διὰ τὴν πρὸς τὸν ὑμέτερον δῆμον  
**21** εὐνοίαν. ὥσθ' ὑμᾶς, ἄνδρες Ῥωμαῖοι, πολλοὺς  
 xii. 4) μὲν γεγονότας αὐτόπτας, πάντας δὲ γινώσκοντας  
 διότι λέγομεν ἀληθῆ, δίκαιόν ἐστι τὴν ἀρμόζουσαν  
**2** πρόνοιαν ποιήσασθαι περὶ ἡμῶν. καὶ γὰρ ἂν  
 πάντων γένοιτο δεινότατον, εἰ Μασαννάσαν μὲν  
 τὸν οὐ μόνον ὑπάρξαντα πολέμιον ὑμῖν, ἀλλὰ καὶ  
 τὸ τελευταῖον καταφυγόντα πρὸς ὑμᾶς μετὰ τινῶν  
 ἰππέων, τοῦτον, ὅτι καθ' ἓνα πόλεμον τὸν πρὸς  
 Καρχηδονίους ἐτήρησε τὴν πίστιν, βασιλέα τῶν  
**3** πλείστων μερῶν τῆς Λιβύης πεποιήκατε, Πλευ-  
 ρᾶτον δέ, πράξαντα μὲν ἀπλῶς οὐδέν, διαφυλά-  
 ξαντα δὲ μόνον τὴν πίστιν, μέγιστον τῶν κατὰ  
**4** τὴν Ἰλλυρίδα δυναστῶν ἀναδεδείχατε, ἡμᾶς δὲ  
 τοὺς διὰ προγόνων τὰ μέγιστα καὶ κάλλιστα τῶν  
 ἔργων ὑμῖν συγκατειργασμένους παρ' οὐδέν ποιή-  
**5** σεσθε. τί οὖν ἐστὶν ὃ παρακαλῶ, καὶ τίνος φημὶ  
**6** δεῖν ἡμᾶς τυγχάνειν παρ' ὑμῶν; ἐρῶ μετὰ παρ-  
 ρησίας, ἐπεὶπερ ἡμᾶς ἐξεκαλέσασθε πρὸς τὸ λέγειν  
**7** ὑμῖν τὸ φαινόμενον. εἰ μὲν αὐτοὶ κρίνετέ τινας  
 τόπους διακατέχειν τῆς Ἀσίας τῶν ὄντων μὲν  
 ἐπὶ τάδε τοῦ Ταύρου, ταπτομένων δὲ πρότερον  
 ὑπ' Ἀντίοχον, τοῦτο καὶ μάλιστα βουλοίμεθ'  
**8** ἂν ἰδεῖν γεγόμενον· καὶ γὰρ ἀσφαλέστατα βασι-  
 λεύσειν ὑμῖν γειτνιῶντες ὑπολαμβάνομεν καὶ μά-  
**9** λιστα μετέχοντες τῆς ὑμετέρας ἐξουσίας. εἰ δὲ  
 τοῦτο μὴ κρίνετε ποιεῖν, ἀλλ' ἐκχωρεῖν τῆς  
 Ἀσίας ὀλοσχερῶς, οὐδενὶ φάμεν δικαιότερον εἶναι  
 παραχωρεῖν ὑμᾶς τῶν ἐκ τοῦ πολέμου γεγονότων  
**10** ἄθλων ἢπερ ἡμῖν. νῆ Δί', ἀλλὰ κάλλιον ἐστι

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11 τοὺς δουλεύοντας ἐλευθεροῦν. εἶγε μὴ μετ' Ἄν-  
τιόχου πολεμῆν ὑμῖν ἐτόλμησαν. ἐπεὶ δὲ τοῦθ'  
ὑπέμειναν, πολλῶ κάλλιον τὸ τοῖς ἀληθινοῖς  
φίλοις τὰς ἀρμοζούσας χάριτας ἀποδιδόναι μᾶλλον  
ἢ τοὺς πολεμίους γεγονότας εὐεργετεῖν."

22 Ὁ μὲν οὖν Εὐμένης ἱκανῶς εἰπὼν ἀπηλλάγη,  
xxii. 5) τὸ δὲ συνέδριον αὐτόν τε τὸν βασιλέα καὶ τὰ  
2 ῥηθέντα φιλοφρόνως ἀπεδέχετο καὶ πᾶν τὸ δυνα-  
τὸν προθύμως εἶχεν αὐτῷ χαρίζεσθαι. μετὰ δὲ  
τοῦτον ἐβούλοντο μὲν εἰσάγειν Ῥοδίους. ἀφ-  
υστεροῦντος δέ τινος τῶν πρεσβευτῶν εἰσεκαλέ-  
3 σαντο τοὺς Σμυρναίους. οὗτοι δὲ πολλοὺς μὲν  
ἀπολογισμοὺς εἰσήνεγκαν περὶ τῆς αὐτῶν εὐνοίας  
καὶ προθυμίας, ἣν παρέσχηνται Ῥωμαίοις κατὰ  
4 τὸν ἐνεστῶτα πόλεμον· οὔσης δὲ τῆς περὶ αὐτῶν  
δόξης ὁμολογουμένης, διότι γεγόνασι πάντων ἐκ-  
τενέστατοι τῶν ἐπὶ τῆς Ἀσίας αὐτονομουμένων,  
οὐκ ἀναγκαῖον ἡγούμεθ' εἶναι τοὺς κατὰ μέρος  
5 ἐκτίθεσθαι λόγους. ἐπὶ δὲ τούτοις εἰσῆλθον οἱ  
Ῥόδιοι καὶ βραχέα προενεγκάμενοι περὶ τῶν  
κατ' ἰδίαν σφίσι πεπραγμένων εἰς Ῥωμαίους,  
ταχέως εἰς τὸν περὶ τῆς πατρίδος ἐπανῆλθον  
6 λόγον. ἐν ᾧ μέγιστον αὐτοῖς ἔφασαν γεγονέναι  
σύμπτωμα κατὰ τὴν πρεσβείαν, πρὸς ὃν οἰκειό-  
τατα διάκεινται βασιλέα καὶ κοινῇ καὶ κατ' ἰδίαν,  
πρὸς τοῦτον αὐτοῖς ἀντιπεπτωκέναι τὴν φύσιν  
7 τῶν πραγμάτων. τῇ μὲν γὰρ αὐτῶν πατρίδι  
δοκεῖν τοῦτο κάλλιστον εἶναι καὶ μάλιστα πρέπον  
Ῥωμαίοις, τὸ τοὺς ἐπὶ τῆς Ἀσίας Ἑλληνας  
ἐλευθερωθῆναι <καὶ> τυχεῖν τῆς αὐτονομίας τῆς  
ἅπασιν ἀνθρώποις προσφιλεστάτης, Εὐμένει δὲ  
8 καὶ τοῖς ἀδελφοῖς ἥκιστα τοῦτο συμφέρειν· φύσει

be told, it is a finer thing to set free those in servitude. Well perhaps, if they had not ventured to fight against you with Antiochus. But since they suffered themselves to do so it is far finer to give your true friends a fitting token of your gratitude than to confer favours on those who were your enemies.”

22. Eumenes, after having spoken in this capable manner, withdrew. The senate gave a kind reception to the king himself and to his speech, and they were ready to grant him any favour in their power. After him they wished to call in the Rhodians; but as one of the envoys was late in appearing, they summoned those of Smyrna. The latter pleaded at length the goodwill and promptness they had shown in helping the Romans in the late war. As they had the undisputed approbation of the house, since of all the autonomous states of Asia they had been far the most energetic supporters of Rome, I do not think it necessary to report their speech in detail. Next them came the Rhodians, who after a brief reference to their particular services to Rome soon brought their speech round to the question of their country. Here, they said, their chief misfortune on the occasion of this embassy was that the very nature of things placed them in opposition to a prince with whom their relations both in public and in private were most close and cordial. To their country it seemed most noble and most worthy of Rome that the Greeks in Asia should be freed and obtain that autonomy which is nearest to the hearts of all men. But this was not at all in the interest of Eumenes and his brothers; for every monarchy

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γὰρ πᾶσαν μοναρχίαν τὸ μὲν ἴσον ἐχθαίρειν,  
 ζητεῖν δὲ πάντα, εἰ δὲ μή γ' ὡς πλείστους, ὑπ-  
 9 ηκόους εἶναι σφίσι καὶ πειθαρχεῖν. ἀλλὰ καίπερ  
 τοιούτων ὄντων τῶν πραγμάτων, ὅμως ἔφασαν  
 πεπεῖσθαι διότι καθίξονται τῆς προθέσεως, οὐ  
 τῷ πλείον Εὐμένους δύνασθαι παρὰ Ῥωμαίοις,  
 ἀλλὰ τῷ δικαιότερα φαίνεσθαι λέγοντες καὶ συμ-  
 10 φορώτερα πᾶσιν ὁμολογουμένως. εἰ μὲν γὰρ μὴ  
 δυνατὸν ἦν ἄλλως Εὐμένει χάριν ἀποδοῦναι Ῥω-  
 μαίους, εἰ μὴ παραδοῖεν αὐτῷ τὰς αὐτονομου-  
 μένας πόλεις, ἀπορεῖν εἰκὸς ἦν περὶ τῶν ἐν-  
 11 εστώτων· ἢ γὰρ φίλον ἀληθινὸν ἔδει παριδεῖν, ἢ  
 τοῦ καλοῦ καὶ καθήκοντος αὐτοῖς ὀλιγωρῆσαι καὶ  
 τὸ τέλος τῶν ἰδίων πράξεων ἀμαυρῶσαι καὶ  
 12 καταβαλεῖν. “ εἰ δ' ἀμφοτέρων τούτων ἱκανῶς  
 ἔξεστιν προνοηθῆναι, τίς ἂν ἔτι περὶ τούτου δια-  
 13 πορήσειεν; καὶ μὴν ὥσπερ ἐν δείπνῳ πολυτελεῖ,  
 πάντ' ἐνεστιν ἱκανὰ πᾶσιν καὶ πλείω τῶν ἱκανῶν.  
 14 καὶ γὰρ Λυκαονίαν καὶ Φρυγίαν τὴν ἐφ' Ἑλλησ-  
 πόντου καὶ τὴν Πισιδικὴν, πρὸς δὲ ταύταις Χερρό-  
 νησον καὶ τὰ προσοροῦντα ταύτῃ τῆς Εὐρώπης  
 15 ἔξεστιν ὑμῖν οἷς ἂν βούλησθε . . . προστεθέντα  
 πρὸς τὴν Εὐμένους βασιλείαν δεκαπλασίαν αὐτὴν  
 δύναται ποιεῖν τῆς νῦν ὑπαρχούσης· πάντων δὲ  
 τούτων ἢ τῶν πλείστων αὐτῇ προσμερισθέντων,  
 οὐδεμιᾶς ἂν γένοιτο τῶν ἄλλων δυναστειῶν κατα-  
 23 δεεστέρα. ἔξεστιν οὖν, ὦ ἄνδρες Ῥωμαῖοι, καὶ

xxii. 6) τοὺς φίλους μεγαλομερῶς σωματοποιῆσαι καὶ  
 τὸ τῆς ἰδίας ὑποθέσεως λαμπρὸν <μὴ> κατα-  
 2 βαλεῖν. οὐ γάρ ἐστιν ὑμῖν καὶ τοῖς ἄλλοις ἀν-  
 θρώποις ταῦτὸν τέλος τῶν ἔργων, ἀλλ' ἕτερον.  
 3 οἱ μὲν γὰρ ἄλλοι πάντες ὀρμῶσιν πρὸς τὰς πράξεις



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ὀρεγόμενοι τοῦ καταστρέψασθαι καὶ προσλαβεῖν  
 4 πόλεις, χορηγίαν, ναῦς· ὑμᾶς δὲ πάντων τούτων  
 ἀπροσδεήτους <οἱ θεοὶ> πεποιήκασι, πάντα τὰ  
 κατὰ τὴν οἰκουμένην τεθεικότες [μὲν] ὑπὸ τὴν  
 5 ὑμετέραν ἐξουσίαν. τίνος οὖν ἔτι προσδεῖσθε, καὶ  
 τίμος ἂν ἔτι δέοι πρόνοιαν ὑμᾶς ποιεῖσθαι τὴν  
 6 ἰσχυροτάτην; δῆλον ὡς ἐπαίνου καὶ δόξης παρ'  
 ἀνθρώποις, ἃ καὶ κτήσασθαι μὲν ἔστι <δυσ-  
 χερές>, δυσχερέστερον δὲ κτησαμένους διαφυλάξαι.  
 7 γνοίητε δ' ἂν τὸ λεγόμενον οὕτως. ἐπολεμήσατε  
 πρὸς Φίλιππον καὶ πᾶν ὑπεμείνατε χάριν τῆς  
 τῶν Ἑλλήνων ἐλευθερίας· τοῦτο γὰρ προέθεσθε,  
 καὶ τοῦθ' ὑμῖν ἄθλον ἐξ ἐκείνου τοῦ πολέμου περι-  
 8 γέγονεν, ἕτερον δ' ἀπλῶς οὐδέν. ἀλλ' ὅμως  
 εὐδοκεῖτε τούτῳ μᾶλλον ἢ τοῖς παρὰ Καρχη-  
 9 δονίων φόροις· καὶ μάλα δικαίως· τὸ μὲν γὰρ  
 ἀργύριόν ἐστι κοινόν τι πάντων ἀνθρώπων κτήμα,  
 τὸ δὲ καλὸν καὶ πρὸς ἔπαινον καὶ τιμὴν ἀνήκον  
 θεῶν καὶ τῶν ἔγγιστα τούτοις πεφυκότων ἀνδρῶν  
 10 ἐστίν. τοιγαροῦν σεμνότατον τῶν ὑμετέρων ἔρ-  
 γων ἢ τῶν Ἑλλήνων ἐλευθέρωσις. τούτῳ νῦν  
 εἰ μὲν προσθῆτε τὰκόλουθον, τελειωθήσεται τὰ  
 τῆς ὑμετέρας δόξης. εἰ δὲ παρίδητε, καὶ <τὰ>  
 11 πρὶν ἐλαττωθήσεται φανερώς. ἡμεῖς μὲν οὖν, ὧ  
 ἄνδρες, καὶ τῆς προαιρέσεως γεγονότες αἵρετι-  
 σταὶ καὶ τῶν μεγίστων ἀγώνων καὶ κινδύνων  
 ἀληθινῶς ὑμῖν μετεσχηκότες, καὶ νῦν οὐκ ἐγκατα-  
 12 λείπομεν <τὴν> τῶν φίλων τάξιν, ἀλλ' ἅ γε νομίζο-  
 μεν ὑμῖν καὶ πρέπειν καὶ συμφέρειν, οὐκ ὠκνή-  
 σαμεν ὑπομνήσαι μετὰ παρρησίας, οὐδενὸς στο-  
 χασάμενοι τῶν ἄλλων οὐδὲ περὶ πλείονος οὐδὲν  
 ποιησάμενοι τοῦ καθήκοντος αὐτοῖς."

into their power and annexing cities, stores, or ships. But the gods have made all these things superfluous for you, by subjecting the whole world to your dominion. What is it, then, that you really are in want of, and what should you most intently study to obtain? Obviously praise and glory among men, things difficult indeed to acquire and still more difficult to keep when you have them. What we mean we will try to make plainer. You went to war with Philip and made every sacrifice for the sake of the liberty of Greece. For such was your purpose and this alone—absolutely nothing else—was the prize you won by that war. But yet you gained more glory by that than by the tribute you imposed on Carthage. For money is a possession common to all men, but what is good, glorious, and praiseworthy belongs only to the gods and those men who are by nature nearest to them. Therefore, as the noblest of the tasks you accomplished was the liberation of the Greeks, if you now thus supplement it, your glorious record will be complete; but if you neglect to do so, that glory you have already gained will obviously be diminished. We then, ye men of Rome, who have been the devoted supporters of your purpose, and who have taken a real part in your gravest struggles and dangers, do not now abandon our post in the ranks of your friends, but have not hesitated to remind you frankly of what we at least think to be your honour and advantage, aiming at nothing else and estimating nothing higher than our duty.”



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13 Οἱ μὲν οὖν Ῥόδιοι ταῦτ' εἰπόντες πᾶσιν ἐδόκουν  
 μετρίως καὶ καλῶς διειλέχθαι περὶ τῶν προ-  
 24 κειμένων. ἐπὶ δὲ τούτοις εἰσήγαγον τοὺς παρ'  
 xii. 7) Ἀντιόχου πρεσβευτὰς Ἀντίπατρον καὶ Ζεῦξιν.  
 2 ὧν μετ' ἀξιώσεως καὶ παρακλήσεως ποιησαμένων  
 τοὺς λόγους, εὐδόκησαν ταῖς γεγενημέναις ὁμο-  
 λογίαις πρὸς τοὺς περὶ τὸν Σκιπίωνα κατὰ τὴν  
 3 Ἀσίαν, καὶ μετὰ τινὰς ἡμέρας τοῦ δήμου συν-  
 επικυρώσαντος ἔτεμον ὄρκια περὶ τούτων πρὸς  
 4 τοὺς περὶ τὸν Ἀντίπατρον. μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα καὶ  
 τοὺς ἄλλους εἰσήγον, ὅσοι παρήσαν ἀπὸ τῆς  
 Ἀσίας πρεσβεύοντες· ὧν ἐπὶ βραχὺ μὲν διή-  
 κουσιν, ἅπασιν δὲ τὴν αἰτιήν ἔδωκαν ἀπόκρισιν.  
 5 αὕτη δ' ἦν ὅτι δέκα πρεσβεύοντας ἐξαποστελοῦσι  
 τοὺς ὑπὲρ ἀπάντων τῶν ἀμφισβητουμένων ταῖς  
 6 πόλεσι διαγνωσομένους. δόντες δὲ ταύτας τὰς  
 ἀποκρίσεις μετὰ ταῦτα κατέστησαν δέκα πρε-  
 σβευτὰς, οἷς περὶ μὲν τῶν κατὰ μέρος ἔδωκαν  
 7 τὴν ἐπιτροπήν, περὶ δὲ τῶν ὅλων αὐτοὶ διέλαβον  
 ὅτι δεῖ τῶν ἐπὶ τάδε τοῦ Ταύρου κατοικούντων,  
 ὅσοι μὲν ὑπ' Ἀντιόχον ἐτάπτοντο, τούτους Εὐ-  
 μέναι δοθῆναι πλὴν Λυκίαν καὶ Καρίας τὰ μέχρι  
 8 τοῦ Μαιάνδρου ποταμοῦ, ταῦτα δὲ Ῥοδίων ὑπ-  
 ἀρχειν, τῶν <δὲ> πόλεων τῶν Ἑλληνίδων ὅσαι  
 μὲν Ἀττάλῳ φόρον ὑπετέλουν, ταύτας τὸν αὐτὸν  
 Εὐμέναι τελεῖν, ὅσαι δ' Ἀντιόχῳ, μόνον ταύταις  
 9 ἀφεῖσθαι τὸν φόρον. δόντες δὲ τοὺς τύπους  
 τούτους ὑπὲρ τῆς ὅλης διοικήσεως, ἐξέπεμπον  
 τοὺς δέκα πρὸς Γνάιον τὸν ὑπατον εἰς τὴν Ἀσίαν.  
 10 ἤδη δὲ τούτων διωκημένων, προσῆλθον αὐθις  
 οἱ Ῥόδιοι πρὸς τὴν σύγκλητον, ἀξιοῦντες περὶ  
 Σόλων τῶν Κιλικίων· διὰ γὰρ τὴν συγγένειαν

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- ἔφασαν καθήκειν αὐτοῖς προνοεῖσθαι τῆς πόλεως  
11 ταύτης. εἶναι γὰρ Ἀργείων ἀποίκους Σολεῖς,  
καθάπερ καὶ Ῥοδίους· ἐξ ὧν ἀδελφικὴν οὔσαν  
12 ἀπεδείκνυον τὴν συγγένειαν πρὸς ἀλλήλους.— ὧν  
ἔνεκα δίκαιον ἔφασαν εἶναι τυχεῖν αὐτοὺς τῆς  
ἐλευθερίας ὑπὸ Ῥωμαίων διὰ τῆς Ῥοδίων χάριτος.  
13 ἡ δὲ σύγκλητος διακούσασα περὶ τούτων εἰσ-  
εκαλέσατο τοὺς παρ' Ἀντιόχου πρεσβευτάς, καὶ  
τὸ μὲν πρῶτον ἐπέταττε πάσης Κιλικίας ἐκχωρεῖν  
τὸν Ἀντίοχον· οὐ προσδεχομένων δὲ τῶν περὶ  
τὸν Ἀντίπατρον διὰ τὸ παρὰ τὰς συνθήκας εἶναι,  
πάλιν ὑπὲρ αὐτῶν Σόλων ἐποιοῦντο τὸν λόγον.  
14 φιλοτίμως δὲ πρὸς τοῦτο διεριδομένων τῶν  
πρεσβευτῶν, τούτους μὲν ἀπέλυσαν, τοὺς δὲ  
Ῥοδίους εἰσκαλεσάμενοι διεσάφουν τὰ συναντώ-  
μενα παρὰ τῶν περὶ τὸν Ἀντίπατρον καὶ προσ-  
επέλεγον ὅτι πᾶν ὑπομενοῦσιν, εἰ πάντως τοῦτο  
15 κέκριται Ῥοδίοις. τῶν δὲ πρεσβευτῶν εὐδοκου-  
μένων τῇ φιλοτιμίᾳ τῆς συγκλήτου καὶ φασκόν-  
των οὐδὲν ἔτι πέρα ζητεῖν, ταῦτα μὲν ἐπὶ τῶν  
ὑποκειμένων ἔμεινεν.  
16 Ἦδη δὲ πρὸς ἀναζυγὴν τῶν δέκα καὶ τῶν  
ἄλλων πρεσβευτῶν ὄντων, κατέπλευσαν τῆς Ἰτα-  
λίας εἰς Βρεντέσιον οἳ τε περὶ τὸν Σκιπίωνα καὶ  
Λεύκιον οἳ τῇ ναυμαχίᾳ νικήσαντες τὸν Ἀντίοχον·  
17 οἳ καὶ μετὰ τινὰς ἡμέρας εἰσελθόντες εἰς τὴν  
Ῥώμην ἦγον θριάμβους.

### V. RES GRAECIAE

- 25 Ὅτι Ἀμύνανδρος ὁ τῶν Ἀθαμάνων βασιλεὺς,  
xii. 8) δοκῶν ἤδη τὴν ἀρχὴν ἀνειληφέναι βεβαίως, εἰς  
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of kinship with this city it was their duty to espouse its cause, the people of Soli being colonists of Argos, like the Rhodians themselves ; so that the two were in the position of sisters, which made it only just that the Solians should receive their freedom from Rome through the good graces of the Rhodians. The senate after listening to them summoned the envoys of Antiochus, and at first ordered him to withdraw from the whole of Cilicia ; but when the envoys refused to assent to this, as it was contrary to the treaty, they renewed the demand confining it to Soli alone. But upon the envoys stubbornly resisting it, they dismissed them, and calling in the Rhodians informed them of the reply they had received from Antipater and his colleague, adding that they would go to any extremity, if the Rhodians absolutely insisted on this. The Rhodian envoys however were pleased with the cordial attention of the senate and said that they would make no further demand, so that this matter remained as it was.

The ten legates and the other envoys were preparing to depart, when Publius and Lucius Scipio, who had defeated Antiochus in the sea battle, arrived at Brundisium and after a few days entered Rome and celebrated their triumph.

## V. AFFAIRS OF GREECE

### *The Situation in Aetolia and Western Greece*

(Cp. Livy xxxviii. 3.)

25. Amynder, the king of Athamania, thinking now that he had for certainty recovered his kingdom,

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Ῥώμην ἐξέπεμπε πρεσβευτὰς καὶ πρὸς τοὺς  
 Σκιπίωνας εἰς τὴν Ἀσίαν—ἔτι γὰρ ἦσαν περὶ  
 2 τοὺς κατὰ τὴν Ἔφεσον τόπους—τὰ μὲν ἀπο-  
 λογούμενος τῷ δοκεῖν δι' Αἰτωλῶν πεποιῆσθαι  
 τὴν κάθοδον, τὰ δὲ κατηγορῶν τοῦ Φιλίππου, τὸ  
 δὲ πολὺ παρακαλῶν προσδέξασθαι πάλιν αὐτὸν  
 3 εἰς τὴν συμμαχίαν. οἱ δ' Αἰτωλοὶ νομίσαντες  
 ἔχειν εὐφυῆ καιρὸν πρὸς τὸ τὴν Ἀμφιλοχίαν  
 καὶ τὴν Ἀπεραντίαν ἀνακτῆσθαι, προέθεντο  
 4 στρατεύειν εἰς τοὺς προειρημένους τόπους. ἀθροί-  
 σαντος δὲ Νικάνδρου τοῦ στρατηγοῦ πάνδημον  
 5 στρατιάν, ἐνέβαλον εἰς τὴν Ἀμφιλοχίαν. τῶν  
 δὲ πλείστων αὐτοῖς ἐθελοντῆν προσχωρησάντων  
 μετῆλθον εἰς τὴν Ἀπεραντίαν. καὶ τούτων δὲ  
 προσθεμένων ἐκουσίως ἐστράτευσαν εἰς τὴν Δο-  
 6 λοπίαν. οὗτοι δὲ βραχὺν μὲν τινα χρόνον ὑπ-  
 ἔδειξαν ὡς ἀντιποιησόμενοι, τηρήσαντες τὴν πρὸς  
 Φίλιππον πίστιν· λαβόντες δὲ πρὸ ὀφθαλμῶν τὰ  
 περὶ τοὺς Ἀθαμᾶνας καὶ τὴν τοῦ Φιλίππου . . . ,  
 ταχέως μετενόησαν καὶ προσέθεντο πρὸς τοὺς  
 7 Αἰτωλοὺς. γενομένης δὲ τῆς τῶν πραγμάτων  
 εὐροίας τοιαύτης, ἀπήγαγε τὴν στρατιάν ὁ Νίκ-  
 ανδρος εἰς τὴν οἰκείαν, δοκῶν ἠσφαλίσθαι <τὰ>  
 κατὰ τὴν Αἰτωλίαν τοῖς προειρημένοις ἔθνεσι  
 καὶ τόποις τοῦ μηδένα δύνασθαι κακοποιεῖν τὴν  
 8 χώραν αὐτῶν. ἄρτι δὲ τούτων συμβεβηκότων  
 καὶ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν ἐπὶ τοῖς γεγονόσι φρονηματι-  
 ζομένων, προσέπεσε φήμη περὶ τῆς κατὰ τὴν  
 Ἀσίαν μάχης, ἐν ἣ ἡ γνόντες ἠττημένον ὀλοσχερῶς  
 τὸν Ἀντίοχον αὐθις ἀνετράπησαν ταῖς ψυχαῖς.  
 9 ὡς δὲ παραγενηθεὶς ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης ὁ Δαμοτέλης  
 τὸν τε πόλεμον ἀνήγγειλε διότι μένει κατάμονος,



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καὶ τὴν τοῦ Μάρκου καὶ τῶν δυνάμεων διάβασιν ἐπ' αὐτούς, τότε δὴ παντελῶς εἰς ἀμηχανίαν ἐνέπιπτον καὶ διηπόρουν πῶς δεῖ χρήσασθαι τοῖς  
 10 ἐπιφερομένοις πράγμασιν ἔδοξεν οὖν αὐτοῖς πρὸς τε Ῥοδίους πέμπειν καὶ πρὸς Ἀθηναίους, ἀξιούν-  
 τας καὶ παρακαλοῦντας πρεσβεῦσαι περὶ αὐτῶν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην καὶ παραιτησαμένους τὴν ὀργὴν τῶν Ῥωμαίων ποιήσασθαι τινα λύσιν τῶν περι-  
 11 εστώτων κακῶν τὴν Αἰτωλίαν. ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ παρ' αὐτῶν ἐξέπεμψαν πάλιν πρεσβευτὰς εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, Ἀλέξανδρον τὸν Ἴσιον ἐπικαλού-  
 μενον καὶ Φαινέαν, σὺν δὲ τούτοις Χάλεπον, ἔτι δ' Ἄλυπον τὸν Ἀμβρακιώτην καὶ Λύκωπον.

26 "Ὅτι παραγενομένων πρὸς τὸν στρατηγὸν τῶν  
 xii. 9) Ῥωμαίων ἐξ <Ἡπείρου> πρεσβευτῶν, ἐκοινο-  
 λογεῖτο τούτοις περὶ τῆς ἐπὶ τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς  
 2 στρατείας. τῶν δὲ πρεσβευτῶν στρατεύειν ἐπὶ τὴν Ἀμβρακίαν συμβουλευόντων—συνέβαινε γὰρ τότε πολιτεύεσθαι τοὺς Ἀμβρακιώτας μετὰ τῶν  
 3 Αἰτωλῶν—καὶ φερόντων ἀπολογισμοὺς διότι καὶ πρὸς τὸ μάχεσθαι τοῖς στρατοπέδοις, εἴαν εἰς τοῦτο βούλωνται συγκαταβαίνειν Αἰτωλοί, καλ-  
 λίστους εἶναι τόπους συμβαίνει περὶ τὴν προ-  
 4 ειρημένην πόλιν, κὰν ἀποδειλιῶσιν, εὐφυῶς αὐτὴν κεῖσθαι πρὸς πολιορκίαν· καὶ γὰρ ἀφθόνους ἔχειν τὴν χώραν τὰς χορηγίας πρὸς τὰς τῶν ἔργων παρασκευάς, καὶ τὸν Ἄρατθον ποταμὸν ῥέοντα παρὰ τὴν πόλιν συνεργήσειν πρὸς τε τὰς τοῦ στρατοπέδου χρείας, ἅτε θέρους ὄντος, καὶ  
 5 πρὸς τὴν τῶν ἔργων ἀσφάλειαν· δοξάντων δὲ τῶν πρεσβευτῶν καλῶς συμβουλεύειν, ἀναζεύξας ὁ στρατηγὸς ἦγε διὰ τῆς Ἡπείρου τὸν στρατὸν

Fulvius Nobilior with his army was crossing to attack them, they fell into a state of utter helplessness, and were at their wits' end as to how they should meet the danger which threatened them. They decided, then, to send to Athens and Rhodes begging and imploring those states to send embassies to Rome to deprecate the anger of the Romans, and to avert by some means the evils that encompassed Aetolia. At the same time they dispatched to Rome two envoys of their own, Alexander the Isian and Phaeneas accompanied by Chalepus, Alypus of Ambracia and Lycopus.

(Cp. Livy xxxviii. 3. 9.)

26. Upon envoys from Epirus reaching the Roman consul he took their advice about his expedition to Aetolia. These envoys recommended him to march on Ambracia—for at the time the Ambracians were members of the Aetolian League—alleging that if the Aetolians were disposed to meet his legions in the field, the country round that city was the best for the purpose; but that if they declined to give battle, the situation of the town itself made it easy to besiege it, since the country afforded abundant material for the construction of siege-works and the river Aratthus, which ran under its walls, would be of help to him both as a source of water supply to his army, it being now summer, and a defence of their works. The advice they gave was considered good, and the consul led his



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6 ἐπὶ τὴν Ἀμβρακίαν. ἀφικόμενος δέ, καὶ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν οὐ τολμώντων ἀπαντᾶν, περιήει κατοπτεύων τὴν πόλιν καὶ ἐνήργει τὰ τῆς πολιορκίας φιλοτίμως.

7 Καὶ οἱ < μὲν ὑπὸ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν > εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην ἀποσταλέντες πρέσβεις, παρατηρηθέντες ὑπὸ Σιβύρτου τοῦ Πετραίου περὶ τὴν Κεφαλληνίαν,

8 κατήχθησαν εἰς Χάραδρον. τοῖς δ' Ἑπειρώταις ἔδοξεν τὰς μὲν ἀρχὰς εἰς Βούχετον ἀποθέσθαι καὶ φυλάττειν ἐπιμελῶς τοὺς ἄνδρας· μετὰ δέ τινας ἡμέρας ἀπήτουν αὐτοὺς λύτρα διὰ τὸ πόλε-

9 μον ὑπάρχειν σφίσιν πρὸς τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς. συνέβαινε δὲ τὸν μὲν Ἀλέξανδρον πλουσιώτατον εἶναι πάντων τῶν Ἑλλήνων, τοὺς δὲ λοιποὺς < οὐ > καθυστερεῖν τοῖς βίοις, πολὺ δὲ λείπεσθαι

10 τοῦ προειρημένου ταῖς οὐσίαις. καὶ τὸ μὲν πρῶτον ἐκέλευον ἕκαστον ἀποδοῦναι πέντε τάλαντα. τοῦτο δὲ τοῖς μὲν ἄλλοις οὐδ' ὄλως ἀπήρεσκεν, ἀλλ' ἐβούλοντο, περὶ πλείστου ποιούμενοι τὴν

11 σφῶν αὐτῶν σωτηρίαν· ὁ δ' Ἀλέξανδρος οὐκ ἂν ἔφη συγχωρῆσαι, πολὺ γὰρ εἶναι τὰργύριον [φαίνεται], καὶ τὰς νύκτας διαγρυπνῶν διωλοφύρετο πρὸς αὐτόν, εἰ δεήσει πέντε τάλαντα

12 καταβάλλειν. οἱ δ' Ἑπειρῶται προορώμενοι τὸ μέλλον καὶ διαγωνιῶντες μὴ γνόντες οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι διότι πρεσβεύοντας πρὸς αὐτοὺς κατεσχέκασιν, κᾶπειτα γράψαντες παρακαλῶσι καὶ κελεύωσιν ἀπολύειν τοὺς ἄνδρας, συγκαταβάντες τρία τάλαντα

13 πάλιν ἀπήτουν ἕκαστον. ἀσμένως δὲ τῶν ἄλλων προσδεξαμένων, οὗτοι μὲν διεγγυηθέντες ἐπανῆλθον, ὁ δ' Ἀλέξανδρος οὐκ ἂν ἔφη δοῦναι

14 πλεῖον ταλάντου· καὶ γὰρ τοῦτ' εἶναι πολὺ. καὶ

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τέλος ἀπογνοῦς αὐτὸν ἔμεινεν ἐν τῇ φυλακῇ, πρεσβύτερος ἄνθρωπος, πλειόνων ἢ διακοσίων ταλάντων ἔχων οὐσίαν· καί μοι δοκεῖ κἂν ἐκλιπεῖν τὸν βίον ἐφ' ᾧ μὴ δοῦναι τὰ τρία τάλαντα.

15 τοσαύτη τις ἐνίοις πρὸς τὸ πλεῖον ὄρμη παρίστα-  
 16 ται καὶ προθυμία. τότε δ' ἐκείνῳ καὶ ταυτόματον συνήργησεν πρὸς τὴν φιλαργυρίαν, ὥστε παρὰ πᾶσιν ἐπαίνου καὶ συγκαταθέσεως τυχεῖν τὴν  
 17 ἀλογιστίαν αὐτοῦ διὰ τὴν περιπέτειαν· μετὰ γὰρ ὀλίγας ἡμέρας γραμμάτων παραγεννηθέντων ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης περὶ τῆς ἀφέσεως αὐτὸς μόνος  
 18 ἀπελύθη χωρὶς λύτρων. οἱ δ' Αἰτωλοί, γνόντες τὴν αὐτοῦ περιπέτειαν, Δαμοτέλη προεχειρίσαντο  
 19 πάλιν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην πρεσβευτήν. ὃς ἐκπλεύσας μέχρι τῆς Λευκάδος καὶ γνοῦς προάγοντα διὰ τῆς Ἡπείρου μετὰ τῶν δυνάμεων Μάρκον ἐπὶ τὴν Ἀμβρακίαν, ἀπογνοῦς τὴν πρεσβείαν αὐθις ἀνεχώρησεν εἰς τὴν Αἰτωλίαν.

27 Αἰτωλοὶ ὑπὸ τοῦ τῶν Ῥωμαίων ὑπάτου Μάρ-  
 ii. 10) κου πολιορκούμενοι τῇ προσβολῇ τῶν μηχανημάτων καὶ τῶν κριῶν γενναίως ἀντιπαρετάξαντο.

2 οὗτος γὰρ ἀσφαλισάμενος τὰ κατὰ τὰς στρατοπεδείας συνίστατο μεγαλομερῶς τὴν πολιορκίαν καὶ τρία μὲν ἔργα κατὰ τὸ Πύρρειον προσῆγεν διὰ τῶν ἐπιπέδων [τόπων], διεστῶτα μὲν ἀπ' ἀλλήλων, παράλληλα δέ, τέταρτον δὲ κατὰ τὸ Ἀσκληπιεῖον, πέμπτον δὲ κατὰ τὴν ἀκρόπολιν.

3 γινομένης δὲ τῆς προσαγωγῆς ἐνεργοῦ κατὰ πάντας ἅμα τοὺς τόπους, ἐκπληκτικὴν συνέβαινε γίνεσθαι τοῖς ἔνδον τὴν τοῦ μέλλοντος  
 4 προσδοκίαν. τῶν δὲ κριῶν τυπτόντων ἐνεργῶς τὰ τεῖχη, καὶ τῶν δορυδρεπάνων ἀποσυρόντων

gave up all hope, and remained in prison, being then advanced in years and possessing a fortune of more than two hundred talents. And, I think, he would have perished rather than pay the three talents : so strong is the impulse and so great the eagerness of some people to make money. In this case, however, chance furthered his cupidity, so that, owing to the outcome, this foolish avarice met with universal praise and approval ; for a few days afterwards a letter arrived from Rome ordering the envoys to be liberated, and he alone escaped without paying ransom. The Aetolians when they heard of the misfortune that had befallen him appointed Damoteles again ambassador to Rome ; but having sailed as far as Leucas he heard that Marcus Fulvius was advancing through Epirus with his army on Ambracia, and abandoning his mission returned to Aetolia.

### *Siege of Ambracia*

(Hero's *Treatise on Sieges* ; cp. Livy xxxviii. 5.)

27. The Aetolians, besieged in Ambracia by the Roman consul Marcus Fulvius, gallantly resisted the assaults of rams and other machines. For the consul, after securing his camp, had begun siege operations on an extensive scale. He brought up three machines through the level country near the Pyrrheium at some distance from each other but advancing on parallel lines, a fourth at the Aesculapium and a fifth at the acropolis. As the assault was vigorously conducted at one and the same time in all these places, the besieged were terrified by the prospect of what awaited them. While the rams continued to batter the walls and the long sickle-shaped

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τὰς ἐπάλξεις, ἐπειρῶντο μὲν οἱ κατὰ τὴν πόλιν ἀντιμηχανᾶσθαι πρὸς ταῦτα, τοῖς μὲν κριοῖς διὰ κεραιῶν ἐνιέντες σηκώματα μολιβδᾶ καὶ λίθους 5 καὶ στύπη δρύινα· τοῖς δὲ δρεπάνοις σιδηρᾶς περιτιθέντες ἀγκύρας καὶ κατασπῶντες ταῦτ' ἔσω τοῦ τείχους, ὥστ' ἐπὶ τὴν ἔπαλξιν συντριβέντος τοῦ δόρατος ἐγκρατεῖς γίνεσθαι τῶν δρε- 6 πάνων. τὸ δὲ πλεῖον ἐπεξιόντες ἐμάχοντο γενναίως, ποτὲ μὲν ἐπιτιθέμενοι νύκτωρ τοῖς ἐπικοιτοῦσιν ἐπὶ τῶν ἔργων, ποτὲ δὲ τοῖς ἐφημερεύουσι μεθ' ἡμέραν προφανῶς ἐγχειροῦντες, καὶ τριβὴν ἐνεποίουσαν τῇ πολιορκίᾳ.

7 Τοῦ γὰρ Νικάνδρου ἐκτὸς ἀναστρεφομένου καὶ πέμψαντος πεντακοσίους ἵππεῖς εἰς τὴν πόλιν, οἱ καὶ παραβιασάμενοι τὸν μεταξὺ χάρακα τῶν πολεμίων εἰσέφρησαν εἰς τὴν πόλιν, . . . παρ- 8 αγγείλας, καθ' ἣν ἐτάξαντο ἡμέραν, αὐτοὺς μὲν ἐξελθόντας . . . ποιήσασθαι, συνεπιλαβέσθαι 9 δὲ αὐτὸν τούτοις τοῦ κινδύνου. . . . αὐτῶν μὲν εὐψύχως τῆς πόλεως ἐξορμησάντων καὶ γενναίως ἀγωνισαμένων, τοῦ δὲ Νικάνδρου καθυστερήσαντος, εἴτε καταπλαγέντος τὸν κίνδυνον εἴτε καὶ ἀναγκαῖα νομίσαντος τὰ ἐν οἷς διέτριβε πράγμασιν, ἠττήθησαν τῆς ἐπιβολῆς.

28 Οἱ δὲ Ῥωμαῖοι συνεχῶς ἐνεργοῦντες τοῖς 11) 2 κριοῖς αἰεὶ τι παρέλυον τῶν τειχῶν· οὐ μὴν εἰς γε τὴν πόλιν ἐδύναντο βιάσασθαι διὰ τῶν πτωμάτων, τῷ καὶ τὴν ἀντοικοδομίαν ὑπὸ τῶν ἔνδον ἐνεργὸν εἶναι καὶ μάχεσθαι γενναίως ἐπὶ τοῦ 3 πίπτοντος μέρους τοῦς Αἰτωλοῦς. διόπερ ἀπορούμενοι κατήντησαν ἐπὶ τὸ μεταλλεύειν καὶ 4 χρῆσθαι τοῖς ὀρύγμασιν ὑπὸ γῆς. ἀσφαλισά-



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μενοι δὲ τὸ μέσον ἔργον τῶν τριῶν τῶν προ-  
 ὑπαρχόντων καὶ σκεπάσαντες ἐπιμελῶς [τὴν σύ-  
 ριγγα] τοῖς γέρροις, προεβάλλοντο στοὰν παράλ-  
 5 ληλον τῷ τείχει σχεδὸν ἐπὶ δύο πλέθρα. καὶ  
 λαβόντες ἀρχὴν ἐκ ταύτης ὤρυττον ἀδιαπαύστως  
 6 καὶ τὴν νύκτα καὶ τὴν ἡμέραν ἐκ διαδοχῆς. ἐφ'  
 ἱκανὰς μὲν οὖν ἡμέρας ἐλάνθανον τοὺς ἔνδον φέ-  
 7 ροντες ἔξω τὸν χοῦν διὰ τῆς σύριγγος. ὡς δὲ  
 μέγας ὁ σωρὸς ἐγένετο τῆς ἐκφερομένης γῆς  
 καὶ σύνοπτος τοῖς ἐκ τῆς πόλεως, οἱ προεστῶτες  
 τῶν πολιορκουμένων ὤρυττον τάφρον ἔσωθεν ἐν-  
 8 εργῶς παράλληλον τῷ τείχει καὶ τῇ στοᾷ τῇ πρὸ  
 τῶν πύργων. ἐπειδὴ δὲ βάθος ἔσχεν ἱκανόν,  
 ἐξῆς ἔθηκαν παρὰ τὸν ἕνα τοῖχον τῆς τάφρου  
 τὸν ἐγγὺς τῷ τείχει χαλκώματα συνεχῆ, λεπτό-  
 9 τατα ταῖς κατασκευαῖς, καὶ παρὰ ταῦτα διὰ  
 τῆς τάφρου παριόντες ἠκροῶντο τοῦ βόφου τῶν  
 ὀρυττόντων ἔξωθεν. ἐπεὶ δ' ἐσημειώσαντο τὸν  
 τόπον, καθ' ὃν ἐδήλου τινὰ τῶν χαλκωμάτων διὰ  
 τῆς συμπαθείας, ὤρυττον ἔσωθεν ἐπικαρσίαν πρὸς  
 τὴν ὑπάρχουσαν ἄλλην κατὰ γῆς τάφρον ὑπὸ τὸ  
 10 τεῖχος, στοχαζόμενοι τοῦ συμπεσεῖν ἐναντίοι τοῖς  
 πολεμίοις. ταχὺ δὲ τούτου γενομένου, διὰ τὸ  
 τοὺς Ῥωμαίους μὴ μόνον ἀφίχθαι πρὸς τὸ τεῖχος  
 ὑπὸ γῆς, ἀλλὰ καὶ διεστυλωκέναι τόπον ἱκανὸν  
 τοῦ τεύχους ἐφ' ἑκάτερον τὸ μέρος τοῦ μετάλλου,  
 11 συνέπεσον ἀλλήλοις. καὶ τὸ μὲν πρῶτον ἐμά-  
 χοντο ταῖς σαρίσαις ὑπὸ γῆν· ἐπεὶ δ' οὐδὲν ἠδύ-  
 ναντο μέγα ποιεῖν διὰ τὸ προβάλλεσθαι θυρεοὺς  
 12 καὶ γέρρα πρὸ αὐτῶν ἀμφότεροι, τὸ τηνικάδ'  
 ὑπέθετό τις τοῖς πολιορκουμένοις πίθον προ-  
 θεμένους ἀρμοστὸν κατὰ τὸ πλάτος τῷ μετάλλῳ

the three machines they previously had on this site and covered it carefully with wattle screens, they constructed in front of it a covered gallery running parallel to the wall for about a hundred yards, from which they dug continuously by day and night, employing relays. For a good many days they carried out the earth by the underground passage without being noticed by the defenders, but when the heap of earth became considerable and visible to those in the city, the leaders of the besieged set vigorously to work to dig a trench inside the wall parallel to the wall itself and to the gallery in front of the towers. When it was sufficiently deep, they lined the side of the trench next the wall with exceedingly thin plates of brass, and advancing along the trench with their ears close to these, listened for the noise made by the miners outside. When they had noted the spot indicated by the reverberation of some of the brass plates, they began to dig from within another underground passage at right angles to the trench and passing under the wall, their object being to encounter the enemy. This they soon succeeded in doing, as the Roman miners had not only reached the wall but had underpinned a considerable part of it on both sides of their gallery of approach. On meeting, they first of all fought underground with their pikes, but when they found that they could not effect much by this, as on both sides they used bucklers and wattles to protect themselves, some one suggested to the besieged to put in front of them a large corn-jar exactly broad enough to fit into the



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τρυπήσαι τὸν πυθμένα καὶ διώσαντας αὐλίσκον  
 σιδηροῦν ἴσον τῷ τεύχει πλήσαι τὸν πίθον ὄλον  
 πτίλων λεπτῶν καὶ πυρὸς παντελῶς μικρὸν ἔμβα-  
 13 λείν ὑπ' αὐτὸ τὸ τοῦ πίθου περιστόμιον· καὶ πῆτα  
 σιδηροῦν πῶμα τρημάτων πλήρες τῷ στόματι  
 περιθέντας ἀσφαλῶς εἰσάγειν διὰ τοῦ μετάλλου,  
 14 νεύοντι τῷ στόματι πρὸς τοὺς ὑπεναντίους· ὁπότε  
 δ' ἐγγίσειεν τοῖς πολεμίοις, περισάξαντας τὰ  
 χεῖλη τοῦ πίθου πανταχόθεν τρήματα δύο κατα-  
 λιπεῖν ἐξ ἑκατέρου τοῦ μέρους, δι' ὧν διωθοῦντες  
 τὰς σαρίσας οὐκ εἰσάσουσι προσιέναι τῷ πίθῳ τοὺς  
 15 ὑπεναντίους· μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα λαβόντας ἄσκον,  
 ὥπερ οἱ χαλκεῖς χρῶνται, καὶ προσαρμόσαντας  
 πρὸς τὸν αὐλὸν τὸν σιδηροῦν φυσᾶν ἐνεργῶς τὸ  
 πρὸς τῷ στόματι πῦρ ἐν τοῖς πτίλοις ἐγκείμενον,  
 κατὰ τοσοῦτον ἐπαγομένους αἰεὶ τὸν αὐλὸν ἐκτός,  
 16 καθ' ὅσον ἂν ἐκκᾶηται τὰ πτίλα. γενόμενων δὲ  
 πάντων καθάπερ προείρηται, τό τε πλῆθος τοῦ  
 καπνοῦ συνέβαινε πολὺ γίνεσθαι καὶ τῇ δριμύτητι  
 διαφέρον διὰ τὴν φύσιν τῶν πτίλων, φέρεσθαι  
 17 τε πᾶν εἰς τὸ τῶν πολεμίων μέταλλον. ὥστε  
 καὶ λίαν κακοπαθεῖν καὶ δυσχρηστεῖσθαι τοὺς  
 Ῥωμαίους, οὔτε κωλύειν οὔθ' ὑπομένειν δυνα-  
 18 μένους ἐν τοῖς ὀρύγμασι τὸν καπνόν. τοιαύτην  
 δὲ λαμβανούσης τριβῆν τῆς πολιορκίας ὁ στρα-  
 τηγὸς τῶν Αἰτωλῶν πρεσβεύειν ἔγνω πρὸς τὸν  
 στρατηγὸν τῶν Ῥωμαίων.

29 "Ὅτι κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον οἱ παρὰ τῶν  
 xii. 12) Ἀθηναίων καὶ τῶν Ῥοδίων πρέσβεις ἤκον ἐπὶ  
 τὸ στρατόπεδον τῶν Ῥωμαίων, συνεπιληψόμενοι  
 2 τῶν διαλύσεων. ὃ τε βασιλεὺς τῶν Ἀθαμάνων  
 Ἀμύνανδρος παρεγένετο σπουδάζων ἐξελεῖσθαι

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τοὺς Ἀμβρακιώτας ἐκ τῶν περιεστώτων κακῶν,  
δοθείσης αὐτῷ τῆς ἀσφαλείας ὑπὸ τοῦ Μάρκου  
3 διὰ τὸν καιρόν· πάνυ γὰρ οἰκείως εἶχε πρὸς τοὺς  
Ἀμβρακιώτας διὰ τὸ καὶ πλείω χρόνον ἐν τῇ  
4 πόλει ταύτῃ διατετριφέναι κατὰ φυγὴν. ἤκον δὲ  
καὶ παρὰ τῶν Ἀκαρνάνων μετ' ὀλίγας ἡμέρας  
ἄγοντές τινες τοὺς περὶ Δαμοτέλην· ὁ γὰρ Μάρ-  
κος πυθόμενος τὴν περιπέτειαν αὐτῶν ἔγραψε  
τοῖς Θυρρειῦσιν ἀνακομίζειν τοὺς ἄνδρας ὡς  
5 αὐτόν. πάντων δὲ τούτων ἠθροισμένων ἐνηρ-  
6 γεῖτο φιλοτίμως τὰ πρὸς τὰς διαλύσεις. ὁ μὲν  
οὖν Ἀμύνανδρος κατὰ τὴν αὐτοῦ πρόθεσιν εἶχετο  
τῶν Ἀμβρακιωτῶν, παρακαλῶν σώζειν σφᾶς  
αὐτούς . . . εἶναι δὲ τοῦτον οὐ μακρὰν, εἰ μὴ  
7 βουλεύσωνται βέλτιον περὶ αὐτῶν. πλεονάκεις δὲ  
προσπελάζοντος αὐτοῦ τῷ τείχει καὶ διαλεγο-  
μένου περὶ τούτων, ἔδοξε τοῖς Ἀμβρακιώταις  
εἰσκαλέσασθαι τὸν Ἀμύνανδρον εἰς τὴν πόλιν.  
8 τοῦ δὲ στρατηγοῦ συγχωρήσαντος τῷ βασιλεῖ  
τὴν εἴσοδον, οὗτος μὲν εἰσελθὼν διελέγετο τοῖς  
9 Ἀμβρακιώταις περὶ τῶν ἐνεστώτων, οἱ δὲ παρὰ  
τῶν Ἀθηναίων καὶ τῶν Ῥοδίων πρέσβεις λαμ-  
βάνοντες εἰς τὰς χεῖρας τὸν στρατηγὸν τῶν  
Ῥωμαίων καὶ ποικίλως ὀμιλοῦντες, πραῦνειν ἐπει-  
10 ρῶντο τὴν ὀργὴν αὐτοῦ. τοῖς δὲ περὶ τὸν Δαμο-  
τέλην καὶ Φαινέαν ὑπέθετό τις ἔχεσθαι καὶ θερα-  
11 πεύειν τὸν Γάιον Οὐαλέριον· οὗτος δ' ἦν Μάρκου  
μὲν υἱὸς τοῦ πρώτου συνθεμένου πρὸς Αἰτωλοὺς  
τὴν συμμαχίαν, Μάρκου δὲ τοῦ τότε στρατηγοῦν-  
τος ἀδελφὸς ἐκ μητρός· ἄλλως δὲ πράξιν ἔχων  
νεανικὴν ἦν μάλιστα παρὰ τῷ στρατηγῷ πιστευό-  
12 μενος. ὃς παρακληθεὶς ὑπὸ τῶν περὶ τὸν Δαμο-

braciots from their dangerous situation, having received a safe-conduct from Marcus Fulvius, who availed himself of the opportunity ; for this king was on very good terms with the Ambraciots, having lived in the town for a considerable time during his exile. Some representatives of Acarnania also arrived a few days afterwards bringing Damoteles and those with him ; for Fulvius, on learning of their unfortunate situation, had written to the people of Thyrrheium to send the men to him. All the above bodies having thus met, negotiations for peace proceeded energetically. Amynder, in pursuance of his purpose, approached the Ambraciots begging them to save themselves and not to run into the extremity of danger, which was not far off, unless they were better advised in their proceedings. After he had more than once ridden up to the wall and spoken to them, the Ambraciots decided to invite him to enter the city. Having received permission from the consul to do so, he went in and conversed with the Ambraciots about the situation. Meanwhile the envoys of Athens and Rhodes, approaching the Roman consul privately, attempted by various arguments to mitigate his anger. Some one also suggested to Damoteles and Phaeneas to address themselves to Gaius Valerius and cultivate relations with him. He was the son of Marcus Valerius Laevinus, who had been the first to make an alliance with the Aetolians, and was brother by the mother's side of Marcus Fulvius the present consul, besides which, as he was young and active, he especially enjoyed the consul's confidence. Upon Damoteles and his colleague soliciting his

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τέλη καὶ νομίσας ἴδιον εἶναι τὸ πρᾶγμα καὶ  
 καθήκειν αὐτῷ τὸ προστατῆσαι τῶν Αἰτωλῶν,  
 πᾶσαν εἰσεφέρειτο σπουδὴν καὶ φιλοτιμίαν, ἐξ-  
 ελέσθαι σπουδάζων τὸ ἔθνος ἐκ τῶν περιστώτων  
 13 κακῶν. ἐνεργῶς δὲ πανταχόθεν προσαγομένης  
 14 τῆς φιλοτιμίας, ἔλαβε τὸ πρᾶγμα συντέλειαν. οἱ  
 μὲν γὰρ Ἀμβρακιῶται πεισθέντες ὑπὸ τοῦ βασι-  
 λέως ἐπέτρεψαν τὰ καθ' αὐτοὺς τῷ στρατηγῷ  
 τῶν Ῥωμαίων καὶ παρέδωκαν τὴν πόλιν ἐφ' ᾧ  
 15 τοῦς Αἰτωλοῦ σύσπονδους ἀπελθεῖν· τοῦτο  
 γὰρ ὑφείλοντο πρῶτον, τηροῦντες τὴν πρὸς τοὺς  
 30 συμμάχους πίστιν. ὁ δὲ Μάρκος συγκατέθετο  
 ii. 13) τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς ἐπὶ τούτῳ ποιήσασθαι τὰς δια-  
 2 λύσεις, ὥστε διακόσια μὲν Εὐβοϊκὰ τάλαντα  
 παραχρῆμα λαβεῖν, τριακόσια δ' ἐν ἔτεσιν ἕξ,  
 3 πεντήκοντα καθ' ἕκαστον ἔτος· ἀποκατασταθῆ-  
 ναι δὲ <καὶ τοὺς αἰχμαλώτους> καὶ τοὺς αὐτο-  
 μόλους Ῥωμαίοις ἅπαντας τοὺς παρ' αὐτοῖς  
 4 ὄντας ἐν ἕξ μηνσὶ χωρὶς λύτρων· πόλιν δὲ μηδε-  
 μίαν ἔχειν ἐν τῇ συμπολιτείᾳ μηδὲ μετὰ ταῦτα  
 προσλαβέσθαι τούτων, ὅσαι μετὰ τὴν Λευκίου  
 Κορνηλίου διάβασιν ἐάλωσαν ὑπὸ Ῥωμαίων ἢ  
 5 φιλίαν ἐποιήσαντο πρὸς Ῥωμαίους· Κεφαλλη-  
 νίους δὲ πάντας ἐκσπόνδους εἶναι τούτων τῶν  
 συνθηκῶν.

6 Ταῦτα μὲν οὖν ὑπετυπώθη τότε κεφαλαιωδῶς  
 περὶ τῶν διαλύσεων· ἔδει δὲ τούτοις πρῶτον μὲν  
 εὐδοκῆσαι τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς, μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα γίνε-  
 7 σθαι τὴν ἀναφορὰν ἐπὶ Ῥωμαίους. οἱ μὲν οὖν  
 Ἀθηναῖοι καὶ Ῥόδιοι παρέμενον αὐτοῦ, κατα-  
 δοκοῦντες τὴν τῶν Αἰτωλῶν ἀπόφασιν· οἱ δὲ  
 περὶ τὸν Δαμοτέλην ἐπανελθόντες διεσάφουν τοῖς



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8 Αἰτωλοῖς περὶ τῶν συγκεχωρημένων. τοῖς μὲν  
 οὖν ὅλοις εὐδόκουν· καὶ γὰρ ἦν αὐτοῖς ἅπαντα  
 παρὰ τὴν προσδοκίαν· περὶ δὲ τῶν πόλεων τῶν  
 πρότερον συμπολιτευομένων αὐτοῖς διαπορήσαν-  
 9 τες ἐπὶ ποσὸν τέλος συγκατέθεντο τοῖς προτει-  
 νομένοις. ὁ δὲ Μάρκος παραλαβὼν τὴν Ἀμ-  
 βρακίαν τοὺς μὲν Αἰτωλοὺς ἀφήκεν ὑποσπόνδους,  
 τὰ δ' ἀγάλματα καὶ τοὺς ἀνδριάντας καὶ τὰς  
 γραφὰς ἀπήγαγεν ἐκ τῆς πόλεως, ὄντα καὶ πλείω  
 10 διὰ τὸ γεγονέναι βασιλείον Πύρρου τὴν Ἀμ-  
 βρακίαν. ἐδόθη δ' αὐτῷ καὶ στέφανος ἀπὸ τα-  
 11 λάντων ἑκατὸν καὶ πεντήκοντα. ταῦτα δὲ διοικη-  
 σάμενος ἐποιεῖτο τὴν πορείαν εἰς τὴν μεσόγειον  
 τῆς Αἰτωλίας, θαυμάζων ἐπὶ τῷ μηδὲν αὐτῷ  
 12 παρὰ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν ἀπαντᾶσθαι. παραγενόμε-  
 νος δὲ πρὸς Ἄργος τὸ καλούμενον Ἀμφιλοχικὸν  
 κατεστρατοπέδευσε, ὅπερ ἀπέχει τῆς Ἀμβρα-  
 13 κίας ἑκατὸν ὀγδοήκοντα σταδίου. ἐκεῖ δὲ συμ-  
 μιξάντων αὐτῷ τῶν περὶ τὸν Δαμοτέλην καὶ  
 διασαφούντων ὅτι δέδοκται τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς βε-  
 βαιοῦν τὰς δι' ἑαυτῶν γεγενημένας ὁμολογίας,  
 διεχωρίσθησαν, Αἰτωλοὶ μὲν εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν,  
 14 Μάρκος δ' εἰς τὴν Ἀμβρακίαν. κακεῖσε παρα-  
 γενόμενος οὗτος μὲν ἐγένετο περὶ τὸ περαιουῖν  
 15 τὴν δύναμιν εἰς τὴν Κεφαλληνίαν, οἱ δ' Αἰτωλοὶ  
 προχειρισάμενοι Φαινέαν καὶ Νίκανδρον πρεσβευ-  
 τὰς ἐξέπεμψαν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην περὶ τῆς εἰρήνης·  
 16 ἀπλῶς γὰρ οὐδὲν ἦν κύριον τῶν προειρημένων,  
 εἰ μὴ καὶ τῷ δήμῳ δόξαι τῷ τῶν Ῥωμαίων.

31 Οὗτοι μὲν οὖν παραλαβόντες τοὺς τε Ῥοδίους  
 xii. 14) καὶ τοὺς Ἀθηναίους ἔπλεον ἐπὶ τὸ προκείμενον·  
 2 παραπλησίως δὲ καὶ Μάρκος ἐξαπέστειλε Γάιον

the conditions. On the whole the people were satisfied with them, for they were all such as they had not hoped to obtain. For a certain time they hesitated about the cities belonging to their League ; but finally agreed to the proposal. Fulvius, having entered Ambracia, allowed the Aetolians to depart under flag of truce ; but carried away all the decorative objects, statues, and pictures, of which there were a considerable number, as the town had once been the royal seat of Pyrrhus. A crown<sup>a</sup> of a hundred and fifty talents was also presented to him. Having settled everything there, he marched into the interior of Aetolia, being surprised at receiving no answer from the Aetolians. On arriving at Amphilochean Argos, which is a hundred and eighty stades distance from Ambracia, he encamped there. Here he was met by Damoteles, who informed him that the Aetolians had passed a decree ratifying the conditions he had agreed to ; and they then separated, the Aetolians returning home and Fulvius proceeding to Ambracia. He there occupied himself with preparations for taking his army across to Cephallenia ; and the Aetolians appointed and dispatched Phaeneas and Nicander as envoys to Rome about the peace ; for nothing at all in it was valid without the consent of the Roman People.

31. These envoys, then, taking with them those of Athens and Rhodes, sailed on their mission ; and Fulvius also sent Gaius Valerius Laevinus and some

<sup>a</sup> No doubt “ crown ” is used in the sense of a customary gift.



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τὸν Οὐαλέριον καὶ τινὰς ἑτέροισιν τῶν φίλων  
 3 πράξοντας τὰ περὶ τῆς εἰρήνης· ἀφικομένων δ'  
 εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, πάλιν ἐκαινοποιήθη τὰ τῆς  
 ὀργῆς πρὸς Αἰτωλοὺς διὰ Φιλίππου τοῦ βασιλέως·  
 4 ἐκεῖνος γὰρ δοκῶν ἀδίκως ὑπὸ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν  
 ἀφηρῆσθαι τὴν Ἀθαμανίαν καὶ τὴν Δολοπίαν  
 διεπέμψατο πρὸς τοὺς φίλους, ἀξιῶν αὐτοὺς  
 συνοργισθῆναι καὶ μὴ προσδέξασθαι τὰς διαλύσεις.  
 5 διὸ καὶ τῶν μὲν Αἰτωλῶν εἰσπορευθέντων παρ-  
 ἤκουεν ἢ σύγκλητος, τῶν δὲ Ῥοδίων καὶ τῶν Ἀθη-  
 6 ναίων ἀξιούντων ἐνετράπη καὶ προσέσχε τον νοῦν.  
 καὶ γὰρ ἐδόκει <μετὰ> Δάμων ὁ Κιχησίου <Λέ>ων  
 ἄλλα τε καλῶς εἰπεῖν καὶ παραδείγματι πρὸς τὸ  
 7 παρὸν οἰκείῳ χρήσασθαι κατὰ τὸν λόγον. ἔφη  
 γὰρ ὀργίζεσθαι μὲν εἰκότως τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖσι·  
 πολλὰ γὰρ εὖ πεπονθότας τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς ὑπὸ  
 Ῥωμαίων οὐ χάριν ἀποδεδωκέυαι τούτων, ἀλλ'  
 εἰς μέγαν ἐνηνοχέυαι κίνδυνον τὴν Ῥωμαίων  
 ἡγεμονίαν ἐκκαύσαντας τὸν πρὸς Ἀντίοχον πόλε-  
 8 μον. ἐν τούτῳ δὲ διαμαρτάνειν τὴν σύγκλητον,  
 9 ἐν ᾧ τὴν ὀργὴν φέρειν ἐπὶ τοὺς πολλοὺς. εἶναι  
 γὰρ τὸ συμβαῖνον ἐν ταῖς πολιτείαις περὶ τὰ  
 πλήθη παραπλήσιον τῷ γινομένῳ περὶ τὴν θάλατ-  
 10 ταν. καὶ γὰρ ἐκείνην κατὰ μὲν τὴν αὐτῆς φύσιν  
 αἰεὶ ποτ' εἶναι γαληνὴν καὶ καθεστηκυῖαν καὶ  
 συλλήβδην τοιαύτην ὥστε μηδέποτ' ἂν ἐνοχλῆσαι  
 μηδένα τῶν προσπελαζόντων αὐτῇ καὶ χρωμένων·  
 11 ἐπειδὴ δ' ἐμπεσόντες εἰς αὐτὴν ἄνεμοι βίαιοι  
 ταραξῶσι καὶ παρὰ φύσιν ἀναγκάσωσι κινεῖ-  
 σθαι, τότε μὴθὲν ἔτι δεινότερον εἶναι μὴδὲ φο-  
 βερώτερον θαλάττης· ὃ καὶ νῦν τοῖς κατὰ τὴν  
 12 Αἰτωλίαν συμπεσεῖν. “ ἕως μὲν γὰρ ἦσαν ἀκέ-

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ραιοι, πάντων τῶν Ἑλλήνων ὑπῆρχον ὑμῖν εὐ-  
 νούστατοι καὶ βεβαιότατοι συνεργοὶ πρὸς τὰς  
 13 πράξεις· ἐπεὶ δ' ἀπὸ μὲν τῆς Ἀσίας πνεύσαντες  
 Θόας καὶ Δικαίαρχος, ἀπὸ δὲ τῆς Εὐρώπης  
 Μενεστᾶς καὶ Δαμόκριτος συνετάραξαν τοὺς ὄχλους  
 καὶ παρὰ φύσιν ἠνάγκασαν πᾶν καὶ λέγειν καὶ  
 14 πράττειν, τότε δὴ κακῶς φρονοῦντες ἐβουλήθησαν  
 15 μὲν ὑμῖν, ἐγένοντο δ' αὐτοῖς αἴτιοι κακῶν. <ἀνθ'  
 ὦν ὑμᾶς> δεῖ πρὸς ἐκείνους ἔχειν ἀπαραιτήτως,  
 ἐλεεῖν δὲ τοὺς πολλοὺς καὶ διαλύεσθαι πρὸς  
 αὐτούς, εἰδότας ὅτι γεγόμενοι πάλιν ἀκέραιοι, καὶ  
 πρὸς τοῖς ἄλλοις ἔτι νῦν ὑφ' ὑμῶν σῶθέντες, εὐ-  
 16 νούστατοι πάλιν ἔσονται πάντων Ἑλλήνων." ὁ  
 μὲν οὖν Ἀθηναῖος ταῦτ' εἰπὼν ἔπεισε τὴν σύγ-  
 κλητον διαλύεσθαι πρὸς τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς.

32 Δόξαντος δὲ τῷ συνεδρίῳ, καὶ τοῦ δήμου συν-  
 ii. 15) επιψηφίσαντος, ἐκυρώθη τὰ κατὰ τὰς διαλύσεις.  
 2 τὰ δὲ κατὰ μέρος ἦν τῶν συνθηκῶν ταῦτα. " ὁ  
 δῆμος ὁ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν τὴν ἀρχὴν καὶ τὴν δυνα-  
 3 στείαν τοῦ δήμου τῶν Ῥωμαίων . . . . <πο-  
 λεμίους> μὴ διέτω διὰ τῆς χώρας καὶ τῶν πό-  
 λεων ἐπὶ Ῥωμαίους ἢ τοὺς συμμάχους καὶ φίλους  
 αὐτῶν, μηδὲ χορηγείτω μηδὲν δημοσίᾳ βουλῇ.  
 4 . . . καὶ ἐὰν πολεμῶσιν πρὸς τινὰς Ῥωμαῖοι,  
 πολεμείτω πρὸς αὐτοὺς ὁ δῆμος ὁ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν.  
 5 τοὺς δὲ <αὐτομόλους, τοὺς> δραπέτας, τοὺς αἰχ-  
 μαλώτους πάντας τοὺς Ῥωμαίων καὶ τῶν συμ-  
 6 μάχων ἀποδότῳσαν Αἰτωλοί, χωρὶς τῶν ὅσοι  
 κατὰ πόλεμον ἀλόντες εἰς τὴν ἰδίαν ἀπήλθον καὶ  
 πάλιν ἐάλωσαν, καὶ χωρὶς τῶν ὅσοι πολέμιοι  
 Ῥωμαίων ἐγένοντο, καθ' ὃν καιρὸν Αἰτωλοὶ  
 μετὰ Ῥωμαίων συνεπολέμουν, <ἐν> ἡμέραις ἑκα-

all the Greeks your most warm and trustworthy supporters. But when Thoas and Dicaearchus, blowing from Asia, and Menestas and Damocritus from Europe stirred up the people and compelled them, contrary to their nature, to become reckless in word and deed, then of a truth in their folly the Aetolians desired to do you evil but brought evil on their own heads. Therefore, while being implacable to the men who instigated them, you should take pity on the people, and make peace with them, well knowing, that when again they have none to tamper with them and once more owe their preservation to you, they will again be the best disposed to you of all the Greeks.” By this speech the Athenian envoy persuaded the Senate to make peace with the Aetolians.

32. When the Senate had passed a *consultum*, and the people also had voted it, the peace was ratified. The particular conditions were as follows: “The people of Aetolia shall preserve without fraud the empire and majesty of the Roman people: they shall not permit any armed forces proceeding against the Romans, or their allies and friends, to pass through their territory or support such forces in any way by public consent: they shall have the same enemies as the Roman people, and on whomsoever the Romans make war the people of Aetolia shall make war likewise: the Aetolians shall surrender all deserters, fugitives, and prisoners belonging to the Romans and their allies, always excepting such as after being made prisoners of war returned to their own country and were afterwards recaptured, and such as were enemies of the Romans during the time when the Aetolians were fighting in alliance with Rome; all

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τὸν ἀφ' ἧς ἂν τὰ ὄρκια τελεσθῆ, τῷ ἄρχοντι τῷ  
 7 ἐν Κερκύρα· εἰ δὲ μὴ εὐρεθῶσιν τινες ἐν τῷ  
 χρόνῳ τούτῳ, ὅταν ἐμφανεῖς γένωνται, τότε  
 ἀποδότῳσαν χωρὶς δόλου· καὶ τούτοις μετὰ <τὰ>  
 8 ὄρκια μὴ ἔστω ἐπάνοδος εἰς τὴν Αἰτωλίαν. δό-  
 τῳσαν δὲ Αἰτωλοὶ ἀργυρίου μὴ χείρονος Ἀπτικοῦ  
 παραχρῆμα μὲν τάλαντα Εὐβοϊκὰ διακόσια τῷ  
 στρατηγῷ τῷ ἐν τῇ Ἑλλάδι, ἀντὶ τρίτου μέρους  
 τοῦ ἀργυρίου χρυσίον, εἰ βούλωνται, διδόντες,  
 τῶν δέκα μνῶν ἀργυρίου χρυσίου μνᾶν διδόντες,  
 9 ἀφ' ἧς <δ'> ἂν ἡμέρας τὰ ὄρκια τμηθῆ ἐν ἔτεσι  
 τοῖς πρώτοις ἕξ κατὰ ἔτος ἕκαστον τάλαντα  
 πεντήκοντα· καὶ τὰ χρήματα καθιστάτῳσαν ἐν  
 10 Ῥώμῃ. δότῳσαν Αἰτωλοὶ ὁμήρους τῷ στρα-  
 τηγῷ τετταράκοντα, μὴ νεωτέρους ἔτῳν δώδεκα  
 μηδὲ πρεσβυτέρους τετταράκοντα, εἰς ἔτη ἕξ,  
 οὓς ἂν Ῥωμαῖοι προκρίνωσιν, χωρὶς στρατηγοῦ  
 καὶ ἱππάρχου καὶ δημοσίου γραμματέως καὶ  
 τῶν ὠμηρευκότων ἐν Ῥώμῃ. καὶ τὰ ὄμηρα  
 11 καθιστάτῳσαν εἰς Ῥώμην· εἰ δέ τις ἀποθάνῃ  
 12 τῶν ὁμήρων, ἄλλον ἀντικαθιστάτῳσαν. περὶ δὲ  
 13 Κεφαλληνίας μὴ ἔστω ἐν ταῖς συνθήκαις. ὅσαι  
 χῳραι καὶ πόλεις καὶ ἄνδρες, οἷς οὗτοι ἐχρῳντο,  
 ἐπὶ Λευκίου Κοϊντίου καὶ Γναῖου Δομετίου στρα-  
 τηγῳν ἢ ὕστερον ἐάλῳσαν ἢ εἰς φιλίαν ἦλθον  
 Ῥωμαῖοις, τούτων τῳν πόλεων καὶ τῳν ἐν ταύταις  
 14 μηδένα προσλαβέτῳσαν Αἰτωλοί. ἢ δὲ πόλις  
 καὶ ἢ χῳρα ἢ τῳν Οἰνιαδῳν Ἀκαρνάνων ἔστω.”  
 15 τμηθέντων δὲ τῳν ὄρκίων ἐπὶ τούτοις συνετετέ-  
 λεστο τὰ τῳς εἰρήνης. καὶ τὰ μὲν κατὰ τοὺς  
 Αἰτωλοὺς καὶ καθόλου τοὺς Ἑλληνας τοιαύτην  
 ἔσχε τὴν ἐπιγραφὴν.



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**32<sup>b</sup>** Ὁ δὲ Φολούιος πραξικοπήσας νυκτὸς κατέ-  
(40) λαβε τὸ μέρος τῆς ἀκροπόλεως καὶ τοὺς Ῥωμαίους  
ii. 23) εἰσήγαγε.

**32<sup>c</sup>** Ὅτι τὸ καλὸν καὶ τὸ συμφέρον σπανίως εἶωθε  
(41) συντρέχειν, καὶ σπάνιοι τῶν ἀνδρῶν εἰσιν οἱ  
i. 16) δυνάμενοι ταῦτα συνάγειν καὶ συναρμόζειν πρὸς  
2 ἄλληλα. κατὰ μὲν γὰρ τὸ πολὺ πάντες ἴσμεν  
διότι τό τε καλὸν φεύγει τὴν τοῦ παραυτίκα λυσι-  
τελοῦς φύσιν καὶ τὸ λυσιτελὲς τὴν τοῦ καλοῦ.  
3 πλὴν ὁ Φιλοποίμην προέθετο ταῦτα καὶ καθίκετο  
τῆς ἐπιβολῆς· καλὸν μὲν γὰρ τὸ κατάγειν τοὺς  
αἰχμαλώτους φυγάδας εἰς τὴν Σπάρτην, συμφέρον  
δὲ τὸ ταπεινῶσαι τὴν τῶν Λακεδαιμονίων πόλιν,  
<καταφονεύσαντ>α τοὺς δεδορυφορηκότας τῇ τῶν  
4 τυ<ράν>ω<ν> <δυναστεία>. θεωρῶν δ' ὅτι πάσης  
βασιλείας ἐπανορθ<ώσεως αἴτια> τὰ χρήματα  
<γένονεν, ἅ>τε φύσει νουνεχῆς ὦν καὶ στρατηγι-  
κός, περιεβα . . . . . | γέ-  
νοιτο κομιδὴ τῶν ἔξω <πορι>ζομένων χρημάτων.

## VI. RES ASIAE

**33** Ὅτι καθ' ὃν καιρὸν ἐν τῇ Ῥώμῃ τὰ περὶ τὰς  
ii. 16) συνθήκας τὰς πρὸς Ἀντίοχον καὶ καθόλου περὶ  
τῆς Ἀσίας αἱ πρεσβεῖαι διεπράττοντο, κατὰ δὲ  
τὴν Ἑλλάδα τὸ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν ἔθνος ἐπολεμεῖτο,  
κατὰ τοῦτον συνέβη τὸν περὶ τὴν Ἀσίαν πρὸς  
τοὺς Γαλάτας πόλεμον ἐπιτελεσθῆναι, περὶ οὗ  
νῦν ἐνιστάμεθα τὴν διήγησιν.

## BOOK XXI. 32<sup>b</sup>. 1 – 33. 1

### *Capture of Same in Cephallenia by Fulvius*

(Suid. ; Livy xxxviii. 29. 10.)

32<sup>b</sup>. Fulvius by a secret understanding occupied 192 B.C. part of the acropolis by night and introduced the Romans.

### *Wisdom of Philopoemen*

(Livy xxxviii. 30.)

32<sup>c</sup>. What is good very seldom coincides with what is advantageous, and few are those who can combine the two and adapt them to each other. Indeed we all know that for the most part the nature of immediate profit is repugnant to goodness and *vice versa*. But Philopoemen made this his purpose and attained his object. For it was a good act to restore to their country the Spartan exiles who were prisoners, and it was an advantageous one to humble the city of Sparta by destroying the satellites of the tyrants. And being by nature a man of sound sense and a real leader, he saw that money is at the root of the re-establishment of all kingly power, and did his best to prevent the receipt of the sums advanced.

## VI. AFFAIRS OF ASIA

### *Manlius and the Gallic War*

(Cp. Livy xxxviii. 12. 1.)

33. At the same time that the embassies were negotiating at Rome concerning the peace with Antiochus and the fate of Asia Minor in general, and while the war against the Aetolian League still continued in Greece, the war against the Gauls in Asia, which I am now about to describe, was begun and ended.



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2 Ὁ δὲ κατευδοκήσας τῷ νεανίσκῳ κατὰ τὴν  
ἀπάντησιν, τοῦτον ἀπέλυσε παραχρῆμ' εἰς τὸ  
Πέργαμον.

ii. 17) 34 Ὅτι Μοαγέτης ἦν τύραννος Κιβύρας, ὧμὸς  
γεγονῶς καὶ δόλιος, καὶ οὐκ ἄξιός ἐστιν ἐκ  
2 παραδρομῆς, ἀλλὰ μετ' ἐπιστάσεως τυχεῖν τῆς  
ἀρμοζούσης μνήμης.

3 Πλὴν συνεγγίζοντος Γναίου ὑπάτου Ῥωμαίων  
τῇ Κιβύρα, καὶ τοῦ Ἐλουίου πεμφθέντος εἰς  
ἀπόπειραν ἐπὶ τίνος ἐστὶ γνώμης, πρεσβευτὰς  
ἐξέπεμψε, παρακαλῶν μὴ φθεῖραι τὴν χώραν,  
ὅτι φίλος ὑπάρχει Ῥωμαίων καὶ πᾶν ποιήσῃ  
4 τὸ παραγγελλόμενον. καὶ ταῦτα λέγων ἅμα πρού-  
5 τεινε στέφανον ἀπὸ πεντεκαίδεκα ταλάντων. ὧν  
ἀκούσας αὐτὸς μὲν ἀφέξεσθαι τῆς χώρας ἔφη,  
πρὸς δὲ τὸν στρατηγὸν ἐκέλευσε πρεσβεύειν  
ὑπὲρ τῶν ὄλων· ἔπεσθαι γὰρ αὐτὸν μετὰ τῆς  
6 στρατείας κατὰ πόδας. γενομένου δὲ τούτου,  
καὶ πέμψαντος τοῦ Μοαγέτου μετὰ τῶν πρε-  
σβευτῶν καὶ τὸν ἀδελφόν, ἀπαντήσας κατὰ πο-  
ρείαν ὁ Γνάιος ἀνατατικῶς καὶ πικρῶς ὠμίλησε  
7 τοῖς πρεσβευταῖς, φάσκων οὐ μόνον ἀλλοτριώ-  
τατον γεγονέναι Ῥωμαίων τὸν Μοαγέτην πάν-  
των τῶν κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν δυναστῶν, ἀλλὰ καὶ  
κατὰ τὴν Ῥώμην ὄλην . . εἰς καθαίρεσιν τῆς ἀρχῆς  
8 καὶ ἐπιστροφῆς εἶναι καὶ κολάσεως. οἱ δὲ πρε-  
σβευταὶ καταπλαγέντες τὴν ἐπίφασιν τῆς ὀργῆς  
τῶν μὲν ἄλλων ἐντολῶν ἀπέστησαν, ἠξίου δ'  
9 αὐτὸν εἰς λόγους ἐλθεῖν. συγχωρήσαντος δὲ τότε  
10 μὲν ἐπανῆλθον εἰς τὴν Κιβύραν, εἰς δὲ τὴν ἐπαύ-

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ριον ἐξῆλθεν μετὰ τῶν φίλων ὁ τύραννος κατὰ  
 τε τὴν ἐσθῆτα καὶ τὴν ἄλλην προστασίαν λιτὸς  
 καὶ ταπεινός, ἔν τε τοῖς ἀπολογισμοῖς κατολο-  
 φυρόμενος τὴν ἀδυναμίαν τὴν αὐτοῦ καὶ τὴν  
 ἀσθένειαν ὧν ἐπῆρχε πόλεων, καὶ ἠξίου προσ-  
 δέξασθαι τὰ πεντεκαίδεκα τάλαντα τὸν Γνάιον·  
 11 ἐκράτει δὲ τῆς Κιβύρας καὶ Συλείου καὶ τῆς ἐν  
 12 Λίμνη πόλεως. ὁ δὲ Γνάιος καταπλαγεὶς τὴν  
 ἀπόνοιαν ἄλλο μὲν οὐδὲν εἶπε πρὸς αὐτόν, εἰάν  
 δὲ μὴ δίδῳ πεντακόσια τάλαντα μετὰ μεγάλης  
 χάριτος, οὐ τὴν χώραν ἔφη φθερεῖν, ἀλλὰ τὴν  
 13 πόλιν αὐτὴν πολιορκήσειν καὶ διαρπάσειν. ὅθεν  
 ὁ Μοαγέτης κατορρωδήσας τὸ μέλλον ἐδεῖτο  
 μηδὲν ποιῆσαι τοιοῦτον, καὶ προσετίθει κατὰ  
 βραχὺ τῶν χρημάτων, καὶ τέλος ἔπεισε τὸν Γνάιον  
 ἑκατὸν τάλαντα καὶ μυρίους μεδίμνους λαβόντα  
 πυρῶν προσδέξασθαι πρὸς τὴν φιλίαν αὐτόν.

35 Ὅτι κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν ἠνίκα Γνάιος διήει τὸν  
 ii. 18) Κολοβάτον προσαγορευόμενον ποταμόν, ἦλθον πρὸς  
 αὐτὸν πρέσβεις ἐκ τῆς Ἰσίνδης προσαγορευο-  
 2 μένης πόλεως, δεόμενοι σφίσι βοηθῆσαι· τοὺς  
 γὰρ Τερμησεῖς, ἐπισπασαμένους Φιλόμηλον, τὴν  
 τε χώραν ἔφασαν αὐτῶν ἀνάστατον πεποιηκέναι  
 καὶ τὴν πόλιν διηρπακέναι, νῦν τε πολιορκεῖν  
 τὴν ἄκραν, συμπεφευγόντων εἰς αὐτὴν πάντων  
 3 τῶν πολιτῶν ὁμοῦ γυναιξὶ καὶ τέκνοις. ὧν δι-  
 ακούσας ὁ Γνάιος ἐκείνοις μὲν ὑπέσχετο βοηθήσειν  
 μετὰ μεγάλης χάριτος, αὐτὸς δὲ νομίσας ἔρμαῖον  
 εἶναι τὸ προσπεπτωκὸς ἐποιεῖτο τὴν πορείαν ὡς  
 ἐπὶ τῆς Παμφυλίας.

4 Ὁ δὲ Γνάιος συνεγγίσας τῇ Τερμησσῶ, πρὸς  
 μὲν τούτους συνέθετο φιλίαν, λαβὼν πεντήκοντα

and next day the tyrant and his friends came out to meet him dressed and escorted in the simplest and most unassuming manner, and in a submissive speech, bewailing his own powerlessness and the weakness of the towns subject to him, begged Manlius to accept the fifteen talents—the places he ruled over being, besides Cibyra, Syleium and that called the town in the Lake. Manlius, amazed at his impudence, said not another word, but merely that if he did not pay five hundred talents and thank his stars, he would not only lay waste his territory, but besiege and sack the city itself. So that Moagetes, in dread of the fate that threatened him, implored him to do nothing of the kind ; and, raising his offer little by little, persuaded Manlius to accept a hundred talents and ten thousand medimni of wheat and to receive him into his alliance.

(Cp. Livy xxxviii. 15. 3.)

35. While Manlius was crossing the river Colobatus, envoys reached him from the city of Isinda begging him to help them ; for the Termessians, summoning Philomelus to their assistance, had devastated their territory and pillaged their city and were now besieging the citadel in which all the citizens with their wives and children had sought refuge. Manlius, after listening to their request, said he would be very pleased to come to their help ; and, looking upon this chance as a godsend, began to march towards Pamphylia.

On approaching Termessus he received that people into his alliance on receipt of fifty talents, and like-

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τάλαντα, παραπλησίως δὲ καὶ πρὸς Ἀσπενδίου.  
 5 ἀποδεξάμενος δὲ καὶ τοὺς παρὰ τῶν ἄλλων πό-  
 λεων πρεσβευτὰς κατὰ τὴν Παμφυλίαν καὶ τὴν  
 προειρημένην δόξαν ἐνεργασάμενος ἐκάστοις κατὰ  
 τὰς ἐντεύξεις, ἅμα δὲ καὶ τοὺς Ἰσινδεῖς ἐξελό-  
 μενος ἐκ τῆς πολιορκίας, αὐθις ἐποιεῖτο τὴν  
 πορείαν ὡς ἐπὶ τοὺς Γαλάτας.

**36** Ὅτι Κύρμασα πόλιν λαβὼν ὁ Γνάιος καὶ λείαν  
 .19) 2 ἄφθονον ἀνέζευξεν. προαγόντων δ' αὐτῶν παρὰ  
 τὴν λίμνην, παρεγένοντο πρέσβεις ἐκ Λυσινόης  
 3 διδόντες αὐτοῦς εἰς τὴν πίστιν. οὓς προσδεξά-  
 μενος ἐνέβαλεν εἰς τὴν τῶν Σαγαλασσέων γῆν  
 καὶ πολὺ πλῆθος ἐξελασάμενος λείας ἀπεκαρα-  
 δόκει τοὺς ἐκ τῆς πόλεως ἐπὶ τίνος ἔσονται γνώ-  
 4 μης. παραγενομένων δὲ πρεσβευτῶν ὡς αὐτόν,  
 ἀποδεξάμενος τοὺς ἄνδρας καὶ λαβὼν πεντή-  
 κοντα ταλάντων στέφανον καὶ δισμυρίους κριθῶν  
 μεδίμνους καὶ δισμυρίους πυρῶν, προσεδέξατο  
 τούτους εἰς τὴν φιλίαν.

**37** Ὅτι Γνάιος ὁ στρατηγὸς τῶν Ῥωμαίων πρέ-  
 ii. 20) σβεις ἐξαπέστειλε πρὸς τὸν Ἐποσόγνατον τὸν  
 Γαλάτην, ὅπως πρεσβεύσῃ πρὸς τοὺς τῶν Γαλα-  
 2 τῶν βασιλεῖς. καὶ [ὁ] Ἐποσόγνατος ἔπεμψε  
 πρὸς Γνάιον πρέσβεις καὶ παρεκάλει [τὸν Γνάιον]  
 τὸν τῶν Ῥωμαίων στρατηγὸν μὴ προεξαναστῆναι  
 μηδ' ἐπιβαλεῖν χεῖρας τοῖς Τολιστοβογίοις Γαλά-  
 3 ταις, καὶ διότι πρεσβεύσει πρὸς τοὺς βασιλεῖς  
 αὐτῶν Ἐποσόγνατος καὶ ποιήσεται λόγους ὑπὲρ  
 τῆς φιλίας, καὶ πεπεῖσθαι πρὸς πᾶν αὐτοῦς παρα-  
 στήσεσθαι τὸ καλῶς ἔχον.

4 Γνάιος ὁ ὑπάτος Ῥωμαίων διερχόμενος ἐγε-  
 φύρωσε τὸν Σαγγάριον ποταμόν, τελέως κοῖλον



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5 ὄντα καὶ δύσβατον. καὶ παρ' αὐτὸν τὸν ποταμὸν  
στρατοπεδευσασμένου παραγίνονται Γάλλοι παρ'  
"Αττιδος καὶ Βαττάκου τῶν ἐκ Πεσσινοῦντος  
6 ἱερέων τῆς Μητρὸς τῶν θεῶν, ἔχοντες προστηθίδια  
καὶ τύπους, φάσκοντες προσαγγέλλειν τὴν θεὸν  
7 νίκην καὶ κράτος. οὓς ὁ Γνάιος φιλανθρώπως  
ὑπεδέξατο.

8 "Οντος δὲ τοῦ Γναίου πρὸς τὸ πολισμάτιον τὸ  
καλούμενον Γορδίειον, ἦκον παρ' Ἐποσογνάτου  
πρέσβεις ἀποδηλοῦντες ὅτι πορευθεὶς διαλεχθείη  
9 τοῖς τῶν Γαλατῶν βασιλεῦσιν, οἱ δ' ἀπλῶς εἰς  
οὐδὲν συγκαταβαίνοιεν φιλάνθρωπον, ἀλλ' ἠθροί-  
κότες ὁμοῦ τέκνα καὶ γυναῖκας καὶ τὴν ἄλλην  
κτῆσιν ἅπασαν εἰς τὸ καλούμενον ὄρος "Ολυμπον  
ἔτοιμοι πρὸς μάχην εἰσίν.

38 Χιομάραν δὲ συνέβη τὴν Ὀρτιάγοντος αἰχμά-  
ii. 21) λωτον γενέσθαι μετὰ τῶν ἄλλων γυναικῶν, ὅτε  
Ῥωμαῖοι καὶ Γνάιος ἐνίκησαν μάχῃ τοὺς ἐν  
2 Ἀσίᾳ Γαλάτας. ὁ δὲ λαβὼν αὐτὴν ταξίαρχος  
ἐχρήσατο τῇ τύχῃ στρατιωτικῶς καὶ κατήσχυεν.  
3 ἦν δ' ἄρα καὶ πρὸς ἠδονὴν καὶ ἀργύριον ἀμαθῆς  
καὶ ἀκρατῆς ἄνθρωπος, ἠττήθη δ' ὅμως ὑπὸ τῆς  
φιλαργυρίας, καὶ χρυσίου συχνοῦ διομολογηθέντος  
ὑπὲρ τῆς γυναικὸς ἤγεν αὐτὴν ἀπολυτρώσων,  
4 ποταμοῦ τινος ἐν μέσῳ διείργοντος. ὡς δὲ δια-  
βάντες οἱ Γαλάται τὸ χρυσίον ἔδωκαν αὐτῷ καὶ  
παρελάμβανον τὴν Χιομάραν, ἣ μὲν ἀπὸ νεύματος  
προσέταξεν ἐνὶ παῖσαι τὸν Ῥωμαῖον ἀσπαζόμενον  
5 αὐτὴν καὶ φιλοφρονούμενον, ἐκείνου δὲ πεισθέντος

between deep banks and is very difficult to cross. As he was encamped close to the river, two Galli,<sup>a</sup> with pectorals and images, came on behalf of Attis and Battacus, the priests of the Mother of the Gods at Pessinus, announcing that the goddess foretold his victory. Manlius gave them a courteous reception.

(Cp. Livy xxxviii. 18. 10.)

While Manlius was near the small town of Gordium envoys from Eposognatus reached him informing him that he had gone in person to speak with the Galatian princes, but that they simply refused to make any advances: they had collected on Mount Olympus their women and children and all their possessions, and were prepared to give battle.

(From Plutarch, *The Virtuous Deeds of Women*, xxii.; cp. Livy xxxviii. 24. 2.)

38. Chiomara, the wife of Ortiagon, was captured with the other women when the Asiatic Gauls were defeated by the Romans under Manlius. The centurion into whose hands she fell took advantage of his capture with a soldier's brutality and did violence to her. The man was indeed an ill-bred lout, the slave both of gain and of lust, but his love of gain prevailed; and as a considerable sum had been promised him for the woman's ransom, he brought her to a certain place to deliver her up, a river running between him and the messengers. When the Gauls crossed and after handing him the money were taking possession of Chiomara, she signed to one of them to strike the man as he was taking an affectionate leave of her. The man obeyed and

<sup>a</sup> See Chapter 6 above.



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καὶ τὴν κεφαλὴν ἀποκόψαντος, ἀραμένη καὶ  
 6 περιστείλασα τοῖς κόλποις ἀπήλαυεν. ὡς δ'  
 ἦλθε πρὸς τὸν ἄνδρα καὶ τὴν κεφαλὴν αὐτῷ πρού-  
 βαλεν, ἐκείνου θαυμάσαντος καὶ εἰπόντος “ὦ  
 γύναι, καλὸν ἢ πίστις.” “ναί,” εἶπεν “ἀλλὰ  
 κάλλιον ἔνα μόνον ζῆν ἐμοὶ συγγεγεννημένον.”  
 7 ταύτη μὲν ὁ Πολύβιος φησι διὰ λόγων ἐν Σάρδεσι  
 γενόμενος θαυμάσαι τό τε φρόνημα καὶ τὴν  
 σύνεσιν.

39 Ὅτι τῶν Ῥωμαίων μετὰ τὴν τῶν Γαλατῶν  
 ii. 22) νίκην αὐτῶν πραχθεῖσαν στρατοπεδευόντων περὶ  
 τὴν Ἀγκυραν πόλιν, καὶ τοῦ Γναΐου τοῦ στρατη-  
 2 γοῦ προάγειν εἰς τοῦμπροσθεν μέλλοντος, παρα-  
 γίνονται πρέσβεις παρὰ τῶν Τεκτοσάγων, ἀξιούν-  
 τες τὸν Γνάιον τὰς μὲν δυνάμεις εἶσαι κατὰ χώραν,  
 αὐτὸν δὲ κατὰ τὴν ἐπιούσαν ἡμέραν προελθεῖν εἰς  
 τὸν μεταξὺ τόπον τῶν στρατοπέδων· ἦξειν δὲ  
 καὶ τοὺς παρ' αὐτῶν βασιλεῖς κοινολογησομένους  
 3 ὑπὲρ τῶν διαλύσεων. τοῦ δὲ Γναΐου συγκατα-  
 θεμένου καὶ παραγεννηθέντος κατὰ τὸ συνταχθὲν  
 μετὰ πεντακοσίων ἰππέων, τότε μὲν οὐκ ἦλθον  
 4 οἱ βασιλεῖς· ἀνακεχωρηκότος δ' αὐτοῦ πρὸς τὴν  
 ἰδίαν παρεμβολήν, αὐθις ἦκον οἱ πρέσβεις ὑπὲρ  
 μὲν τῶν βασιλέων σκήψεις τινὰς λέγοντες, ἀξιούν-  
 τες δὲ πάλιν ἐλθεῖν αὐτόν, ἐπειδὴ τοὺς πρώτους  
 ἄνδρας ἐκπέμψουσιν κοινολογησομένους ὑπὲρ τῶν  
 5 ὄλων. ὁ δὲ Γνάιος κατανεύσας ἦξειν αὐτὸς μὲν  
 ἔμεινεν ἐπὶ τῆς ἰδίας στρατοπεδείας, Ἀτταλον δὲ  
 καὶ τῶν χιλιάρχων τινὰς ἐξαπέστειλεν μετὰ τρια-  
 6 κοσίων ἰππέων. οἱ δὲ τῶν Γαλατῶν <πρέσβεις>  
 ἦλθον μὲν κατὰ τὸ συνταχθὲν καὶ λόγους ἐποιή-  
 σαντο περὶ τῶν πραγμάτων, τέλος δ' ἐπιθεῖναι

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τοῖς προειρημένοις ἢ κυρῶσαί τι τῶν δοξάντων  
 7 οὐκ ἔφασαν εἶναι δυνατόν· τοὺς δὲ βασιλεῖς τῇ  
 κατὰ πόδας ἤξειν διωρίζοντο, συνθησομένους καὶ  
 πέρας ἐπιθήσοντας, εἰ καὶ Γνάιος ὁ στρατηγὸς  
 8 ἔλθοι πρὸς αὐτούς. τῶν δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον  
 ἐπαγγειλαμένων ἤξειν τὸν Γνάιον, τότε μὲν ἐπὶ  
 9 τούτοις διελύθησαν. ἐποιοῦντο δὲ <τὰς> ὑπερ-  
 θέσεις ταύτας οἱ Γαλάται καὶ διεστρατήγουν τοὺς  
 Ῥωμαίους βουλόμενοι τῶν τε σωμάτων τινὰ τῶν  
 ἀναγκαίων καὶ τῶν χρημάτων ὑπερθέσθαι πέραν  
 Ἄλυσ ποταμοῦ, μάλιστα δὲ τὸν στρατηγὸν τῶν  
 Ῥωμαίων, εἰ δυνηθεῖεν, λαβεῖν ὑποχείριον· εἰ  
 10 δὲ μή γε, πάντως ἀποκτεῖναι. ταῦτα δὲ προ-  
 θέμενοι κατὰ τὴν ἐπιούσαν ἐκαραδόκουν τὴν παρ-  
 ουσίαν τῶν Ῥωμαίων, ἐτοίμους ἔχοντες ἵππεῖς εἰς  
 11 χιλίους. ὁ δὲ Γνάιος διακούσας τῶν περὶ τὸν  
 Ἄτταλον καὶ πεισθεὶς ἤξειν τοὺς βασιλεῖς, ἐξῆλθεν,  
 12 καθάπερ εἰώθει, μετὰ πεντακοσίων ἵππέων. συν-  
 ἔβη δὲ ταῖς πρότερον ἡμέραις τοὺς ἐπὶ τὰς  
 ξυλείας καὶ χορτολογίας ἐκπορευομένους ἐκ τοῦ  
 τῶν Ῥωμαίων χάρακος ἐπὶ ταῦτα τὰ μέρη πε-  
 ποιῆσθαι τὴν ἔξοδον, ἐφεδρεῖα χρωμένους τοῖς  
 13 ἐπὶ τὸν σύλλογον πορευομένοις ἵππεῦσιν. οὗ καὶ  
 τότε γενομένου καὶ πολλῶν ἐξεληλυθότων, συν-  
 ἔταξαν οἱ χιλίαρχοι <καὶ> τοὺς εἰθισμένους ἐφ-  
 εδρεύειν τοῖς προνομεύουσιν ἵππεῖς ἐπὶ ταῦτα τὰ  
 14 μέρη ποιήσασθαι τὴν ἔξοδον. ὧν ἐκπορευθέντων,  
 αὐτομάτως τὸ δέον ἐγενήθη πρὸς τὴν ἐπιφερο-  
 μένην κρίσιν.

about matters or ratify anything that was decided. On the following day, however, they engaged that the princes should come to arrive at an agreement and complete the negotiations, if the consul Manlius met them in person. Attalus then promised that Manlius would come, and they separated on this understanding. The object of the Gauls in making these postponements and practising these stratagems against the Romans was partly to gain time to transport certain of their relations and some of their property across the river Halys ; but chiefly, if they could, to capture the Roman consul, or at any rate to kill him. With this intention they awaited next day the arrival of the Romans, keeping about a thousand horsemen in readiness. Manlius, after listening to Attalus and believing that the princes would come, went out as usual with an escort of five hundred horse. But it so happened that on previous days the Romans who left their camp to collect wood and forage went out in this direction under cover of the cavalry who were going to the conference. On this day the same thing took place, the foragers being very numerous, and the tribunes ordered the cavalry which used to protect them to go out in this direction. This was done, and thus by chance the proper step was taken to meet the danger which menaced the consul.

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## VII. RES ASIAE

(43) Ὅτι κατὰ τοὺς καιροὺς τούτους κατὰ τὴν  
ii. 24) Ἀσίαν Γναῖου τοῦ τῶν Ῥωμαίων στρατηγοῦ  
παραχειμάζοντος ἐν Ἐφέσῳ, κατὰ τὸν τελευταῖον  
ἐνιαυτὸν τῆς ὑποκειμένης Ὀλυμπιάδος, παρεγέ-  
νοντο πρεσβεῖαι παρά τε τῶν Ἑλληνίδων πόλεων  
τῶν ἐπὶ τῆς Ἀσίας καὶ παρ' ἑτέρων πλειόνων,  
συμφοροῦσαι στεφάνους τῷ Γναίῳ διὰ τὸ νενικη-  
2 κέναι τοὺς Γαλάτας. ἅπαντες γὰρ οἱ τὴν ἐπὶ  
τάδε τοῦ Ταύρου κατοικοῦντες οὐχ οὕτως ἐχάρησαν  
Ἀντιόχου λειφθέντος ἐπὶ τῷ δοκεῖν ἀπολελύσθαι  
τινὲς μὲν φόρων, οἱ δὲ φρουρᾶς, καθόλου δὲ πάντες  
βασιλικῶν προσταγμάτων, ὡς ἐπὶ τῷ τὸν ἀπὸ  
τῶν βαρβάρων αὐτοῖς φόβον ἀφηρῆσθαι καὶ δοκεῖν  
ἀπη ἀχθῆαι τῆς τούτων ὕβρεως καὶ παρανομίας.  
3 ἦλθα δὲ καὶ παρ' Ἀντιόχου Μουσαῖος καὶ παρὰ  
τῶν Γαλατῶν πρεσβευταί, βουλόμενοι μαθεῖν  
4 ἐπὶ τίσιν αὐτοὺς δεῖ ποιεῖσθαι τὴν φιλίαν. ὁμοίως  
δὲ καὶ παρ' Ἀριαράθου τοῦ τῶν Καππαδοκῶν  
βασιλέως· καὶ γὰρ οὗτος, μετασχὼν Ἀντιόχῳ  
τῶν αὐτῶν ἐλπίδων καὶ κοινωνήσας τῆς πρὸς  
Ῥωμαίους μάχης, ἐδεδίει καὶ διηπορεῖτο περὶ  
5 τῶν καθ' αὐτόν. διὸ καὶ πλεονάκις πέμπων  
πρεσβευτὰς ἐβούλετο μαθεῖν τί δούς ἢ τί πράξας  
δύναιτ' ἂν παραιτήσασθαι τὴν σφετέραν ἄγνοιαν.  
6 ὁ δὲ στρατηγὸς τὰς μὲν παρὰ τῶν πόλεων πρε-  
σβεῖας πάσας ἐπαινέσας καὶ φιланθρώπως ἀπο-  
δεξάμενος ἐξαπέστειλε, τοῖς δὲ Γαλάταις ἀπ-  
εκρίθη διότι προσδεξάμενος Εὐμένην τὸν βασιλέα,  
7 τότε ποιήσεται τὰς πρὸς αὐτοὺς συνθήκας. τοῖς  
δὲ περὶ Ἀριαράθην εἶπεν ἑξακόσια τάλαντα δόντας



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8 τὴν εἰρήνην ἔχειν. πρὸς δὲ τὸν Ἀντιόχου πρε-  
 σβευτὴν συνετάξατο μετὰ τῆς δυνάμεως ἦξειν ἐπὶ  
 τοὺς τῆς Παμφυλίας ὄρους, τὰ τε δισχίλια τάλαντα  
 καὶ πεντακόσια κομιούμενος καὶ τὸν σῖτον—ὃν  
 ἔδει δοῦναι τοῖς στρατιώταις αὐτοῦ πρὸ τῶν  
 συνθηκῶν κατὰ τὰς πρὸς Λεύκιον ὁμολογίας.  
 9 μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα καθαρμὸν ποιησάμενος τῆς δυνά-  
 μεως, καὶ τῆς ὥρας παραδιδούσης, παραλαβὼν  
 Ἀτταλον ἀνέζευξεν καὶ παραγενόμενος εἰς Ἀπά-  
 μειαν ὄγδοαῖος ἐπέμεινε τρεῖς ἡμέρας, κατὰ δὲ τὴν  
 τετάρτην ἀναζεύξας προῆγε, χρώμενος ἐνεργοῖς  
 10 ταῖς πορείαις. ἀφικόμενος δὲ τριταῖος εἰς τὸν  
 συνταχθέντα τόπον τοῖς περὶ Ἀντίοχον, αὐτοῦ  
 11 κατεστρατοπέδευσε. συμμιζάντων δὲ τῶν περὶ  
 τὸν Μουσαῖον καὶ παρακαλούντων αὐτὸν ἐπιμεῖναι,  
 διότι καθυστεροῦσιν αἱ θ' ἅμαξαι καὶ τὰ κτήνη  
 τὰ παρακομίζοντα τὸν σῖτον καὶ τὰ χρήματα,  
 12 πεισθεὶς τούτοις ἐπέμεινε τρεῖς ἡμέρας. τῆς δὲ  
 χορηγίας ἐλθούσης τὸν μὲν σῖτον ἐμέτρησε ταῖς  
 δυνάμεσι, τὰ δὲ χρήματα παραδούς τινι τῶν  
 χιλιάρχων συνέταξεν παρακομίζειν εἰς Ἀπάμειαν.

**1 (44)** Αὐτὸς δὲ πυνθανόμενος τὸν ἐπὶ τῆς Πέργης  
 ii. 25) καθεσταμένον ὑπ' Ἀντιόχου φρούραρχον οὔτε  
 τὴν φρουρὰν ἐξάγειν οὔτ' αὐτὸν ἐκχωρεῖν ἐκ τῆς  
 πόλεως, ὥρμησε μετὰ τῆς δυνάμεως ἐπὶ τὴν  
 2 Πέργην. ἐγγίζοντος δ' αὐτοῦ τῇ πόλει, παρῆν  
 ἀπαντῶν ὁ τεταγμένος ἐπὶ τῆς φρουρᾶς, ἀξιῶν  
 καὶ δεόμενος μὴ προκαταγινώσκειν αὐτοῦ· ποιεῖν  
 3 γὰρ ἔν τι τῶν καθηκόντων· παραλαβὼν γὰρ  
 ἐν πίστει παρ' Ἀντιόχου τὴν πόλιν τηρεῖν ἔφη  
 ταύτην, ἕως ἂν διασαφηθῇ πάλιν παρὰ τοῦ πιστεύ-  
 σαντος τί δεῖ ποιεῖν· μέχρι δὲ τοῦ νῦν ἀπλῶς

hundred talents and consider himself at peace. He arranged with the envoy of Antiochus to come with his army to the borders of Pamphylia to get the two thousand five hundred talents and the corn that Antiochus had to give to the Roman soldiers before peace was made, by the terms of his agreement with Lucius Scipio. After this he reviewed his army, and as the season admitted it, left Ephesus, taking Attalus with him, and reaching Apamea in eight days, remained there for three days and on the fourth left that town and advanced by forced marches. Reaching the place he had agreed upon with Antiochus on the third day, he encamped there. Upon Musaeus meeting him and begging him to have patience, as the carriages and animals which were bringing the corn and money were delayed on the road, he was persuaded to do so, and waited for three days. When the supplies came he divided the corn among his soldiers and handing over the money to one of his tribunes ordered him to convey it to Apamea.

41. Hearing now that the commander of the garrison at Perga appointed by Antiochus was neither withdrawing the garrison nor leaving the town himself, he marched against that place with his army. When he was near it the commander came out to meet him, entreating him not to condemn him unheard; for he was doing what was part of his duty. He had been entrusted by Antiochus with the city and he was holding it until he was again informed by his master what he should do, but up to now he had received no instructions



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4 οὐδὲν αὐτῷ παρ' οὐδενὸς ἀποδεδηλωσθαι. διόπερ  
 ἡξίου τριάκονθ' ἡμέρας χάριν τοῦ διαπεμφάμενος  
 5 ἐρέσθαι τὸν βασιλέα τί δεῖ πράττειν. ὁ δὲ Γνάιος,  
 θεωρῶν τὸν Ἀντίοχον ἐν πᾶσι τοῖς ἄλλοις εὐσυν-  
 θετοῦντα, συνεχώρησε πέμπειν καὶ πυνθάνεσθαι  
 τοῦ βασιλέως· καὶ μετὰ τινὰς ἡμέρας πυθόμενος  
 παρέδωκε τὴν πόλιν.

6 Κατὰ δὲ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον οἱ δέκα πρεσβευταὶ  
 καὶ [ὁ] βασιλεὺς Εὐμένης εἰς Ἔφεσον κατέ-  
 πλευσαν, ἥδη τῆς θερείας ἐναρχομένης· καὶ δὺ'  
 ἡμέρας ἐκ τοῦ πλοῦ προαναλαβόντες αὐτοὺς  
 7 ἀνέβαινον εἰς τὴν Ἀπάμειαν. ὁ δὲ Γνάιος, προσ-  
 πεσοῦσης αὐτῷ τῆς τούτων παρουσίας, Λεύκιον  
 μὲν τὸν ἀδελφὸν μετὰ τετρακισχιλίων ἑξαπέστειλε  
 πρὸς τοὺς Ὀροανδεῖς, πειθανάγκης ἔχοντας διά-  
 θεσιν χάριν τοῦ κομίσασθαι τὰ προσοφειλόμενα  
 8 τῶν ὁμολογηθέντων χρημάτων, αὐτὸς δὲ μετὰ  
 τῆς δυνάμεως ἀναζεύξας ἠπείγετο, σπεύδων συν-  
 9 ἄψαι τοῖς περὶ τὸν Εὐμένην. παραγενόμενος δ'  
 εἰς τὴν Ἀπάμειαν καὶ καταλαβὼν τὸν τε βασιλέα  
 καὶ τοὺς δέκα, συνήδρευεν περὶ τῶν πραγμάτων.  
 10 ἔδοξεν οὖν αὐτοῖς κυρῶσαι πρῶτον τὰ πρὸς  
 Ἀντίοχον ὄρκια καὶ τὰς συνθήκας, ὑπὲρ ὧν  
 οὐδὲν ἂν δέοι πλείω διατίθεσθαι λόγον, ἀλλ' ἐξ  
 αὐτῶν τῶν ἐγγράπτων ποιῆσθαι τὰς διαλήψεις.

2 (45) Ἦν δὲ τοιαύτη τις ἢ τῶν κατὰ μέρος διάταξις·  
 xii. 26) φιλίαν ὑπάρχειν Ἀντιόχῳ καὶ Ῥωμαίοις εἰς  
 ἅπαντα τὸν χρόνον ποιῶντι τὰ κατὰ τὰς συνθήκας.  
 2 μὴ διέναι βασιλέα Ἀντίοχον καὶ τοὺς ὑποτατ-  
 τομένους διὰ τῆς αὐτῶν χώρας ἐπὶ Ῥωμαίους  
 καὶ τοὺς συμμάχους πολεμίους μηδὲ χορηγεῖν  
 3 αὐτοῖς μηδέν· ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ Ῥωμαίους καὶ τοὺς

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συμμάχους ἐπ' Ἀντίοχον καὶ τοὺς ὑπ' ἐκεῖνον  
 4 ταπτομένους. μὴ πολεμῆσαι δὲ Ἀντίοχον τοῖς  
 5 ἐπὶ ταῖς νήσοις μηδὲ τοῖς κατὰ τὴν Εὐρώπην.  
 6 ἐκχωρεῖτω δὲ πόλεων καὶ χώρας. . . . μὴ  
 ἐξαγέτω μηδὲν πλὴν τῶν ὄπλων ὧν φέρουσιν οἱ  
 στρατιῶται· εἰ δέ τι τυγχάνουσιν ἀπενηνεγμένοι,  
 7 καθιστάτωσαν πάλιν εἰς τὰς αὐτὰς πόλεις. μὴδ'  
 ὑποδεχέσθωσαν τοὺς ἐκ τῆς Εὐμέρους τοῦ βα-  
 8 σιλέως μήτε στρατιώτας μήτ' ἄλλον μηδένα. εἰ  
 δέ τινες ἐξ ὧν ἀπολαμβάνουσιν οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι  
 πόλεων μετὰ δυνάμεώς εἰσιν Ἀντιόχου, τούτους  
 9 εἰς Ἀπάμειαν ἀποκαταστήσάτωσαν. τοῖς δὲ  
 Ῥωμαίοις καὶ τοῖς συμμάχοις εἴ τινες εἶεν <ἐκ  
 τῆς Ἀντιόχου βασιλείας>, εἶναι τὴν ἐξουσίαν καὶ  
 10 μένειν, εἰ βούλονται, καὶ ἀποτρέχειν. τοὺς δὲ  
 δούλους Ῥωμαίων καὶ τῶν συμμάχων ἀποδότω  
 Ἀντίοχος καὶ οἱ ὑπ' αὐτὸν ταπτόμενοι, καὶ τοὺς  
 ἄλόντας καὶ τοὺς αὐτομολήσαντας, καὶ εἴ τινα  
 11 αἰχμάλωτόν ποθεν εἰλήφασιν. ἀποδότω δὲ Ἀν-  
 τίοχος, εἴαν ἦ δυνατόν αὐτῷ, καὶ Ἀννίβαν Ἀμίλκου  
 Καρχηδόνιον καὶ Μνασίλοχον Ἀκαρνᾶνα <καὶ  
 Θόαντα> Αἰτωλόν, <καὶ> Εὐβουλίδαν καὶ Φίλωνα  
 Χαλκιδεῖς, καὶ τῶν Αἰτωλῶν ὅσοι κοινὰς εἰλήφασιν  
 12 ἀρχάς, καὶ τοὺς ἐλέφαντας τοὺς ἐν Ἀπαμείᾳ  
 13 πάντα, καὶ μηκέτι ἄλλους ἐχέτω. ἀποδότω δὲ  
 καὶ τὰς ναῦς τὰς μακρὰς καὶ τὰ ἐκ τούτων ἄρμενα  
 καὶ τὰ σκεύη, καὶ μηκέτι ἐχέτω πλὴν δέκα κατα-  
 φράκτων· μηδὲ <λέμβρον πλείοσι> τριάκοντα κω-  
 πῶν ἐχέτω ἐλαυνόμενον, μηδὲ μονήρη πολέμου

towards Antiochus and his subjects : Antiochus shall not make war on the inhabitants of the islands or of Europe : he shall evacuate all cities, lands, villages, and forts on this side of Taurus as far as the river Halys and all between the valley of Taurus and the mountain ridges that descend to Lycaonia :<sup>a</sup> from all such places he is to carry away nothing except the arms borne by his soldiers, and if anything has been carried away, it is to be restored to the same city : he shall not receive either soldiers or others from the kingdom of Eumenes : if there be any men in the army of Antiochus coming from the cities which the Romans take over, he shall deliver them up at Apamea : if there be any from the kingdom of Antiochus dwelling with the Romans and their allies, they may remain or depart at their good pleasure : Antiochus and his subjects shall give up the slaves of the Romans and of their allies, both those taken in war and those who deserted, and any prisoners of war they have taken, if there be such : Antiochus shall give up, if it be in his power, Hannibal son of Hamilcar, the Carthaginian, Mnasilochus the Acarnanian, Thoas the Aetolian, Eubulidas and Philo the Chalcidians, and all Aetolians who have held public office : he shall surrender all the elephants now in Apamea and not keep any in future : he shall surrender his long ships with their gear and tackle and in future he shall not possess more than ten decked ships of war, nor shall he have any galley rowed by more than thirty oars, nor a moneres<sup>b</sup> to serve in any war in which he is

<sup>a</sup> I supply from Livy what is missing in the text of Polybius.

<sup>b</sup> A ship with one bank of oars.

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14 ἔνεκεν, <οὗ> αὐτὸς κατάρχει. μηδὲ πλείωσαν  
 ἐπὶ τάδε τοῦ Καλυκάδνου <καὶ Σαρπηδονίου>  
 ἀκρωτηρίου, εἰ μὴ φόρους ἢ πρέσβεις ἢ ὀμήρους  
 15 ἄγοιεν. μὴ ἐξέστω δὲ Ἀντιόχῳ μηδὲ ξενολογεῖν  
 ἐκ τῆς ὑπὸ Ῥωμαίους ταπτομένης μηδ' ὑπο-  
 16 δέχεσθαι τοὺς φεύγοντας. ὅσαι δὲ οἰκίαι Ῥοδίων  
 ἢ τῶν συμμάχων ἦσαν ἐν τῇ ὑπὸ βασιλέα Ἀντίοχον  
 ταπτομένη ταύτας εἶναι Ῥοδίων, ὡς καὶ πρὸ τοῦ  
 17 <τὸν πόλεμον> ἐξενεγκεῖν. καὶ εἴ τι χρῆμα  
 ὀφείλετ' αὐτοῖς, ὁμοίως ἔστω πράξιμον· καὶ εἴ  
 τι ἀπελήφθη ἀπ' αὐτῶν, ἀναζητηθὲν ἀποδοθήτω.  
 ἀτελῆ δὲ ὁμοίως <ὡς> καὶ πρὸ τοῦ πολέμου τὰ  
 18 πρὸς τοὺς Ῥοδίους ὑπαρχέτω. εἰ δέ τινες τῶν  
 πόλεων, ἃς ἀποδοῦναι δεῖ Ἀντίοχον, ἑτέροις  
 δέδωκεν Ἀντίοχος, ἐξαγέτω καὶ ἐκ τούτων τὰς  
 φρουρὰς καὶ τοὺς ἄνδρας. εἰ δέ τινες ὕστερον  
 19 ἀποτρέχειν βούλωνται, μὴ προσδεχέσθω. ἀρ-  
 γυρίου δὲ δότω Ἀντίοχος Ἀττικοῦ Ῥωμαίοις  
 ἀρίστου τάλαντα μύρια δισχίλια ἐν ἔτεσι δώ-  
 δεκα, διδοὺς καθ' ἕκαστον ἔτος χίλια· μὴ ἔλαττον  
 δ' ἐλκέτω τὸ τάλαντον λιτρῶν Ῥωμαϊκῶν ὀγ-  
 δοήκοντα· καὶ μοδίους σίτου πεντηκοντακισμυ-  
 20 ρίους καὶ τετρακισμυρίους. <δότω δὲ Εὐμένει  
 τῷ βασιλεῖ τάλαντα> τριακόσια πενήκοντα ἐν  
 ἔτεσι τοῖς πρώτοις πέντε, <ἐβδομήκοντα> κατὰ  
 τὸ ἔτος, τῷ ἐπιβαλλομένῳ . . . καιρῷ, <ᾧ> καὶ τοῖς  
 21 Ῥωμαίοις ἀποδίδωσι, καὶ τοῦ σίτου, καθὼς  
 ἐτίμησεν ὁ βασιλεὺς Ἀντίοχος, τάλαντα ἑκατὸν  
 εἴκοσιν ἑπτὰ καὶ δραχμὰς χιλίας διακοσίας ὀκτώ·  
 ἃ συνεχώρησεν Εὐμένης λαβεῖν, γάζαν εὐαρεστου-  
 22 μένην ἑαυτῷ. ὀμήρους δὲ <εἴκοσι> διδότω Ἀν-  
 τίοχος, δι' ἐτῶν τριῶν ἄλλους ἀνταποστέλλων,



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μὴ νεωτέρους ἔτων ὀκτωκαίδεκα μηδὲ πρε-  
 23 σβυτέρους τετταράκοντα πέντε. εἰάν δέ τι δια-  
 φωνήσῃ τῶν ἀποδιδομένων χρημάτων, τῷ ἔχο-  
 24 μένῳ ἔτει ἀποδοῦσιν. ἂν δέ τινες τῶν πόλεων  
 ἢ τῶν ἔθνων, πρὸς ἃ γέγραπται μὴ πολεμεῖν  
 Ἄντιόχῳ, πρότεροι ἐκφέρωσι πόλεμον, ἐξέστω  
 25 πολεμεῖν Ἄντιόχῳ. τῶν δὲ ἔθνων καὶ πόλεων  
 τούτων μὴ ἔχέτω τὴν κυρίαν αὐτὸς μηδ' εἰς  
 26 φιλίαν προσαγέσθω. περὶ δὲ τῶν ἀδικημάτων  
 τῶν πρὸς ἀλλήλους γινομένων εἰς κρίσιν προκα-  
 27 λείσθωσαν. εἰάν δέ τι θέλωσι πρὸς τὰς συνθήκας  
 ἀμφοτέρω κοινῶ δόγματι προστεθῆναι ἢ ἀφαιρε-  
 θῆναι ἀπ' αὐτῶν, ἐξέστω.

3 (46) Τμηθέντων δὲ τῶν ὀρκίων ἐπὶ τούτοις, εὐθέως  
 xii. 26, ὁ στρατηγὸς Κόιντον Μινύκιον Θέρμον καὶ Λεύ-  
 28) κιον τὸν ἀδελφόν, ἄρτι κεκομικότα τὰ χρήματα,  
 2 παρὰ τῶν Ὀροανδέων, εἰς Συρίαν ἐξαπέστειλε,  
 συντάξας κομίζεσθαι τοὺς ὀρκους παρὰ τοῦ βασι-  
 λέως καὶ διαβεβαιώσασθαι τὰ κατὰ μέρος ὑπὲρ  
 τῶν συνθηκῶν. πρὸς δὲ Κόιντον Φάβιον τὸν ἐπὶ  
 3 τοῦ ναυτικοῦ στρατηγὸν ἐξέπεμψε γραμματο-  
 φόρους, κελεύων πάλιν πλεῖν αὐτὸν εἰς Πάταρα  
 καὶ παραλαβόντα τὰς ὑπαρχούσας αὐτόθι ναῦς  
 διαπρῆσαι.

(47) Μάλιος ὁ ἀνθύπατος τριακόσια τάλαντα πρα-  
 ξάμενος παρ' Ἀριαράθου φίλον αὐτὸν ἐποιήσατο  
 Ῥωμαίων.

5 (48) Ὅτι κατὰ τὴν Ἀπάμειαν οἳ τε δέκα καὶ Γνάιος  
 ii. 27) ὁ στρατηγὸς τῶν Ῥωμαίων, διακούσαντες πάντων

not below eighteen years of age and not above forty : if any of the money he pays does not correspond to the above stipulations, he shall make it good in the following year if any of the cities or peoples against which Antiochus is forbidden by this treaty to make war begin first to make war on him, he may make war on such, provided he does not exercise sovereignty over any of them or receive them into his alliance : all grievances of both parties are to be submitted to a lawful tribunal : if both parties desire to add any clauses to this treaty or to remove any by common-decree, they are at liberty to do so.

43. The proconsul having sworn to this treaty he at once dispatched Quintus Minucius Thermus and his own brother Lucius Manlius, who had just returned bringing the money from Oroanda, to Syria with orders to exact the oath from Antiochus and make sure that the treaty would be carried out in detail. He then sent dispatches to Quintus Fabius Labeo, the commander of the fleet, ordering him to sail back to Patara, and, taking possession of the ships there, to burn them.

(Suid. ; cp. Livy xxxviii. 39. 6.)

44. Manlius the proconsul exacting three hundred talents from Ariarathes received him into the Roman alliance.

### *Final Settlement of Asia Minor*

(Cp. Livy xxxviii. 39. 7–17.)

45. In Apamea the ten legates and Manlius the proconsul, after listening to all the applicants,



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τῶν ἀπηντηκότων, τοῖς μὲν περὶ χώρας ἢ χρη-  
 μάτων ἢ τινος ἑτέρου διαφορομένοις πόλεις ἀπ-  
 ἔδωκαν ὁμολογουμένας ἀμφοτέροις, ἐν αἷς δια-  
 κριθήσονται περὶ τῶν ἀμφισβητουμένων· τὴν δὲ  
 2 περὶ τῶν ὄλων ἐποιήσαντο διάληψιν τοιαύτην.  
 ὅσαι μὲν τῶν αὐτονόμων πόλεων πρότερον ὑπ-  
 ετέλουν Ἀντιόχῳ φόρον, τότε δὲ διεφύλαξαν τὴν  
 πρὸς Ῥωμαίους πίστιν, ταύτας μὲν ἀπέλυσαν  
 τῶν φόρων· ὅσαι δ' Ἀττάλῳ σύνταξιν ἐτέλουν,  
 ταύταις ἐπέταξαν τὸν αὐτὸν Εὐμένει διδόναι  
 3 φόρον. εἰ δέ τινες ἀποστᾶσαι τῆς Ῥωμαίων  
 φιλίας Ἀντιόχῳ συνεπολέμουν, ταύτας ἐκέλευ-  
 σαν Εὐμένει διδόναι τοὺς Ἀντιόχῳ διατεταγμέ-  
 4 νους φόρους. <Κολοφωνίους> δὲ τοὺς τὸ Νότιον  
 οἰκοῦντας καὶ Κυμαίους καὶ Μυλασεῖς ἀφορο-  
 5 λογήτους ἀφῆκαν, Κλαζομενίοις δὲ καὶ δωρεὰν  
 προσέθηκαν τὴν Δρυμοῦσσαν καλουμένην νῆσον,  
 Μιλησίοις δὲ τὴν ἱερὰν χώραν ἀποκατέστησαν,  
 ἧς διὰ τοὺς πολέμους πρότερον ἐξεχώρησαν.  
 6 Χίους δὲ καὶ Σμυρναίους, ἔτι δ' Ἐρυθραίους, ἐν  
 τε τοῖς ἄλλοις προῆγον καὶ χώραν προσένειμαν,  
 ἧς ἕκαστοι κατὰ τὸ παρὸν ἐπεθύμουν καὶ σφίσι  
 καθήκειν ὑπελάμβανον, ἐντρεπόμενοι τὴν εὐνοίαν  
 καὶ σπουδὴν, ἣν παρέσχηντο κατὰ τὸν πόλεμον  
 7 αὐτοῖς. ἀπέδωκαν δὲ καὶ Φωκαιεῦσι τὸ πάτριον  
 πολίτευμα καὶ τὴν χώραν, ἣν καὶ πρότερον εἶχον.  
 8 μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα Ῥοδίοις ἐχρημάτισαν, διδόντες  
 Λυκίαν καὶ Καρίας τὰ μέχρι Μαιάνδρου ποταμοῦ  
 9 πλὴν Τελμεσσοῦ. περὶ δὲ τοῦ βασιλέως Εὐμένους  
 καὶ τῶν ἀδελφῶν ἐν τε ταῖς πρὸς Ἀντίοχον συν-  
 θήκαις τὴν ἐνδεχομένην πρόνοιαν ἐποιήσαντο καὶ  
 τότε τῆς μὲν Εὐρώπης αὐτῷ προσέθηκαν Χερ-  
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ρόνησον καὶ Λυσιμάχειαν καὶ τὰ προσοροῦντα  
τούτοις ἐρύματα καὶ χώραν, ἧς Ἄντιόχος ἐπῆρχεν·  
10 τῆς δ' Ἀσίας Φρυγίαν τὴν ἐφ' Ἑλλησπόντου,  
Φρυγίαν τὴν μεγάλην, Μυσούς, οὓς <Προυσίας>  
πρότερον αὐτοῦ παρεσπάσατο, Λυκαονίαν, Μι-  
λυάδα, Λυδίαν, Τράλλεις, Ἔφεσον, Τελμεσσόν.  
11 ταύτας μὲν οὖν ἔδωκαν Εὐμένει τὰς δωρεάς· περὶ  
δὲ τῆς Παμφυλίας, Εὐμένους μὲν εἶναι φάσκοντος  
αὐτὴν ἐπὶ τάδε τοῦ Ταύρου, τῶν <δὲ> παρ' Ἄν-  
τιόχου πρεσβευτῶν ἐπέκεινα, διαπορήσαντες ἀν-  
12 ἔθεντο περὶ τούτων εἰς τὴν σύγκλητον. σχεδὸν  
δὲ τῶν ἀναγκαιοτάτων καὶ πλείστων αὐτοῖς  
διωκημένων, ἀναζεύξαντες προῆγον ἐφ' Ἑλλήσ-  
ποντον, βουλόμενοι κατὰ τὴν πάροδον ἔτι τὰ  
πρὸς τοὺς Γαλάτας ἀσφαλίσασθαι.

adjacent forts and territory, and in Asia Hellespontic Phrygia, Greater Phrygia, that part of Mysia of which Prusias had formerly deprived Eumenes, Lycaonia, the Milyas, Lydia, Tralles, Ephesus, and Telmessus. Such were the gifts they gave to Eumenes. As for Pamphylia, since Eumenes maintained it was on this side of the Taurus, and the envoys of Antiochus said it was on the other, they were in doubt and referred the matter to the senate. Having thus settled nearly all the most important questions, they left Apamea and proceeded towards the Hellespont, intending on their way to put matters in Galatia on a safe footing.

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## I. RES GRAECIAE

- 3 Ὅτι μετὰ τὴν ἐν τῷ Κομπασίῳ τῶν ἀνθρώπων  
xiii. 1) ἐπαναίρεσιν δυσαρεστήσαντές τινες τῶν ἐν τῇ  
Λακεδαίμονι τοῖς γεγονόσι καὶ νομίσαντες ὑπὸ  
τοῦ Φιλοποίμενος ἅμα τὴν δύναμιν καὶ τὴν προ-  
στασίαν καταλελύσθαι τὴν Λακεδαιμονίων, ἐλ-  
θόντες εἰς Ῥώμην κατηγορίαν ἐποιήσαντο τῶν  
2 διωκημένων καὶ τοῦ Φιλοποίμενος. καὶ τέλος  
ἐξεπορίσαντο γράμματα πρὸς τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς παρὰ  
Μάρκου Λεπέδου τοῦ μετὰ ταῦτα γενηθέντος  
ἀρχιερέως, τότε δὲ τὴν ὑπατον ἀρχὴν εἰληφότος·  
3 ὃς ἔγραφε τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς, φάσκων οὐχ ὀρθῶς  
αὐτοὺς κεχειρικένοι τὰ κατὰ τοὺς Λακεδαιμονίους.  
4 ὧν πρεσβευόντων, εὐθέως ὁ Φιλοποίμην πρε-  
σβευτὰς καταστήσας τοὺς περὶ Νικόδημον τὸν  
Ἡλεῖον ἐξέπεμψεν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην.  
5 Κατὰ δὲ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον ἦκε καὶ παρὰ Πτο-  
λεμαίου πρεσβευτῆς Δημήτριος Ἀθηναῖος, ἀνα-  
νεωσόμενος τὴν προϋπάρχουσαν συμμαχίαν τῷ  
6 βασιλεῖ πρὸς τὸ ἔθνος τῶν Ἀχαιῶν. <ὧν> προ-



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θύμως ἀναδεξαμένων τὴν ἀνανέωσιν, κατεστάθησαν πρεσβευταὶ πρὸς Πτολεμαῖον Λυκόρτας ὁ παρ' ἡμῶν πατήρ καὶ Θεοδωρίδας καὶ Ῥωσιτέλης Σικυώνιοι χάριν τοῦ δοῦναι τοὺς ὄρκους ὑπὲρ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν καὶ λαβεῖν παρὰ τοῦ βασιλέως. 7 ἐγενήθη δέ τι κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον πάρεργον μὲν ἴσως, ἄξιον δὲ μνήμης. μετὰ γὰρ τὸ συντελεσθῆναι τὴν ἀνανέωσιν τῆς συμμαχίας, ὑπὲρ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ὑπεδέξατο τὸν πρεσβευτὴν ὁ Φιλο- 8 ποίμην· γενομένης δὲ παρὰ τὴν συνουσίαν μνήμης τοῦ βασιλέως, ἐπιβαλὼν ὁ πρεσβευτὴς πολλοὺς τινὰς διετίθετο λόγους ἐγκωμιάζων τὸν Πτολεμαῖον καὶ τινὰς ἀποδείξεις προεφέρετο τῆς τε περὶ τὰς κυνηγίας εὐχερείας καὶ τόλμης, ἐξῆς τε <τῆς> περὶ τοὺς ἵππους καὶ τὰ ὄπλα δυνάμεως καὶ 9 τῆς ἐν τούτοις ἀσκήσεως. τελευταίῳ δ' ἐχρήσατο μαρτυρίῳ πρὸς πίστιν τῶν εἰρημένων· ἔφη γὰρ αὐτὸν κυνηγετοῦντα ταῦρον βαλεῖν ἀφ' ἵππου μεσαγκύλῳ.

4 "Ὅτι κατὰ τὴν Βοιωτίαν μετὰ τὸ συντελεσθῆναι  
 xiii. 2) τὰς πρὸς Ἀντίοχον Ῥωμαίοις συνθήκας ἀπο-  
 κοπεισῶν τῶν ἐλπίδων πᾶσι τοῖς καινοτομεῖν ἐπι-  
 βαλλομένοις, ἄλλην ἀρχὴν καὶ διάθεσιν ἐλάμβανον  
 2 αἱ πολιτεῖαι. διὸ καὶ τῆς δικαιοδοσίας ἐλκομένης  
 παρ' αὐτοῖς σχεδὸν ἐξ εἴκοσι καὶ πέντ' ἐτῶν,  
 τότε λόγοι διεδίδοντο κατὰ τὰς πόλεις, φασκόντων  
 τινῶν διότι δεῖ γίνεσθαι διέξοδον καὶ συντέλειαν  
 3 τῶν πρὸς ἀλλήλους. πολλῆς δὲ περὶ τούτων  
 ἀμφισβητήσεως ὑπαρχούσης διὰ τὸ πλείους εἶναι  
 τοὺς καχέκτας τῶν εὐπόρων, ἐγίνετό τι συνέργημα  
 τοῖς τὰ βέλτισθ' αἰρουμένοις ἐκ ταῦτομάτου

They readily consented to this, and Lycortas, the writer's father, and Theodoridas and Rositeles of Sicyon were appointed envoys to Ptolemy to take the oath on behalf of the Achaeans and receive that of the king. At this time there occurred something of minor importance perhaps, but worth mentioning. For after the renewal of the alliance had been duly accomplished, Philopoemen entertained the king's envoy on behalf of the Achaeans. When mention was made of the king at the banquet the envoy was profuse in his praises of him, and cited some instances of his skill and daring in the chase, and afterwards spoke of his expertness and training in horsemanship and the use of arms, the last proof he adduced of this being that he once in hunting hit a bull from horseback with a javelin.

*Troubles in Boeotia. Action of Rome and of the Achaeans*

4. In Boeotia, after the peace between the Romans and Antiochus had been signed, the hopes of all those who had revolutionary aims were cut short, and there was a radical change of character in the various states. The course of justice had been at a standstill there for nearly twenty-five years, and now it was common matter of talk in the different cities that a final end must be put to all the disputes between the citizens. The matter, however, continued to be keenly disputed, as the indigent were much more numerous than those in affluent circumstances, when chance intervened as follows to



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4 τοιοῦτον. ὁ γὰρ Τίτος ἐν τῇ Ῥώμῃ πάλαι μὲν  
 ἐσπούδαζε περὶ τοῦ καταπορευθῆναι τὸν Ζεύξιππον  
 εἰς τὴν Βοιωτίαν, ἅτε κεχρημένος αὐτῷ συνεργῶ  
 πρὸς πολλὰ κατὰ τοὺς Ἀντιοχικοὺς καὶ Φιλιπ-  
 5 πικοὺς καιροὺς. κατὰ δὲ τοὺς τότε χρόνους  
 ἐξείργαστο γράψαι τὴν σύγκλητον τοῖς Βοιωτοῖς  
 διότι δεῖ κατάγειν Ζεύξιππον καὶ τοὺς ἄμ' αὐτῷ  
 6 φυγόντας εἰς τὴν οἰκείαν. ὧν προσπεσόντων, δεί-  
 σαντες οἱ Βοιωτοὶ μὴ κατελθόντων τῶν προ-  
 ειρημένων ἀποσπασθῶσιν ἀπὸ τῆς Μακεδόνων  
 εὐνοίας, βουλόμενοι κατακηρυχθῆναι τὰς κρίσεις  
 τὰς κατὰ τῶν περὶ τὸν Ζεύξιππον, ἃς ἦσαν πρό-  
 7 τερον αὐτοῖς ἐπιγεγραμμένοι, . . . καὶ τούτῳ  
 τῷ τρόπῳ τῶν δικῶν μίαν μὲν αὐτῶν κατεδίκασαν  
 ἱεροσυλίας, διότι λεπίσαιεν τὴν τοῦ Διὸς τράπεζαν  
 ἀργυρᾶν οὔσαν, μίαν δὲ θανάτου διὰ τὸν Βραχύλλου  
 8 φόνον. ταῦτα δὲ διοικήσαντες οὐκέτι προσεῖχον  
 τοῖς γραφομένοις, ἀλλ' ἔπεμπον πρεσβευτὰς εἰς  
 τὴν Ῥώμην τοὺς περὶ Καλλίκριτον, φάσκοντες  
 οὐ δύνασθαι τὰ κατὰ τοὺς νόμους ὠκονομημένα  
 9 παρ' αὐτοῖς ἄκυρα ποιεῖν. ἐν δὲ τοῖς καιροῖς  
 τούτοις πρεσβεύσαντος αὐτοῦ τοῦ Ζευξίππου πρὸς  
 τὴν σύγκλητον, οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι τὴν τῶν Βοιωτῶν  
 προαίρεσιν ἔγραψαν πρὸς τε τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς καὶ  
 πρὸς Ἀχαιοὺς, κελεύοντες κατάγειν Ζεύξιππον  
 10 εἰς τὴν οἰκείαν. οἱ δ' Ἀχαιοὶ τοῦ μὲν <διὰ>  
 στρατοπέδων ποιεῖσθαι τὴν ἔφοδον ἀπέσχον, πρε-  
 σβευτὰς δὲ προεχειρίσαντο πέμπειν τοὺς παρα-  
 καλέσοντας τοὺς Βοιωτοὺς τοῖς λεγομένοις ὑπὸ  
 τῶν Ῥωμαίων πειθαρχεῖν καὶ τὴν δικαιοδοσίαν,  
 καθάπερ καὶ τὴν ἐν αὐτοῖς, οὕτω καὶ τὴν πρὸς  
 11 αὐτοὺς ἐπὶ τέλος ἀγαγεῖν. συνέβαινε γὰρ καὶ τὰ

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πρὸς τούτους συναλλάγματα παρέλκεσθαι πολὺν  
 12 ἤδη χρόνον. ὧν διακούσαντες οἱ Βοιωτοί, στρα-  
 τηγοῦντος Ἰππίου παρ' αὐτοῖς, παραχρῆμα μὲν  
 ὑπέσχοντο ποιήσειν τὰ παρακαλούμενα, μετ'  
 13 ὀλίγον δὲ πάντων ὀλιγώρησαν. διόπερ ὁ Φιλο-  
 ποίμην, Ἰππίου μὲν ἀποτεθειμένου τὴν ἀρχήν,  
 Ἀλκέτου δὲ παρειληφότος, ἀπέδωκε τοῖς αἰτου-  
 14 μένοις τὰ ρύσια κατὰ τῶν Βοιωτῶν. ἐξ ὧν  
 ἐγένετο καταρχὴ διαφορᾶς τοῖς ἔθνεσιν οὐκ εὐ-  
 15 καταφρόνητος. παραυτίκα γὰρ ἔλαχε . . . τῶν  
 Μυρρίχου θρεμμάτων καὶ τοῦ Σίμωνος· καὶ περὶ  
 ταῦτα γενομένης συμπλοκῆς, οὐκέτι πολιτικῆς  
 διαφορᾶς, ἀλλὰ πολεμικῆς ἔχθρας ἐγένετο καταρχὴ  
 16 καὶ προοίμιον. εἰ μὲν οὖν <ή> σύγκλητος προσ-  
 ἔθηκε τὰκόλουθον περὶ τῆς καθόδου τῶν περὶ  
 τὸν Ζεύξιππον, ταχέως ἂν ἐξεκαύθη πόλεμος·  
 17 νῦν δ' ἐκείνη τε παρεσιώπησεν, οἳ τε Μεγαρεῖς  
 ἐπέσχον τὰ ρύσια, διαπρεσβευσαμένων . . . τοῖς  
 συναλλάγμασιν.

5 Ὅτι ἐγένετο Λυκίοις διαφορὰ πρὸς Ῥοδίους διὰ  
 i. 3) 2 τοιαύτας αἰτίας. καθ' οὓς καιροὺς οἱ δέκα διώκουν  
 τὰ περὶ τὴν Ἀσίαν, τότε παρεγενήθησαν πρέσβεις,  
 παρὰ μὲν Ῥοδίων Θεαίδητος καὶ Φιλόφρων,  
 ἀξιοῦντες αὐτοῖς δοθῆναι τὰ κατὰ Λυκίαν καὶ  
 Καρίαν χάριν τῆς εὐνοίας καὶ προθυμίας, ἣν  
 παρέσχηνται σφίσι κατὰ τὸν Ἀντιοχικὸν πόλεμον·  
 3 παρὰ δὲ τῶν Ἰλιέων ἦκον Ἰππαρχος καὶ Σάτυρος,  
 ἀξιοῦντες διὰ τὴν πρὸς αὐτοὺς οἰκειότητα συγ-

in suits between Boeotians and Achaeans had likewise been delayed for very long past. The Boeotians, on hearing these requests—Hippias was now their strategus—at once promised to accede to them, but in a very short time entirely neglected them; and owing to this Philopoemen, when Alcetas had succeeded Hippias in office, granted to all applicants right of seizure of Boeotian property, which produced a by no means insignificant quarrel between the two nations. For . . . seized on the cattle of Myrrichus and Simon, and this leading to an armed conflict, proved to be the beginning and prelude not of a difference between private citizens, but of hostility and hatred between nations. Had the senate at this juncture followed up its order to restore Zeuxippus, war would soon have been set alight; but now the senate kept silence, and the Megarians put a stop to the seizures, the Boeotians (?) having applied to them through envoys, and having met the Achaean demand about the law suits.<sup>a</sup>

### *Dispute between Rhodes and Lycia*

5. A difference arose between the Lycians and Rhodians owing to the following reasons. At the time when the ten commissioners were administering the affairs of Asia, two envoys, Theaedetus and Philophon, arrived from Rhodes asking that Lycia and Caria should be given to the Rhodians in return for their goodwill and active assistance in the war with Antiochus; and at the same time two envoys from the people of Ilium, Hipparchus, and Satyrus, came begging that, for the sake of the kinship

• This is of course an uncertain restoration.

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4 γνώμην δοθῆναι Λυκίοις τῶν ἡμαρτημένων. ὧν  
 οἱ δέκα διακούσαντες ἐπειράθησαν ἑκατέρων στο-  
 χάσασθαι κατὰ τὸ δυνατόν. διὰ μὲν γὰρ τοὺς  
 Ἰλιεῖς οὐθὲν ἐβούλευσαντο περὶ αὐτῶν ἀνήκεστον,  
 τοῖς δὲ Ῥοδίοις χαριζόμενοι προσένειμαν ἐν  
 5 δωρεᾷ τοὺς Λυκίους. ἐκ ταύτης τῆς διαλήψεως  
 ἐγενήθη στάσις καὶ διαφῶρά τοῖς Λυκίοις πρὸς αὐ-  
 6 τοὺς τοὺς Ῥοδίους οὐκ εὐκαταφρόνητος. οἱ μὲν  
 γὰρ Ἰλιεῖς ἐπιπορευόμενοι τὰς πόλεις αὐτῶν ἀπήγ-  
 γελλον ὅτι παρήτηνται τὴν ὀργὴν τῶν Ῥωμαίων  
 καὶ παραίτιοι γεγονάσιν αὐτοῖς τῆς ἐλευθερίας· οἱ  
 7 δὲ περὶ τον Θεαίδητον ἐποιήσαντο τὴν ἀγγελίαν  
 ἐν τῇ πατρίδι, φάσκοντες Λυκίαν καὶ Καρίας  
 <τὰ> μέχρι τοῦ Μαιάνδρου δεδόσθαι Ῥοδίοις  
 8 ὑπὸ Ῥωμαίων ἐν δωρεᾷ. λοιπὸν οἱ μὲν Λύκιοι  
 πρεσβεύοντες ἦκον εἰς τὴν Ῥόδον ὑπὲρ συμμαχίας,  
 οἱ δὲ Ῥόδιοι προχειρισάμενοί τινας τῶν πολιτῶν  
 ἐξαπέστελλον τοὺς διατάξοντας ταῖς κατὰ Λυκίαν  
 καὶ Καρίαν πόλεσιν ὡς ἕκαστα δεῖ γενέσθαι.  
 9 μεγάλης δ' οὔσης τῆς παραλλαγῆς περὶ τὰς  
 ἑκατέρων ὑπολήψεις, ἕως μὲν τινος οὐ πᾶσιν  
 10 ἔκδηλος ἦν ἡ διαφωρά τῶν προειρημένων· ὡς  
 δ' εἰσελθόντες εἰς τὴν ἐκκλησίαν οἱ Λύκιοι διελε-  
 γοντο περὶ συμμαχίας, καὶ μετὰ τούτους Ποθίων  
 ὁ πρῦτανις τῶν Ῥοδίων ἀναστὰς ἐφώτισε τὴν  
 ἑκατέρων αἵρεσιν καὶ προσεπετίμησε τοῖς Λυκίοις  
 . . . πᾶν γὰρ ὑπομένειν ἔφασαν μᾶλλον ἢ ποιήσειν  
 Ῥοδίοις τὸ προσταπτόμενον.



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- 6 (9) "Οτι κατὰ τοὺς αὐτοὺς καιροὺς ἤκον εἰς τὴν  
xiii. 6) Ῥώμην παρά τε τοῦ βασιλέως Εὐμένους πρεσβευ-  
ταὶ διασαφούντες τὸν ἐξιδιασμόν τοῦ Φιλίππου  
2 τῶν ἐπὶ Θράκης πόλεων, καὶ παρὰ Μαρωνειτῶν  
οἱ φυγάδες κατηγοροῦντες καὶ τὴν αἰτίαν ἀνα-  
φέροντες τῆς αὐτῶν ἐκπτώσεως ἐπὶ τὸν Φίλιππον,  
3 ἅμα δὲ τούτοις Ἀθαμᾶνες, Περραιβοί, Θετταλοί,  
φάσκοντες κομίζεσθαι δεῖν αὐτοὺς τὰς πόλεις,  
ἃς παρέιλετο Φίλιππος αὐτῶν κατὰ τὸν Ἀντιο-  
4 χικὸν πόλεμον. ἤκον δὲ καὶ παρὰ τοῦ Φιλίππου  
πρέσβεις πρὸς ἅπαντας τοὺς κατηγορήσαντας  
5 ἀπολογησόμενοι. γενομένων δὲ πλειόνων λόγων  
πᾶσι τοῖς προειρημένοις πρὸς τοὺς παρὰ τοῦ  
Φιλίππου πρεσβευτάς, ἔδοξε τῇ συγκλήτῳ παρ-  
αυτίκα καταστήσαι πρεσβείαν τὴν ἐπισκεψομένην  
τὰ κατὰ τὸν Φίλιππον καὶ παρέξουσιν ἀσφάλειαν  
τοῖς βουλομένοις κατὰ πρόσωπον λέγειν τὸ φαι-  
6 νόμενον καὶ κατηγορεῖν τοῦ βασιλέως. καὶ κατ-  
εστάθησαν οἱ περὶ τὸν Κόιντον Καικίλιον καὶ  
Μάρκον Βαίβιον καὶ Τεβέριον Κλαύδιον.
- 7 Συνέβαινε τοὺς Αἰνίους πάλαι μὲν στασιάζειν,  
προσφάτως δ' ἀπονεύειν τοὺς μὲν πρὸς Εὐμένην,  
τοὺς δὲ πρὸς Μακεδονίαν.

## III. RES GRAECIAE

- 7 (10) "Οτι κατὰ τὴν Πελοπόννησον ὡς μὲν ἔτι Φιλο-  
xiii. 7) ποίμενος στρατηγοῦντος, εἰς τε τὴν Ῥώμην

## BOOK XXII. 6. 1 – 7. 1

### II. AFFAIRS OF ITALY

#### *Thracian affairs before the Senate*

(Cp. Livy xxxix. 24. 6.)

6. At the same time envoys came from King Eumenes to Rome conveying the news that Philip had appropriated the Thracian cities. The exiles from Maronea also arrived accusing Philip of having been the cause of their banishment, and together with them representatives of the Athamanians, Perrhaebians, and Thessalians claiming that they should get back the towns of which Philip had despoiled them in the war with Antiochus. Philip also sent envoys to defend himself against all these accusations. After several discussions between all the above envoys and those of Philip, the senate decided to appoint at once a commission to visit Philip's dominions and grant a safe-conduct to all who desired to state their case against Philip face to face. The commissioners appointed were Quintus Caecilius Metellus, Marcus Baebius Tamphilus, and Tiberius Claudius Nero.

188-187  
B.C.

(Suid.)

The people of Aenus had long been at discord with each other, the one party inclining to Eumenes and the other to Macedonia.

### III. AFFAIRS OF GREECE

#### *The Achaean League and the Kings*

7. I have already stated that while Philopoemen was still strategus, the Achaean League sent an



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ἐξαπέστειλε πρεσβευτὰς τὸ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ἔθνος  
 ὑπὲρ τῆς Λακεδαιμονίων πόλεως πρὸς τε τὸν  
 βασιλέα Πτολεμαῖον τοὺς ἀνανεωσομένους τὴν  
 προϋπάρχουσαν αὐτῷ συμμαχίαν, ἐδηλώσαμεν,  
 2 φησὶν ὁ Πολύβιος. κατὰ δὲ τὸν ἐνεστῶτα χρόνον,  
 Ἀρισταίνου στρατηγοῦντος, οἳ τε παρὰ Πτολε-  
 μαίου τοῦ βασιλέως <πρέσβεις ἦκον>, ἐν Μεγάλῃ  
 3 πόλει τῆς συνόδου τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ὑπαρχούσης· ἐξ-  
 απεστάλκει δὲ <καὶ> ὁ βασιλεὺς Εὐμένης πρε-  
 σβευτὰς, ἐπαγγελόμενος ἑκατὸν καὶ εἴκοσι τά-  
 λαντα δώσειν τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς, ἐφ' ᾧ, δανειζομένων  
 τούτων, ἐκ τῶν τόκων μισθοδοτεῖσθαι τὴν βουλήν  
 4 τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ἐπὶ ταῖς κοιναῖς συνόδοις. ἦκον  
 δὲ καὶ παρὰ Σελεύκου τοῦ βασιλέως πρεσβευταί,  
 τὴν τε φιλίαν ἀνανεωσόμενοι καὶ δεκαναῖαν μακρῶν  
 πλοίων ἐπαγγελόμενοι δώσειν τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς.  
 5 ἐχούσης δὲ τῆς συνόδου πραγματικῶς, πρῶτοι  
 παρῆλθον οἱ περὶ Νικόδημον τὸν Ἡλείον καὶ  
 τοὺς τε ῥηθέντας ἐν τῇ συγκλήτῳ λόγους ὑφ'  
 αὐτῶν ὑπὲρ τῆς τῶν Λακεδαιμονίων πόλεως  
 διῆλθον τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς καὶ τὰς ἀποκρίσεις ἀν-  
 6 ἔγνωσαν, ἐξ ὧν ἦν λαμβάνειν ἐκδοχὴν ὅτι δυσ-  
 αρεστοῦνται μὲν καὶ τῇ τῶν τειχῶν συντελέσει . .  
 καὶ τῇ καταλύσει . . . τῶν ἐν τῷ Κομπασίῳ  
 7 διαφθαρέντων, οὐ μὴν ἄκυρόν τι ποιεῖν. οὐ-  
 θενὸς δ' οὔτ' ἀντειπόντος οὔτε συνηγορήσαντος,  
 οὔτω πως παρεπέμφθη.  
 8 Μετὰ δὲ τούτους εἰσῆλθον οἱ παρ' Εὐμένους  
 πρέσβεις καὶ τὴν τε συμμαχίαν τὴν πατρικὴν  
 ἀνενώσαντο καὶ τὴν ὑπὲρ τῶν χρημάτων ἐπ-  
 9 αγγελίαν διεσάφησαν τοῖς πολλοῖς. καὶ πλείω  
 δὲ πρὸς ταύτας <τὰς> ὑποθέσεις διαλεχθέντες

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καὶ μεγάλην εὐνοίαν καὶ φιланθρωπίαν τοῦ βασι-  
λέως ἐμφήναντες πρὸς τὸ ἔθνος, κατέπαυσαν τὸν  
8 (11) λόγον. μεθ' οὓς Ἀπολλωνίδας ὁ Σικυώνιος ἀνα-  
xiii. 8) στάς κατὰ μὲν τὸ πλῆθος τῶν διδομένων χρη-  
2 μάτων ἀξίαν ἔφη τὴν δωρεὰν τῶν Ἀχαιῶν, κατὰ  
δὲ τὴν προαίρεσιν τοῦ διδόντος καὶ τὴν χρείαν,  
εἰς ἣν δίδοται πασῶν αἰσχίστην καὶ παρανομωτά-  
3 τήν. τῶν γὰρ νόμων κωλυόντων μηθένα μήτε  
<τῶν> ἰδιωτῶν μήτε τῶν ἀρχόντων παρὰ βασι-  
λέως δῶρα λαμβάνειν κατὰ μηδ' ὁποῖαν πρόφασιν,  
πάντας ἅμα δωροδοκεῖσθαι προφανῶς, προσδεξα-  
μένους τὰ χρήματα, πάντων εἶναι παρανομώ-  
τατον, πρὸς δὲ τούτοις αἰσχιστον ὁμολογουμένως.  
4 τὸ γὰρ ὀψωνιάζεσθαι τὴν βουλὴν ὑπ' Εὐμένους  
καθ' ἕκαστον ἔτος καὶ βουλευέσθαι περὶ τῶν  
κοινῶν καταπεπωκότας οἶονεὶ δέλεαρ, πρόδηλον  
5 ἔχειν τὴν αἰσχύνην καὶ τὴν βλάβην. νῦν μὲν  
γὰρ Εὐμένη διδόναι χρήματα, μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα  
6 Προυσίαν δώσειν, καὶ πάλιν Σέλευκον. τῶν δὲ  
πραγμάτων ἐναντίαν φύσιν ἔχόντων τοῖς βασιλεῦσι  
καὶ ταῖς δημοκρατίαις, καὶ τῶν πλείστων καὶ  
μεγίστων διαβουλίων αἰεὶ γινομένων <περὶ τῶν>  
7 πρὸς τοὺς βασιλεῖς ἡμῖν διαφερόντων, φανερώς  
ἀνάγκη δευεῖν θάτερον ἢ τὸ τῶν βασιλέων λυσι-  
τελὲς ἐπίπροσθεν γίνεσθαι τοῦ <κατ'> ἰδίαν συμ-  
φέροντος ἢ τούτου μὴ συμβαίνοντος ἀχαρίστους  
φαίνεσθαι πᾶσιν, ἀντιπράττοντας τοῖς αὐτῶν μισθο-  
8 δόταις. διὸ μὴ μόνον ἀπείπασθαι παρεκάλει τοὺς  
Ἀχαιοὺς, ἀλλὰ καὶ μισεῖν τὸν Εὐμένη διὰ τὴν  
ἐπίνοιαν τῆς δόσεως.

9 Μετὰ δὲ τοῦτον ἀναστάς Κάσσανδρος Αἰγινήτης  
ἀνέμνησε τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς τῆς Αἰγινήτων ἀκληρίας,

and expressing the great goodwill and friendly feelings of the king towards the League. 8. After their withdrawal Apollonidas of Sicyon rose. He said that the sum offered by Eumenes was a gift not unworthy of the Achaeans' acceptance, but that the intention of the giver and the purpose to which it was to be applied were as disgraceful and illegal as could be. For, as it was forbidden by law for any private person or magistrate to receive gifts, on no matter what pretext, from a king, that all should be openly bribed by accepting this money was the most illegal thing conceivable, besides being confessedly the most disgraceful. For that the parliament should be in Eumenes' pay every year, and discuss public affairs after swallowing a bait, so to speak, would evidently involve disgrace and hurt. Now it was Eumenes who was giving them money; next time it would be Prusias, and after that Seleucus. "And," he said, "as the interests of democracies and kings are naturally opposed, and most debates and the most important deal with our differences with the kings, it is evident that perforce one or the other thing will happen: either the interests of the kings will take precedence of our own; or, if this is not so, we shall appear to every one to be ungrateful in acting against our paymasters." So he exhorted the Achaeans not only to refuse the gift, but to detest Eumenes for his purpose in offering it.

The next speaker was Cassander of Aegina, who reminded the Achaeans of the destitution which

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- ἣ περιέπεσον διὰ τὸ μετὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν συμ-  
 πολιτεύεσθαι, ὅτε Πόπλιος Σολπίκιος ἐπιπλεύσας  
 τῷ στόλῳ πάντας ἐξηνδραποδίσατο τοὺς ταλαι-  
 10 πώρους Αἰγινήτας· ὑπὲρ ὧν διεσαφήσαμεν, τίνα  
 τρόπον Αἰτωλοί, κύριοι γεγόμενοι τῆς πόλεως  
 κατὰ τὰς πρὸς Ῥωμαίους συνθήκας, Ἀττάλῳ  
 παραδοῖεν, τριάκοντα τάλαντα παρ' αὐτοῦ λαβόντες.  
 11 ταῦτ' οὖν τιθεὶς τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς πρὸ ὀφθαλμῶν  
 ἡξίου τὸν Εὐμένην μὴ διάφορα προτείνοντα θη-  
 ρεύειν τὴν τῶν Ἀχαιῶν εὐνοίαν, ἀλλὰ τὴν πόλιν  
 ἀποδιδόντα τυγχάνειν πάντων τῶν φιλανθρώπων  
 12 ἀναντιρρήτως. τοὺς δ' Ἀχαιοὺς παρεκάλει μὴ  
 δέχεσθαι τοιαύτας δωρεάς, δι' ὧν φανήσονται  
 καὶ τὰς εἰς τὸ μέλλον ἐλπίδας ἀφαιρούμενοι τῆς  
 Αἰγινήτων σωτηρίας.
- 13 Τοιούτων δὲ γενομένων λόγων, ἐπὶ τοσοῦτον  
 παρέστη τὸ πλῆθος ὥστε μὴ τολμῆσαι μηθένα  
 συνειπεῖν τῷ βασιλεῖ, πάντας δὲ μετὰ κραυγῆς  
 ἐκβαλεῖν τὴν προτεινομένην δωρεάν, καίτοι δο-  
 κούσης αὐτῆς ἔχειν τι δυσαντοφθάλητον διὰ τὸ  
 πλῆθος τῶν προτεινομένων χρημάτων.
- 9 (12) Ἐπὶ δὲ τοῖς προειρημένοις εἰσήχθη τὸ περὶ  
 ii. 9) 2 Πτολεμαίου διαβούλιον· ἐν ᾧ προκληθέντων  
 τῶν ἀποσταλέντων πρεσβευτῶν ὑπὸ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν  
 πρὸς Πτολεμαῖον, προελθὼν Λυκόρτας μετὰ τῶν  
 πρεσβευτῶν ἀπελογίσατο πρῶτον μὲν τίνα τρόπον  
 καὶ δοῖεν καὶ λάβοιεν τοὺς ὄρκους ὑπὲρ τῆς συμ-  
 3 μαχίας, εἶτα <δι>ὅτι κομίζοιεν δωρεὰν κοινῇ τοῖς  
 Ἀχαιοῖς ἑξακισχίλια μὲν ὄπλα χαλκᾶ πελταστικά,  
 διακόσια δὲ τάλαντα νομίσματος ἐπισήμου χαλκοῦ·  
 4 πρὸς δὲ τούτοις ἐπήνεσε τὸν βασιλέα καὶ βραχέα  
 περὶ τῆς εὐνοίας αὐτοῦ καὶ προθυμίας τῆς εἰς  
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5 τὸ ἔθνος εἰπὼν κατέστρεψε τὸν λόγον. ἐφ' οἷς  
 ἀναστὰς ὁ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν στρατηγὸς Ἀρίσταινος  
 ἤρετο τὸν τε παρὰ τοῦ Πτολεμαίου πρεσβευτὴν  
 καὶ τοὺς ἐξαπεσταλμένους ὑπὸ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ἐπὶ  
 τὴν ἀνανέωσιν, ποίαν ἦκε συμμαχίαν ἀνανεωσά-  
 6 μενος. οὐδενὸς δ' ἀποκρινομένου, πάντων δὲ δια-  
 λαλούντων πρὸς ἀλλήλους, πλήρες ἦν τὸ βουλευ-  
 7 τήριον ἀπορίας. ἦν δὲ τὸ ποιοῦν τὴν ἀλογίαν  
 τοιοῦτον. οὐσῶν καὶ πλειόνων συμμαχιῶν τοῖς  
 Ἀχαιοῖς πρὸς τὴν Πτολεμαίου βασιλείαν, καὶ  
 τούτων ἔχουσῶν μεγάλας διαφορὰς κατὰ τὰς τῶν  
 8 καιρῶν περιστάσεις, οὐθ' ὁ παρὰ τοῦ Πτολεμαίου  
 πρεσβευτῆς οὐδεμίαν ἐποιήσατο διαστολήν, ὅτ'  
 ἀνενεοῦτο, καθολικῶς δὲ περὶ τοῦ πράγματος  
 9 ἐλάλησεν, οὐθ' οἱ πεμφθέντες πρέσβεις, ἀλλ' ὡς  
 μιᾶς ὑπαρχούσης αὐτοί τε τοὺς ὄρκους ἔδοσαν καὶ  
 10 παρὰ τοῦ βασιλέως ἔλαβον. ὅθεν προφερομένου  
 τοῦ στρατηγοῦ πάσας τὰς συμμαχίας καὶ κατὰ  
 μέρος ἐν ἐκάστη διαστελλομένου, μεγάλης οὔσης  
 διαφορᾶς, ἐζήτει τὸ πλῆθος εἰδέναι ποίαν ἀνανεοῖτο  
 11 συμμαχίαν. οὐ δυναμένου δὲ λόγον ὑποσχεῖν  
 οὔτε τοῦ Φιλοποίμενος, ὅς ἐποιήσατο στρατηγῶν  
 τὴν ἀνανέωσιν, οὔτε τῶν περὶ τὸν Λυκόρταν τῶν  
 12 πρεσβευσάντων εἰς τὴν Ἀλεξάνδρειαν, οὗτοι μὲν  
 ἐσχεδιακότες ἐφαίνοντο τοῖς κοινοῖς πράγμασιν,  
 ὁ δ' Ἀρίσταινος μεγάλην ἐφείλκετο φαντασίαν  
 ὡς μόνος εἰδὼς τί λέγει, καὶ τέλος οὐκ εἶασε  
 κυρωθῆναι τὸ διαβούλιον, ἀλλ' εἰς ὑπέρθεσιν  
 13 ἤγαγε <διὰ> τὴν προειρημένην ἀλογίαν. τῶν δὲ  
 παρὰ τοῦ Σελεύκου πρέσβων εἰσελθόντων, ἔδοξε  
 τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς τὴν μὲν φιλίαν ἀνανεώσασθαι <πρὸς>  
 τὸν Σέλευκον, τὴν δὲ τῶν πλοίων δωρεὰν κατὰ

League, he concluded his speech. The Achaean strategus Aristaeus now got up, and asked Ptolemy's ambassadors and those sent by the Achaeans to renew the alliance, which alliance had been renewed. When no one answered, but all the envoys began to talk between themselves, the house was at a loss to understand why. The cause of the confusion was as follows. There were several alliances between the Achaeans and Ptolemy, the terms of which varied widely with the variety of the circumstances under which they had been concluded; yet neither did Ptolemy's envoy make any distinction when the alliance was renewed but spoke in general terms on the subject, nor did the Achaean envoys do so, but exchanged oaths with the king as if there had only been one alliance. So that when the strategus produced all the alliances and explained in detail the points in which they differed, the divergences being very marked, the assembly demanded to know which alliance they were renewing. When neither Philopoemen, who had made the renewal during his year of office, nor Lycortas and his colleagues, who had been to Alexandria, could give any explanation, they were judged to have treated affairs of state in a perfunctory fashion, but Aristaeus acquired a great reputation as being the only man who knew what he was speaking about. Finally he did not allow the resolution to be ratified but adjourned the debate on it owing to the confusion I have explained. Upon the envoys from Seleucus entering the house the Achaeans voted to renew the alliance with that king, but to refuse the



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14 τὸ παρὸν ἀπείρασθαι. καὶ τότε μὲν περὶ τούτων  
βουλευσάμενοι διέλυσαν εἰς τὰς ἰδίας ἕκαστοι  
πόλεις.

0 (13) Μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα, τῆς πανηγύρεως ἀκμαζούσης,  
iii. 10) ἦλθε Κόιντος Καικίλιος ἐκ Μακεδονίας, ἀνα-  
κάμπτων ἀπὸ τῆς πρεσβείας ἧς ἐπρέσβευσε πρὸς  
2 Φίλιππον. καὶ συναγαγόντος Ἀρισταίνου τοῦ  
στρατηγοῦ τὰς ἀρχὰς εἰς τὴν τῶν Ἀργείων  
πόλιν, εἰσελθὼν ὁ Κόιντος ἐμέμφετο, φάσκων  
αὐτοὺς βαρύτερον καὶ πικρότερον τοῦ δέοντος  
κεχρῆσθαι τοῖς Λακεδαιμονίοις, καὶ παρεκάλει  
διὰ πλειόνων διορθώσασθαι τὴν προγεγενημένην  
3 ἄγνοιαν. ὁ μὲν οὖν Ἀρίσταινος εἶχε τὴν ἡσυχίαν,  
δῆλος ὢν ἐξ αὐτοῦ τοῦ σιωπᾶν ὅτι δυσαρεστεῖται  
τοῖς ὠκονομημένοις καὶ συνευδοκεῖ τοῖς ὑπὸ  
4 Καικιλίου λεγομένοις· ὁ δὲ Διοφάνης ὁ Μεγαλο-  
πολίτης, ἄνθρωπος στρατιωτικώτερος ἢ πολι-  
τικώτερος, ἀναστὰς οὐχ οἷον ἀπελογήθη τι περὶ  
τῶν Ἀχαιῶν, ἀλλὰ καὶ προσυπέδειξε τῷ Καικιλίῳ  
διὰ τὴν πρὸς τὸν Φιλοποίμενα παρατριβὴν ἕτερον  
5 ἔγκλημα κατὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν. ἔφη γὰρ οὐ μόνον  
τὰ κατὰ Λακεδαίμονα κεχειρίσθαι κακῶς, ἀλλὰ  
6 καὶ τὰ κατὰ Μεσσήνην· ἦσαν δὲ περὶ τῶν φυ-  
γαδικῶν τοῖς Μεσσηνίοις ἀντιρρήσεις τινὲς πρὸς  
ἀλλήλους περὶ τὸ τοῦ Τίτου διάγραμμα καὶ τὴν  
7 τοῦ Φιλοποίμενος διόρθωσιν. ὅθεν ὁ Καικίλιος,  
δοκῶν ἔχειν καὶ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν αὐτῶν τινὰς ὁμο-  
γνώμονας, μᾶλλον ἠγανάκτει τῷ μὴ κατακολου-  
θεῖν ἐτοίμως τοῖς ὑπ' αὐτοῦ παρακαλουμένοις  
8 τοὺς συνεληλυθότας. τοῦ δὲ Φιλοποίμενος καὶ  
Λυκόρτα, σὺν <δὲ> τούτοις Ἄρχωνος, πολλοὺς  
καὶ ποικίλους διαθεμένων λόγους ὑπὲρ τοῦ καλῶς

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μὲν διωκῆσθαι τὰ κατὰ τὴν Σπάρτην καὶ συμ-  
φερόντως αὐτοῖς μάλιστα τοῖς Λακεδαιμονίοις,  
ἀδύνατον δ' εἶναι τὸ κινῆσαί τι τῶν ὑποκειμένων  
ἄνευ τοῦ παραβῆναι καὶ τὰ πρὸς τοὺς ἀνθρώπους  
9 δίκαια καὶ τὰ πρὸς τοὺς θεοὺς ὅσια, μένειν ἔδοξε  
τοῖς παροῦσιν ἐπὶ τῶν ὑποκειμένων καὶ ταύτην  
10 δοῦναι τῷ πρεσβευτῇ τὴν ἀπόκρισιν. ὁ δὲ Και-  
κίλιος ὀρώων τὴν τούτων προαίρεσιν, ἠξίου τοὺς  
11 πολλοὺς αὐτῷ συναγαγεῖν εἰς ἐκκλησίαν. οἱ δὲ  
τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ἄρχοντες ἐκέλευον αὐτὸν δεῖξαι τὰς  
ἐντολάς, ἃς εἶχε παρὰ τῆς συγκλήτου περὶ τούτων.  
τοῦ δὲ παρασιωπῶντος, οὐκ ἔφασαν αὐτῷ συνάξειν  
12 τὴν ἐκκλησίαν· τοὺς γὰρ νόμους οὐκ εἶαν, εἰάν  
μὴ φέρη τις ἔγγραπτα παρὰ τῆς συγκλήτου,  
13 περὶ ὧν οἴεται δεῖν συνάγειν. ὁ δὲ Καικίλιος ἐπὶ  
τοσοῦτον ὠργίσθη διὰ τὸ μηθὲν αὐτῷ συγχωρεῖ-  
σθαι τῶν ἀξιουμένων, ὥστ' οὐδὲ τὴν ἀπόκρισιν  
ἠβουλήθη δέξασθαι παρὰ τῶν ἀρχόντων, ἀλλ'  
14 ἀναπόκριτος ἀπῆλθεν. οἱ δ' Ἀχαιοὶ τὴν αἰτίαν  
ἀνέφερον καὶ τῆς πρότερον παρουσίας ἅμα τῆς  
Μάρκου τοῦ Φολουίου καὶ τῆς τότε τῶν περὶ  
τὸν Καικίλιον ἐπὶ τὸν Ἀρίστεινον καὶ τὸν Διο-  
φάνην, ὡς τούτους ἀντισπασαμένους διὰ τὴν  
15 ἀντιπολιτείαν τὴν πρὸς τὸν Φιλοποίμενα· καί  
τις ἦν ὑποψία τῶν πολλῶν πρὸς τοὺς προειρημέ-  
νους ἄνδρας. καὶ τὰ μὲν κατὰ Πελοπόννησον  
ἐν τούτοις ἦν.

### IV. RES ITALIAE

1 (15) Ὅτι τῶν περὶ τὸν Καικίλιον ἀνακεχωρηκότων  
iii. 11) ἐκ τῆς Ἑλλάδος καὶ διασεσαφηκότων τῇ συγ-

that the management of affairs at Sparta had been good and particularly advantageous to the Spartans themselves, and that it was impossible to change anything in the established order of things there without violating the obligations of justice to men and piety to the gods, the meeting decided to make no change, and to convey this resolution to the legate. Caecilius, seeing how this meeting was disposed, demanded that the popular assembly should be summoned to meet him; but the magistrates asked him to show them the instructions he had from the senate on the subject; and, when he made no reply, refused to summon the assembly; for their laws did not allow it unless a written request was presented from the senate stating what matters it desired to submit to the assembly. Caecilius was so indignant at none of his requests having been granted that he did not even consent to receive the answer of the magistrates, but went away without any. The Achaeans attributed both the former visit of Marcus Fulvius and the present one of Caecilius to Aristaeus and Diophanes, alleging that these two politicians had induced both to side with them owing to their political differences with Philopoemen, and they were viewed by the people with a certain suspicion. Such was the state of affairs in the Peloponnesus.

#### IV. AFFAIRS OF ITALY

##### *Treatment of Grecian Affairs by the Senate*

(Cp. Livy xxxix. 33.)

11. After Caecilius and the other commissioners had left Greece and had reported to the senate

187-186  
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κλήτῳ περί τε τῶν κατὰ Μακεδονίαν καὶ τῶν  
κατὰ Πελοπόννησον, εἰσήγον· εἰς τὴν σύγκλητον  
τοὺς περὶ τούτων <παρα>γεγονότας πρεσβευτάς.  
2 εἰσελθόντων δὲ πρῶτον τῶν παρὰ τοῦ Φιλίππου  
καὶ παρ' Εὐμένους, ἔτι δὲ τῶν ἐξ Αἴνου καὶ  
Μαρωνείας φυγάδων, καὶ ποιησαμένων τοὺς λό-  
γους ἀκολουθῶς τοῖς ἐν Θετταλονίκῃ ῥηθείσιν  
3 ἐπὶ τῶν περὶ τὸν Καικίλιον, ἔδοξε τῇ συγκλήτῳ  
πέμπειν πάλιν ἄλλους πρεσβευτάς πρὸς τὸν Φίλ-  
ιππον τοὺς ἐπισκεψομένους πρῶτον μὲν εἰ παρα-  
κεχώρηκε τῶν ἐν <Θετταλία καὶ> Περραιβία  
πόλεων κατὰ τὴν τῶν περὶ τὸν Καικίλιον ἀπό-  
4 κρισιν, εἶτα τοὺς ἐπιτάξοντας αὐτῷ τὰς φρουράς  
ἐξάγειν ἐξ Αἴνου καὶ Μαρωνείας, καὶ συλλήβδην  
ἀποβαίνειν ἀπὸ τῶν παραθαλαττίων τῆς Θράκης  
5 ἐρυμάτων καὶ τόπων καὶ πόλεων. μετὰ δὲ  
τούτους εἰσήγον τοὺς ἀπὸ Πελοποννήσου παρα-  
6 γεγονότας. οἳ τε γὰρ Ἀχαιοὶ πρεσβευτάς ἀπ-  
εστάλκεισαν τοὺς περὶ Ἀπολλωνίδα τὸν Σικυώνιον  
δικαιολογησομένους πρὸς τὸν Καικίλιον ὑπὲρ τοῦ  
μὴ λαβεῖν αὐτὸν ἀπόκρισιν καὶ καθόλου διδάξοντας  
7 ὑπὲρ τῶν κατὰ Λακεδαίμονα πραγμάτων, ἔκ τε  
τῆς Σπάρτης Ἀρεὺς καὶ Ἀλκιβιάδης ἐπρέσβευσαν·  
οὗτοι δ' ἦσαν τῶν ἀρχαίων φυγάδων τῶν ὑπὸ  
τοῦ Φιλοποίμενος καὶ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν νεωστὶ κατ-  
8 ηγμένων εἰς τὴν οἰκείαν. ὃ καὶ μάλιστα τοὺς  
Ἀχαιοὺς εἰς ὀργὴν ἤγε τῷ δοκεῖν, μεγάλης οὔσης  
καὶ προσφάτου τῆς εἰς τοὺς φυγάδας εὐεργεσίας,  
ἐξ αὐτῆς ἐπὶ τοσοῦτον ἀχαριστεῖσθαι παρ' αὐταῖς  
ὥστε καὶ καταπρεσβεύειν καὶ κατηγορίαν ποι-  
εῖσθαι πρὸς τοὺς κρατοῦντας τῶν ἀνελπίστως  
αὐτοὺς σωσάντων καὶ καταγαγόντων εἰς τὴν



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2 (16) πατρίδα. ποιησαμένων δὲ καὶ τούτων πρὸς ἀλλή-  
 iii. 12) λους ἐκ συγκαταθέσεως τὴν δικαιολογίαν, καὶ  
 διδασκόντων τὴν σύγκλητον τῶν μὲν περὶ τὸν  
 Ἄπολλωνίδα τὸν Σικυώνιον ὡς ἀδύνατον εἶη  
 τὸ παράπαν ἄμεινον χειρισθῆναι τὰ κατὰ τὴν  
 Σπάρτην ἢ νῦν κεχείρισται διὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν καὶ  
 2 διὰ Φιλοποίμενος, τῶν δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἀρέα τάναν-  
 τία πειρωμένων λέγειν καὶ φασκόντων πρῶτον  
 μὲν καταλελύσθαι τὴν τῆς πόλεως δύναμιν ἐξηγμέ-  
 νου τοῦ πλήθους μετὰ βίας, εἶτ' ἐν αὐτοῖς ἐπι-  
 σφαλῆ καὶ ἀπαρρησίαστον καταλείπεσθαι τὴν  
 3 πολιτείαν, ἐπισφαλῆ μὲν ὀλίγοις οὖσιν καὶ τούτοις  
 τῶν τειχῶν περιηρημένων, ἀπαρρησίαστον δὲ  
 διὰ τὸ μὴ μόνον τοῖς κοινοῖς δόγμασιν τῶν  
 Ἀχαιῶν πειθαρχεῖν, ἀλλὰ καὶ κατ' ἰδίαν ὑπηρετεῖν  
 4 τοῖς αἰεὶ καθισταμένοις ἄρχουσιν, διακούσασα  
 καὶ τούτων ἢ σύγκλητος ἔκρινε τοῖς αὐτοῖς πρε-  
 σβευταῖς δοῦναι καὶ περὶ τούτων ἐντολάς, καὶ  
 κατέστησεν πρεσβευτὰς ἐπὶ τὴν <Μακεδονίαν  
 καὶ τὴν> Ἑλλάδα τοὺς περὶ Ἀππιον Κλαύδιον.  
 5 Ἀπελογήθησαν δὲ καὶ πρὸς τὸν Καικίλιον  
 ὑπὲρ τῶν ἀρχόντων οἱ παρὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν πρέ-  
 σβεις ἐν τῇ συγκλήτῳ, φάσκοντες οὐθὲν ἀδικεῖν  
 αὐτοὺς οὐδ' ἀξίους ἐγκλήματος ὑπάρχειν ἐπὶ τῷ  
 6 μὴ συνάγειν τὴν ἐκκλησίαν· νόμον γὰρ εἶναι παρὰ  
 τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς μὴ συγκαλεῖν τοὺς πολλούς, εἰ μὴ  
 περὶ συμμαχίας ἢ πολέμου δέη γίνεσθαι διαβού-  
 λιον ἢ παρὰ <τῆς> συγκλήτου τις ἐνέγκῃ γράμματα.  
 7 διὸ καὶ δικαίως τότε βουλευσασθαι μὲν τοὺς  
 ἄρχοντας συγκαλεῖν τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς εἰς ἐκκλησίαν,  
 κωλύεσθαι δ' ὑπὸ τῶν νόμων διὰ τὸ μήτε γράμ-

parties, with the sanction of the senate, pleaded against each other in the Curia. Apollonidas of Sicyon asserted that it was quite impossible for the affairs of Sparta to have been managed better than they had been managed by the Achaeans and Philopoemen, while Areus and his colleague attempted to prove the reverse, stating that in the first place the power of the city had been reduced by the forcible expulsion of the populace, and that then, in the state as left to those who remained, there was neither security nor liberty of speech, no security because they were few and their walls had been destroyed, and no liberty of speech because they not only had to obey the public decrees of the Achaeans but were as individuals obliged to be at the beck and call of any governors who might be appointed. The senate, after hearing both sides, decided to give the same legates instructions on this subject, and appointed for Macedonia and Greece a commission at the head of which was Appius Claudius Pulcher.

The envoys from Achaëa also spoke in the Senate defending their magistrates against Caecilius. They maintained that the magistrates had done nothing wrong and were deserving of no censure in not having summoned the assembly to meet, the Achaean law being that the popular assembly is not to be summoned unless a resolution has to be passed regarding war or peace, or unless anyone brings a letter from the senate. Their magistrates had therefore been right on that occasion; for while they had desired to summon the Achaeans to a general assembly they were prevented from doing so by the laws, as Caecilius was neither the



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ματα φέρειν αὐτὸν παρὰ <τῆς> συγκλήτου μήτε  
τὰς ἐντολὰς ἐγγράπτους ἐθέλειν δοῦναι τοῖς ἄρ-  
8 χουσιν. ὧν ῥηθέντων ἀναστὰς Καικίλιος τῶν τε  
περὶ τὸν Φιλοποίμενα καὶ Λυκόρταν κατηγόρησεν  
καὶ καθόλου τῶν Ἀχαιῶν καὶ τῆς οἰκονομίας,  
ἣ περὶ τῆς τῶν Λακεδαιμονίων ἐκέχρητο πόλεως.  
9 ἣ δὲ σύγκλητος διακούσασα τῶν λεγομένων  
ἔδωκε τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς ἀπόκρισιν ὅτι περὶ μὲν τῶν  
κατὰ Λακεδαίμονα πέμψει τοὺς ἐπισκεψομένους·  
10 τοῖς δὲ πρέσβευταῖς τοῖς αἰεὶ παρ' ἑαυτῶν ἐκπεμ-  
πομένοις παρήνει προσέχειν τὸν νοῦν καὶ κατα-  
δοχὴν ποιεῖσθαι τὴν ἀρμόζουσαν, καθάπερ καὶ  
Ῥωμαῖοι ποιοῦνται τῶν παραγνομένων πρὸς  
αὐτοὺς πρεσβευτῶν.

### V. RES MACEDONIAE

3 (17) Ὅτι Φίλιππος ὁ βασιλεύς, διαπεμψαμένων πρὸς  
iii. 13) αὐτὸν ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης τῶν ἰδίων πρεσβευτῶν καὶ  
2 δηλούντων ὅτι δεήσει κατ' ἀνάγκην ἀποβαίνειν  
ἀπὸ τῶν ἐπὶ Θράκης πόλεων, πυθόμενος ταῦτα  
καὶ βαρέως φέρων ἐπὶ τῷ δοκεῖν πανταχόθεν  
αὐτοῦ περιτέμνεσθαι τὴν ἀρχήν, ἐναπηρείσατο  
τὴν ὀργὴν εἰς τοὺς τάλαιπῶρους Μαρωνείτας.  
3 μεταπεμψάμενος γὰρ Ὀνόμαστον τὸν ἐπὶ Θράκης  
τεταγμένον ἐκοινολογήθη τούτῳ περὶ τῆς πράξεως.  
4 ὁ δ' Ὀνόμαστος ἀναχωρήσας ἐξαπέστειλε Κάσ-  
σανδρον εἰς Μαρώνειαν, συνήθη τοῖς πολλοῖς  
5 ὑπάρχοντα διὰ τὸ ποιεῖσθαι τὸν πλείονα χρόνον  
ἐκεῖ τὴν διατριβήν, ἅτε τοῦ Φιλίππου πάλαι τοὺς

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αὐλικούς ἐγκαθεικότος εἰς τὰς πόλεις ταύτας  
 6 καὶ συνήθεις πεποιηκότος τοὺς ἐγχωρίους ταῖς  
 τούτων παρεπιδημίαις. μετὰ δέ τινας ἡμέρας  
 ἐτοιμασθέντων των Θρακῶν, καὶ τούτων ἐπείσ-  
 ελθόντων διὰ τοῦ Κασσάνδρου νυκτός, ἐγένετο  
 7 μεγάλη σφαγὴ καὶ πολλοὶ τῶν Μαρωνειτῶν  
 ἀπέθανον. κολασάμενος δὲ τῷ τοιούτῳ τρόπῳ  
 τοὺς ἀντιπράττοντας ὁ Φίλιππος καὶ πληρώσας  
 τὸν ἴδιον θυμόν, ἐκαραδόκει τὴν τῶν πρεσβευτῶν  
 8 παρουσίαν πεπεισμένος μηδένα τολμήσειν κατ-  
 ηγορήσειν αὐτοῦ διὰ τὸν φόβον. μετὰ δέ τινα  
 χρόνον παραγενομένων τῶν περὶ τὸν Ἄππιον καὶ  
 ταχέως πυθομένων τὰ γεγονότα κατὰ τὴν Μαρώ-  
 9 νειαν καὶ πικρῶς τῷ Φιλίππῳ μεμψιμοιρούντων  
 ἐπὶ τούτοις, ἐβούλετο μὲν ἀπολογεῖσθαι, φάσκων  
 μὴ κεκοινωνηκέναι τῆς παρανομίας, ἀλλ' αὐτοὺς  
 ἐν αὐτοῖς στασιάζοντας Μαρωνεῖτας, [καὶ] τοὺς  
 μὲν ἀποκλίνοντας <πρὸς> Εὐμένη κατὰ τὴν εὐ-  
 νοϊαν, τοὺς δὲ πρὸς ἑαυτόν, εἰς ταύτην ἐμπεπτω-  
 10 κέναι τὴν ἀτυχίαν. καλεῖν δ' ἐκέλευε κατὰ  
 11 πρόσωπον, εἴ τις αὐτοῦ κατηγορεῖ. τοῦτο δ'  
 ἐποίει πεπεισμένος μηδένα τολμήσειν διὰ τὸν  
 φόβον, τῷ δοκεῖν τὴν μὲν ἐκ Φιλίππου τιμωρίαν  
 ἐκ χειρὸς ἔσεσθαι τοῖς ἀντιπράξασιν, τὴν δὲ  
 12 Ῥωμαίων ἐπικουρίαν μακρὰν ἀφεστάναι. τῶν  
 δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἄππιον οὐ φασκόντων προσδεῖσθαι  
 δικαιολογίας, σαφῶς γὰρ εἶδέναι τὰ γεγονότα  
 καὶ τὸν αἴτιον τούτων, εἰς ἀπορίαν ἐνέπιπτεν  
 13 ὁ Φίλιππος. καὶ τὴν μὲν πρώτην ἐντευξιν ἄχρι  
 4 (18) τούτου προβάντες ἔλυσαν· κατὰ δὲ τὴν ἐπιούσαν  
 iii. 14) ἡμέραν οἱ περὶ τὸν Ἄππιον πέμπειν ἐπέταττον  
 τῷ Φιλίππῳ τὸν Ὀνόμαστον καὶ τὸν Κάσσανδρον

habit of settling members of his court in these cities and accustoming the inhabitants to their stay. After a few days, when the Thracians had been got ready and introduced into the town at night by Cassander, a great massacre took place, and many of the citizens perished. Philip, having thus chastised his opponents and satisfied his vengeance, waited for the arrival of the legates, convinced that no one would dare to accuse him owing to fear ; but shortly afterwards when Appius and his colleagues arrived, and, having soon heard what had happened at Maronea, rebuked Philip severely for his conduct, he tried to excuse himself by stating that he had taken no part in the outrage, but that the people of Maronea themselves who were at discord, some of them being inclined to favour Eumenes and some himself, had brought this calamity on themselves ; and he invited them to summon anyone who wished to accuse him to meet him. This he did owing to his conviction that no one would venture to do so, as all would think that Philip's vengeance on his opponents would be summary, while the help of Rome was remote. But when the commissioners said that any further defence on his part was superfluous, as they quite well knew what had happened and who was the cause of it, Philip was at a loss what to reply. 14. They broke up their first interview at this point, and on the next day the commissioners ordered Philip to send Onomastus and Cas-

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ἐξ αὐτῆς εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην [ἵνα πύθῃται περὶ τῶν  
2 γεγονότων]. ὁ δὲ βασιλεὺς, διατραπείς ὡς ἐνι  
μάλιστα καὶ ἀπορήσας ἐπὶ πολὺν χρόνον, τὸν μὲν  
Κάσσανδρον ἔφη πέμψειν, τὸν αὐθέντην γεγονότα  
τῆς πράξεως, ὡς ἐκείνοί φασιν, ἵνα πύθῃται παρὰ  
3 τούτου τὰς ἀληθείας ἢ σύγκλητος. τὸν δ' Ὀνό-  
μαστον ἐξηρεῖτο καὶ παρ' αὐτὰ καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα τοῖς  
πρεσβευταῖς ἐντυγχάνων, ἀφορμῇ μὲν χρώμενος  
τῷ μὴ οἶον ἐν τῇ Μαρωνείᾳ παραγεγονέναι τὸν  
4 Ὀνόμαστον κατὰ τὸν τῆς σφαγῆς καιρὸν, ἀλλὰ  
μηδ' ἐπὶ τῶν σύνεγγυς τόπων γεγονέναι, τῇ δ'  
ἀληθείᾳ δεδιὼς μὴ παραγεννηθεὶς εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην,  
καὶ πολλῶν ἔργων αὐτῷ κεκοινωνηκῶς τοιούτων,  
οὐ μόνον τὰ κατὰ τοὺς Μαρωνείτας, ἀλλὰ καὶ  
5 τἄλλα πάντα διασαφήσῃ τοῖς Ῥωμαίοις. καὶ  
τέλος τὸν μὲν Ὀνόμαστον ἐξείλετο, τὸν δὲ Κάσ-  
σανδρον μετὰ τὸ τοὺς πρεσβευτὰς ἀπελθεῖν ἀπο-  
στείλας καὶ παραπέμψας ἕως Ἡπείρου φαρμάκῳ  
6 διέφθειρεν. οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἄππιον, κατεγνω-  
κότες τοῦ Φιλίππου καὶ περὶ τῆς εἰς τοὺς Μαρω-  
νεΐτας παρανομίας καὶ περὶ τῆς πρὸς Ῥωμαίους  
ἀλλοτριότητος, τοιαύτας ἔχοντες διαλήψεις ἐχω-  
ρίσθησαν.

7 Ὁ δὲ βασιλεὺς γενόμενος καθ' ἑαυτὸν καὶ  
συμμεταδοὺς τῶν φίλων Ἀπελλῆ καὶ Φιλοκλεῖ  
περὶ τῶν ἐνεστώτων, ἔγνω σαφῶς ἐπὶ πολὺ  
προβεβηκυῖαν αὐτοῦ τὴν πρὸς Ῥωμαίους διαφο-  
ράν, καὶ ταύτην οὐκέτι λανθάνουσαν, ἀλλὰ κατὰ  
8 φανῆ τοῖς πλείστοις οὖσαν. καθόλου μὲν οὖν  
πρόθυμος ἦν εἰς τὸ κατὰ πάντα τρόπον ἀμύνασθαι  
καὶ μετελθεῖν αὐτοῦς· πρὸς ἕνια δὲ τῶν ἐπι-  
νοουμένων ἀπόχειρος ὢν ἐπεβάλετο πῶς ἂν ἔτι



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γένοιτό τις ἀναστροφή καὶ λάβοι χρόνον πρὸς  
9 τὰς εἰς τὸν πόλεμον παρασκευάς. ἔδοξεν οὖν  
αὐτῷ τὸν νεώτατον υἱὸν Δημήτριον πέμπειν εἰς  
τὴν Ῥώμην, τὰ μὲν ἀπολογησόμενον ὑπὲρ τῶν  
ἐγκαλουμένων, τὰ δὲ καὶ παραιτησόμενον, εἰ  
10 καὶ τις ἄγνοιά <ποτ' > ἐγεγόνει περὶ αὐτόν. πάνυ  
γὰρ ἐπέπειστο διὰ τούτου πᾶν τὸ προτεθὲν ἀ-  
νύεσθαι παρὰ τῆς συγκλήτου διὰ τὴν ὑπεροχὴν  
τὴν γεγεννημένην τοῦ νεανίσκου κατὰ τὴν ὀμηρείαν.  
11 ταῦτα δὲ διανοηθεὶς ἅμα μὲν ἐγένετο περὶ τὴν  
ἐκπομπὴν τούτου καὶ τῶν ἅμα τούτῳ συνεξ-  
12 αποσταλησομένων φίλων, ἅμα δὲ τοῖς Βυζαντίοις  
ὑπέσχετο βοηθήσειν, οὐχ οὕτως ἐκείνων στο-  
χαζόμενος ὡς ἐπὶ τῇ ἑκείνων προφάσει βουλό-  
μενος καταπλήξασθαι τοὺς τῶν Θρακῶν δυνάστας  
τῶν ὑπὲρ τὴν Προποντίδα κατοικούντων χάριν  
τῆς προκειμένης ἐπιβολῆς.

### VI. RES GRAECIAE

5 (19) "Ὅτι κατὰ τὴν Κρήτην, κοσμοῦντος ἐν Γορτύνη  
iii. 15) Κύδα τοῦ Ἀντάλκου, κατὰ πάντα τρόπον ἐλατ-  
τούμενοι Γορτύνιοι τοὺς Κνωσίους, ἀποτεμόμενοι  
τῆς χώρας αὐτῶν τὸ μὲν καλούμενον Λυκάστιον  
προσένειμαν Ῥαυκίοις, τὸ <δὲ> Διατόνιον Λυτ-  
2 τίοις. κατὰ δὲ τὸν καιρὸν τούτον παραγενομένων  
πρεσβευτῶν ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης εἰς τὴν Κρήτην τῶν  
περὶ τὸν Ἀππιον χάριν τοῦ διαλυῆσαι τὰς ἐνεστώ-  
σας αὐτοῖς πρὸς ἀλλήλους διαφοράς, καὶ ποιη-  
σαμένων λόγους ὑπὲρ τούτων <ἐν> τῇ Κνωσίῳ  
καὶ Γορτυνίῳ, πεισθέντες οἱ Κρηταεῖς ἐπέ-

he might put off matters for a little and gain time for warlike preparations. He decided, then, to send his youngest son Demetrius to Rome, in the first place to offer a defence against the charges brought against him, and next to ask for pardon if indeed he had inadvertently erred in any respect. For he felt quite convinced that he would through him get the senate to accede to anything he proposed owing to the influence the young man had won while serving as a hostage. Having thought of this he occupied himself with the dispatch of Demetrius and the other friends he was about to send in company with him, and also promised to help the Byzantines, not so much with the view of gratifying them, as wishing upon this pretext to strike terror into the Thracian chiefs north of the Propontis and thus further the project he meant to execute.

## VI. AFFAIRS OF GREECE

### *Quarrel of Gortyna and Cnosus*

15. In Crete, when Cydas the son of Antalces held the office of Cosmos at Gortyna, the people of that city, exerting themselves to diminish in every way the power of the Cnosians, parcelled off from their territory the so-called Lycastium and assigned it to Rhaucus and the Diatonium to Lyttus. At this time Appius Claudius and the other commissioners arrived in Crete from Rome, for the purpose of settling the disputes existing in the island. When they had spoken on the subject in Cnosus and Gortyna, the Cretans gave ear to them and put



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3 τρεψαν τὰ καθ' αὐτοὺς τοῖς περὶ τὸν Ἄππιον. οἱ  
 δὲ [πεισθέντες] Κνωσίοις μὲν ἀποκατέστησαν τὴν  
 χώραν, Κυδωνιάταις δὲ προσέταξαν τοὺς μὲν  
 ὁμήρους ἀπολαβεῖν, οὓς ἐγκατέλειπον δόντες τοῖς  
 4 περὶ Χαρμίωνα πρότερον, τὴν δὲ Φαλάσαρναν ἀφ-  
 εἶναι μηδὲν ἐξ αὐτῆς νοσφισαμένους. περὶ δὲ  
 τῶν κατὰ κοινοδίκιον συνεχώρησαν αὐτοῖς βουλο-  
 5 μένοις μὲν [αὐτοῖς] ἐξεῖναι μετέχειν, μὴ βου-  
 6 λομένοις δὲ καὶ τοῦτ' ἐξεῖναι, πάσης ἀπεχομένοις  
 τῆς ἄλλης Κρήτης αὐτοῖς τε καὶ τοῖς ἐκ Φαλα-  
 σάρνης φυγάσιν. . . . ἀπέκτειναν τοὺς περὶ  
 Μενοίτιον, ἐπιφανεστάτους ὄντας τῶν πολιτῶν.

### VII. RES AEGYPTI

6 (6) 2 . . . σ' θαυμάζουσι μὲν πάντες Φίλιππον διὰ τὴν  
 xi. 16) ορ . . . σ' μεγαλοψυχίαν ὅτι κακῶς οὐ μόνον  
 ἀκούων, ἀλλὰ καὶ πάσχων ὑπ' Ἀθηναίων, νικήσας  
 αὐτοὺς τὴν περὶ Χαιρώνειαν μάχην τοσοῦτον  
 ἀπέσχε τοῦ χρήσασθαι τῷ καιρῷ πρὸς τὴν κατὰ  
 τῶν ἐχθρῶν βλάβην ὥστε τοὺς μὲν τεθνεῶτας  
 τῶν Ἀθηναίων κηδεύσας ἔθαψε, τοὺς δ' αἰχμα-  
 λώτους χωρὶς λύτρων προσαμφιέσας ἐξαπέστειλε  
 3 τοῖς ἀναγκαίοις· μιμοῦνται δ' ἤκιστα τὴν τοιαύ-  
 την προαίρεσιν, ἀμιλλῶνται δὲ τοῖς θυμοῖς καὶ ταῖς  
 τιμωρίαις πρὸς τούτους, οἷς πολεμοῦσι τούτων  
 αὐτῶν ἕνεκα. . . .  
 17 (7) Ὅτι Πτολεμαῖος ὁ βασιλεὺς Αἰγύπτου ὅτε τὴν  
 iii. 16) Λύκων πόλιν ἐπολιόρκησε, καταπλαγέντες τὸ  
 γεγονὸς οἱ δυνάσται τῶν Αἰγυπτίων ἔδωκαν  
 2 σφᾶς αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν τοῦ βασιλέως πίστιν. οἷς  
 κακῶς ἐχρήσατο καὶ εἰς κινδύνους πολλοὺς ἐν-  
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3 ἔπεσεν. παραπλήσιον δέ τι συνέβη καὶ κατὰ τοὺς  
καιρούς, ἠνίκα Πολυκράτης τοὺς ἀποστάτας ἐχει-  
4 ρώσατο. οἱ γὰρ περὶ τὸν Ἀθίνιν καὶ Πausίραν  
καὶ Χέσουφον καὶ τὸν Ἰρόβαστον, οἵπερ ἦσαν  
ἔτι διασωζόμενοι τῶν δυναστῶν, εἴξαντες τοῖς  
πράγμασι παρήσαν εἰς τὴν Σάιν, σφᾶς αὐτοὺς  
5 εἰς τὴν τοῦ βασιλέως ἐγχειρίζοντες <πίστιν>. ὁ  
δὲ Πτολεμαῖος ἀθετήσας τὰς πίστεις καὶ δήσας  
τοὺς ἀνθρώπους γυμνοὺς ταῖς ἀμάξαις εἶλκε καὶ  
6 μετὰ ταῦτα τιμωρησάμενος ἀπέκτεινεν. καὶ  
παραγενόμενος εἰς τὴν Ναύκρατιν μετὰ τῆς στρα-  
τιᾶς, καὶ παραστήσαντος αὐτῷ τοὺς ἐξενολογη-  
μένους ἀνδρας ἐκ τῆς Ἑλλάδος Ἀριστονίκου,  
προσδεξάμενος τούτους ἀπέπλευσεν εἰς Ἀλεξ-  
7 ἀνδρειαν, τῶν μὲν τοῦ πολέμου πράξεων οὐδεμιᾶς  
κεκοινωνηκῶς διὰ τὴν Πολυκράτους ἀδικοδοξίαν,  
καίπερ ἔχων ἔτη πέντε καὶ εἴκοσιν.

### VIII. RES MACEDONIAE ET GRAECIAE

18 (8) "Οτι φησὶν ὁ Πολύβιος ἐν τῷ εἰκοστῷ δευτέρῳ·  
ii. 22<sup>a</sup>) περὶ δὲ τὴν τῶν ἐν Μακεδονίᾳ βασιλέων οἰκίαν  
2 ἤδη τις ἀπὸ τούτων τῶν καιρῶν ἐφύετο κακῶν  
ἀνηκέστων ἀρχή. καίτοι γ' οὐκ ἀγνοῶ διότι τινὲς  
τῶν συγγραφότων περὶ τοῦ <συστάντος> Ῥωμαίοις  
πολέμου πρὸς Περσέα, βουλόμενοι τὰς αἰτίας  
ἡμῖν ἐπιδεικνύναι τῆς διαφορᾶς, πρῶτον μὲν  
ἀποφαίνουσι τὴν Ἀβρουπόλιος ἔκπτωσιν ἐκ τῆς  
ἰδίας δυναστείας, ὡς καταδραμόντος αὐτοῦ τὰ  
3 περὶ τὸ Πάγγαιον μέταλλα μετὰ τὸν τοῦ Φιλίππου  
θάνατον. Περσεὺς δὲ παραβοηθήσας καὶ τρεψά-

thing happened when Polycrates got the rebels into his power. For Athinis, Pausiras, Chesufus and Irobastus, the surviving chieftains, forced by circumstances, came to Sais to entrust themselves to the king's good faith. But Ptolemy, violating his faith, tied the men naked to carts, and, after dragging them through the streets and torturing them, put them to death. On reaching Naucratis with his army, when Aristonicus had presented to him the mercenaries he had raised in Greece, he took them and sailed off to Alexandria, having taken no part in any action in the war owing to the unfairness of Polycrates, although he was now twenty-five years old.

### VIII. AFFAIRS OF MACEDONIA AND GREECE

(Cp. Livy xxxix. 23. 5.)

18. From this time forward dates the commencement of the catastrophes that were fatal to the royal house of Macedon. I am not indeed unaware that some of the authors who have written about the war of the Romans with Perseus, wishing to indicate the causes of the quarrel, attribute it first to the expulsion of Abrupolis<sup>a</sup> from his principality on the pretext that he had overrun the mines on Mount Pangaeus after the death of Philip, upon which Perseus, coming to protect them and

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<sup>a</sup> See Livy xlii. 13. 5.

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μενος ὀλοσχερῶς ἐξέβαλε τὸν προειρημένον ἐκ  
 4 τῆς ἰδίας ἀρχῆς· ἐξῆς δὲ ταύτῃ τὴν εἰς Δολοπίαν  
 εἰσβολὴν καὶ τὴν εἰς Δελφοὺς παρουσίαν Περσέως,  
 5 ἔτι δὲ τὴν κατ' Εὐμένους τοῦ βασιλέως ἐπιβουλήν  
 γενομένην ἐν Δελφοῖς καὶ τὴν τῶν ἐκ Βοιωτίας  
 πρεσβευτῶν ἐπαναίρεσιν, ἐξ ὧν ἔνιοί φασι φῦναι  
 6 Περσεῖ τὸν πρὸς Ῥωμαίους πόλεμον. ἐγὼ δὲ  
 φημι κυριώτατον μὲν εἶναι καὶ τοῖς συγγράφουσι  
 καὶ τοῖς φιλομαθοῦσι τὸ γινώσκειν τὰς αἰτίας,  
 ἐξ ὧν ἕκαστα γεννᾶται καὶ φύεται τῶν πραγμάτων·  
 συγκέχυται δὲ ταῦτα παρὰ τοῖς πλείστοις τῶν  
 συγγραφέων διὰ τὸ μὴ κρατεῖσθαι τίνι διαφέρει  
 πρόφασις αἰτίας καὶ πάλιν προφάσεως ἀρχὴ  
 7 πολέμου. καὶ νῦν δὲ τῶν πραγμάτων αὐτῶν  
 προσυπομιμνησκόντων ἠνάγκασμαι πάλιν ἀνανεώ-  
 8 σασθαι τὸν αὐτὸν λόγον. τῶν γὰρ ἄρτι ῥηθέντων  
 πραγμάτων τὰ μὲν πρῶτα προφάσεις εἰσὶ, τὰ δὲ  
 τελευταῖα <τὰ> περὶ τὴν <κατὰ> τοῦ βασιλέως  
 Εὐμένους ἐπιβουλήν καὶ τὰ περὶ <τὴν> τῶν πρε-  
 σβευτῶν ἀναίρεσιν καὶ τούτοις ἕτερα παραπλήσια  
 τῶν κατὰ τοὺς αὐτοὺς καιροὺς γεγονότων ἀρχαὶ  
 πρόδηλοι τοῦ συστάντος Ῥωμαίοις καὶ Περσεῖ  
 9 ἀρχήν· αἰτία δὲ τούτων ἀπλῶς ἐστὶν οὐδεμία.  
 δῆλον δὲ τοῦτ' ἔσται διὰ τῶν ἐξῆς ῥηθησομένων.  
 10 καθάπερ γὰρ εἶπομεν Φίλιππον τὸν Ἀμύντου  
 διανοηθῆναι καὶ προθέσθαι συντελεῖν τὸν πρὸς  
 τοὺς Πέρσας πόλεμον, Ἀλέξανδρον δὲ τοῖς ὑπ'  
 ἐκείνου κεκριμένοις <ἐπιγενέσθαι> χειριστὴν τῶν  
 πράξεων, οὕτω καὶ νῦν Φίλιππον μὲν τὸν Δημη-  
 τρίου φασὲν διανοηθῆναι πρότερον πολεμεῖν Ῥω-  
 μαίοις τὸν τελευταῖον πόλεμον καὶ τὰς παρασκευὰς



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έτοιμάς πάσας πρὸς ταύτην ἔχειν τὴν ἐπιβολήν, ἐκείνου δ' ἐκχωρήσαντος Περσέα γενέσθαι χειριστήν τῶν πράξεων· εἰ δὲ τοῦτ' ἀληθές, κακείνο σαφές· οὐ γὰρ οἶόν τε τὰς αἰτίας ὕστερον γενέσθαι τῆς τελευτῆς τοῦ κρίναντος καὶ προθεμένου πολεμῆν· ὃ συμβαίνει τοῖς ὑπὸ τῶν ἄλλων συγγραφέων εἰρημένοις· πάντα γὰρ ἔστι τὰ λεγόμενα παρ' αὐτοῖς ὕστερα τῆς Φιλίππου τελευτῆς.

9 (14) "Ὅτι Φιλοποίμην πρὸς Ἄρχωνα τὸν στρατηγὸν  
ii. 10<sup>a</sup>) λόγοις τισὶ διεφέρετο. ὁ μὲν οὖν Φιλοποίμην εὐδοκήσας ἐκ τοῦ καιροῦ τοῖς λεγομένοις καὶ μεταγνοὺς ἐπήνει τὸν Ἄρχωνα φιλοφρόνως, ὡς ἐντρεχῶς καὶ πανούργως τῷ καιρῷ κεχρημένον.  
2 ἔμοιγε μὴν, φησὶν ὁ Πολύβιος, οὔτε τότε παρόντι τὸ ῥηθὲν εὐηρέστησεν, ὥστ' ἐπαινοῦντά τινα κακῶς ἅμα ποιεῖν, οὔτε μετὰ ταῦτα τῆς ἡλικίας  
3 προβαινούσης· πολὺ γὰρ δὴ τι μοι δοκεῖ κεχωρίσθαι κατὰ τὴν αἴρεσιν ὁ πραγματικὸς ἀνὴρ τοῦ κακοπράγμονος καὶ παραπλησίαν ἔχειν διαφορὰν τῷ κακεντρεχεῖ πρὸς τὸν ἐντρεχῆ· ἃ μὲν γὰρ ἔστι κκάλλιστα τῶν ὄντων ὡς ἔπος εἰπεῖν,  
4 ἃ δὲ τοῦναντίον· ἀλλὰ διὰ τὴν νῦν ἐπιπολάζουσαν ἀκρισίαν βραχείας ἔχοντα κοινότητος τὰ προειρημένα τῆς αὐτῆς ἐπισημασίας καὶ ζήλου τυγχάνει παρὰ τοῖς ἀνθρώποις.

### IX. RES ASIAE

20 "Ὅτι Ἀπολλωνίς, ἡ Ἀττάλου τοῦ πατρὸς  
iii. 18) Εὐμένους τοῦ βασιλέως γαμετή, Κυζικηνὴ ἦν, γυνὴ διὰ πλείους αἰτίας ἀξία μνήμης καὶ παρα-  
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for the purpose, but on his decease Perseus was the executor of the design. Now if one of these things is true, the other error also is evident. It is not surely possible that the causes of a war can be subsequent to the death of the man who decided on it and purposed to make it; and this is what other writers maintain; for all the things they mention are subsequent to the death of Philip.

19. Philopoemen had a verbal dispute with Archon the strategus. At the time his rejoinders were applauded, but afterwards he regretted them and praised Archon warmly for having acted under the circumstances in an adroit and smart manner. But I myself, who happened to be present, neither approved at the time of what he said, belauding a man and at the same time doing him injury, nor do I think so now when I am of riper age. For in my opinion there is a wide difference in the character of a forceful man and an unscrupulous one, almost as great as that between an adroit and a mischievous one. The one quality may be said to be the best in the world and the other just the opposite. But owing to our prevalent lack of judgement, the two, having some points in common, meet with equal approbation and admiration.

### IX. AFFAIRS OF ASIA

20. Apollonis, the wife of Attalus, father of King Eumenes, was a native of Cyzicus, and for several reasons a very remarkable and praiseworthy woman.



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2 σημασίας. καὶ γὰρ ὅτι δημότις ὑπάρχουσα βασι-  
 λισσα ἐγεγόνει καὶ ταύτην διεφύλαξε τὴν ὑπεροχὴν  
 μέχρι τῆς τελευταίας, οὐχ ἑταιρικὴν προσφερομένη  
 πιθανότητα, σωφρονικὴν δὲ καὶ πολιτικὴν σεμνότη-  
 3 τητα καὶ καλοκαγαθίαν, δικαία τυγχάνειν τῆς  
 ἐπ' ἀγαθῷ μνήμης ἐστίν, καὶ καθότι τέτταρας  
 υἱοὺς γεννήσασα πρὸς πάντας τούτους ἀνυπέρ-  
 βλητον διεφύλαξε τὴν εὐνοίαν καὶ φιλοστοργίαν  
 μέχρι τῆς τοῦ βίου καταστροφῆς, καίτοι χρόνον  
 4 οὐκ ὀλίγον ὑπερβιώσασα τὰνδρός. πλὴν οἷγε  
 περὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον ἐν τῇ παρεπιδημίᾳ καλὴν  
 περιεποιήσαντο φήμην, ἀποδιδόντες τῇ μητρὶ τὴν  
 5 καθήκουσαν χάριτα καὶ τιμὴν. ἄγοντες γὰρ ἐξ  
 ἀμφοῖν τοῖν χεροῖν μέσσην αὐτῶν τὴν μητέρα  
 περιήεσαν τὰ θ' ἱερά καὶ τὴν πόλιν μετὰ τῆς  
 6 θεραπείας. ἐφ' οἷς οἱ θεώμενοι μεγάλως τοὺς  
 7 νεανίσκους ἀπεδέχοντο καὶ κατηξίουν καὶ μνη-  
 μονεύοντες τῶν περὶ τὸν Κλέοβιν καὶ Βίτωνα  
 συνέκρινον τὰς αἰρέσεις αὐτῶν, καὶ τὸ τῆς προ-  
 θυμίας τῆς ἐκείνων λαμπρὸν τῷ τῆς ὑπεροχῆς  
 8 τῶν βασιλέων ἀξιώματι συναναπληροῦντες. ταῦτα  
 δ' ἐτελέσθη ἐν Κυζίκῳ μετὰ τὴν διάλυσιν τὴν  
 πρὸς Προυσίαν τὸν βασιλέα.

21) **21** Ὅτι Ὀρτιάγων ὁ Γαλάτης, τῶν ἐν τῇ Ἀσίᾳ  
 xii. 21) βασιλεύων, ἐπεβάλετο τὴν ἀπάντων τῶν Γαλατῶν  
 2 δυναστείαν εἰς αὐτὸν μεταστῆσαι, καὶ πολλὰ πρὸς  
 τοῦτο τὸ μέρος ἐφόδια προσεφέρετο καὶ φύσει  
 3 καὶ τριβῇ. καὶ γὰρ εὐεργετικὸς ἦν καὶ μεγαλό-  
 4 ψυχος καὶ κατὰ τὰς ἐντεύξεις εὐχαρις καὶ  
 συνετός, τὸ δὲ συνέχον παρὰ Γαλάταις, ἀνδρώδης  
 ἦν καὶ δυναμικὸς πρὸς τὰς πολεμικὰς χρείας.

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## X. RES AEGYPTI

22 "Οτι Ἀριστόνικος ὁ τοῦ Πτολεμαίου τοῦ βα-  
iii. 17) σιλέως Αἰγύπτου εὐνοῦχος μὲν ἦν, ἐκ παιδίου  
2 δ' ἐγεγόνει σύντροφος τῷ βασιλεῖ. τῆς δ' ἡλικίας  
προβαινούσης ἀνδρωδεστέραν εἶχεν ἢ κατ' εὐνοῦχον  
3 τόλμαν καὶ προαίρεσιν. καὶ γὰρ φύσει στρατιω-  
τικὸς ἦν καὶ τὴν πλείστην ἐποιεῖτο διατριβὴν ἐν  
4 τούτοις καὶ περὶ ταῦτα. παραπλησίως δὲ καὶ  
κατὰ τὰς ἐντεύξεις ἰκανὸς ὑπῆρχε καὶ τὸν κοινὸν  
5 νοῦν εἶχεν, ὃ σπάνιόν ἐστι. πρὸς δὲ τούτοις πρὸς  
εὐεργεσίαν ἀνθρώπων πεφύκει καλῶς.

X. AFFAIRS OF EGYPT

(Suid.)

22. Aristonicus the servant of Ptolemy, king of Egypt, was a eunuch, but had been from childhood upward the king's intimate companion. As he grew older he showed himself more of a man in courage and general character than eunuchs generally are. For he was a born soldier, and spent most of his time with military men and in the study of military matters. He was also capable in conversation and he was liberal-minded, which is rare, and in addition to this he was naturally disposed to be beneficent.

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## I. RES ITALIAE

1 "Οτι κατὰ τὴν ἐνάτην καὶ τετταρακοστὴν ὀλυμ-  
xiv. 1) πιάδα πρὸς ταῖς ἑκατὸν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην ἠθροί-  
σθησαν πρεσβειῶν πλήθος ἀπὸ τῆς Ἑλλάδος, ὅσον  
2 οὐ ταχέως πρότερον. τοῦ γὰρ Φιλίππου συγκλει-  
σθέντος εἰς τὴν κατὰ τὸ σύμβολον δικαιοδοσίαν  
πρὸς τοὺς ἀστυγείτονας, καὶ τῶν Ῥωμαίων  
γνωσθέντων ὅτι προσδέχονται τὰς κατὰ Φιλίππου  
κατηγορίας καὶ πρόνοιαν ποιοῦνται τῆς ἀσφαλείας  
3 <τῶν> πρὸς αὐτὸν ἀμφισβητούντων, ἅπαντες οἱ  
παρακείμενοι τῇ Μακεδονίᾳ παρήσαν, οἱ μὲν κατ'  
ἰδίαν, οἱ δὲ κατὰ πόλιν, οἱ δὲ κατὰ τὰς ἐθνικὰς  
4 συστάσεις, ἐγκαλοῦντες τῷ Φιλίππῳ. σὺν δὲ  
τούτοις οἱ παρ' Εὐμένους ἦκον ἅμ' Ἀθηναίῳ τῷ  
τοῦ βασιλέως ἀδελφῷ, κατηγορήσοντες αὐτοῦ  
περὶ τε τῶν ἐπὶ Θράκης πόλεων καὶ περὶ τῆς  
5 ἀποσταλείσης Προυσίας βοηθείας. ἦκε δὲ καὶ  
Δημήτριος ὁ τοῦ Φιλίππου πρὸς πάντας τούτους  
ἀπολογησόμενος, ἔχων Ἀπελλῆν καὶ Φιλοκλῆ μεθ'  
αὐτοῦ, τοὺς τότε δοκοῦντας εἶναι πρώτους φίλους  
6 τοῦ βασιλέως. παρήσαν δὲ καὶ παρὰ Λακεδαι-  
μονίων πρέσβεις, ἀφ' ἑκάστου γένους τῶν ἐν τῇ  
7 πόλει. πρῶτον μὲν οὖν ἢ σύγκλητος εἰσεκα-



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λέσατο τὸν Ἀθήναιον καὶ δεξαμένη τὸν στέφανον,  
 ὃν ἐκόμιζεν ἀπὸ μυρίων καὶ πεντακισχιλίων  
 χρυσῶν, ἐπήνεσέ τε μεγαλομερῶς τὸν Εὐμένη καὶ  
 τοὺς ἀδελφοὺς διὰ τῆς ἀποκρίσεως καὶ παρεκάλεσε  
 8 μένειν ἐπὶ τῆς αὐτῆς αἵρέσεως. ἐπὶ δὲ τούτῳ  
 τὸν Δημήτριον εἰσαγαγόντες οἱ στρατηγοὶ παρ-  
 εκαλέσαντο τοὺς κατηγοροῦντας τοῦ Φιλίππου  
 9 πάντας καὶ παρήγον κατὰ μίαν πρεσβείαν. οὐσῶν  
 δὲ τῶν πρεσβειῶν πολλῶν, καὶ τῆς εἰσόδου τούτων  
 γενομένης ἐπὶ τρεῖς ἡμέρας, εἰς ἀπορίαν ἐνέπιπτεν  
 ἢ σύγκλητος περὶ τοῦ πῶς δεῖ χειρισθῆναι τὰ  
 10 κατὰ μέρος. παρά τε γὰρ Θετταλῶν καὶ κατὰ  
 κοινὸν ἦκον καὶ κατ' ἰδίαν ἀφ' ἐκάστης πόλεως  
 πρεσβευταί, παρά τε Περραιβῶν, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ  
 παρ' Ἀθαμάνων καὶ παρ' Ἡπειρωτῶν καὶ παρ'  
 11 Ἰλλυριῶν· <ῶν> οἱ μὲν περὶ χώρας, οἱ δὲ περὶ  
 σωμάτων, οἱ δὲ περὶ θρεμμάτων ἦκον ἀμφισβη-  
 τοῦντες, ἔνιοι δὲ περὶ συμβολαίων καὶ τῶν εἰς  
 12 αὐτοὺς ἀδικημάτων, τινὲς μὲν οὐ φάσκοντες  
 δύνασθαι τυχεῖν τοῦ δικαίου κατὰ τὸ σύμβολον  
 διὰ τὸ τὸν Φίλιππον ἐκκόπτειν τὴν δικαιοδοσίαν,  
 τινὲς δ' ἐγκαλοῦντες τοῖς κρίμασιν ὡς παρα-  
 βεβραβευμένοι, διαφθείραντος τοῦ Φιλίππου τοὺς  
 13 δικαστάς. καθόλου δὲ ποικίλη τις ἦν ἀκρισία  
 καὶ δυσχώρητος ἐκ τῶν κατηγορουμένων.

2 "Οθεν ἢ σύγκλητος, οὗτ' αὐτὴ δυναμένη διευ-  
 xiv. 2) κρινεῖν οὔτε τὸν Δημήτριον κρίνουσα δεῖν ἐκάστοις  
 2 τούτων λόγον ὑπέχειν, ἅτε καὶ φιλανθρώπως  
 πρὸς αὐτὸν διακειμένη καὶ θεωροῦσα νέον ὄντα  
 κομιδῇ καὶ πολὺ τῆς τοιαύτης συστροφῆς καὶ  
 3 ποικιλίας ἀπολειπόμενον, μάλιστα δὲ βουλομένη  
 μὴ τῶν Δημητρίου λόγων ἀκούειν, ἀλλὰ τῆς

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senate summoned Athenaeus in the first place, and, having received the crown he brought of the value of fifteen thousand gold staters, thanked Eumenes and his brother profusely for their reply, and exhorted them to continue to maintain the same attitude. In the next place the consuls introduced Demetrius, and inviting all Philip's accusers to come forward, brought them in one by one. As these embassies were so numerous that it took three days to introduce them all, the senate was at a loss how to deal with all the details. For from Thessaly there was one general embassy and particular ones from each town, and there were also embassies from Perrhaebia, Athamania, Epirus, and Illyria, some of them claiming territory, some slaves and some cattle, and others with complaints about the injustice they had suffered in their actions for the recovery of money, maintaining in some cases that they could not get justice in the authorized tribunals, as Philip quashed the proceedings, and in others finding fault with the decisions on the ground that the rulings were unfair, Philip having bribed the judges. So that on the whole the various accusations resulted in a confused and inextricable imbroglio.

2. Therefore the senate, unable itself to decide about all these matters, and thinking that Demetrius should not be forced to meet all these charges, as they were well disposed towards him and saw that he was still quite young and very far from being competent to face such a whirl of complications, and wishing particularly not to hear speeches from Demetrius but to obtain some true test of



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4 Φιλίππου γνώμης ἀληθινὴν λαβεῖν πείραν, αὐτὸν  
 Δημήτριον παρέλυσε τῆς δικαιολογίας, ἤρετο <δὲ>  
 τὸν νεανίσκον καὶ τοὺς σὺν αὐτῷ φίλους εἴ τινα  
 περὶ τούτων ὑπομνηματισμὸν ἔχουσι παρὰ τοῦ  
 5 βασιλέως. τοῦ δὲ Δημητρίου φήσαντος ἔχειν  
 καὶ προτείναντός τι βυβλίδιον οὐ μέγα, λέγειν  
 αὐτὸν ἐκέλευσεν ἥνπερ τὰ ὑπομνήματα περιεῖχε  
 πρὸς ἕκαστον τῶν κατηγορουμένων ἀπόφασιν  
 6 κεφαλαιώδη. ὁ δὲ τὸ μὲν πεποιηκέναι τὸ προσ-  
 ταχθὲν ὑπὸ Ῥωμαίων ἔφασκεν, ἢ τὴν αἰτίαν τοῦ  
 7 μὴ πεπράχθαι τοῖς ἐγκαλοῦσιν ἀνετίθει. προσ-  
 ἔκειτο δὲ πρὸς ταῖς πλείσταις ἀποφάσεσι “καίτοι  
 οὐκ ἴσως χρησαμένων ἡμῖν τῶν πρεσβευτῶν τῶν  
 περὶ Καικίλιον ἐν τούτοις” καὶ πάλιν “καίτοι γε  
 8 οὐ δικαίως ἡμῶν ταῦτα πασχόντων.” τοιαύτης δ’  
 οὔσης τῆς Φιλίππου γνώμης ἐν πάσαις ταῖς ἀπο-  
 φάσεσι, διακούσασα τῶν παραγεγονότων ἢ σύγ-  
 κλητος μίαν ἐποιήσατο περὶ πάντων διάληψιν.  
 9 ἀποδεξαμένη γὰρ τὸν Δημήτριον μεγαλομερῶς  
 καὶ φιλανθρώπως διὰ τοῦ στρατηγοῦ, πολλοὺς  
 καὶ παρακλητικοὺς πρὸς αὐτὸν διαθεμένη λόγους,  
 ἀπόκρισιν ἔδωκε διότι περὶ πάντων καὶ τῶν  
 εἰρημένων ὑπ’ αὐτοῦ καὶ τῶν ἀνεγνωσμένων  
 Δημητρίῳ πιστεύει διότι τὰ μὲν γέγονε, τὰ δ’  
 10 ἔσται, καθάπερ δίκαιόν ἐστι γίνεσθαι. ἵνα δὲ  
 καὶ Φίλιππος εἰδῆ διότι τὴν χάριν ταύτην ἢ σύγ-  
 κλητος Δημητρίῳ δίδωσιν, ἔξαποστελεῖν ἔφη πρε-  
 σβευτὰς ἐποψομένους εἰ γίνεται πάντα κατὰ τὴν  
 τῆς συγκλήτου βούλησιν, ἅμα δὲ διασαφήσοντας  
 τῷ βασιλεῖ διότι τῆς συμπεριφορᾶς τυγχάνει  
 11 ταύτης διὰ Δημήτριον. καὶ ταῦτα μὲν τοιαύτης  
 ἔτυχε διεξαγωγῆς.

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- 3 Μετὰ δὲ τούτους εἰσῆλθον οἱ παρ' Εὐμένους  
 xiv. 3) πρέσβεις <καὶ> περί τε τῆς βοηθείας τῆς ἀποστα-  
 λείσης ὑπὸ τοῦ Φιλίππου τῷ Προυσία κατηγόρησαν  
 καὶ περὶ τῶν ἐπὶ Θράκης τόπων, φάσκοντες οὐδ'  
 ἔτι καὶ νῦν αὐτὸν ἐξαγροχένοι τὰς φρουρὰς ἐκ  
 2 τῶν πόλεων. τοῦ δὲ Φιλοκλέους ὑπὲρ τούτων  
 βουλευθέντος ἀπολογεῖσθαι διὰ τὸ καὶ πρὸς τὸν  
 Προυσιαν <πε>πρεσβευκένοι καὶ τότε περὶ τούτων  
 ἐξαπεστάλθαι πρὸς τὴν σύγκλητον ὑπὸ τοῦ Φιλίπ-  
 3 πρου, βραχύν τινα χρόνον ἢ σύγκλητος ἐπιδεξαμένη  
 τοὺς λόγους ἔδωκεν ἀπόκρισιν διότι, τῶν ἐπὶ  
 Θράκης τόπων εἰ μὴ καταλάβωσιν οἱ πρεσβευταὶ  
 πάντα διωκημένα κατὰ τὴν τῆς συγκλήτου γνώμην  
 καὶ πάσας τὰς πόλεις εἰς τὴν Εὐμένους πίστιν  
 ἐγκεχειρισμένας, οὐκέτι δυνήσεται φέρειν οὐδὲ  
 καρτερεῖν παρακουομένη περὶ τούτων.
- 4 Καὶ τῆς μὲν Φιλίππου καὶ Ῥωμαίων παρατριβῆς  
 ἐπὶ πολὺ προβαινούσης ἐπίστασις ἐγενήθη κατὰ  
 τὸ παρὸν διὰ τὴν τοῦ Δημητρίου παρουσίαν·  
 5 πρὸς μέντοι γε τὴν καθόλου τῆς οἰκίας ἀτυχίαν  
 οὐ μικρὰ συνέβη τὴν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην τοῦ νεανίσκου  
 6 πρεσβείαν συμβαλέσθαι. ἢ τε γὰρ σύγκλητος  
 ἀπερειαμένη τὴν χάριν ἐπὶ τὸν Δημήτριον ἐμε-  
 τεώρισε μὲν τὸ μειράκιον, ἐλύπησε δὲ καὶ τὸν  
 Περσέα καὶ τὸν Φίλιππον ἰσχυρῶς τῷ δοκεῖν  
 μὴ δι' αὐτούς, ἀλλὰ διὰ Δημήτριον τυγχάνειν  
 7 τῆς παρὰ Ῥωμαίων φιλανθρωπίας. ὃ τε Τίτος  
 ἐκκαλεσάμενος τὸ μειράκιον καὶ προβιβάσας εἰς  
 λόγους ἀπορρήτους, οὐκ ὀλίγα συνεβάλετο πρὸς  
 8 τὴν αὐτὴν ὑπόθεσιν. τὸν τε γὰρ νεανίσκον ἐψυχα-  
 γώγησεν, ὡς αὐτίκα μάλα συγκατασκευασόντων  
 αὐτῷ Ῥωμαίων τὴν βασιλείαν, τοὺς τε περὶ τὸν

3. The envoys of Eumenes were the next to enter. Their accusations related to the armed support sent by Philip to Prusias and to his treatment of the places in Thrace, where they said he had not even yet withdrawn his garrisons from the towns. Upon Philocles expressing his desire to offer a defence on these subjects, as he had both been on a mission to Prusias and had now been sent to the senate by Philip expressly for this purpose, the senate, after listening for a short time to what he said, gave him the following reply. If their commissioners did not find that all their wishes had been carried out, and all the cities put into the hands of Eumenes, they would no longer be able to submit to delay or tolerate disobedience in this matter.

The friction between Philip and the senate was becoming very acute when for the present it was thus arrested by the presence in Rome of Demetrius. The young man's embassy, however, contributed in no small measure to the ultimate misfortunes of the House of Macedon. For the senate, by transferring to Demetrius their whole claim to gratitude for the favour they had conferred, turned that young man's head and gravely offended both Perseus and Philip by the thought that the Romans had shown them kindness not for their own sakes but for that of Demetrius. Flamininus also, by inviting the young man's confidences and eliciting his secrets, contributed much to the same result, as he deluded him into cherishing the idea that the Romans were about to secure the throne for him at once, at the

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Φίλιππον ἠρέθισε, γράψας ἐξ αὐτῆς τὸν Δημήτριον  
 ἀποστέλλειν πάλιν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην μετὰ τῶν φίλων  
 9 ὡς πλείστων καὶ χρησιμωτάτων. ταύταις γὰρ ταῖς  
 ἀφορμαῖς χρησάμενος ὁ Περσεὺς μετ' ὀλίγον ἔπεισε  
 τὸν πατέρα συγκαταθέσθαι τῷ Δημητρίου θανάτῳ.  
 10 Περὶ μὲν οὖν τούτων ὡς ἐχειρίσθη τὰ κατὰ  
 4 μέρος ἐν τοῖς ἐξῆς δηλώσομεν. ἐπὶ δὲ τούτοις  
 xiv. 4) εἰσεκλήθησαν οἱ παρὰ τῶν Λακεδαιμονίων πρέ-  
 2 σβεις. τούτων δ' ἦσαν διαφοραὶ τέτταρες. οἱ  
 μὲν γὰρ περὶ Λῦσιν ἦκοντες <ὑπὲρ> τῶν ἀρχαίων  
 φυγάδων ἐπρέσβευον, φάσκοντες δεῖν ἔχειν αὐτοὺς  
 πάσας τὰς κτήσεις, ἀφ' ὧν ἐξ ἀρχῆς ἔφυγον.  
 3 οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἀρέα καὶ τὸν Ἀλκιβιάδην, ἐφ' ᾧ  
 ταλαντιαίαν λαβόντες κτήσιν ἐκ τῶν ἰδίων τὰ  
 4 λοιπὰ διαδοῦναι τοῖς ἀξίοις τῆς πολιτείας. Σήρ-  
 ιππος δ' ἐπρέσβευε περὶ τοῦ μένειν τὴν ὑποκειμένην  
 κατάστασιν, ἣν ἔχοντές ποτε συνεπολιτεύοντο μετὰ  
 5 τῶν Ἀχαιῶν. ἀπὸ δὲ τῶν τεθνατωμένων καὶ  
 τῶν ἐκπεπτωκότων κατὰ τὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν δόγματα  
 παρῆσαν οἱ περὶ Χαίρωνα, κάθοδον αὐτοῖς ἀξιοῦντες  
 συγχωρηθῆναι καὶ τὴν πολιτείαν ἀποκαταστα-  
 6 θῆναι τοιαύτην, . . . ἐποιοῦντο πρὸς τοὺς Ἀχαι-  
 7 οὺς οἰκείους ταῖς ἰδίαις ὑποθέσεσι λόγους. οὐ  
 δυναμένη <δὲ> διευκρινεῖν ἢ σύγκλητος τὰς κατὰ  
 μέρος διαφοράς, προεχειρίσατο τρεῖς ἄνδρας τοὺς  
 καὶ πρότερον ἤδη πεπρεσβευκότας περὶ τούτων  
 εἰς τὴν Πελοπόννησον· οὗτοι δ' ἦσαν Τίτος,  
 8 Κόιντος Καικίλιος, <Ἄππιος Κλαύδιος>. ἐφ' οἷς  
 γενομένων λόγων πλειόνων, ὑπὲρ μὲν τοῦ κατα-  
 πορεύεσθαι τοὺς πεφευγότας καὶ τεθνατωμένους  
 καὶ περὶ τοῦ μένειν τὴν πόλιν μετὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν  
 9 ἐγένετο πᾶσι σύμφωνον, περὶ δὲ τῶν κτήσεων,



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10 πότερον δεῖ τὸ τάλαντον εἰς ἑκάστους τοὺς φυγάδας  
 ἐκ τῶν ἰδίων ἐκλέξασθαι . . . , περὶ τούτων  
 11 διημφισβήτουν πρὸς ἀλλήλους. ἵνα δὲ μὴ πάλιν  
 ἐξ ἀκεραίου περὶ πάντων ἀντιλέγοιεν, ἔγγραπτον  
 ὑπὲρ τῶν ὁμολογουμένων . . . , ἐφ' ὃ πάντες  
 12 ἐπέβαλον τὰς ἰδίας σφραγίδας. οἱ δὲ περὶ  
 τὸν Τίτον βουλόμενοι καὶ τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς εἰς τὴν  
 ὁμολογίαν ἐμπλέξαι, προσεκαλέσαντο τοὺς περὶ  
 13 Ξέναρχον. οὗτοι γὰρ ἐπρέσβευον τότε παρὰ τῶν  
 Ἀχαιῶν, ἅμα μὲν ἀνανεούμενοι τὴν συμμαχίαν,  
 ἅμα δὲ τῇ τῶν Λακεδαιμονίων διαφορᾷ προσ-  
 14 εδρεύοντες. καὶ παρὰ τὴν προσδοκίαν ἐρωτώμενοι  
 περὶ τῶν γραφομένων, εἰ συνευδοκοῦσιν, οὐκ  
 οἶδ' ὅπως εἰς ἀπορίαν ἐνέπεσον. δυσηρεστοῦντο  
 μὲν γὰρ τῇ καθόδῳ τῶν φυγάδων καὶ τῶν τεθανα-  
 τωμένων διὰ τὸ γίνεσθαι παρὰ τὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν  
 δόγματα καὶ παρὰ τὴν στήλην, εὐδοκοῦντο δὲ τοῖς  
 ὅλοις τῷ γράφεσθαι διότι <δεῖ> τὴν πόλιν τῶν  
 Λακεδαιμονίων πολιτεύειν μετὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν.  
 15 καὶ πέρας τὰ μὲν ἀπορούμενοι, τὰ δὲ καταπλητ-  
 τόμενοι τοὺς ἄνδρας, ἐπεβάλον τὴν σφραγίδα.  
 16 ἡ δὲ σύγκλητος προχειρισμένη Κόιντον Μάρκιον  
 πρεσβευτὴν ἐξαπέστειλεν ἐπὶ τε τὰ κατὰ Μακε-  
 δονίαν καὶ τὰ κατὰ Πελοπόννησον.

5 Ὅτι Δεινοκράτης ὁ Μεσσήνιος παραγενόμενος  
 xiv. 5) εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην πρεσβευτὴς καὶ καταλαβὼν τὸν  
 Τίτον πρεσβευτὴν καθεσταμένον ὑπὸ τῆς συγκλή-  
 του πρὸς τε Προυσίαν καὶ τὸν Σέλευκον, περι-

worth of his own property should be assigned to each exile or whether . . . they differed. But in order that the whole matter should not be rediscussed from the beginning, they drew up a written agreement about the points not in dispute to which all the parties affixed their seals. Flamininus and his colleagues, wishing to involve the Achaeans in this agreement, invited to meet them Xenarchus and the others who had been sent as envoys at the time by the Achaeans, partly to renew the alliance and partly to watch the result of the various demands made by the Spartans. Contrary to his expectation, when asked if they approved of the written agreement they for some reason or other hesitated. On the one hand they were not pleased with the recall of the exiles and of those put to death, because it was contrary to the Achaean decree as inscribed on the column ; but they were on the whole pleased, because it was written in the agreement that Sparta was to remain a member of the Achaean League. At length, however, partly out of inability to decide, and partly from fear of Flamininus and his colleagues, they affixed their seal. The senate now appointed Quintus Marcius Philippus their legate, and dispatched him to Macedonia and the Peloponnesus.

*Deinocrates of Messene*

(Cp. Livy xxxix. 51.)

5. Deinocrates of Messene, on arriving at Rome on a mission from his country and learning that Flamininus had been appointed by the senate its legate to Prusias and Seleucus, was overjoyed,



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- 2 χαρῆς ἐγενήθη, νομίζων τὸν Τίτον διὰ τε τὴν  
 πρὸς αὐτὸν φιλίαν—ἐγεγόνει γὰρ αὐτῷ συνήθης  
 κατὰ τὸν Λακωνικὸν πόλεμον—καὶ διὰ τὴν πρὸς  
 τὸν Φιλοποίμενα διαφορὰν, παραγενόμενον εἰς  
 τὴν Ἑλλάδα, χειριεῖν τὰ κατὰ τὴν Μεσσήνην  
 3 πάντα κατὰ τὴν αὐτοῦ προαίρεσιν. διὸ καὶ παρῆς  
 τ᾿ ἄλλα προσεκαρτέρει τῷ Τίτῳ καὶ πάσας εἰς  
 τοῦτον ἀπηρείσατο τὰς ἐλπίδας.
- 4 Ὅτι Δεινοκράτης ὁ Μεσσήνιος ἦν οὐ μόνον κατὰ  
 τὴν τριβὴν, ἀλλὰ καὶ κατὰ τὴν φύσιν αὐλικὸς καὶ  
 5 στρατιωτικὸς ἄνθρωπος. τὸν δὲ πραγματικὸν τρό-  
 πον ἐπέφαινε μὲν τέλειον, ἦν δὲ ψευδεπίγραφος  
 6 καὶ ῥωπικός. ἔν τε γὰρ τοῖς πολεμικοῖς κατὰ  
 μὲν τὴν εὐχέρειαν καὶ τὴν τόλμαν πολὺ διέφερε  
 τῶν ἄλλων καὶ λαμπρὸς ἦν ἐν τοῖς κατ' ἰδίαν  
 7 κινδύνοις. ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ κατὰ τὴν ἄλλην διά-  
 θεσιν ἐν μὲν ταῖς ὁμιλίαις εὐχαρις καὶ πρόχειρος  
 ἦν, παρά τε τὰς συνουσίας εὐτράπελος καὶ πολι-  
 8 τικός, ἅμα δὲ τούτοις φιλέραστος, περὶ δὲ κοινῶν  
 ἢ πολιτικῶν πραγμάτων ἀτενίσει καὶ προἰδέσθαι  
 τὸ μέλλον ἀσφαλῶς, ἔτι δὲ παρασκευάσασθαι  
 καὶ διαλεχθῆναι πρὸς πλῆθος, εἰς τέλος ἀδύνατος.  
 9 καὶ τότε κεκινηκῶς ἀρχὴν μεγάλων κακῶν τῇ  
 πατρίδι, τελείως οὐδὲν ᾤετο ποιεῖν, ἀλλὰ τὴν  
 αὐτὴν ἀγωγὴν ἤγε τοῦ βίου, προορώμενος οὐδὲν  
 τῶν μελλόντων, ἐρῶν δὲ καὶ κωθωνιζόμενος ἀφ'  
 ἡμέρας καὶ τοῖς ἀκροάμασι τὰς ἀκοὰς ἀνατεθεικῶς.
- 10 βραχεῖαν δέ τινα τῆς περιστάσεως ἔμφασιν ὁ  
 11 Τίτος αὐτὸν ἠνάγκασε λαβεῖν. ἰδὼν γὰρ αὐτὸν  
 παρὰ πότον ἐν μακροῖς ἱματίοις ὀρχούμενον, παρ'  
 αὐτὰ μὲν ἐσιώπησε, τῇ δ' αὔριον ἐντυγχάνοντος

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αὐτοῦ καί τι περὶ τῆς πατρίδος ἀξιοῦντος “ ἐγὼ  
μέν, ὦ Δεινοκράτη, πᾶν ” ἔφη “ ποιήσω τὸ  
12 δυνατόν· ἐπὶ δὲ σοῦ θαυμάζω πῶς δύνη παρὰ  
πότον ὀρχεῖσθαι, τηλικούτων πραγμάτων ἀρχὴν  
κεκινήκως ἐν τοῖς “ Ἑλλησιν. ” ἔδόκει δὲ τότε  
13 βραχὺ τι συσταλῆναι καὶ μαθεῖν ὡς ἀνοίκειον  
ὑπόθεσιν τῆς ἰδίας αἰρέσεως καὶ φύσεως ἀποδέδωκε.

Πλὴν τότε παρῆν εἰς τὴν Ἑλλάδα μετὰ τοῦ  
14 Τίτου πεπεισμένος ἐξ ἐφόδου τὰ κατὰ τὴν Μεσ-  
σήνην χειρισθήσεσθαι κατὰ τὴν αὐτοῦ βούλησιν.  
οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Φιλοποίμενα, σαφῶς ἐπεγνωκότες  
15 ὅτι περὶ τῶν Ἑλληνικῶν ὁ Τίτος οὐδεμίαν ἐντο-  
λὴν ἔχει παρὰ τῆς συγκλήτου, τὴν ἡσυχίαν εἶχον,  
καταδοκοῦντες αὐτοῦ τὴν παρουσίαν. ἐπεὶ δὲ  
16 καταπλεύσας εἰς Ναύπακτον ἔγραψε τῷ στρατηγῷ  
καὶ τοῖς δαμιουργοῖς τῶν Ἀχαιῶν, κελεύων  
συνάγειν τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς εἰς ἐκκλησίαν, ἀντέγραψαν  
17 αὐτῷ διότι ποιήσουσιν, ἂν γράψῃ περὶ τίνων  
βούλεται διαλεχθῆναι τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς· τοὺς γὰρ  
νόμους ταῦτα τοῖς ἄρχουσιν ἐπιτάττειν. τοῦ δὲ  
18 μὴ τολμῶντος γράφειν, αἱ μὲν τοῦ Δεινοκράτους  
ἐλπίδες καὶ τῶν ἀρχαίων λεγομένων φυγάδων,  
τότε δὲ προσφάτως ἐκ τῆς Λακεδαίμονος ἐκπε-  
πτωκότων, καὶ συλλήβδην ἢ τοῦ Τίτου παρουσία  
καὶ προσδοκία τοῦτον τὸν τρόπον διέπεσεν.

### II. RES GRAECIAE

6 Ὅτι κατὰ τοὺς αὐτοὺς καιροὺς ἔξαπεστάλησαν  
iv. 11) ὑπὸ τῶν ἐκ Λακεδαίμονος φυγάδων πρέσβεις

crates came to see him and made some request about Messene, he said, “ I, Deinocrates, will do what I can ; but as for you I am surprised how you can dance at parties, after having begun such troubles for Greece.” He then for a time appeared to put a check on himself and realize that he had betrayed in an improper manner his true character and nature.

However, he appeared now in Greece with Flamininus, convinced that he had only to show his face when the affairs of Messene would be arranged as he wished. But Philopoemen, well knowing that Flamininus had no instructions from the senate regarding the affairs of Greece, kept quiet awaiting his arrival, and when, on disembarking at Naupactus, he wrote to the strategus and damiurges <sup>a</sup> of the Achaeans, ordering them to call the general assembly of the Achaeans, they replied that they would do so upon his informing them on what subjects he wished to address the Achaeans ; for that was the course imposed on the magistrates by their laws. As Flamininus did not venture to reply, the hopes of Deinocrates and of the “ old exiles,” as they were called, who had then quite recently been exiled from Sparta, and in general the expectations created by Flamininus’s arrival came to nothing.

## II. AFFAIRS OF GREECE

### *The Spartan Envoys*

6. At the same time envoys were sent by the Lacedaemonian exiles to Rome, among them being

<sup>a</sup> The ten magistrates of the league who formed the council of the strategus.

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εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, ἐν οἷς ἦν Ἀρκεσίλαος καὶ Ἀγησί-  
πολις, ὃς ἔτι παῖς ὢν ἐγενήθη βασιλεὺς ἐν τῇ  
2 Σπάρτῃ. τούτους μὲν οὖν λησταί τινες περι-  
3 πεσόντες ἐν τῷ πελάγει διέφθειραν, οἱ δὲ μετὰ  
τούτων κατασταθέντες διεκομίσθησαν εἰς τὴν  
Ῥώμην.

### III. RES MACEDONIAE

7 "Ὅτι τοῦ Δημητρίου παραγεννηθέντος ἐκ τῆς  
xiii. 7) Ῥώμης εἰς τὴν Μακεδονίαν καὶ κομίζοντος τὰς  
ἀποκρίσεις, ἐν αἷς οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι πᾶσαν τὴν ἐξ  
αὐτῶν χάριν καὶ πίστιν εἰς τὸν Δημήτριον ἀπ-  
ηρείδοντο καὶ διὰ τοῦτον ἔφασαν πάντα πεποιοη-  
2 κέναι καὶ ποιήσειν, οἱ μὲν Μακεδόνες ἀπεδέχοντο  
τὸν Δημήτριον, μεγάλων ὑπολαμβάνοντες ἀπο-  
3 λελύσθαι φόβων καὶ κινδύνων—προσεδόκων γὰρ  
ὅσον οὐπω τὸν ἀπὸ Ῥωμαίων πόλεμον ἐπ' αὐτοὺς  
4 ἦξειν διὰ τὰς τοῦ Φιλίππου παρατριβάς—ὁ δὲ  
Φίλιππος καὶ Περσεὺς οὐχ ἠδέως ἔώρων τὸ  
γινόμενον, οὐδ' ἤρεσεν αὐτοῖς τὸ δοκεῖν τοὺς  
Ῥωμαίους αὐτῶν μὲν μηθένα λόγον ποιεῖσθαι,  
τῷ δὲ Δημητρίῳ πᾶσαν ἀνατιθέναι τὴν ἐξ αὐτῶν  
5 χάριν. οὐ μὲν <ἀλλ' > ὁ μὲν Φίλιππος ἐπεκρύπτετο  
τὴν ἐπὶ τούτοις δυσaréστησιν, ὁ δὲ Περσεύς, οὐ  
μόνον ἐν τῇ πρὸς Ῥωμαίους εὐνοία παρὰ πολὺ  
τᾶδελφοῦ λειπόμενος, ἀλλὰ καὶ περὶ τᾶλλα πάντα  
καθυστερῶν καὶ τῇ φύσει καὶ τῇ κατασκευῇ,  
6 δυσχερῶς ἔφερε· τὸ δὲ συνέχον, ἐδεδῖει περὶ τῆς  
ἀρχῆς, μὴ πρεσβύτερος ὢν ἐξωσθῆ διὰ τὰς προ-  
7 ειρημένας αἰτίας. διὸ τοὺς τε φίλους ἔφθειρε  
τοὺς τοῦ Δημητρίου . . .



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8 "Οτι τῶν περὶ τὸν Κόιντον τὸν Μάρκιον πρε-  
xiv. 6) σβευσάντων εἰς Μακεδονίαν, ἀπέβη μὲν ἀπὸ τῶν  
ἐπὶ Θράκης Ἑλληνίδων πόλεων ὀλοσχερῶς ὁ  
Φίλιππος καὶ τὰς φρουρὰς ἐξήγαγεν, ἀπέβη δὲ  
2 βαρυνόμενος καὶ στένων. διωρθώσατο δὲ καὶ  
τᾶλλα πάντα, περὶ ὧν οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι ἐπέτατ-  
τον, βουλόμενος ἐκείνοις μὲν μηδεμίαν ἔμφασιν  
ποιεῖν ἀλλοτριότητος, λαμβάνειν δ' ἀναστροφὴν  
3 πρὸς τὰς εἰς τὸν πόλεμον παρασκευάς. τηρῶν  
δὲ τὴν προκειμένην ὑπόθεσιν, ἐξήγε στρατιὰν  
4 ἐπὶ τοὺς βαρβάρους. διελθὼν δὲ διὰ μέσης τῆς  
Θράκης ἐνέβαλεν εἰς Ὀδρύσας <καὶ> Βέσσους  
5 καὶ Δενθηλήτους. παραγενόμενος δ' ἐπὶ τὴν προσ-  
αγορευομένην Φιλίππου πόλιν, φυγόντων τῶν  
ἐνοικούντων εἰς τὰς ἀκρωρείας, ἐξ ἐφόδου κατέσχε  
6 τὴν πόλιν. μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα πᾶν τὸ πεδῖον ἐπι-  
δραμῶν καὶ τοὺς μὲν ἐκπορθήσας, παρ' ὧν δὲ  
πίστεις λαβῶν, ἐπανῆλθε, φρουρὰν καταλιπὼν  
7 ἐν τῇ Φιλίππου πόλει. ταύτην δὲ συνέβη μετὰ  
τινα χρόνον ἐκπεσεῖν ὑπὸ τῶν Ὀδρυσῶν, ἀθετη-  
σάντων τὰς πρὸς τὸν βασιλέα πίστεις.

### IV. RES ITALIAE

9 "Οτι κατὰ τὸ δεύτερον ἔτος ἢ σύγκλητος,  
iv. 10) παραγενομένων πρέσβων παρ' Εὐμένους καὶ Φαρ-  
νάκου <καὶ Φιλίππου> καὶ παρὰ τοῦ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν  
ἔθνους, ἔτι δὲ παρὰ τῶν ἐκ τῆς Λακεδαίμονος  
ἐκπεπτωκότων καὶ παρὰ τῶν κατεχόντων τὴν  
2 πόλιν, ἐχρημάτισε τούτοις. ἦκον δὲ καὶ Ῥόδιοι  
3 πρεσβεύοντες ὑπὲρ τῆς Σινωπέων ἀτυχίας. τούτοις  
410

## BOOK XXIII. 8. 1 – 9. 3

(Cp. Livy, *ibid.*)

8. Upon the arrival in Macedonia of Quintus Marcius and the other Roman legates, Philip entirely evacuated the Greek towns in Thrace, withdrawing his garrisons, but he relinquished them in a sullen and grumbling spirit and with many sighs. He also set right all the other matters about which the Romans directed him, as he wished to give no sign of hostility to them and thus gain time to make his preparations for war. Adhering to his resolve he now made an expedition against the barbarians. Passing through central Thrace he invaded the country of the Odrysians, the Bessi, and the Dentheleti. On his arrival at Philippopolis, the inhabitants fled to the hills, and he took the city at once. After this he raided the whole plain, and, after devastating the lands of some and receiving the submission of others, he returned, leaving in Philippopolis a garrison which was shortly afterwards expelled by the Odrysians, who broke their pledges to the king.

### IV. AFFAIRS OF ITALY

#### *Greek Embassies in Rome. Report of Marcius*

(Cp. Livy xl. 2. 6.)

9. In the second year of this Olympiad (149) upon the arrival in Rome of embassies from Eumenes, Pharnaces and Philip, from the Achaean League, and from both the exiled Lacedaemonians and those in possession of the city, the senate gave them all audience. Envoys also came from Rhodes on the subject of the calamity that had overtaken Sinope.



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μὲν οὖν καὶ τοῖς παρ' Εὐμένους καὶ Φαρνάκου  
πρεσβεύουσιν ἢ σύγκλητος ἀπεκρίθη διότι πέμψει  
πρεσβευτὰς τοὺς ἐπισκεψομένους περί τε Σινωπέων  
καὶ περί τῶν τοῖς βασιλεῦσιν ἀμφισβητουμένων.  
4 τοῦ δὲ Κοῖντου Μαρκίου προσφάτως ἐκ τῆς  
Ἑλλάδος παραγεγονότος καὶ περί τε τῶν ἐν  
Μακεδονία καὶ περί τῶν ἐν Πελοποννήσῳ δια-  
σεσαφηκότος, οὐκέτι πολλῶν προσεδεήθη λόγων  
5 ἢ σύγκλητος, ἀλλ' εἰσκαλεσαμένη καὶ τοὺς ἀπὸ  
Πελοποννήσου καὶ Μακεδονίας πρεσβεύοντας δι-  
ήκουσε μὲν τῶν λόγων, τὰς γε μὴν ἀποκρίσεις  
ἔδωκε καὶ τὴν διάληψιν ἐποιήσατο τῶν πραγμάτων  
οὐ πρὸς τοὺς τῶν πρεσβευτῶν λόγους, ἀλλὰ πρὸς  
6 τὴν ἀποπρεσβείαν ἀρμοσαμένη τοῦ Μαρκίου. ὃς  
ὑπὲρ μὲν τοῦ Φιλίππου τοῦ βασιλέως ἀπηγγέλλει  
διότι πεποίηκε μὲν τὰ προσταττόμενα, πεποίηκε  
δὲ τὰ πάντα βαρυνόμενος, καὶ <καθ>ὅτι λαβὼν  
7 καιρὸν πᾶν τι ποιήσει κατὰ Ῥωμαίων. διὸ καὶ  
τοῖς μὲν παρὰ τοῦ Φιλίππου πρεσβευταῖς τοιαύτην  
ἔδωκε τὴν ἀπόκρισιν, δι' ἧς ἐπὶ μὲν τοῖς γεγονόσιν  
ἐπῆναι τὸν Φίλιππον, εἰς δὲ τὸ λοιπὸν ᾧετο δεῖν  
προσέχειν αὐτὸν, ἵνα μηδὲν ὑπεναντίον φαίνεται  
8 πράττων Ῥωμαίοις. περί δὲ τῶν κατὰ Πελοπόν-  
νησον ὁ Μάρκιος τοιαύτην ἐπεποίητο τὴν ἀπαγγε-  
λίαν διότι, τῶν Ἀχαιῶν οὐ βουλομένων ἀναφέρειν  
οὐδὲν ἐπὶ τὴν σύγκλητον, ἀλλὰ φρονηματιζομένων  
καὶ πάντα δι' ἑαυτῶν πράττειν ἐπιβαλλομένων,  
9 εἴαν παρακούσωσι μόνον αὐτῶν κατὰ τὸ παρὸν  
καὶ βραχεῖαν ἔμφασιν ποιήσωσιν δυσारेστήσεως,  
ταχέως ἢ Λακεδαίμων τῇ Μεσσήνῃ συμφρονήσει.  
10 τούτου δὲ γενομένου μετὰ μεγάλης χάριτος ἦξεν  
τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς ἔφη καταπεφευγότας ἐπὶ Ῥωμαίους.

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- 11 διότι τοῖς μὲν ἐκ τῆς Λακεδαίμονος ἀπεκρίθησαν  
τοῖς περὶ Σήριππον, βουλόμενοι μετέωρον εἶσαι  
τὴν πόλιν, διότι πάντα πεποιήκασιν αὐτοῖς τὰ  
δυνατά, κατὰ δὲ τὸ παρὸν οὐ νομίζουσιν εἶναι  
12 τοῦτο τὸ πρᾶγμα πρὸς αὐτούς. τῶν δ' Ἀχαιῶν  
παρακαλούντων, εἰ μὲν δυνατόν ἐστιν, βοήθειαν  
αὐτοῖς πέμψαι κατὰ τὴν συμμαχίαν ἐπὶ τοὺς  
Μεσσηνίους, εἰ δὲ μή, προνοηθῆναι <γ> ἵνα  
μηθεῖς τῶν ἐξ Ἰταλίας μήθ' ὄπλα μήτε σῖτον εἰς  
τὴν Μεσσήνην εἰσαγάγη, τούτων μὲν οὐδενὶ  
13 προσεῖχον, ἀπεκρίθησαν δὲ διότι οὐδ' ἂν ὁ Λακε-  
δαιμονίων ἢ Κορινθίων ἢ <τῶν> Ἀργείων ἀφίστη-  
ται δῆμος, οὐ δεήσει τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς θαυμάζειν  
14 εἰ μὴ πρὸς αὐτοὺς ἡγῶνται. ταύτην δὲ τὴν  
ἀπόκρισιν ἐκθέμενοι, κηρύγματος ἔχουσαν διά-  
θεσιν τοῖς βουλομένοις ἕνεκεν Ῥωμαίων ἀφί-  
στασθαι τῆς τῶν Ἀχαιῶν πολιτείας, λοιπὸν τοὺς  
πρεσβευτὰς παρακατεῖχον, καταδοκοῦντες τὰ κατὰ  
τὴν Μεσσήνην, πῶς προχωρήσει τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς.  
15 καὶ τὰ μὲν κατὰ τὴν Ἰταλίαν ἐν τούτοις ἦν.

### V. RES MACEDONIAE

- 10 Ὅτι τῷ βασιλεῖ Φιλίππῳ καὶ τῇ συμπάσῃ  
xiv. 8) Μακεδονία κατὰ τοῦτον τὸν καιρὸν δεινὴ τις  
ἀρχὴ κακῶν ἐνέπεσε καὶ πολλῆς ἐπιστάσεως καὶ  
2 μνήμης ἀξία. καθάπερ γὰρ ἂν εἰ δίκην ἢ τύχην  
βουλομένη λαβεῖν καιρῷ παρ' αὐτοῦ πάντων τῶν  
ἀσεβημάτων καὶ παρανομημάτων ὧν εἰργάσατο  
κατὰ τὸν βίον, τότε παρέστησέ τινας ἐρινῶς καὶ  
ποιναῖς καὶ προστροπαίους τῶν δι' ἐκεῖνον ἡτυχη-  
3 κόντων· οἳ συνόντες αὐτῷ καὶ νύκτωρ καὶ μεθ'  
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## BOOK XXIII. 9. 11 – 10. 3

Romans. So they replied to Serippus, the representative of Sparta, as they wished the city to remain in suspense, that they had done all in their power for the Spartans, but at present they did not think that the matter concerned them. When the Achaeans begged them, if it were possible, to send a force in virtue of their alliance to help them against the Messenians, or if not to see to it that no one coming from Italy should import arms or food to Messene, they paid no attention to either request, and answered them that not even if the people of Sparta, Corinth or Argos deserted the League should the Achaeans be surprised if the senate did not think it concerned them. Giving full publicity to this reply, which was a sort of proclamation that the Romans would not interfere with those who wished to desert the Achaean League, they continued to detain the envoys, waiting to see how the Achaeans would get on at Messene. Such was the situation in Italy.

### V. AFFAIRS OF MACEDONIA

(Cp. Livy xl. 3. 3.)

10. This year witnessed the first outbreak of terrible misfortunes for King Philip and the whole of Macedonia, an event fully worthy of attention and careful record. For it was now that Fortune, as if she meant to punish him at one and the same time for all the wicked and criminal acts he had committed in his life, sent to haunt him a host of the furies, tormentors and avenging spirits of his victims, phantoms that never leaving him by

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ἡμέραν τοιαύτας ἔλαβον παρ' αὐτοῦ τιμωρίας,  
 ἕως οὗ τὸ ζῆν ἐξέλιπεν, ὡς καὶ πάντας ἀνθρώπους  
 ὁμολογῆσαι διότι κατὰ τὴν παροιμίαν ἔστι τις  
 Δίκης ὀφθαλμός, ἧς μηδέποτε δεῖ καταφρονεῖν  
 4 ἀνθρώπους ὑπάρχοντας. πρῶτον μὲν γὰρ αὐτῷ  
 ταύτην παρεστήσαντο τὴν ἔννοιαν ὅτι δεῖ μέλλοντα  
 πολεμεῖν πρὸς Ῥωμαίους ἐκ τῶν ἐπιφανεστάτων  
 καὶ παραθαλαττίων πόλεων τοὺς μὲν πολιτικούς  
 ἄνδρας μετὰ τέκνων καὶ γυναικῶν ἀναστάτους  
 ποιήσαντα μεταγαγεῖν εἰς τὴν νῦν μὲν Ἡμαθίαν,  
 τὸ δὲ παλαιὸν Παιονίαν προσαγορευομένην, πλη-  
 ρῶσαι <δὲ> καὶ Θρακῶν καὶ βαρβάρων τὰς πόλεις,  
 5 ὡς βεβαιότερας αὐτῷ τῆς ἐκ τούτων πίστεως  
 ὑπαρξούσης κατὰ τὰς περιστάσεις. οὗ συν-  
 6 τελουμένου, καὶ τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἀνασπάστων γι-  
 νομένων, τηλικούτο συνέβη γενέσθαι πένθος καὶ  
 τηλικούτον θόρυβον ὥστε δοριάλωτον δοκεῖν  
 7 ἅπασαν γίνεσθαι. ἐξ ὧν κατάραι καὶ θεοκλυ-  
 τήσεις ἐγίνοντο κατὰ τοῦ βασιλέως, οὐκέτι λάθρα  
 8 μόνον, ἀλλὰ καὶ φανερώς. μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα βου-  
 ληθεὶς μηδὲν ἀλλότριον ὑποκαθέσθαι μηδὲ δυσ-  
 μενὲς μηδὲν ἀπολιπεῖν τὴν βασιλείαν, ἔγραψε τοῖς  
 ἐπὶ τῶν πόλεων διατεταγμένοις ἀναζητήσασιν τοὺς  
 υἱοὺς καὶ τὰς θυγατέρας τῶν ὑπ' αὐτοῦ Μακε-  
 9 δόνων ἀνηρημένων, εἰς φυλακὴν ἀποθέσθαι, μάλιστα  
 μὲν φέρων ἐπὶ τοὺς περὶ Ἄδμητον καὶ Πύρριχον καὶ  
 10 Σάμον καὶ τοὺς μετὰ τούτων ἀπολομένους· ἅμα δὲ  
 τούτοις συμπεριέλαβε καὶ τοὺς ἄλλους ἅπαντας,  
 ὅσοι κατὰ βασιλικὸν πρόσταγμα τοῦ ζῆν ἐστερήθη-  
 σαν, ἐπιφθεγξάμενος, ὡς φασι, τὸν στίχον τοῦτον·

νήπιος ὃς πατέρα κτείνας υἱοὺς καταλείπει.



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11 ὄντων δὲ τῶν πλείστων ἐπιφανῶν διὰ τὰς τῶν  
πατέρων προαγωγὰς, ἐπιφανῆ καὶ τὴν τούτων  
ἀτυχίαν συνέβαινε γίνεσθαι καὶ παρὰ πᾶσιν ἐλεει-  
12 νήν. τρίτον δ' ἡ τύχη δράμα κατὰ τὸν αὐτὸν καὶ-  
13 ρὸν ἐπεισήγαγεν τὸ κατὰ τοὺς υἱούς, ἐν ᾧ τῶν  
μὲν νεανίσκων ἀλλήλοις ἐπιβουλευόντων, τῆς δ'  
ἀναφορᾶς περὶ τούτων ἐπ' αὐτὸν γινομένης, καὶ  
δέον διαλαμβάνειν ποτέρου δεῖ γίνεσθαι τῶν υἱῶν  
φονέα καὶ πότερον αὐτῶν δεδιέναι μᾶλλον κατὰ  
τὸν ἐξῆς βίον, μὴ γηράσκων αὐτὸς πάθη τὸ παρα-  
πλήσιον, ἐστροβεῖτο νύκτωρ καὶ μεθ' ἡμέραν  
14 περὶ τούτων διανοούμενος. ἐν τοιαύταις δ' οὔσης  
ἀτυχίαις καὶ παραχαῖς τῆς αὐτοῦ ψυχῆς, τίς οὐκ  
ἂν εἰκότως ὑπολάβοι θεῶν τινῶν αὐτῷ μῆνιν εἰς  
τὸ γῆρας κατασκῆψαι διὰ τὰς ἐν τῷ προγεγονότι  
15 βίῳ παρανομίας; τοῦτο δ' ἔτι μᾶλλον ἔσται  
δῆλον ἐκ τῶν ἐξῆς ῥηθησομένων.

“Ὅτι Φίλιππος ὁ Μακεδόνων βασιλεὺς πολλοὺς  
τῶν Μακεδόνων ἀνελὼν καὶ τοὺς υἱοὺς αὐτῶν  
ἐπανεῖλεν, ὡς φασι, τὸν στίχον τοῦτον εἰπών·

νήπιος ὃς πατέρα κτείνας υἱοὺς καταλείπει.

16 . . . καὶ διὰ ταῦτα τῆς ψυχῆς οἶονεὶ λυττώσης  
αὐτοῦ, καὶ τὸ κατὰ τοὺς υἱοὺς νεῖκος ἅμα τοῖς  
προειρημένοις ἐξεκαύθη, τῆς τύχης ὥσπερ ἐπίτηδες  
ἀναβιβαζούσης ἐπὶ σκηνὴν ἐν ἐνὶ καιρῷ τὰς  
τούτων συμφοράς.

17 Ἐναγίζουσιν οὖν τᾷ Ξανθῷ Μακεδόνες καὶ  
καθαρμὸν ποιοῦσι σὺν ἵπποις ὤπλισμένοις.

As most of these young people were notable owing to the high stations their fathers had held, their misfortune too became notable, and excited the pity of all. And the third tragedy which Fortune produced at the same time was that concerning his sons. The young men were plotting against each other, and as the matter was referred to him, and it fell to him to decide of which of them he had to be the murderer and which of them he had to fear most for the rest of his life, lest he in his old age should suffer the same fate, he was disturbed night and day by this thought. Who can help thinking, that, his mind being thus afflicted and troubled, it was the wrath of heaven which had descended on his old age, owing to the crimes of his past life? And this will be still more evident from what follows.

Philip of Macedon after putting many Macedonians to death, killed their sons also,<sup>a</sup> quoting as they say, the verse :

A fool is he who slays the sire and leaves the sons alive.

. . . And while his mind was almost maddened by this thought, the quarrel of his sons burst into flame at the same time, Fortune as if of set purpose bringing their misfortunes on the stage at one and the same time.

(Suid.)

The Macedonians offer sacrifices to Xanthus and make a piacular offering to him with armed horses.

<sup>a</sup> For the sequel see Livy xl. 5-24.



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**11** "Οτι " δεῖ μὴ μόνον ἀναγινώσκειν τὰς τραγω-  
 iv. 8<sup>a</sup>) δίας καὶ τοὺς μύθους καὶ τὰς ἱστορίας, ἀλλὰ  
 καὶ γινώσκειν καὶ συνεφιστάνειν ἐπὶ τοῦτο τὸ  
 2 μέρος. ἐν οἷς ἅπασιν ἔστιν ὄραν, ὅσοι μὲν τῶν  
 ἀδελφῶν εἰς τὴν πρὸς ἀλλήλους ὀργὴν καὶ φιλο-  
 νικίαν ἐμπεσόντες ἐπὶ πολὺ προύβησαν, ἅπαντας  
 τοὺς τοιούτους οὐ μόνον σφᾶς ἀπολωλεκότας,  
 ἀλλὰ καὶ βίον καὶ τέκνα καὶ πόλεις ἄρδην κατ-  
 3 εστραφότας, ὅσοι δὲ μετρίως ἐζήλωσαν τὸ στέργειν  
 αὐτοὺς καὶ φέρειν τὰς ἀλλήλων ἀγνοίας, τούτους  
 ἅπαντας σωτήρας γεγονότας ὧν ἀρτίως εἶπον  
 καὶ μετὰ τῆς καλλίστης φήμης καὶ δόξης βεβιω-  
 4 κότας. καὶ μὴν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἐν τῇ Λακεδαίμονι  
 βασιλεῖς πολλάκις ὑμᾶς ἐπέεστησα, λέγων ὅτι  
 τοσοῦτον χρόνον διετήρησαν σφῶν τῇ πατρίδι  
 τὴν τῶν Ἑλλήνων ἡγεμονίαν ὅσον πειθαρχοῦντες  
 ὥσπερ γονεῦσι τοῖς ἐφόροις ἠνείχοντο συμβασι-  
 5 λεύοντες ἀλλήλοις· ὅτε δὲ <δια>φωνήσαντες εἰς  
 μοναρχίαν τὰ πράγματα μετέστησαν, τότε πάντων  
 6 ἅμα τῶν κακῶν πείραν ἐποίησαν λαβεῖν τὴν  
 Σπάρτην· τὸ δὲ τελευταῖον ὡσανεὶ κατ' ἔνδειξιν  
 ὑμῖν λέγων καὶ τιθεὶς ἐναργῶς ὑπὸ τὴν ὄψιν  
 διετέλουν τούτους τοὺς περὶ τὸν Εὐμένη καὶ τὸν  
 7 Ἄτταλον, ὅτι παραλαβόντες οὗτοι μικρὰν ἀρχὴν  
 καὶ τὴν τυχοῦσαν ηὐξήκασιν ταύτην, ὥστε μηδε-  
 μιᾶς εἶναι καταδεεστέραν, δι' οὐθὲν ἕτερον ἢ διὰ  
 τὴν πρὸς αὐτοὺς ὁμόνοιαν καὶ συμφωνίαν καὶ τὸ  
 8 δύνασθαι καταξίωσιν ἀλλήλοις διαφυλάττειν· ὧν  
 ὑμεῖς ἀκούοντες οὐχ οἶον εἰς νοῦν ἐλαμβάνετε, τὸ  
 δ' ἐναντίον ἠκονᾶτ', ἐμοὶ δοκεῖ, τοὺς κατ' ἀλλήλων  
 θυμούς."

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## V. RES GRAECIAE

12 Πολύβιος. ὁ δ' ἐξαναστάς προῆγε, τὰ μὲν ὑπὸ  
iv. 8<sup>b</sup>) τῆς ἀρρωστίας, τὰ δ' ὑπὸ τῆς ἡλικίας βαρυνό-  
2 μενος· εἶχε γὰρ ἑβδομηκοστὸν ἔτος. Πολύβιος·  
διαβιασάμενος δὲ τὴν ἀσθένειαν τῇ συνηθείᾳ τῇ  
πρὸ τοῦ παρῆν ἐξ Ἄργους εἰς Μεγάλην πόλιν  
αὐθημερόν.

3 Ὅτι Φιλοποίμην ὁ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν στρατηγὸς  
συλληφθεὶς ὑπὸ Μεσσηνίων ἀνηρέθη φαρμάκῳ,  
ἀνὴρ γενόμενος οὐδενὸς τῶν πρὸ τοῦ κατ' ἀρετὴν  
δεύτερος, τῆς τύχης μέντοι γ' ἡττων, καίτοι δόξας  
ἐν παντὶ τῷ πρὸ τοῦ βίῳ συνεργὸν ἐσχηκέναι  
4 ταύτην· ἀλλὰ μοι δοκεῖ κατὰ τὴν κοινὴν παροιμίαν  
εὐτυχῆσαι μὲν ἄνθρωπον ὄντα δυνατόν, διευτυχῆσαι  
5 γε μὴν ἀδύνατον· διὸ καὶ μακαριστέον τῶν  
προγεγονότων οὐχ ὡς διευτυχηκότας τινάς· τίς  
γὰρ ἀνάγκη ψευδεῖ λόγῳ χρωμένοις ματαίως  
6 προσκυνεῖν τὴν τύχην; ἀλλὰ τοὺς ὡς πλεῖστον  
7 χρόνον ἐν τῷ ζῆν ἴλεων ἔχοντας ταύτην, κἂν ποτε  
μετανοῆ, μετρίαις περιπεσόντας συμφοραῖς.

8 Ὅτι Φιλοποίμην τετταράκοντ' ἔτη συνεχῶς  
xiv. 9) φιλοδοξήσας ἐν δημοκρατικῷ καὶ πολυειδεῖ πολι-  
9 τεύματι, πάντῃ πάντως διέφυγε τὸν τῶν πολλῶν  
φθόνον, τὸ πλεῖον οὐ πρὸς χάριν, ἀλλὰ μετὰ  
παρρησίας πολιτευόμενος· ὃ σπανίως ἂν εὔροι  
τις γεγονός.

## BOOK XXIII. 12. 1 – 9

### V. AFFAIRS OF GREECE

#### *Philopoemen*<sup>a</sup>

(Suid.)

12. Philopoemen arose and advanced although bowed down by sickness and the weight of years, being now in his seventieth year . . . but on getting over his ailment he recovered his former activity and reached Megalopolis from Argos in one day.

Philopoemen, the strategus of the Achaeans, was captured by the Messenians and put to death by poison. He was a man second to none of his predecessors in virtue, but succumbed to Fortune, although he was thought in all his previous life to have always been favoured by her. But my opinion is that, as the vulgar proverb says, it is possible for a human being to be fortunate, but impossible for him to be constantly so. Therefore we should regard some of our predecessors as blessed, not because they enjoyed constant good fortune—for what need is there by stating what is false to pay foolish worship to Fortune? But they are blessed to whom Fortune was kind for the greater part of their lives, and who, when she deserted them, only met with moderate misfortunes.

Philopoemen spent forty successive years in the pursuit of glory in a democratic state composed of various elements, and he avoided incurring the ill-will of the people in any way or on any occasion, although in his conduct of affairs he usually did not court favour but spoke his mind: a thing we seldom find.

<sup>a</sup> This year witnessed the deaths of Philopoemen, of Hannibal, and according at least to Polybius, of Scipio. Polybius pauses to compare them. Cp. Livy xxxix. 50. 10.

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**13** "Οτι θαυμαστόν ἐστι καὶ μέγιστον σημείον  
xiv. 9) γεγονέναι τῇ φύσει τὸν ἄνδρα τοῦτον ἡγεμονικὸν  
καὶ πολὺ τι διαφέροντα τῶν ἄλλων πρὸς τὸν  
2 πραγματικὸν τρόπον· ἑπτακαίδεκα γὰρ ἔτη μείνας  
ἐν τοῖς ὑπαίθροις πλείστα τ' ἔθνη καὶ βάρβαρα  
διεξελθὼν καὶ πλείστοις ἀνδράσιν ἀλλοφύλοις καὶ  
ἑτερογλώττοις χρησάμενος συνεργοῖς πρὸς ἀπηλ-  
πισμένας καὶ παραδόξους ἐπιβολάς, ὑπ' οὐθενὸς  
οὔτ' ἐπεβουλεύθη τὸ παράπαν οὔτ' ἐγκατελείφθη  
τῶν ἀπαξ αὐτῷ κοινωνησάντων καὶ δόντων ἑαυτοῦς  
εἰς χεῖρας.

**14** "Οτι Πόπλιος φιλοδοξήσας ἐν ἀριστοκρατικῷ  
xiv. 9) πολιτεύματι τηλικαύτην περιεποιήσατο παρὰ μὲν  
2 τοῖς ὄχλοις εὐνοίαν παρὰ δὲ τῷ συνεδρίῳ πίστιν  
ὥστ', ἐν μὲν τῷ δήμῳ κρίνειν τινὸς ἐπιβαλομένου  
κατὰ τὰ Ῥωμαίων ἔθνη καὶ πολλὰ κατηγορήσαντος  
3 καὶ πικρῶς, ἄλλο μὲν οὐθὲν εἶπε προελθὼν, οὐκ  
ἔφη δὲ πρέπον εἶναι τῷ δήμῳ τῶν Ῥωμαίων  
οὐθενὸς ἀκούειν κατηγοροῦντος Ποπλίου Κορνη-  
λίου Σκιπίωνος, δι' ὃν αὐτὴν τὴν τοῦ λέγειν  
4 ἐξουσίαν ἔχουσιν οἱ κατηγοροῦντες. ὧν ἀκού-  
σαντες οἱ πολλοὶ παραχρῆμα διελύθησαν πάντες  
ἐκ τῆς ἐκκλησίας, ἀπολιπόντες τὸν κατηγοροῦντα  
μόνον.

**5** "Οτι Πόπλιος ἐν τῷ συνεδρίῳ χρείας ποτὲ  
iv. 9<sup>a</sup>) χρημάτων οὔσης εἷς τινα κατεπείγουσαν οἰκο-  
νομίαν, τοῦ δὲ ταμίου διὰ τινα νόμον οὐ φάσκον-  
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6 τος ἀνοίξειν τὸ ταμιεῖον κατ' ἐκείνην τὴν ἡμέραν,  
 αὐτὸς ἔφη λαβὼν τὰς κλεῖς ἀνοίξειν· αὐτὸς γὰρ  
 αἴτιος γεγονέναι καὶ τοῦ κλείεσθαι τὸ ταμιεῖον.  
 7 πάλιν δέ ποτε λόγον ἀπαιτοῦντός τινος ἐν τῷ  
 συνεδρίῳ τῶν χρημάτων ὧν ἔλαβε παρ' Ἀντιόχου  
 πρὸ τῶν συνθηκῶν <εἰς> τὴν τοῦ στρατοπέδου  
 μισθοδοσίαν, ἔχειν μὲν ἔφη τὸν λογισμὸν, οὐ δεῖν  
 8 δ' αὐτὸν ὑποσχεῖν οὐδενὶ λόγον· τοῦ δ' ἐπικει-  
 μένου καὶ κελεύοντος φέρειν ἠξίωσε τὸν ἀδελφὸν  
 ἐνεγκεῖν· κομισθέντος δέ τοῦ βυβλίου, προτείνας  
 αὐτὸ καὶ κατασπαράξας πάντων ὁρώντων τὸν μὲν  
 ἀπαιτοῦντα τὸν λόγον ἐκ τούτων ζητεῖν ἐκέλευσε,  
 9 τοὺς δ' ἄλλους ἤρετο πῶς τῶν μὲν τρισχιλίων  
 ταλάντων τὸν λόγον ἐπιζητοῦσι πῶς ἔδαπανήθη  
 καὶ διὰ τίνων, τῶν δὲ μυρίων καθόλου καὶ πεντακισ-  
 χιλίων ὧν παρ' Ἀντιόχου λαμβάνουσιν, οὐκέτι  
 10 ζητοῦσι πῶς εἰσπορεύεται καὶ διὰ τίνων, οὐδέ  
 πῶς τῆς Ἀσίας καὶ τῆς Λιβύης, ἔτι δὲ τῆς Ἰβηρίας  
 11 κεκυριεύκασιν. ὥστε μὴ μόνον καταπλαγῆναι  
 πάντας, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὸν ζητήσαντα τὸν λόγον  
 ἀποσιωπήσαι.  
 12 Ταῦτα μὲν οὖν ἡμῖν εἰρήσθω τῆς τε τῶν μετ-  
 ηλλαχότων ἀνδρῶν εὐκλείας ἕνεκεν καὶ τῆς τῶν  
 ἐπιγινομένων παρορμήσεως πρὸς τὰ καλὰ τῶν  
 ἔργων.  
 15 Ὅτι οὐ καλὸν τὸ φθείρειν τοὺς καρποὺς τῶν  
 ὑπεναντίων· φησὶ γὰρ ὁ Πολύβιος οὐδέποτε δ'  
 ἐγὼ συντίθεμαι τὴν γνώμην τοῖς ἐπὶ τοσοῦτον  
 διατιθεμένοις τὴν ὀργὴν εἰς τοὺς ὁμοφύλους ὥστε  
 μὴ μόνον τοὺς ἐπετείους καρποὺς παραιεῖσθαι  
 τῶν πολεμίων, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὰ δένδρα καὶ τὰ κατα-  
 σκευάσματα διαφθείρειν, μηδὲ μεταμελείας κατα-

that day, took the keys and said he would open it himself; saying it was owing to him that it was shut. On another occasion when some one in the senate asked him to render an account of the moneys he had received from Antiochus before the peace for the pay of his army, he said he had the account, but he was not obliged to render an account to anyone. When the senator in question pressed his demand and ordered him to bring it, he asked his brother to get it; and, when the book was brought to him, he held it out and tore it to bits in the sight of every one, telling the man who had asked for it to search among the pieces for the account. At the same time he asked the rest of the house why they demanded an account of how and by whom the three thousand talents had been spent, while they had not inquired how and by whose hands the fifteen thousand talents they were receiving from Antiochus were coming into the treasury, nor how they had become masters of Asia, Africa, and Spain. So not only were all abashed, but he who had demanded the account kept silence.

I have related these anecdotes for the sake of the good fame of the departed and to incite their successors to achieve noble deeds.

15. I never can share the sentiment of those who exercise their vengeance on those of their own race to such an extent that they not only deprive the enemy of the year's harvest, but destroy trees and agricultural apparatus, leaving no room for redress.



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2 λείποντας τόπον. ἀλλά μοι δοκοῦσι μεγαλείως  
 3 ἀγνοεῖν οἱ ταῦτα πράττοντες· καθ' ὅσον γὰρ  
 ὑπολαμβάνουσι καταπλήττεσθαι τοὺς πολεμίους  
 λυμαινόμενοι τὴν χώραν καὶ παραιρούμενοι πάσας,  
 οὐ μόνον τὰς κατὰ τὸ παρόν, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὰς εἰς τὸ  
 μέλλον ἐλπίδας τῶν πρὸς τὸν βίον ἀναγκαίων,  
 κατὰ τοσοῦτον ἀποθηριούντες τοὺς ἀνθρώπους  
 ἀμετάθετον ποιοῦσι τὴν πρὸς αὐτοὺς ὀργὴν τῶν  
 ἅπαξ ἑξαμαρτόντων.

16 "Ὅτι ὁ Λυκόρτας ὁ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν στρατηγὸς  
 iv. 12) τοὺς Μεσσηνίους καταπληξάμενος τῷ πολέμῳ  
 2 . . . πάλαι μὲν οἱ Μεσσήνιοι καταπεπληγμένοι  
 τὸν πρὸ τοῦ χρόνον τοὺς προεστῶτας, τότε μόλις  
 ἐθάρρησάν τινες αὐτῶν φωνὴν ἀφιέναι, πιστεύ-  
 σαντες τῇ τῶν πολεμίων ἐφεδρεία, καὶ λέγειν  
 3 ὅτι δεῖ πρεσβεύειν ὑπὲρ διαλύσεως. οἱ μὲν οὖν  
 περὶ τὸν Δεινοκράτην οὐκέτι δυνάμενοι πρὸς τὸ  
 πλῆθος ἀντοφθαλμεῖν διὰ τὸ περιέχεσθαι . . . τοῖς  
 πράγμασιν εἴξαντες ἀνεχώρησαν εἰς τὰς ἰδίας  
 4 οἰκῆσεις. οἱ δὲ πολλοὶ παρακληθέντες ὑπὸ τε  
 τῶν πρεσβυτέρων καὶ μάλιστα τῶν ἐκ Βοιωτίας  
 5 πρεσβευτῶν, οἱ πρότερον ἤδη παραγεγονότες ἐπὶ  
 τὰς διαλύσεις, Ἐπαίνετος καὶ Ἀπολλόδωρος, εὐ-  
 καίρως τότε παρέτυχον ἐν τῇ Μεσσήνῃ, ταχέως  
 ἐπακολουθήσαντες ἐπὶ τὰς διαλύσεις [οἱ Μεσσήνιοι]  
 κατέστησαν πρεσβευτὰς καὶ τούτους ἐξέπεμψαν,  
 δεόμενοι τυχεῖν συγγνώμης ἐπὶ τοῖς ἡμαρτημένοις.  
 6 ὁ δὲ στρατηγὸς τῶν Ἀχαιῶν παραλαβὼν τοὺς  
 συνάρχοντας καὶ διακούσας τῶν παραγεγονότων  
 μίαν ἔφη Μεσσηνίοις πρὸς τὸ ἔθνος εἶναι διάλυσιν,  
 7 εἰ μὲν τοὺς αἰτίους τῆς ἀποστάσεως καὶ τῆς  
 Φιλοποίμενος ἀναιρέσεως ἤδη παραδῶσιν αὐτῷ,

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περὶ δὲ τῶν ἄλλων ἀπάντων ἐπιτροπὴν δῶσιν  
 τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς, εἰς δὲ τὴν ἄκραν εἰσδέξωνται  
 8 παραχρῆμα φυλακὴν. ἀναγγελθέντων δὲ τούτων  
 εἰς τοὺς ὄχλους, οἱ μὲν πάλαι πικρῶς διακείμενοι  
 πρὸς τοὺς αἰτίους τοῦ πολέμου πρόθυμοι τούτους  
 ἦσαν ἐκδιδόναι καὶ συλλαμβάνειν, οἱ δὲ πεπει-  
 σμένοι μηδὲν πείσεσθαι δεινὸν ὑπὸ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν  
 ἐτοίμως συγκατέβαινον εἰς τὴν ὑπὲρ τῶν ὄλων  
 9 ἐπιτροπὴν. τὸ δὲ συνέχον, οὐκ ἔχοντες αἵρεσιν  
 περὶ τῶν παρόντων ὁμοθυμαδὸν ἐδέξαντο τὰ  
 10 προτεινόμενα. τὴν μὲν οὖν ἄκραν εὐθέως παρα-  
 λαβὼν ὁ στρατηγὸς τοὺς πελταστὰς εἰς αὐτὴν  
 11 παρήγαγεν, μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα προσλαβὼν τοὺς ἐπι-  
 τηδεῖους ἐκ τοῦ στρατοπέδου παρήλθεν εἰς τὴν  
 πόλιν καὶ συναγαγὼν τοὺς ὄχλους παρεκάλεσε τὰ  
 πρέποντα τοῖς ἐνεστῶσι καιροῖς, ἐπαγγελόμενος  
 12 ἀμεταμέλητον αὐτοῖς ἔσεσθαι τὴν πίστιν. τῆς μὲν  
 οὖν ὑπὲρ τῶν ὄλων διαλήψεως τὴν ἀναφορὰν ἐπὶ τὸ  
 ἔθνος ἐποιήσατο—καὶ γὰρ ὥσπερ ἐπίτηδες συνέβαινε  
 τότε πάλιν συνάγεσθαι τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς εἰς Μεγάλην  
 13 πόλιν ἐπὶ τὴν δευτέραν σύνοδον—τῶν δ' ἐν ταῖς  
 αἰτίαις ὅσοι μὲν μετέσχον τοῦ παρ' αὐτὸν τὸν καιρὸν  
 ἐπανελέσθαι τὸν Φιλοποίμενα, τούτοις ἐπέταξε  
 παραχρῆμα πάντας αὐτοὺς ἐξάγειν ἐκ τοῦ ζῆν.

**17** Ὅτι οἱ Μεσσήνιοι διὰ τὴν αὐτῶν ἄγνοιαν εἰς  
 xv. 1) τὴν ἐσχάτην παραγενόμενοι διάθεσιν ἀποκα-  
 ἔστησαν εἰς τὴν ἐξ ἀρχῆς κατάστασιν τῆς συμ-  
 πολιτείας διὰ τὴν Λυκόρτα καὶ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν μεγα-  
 2 λοψυχίαν. ἡ δ' Ἀβία καὶ Θουρία καὶ Φαραὶ  
 κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον ἀπὸ μὲν τῆς Μεσσήνης  
 ἐχωρίσθησαν, ἰδίᾳ <δὲ> θέμεναι στήλην ἐκάστη  
 μετεῖχεν τῆς κοινῆς συμπολιτείας.

matters to the discretion of the Achaeans and at once admitting a garrison into their citadel. When these terms were announced to the people, those who had been throughout hostile to the authors of the war were ready to arrest and surrender the latter, while all who were convinced that they would not be harshly treated by the Achaeans gladly agreed to the unconditional submission; and as, above all, they had no choice in the matter, they unanimously accepted the proposal. The strategus upon this at once took over the citadel and introduced the peltasts into it, and after this, accompanied by competent members of his force, he entered the city, and summoning the populace addressed them in terms suitable to the occasion, promising that they would never repent of having entrusted their future to him. He referred the whole question to the League—it happened that at that very time the Achaeans, as if for this very purpose, were holding their second assembly at Megalopolis—ordering those among the guilty Messenians who had actually at the time participated in the death of Philopoemen, to put an end to their own lives without delay.

17. The Messenians, having by their own error been reduced to the worst condition, were restored to their original position in the League by the generosity of Lycortas and the Achaeans. Abia, Thurea, and Pharae at this time separated from Messene and each by a separate agreement secured their membership in the League.

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3 Ῥωμαῖοι δὲ πυθόμενοι κατὰ λόγον κεχωρηκέναι  
 τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς τὰ κατὰ τὴν Μεσσήνην, οὐδένα  
 λόγον ποιησάμενοι τῆς πρότερον ἀποφάσεως ἄλλην  
 ἔδωκαν τοῖς αὐτοῖς πρεσβευταῖς ἀπόκρισιν, διασα-  
 φοῦντες ὅτι πρόνοιαν πεποίηνται τοῦ μηθένα τῶν  
 ἐξ Ἰταλίας μήθ' ὄπλα μήτε σῖτον εἰσάγειν εἰς τὴν  
 4 Μεσσήνην. ἐξ οὗ καταφανεῖς ἅπασιν ἐγενήθησαν  
 ὅτι τοσοῦτον ἀπέχουσιν τοῦ τὰ μὴ λίαν ἀναγκαῖα  
 τῶν ἐκτὸς πραγμάτων ἀποτρίβεσθαι καὶ παρορᾶν,  
 ὡς τοῦναντίον καὶ δυσχεραίνουσιν ἐπὶ τῷ μὴ  
 πάντων τὴν ἀναφορὰν ἐφ' ἑαυτοὺς γίνεσθαι καὶ  
 πάντα πράττεσθαι μετὰ τῆς αὐτῶν γνώμης.  
 5 Εἰς δὲ τὴν Λακεδαίμονα παραγενομένων τῶν  
 πρεσβευτῶν ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης καὶ κομιζόντων τὴν  
 ἀπόκρισιν, εὐθέως ὁ στρατηγὸς τῶν Ἀχαιῶν  
 μετὰ τὸ συντελέσαι τὰ κατὰ τὴν Μεσσήνην συνῆγε  
 τοὺς πολλοὺς εἰς τὴν τῶν Σικυωνίων πόλιν.  
 6 ἄθροισθέντων δὲ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν <ἀν>εδίδου δια-  
 βούλιον ὑπὲρ τοῦ προσλαβέσθαι <τὴν Σπάρτην>  
 7 εἰς τὴν συμπολιτείαν, φάσκων Ῥωμαίους μὲν ἀπο-  
 τρίβεσθαι τὴν πρότερον αὐτοῖς δοθεῖσαν ἐπιτροπὴν  
 ὑπὲρ τῆς πόλεως ταύτης· ἀποκεκρίσθαι γὰρ  
 αὐτοὺς νῦν μηθὲν εἶναι τῶν κατὰ Λακεδαίμονα  
 8 πραγμάτων πρὸς αὐτούς· τοὺς δὲ κυριεύοντας  
 τῆς Σπάρτης κατὰ τὸ παρὸν βούλεσθαι σφίσιν  
 9 μετέχειν τῆς συμπολιτείας. διὸ παρεκάλει προσ-  
 δέχεσθαι τὴν πόλιν· εἶναι γὰρ τοῦτο κατὰ δύο  
 τρόπους συμφέρον, καθ' ἓνα μὲν, ὅτι τούτους  
 <μέλλουσι> προσλήψεσθαι τοὺς διατετηρηκότας  
 10 τὴν πρὸς τὸ ἔθνος πίστιν, καθ' ἕτερον δέ, διότι τῶν  
 ἀρχαίων φυγάδων τοὺς ἀχαρίστως καὶ ἀσεβῶς  
 ἀνεστραμμένους εἰς αὐτοὺς οὐχ ἔξουσι κοινωνοὺς



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τῆς πολιτείας, ἀλλ' ἑτέρων αὐτοὺς ἐκκεκλεικότων  
 τῆς πόλεως, βεβαιώσαντες τὰς ἐκείνων προ-  
 αιρέσεις ἅμα τὴν ἀρμόζουσαν αὐτοῖς χάριν ἀπο-  
 11 δώσουσι μετὰ τῆς τῶν θεῶν προνοίας. ὁ μὲν  
 οὖν Λυκόρτας ταῦτα καὶ τὰ τοιαῦτα λέγων παρ-  
 εκάλει τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς προσδέξασθαι τὴν πόλιν· ὁ  
 12 δὲ Διοφάνης καὶ τινες ἕτεροι βοηθεῖν ἐπειρῶντο  
 τοῖς φυγάσι καὶ παρεκάλουν τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς μὴ  
 συνεπιθέσθαι τοῖς ἐκπεπτωκόσιν μηδὲ δι' ὀλίγους  
 ἀνθρώπους συνεπισχῦσαι τοῖς ἀσεβῶς καὶ παρα-  
 νόμως αὐτοὺς ἐκ τῆς πατρίδος ἐκβεβληκόσιν.  
 18 τοιαῦτα μὲν ἦν τὰ ῥηθέντα παρ' ἑκατέρων. οἱ δ'  
 2) Ἀχαιοὶ διακούσαντες ἀμφοτέρων ἔκριναν προσ-  
 λαβέσθαι τὴν πόλιν, καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα στήλης  
 προγραφείσης συνεπολιτεύετο μετὰ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν  
 2 ἢ Σπάρτη, προσδεξαμένων τῶν ἐν τῇ πόλει τού-  
 τους τῶν ἀρχαίων φυγάδων, ὅσοι μηδὲν ἐδόκουν  
 ἄγνωμον πεποιηκέναι κατὰ τοῦ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ἔθνους.  
 3 Οἱ δ' Ἀχαιοὶ ταῦτα κυρώσαντες πρεσβευτὰς  
 ἀπέστειλαν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην τοὺς περὶ Βίππον τὸν  
 Ἀργεῖον, διασαφήσοντας τῇ συγκλήτῳ περὶ πάν-  
 4 των. ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ Λακεδαιμόνιοι τοὺς περὶ  
 5 Χαίρωνα κατέστησαν. ἐξαπέστειλαν δ' οἱ φυγάδες  
 <τοὺς περὶ> Κλήτιν καὶ Διακτόριον τοὺς <συγ>-  
 καταστησομένους ἐν τῇ συγκλήτῳ πρὸς τοὺς παρὰ  
 τῶν Ἀχαιῶν πρεσβευτὰς.

members of the League, but as they had been expelled from the city by others, they would both confirm the decision of these latter and pay them by God's providence the debt of thanks they deserved. Such were the words in which Lycortas recommended the Achaeans to admit Sparta. Diophanes, however, and some others tried to take the part of the exiles, and begged the Achaeans not to join in their persecution, and for the sake of a few men to lend additional support to those who had wickedly and illegally driven them from their country. 18. Such were the arguments on each side. The Achaeans, after listening to both, decided to admit the town, and afterwards, the inscription for a stone having been drawn up, Sparta became a member of the Achaean League, those in the town having agreed to receive such of the old exiles as had not been guilty of any ingratitude to the League.

The Achaeans having ratified this measure sent Bippus of Argos at the head of an embassy to Rome to inform the Senate about everything. The Lacedaemonians also appointed Chaeron as their envoy and the exiles Cletis and Diactorius to represent their interests in the senate against the Achaean envoys.



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## I. RES ITALIAE

1 Εἰς δὲ τὴν Ῥώμην παραγεγονότων τῶν πρε-  
2. 6) σβευτῶν παρά τε τῶν <Λακεδαιμονίων καὶ τῶν> ἐκ  
Λακεδαίμονος φυγάδων, <ἔτι δὲ> παρά τῶν Ἀχαιῶν,  
ἅμα δὲ καὶ τῶν παρ' Εὐμένους καὶ παρ' Ἀρια-  
ράθου τοῦ βασιλέως ἠκόντων καὶ τῶν παρὰ  
Φαρνάκου, τούτοις πρῶτον ἐχρημάτισεν ἡ σύγ-  
2 κλητος. βραχεῖ δὲ χρόνῳ πρότερον ἀνηγγελκότων  
τῶν περὶ τὸν Μάρκον πρεσβευτῶν, οὓς ἀπεστάλ-  
κειςαν ἐπὶ τὸν Εὐμένει καὶ Φαρνάκῃ συνεστηκότα  
3 πόλεμον, καὶ διασεσαφηκότων περὶ τε τῆς Εὐμέ-  
νους μετριότητος ἐν πᾶσιν καὶ περὶ τῆς Φαρνάκου  
πλεονεξίας καὶ καθόλου τῆς ὑπερηφανίας, οὐκέτι  
πολλῶν προσεδεήθη λόγων ἡ σύγκλητος δι-  
ακούσασα τῶν παραγεγονότων, ἀπεκρίθη δὲ δι-  
ότι πάλιν πέμψει πρεσβευτὰς τοὺς φιλοτιμότερον  
ἐπισκεψομένους ὑπὲρ τῶν διαφερόντων <τοῖς>  
4 προειρημένοις. μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα τῶν ἐκ τῆς Λακε-  
δαίμονος φυγάδων εἰσπορευθέντων καὶ τῶν ἐκ  
τῆς πόλεως ἅμα τούτοις, ἐπὶ πολὺ διακούσασα  
τοῖς μὲν ἐκ τῆς πόλεως οὐδὲν ἐπετίμησε περὶ  
5 τῶν γεγονότων, τοῖς δὲ φυγάσιν ἐπηγγείλατο

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γράφειν πρὸς τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς περὶ τοῦ κατελθεῖν  
6 αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν οἰκείαν. μετὰ δέ τινας ἡμέρας  
εἰσπορευθέντων <τῶν> περὶ Βίππον τὸν Ἀργεῖον,  
οὗς ἀπεστάλκει τὸ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ἔθνος, καὶ δια-  
σαφούντων περὶ τῆς Μεσσηνίων ἀποκαταστάσεως,  
7 οὐθενὶ δυσареστήσασα περὶ τῶν οἰκονουμένων  
ἢ σύγκλητος ἀπεδέξατο φιλανθρώπως τοὺς πρε-  
σβευτάς.

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2 "Ὅτι κατὰ τὴν Πελοπόννησον παραγενομένων  
xv. 3) ἐκ Ῥώμης τῶν ἐκ τῆς Λακεδαίμονος φυγάδων  
καὶ κομιζόντων παρὰ τῆς συγκλήτου γράμματα  
τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς ὑπὲρ τοῦ προνοηθῆναι περὶ τῆς  
αὐτῶν καθόδου καὶ σωτηρίας εἰς τὴν οἰκείαν,  
2 ἔδοξε τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς ὑπερθέσθαι τὸ διαβούλιον,  
3 ἕως ἂν οἱ παρ' αὐτῶν ἔλθωσι πρεσβευταί. ταῦτα  
δὲ τοῖς φυγάσιν ἀποκριθέντες συνέθεντο τὴν πρὸς  
Μεσσηνίους στήλην, συγχωρήσαντες αὐτοῖς πρὸς  
τοῖς ἄλλοις φιλανθρώποις καὶ τριῶν ἐτῶν ἀτέ-  
λειαν, ὥστε τὴν τῆς χώρας καταφθορὰν μηδὲν  
4 ἦττον βλάψαι τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς ἢ Μεσσηνίους. τῶν  
δὲ περὶ τὸν Βίππον παραγενομένων ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης  
καὶ διασαφούντων γραφῆναι τὰ γράμματα περὶ  
τῶν φυγάδων οὐ διὰ τὴν τῆς συγκλήτου σπουδὴν,  
5 ἀλλὰ διὰ τὴν τῶν φυγάδων φιλοτιμίαν, ἔδοξε τοῖς  
Ἀχαιοῖς μένειν ἐπὶ τῶν ὑποκειμένων.

3 (4) Κατὰ δὲ τὴν Κρήτην ἀρχὴ πραγμάτων ἐκινεῖτο  
xv. 3) μεγάλων, εἰ χρὴ λέγειν ἀρχὴν πραγμάτων  
ἐν Κρήτῃ· διὰ γὰρ τὴν συνέχειαν τῶν ἐμφυλίων  
πολέμων καὶ τὴν ὑπερβολὴν τῆς εἰς ἀλλήλους

## BOOK XXIV. 1. 5 – 3. 1

begging for their return to their country. A few days afterwards when Bippus of Argos and the others sent by the Achaean League appeared before them and explained about the restoration of order at Messene, the senate gave them a courteous reception, expressing no displeasure with anyone for the conduct of the matter.

### II. AFFAIRS OF GREECE

2. In the Peloponnesus when the Lacedaemonian exiles arrived bearing a letter from the senate to the Achaeans asking them to take measures for their safe return to their country, the Achaeans decided to adjourn the debate until the arrival of their own envoys. After giving the exiles this answer, they drew up an inscription to be engraved on the stone recording their agreement with the Messenians, and granting them among other favours a three years' exemption from taxes, so that the devastation of the Messenian territory injured the Achaeans no less than Messenians. Upon Bippus and the envoys returning from Rome and reporting that the letter on the subject of the exiles had been written not owing to the senate's interest in them, but owing to their importunity, the Achaeans decided to take no step.

3. This year witnessed the beginning of great troubles in Crete, if indeed one can talk of a beginning of trouble in Crete. For owing to the constant succession of their civil wars and their excessive

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ὡμότητος ταῦτόν ἀρχὴ καὶ τέλος ἐστὶν ἐν Κρήτῃ, καὶ τὸ δοκοῦν παραδόξως τισὶν εἰρῆσθαι τοῦτ' ἐκεῖ θεωρεῖται συνεχῶς [τὸ] γινόμενον.

### III. RES ITALIAE

5 Ὅτι γενομένων συνθηκῶν πρὸς ἀλλήλους Φαρ-  
xxv. 6) νάκου καὶ Ἀττάλου καὶ τῶν λοιπῶν, ἅπαντες  
μετὰ τῶν οἰκείων δυνάμεων ἀνεχώρησαν εἰς τὴν  
2 οἰκείαν. Εὐμένης δὲ κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον  
ἀπολελυμένος τῆς ἀρρωστίας καὶ διατρίβων ἐν  
Περγάμῳ, παραγενομένου τᾶδελφοῦ καὶ δια-  
σαφοῦντος περὶ τῶν ὠκονομημένων, εὐδοκήσας  
τοῖς γεγονόσιν προέθετο πέμπειν τοὺς ἀδελφοὺς  
3 ἅπαντας εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, ἅμα μὲν ἐλπίζων πέρας  
ἐπιθήσειν τῷ πρὸς τὸν Φαρνάκην πολέμῳ διὰ  
τῆς τούτων πρεσβείας, ἅμα δὲ συστήσαι σπουδάζων  
τοὺς ἀδελφοὺς τοῖς τ' ἰδία φίλοις καὶ ξένοις  
ὑπάρχουσιν αὐτῶν ἐν τῇ Ῥώμῃ καὶ τῇ συγκλήτῳ  
4 κατὰ κοινόν. προθύμων δὲ καὶ τῶν περὶ τὸν  
Ἀτταλον ὑπαρχόντων, ἐγένοντο περὶ τὴν ἐκδημίαν.  
5 καὶ τούτων παραγενομένων εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην,  
καὶ κατ' ἰδίαν μὲν πάντες ἀπεδέχοντο τοὺς νεανί-  
σκους φιланθρώπως, ἅτε συνήθειαν ἐσχηκότες  
ἐν ταῖς περὶ τὴν Ἀσίαν στρατείαις, ἔτι δὲ με-  
γαλομερέστερον ἢ σύγκλητος ἀπεδέξατο τὴν παρ-  
6 ουσίαν αὐτῶν· καὶ γὰρ ξένια καὶ παροχὰς τὰς  
μεγίστας ἐξέθηκεν αὐτοῖς καὶ πρὸς τὴν ἔντευξιν  
7 καλῶς ἀπήντησεν. οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἀτταλον  
εἰσελθόντες εἰς τὴν σύγκλητον τά τε προὑπάρχοντα  
φιλάνθρωπα διὰ πλειόνων λόγων ἀνενεώσαντο καὶ  
τοῦ Φαρνάκου κατηγορήσαντες παρεκάλουν ἐπι-



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στ φή τινά ποιήσασθαι, δι' ἧς τεύξεται τῆς  
8 ἀρμοζούσης δίκης. ἡ δὲ σύγκλητος διακούσασα  
φιλανθρώπως ἀπεκρίθη διότι πέμψει πρεσβευτὰς  
τοὺς κατὰ πάντα τρόπον λύσοντας τὸν πόλεμον.  
καὶ τὰ μὲν κατὰ τὴν Ἰταλίαν οὕτως εἶχεν.

### IV. RES GRAECIAE

6 Ὅτι περὶ τοὺς αὐτοὺς καιροὺς Πτολεμαῖος ὁ  
xv. 7) βασιλεύς, βουλόμενος ἐμπλέκεσθαι τῷ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν  
ἔθνει, διεπέμψατο πρεσβευτήν, ἐπαγγελλόμενος  
δεκαναῖαν δώσειν ἐντελῆ πεντηκοντηρικῶν πλοίων.  
2 οἱ δ' Ἀχαιοὶ καὶ διὰ τὸ δοκεῖν τὴν δωρεὰν ἀξίαν  
εἶναι χάριτος ἀσμένως ἀπεδέξαντο τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν.  
δοκεῖ γὰρ ἡ δαπάνη οὐ πολὺ λείπειν τῶν δέκα  
3 ταλάντων. ταῦτα δὲ βουλευσάμενοι προεχειρί-  
σαντο πρεσβευτὰς Λυκόρταν καὶ Πολύβιον καὶ  
σὺν τούτοις Ἄρατον, υἱὸν Ἀράτου τοῦ Σικυωνίου,  
τοὺς ἅμα μὲν εὐχαριστήσοντας τῷ βασιλεῖ περί-  
τε τῶν ὄπλων ὧν πρότερον ἀπέστειλε καὶ τοῦ  
νομίματος, ἅμα δὲ παραληψομένους τὰ πλοῖα καὶ  
πρόνοιαν ποιησομένους περὶ τῆς ἀποκομιδῆς αὐτῶν.  
4 κατέστησαν δὲ τὸν μὲν Λυκόρταν διὰ τὸ κατὰ τὸν  
καιρόν, καθ' ὃν ἐποιεῖτο τὴν ἀνανέωσιν τῆς συμ-  
μαχίας ὁ Πτολεμαῖος, στρατηγοῦντα τότε συνεργῆ-  
5σαι φιλοτίμως αὐτῷ, τὸν δὲ Πολύβιον, νεώτερον  
ὄντα τῆς κατὰ τοὺς νόμους ἡλικίας, διὰ τὸ τὴν  
τε συμμαχίαν αὐτοῦ τὸν πατέρα πρεσβεύσαντα  
πρὸς Πτολεμαῖον ἀνανεώσασθαι καὶ τὴν δωρεὰν  
τῶν ὄπλων καὶ τοῦ νομίματος ἀγαγεῖν τοῖς  
6 Ἀχαιοῖς, παραπλησίως δὲ καὶ τὸν Ἄρατον διὰ  
τὰς προγονικὰς συστάσεις πρὸς τὴν βασιλείαν.

## BOOK XXIV. 5. 7 – 6. 6

the senate to take measures to inflict on him the punishment he merited. The senate, after giving them a courteous hearing, replied that they would send legates who would by some means or other put an end to the war. Such was the condition of affairs in Italy.

### IV. AFFAIRS OF GREECE

#### *Ptolemy and the Achaeans*

6. At the same period King Ptolemy, wishing to ingratiate himself with the Achaean League, sent an envoy promising to give them a full squadron of quinqueremes. The Achaeans, chiefly because they thought the gift one for which real thanks were due, gladly accepted it, for the cost was not much less than ten talents. Having decided on this, they appointed as envoys Lycortas, Polybius, and Aratus, son of the great Aratus of Sicyon, to thank the king for the arms and coined money he had previously sent, and to receive the ships and look after their dispatch. They appointed Lycortas because, at the time when Ptolemy renewed the alliance, he had been strategus, and had done his best to consult the king's interests, and Polybius, who had not attained the legal age for such a post, because his father had gone on an embassy to Ptolemy to renew the alliance, and to bring back the gift of arms and money. Aratus was chosen owing to his father's relations with the king.



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7 οὐ μὴν συνέβη γε τὴν πρεσβείαν ταύτην ἐξελθεῖν  
 διὰ τὸ μεταλλάξαι τὸν Πτολεμαῖον περὶ τοὺς  
 καιροὺς τούτους.

7 Ὅτι κατὰ τοὺς αὐτοὺς καιροὺς ἦν τις ἐν τῇ  
 xxv. 8) Λακεδαίμονι Χαίρων, ὃς ἐτύγχανε τῷ πρότερον  
 ἔτει πεπρεσβευκῶς εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, ἄνθρωπος  
 ἀγχίνους μὲν καὶ πρακτικός, νέος δὲ καὶ ταπεινὸς  
 2 καὶ δημοτικῆς ἀγωγῆς τετευχῶς. οὗτος ὀχλ-  
 αγωγῶν καὶ κινήσας ὃ μηθεὶς ἕτερος ἐθάρρει,  
 ταχέως περιεποιήσατο φαντασίαν παρὰ τοῖς πολ-  
 3 λοῖς. καὶ τὸ μὲν πρῶτον ἀφελόμενος τὴν χώραν,  
 ἦν οἱ τύραννοι συνεχώρησαν ταῖς ὑπολειφθείσαις  
 τῶν φυγάδων ἀδελφαῖς καὶ γυναῖξιν καὶ μητράσι  
 καὶ τέκνοις, ταύτην διέδωκε τοῖς λεπτοῖς εἰκῇ καὶ  
 4 ἀνίσως κατὰ τὴν ἰδίαν ἐξουσίαν· μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα  
 τοῖς κοινοῖς ὡς ἰδίους χρώμενος ἐξεδαπάνη τὰς  
 προσόδους, οὐ νόμου στοχαζόμενος, οὐ κοινοῦ  
 5 δόγματος, οὐκ ἄρχοντος. ἐφ' οἷς τινες ἀγα-  
 νακτήσαντες ἐσπούδαζον κατασταθῆναι δοκιμα-  
 6 στήρες τῶν κοινῶν κατὰ τοὺς νόμους. ὃ δὲ  
 Χαίρων θεωρῶν τὸ γινόμενον καὶ συνειδὼς αὐτῷ  
 κακῶς κεχειρικότε τὰ τῆς πόλεως, τὸν ἐπιφανε-  
 στατον τῶν δοκιμαστήρων Ἀπολλωνίδα καὶ μάλι-  
 στα δυνάμενον ἐρευνῆσαι τὴν πλεονεξίαν αὐτοῦ,  
 τοῦτον ἀποπορευόμενον ἡμέρας ἐκ βαλανείου προσ-  
 7 πέμψας τινὰς ἐξεκέντησεν. ὧν προσπεσόντων τοῖς  
 Ἀχαιοῖς, καὶ τοῦ πλήθους ἀγανακτήσαντος ἐπὶ  
 τοῖς γεγονόσιν, ἐξ αὐτῆς ὁ στρατηγὸς ὄρμήσας  
 καὶ παραγενόμενος εἰς τὴν Λακεδαίμονα τὸν τε  
 Χαίρωνα παρήγαγεν εἰς κρίσιν ὑπὲρ τοῦ φόνου  
 τοῦ κατὰ τὸν Ἀπολλωνίδα καὶ κατακρίνας  
 8 ἐποίησε δέσμιον, τοὺς τε λοιποὺς δοκιμαστήρας

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παρώξυνε πρὸς τὸ ποιεῖσθαι τὴν ζήτησιν τῶν δημοσίων ἀληθινὴν, φροντίσαι δὲ καὶ περὶ τοῦ κομίσασθαι τὰς οὐσίας τοὺς τῶν φυγάδων ἀναγκαίους πάλιν, ἃς ὁ Χαίρων αὐτῶν ἀφείλετο βραχεῖ χρόνῳ πρότερον.

8 (10) "Ὅτι κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον ἀναδόντος Ἰπερ-  
xvi. 1) βάτου τοῦ στρατηγοῦ διαβούλιον ὑπὲρ τῶν γρα-  
φομένων παρὰ Ῥωμαίων ὑπὲρ τῆς τῶν ἐκ Λα-  
2 κεδαίμονος φυγάδων <καθόδου> τί δεῖ ποιεῖν, οἱ  
μὲν περὶ τὸν Λυκόρταν παρεκάλουν μένειν ἐπὶ  
τῶν ὑποκειμένων, διότι Ῥωμαῖοι ποιούσι μὲν  
τὸ καθῆκον αὐτοῖς, συνυπακούοντες τοῖς ἀκληρεῖν  
3 δοκοῦσιν εἰς τὰ μέτρια τῶν ἀξιουμένων· ὅταν  
μέντοι γε διδάξῃ τις αὐτοὺς ὅτι τῶν παρα-  
καλουμένων τὰ μὲν ἐστὶν ἀδύνατα, τὰ δὲ μεγάλην  
αἰσχύνην ἐπιφέροντα καὶ βλάβην τοῖς φίλοις,  
οὔτε φιλονικεῖν εἰώθασιν οὔτε παραβιάζεσθαι  
4 περὶ τῶν τοιούτων. διὸ καὶ νῦν, εἴαν τις αὐτοὺς  
διδάξῃ <δι>ὅτι συμβήσεται τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς, ἂν  
πειθαρχήσωσι τοῖς γραφομένοις, παραβῆναι τοὺς  
ὄρκους, τοὺς νόμους, τὰς στήλας, ἃ συνέχει τὴν  
5 κοινὴν συμπολιτείαν ἡμῶν, ἀναχωρήσουσιν καὶ  
συγκαταθήσονται διότι καλῶς ἐπέχομεν καὶ παρ-  
αιτούμεθα περὶ τῶν γραφομένων. ταῦτα μὲν οὖν  
6 οἱ περὶ τὸν Λυκόρταν ἔλεγον· οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἰπέρ-  
βατον καὶ Καλλικράτην πειθαρχεῖν τοῖς γραφομέ-  
νοισι παρήνουν καὶ μήτε νόμον μήτε στήλην μήτ'  
7 ἄλλο μηθὲν τούτου νομίζειν ἀναγκαιότερον. τοιαύ-  
της δ' οὔσης τῆς ἀντιλογίας ἔδοξε τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς  
πρεσβευτὰς ἐξαποστεῖλαι πρὸς τὴν σύγκλητον τοὺς  
8 διδάξοντας ἃ Λυκόρτας λέγει. καὶ παραυτίκα

time the other auditors to inquire seriously into the management of the public funds and to see that the relatives of the exiles recovered the property of which Chaeron had recently robbed them.

### *The Achaeans and Rome*

8. In the same year when Hyperbatus the strategus submitted to the Achaeans' Assembly the question how to act upon the Roman communication regarding the return of the Spartan exiles, Lycortas advised them to take no steps, because while it was true that the Romans were doing their duty in lending an ear to reasonable requests made by persons whom they regarded as bereft of their rights, yet if it were pointed out to them that some of these requests were impossible to grant, and others would entail great injury and disgrace on their friends, it was not their habit in such matters to contend that they were right or enforce compliance. "So," he said, "at present, if it is pointed out to them that we Achaeans by acceding to their written request will violate our oaths, our laws, and the inscribed conventions that hold our League together, they will withdraw their demand and agree that we are right in hesitating and begging to be excused for non-compliance." Lycortas spoke in this sense ; but Hyperbatus and Callicrates were in favour of compliance with the request, saying that neither laws nor inscribed agreements nor anything else should be considered more binding than the will of Rome. Such being the different views advanced, the Achaeans decided to send envoys to the senate to point out what Lycortas urged, and

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κατέστησαν πρεσβευτὰς Καλλικράτην Λεοντήσιον, Λυδιάδαν Μεγαλοπολίτην, Ἄρατον Σικυώνιον· καὶ δόντες ἐντολὰς ἀκολουθούς τοῖς προειρημένοις ἐξ-  
9 ἀπέστειλαν. ὧν παραγενομένων εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, εἰσελθὼν ὁ Καλλικράτης εἰς τὴν σύγκλητον τοσοῦτον ἀπέσχε τοῦ ταῖς ἐντολαῖς ἀκολουθῶς διδάσκειν τὸ συνέδριον ὥστε τοῦναντίον ἐκ καταβολῆς ἐπεχείρησεν οὐ μόνον τῶν ἀντιπολιτευομένων κατηγορεῖν  
9 (11) θρασέως, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὴν σύγκλητον νουθετεῖν. ἔφη  
xvi. 2) γὰρ αὐτοὺς τοὺς Ῥωμαίους αἰτίους εἶναι τοῦ μὴ πειθαρχεῖν αὐτοῖς τοὺς Ἕλληνας, ἀλλὰ παρακούειν καὶ τῶν γραφομένων καὶ τῶν παραγγελλομένων.  
2 δυεῖν γὰρ οὐσῶν αἰρέσεων κατὰ τὸ παρὸν ἐν πάσαις ταῖς δημοκρατικαῖς πολιτείαις, καὶ τῶν μὲν φασκόντων δεῖν ἀκολουθεῖν τοῖς γραφομένοις ὑπὸ Ῥωμαίων καὶ μήτε νόμον μήτε στήλην μήτ' ἄλλο μηθὲν προυργιαίτερον νομίζειν τῆς Ῥωμαίων προ-  
3 αἰρέσεως, τῶν δὲ τοὺς νόμους προφερομένων καὶ τοὺς ὄρκους καὶ στήλας καὶ παρακαλούντων τὰ  
4 πλήθη μὴ ῥαδίως ταῦτα παραβαίνειν, ἀχαϊκωτέραν εἶναι παρὰ πολὺ ταύτην τὴν ὑπόθεσιν καὶ νικητικω-  
5 τέραν ἐν τοῖς πολλοῖς. ἐξ οὗ τοῖς μὲν αἰρουμένοις τὰ Ῥωμαίων ἀδοξίαν συνεξακολουθεῖν παρὰ τοῖς ὄχλοις καὶ διαβολήν, τοῖς δ' ἀντιπράττουσιν τ' ἀναν-  
6 τία. εἰ μὲν οὖν ὑπὸ τῆς συγκλήτου γίνηται τις ἐπισημασία, ταχέως καὶ τοὺς πολιτευομένους μεταθέσθαι πρὸς τὴν Ῥωμαίων αἵρεσιν, καὶ τοὺς πολλοὺς τούτοις ἐπακολουθήσειν διὰ τὸν φόβον.  
7 εἰ δὲ παροράται τοῦτο τὸ μέρος, ἅπαντας ἀπονεύσειν ἐπ' ἐκείνην τὴν ὑπόθεσιν· ἐνδοξοτέραν γὰρ  
8 εἶναι καὶ καλλίω παρὰ τοῖς ὄχλοις. διὸ καὶ νῦν ἤδη τινὰς οὐθὲν ἕτερον προσφερομένους δίκαιον



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πρὸς φιλοδοξίαν, δι' αὐτὸ τοῦτο τῶν μεγίστων  
 τυγχάνειν τιμῶν παρὰ τοῖς ἰδίῳις πολιτεύμασιν  
 διὰ τὸ δοκεῖν ἀντιλέγειν τοῖς ὑφ' ὑμῶν γραφομένοις,  
 χάριν τοῦ διαμένειν τοὺς νόμους ἰσχυροὺς καὶ τὰ  
 9 δόγματα τὰ γινόμενα παρ' αὐτοῖς· εἰ μὲν οὖν  
 <ἀ>διαφόρως ἔχουσιν ὑπὲρ τοῦ πειθαρχεῖν αὐτοῖς  
 τοὺς Ἕλληνας καὶ συνυπακούειν τοῖς γραφομένοις,  
 ἄγειν αὐτοὺς ἐκέλευε τὴν ἀγωγὴν, ἣν καὶ νῦν  
 10 ἄγουσιν· εἰ δὲ βούλονται γίνεσθαι σφίσι τὰ παρ-  
 αγγελλόμενα καὶ μηθένα καταφρονεῖν τῶν γρα-  
 φομένων, ἐπιστροφὴν ποιήσασθαι παρεκάλει τοῦ  
 11 μέρους τούτου τὴν ἐνδεχομένην. εἰ δὲ μή, σαφῶς  
 εἰδέναι δεῖν ὅτι τὰναντία συμβήσεται ταῖς ἐπι-  
 12 νοίαις αὐτῶν· ὃ καὶ νῦν ἤδη γεγονέναι. πρῶην  
 μὲν γὰρ ἐν τοῖς Μεσσηνιακοῖς πολλὰ ποιήσαντος  
 Κοῖντου Μαρκίου πρὸς τὸ μηδὲν τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς  
 βουλευσασθαι περὶ Μεσσηνίων ἄνευ τῆς Ῥωμαίων  
 13 προαιρέσεως, παρακούσαντας καὶ ψηφισαμένους  
 αὐτοὺς τὸν πόλεμον οὐ μόνον τὴν χώραν αὐτῶν  
 καταφθεῖραι πᾶσαν ἀδίκως, ἀλλὰ καὶ τοὺς ἐπι-  
 φανεστάτους τῶν πολιτῶν οὓς μὲν φυγαδεῦσαι,  
 τινὰς δ' αὐτῶν ἐκδότους λαβόντας αἰκισαμένους  
 πᾶσαν αἰκίαν ἀποκτεῖναι, διότι προεκαλοῦντο περὶ  
 14 τῶν ἀμφισβητουμένων ἐπὶ Ῥωμαίους· νῦν δὲ  
 πάλιν ἐκ πλείονος χρόνου γραφόντων αὐτῶν ὑπὲρ  
 τῆς καθόδου τῶν ἐκ Λακεδαίμονος φυγάδων,  
 τοσοῦτον ἀπέχειν τοῦ πειθαρχεῖν ὡς καὶ στήλην  
 τεθεῖσθαι καὶ πεποιῆσθαι πρὸς τοὺς κατέχοντας  
 τὴν πόλιν ὄρκους ὑπὲρ τοῦ μηδέποτε κατελεύσεσθαι  
 15 τοὺς φυγάδας. εἰς ἃ βλέποντας αὐτοὺς ἡξίου  
 πρόνοιαν ποιεῖσθαι τοῦ μέλλοντος.

(12) Ὁ μὲν οὖν Καλλικράτης ταῦτα καὶ τοιαῦτ'

highest honours in their several states simply for the reason that they are thought to oppose your injunctions for the sake of maintaining the force of their laws and decrees. If, then, it is a matter of indifference to you whether or not the Greeks obey you and comply with your instructions, continue to act as you now do ; but if you wish your orders to be executed and none to treat your communications with contempt, you should give all possible attention to this matter. For you may be quite sure that, if you do not, just the opposite will happen to what you contemplate, as has already been the case. For when quite lately in the Messenian difficulty Quintus Marcius did his best to ensure that the Achaeans should take no steps regarding Messene without the initiative of Rome, they paid no attention to him ; but, after voting for war on their own accord, not only most unjustly devastated the whole of Messenia, but sent into exile some of its most distinguished citizens ; and, when others were delivered up to them, put them to death after inflicting every variety of torture on them, just because they had appealed to Rome to judge the dispute. And now for some time while you have been writing to them about the return of the Spartan exiles, they are so far from complying that a solemn inscribed agreement has been made with the party that holds Sparta and oaths taken that the exiles shall never be allowed to return.” So he begged them in view of all this to take precautions for the future.

10. Callicrates retired after speaking in these or



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2 εἰπὼν ἀπῆλθεν. οἱ φυγάδες δ' ἐπεισελθόντες καὶ  
βραχέα περὶ αὐτῶν διδάξαντες καὶ τινα τῶν πρὸς  
3 τὸν κοινὸν ἔλεον εἰπόντες ἀνεχώρησαν. ἡ—δὲ  
σύγκλητος δόξασα τὸν Καλλικράτην λέγειν τι  
τῶν αὐτῇ συμφερόντων καὶ διδαχθεῖσα διότι δεῖ  
τοὺς μὲν τοῖς αὐτῆς δόγμασιν συνηγοροῦντας  
4 αὖξιν, τοὺς δ' ἀντιλέγοντας ταπεινοῦν, οὕτως καὶ  
τότε πρῶτον ἐπεβάλετο τοὺς μὲν κατὰ τὸ βέλτι-  
στον ἰσταμένους ἐν τοῖς ἰδίῳι πολιτεύμασιν ἐλατ-  
τοῦν, τοὺς δὲ καὶ δικαίως <καὶ ἀδίκως> προσ-  
5 τρέχοντας αὐτῇ σωματοποιεῖν. ἐξ ὧν αὐτῇ συνέβη  
κατὰ βραχύ, τοῦ χρόνου προβαίνοντος, κολάκων  
6 μὲν εὐπορεῖν, φίλων δὲ σπανίζειν ἀληθινῶν. οὐ  
μὴν ἀλλὰ τότε περὶ μὲν τῆς καθόδου τῶν φυγάδων  
οὐ μόνον τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς ἔγραψε, παρακαλοῦσα  
συνεπισχύειν, ἀλλὰ καὶ τοῖς Αἰτωλοῖς καὶ τοῖς  
Ἑπειρώταις, σὺν δὲ τούτοις Ἀθηναίοις, Βοιω-  
τοῖς, Ἀκαρναῶσιν, πάντας ὡσανεὶ προσδιαμαρ-  
τυρομένη χάριν τοῦ συντρῖψαι τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς.  
7 περὶ δὲ τοῦ Καλλικράτους αὐτοῦ κατ' ἰδίαν παρα-  
σιωπήσασα τοὺς συμπρεσβευτὰς κατέταξεν εἰς  
τὴν ἀπόκρισιν διότι δεῖ τοιούτους ὑπάρχειν ἐν τοῖς  
8 πολιτεύμασιν ἄνδρας οἷός ἐστι Καλλικράτης. ὁ  
δὲ προειρημένος ἔχων τὰς ἀποκρίσεις ταύτας  
παρῆν εἰς τὴν Ἑλλάδα περιχαρῆς, οὐκ εἰδὼς ὅτι  
μεγάλων κακῶν ἀρχηγὸς γέγονε πᾶσι μὲν τοῖς  
9 Ἕλλησι, μάλιστα δὲ τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς. ἔτι γὰρ  
τούτοις ἐξῆν καὶ κατ' ἐκείνους τοὺς χρόνους κατὰ  
ποσὸν ἰσολογίαν ἔχειν πρὸς Ῥωμαίους διὰ τὸ  
τετηρηκέναι τὴν πίστιν ἐν τοῖς ἐπιφανεστάτοις  
καιροῖς, ἐξ οὗ τὰ Ῥωμαίων εἴλοντο, λέγω δὲ τοῖς  
10 κατὰ Φίλιππον καὶ Ἀντίοχον, οὕτω δὲ τοῦ τῶν

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Ἄχαιῶν ἔθνους ἠϋξημένου καὶ προκοπὴν εἰληφότος  
 κατὰ τὸ βέλτιστον ἀφ' ὧν ἡμεῖς ἱστοροῦμεν  
 χρόνων, αὕτη πάλιν ἀρχὴ τῆς ἐπὶ τὸ χεῖρον ἐγένετο  
 11 μεταβολῆς, τὸ Καλλικράτους θράσος . . . Ῥω-  
 μαῖοι ὄντες ἄνθρωποι καὶ ψυχῇ χρώμενοι λαμπρᾶ  
 καὶ προαιρέσει καλῇ πάντας μὲν ἐλεοῦσι τοὺς  
 ἐπταικότας καὶ πᾶσι πειρῶνται χαρίζεσθαι τοῖς  
 12 καταφεύγουσιν ὡς αὐτούς· ὅταν μέντοι γέ τις  
 ὑπέμνησε τῶν δικαίων, τετηρηκῶς τὴν πίστιν,  
 ἀνατρέχουσι καὶ διορθοῦνται σφᾶς αὐτοὺς κατὰ  
 13 δύναμιν ἐν τοῖς πλείστοις. ὁ δὲ Καλλικράτης  
 πρεσβεύσας κατὰ τοὺς ἐνεστῶτας καιροὺς εἰς  
 τὴν Ῥώμην χάριν τοῦ λέγειν τὰ δίκαια περὶ τῶν  
 Ἄχαιῶν, χρησάμενος κατὰ τοῦναντίον τοῖς πράγ-  
 μασιν καὶ συνεπισπασάμενος <τὰ> κατὰ Μεσ-  
 σηνίους, ὑπὲρ ὧν οὐδ' ἐνεκάλουν Ῥωμαῖοι, παρῆν  
 εἰς Ἀχαΐαν προσανατεινόμενος τὸν ἀπὸ Ῥω-  
 14 μαίων φόβον· καὶ διὰ τὴν ἀποπρεσβεΐαν κατα-  
 πληξάμενος καὶ συντρίψας τοὺς ὄχλους διὰ τὸ  
 μηδὲν εἰδέναί τῶν ὑπ' αὐτοῦ κατ' ἀλήθειαν εἰρη-  
 μένων ἐν τῇ συγκλήτῳ τοὺς πολλούς, πρῶτον μὲν  
 ἠρέθη στρατηγός, πρὸς τοῖς ἄλλοις κακοῖς καὶ  
 15 δωροδοκηθεῖς, ἐξῆς δὲ τούτοις παραλαβὼν τὴν  
 ἀρχὴν κατῆγε τοὺς ἐκ τῆς Λακεδαίμονος καὶ τοὺς  
 ἐκ τῆς Μεσσηνίας φυγάδας.

**1 (13)** Ὅτι Φιλοποίμενα καὶ Ἀρίστεινον τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς  
 xxv. 9) συνέβη οὔτε τὴν φύσιν ὁμοίαν σχεῖν οὔτε τὴν  
 2 αἵρεσιν τῆς πολιτείας. ἦν γὰρ ὁ μὲν Φιλοποίμην  
 εὔπεφυκῶς πρὸς τὰς πολεμικὰς χρεῖας καὶ κατὰ  
 τὸ σῶμα καὶ κατὰ τὴν ψυχὴν, ὁ δ' ἕτερος πρὸς  
 3 τὰ πολιτικὰ τῶν διαβουλίων. τῇ δ' αἵρέσει κατὰ  
 τὴν πολιτείαν τοῦτο διέφερον ἀλλήλων. τῆς γὰρ

but now after the Achaean League had become stronger and more prosperous than at any time recorded in history, this effrontery of Callicrates was the beginning of a change for the worse. . . . The Romans are men, and with their noble disposition and high principles pity all who are in misfortune and appeal to them ; but, when anyone who has remained true to them reminds them of the claims of justice, they usually draw back and correct themselves as far as they can. On the present occasion Callicrates, who had been sent to Rome to state the just claims of Achaea, did exactly the opposite, and having dragged in the Messenian question, about which the Romans did not even raise any complaint, returned to Achaea armed with threats of Roman displeasure. By his report he overraved and crushed the spirits of the people, who were perfectly ignorant of the words he had actually used in the Senate ; first of all he was elected strategus, taking bribes in addition to all his other misconduct, and next, on entering upon office, brought back the Spartan and Messenian exiles.

*Comparison between Philopoemen and Aristaenus*

(Cp. Suid.)

11. Philopoemen and Aristaenus the Achaeans were alike neither in nature nor in their political convictions. Philopoemen indeed was exceptionally capable both physically and mentally in the field of war, Aristaenus in that of politics ; and the difference in their political convictions was as follows.

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Ῥωμαίων ὑπεροχῆς ἤδη τοῖς Ἑλληνικοῖς πράγ-  
 μασιν ἐμπλεκομένης ὀλοσχερῶς κατὰ τε τοὺς  
 4 Φιλιππικοὺς καὶ τοὺς Ἀντιοχικοὺς καιροὺς, — <ὁ  
 μὲν> Ἀρίσταινος ἤγε τὴν ἀγωγὴν τῆς πολιτείας  
 οὕτως ὥστε πᾶν τὸ πρόσφορον Ῥωμαίοις ἐξ  
 ἐτοίμου ποιεῖν, ἔνια δὲ καὶ πρὶν ἢ προστάξαι  
 5 ῥεῖνους. ἐπειρᾶτο μὲντοι γε τῶν νόμων ἔχεσθαι  
 δοκεῖν καὶ τὴν τοιαύτην ἐφείλκετο φαντασίαν,  
 εἰκῶν, ὅποτε τούτων ἀντιπίπτοι τις προδήλως  
 6 τοῖς ὑπὸ Ῥωμαίων γραφομένοις. ὁ δὲ Φιλο-  
 ποίμην, ὅσα μὲν εἶη τῶν παρακαλουμένων ἀκό-  
 λουθα τοῖς νόμοις καὶ τῇ συμμαχίᾳ, πάντα συγ-  
 7 κατήνει καὶ συνέπραττεν ἀπροφασίστως, ὅσα δὲ  
 τούτων ἐκτὸς ἐπιτάττειεν, οὐχ οἷός τ' ἦν ἐθελον-  
 τὴν συνυπακούειν, ἀλλὰ τὰς μὲν ἀρχὰς ἔφη δεῖν  
 8 δικαιολογεῖσθαι, μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα πάλιν ἀξιοῦν· εἰ  
 δὲ μηδ' οὕτως πείθοιεν, τέλος οἷον ἐπιμαρτυρο-  
 μένους εἰκεῖν καὶ τότε ποιεῖν τὸ παραγγελλόμενον.

**2 (14)** **xv. 9<sup>a</sup>)** “Ὅτι τοιούτοις ἀπολογισμοῖς Ἀρίσταινος ἐχρήτη  
 πρὸς τοὺς Ἀχαιοὺς περὶ τῆς ἰδίας αἰρέσεως· ἔφη  
 γὰρ οὐκ εἶναι δυνατόν καὶ <τὸ> δόρυ καὶ τὸ  
 κηρύκειον ἅμα προτεινομένους συνέχειν τὴν πρὸς  
 Ῥωμαίους φιλίαν· “ ἀλλ' εἰ μὲν οἰοί τ' ἐσμέν  
 ἀντοφθαλμεῖν καὶ δυνάμεθα τοῦτο ποιεῖν . . .  
 . . . . . <εἰ δὲ μηδ'> ὁ Φιλοποίμην  
 εἰπεῖν τοῦτο τολμᾶ . . . . . καιροῖς ἔνα  
 2 Ῥωμαίοις, διὰ τί ἀδυνάτων ὀρεγόμενοι τὰ δυνατὰ  
 παρίεμεν;” δύο γὰρ ἔφη σκοποὺς εἶναι πάσης  
 πολιτείας, τὸ τε καλὸν καὶ τὸ συμφέρον. οἷς μὲν  
 οὖν ἐφικτός ἐστιν ἢ τοῦ καλοῦ κτήσις, ταύτης  
 ἀντέχεσθαι δεῖν τοὺς ὀρθῶς πολιτευομένους· οἷς



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δ' ἀδύνατος, ἐπὶ τὴν τοῦ συμφέροντος μερίδα  
 3 καταφεύγειν· τὸ δ' ἑκατέρων ἀποτυγχάνειν μέγι-  
 στον εἶναι τεκμήριον ἀβουλίας· πάσχειν δὲ τοῦτο  
 προφανῶς τοὺς ἀπροφασίστως ὁμολογοῦντας· μὲν  
 πᾶν τὸ παραγγελλόμενον, ἀκουσίως δὲ τοῦτο  
 4 πράττοντας καὶ μετὰ προσκοπῆς· διόπερ ἢ τοῦτ'  
 εἶναι δεικτέον ὡς ἐσμὲν ἱκανοὶ πρὸς τὸ μὴ πειθ-  
 αρχεῖν ἢ μηδὲ λέγειν τοῦτο τολμῶντας ὑπακου-  
 στέον ἐτοίμως εἶναι πᾶσι τοῖς παραγγελλομένοις.

3 (15)  
 xv. 9<sup>b</sup>) Ὁ δὲ Φιλοποίμην οὐκ ἐπὶ τοσοῦτον ἔφη δεῖν  
 ἀμαθίαν αὐτοῦ <κατα>γινώσκειν ὥστε τὸ μὴ  
 δύνασθαι μετρεῖν μήτε τὴν διαφορὰν τοῦ πολιτεύ-  
 ματος τῶν Ῥωμαίων καὶ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν μήτε τὴν  
 2 ὑπερβολὴν τῆς δυνάμεως “ ἀλλὰ πάσης ὑπεροχῆς  
 φύσιν ἐχούσης αἰεὶ βαρύτερον χρῆσθαι τοῖς ὑπο-  
 ταττομένοις, πότερον ” ἔφη “ συμφέρει συνεργεῖν  
 ταῖς ὀρμαῖς ταῖς τῶν κρατούντων καὶ μηθὲν  
 ἐμποδῶν ποιεῖν, ἵν' ὡς τάχιστα πείραν λάβωμεν  
 τῶν βαρυτάτων ἐπιταγμάτων, ἢ τοῦναντίον, καθ'  
 ὅσον οἰοί τ' ἐσμὲν, συμπαλαίοντας προσαντέχειν  
 ἐπὶ τοσοῦτον· ἐφ' ὅσον μέλλομεν τελέως . . . . .  
 3 . . . . . κὰν ἐπιτάττωσιν . . . . . καὶ  
 τούτων ὑπομιμνήσκοντες αὐτοὺς ἐπιλαμβάνομεθα  
 τῆς ὀρμῆς, παρακαθέξομεν ἐπὶ ποσὸν τὸ πικρὸν  
 αὐτῶν τῆς ἐξουσίας, ἄλλως τε δὴ καὶ περὶ πλείονος  
 ποιουμένων Ῥωμαίων ἕως γε τοῦ νῦν, ὡς αὐτὸς  
 φῆς, Ἀρίσταινε, τὸ τηρεῖν τοὺς ὄρκους καὶ τὰς  
 συνθήκας καὶ τὴν πρὸς τοὺς συμμάχους πίστιν.  
 4 εἰ δ' αὐτοὶ καταγνόντες τῶν ἰδίων δικαίων  
 αὐτόθεν εὐθέως καθάπερ οἱ δοριάλωτοι πρὸς πᾶν  
 τὸ κελευόμενον ἐτοίμους ἡμᾶς αὐτοὺς παρα-  
 σκευάζωμεν, τί διοίσει τὸ τῶν Ἀχαιῶν ἔθνος Σικε-

powerless to do so must take refuge in the attainment of their interest. But to fail in both aims was the highest proof of incompetence ; and this was evidently the case with those who made no objection to any demand, but complied with it against their wills and in a manner calculated to give offence. “ Therefore,” he said, “ either it must be proved that we are capable of refusing compliance, or, if no one dares to say this, we must readily obey all orders.”

13. The reply of Philopoemen was that they must not think he was so stupid as to be incapable of measuring the difference between the two states, Rome and Achaea, and the superiority of the Roman power. “ But,” he continued, “ as a stronger power is always naturally disposed to press harder on those who submit to it, is it in our interest by encouraging the whims of our masters, and not opposing them in any way, to have to yield as soon as possible to the most tyrannical behests ? Should we not rather, as far as it is in our power, wrestle with them, and hold out until we are completely exhausted ? And should they issue illegal orders,<sup>a</sup> if, by pointing this out to them, we put some check on their arbitrary conduct, we shall at least in a measure curb the extreme severity of their dominion, especially since, as you yourself, Aristaenus, acknowledge, the Romans, up to now at least, set a very high value on fidelity to oaths, treaties, and contracts with allies. But if we ourselves, ignoring our own rights, instantly without protest make ourselves subservient, like prisoners of war, to any and every order, what difference will there be between the Achaean League

<sup>a</sup> Heyse supplies ἐκτὸς νόμων τι.



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λιωτῶν καὶ Καπυανῶν τῶν ὁμολογουμένως καὶ  
 5 πάλαι δουλευόντων;” διόπερ ἔφη δεῖν ἢ τοῦτο  
 συγχωρεῖν ὡς οὐδὲν ἰσχύει δίκαιον παρὰ Ῥω-  
 μαίοις ἢ μηδὲ τολμῶντας τοῦτο λέγειν χρῆσθαι  
 τοῖς δικαίοις καὶ μὴ προῖεσθαι σφᾶς, ἔχοντάς γε  
 δὴ μεγίστας καὶ καλλίστας ἄφορμάς πρὸς Ῥω-  
 6 μαίους. ὅτι μὲν γὰρ ἤξει ποτὲ τοῖς “Ἑλλησιν  
 ὁ καιρὸς οὗτος, ἐν ᾧ δεήσει ποιεῖν κατ’ ἀνάγκην  
 πᾶν τὸ παραγγελλόμενον, σαφῶς ἔφη γινώσκειν.  
 “ ἀλλὰ πότερα τοῦτον ὡς τάχιστα τις ἂν ἰδεῖν  
 βουληθείη <γενόμενον> ἢ τοῦναντίον ὡς βραδύτατα;  
 7 δοκῶ μὲν γὰρ ὡς βραδύτατα.” διὸ καὶ τούτῳ  
 διαφέρειν ἔφη τὴν Ἀρισταίνου πολιτείαν τῆς  
 ἑαυτοῦ· ἐκεῖνον μὲν γὰρ σπουδάζειν ὡς τάχιστα  
 τὸ χρεῶν ἰδεῖν γενόμενον καὶ συνεργεῖν τούτῳ  
 κατὰ δύναμιν· αὐτὸς δὲ πρὸς τοῦτ’ ἀντερείδειν  
 καὶ διωθεῖσθαι, καθ’ ἕσπον ἐστὶ δυνατός.  
 8 Οὐ μὲν ἄλλ’ ἐκ τῶν προειρημένων δῆλον ὡς  
 συνέβαινε γίνεσθαι τοῦ μὲν καλήν, τοῦ δ’ εὐσχήμονα  
 9 τὴν πολιτείαν, ἀμφοτέρας γε μὲν ἀσφαλεῖς· τοι-  
 γαροῦν μεγίστων καιρῶν τότε περιστάσεων καὶ  
 Ῥωμαίους καὶ τοὺς Ἑλληνας τῶν τε κατὰ Φίλ-  
 ιππον καὶ κατ’ Ἀντίοχον, ὅμως ἀμφοτέροι δι-  
 ετήρησαν ἀκέραια τὰ δίκαια τοῖς Ἀχαιοῖς πρὸς  
 10 Ῥωμαίους· φήμη δὲ τις ἐνέτρεχεν ὡς Ἀρισταίνου  
 Ῥωμαίοις εὐνουστέρου μᾶλλον ἢ Φιλοποίμενος  
 ὑπάρχοντος.

### V. RES ASIAE

4 (8) “Ὅτι κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν Φαρνάκης ὁ βασιλεύς,  
 xxv. 4) πάλιν ὀλιγορήσας τῆς γεγενημένης ἐπὶ Ῥω-  
 μαίους ἀναφορᾶς, Λεώκριτον μὲν ἔτι κατὰ χειμῶνα  
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μετὰ μυρίων στρατιωτῶν ἐξαπέστειλε πορθή-  
2 σοντα τὴν Γαλατίαν, αὐτὸς δὲ τῆς ἐαρινῆς ὥρας  
ὑποφαινούσης ἤθροιζε τὰς δυνάμεις, ὡς ἐμβαλῶν  
3 εἰς τὴν Καππαδοκίαν. ἃ πυνθανόμενος Εὐμένης  
δυσχερῶς μὲν ἔφερε τὸ συμβαῖνον διὰ τὸ πάντα  
τοὺς τῆς πίστεως ὄρους ὑπερβαίνειν τὸν Φαρνάκην,  
4 ἠναγκάζετο δὲ τὸ παραπλήσιον ποιεῖν. ἤδη δ'  
αὐτοῦ συνηθροικότος τὰς δυνάμεις, κατέπλευσαν  
5 ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης οἱ περὶ τὸν Ἄτταλον. ὁμοῦ δὲ  
γενόμενοι καὶ κοινολογηθέντες ἀλλήλοις ἀνέζευξαν  
6 παραχρῆμα μετὰ τῆς στρατιᾶς. ἀφικόμενοι δ'  
εἰς τὴν Γαλατίαν τὸν μὲν Λεώκριτον οὐκέτι κατ-  
έλαβον· τοῦ δὲ Κασσιγνάτου καὶ τοῦ Γαιζατόριγος  
διαπεμπομένων πρὸς αὐτοὺς ὑπὲρ ἀσφαλείας,  
οἷτινες ἐτύγχανον ἔπει πρότερον ἡρημένοι τὰ  
Φαρνάκου, καὶ πᾶν ὑπισχνουμένων ποιήσειν τὸ  
7 προσταττόμενον, ἀπειπάμενοι τούτους διὰ τὴν  
προγεγεννημένην ἀθεσίαν, ἐξάραντες παντὶ τῷ  
8 στρατεύματι προῆγον ἐπὶ τὸν Φαρνάκην. παρα-  
γενόμενοι δ' ἐκ Καλπίτου πεμπταῖοι πρὸς τὸν  
Ἄλυν ποταμὸν ἑκταῖοι πάλιν ἀνέζευξαν εἰς Παρ-  
9 νασσόν. ἔνθα καὶ Ἀριαράθης ὁ τῶν Καππαδοκῶν  
βασιλεὺς συνέμιξεν αὐτοῖς μετὰ τῆς οἰκείας δυ-  
νάμεως, καὶ ἦλθον εἰς τὴν Μωκισσέων χώραν.  
10 ἄρτι δὲ κατεστρατοπεδευκότων αὐτῶν προσέπεσε  
παραγενέσθαι τοὺς ἐκ τῆς Ῥώμης πρεσβευτὰς ἐπὶ  
11 τὰς διαλύσεις· ὧν ἀκούσας ὁ βασιλεὺς Εὐμένης  
Ἄτταλον μὲν ἐξαπέστειλε τούτους ἐκδεξόμενον,  
αὐτὸς δὲ τὰς δυνάμεις ἔδιπλασίαζε καὶ διεκόσμη  
φιλοτίμως, ἅμα μὲν ἀρμοζόμενος πρὸς τὰς ἀληθινὰς  
χρείας, ἅμα δὲ βουλόμενος ἐνδείκνυσθαι τοῖς  
Ῥωμαίοις ὅτι δι' αὐτοῦ δυνατός ἐστι τὸν Φαρνάκην

winter with ten thousand troops to lay Galatia waste, and himself, when spring began to set in, collected his forces with the object of invading Cappadocia. Eumenes, on learning of this, was highly incensed, as Pharnaces was violating all the terms of their treaty, but he was forced to do the same thing himself. When he had already collected his troops, Attalus and his brother returned from Rome. After meeting and conversing the brothers at once left with their army. On arriving in Galatia they found that Leocritus was no longer there, but Cassignatus and Gaezatorix, who a year previously had taken the part of Pharnaces, sent to them asking for protection, and promising to submit to all their orders. Rejecting these overtures owing to the previous infidelity of these chiefs, they left with their whole army and advanced to meet Pharnaces. From Calpitus (?) they reached the Halys in four days, and next day left for Parnassus, where Ariarathes, the king of Cappadocia, joined them with his own forces, upon which they advanced to the territory of Mocissus. Just after they had encamped there the news reached them that the legates from Rome had arrived to arrange a peace. On hearing this King Eumenes sent off Attalus to receive them, but himself doubled his forces and energetically drilled them; both for the purpose of meeting actual exigencies and to show the Romans that he was capable without any assistance of defending

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**15** (9) ἀμύνασθαι καὶ καταπολεμεῖν. παραγενομένων δὲ  
 xxv. 5) τῶν πρέσβων καὶ παρακαλούντων λύειν τὸν  
 πόλεμον, ἔφασαν μὲν οἱ περὶ τὸν Εὐμένη καὶ τὸν  
 Ἀριαράθην ἔτοιμοι πρὸς πᾶν εἶναι τὸ παρακα-  
 2 λούμενον, ἠξίου δὲ τοὺς Ῥωμαίους εἰ μὲν ἔστι  
 δυνατόν, <εἰς> σύλλογον αὐτοὺς συναγαγεῖν πρὸς  
 τὸν Φαρνάκην, ἵνα κατὰ πρόσωπον λεγομένων τῶν  
 λόγων ἴδωσι τὴν ἀθεσίαν αὐτοῦ καὶ τὴν ὠμότητα  
 3 διὰ πλειόνων· εἰ δὲ μὴ τοῦτ' εἴη δυνατόν, αὐτοὺς  
 γενέσθαι κριτὰς τῶν πραγμάτων ἴσους καὶ δι-  
 4 καίους. τῶν δὲ πρεσβευτῶν ἀναδεχομένων πάντα  
 τὰ δυνατὰ καὶ καλῶς ἔχοντα ποιήσειν, ἀξιούντων  
 5 δὲ τὴν στρατιὰν ἀπάγειν ἐκ τῆς χώρας· ἄτοπον  
 γὰρ εἶναι παρόντων <πρέσβων> καὶ λόγους  
 ποιουμένων ὑπὲρ διαλύσεων, ἅμα παρεῖναι τὰ τοῦ  
 6 πολέμου καὶ κακοποιεῖν ἀλλήλους· συνεχώρησαν  
 οἱ περὶ τὸν Εὐμένη, καὶ τῇ κατὰ πόδας εὐθέως  
 ἀναζεύξαντες οὗτοι προῆγον ὡς ἐπὶ Γαλατίας.  
 7 οἱ δὲ Ῥωμαῖοι πρὸς τὸν Φαρνάκην συμμίξαντες  
 πρῶτον μὲν ἠξίου αὐτὸν εἰς λόγους ἐλθεῖν τοῖς  
 περὶ τὸν Εὐμένη· μάλιστα γὰρ ἂν οὕτω τυχεῖν τὰ  
 8 πράγματα διεξαγωγῆς. τοῦ δὲ πρὸς τοῦτο τὸ  
 μέρος ἀντιβαίνοντος καὶ τέλος ἀπειπαμένου, δῆλον  
 μὲν εὐθέως ἦν τοῦτο καὶ Ῥωμαίοις ὅτι κατα-  
 γινώσκει προφανῶς ἑαυτοῦ καὶ διαπιστεῖ τοῖς  
 9 σφετέροις πράγμασι· πάντῃ δὲ πάντως βουλόμενοι  
 λῦσαι τὸν πόλεμον προσεκαρτέρουν, ἕως οὗ συν-  
 εχώρησε πέμψειν αὐτοκράτορας ἐπὶ <τὸν Πέργαμον  
 κατὰ> θάλατταν τοὺς συνθησομένους τὴν εἰρήνην,  
 10 ἐφ' οἷς ἂν οἱ πρεσβευταὶ κελεύσωσιν. ἀφικο-  
 μένων <δὲ> τῶν πρέσβων, καὶ συνελθόντων ὁμοῦ  
 τῶν τε Ῥωμαίων καὶ τῶν περὶ Εὐμένη, καὶ τούτων



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μὲν εἰς ἅπαν ἑτοίμως συγκαταβαινόντων χάριν  
11 τοῦ συντελεσθῆναι τὴν εἰρήνην, τῶν δὲ παρὰ τοῦ  
Φαρνάκου πρὸς πᾶν διαφορομένων καὶ τοῖς ὁμο-  
λογηθεῖσιν οὐκ ἐμμενόντων, ἀλλ' αἰεὶ τι προσ-  
επιζητούντων καὶ μεταμελομένων, ταχέως τοῖς  
Ῥωμαίοις ἐγένετο δῆλον ὅτι ματαιοπονοῦσιν. οὐ  
γὰρ οἷός τ' ἦν συγκαταβαίνειν ὁ Φαρνάκης εἰς  
12 τὰς διαλύσεις. ὅθεν ἀπράκτου γενομένης τῆς  
κοινολογίας, καὶ τῶν Ῥωμαίων ἀπαλλαγέντων  
ἐκ τοῦ Περγάμου, καὶ τῶν παρὰ τοῦ Φαρνάκου  
πρέσβειων ἀπολυθέντων εἰς τὴν οἰκείαν, ὁ μὲν  
πόλεμος ἐγεγένητο κατάμονος, οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν  
Εὐμένη πάλιν ἐγίνοντο περὶ τὰς εἰς τοῦτον παρα-  
13 σκευάς. ἐν ᾧ καιρῷ τῶν Ῥοδίων ἐπισπασμένων  
τὸν Εὐμένη [καὶ] φιλοτίμως, οὗτος μὲν ἐξώρμησε  
μετὰ πολλῆς σπουδῆς, πράξων τὰ κατὰ τοὺς  
Λυκίους. . . .

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to make any concessions for peace ; but, as the envoys of Pharnaces differed with them on every point, did not adhere to their agreements, continued raising fresh demands and withdrawing from their concessions, the Romans soon saw that all their efforts were in vain, as Pharnaces was not in the least inclined to make peace. So that, as the conference had no result, as the Romans quitted Pergamus, and as the envoys of Pharnaces returned to their own country, the war became permanent, and Eumenes began to continue his preparations for it. At the same time the Rhodians did their best to gain the assistance of Eumenes, and he hurriedly left to lend them a hand in Lycia. . . .



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## I. RES ASIAE

2 "Οτι ὁ Φαρνάκης, ἑξαπιναίου καὶ βαρείας αὐτῷ  
xvi. 6) τῆς ἐφόδου γενομένης, ἔτοιμος ἦν πρὸς πᾶν τὸ  
προτεινόμενον· πρέσβεις γὰρ ἑξαπέστειλε πρὸς  
2 Εὐμένη καὶ Ἀριαράθην. τῶν δὲ περὶ Εὐμένη  
καὶ Ἀριαράθην προσδεξαμένων τοὺς λόγους καὶ  
παραχρῆμα συνεξαποστειλάντων πρεσβευτὰς παρ'  
αὐτῶν πρὸς τὸν Φαρνάκην, καὶ τούτου γενομένου  
πλεονάκεις παρ' ἑκατέρων, ἐκυρώθησαν αἱ δια-  
3 λύσεις ἐπὶ τούτοις· εἰρήνην ὑπάρχειν Εὐμένει καὶ  
Προυσίᾳ καὶ Ἀριαράθῃ πρὸς Φαρνάκην καὶ  
4 Μιθριδάτην εἰς τὸν πάντα χρόνον. Γαλατίας μὴ  
ἐπιβαίνειν Φαρνάκην κατὰ μηδένα τρόπον. ὅσαι  
γεγόνασιν πρότερον συνθῆκαι Φαρνάκῃ πρὸς Γα-  
5 λάτας, ἀκύρους ὑπάρχειν. ὁμοίως Παφλαγονίας  
ἐκχωρεῖν, ἀποκαταστήσαντα τοὺς οἰκήτορας, οὓς  
πρότερον ἑξαγηόχει, σὺν δὲ τούτοις ὅπλα καὶ  
6 βέλη καὶ τὰς ἄλλας παρασκευάς. ἀποδοῦναι δὲ  
καὶ Ἀριαράθῃ τῶν τε χωρίων ὅσα παρήρητο μετὰ  
τῆς προὔπαρχούσης κατασκευῆς καὶ τοὺς ὁμήρους.  
7 ἀποδοῦναι δὲ καὶ Τίον παρὰ τὸν Πόντον, ὃν μετὰ  
τινα χρόνον Εὐμένης ἔδωκε Προυσία πεισθεῖς

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8 μετὰ μεγάλης χάριτος. ἐγράφη δὲ καὶ τοὺς  
αἰχμαλώτους ἀποκαταστήσαι Φαρνάκην χωρὶς λύ-  
9 τρων καὶ τοὺς αὐτομόλους ἅπαντας· πρὸς δὲ  
τούτοις τῶν χρημάτων καὶ τῆς γάζης, ἧς ἀπήνεγκε  
παρὰ Μορζίου καὶ Ἀριαράθου, ἀποδοῦναι τοῖς  
10 προειρημένοις βασιλεῦσιν ἑνακόσια τάλαντα, καὶ  
τοῖς περὶ τὸν Εὐμένη τριακόσια προσθεῖναι τῆς  
11 εἰς τὸν πόλεμον δαπάνης. ἐπεγράφη δὲ καὶ  
Μιθριδάτῃ τῷ τῆς Ἀρμενίας σατράπῃ τρια-  
κόσια τάλαντα, διότι παραβὰς τὰς πρὸς Εὐμένη  
12 συνθήκας ἐπολέμησεν Ἀριαράθῃ. περιελήφθησαν  
δὲ ταῖς συνθήκαις τῶν μὲν κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν  
δυναστῶν Ἀρταξίας ὁ τῆς πλείστης Ἀρμενίας  
13 ἄρχων καὶ Ἀκουσίλοχος, τῶν δὲ κατὰ τὴν Εὐρώπῃν  
Γάταλος ὁ Σαρμάτης, τῶν δ' αὐτονομουμένων  
Ἡρακλεῶται, Μεσημβριανοί, Χερρονησίται, σὺν  
δὲ τούτοις Κυζικηνοί. περὶ δὲ τῶν ὁμήρων  
14 τελευταῖον ἐγράφη πόσους δεήσει καὶ τίνας δοῦναι  
τὸν Φαρνάκην· ὧν καὶ παραγεννηθέντων ἐξ αὐτῆς  
15 ἀνέζευξαν αἱ δυνάμεις. καὶ τοῦ μὲν Εὐμένει καὶ  
Ἀριαράθῃ πρὸς Φαρνάκην συστάντος πολέμου  
τοιούτου ἀπέβη τὸ τέλος.

## II. RES MACEDONIAE

3 "Ὅτι Περσεὺς ἀνανεωσάμενος τὴν φιλίαν τὴν  
xvi. 5) πρὸς Ῥωμαίους εὐθέως ἑλληνοκοπεῖν ἐπεβάλετο,  
κατακαλῶν εἰς τὴν Μακεδονίαν καὶ τοὺς τὰ χρέα  
φεύγοντας καὶ τοὺς πρὸς καταδίκας ἐκπεπτωκότας  
καὶ τοὺς ἐπὶ βασιλικοῖς ἐγκλήμασι παρακεχωρη-  
2 κότας. καὶ τούτων ἐξετίθει προγραφὰς εἰς τὴν  
Δῆλον καὶ Δελφοὺς καὶ τὸ τῆς Ἰτωνίας Ἀθηνᾶς

Prusias who begged for it: “Pharnaces shall return all prisoners of war without ransom and all deserters. Likewise out of the money and treasure he carried off from Morzius and Ariarathes, he shall repay to the above kings nine hundred talents, paying in addition to Eumenes three hundred talents towards the expenses of the war. A fine of three hundred talents was also imposed on Mithridates, satrap of Armenia, because violating his treaty with Eumenes he had made war on Ariarathes. Of the Asiatic princelets Artaxias, the ruler of the greater part of Armenia, and Acusilochus were included in the treaty; of those in Europe Gatalus the Sarmatian; also the following free cities, Heraclia, Mesembria, Chersonese, and Cyzicus. The last claim related to the number of hostages to be given by Pharnaces. Upon the arrival of the latter, the armies at once departed. Such was the end of the war between Eumenes and Ariarathes in alliance and Pharnaces.

## II. AFFAIRS OF MACEDONIA

### *Opening of the Reign of Perseus*

(Cp. Suid.)

3. Perseus, immediately after renewing his alli- 179-17  
ance with Rome, began to aim at popularity in Greece, calling back to Macedonia fugitive debtors and those who had been banished from the country either by sentence of the courts or for offences against the king. He posted up lists of these men at Delos, Delphi, and the temple of Itonian Athena,<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> A celebrated sanctuary in Thessaly.

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ιερόν, διδοὺς οὐ μόνον τὴν ἀσφάλειαν τοῖς κατα-  
πορευομένοις, ἀλλὰ καὶ τῶν ὑπαρχόντων κομιδὴν,  
3 ἀφ' ὧν ἕκαστος ἔφυγε. παρέλυσε δὲ καὶ τοὺς ἐν  
αὐτῇ τῇ Μακεδονίᾳ τῶν βασιλικῶν ὀφειλημάτων,  
ἀφῆκε δὲ καὶ τοὺς ἐν ταῖς φυλακαῖς ἐγκεκλεισμέ-  
4 νους ἐπὶ βασιλικαῖς αἰτίαις. ταῦτα δὲ ποιήσας  
πολλοὺς ἐμετεώρισε, δοκῶν καλὰς ἐλπίδας ὑπο-  
5 δεικνύναι πᾶσι τοῖς Ἕλλησιν ἐν αὐτῷ. ἐπέφαινε  
δὲ καὶ κατὰ τὴν ἐν τῷ λοιπῷ βίῳ προστασίαν τὸ  
6 τῆς βασιλείας ἀξίωμα. κατὰ τε γὰρ τὴν ἐπιφά-  
νειαν ἦν ἱκανὸς καὶ πρὸς πᾶσαν σωματικὴν χρεῖαν  
τὴν διατείνουσαν εἰς τὸν πραγματικὸν τρόπον  
εὐθετος, κατὰ τε τὴν ἐπίφασιν εἶχεν ἐπισκύνιον  
7 καὶ τάξιν οὐκ ἀνοίκειον τῆς ἡλικίας. ἐπεφεύγει  
δὲ καὶ τὴν πατρικὴν ἀσέλγειαν τὴν τε περὶ τὰς  
γυναῖκας καὶ τὴν περὶ τοὺς πότους, καὶ οὐ μόνον  
αὐτὸς μέτριον ἔπινε δειπνῶν, ἀλλὰ καὶ οἱ συνόντες  
8 αὐτῷ φίλοι. καὶ τὰ μὲν προοίμια τῆς Περσέως  
ἀρχῆς τοιαύτην εἶχε διάθεσιν.  
9 Ὅτι Φίλιππος ὁ βασιλεύς, ὅτε μὲν ηὔξηθη καὶ  
τὴν κατὰ τῶν Ἑλλήνων ἐξουσίαν ἔλαβε, πάντων  
ἦν ἀπιστότατος καὶ παρανομώτατος, ὅτε δὲ πάλιν  
τὰ τῆς τύχης ἀντέπνευσε, πάντων μετριώτατος.  
10 ἐπεὶ δὲ τοῖς ὅλοις πράγμασιν ἔπταισε, πρὸς πᾶν  
τὸ μέλλον ἀρμοζόμενος ἐπειράτο κατὰ πάντα  
τρόπον σωματοποιεῖν τὴν αὐτοῦ βασιλείαν.



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## III. RES ITALIAE

4 "Οτι μετὰ τὴν ἀποστολὴν τῶν ὑπάτων Τεβερίου  
xvi. 7) καὶ Κλαυδίου τὴν, πρὸς Ἰστρουσ καὶ Ἀγρίους ἢ  
σύγκλητος ἐχρηματισε τοῖς παρὰ τῶν Λυκίων  
2 ἤκουσι πρεσβευταῖς, ἤδη τῆς θερείας ληγούσης,  
οἷτινες παρεγένοντο μὲν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην ἤδη κατα-  
πεπολεμημένων τῶν Λυκίων, ἐξαπεστάλησαν δὲ  
3 χρόνοις ἱκανοῖς ἀνώτερον. οἱ γὰρ Ξάνθιοι, καθ'  
ὄν καιρὸν ἐμελλον εἰς τὸν πόλεμον ἐμβαίνειν,  
ἐξέπεμψαν πρεσβευτὰς εἰς τε τὴν Ἀχαΐαν καὶ τὴν  
4 Ῥώμην τοὺς περὶ Νικόστρατον. οἱ τότε παρα-  
γεννηθέντες εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην πολλοὺς εἰς ἔλεον  
ἐξεκαλέσαντο τῶν ἐν τῷ συνεδρίῳ, τιθέντες ὑπὸ  
τὴν ὄψιν τὴν τε Ῥοδίων βαρύτητα καὶ τὴν αὐτῶν  
5 περίστασιν. καὶ τέλος εἰς τοῦτ' ἤγαγον τὴν  
σύγκλητον, ὥστε πέμψαι πρεσβευτὰς εἰς τὴν  
Ῥόδον τοὺς διασαφήσοντας ὅτι, τῶν ὑπομνημα-  
τισμῶν ἀναληφθέντων <ῶν> οἱ δέκα πρέσβεις  
ἐποιήσαντο κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν, ὅτε τὰ πρὸς Ἀντίοχον  
ἐχείριζον, εὖρηνται Λύκιοι δεδομένοι Ῥοδίοις οὐκ  
ἐν δωρεᾷ, τὸ δὲ πλεῖον ὡς φίλοι καὶ σύμμαχοι.  
6 τοιαύτης δὲ γενομένης διαλύσεως, οὐδ' ὅλως  
7 ἤρεσκε πολλοῖς τὸ γεγονός. ἐδόκουν γὰρ οἱ  
Ῥωμαῖοι τὰ κατὰ τοὺς Ῥοδίους καὶ Λυκίους  
διαγωνοθετεῖν, θέλοντες ἐκδαπανᾶσθαι τὰς παρα-  
8 θέσεις τῶν Ῥοδίων καὶ τοὺς θησαυροὺς, ἀκηκοότες  
τὴν τε νυμφαγωγίαν τὴν νεωστὶ τῷ Περσεῖ γεγε-  
νημένην ὑπ' αὐτῶν καὶ τὴν ἀνάπειραν τῶν πλοίων.  
9 Συνέβαινε γὰρ βραχεῖ χρόνῳ πρότερον ἐπιφανῶς  
καὶ μεγαλομερῶς ταῖς παρασκευαῖς ἀναπεπει-  
ρᾶσθαι τοὺς Ῥοδίους ἅπασι τοῖς σκάφεσι τοῖς

## III. AFFAIRS OF ITALY

*Embassy from Lycia*

(Cp. Livy xli. 6. 8.)

4. After the dispatch of the consuls Tiberius Sempronius Gracchus and Gaius Claudius Pulcher against the Istri and Agrii, the Senate, when summer was approaching its end, gave audience to the envoys from Lycia who reached Rome after Lycia had been entirely reduced, but had been dispatched a good deal earlier. For the Xanthians, at the time they were about to embark on the war, had sent Nicostratus at the head of a mission to Achaea and Rome. He arrived at Rome only now, and appealed to the sentiments of many of the senators by bringing before their eyes the oppressiveness of the Rhodians and their own imminent danger. Finally they succeeded in persuading the senate to send legates to Rhodes, to inform that state, that after referring to the reports that the ten commissioners had drawn up in Asia when they were arranging matters with Antiochus, they found that the Lycians had not been handed over to Rhodes as a gift, but rather to be treated like friends and allies. The imposition of these terms by no means pleased many people in Rhodes. For it was thought that the Romans were constituting themselves arbiters in the matter of Rhodes and Lycia with the object of exhausting the stores and treasure of the Rhodians, having heard of their recent home-bringing of the bride of Perseus and of the refitting of their ships.

Indeed, a short while previously the whole of the Rhodian navy had been splendidly and munificently



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10 ὑπάρχουσιν αὐτοῖς· καὶ γὰρ ξύλων πλῆθος εἰς ναυπηγίαν ἐδίδοτο παρὰ τοῦ Περσέως τοῖς Ῥοδίοις, καὶ στελγίδα χρυσῆν ἐκάστῳ τῶν ἀφρακτικῶν ἐδεδώρητο τῶν νεωστὶ νενυμφαγωγηκῶτων αὐτῶ τὴν Λαοδίκην.

### IV. RES RHODIORUM

xvi. 5 Ὅτι εἰς τὴν Ῥόδον παραγενομένων τῶν ἐκ τῆς  
8) Ῥώμης πρεσβευτῶν καὶ διασαφούντων τὰ δεδογμένα τῇ συγκλήτῳ, θόρυβος ἦν ἐν τῇ Ῥόδῳ καὶ πολλὴ ταραχὴ περὶ τοὺς πολιτευομένους, ἀγανακτούντων ἐπὶ τῷ μὴ φάσκειν ἐν δωρεᾷ δεδόσθαι τοὺς Λυκίους αὐτοῖς· ἀλλὰ κατὰ συμμαχίαν.  
2 ἄρτι γὰρ δοκοῦντες καλῶς τεθεῖσθαι τὰ κατὰ Λυκίους, αὖθις ἄλλην ἀρχὴν ἐώρων φυομένην  
3 πραγμάτων· εὐθέως γὰρ οἱ Λύκιοι, τῶν Ῥωμαίων παραγενομένων καὶ διασαφούντων ταῦτα τοῖς Ῥοδίοις, πάλιν ἐστασίαζον καὶ πᾶν ὑπομένειν οἰοί τ' ἦσαν ὑπὲρ τῆς αὐτονομίας καὶ τῆς ἐλευ-  
4 θερίας. οὐ μὲν ἄλλ' οἱ γε Ῥόδιοι <δι>ακούσαντες τῶν πρεσβευτῶν καὶ νομίσαντες ἐξηπατηῆσθαι τοὺς Ῥωμαίους ὑπὸ τῶν Λυκίων, παραχρῆμα κατέστησαν τοὺς περὶ Λυκόφρονα πρεσβευτάς, διδάξοντας τὴν σύγκλητον περὶ τῶν  
5 προειρημένων. καὶ ταῦτα μὲν ἐπὶ τούτων ἦν, ὅσον οὕπῳ δοκούντων πάλιν ἐπαναστήσεσθαι τῶν Λυκίων.

### V. RES ITALIAE

xvi. 6 Ὅτι ἡ σύγκλητος, παραγενομένων τῶν ἐκ τῆς  
9) Ῥόδου πρεσβευτῶν, διακούσασα τῶν λόγων ὑπερέθετο τὴν ἀπόκρισιν.

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2 Ἡκόντων δὲ τῶν Δαρδανίων καὶ περὶ τοῦ  
πλήθους τῶν Βασταρνῶν καὶ περὶ τοῦ μεγέθους  
τῶν ἀνδρῶν <καὶ> τῆς ἐν τοῖς κινδύνοις τόλμης  
3 ἐξηγουμένων, καὶ διασαφούντων περὶ τῆς Περ-  
σέως κοινοπραγίας καὶ τῶν Γαλατῶν καὶ φασκόν-  
των τοῦτον ἀγωνιᾶν μᾶλλον ἢ τοὺς Βαστάρνας  
4 καὶ διὰ ταῦτα δεομένων σφίσι βοηθεῖν, παρόντων  
δὲ καὶ Θετταλῶν καὶ συνεπιμαρτυρούντων τοῖς  
Δαρδανίοις καὶ παρακαλούντων καὶ τούτων ἐπὶ  
5 τὴν βοήθειαν, ἔδοξε τῇ συγκλήτῳ πέμψαι τινὰς  
τοὺς αὐτόπτας ἔσομένους τῶν προσαγγελλομένων.  
6 καὶ παραυτίκα καταστήσαντες Αὖλον Ποστόμιον  
ἐξαπέστειλαν καὶ σὺν τούτῳ τινὰς τῶν νέων.

## BOOK XXV. 6. 2 – 6

A mission from the Dardanians now arrived, telling of the Bastarnae, their numbers, the huge size and the valour of their warriors, and also pointing out that Perseus and the Galatians were in league with this tribe. They said they were much more afraid of him than of the Bastarnae, and they begged for aid. Envoys from Thessaly also arrived confirming the statement of the Dardanians, and begging too for help. Upon this the senate decided to send some commissioners to inquire on the spot as to the veracity of these assertions, and at once appointed Aulus Postumius and some younger men.

# FRAGMENTA LIBRI XXVI

## I. RES ANTIOCHI

1<sup>a</sup> Πολύβιος δ' ἐν τῇ ἕκτῃ καὶ εἰκοστῇ τῶν Ἱστοριῶν  
(10) καλεῖ αὐτὸν Ἐπιμανῆ καὶ οὐκ Ἐπιφανῆ διὰ τὰς  
πράξεις. οὐ μόνον γὰρ μετὰ δημοτῶν ἀνθρώπων  
κατέβαινε εἰς ὁμίλιας, ἀλλὰ καὶ μετὰ τῶν παρ-  
επιδημούντων ξένων καὶ τῶν εὐτελεστάτων συν-  
2 ἔπινεν. εἰ δὲ καὶ τῶν νεωτέρων, φησὶν, αἴσθοιτο  
τινας συνευωχουμένους ὅπουδήποτε, παρῆν μετὰ  
κερατίου καὶ συμφωνίας, ὥστε τοὺς πολλοὺς  
διὰ τὸ παράδοξον ἀνισταμένους φεύγειν. πολ-  
λάκις δὲ καὶ τὴν βασιλικὴν ἐσθῆτα ἀποβαλὼν  
τήβενναν ἀναλαβὼν περιῆει τὴν ἀγοράν.

1 Ἄντιοχος ὁ Ἐπιφανῆς μὲν κληθεὶς, Ἐπιμανῆς  
(10 3) δ' ἐκ τῶν πράξεων ὀνομασθεὶς . . . περὶ οὗ φησι  
Πολύβιος τάδε, ὡς ἀποδιδράσκων ἐκ τῆς αὐλῆς  
ἐνίοτε τοὺς θεραπεύοντας, οὗ τύχοι τῆς πόλεως,  
2 ἀλύων ἐφαίνετο δεύτερος καὶ τρίτος. μάλιστα δὲ  
πρὸς τοῖς ἀργυροκοπέοις εὕρισκετο καὶ χρυσο-  
χοείοις, εὐρησιλογῶν καὶ φιλοτεχνῶν πρὸς τοὺς  
3 τορευτὰς καὶ τοὺς ἄλλους τεχνίτας. ἔπειτα καὶ  
μετὰ δημοτῶν ἀνθρώπων συγκαταβαίνων ὠμίλει



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ὦ τύχοι, καὶ μετὰ τῶν παρεπιδημούντων συνέπινε  
4 τῶν εὐτελεστάτων. ὅτε δὲ τῶν νεωτέρων αἰσθοιτό  
τινας συνευωχουμένους, οὐδεμίαν ἔμφασιν ποιήσας  
παρῆν ἐπικωμάζων μετὰ κερατίου καὶ συμφωνίας,  
ὥστε τοὺς πολλοὺς διὰ τὸ παράδοξον ἀφιστα-  
5 μένους φεύγειν. πολλάκις δὲ καὶ τὴν βασιλικὴν  
ἀποθέμενος ἐσθῆτα τήβενναν ἀναλαβὼν περιήει  
κατὰ τὴν ἀγορὰν ἀρχαιρεσιάζων καὶ τοὺς μὲν  
δεξιούμενος, τοὺς δὲ καὶ περιπτύσσων παρεκάλει  
φέρειν αὐτῷ τὴν ψῆφον, ποτὲ μὲν ὡς ἀγορανόμος  
6 γένηται, ποτὲ δὲ καὶ ὡς δήμαρχος. τυχῶν δὲ  
τῆς ἀρχῆς καὶ καθίσας ἐπὶ τὸν ἐλεφάντινον δίφρον  
κατὰ τὸ παρὰ Ῥωμαίοις ἔθος διήκουε τῶν κατὰ  
τὴν ἀγορὰν γινομένων συναλλαγμάτων καὶ διέκρινε  
7 μετὰ πολλῆς σπουδῆς καὶ προθυμίας. ἐξ ὧν εἰς  
ἀπορίαν ἦγε τῶν ἀνθρώπων τοὺς ἐπιεικεῖς· οἱ  
μὲν γὰρ ἀφελῆ τινα αὐτὸν εἶναι ὑπελάμβανον,  
οἱ δὲ μαινόμενον. καὶ γὰρ περὶ τὰς δωρεὰς ἦν  
8 παραπλήσιος· ἐδίδου γὰρ τοῖς μὲν ἀστραγάλους  
δορκαδεῖους, τοῖς δὲ φοινικοβαλάνους, ἄλλοις δὲ  
9 χρυσίον. καὶ ἐξ ἀπαντήσεως δέ τισιν ἐντυγ-  
χάνων, οὓς μὴ ἐωράκει ποτέ, ἐδίδου δωρεὰς  
10 ἀπροσδοκῆτους. ἐν δὲ ταῖς πρὸς τὰς πόλεις  
θυσίαις καὶ ταῖς πρὸς τοὺς θεοὺς τιμαῖς πάντα  
11 ὑπερέβαλλε τοὺς βεβασιλευκότας. τοῦτο δ' ἄν  
τις τεκμήραιτο ἔκ τε τοῦ παρ' Ἀθηναίοις Ὀλυμ-  
πιείου καὶ τῶν περὶ τὸν ἐν Δήλῳ βωμὸν ἀνδριάν-  
12 των. ἐλούετο δὲ καὶ τοῖς δημοσίοις βαλανείοις,  
ὅτε δημοτῶν ἦν τὰ βαλανεῖα πεπληρωμένα,  
κεραμίων εἰσφερομένων αὐτῷ μύρων τῶν πολυ-  
13 τελεστάτων. ὅτε καὶ τινος εἰπόντος “μακάριοί  
ἐστε ὑμεῖς οἱ βασιλεῖς οἱ καὶ τούτοις χρώμενοι

people he met, and used to drink in the company of the meanest foreign visitors to Antioch. Whenever he heard that any of the young men were at an entertainment, he would come in quite unceremoniously with a fife and a procession of musicians, so that most of the guests got up and left in astonishment. He would frequently put off his royal robes, and, assuming a white toga, go round the market-place like a candidate, and, taking some by the hand and embracing others, would beg them to give him their vote, sometimes for the office of aedile and sometimes for that of tribune. Upon being elected, he would sit upon the ivory curule chair, as the Roman custom is, listening to the lawsuits tried there, and pronouncing judgement with great pains and display of interest. In consequence all respectable men were entirely puzzled about him, some looking upon him as a plain simple man and others as a madman. His conduct too was very similar as regards the presents he made. To some people he used to give gazelles' knucklebones, to others dates, and to others money. Occasionally he used to address people he had never seen before when he met them, and make them the most unexpected kind of presents. But in the sacrifices he furnished to cities and in the honours he paid to the gods he far surpassed all his predecessors, as we can tell from the temple of Olympian Zeus at Athens and the statues round the altar at Delos. He also used to bathe in the public baths, when they were full of common people, having jars of the most precious ointments brought in for him; and on one occasion when some one said to him, "How lucky you are, you kings, to use such



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καὶ ὀδωδότες ἡδύ” [καὶ] μηδὲν τὸν ἄνθρωπον  
προσειπών, ὅπου ἑκεῖνος τῇ ἐξῆς ἐλούτο, ἐπεισ-  
ελθὼν ἐποίησεν αὐτοῦ καταχυθῆναι τῆς κεφαλῆς  
μέγιστον κεράμιον πολυτελεστάτου μύρου, τῆς  
14 στακτῆς καλουμένης, ὡς πάντας ἀναστάντας  
κυλίεσθαι <τοὺς> λουομένους τῷ μύρῳ καὶ διὰ  
τὴν γλισχρότητα καταπίπτοντας γέλωτα παρέχειν,  
καθάπερ καὶ αὐτὸν τὸν βασιλέα.

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### I. BELLUM PERSICUM

1 "Ότι ἐν τῷ καιρῷ τούτῳ παρεγένοντο πρέσβεις  
παρὰ μὲν Θεσπιέων οἱ περὶ Λασῆν καὶ Καλλέαν,  
2 παρὰ δὲ Νέωνος Ἰσμηνίας, οἱ μὲν περὶ Λασῆν  
ἐγχειρίζοντες τὴν ἑαυτῶν πατρίδα Ῥωμαίοις,  
ὁ δ' Ἰσμηνίας κατὰ κοινὸν πάσας <τὰς> ἐν τῇ  
Βοιωτία πόλεις διδοὺς εἰς τὴν τῶν πρεσβευτῶν  
3 πίστιν. ἦν δὲ τοῦτο μὲν ἐναντιώτατον τοῖς περὶ  
τὸν Μάρκιον, τὸ δὲ κατὰ πόλιν διελεῖν τοὺς  
4 Βοιωτοὺς οἰκειότατον. διὸ τοὺς μὲν περὶ τὸν  
Λασῆν καὶ τοὺς Χαιρωνεῖς καὶ τοὺς Λεβαδεῖς  
καὶ τοὺς ἄλλους, ὅσοι παρήσαν ἀπὸ τῶν πό-  
5 λεων, ἀσμένως ἀπεδέχοντο καὶ κατέψων, τὸν δ'  
Ἰσμηνίαν παρεδειγμάτιζον, ἀποτριβόμενοι καὶ  
6 παρορῶντες. ὅτε καὶ συνεπιθέμενοί τινες τῶν  
φυγάδων μικροῦ κατέλευσαν τὸν Ἰσμηνίαν, εἰ μὴ  
7 κατέφυγεν ὑπὸ τὰ δίθυρα τῶν Ῥωμαίων. κατὰ  
δὲ τὸν καιρὸν τοῦτον ἐν ταῖς Θήβαις συνέβαινε  
8 ταραχὰς εἶναι καὶ στάσεις. οἱ μὲν γὰρ ἔφασαν  
δεῖν διδόναι τὴν πόλιν εἰς τὴν Ῥωμαίων πίστιν,  
οἱ δὲ Κορωνεῖς καὶ Ἀλιάρτιοι συνδεδραμηκότες

# FRAGMENTS OF BOOK XXVII

## I. THE WAR WITH PERSEUS

### *Events in Boeotia*

(Cp. Livy xlii. 43. 4.)

1. At this time Lases and Calleas came as envoys 172-171 from Thespiæ and Ismenias on the part of Neon,<sup>a</sup> the former to put their city in the hands of the Romans, and Ismenias to place all the cities of Boeotia together at the discretion of the legates. This was quite the contrary of what Marcius and the other legates wished, it suiting their purpose far better to keep the Boeotian cities apart. So that while they very gladly received Lases and made much of him, as well as of the envoys from Chaeronea and Lebadea, and all others present from separate cities, they exposed Ismenias to contempt, fighting shy of him and treating him with neglect. On one occasion some of the exiles attacked Ismenias, and came very near stoning him, but he took refuge under the porch of the Roman mission. At the same period there were quarrels and disturbances in Thebes, where one party maintained that they ought to surrender the city at discretion to the Romans ; but the people of Coronea

<sup>a</sup> Possibly the son of Brachylles. He was a leader of the Macedonian party in Boeotia.

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εἰς τὰς Θήβας ἀκμὴν ἀντεποιούντο τῶν πραγ-  
 μάτων καὶ μένειν ἔφασαν δεῖν ἐν τῇ πρὸς τὸν  
 9 Περσέα συμμαχία. καὶ μέχρ' ἔμιν τινος ἐφ-  
 ἀμίλλος ἦν ἡ διάθεσις τῶν στασιαζόντων. Ὀλυμ-  
 πίχου δὲ τοῦ Κορωνέως πρώτου μεταθεμένου καὶ  
 φάσκοντος δεῖν ἀντέχεσθαι Ῥωμαίων, ἐγένετό  
 <τις> ὀλοσχερῆς ῥοπή καὶ μετάπτωσις τοῦ πλήθους,  
 10 καὶ πρῶτον μὲν τὸν Δικέταν ἠνάγκασαν πρε-  
 σβεύειν πρὸς τοὺς περὶ τὸν Μάρκιον, ἀπολογη-  
 σόμενον ὑπὲρ τῆς πρὸς τὸν Περσέα συμμαχίας.  
 11 μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα τοὺς περὶ τὸν Νέωνα καὶ τὸν  
 Ἰππίαν ἐξέβαλον, συντρέχοντες ἐπὶ τὰς οἰκίας  
 αὐτῶν καὶ κελεύοντες αὐτοὺς ὑπὲρ αὐτῶν ἀπο-  
 λογεῖσθαι περὶ τῶν διωκονομημένων. οὗτοι γὰρ  
 ἦσαν οἱ <τὰ> περὶ τὴν συμμαχίαν οἰκονομήσαντες.  
 12 τούτων δὲ παραχωρησάντων, ἐξ αὐτῆς ἀθροί-  
 σθέντες εἰς ἐκκλησίαν πρῶτον μὲν τιμὰς ἐψη-  
 φίσαντο καὶ <δωρεὰς> τοῖς Ῥωμαίοις, εἶτ' ἐνεργεῖν  
 13 ἐπέταξαν τοῖς ἄρχουσι τὴν συμμαχίαν, ἐπὶ δὲ  
 πᾶσιν πρεσβευτὰς κατέστησαν τοὺς ἐγχειριούντας  
 τὴν πόλιν Ῥωμαίοις καὶ κατάξοντας τοὺς παρ'  
 αὐτῶν φυγάδας.

2 Τούτων δὲ συντελουμένων ἐν ταῖς Θήβαις, οἱ  
 φυγάδες ἐν τῇ Χαλκίδι προστησάμενοι Πομπίδην  
 κατηγορίαν ἐποιούντο τῶν περὶ τὸν Ἰσμηνίαν  
 2 καὶ Νέωνα καὶ Δικέταν. προδήλου δὲ τῆς ἀγνοίας  
 οὔσης τῶν προειρημένων, καὶ τῶν Ῥωμαίων  
 3 συνεπισχυόντων τοῖς φυγάσιν, εἰς τὴν ἐσχάτην  
 διάθεσιν ἦκον οἱ περὶ τὸν Ἰππίαν, ὥστε καὶ τῷ  
 βίῳ κινδυνεῦσαι παρ' αὐτὸν τὸν καιρὸν ὑπὸ τῆς  
 ὀρμῆς τοῦ πλήθους, ἕως οὗ βραχὺ τι τῆς ἀσφαλείας  
 αὐτῶν προυνοήθησαν οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι, παρακατασχόν-



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4 τες τὴν ἐπιφορὰν τῶν ὄχλων. τῶν δὲ Θηβαίων  
 παραγενομένων καὶ κομιζόντων τὰ προειρημένα  
 δόγματα καὶ τὰς τιμὰς, ταχεῖαν ἕκαστα τῶν  
 πραγμάτων ἐλάμβανε τὴν ἀνταπόδοσιν, ἅτε τῶν  
 πόλεων παρακειμένων ἀλλήλαις ἐν πάνυ βραχεῖ  
 5 διαστήματι. πλὴν ἀποδεξάμενοι τοὺς Θηβαίους  
 οἱ περὶ τὸν Μάρκιον τὴν τε πόλιν ἐπήνεσαν καὶ  
 τοὺς φυγάδας συνεβούλευσαν καταγαγεῖν εἰς τὴν  
 6 οἰκίαν. εὐθύς τε παρήγγειλαν πρεσβεύειν πᾶσι  
 τοῖς ἀπὸ τῶν πόλεων εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην, διδόντας  
 7 αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν πίστιν κατ' ἰδίαν ἑκάστους. πάν-  
 των δὲ κατὰ τὴν πρόθεσιν αὐτοῖς χωρούντων—  
 ταῦτα δ' ἦν τὸ διαλυῆσαι τῶν Βοιωτῶν τὸ ἔθνος  
 καὶ λυμήνασθαι τὴν τῶν πολλῶν εὐνοίαν πρὸς  
 8 τὴν Μακεδόνων οἰκίαν—οὗτοι μὲν μεταπεμψά-  
 μενοι Σέρουιον ἐξ Ἄργους καὶ καταλιπόντες  
 ἐπὶ τῆς Χαλκίδος προῆγον ἐπὶ Πελοπόννησον,  
 Νέων δὲ μετὰ τινὰς ἡμέρας ἀνεχώρησεν εἰς  
 9 Μακεδονίαν. οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἴσμηνίαν καὶ  
 Δικέταν τότε μὲν ἀπήχθησαν εἰς φυλακὴν, μετὰ  
 δέ τινα χρόνον ἀπήλλαξαν αὐτοὺς ἐκ τοῦ ζῆν.  
 10 τὸ δὲ τῶν Βοιωτῶν ἔθνος ἐπὶ πολὺν χρόνον συν-  
 τετηρηκὸς τὴν κοινὴν συμπολιτείαν καὶ πολλοὺς  
 καὶ ποικίλους καιροὺς διαπεφευγὸς παραδόξως  
 τότε προπετῶς καὶ ἀλογίστως ἐλόμενον τὰ παρὰ  
 Περσέως, εἰκῆ καὶ παιδαριωδῶς πτοηθὲν κατελύθη  
 καὶ διεσκορπίσθη κατὰ πόλεις.  
 11 Οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Αὔλον καὶ Μάρκιον παραγενη-  
 θέντες εἰς τὴν τῶν Ἀργείων πόλιν ἐχρημάτισαν  
 ταῖς συναρχίαις ταῖς τῶν Ἀχαιῶν καὶ παρεκάλεσαν  
 Ἄρχωνα τὸν στρατηγὸν χιλίους ἐκπέμψαι στρα-  
 τιώτας εἰς Χαλκίδα, παραφυλάξοντας τὴν πόλιν

strait on the hostility of the mob. When the Thebans appeared, bearers of the decrees I mentioned announcing the honours conferred, the reaction in all matters was swift to spread, the cities lying all quite close to each other. Marcius and his colleagues on receiving the Thebans thanked the city, and advised them to bring home the exiles, ordering all the representatives of the towns to repair at once to Rome and separately announce the submission of each several city. When all fell out as they desired—their object being to break up the Boeotian League and damage the popularity of the House of Macedon—the legates, sending for Servius Cornelius Lentulus from Argos, left him at Chalcis and went on to the Peloponnesus, but after a few days Neon left for Macedonia. Ismenias and Dicitas were now led off to prison and shortly afterwards took their own lives. Thus the Boeotian people after remaining for many years faithful to their League and after many marvellous escapes from various perils, now by rashly and inconsiderately espousing the cause of Perseus, and giving way to insensate and childish excitement, were broken up and dispersed among their several cities.

Aulus Atilius and Quintus Marcius on arriving at Argos sat in council with the magistrates of the Achaean League. They asked Archon, the strategus, to dispatch a thousand soldiers to Chalcis to guard the



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12 *μέχρι τῆς Ῥωμαίων διαβάσεως. τοῦ δ' Ἄρχωνος*  
*ἑτοίμως συνυπακούσαντος, οὗτοι μὲν ταῦτα δια-*  
*πράξαντες ἐν τοῖς Ἑλλησι κατὰ χειμῶνα καὶ τῷ*  
*Ποπλίῳ συμμίζαντες ἀπέπλεον εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην.*

3 *Ὅτι οἱ περὶ τὸν Τεβέριον καὶ Ποστόμιον <καὶ*  
*Ἰούνιον> κατὰ τοὺς αὐτοὺς καιροὺς ἐπιπορευόμενοι*  
*τὰς νήσους καὶ τὰς κατὰ τὴν Ἀσίαν πόλεις . . .*  
 2 *πλεῖστον δ' ἐν τῇ Ῥόδῳ, καίπερ οὐ προσδεομένων*  
 3 *τῶν Ῥοδίων κατὰ τοὺς τότε χρόνους. Ἀγησί-*  
*λοχος γάρ, τότε πρυτανεύων, ἀνὴρ τῶν εὐδοκι-*  
*μούντων, ὁ καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα πρεσβεύσας εἰς τὴν*  
*Ῥώμην, ἔτι πρότερον ἅμα τῷ φανερόν γενέσθαι*  
*διότι μέλλουσι πολεμῆν Ῥωμαῖοι τῷ Περσεῖ,*  
*τᾶλλα τε παρακεκλήκει τοὺς πολλοὺς ὑπὲρ τοῦ*  
*κοινωνεῖν τῶν αὐτῶν ἐλπίδων καὶ τετταράκοντα*  
*ναῦς συμβουλεύσας τοῖς Ῥοδίοις ὑποζωννύειν,*  
 4 *ἴν', εἴαν τις ἐκ τῶν καιρῶν γένηται χρεία, μὴ τότε*  
*παρασκευάζωνται πρὸς τὸ παρακαλούμενον, ἀλλ'*  
*ἑτοίμως διακείμενοι πράττωσι τὸ κριθὲν ἐξ αὐτῆς.*  
 5 *ἃ τότε προφερόμενος τοῖς Ῥωμαίοις καὶ δεικνὺς*  
*ὑπὸ τὴν ὄψιν τὰς παρασκευάς, εὐδοκουμένους τῇ*  
*πολεῖ τοὺς πρεσβευτὰς ἐξαπέστειλεν. οἱ δὲ περὶ*  
*τὸν Τεβέριον ἀποδεδεγμένοι τὴν τῶν Ῥοδίων*  
*εὐνοίαν ἐκομίζοντο εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην.—*

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4 Ὅτι Περσεὺς μετὰ τὸν σύλλογον τὸν πρὸς τοὺς  
Ῥωμαίους, . . . τῶν Ἑλλήνων, πάντα τὰ δίκαια  
κατέταπτεν εἰς τὴν ἐπιστολὴν καὶ τοὺς ὑφ' ἑκατέρων  
2 ῥηθέντας λόγους, ἅμα μὲν ὑπολαμβάνων ὑπερ-  
δέξιός φανήσεσθαι τοῖς δικαίοις, ἅμα δὲ βουλό-  
μενος ἀπόπειραν λαμβάνειν τῆς ἐκάστων προ-  
3 αιρέσεως. πρὸς μὲν οὖν τοὺς ἄλλους δι' αὐτῶν  
τῶν γραματοφόρων ἔπεμπε τὰς ἐπιστολάς· εἰς  
δὲ τὴν Ῥόδον καὶ πρεσβευτὰς συναπέστειλεν  
4 Ἀντήνορα καὶ Φίλιππον. οἱ καὶ παραγεννηθέντες  
τὰ γεγραμμένα τοῖς ἄρχουσι ἀπέδωκαν· καὶ  
μετὰ τινὰς ἡμέρας ἐπελθόντες ἐπὶ τὴν βουλήν  
παρεκάλουν τοὺς Ῥοδίους κατὰ μὲν τὸ παρὸν  
5 ἡσυχίαν ἔχειν, ἀποθωροῦντας τὸ γινόμενον· εἰάν  
δὲ Ῥωμαῖοι παρὰ τὰς συνθήκας ἐγχειρῶσι τὰς  
χεῖρας ἐπιβάλλειν τῷ Περσεῖ καὶ Μακεδόσιν,  
6 πειρᾶσθαι διαλύειν τοῦτο γὰρ πᾶσι μὲν συμ-  
7 φέρειν, πρέπειν δὲ μάλιστα Ῥοδίοις. ὅσω γὰρ  
πλείον ὀρέγονται τῆς ἰσηγορίας καὶ παρρησίας  
καὶ διατελοῦσι προστατοῦντες οὐ μόνον τῆς αὐτῶν  
ἀλλὰ καὶ τῆς τῶν ἄλλων Ἑλλήνων ἐλευθερίας,  
τοσοῦτω καὶ τὴν ἐναντίαν προαίρεσιν μάλιστα  
δεῖν αὐτοὺς προορᾶσθαι καὶ φυλάττεσθαι κατὰ  
8 δύναμιν. ταῦτα καὶ τούτοις παραπλήσια δια-  
λεχθέντων τῶν πρέσβεων, ἤρεσκε μὲν ἅπασιν τὰ  
9 λεγόμενα· προκατεχόμενοι δὲ τῇ πρὸς Ῥωμαίους  
εὐνοίᾳ, καὶ νικῶντος αὐτοῖς τοῦ βελτίονος, τᾶλλα  
μὲν ἀπεδέξαντο φιλανθρώπως τοὺς πρεσβευτὰς,  
ἠξίου δὲ τὸν Περσέα διὰ τῆς ἀποκρίσεως εἰς  
μηδὲν αὐτοὺς παρακαλεῖν τοιοῦτον ἐξ οὗ φανή-  
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*Perseus and Rhodes*

(Cp. Livy xlii. 46.)

4. Perseus, after his conference with the Romans, sent identical letters to various Greek states, in which he drew up a statement of all questions of right, and quoted the arguments used on both sides, with the double purpose of making it appear that in point of right his position was superior, and of sounding the intentions of the several states. To other peoples he sent the letters in charge of the couriers alone ; but to Rhodes he sent also Antenor and Philippus as envoys. On arriving there they delivered the letter to the magistrates, and after a few days appeared before the Rhodian senate and begged the Rhodians to remain for the present quiet spectators of what would happen ; but, should the Romans attack Perseus and the Macedonians in violation of the treaty, they asked them to attempt to effect a reconciliation. This they said was in the interest of all ; but the Rhodians were the most proper people to undertake the task. For the more they were the champions of equality and freedom of speech, and the constant protectors not only of their own liberty, but of that of the rest of Greece, the more they should do all in their power to provide and guard against the victory of principles contrary to these. When the envoys had spoken thus and further in the same sense what they said pleased everybody ; but, prepossessed as the people were by their friendly feeling for Rome, better counsels prevailed, and while they gave a kind reception to the envoys in other respects they begged Perseus in their answer to request them to do nothing which might seem to be

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10 σονται πρὸς τὴν Ῥωμαίων ἀντιπράττοντες  
 βούλησιν. οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Ἀντήνορα τὴν μὲν  
 ἀπόκρισιν οὐκ ἔλαβον . . . , τὴν δὲ λοιπὴν φιλαν-  
 θρωπίαν ἀποδεξάμενοι τὴν Ῥοδίων ἀπέπλευσαν  
 εἰς τὴν Μακεδονίαν.

5 Ὅτι Περσεὺς πυνθανόμενος ἔτι τινὰς τῶν ἐν τῇ  
 Βοιωτίᾳ πόλεις ἀντέχεσθαι τῆς πρὸς αὐτὸν εὐνοίας,  
 Ἀντίγονον ἐξαπέστειλε τὸν Ἀλεξάνδρου πρε-  
 2 σβευτήν. ὃς καὶ παραγενόμενος εἰς Βοιωτοὺς  
 τὰς μὲν ἄλλας πόλεις παρήκε διὰ τὸ μηδεμίαν  
 3 ἀφορμὴν λαμβάνειν ἐπιπλοκῆς, εἰς δὲ Κορώνειαν  
 καὶ Θίσβας, ἔτι δ' Ἀλίαρτον εἰσελθὼν παρεκάλεσε  
 τοὺς ἀνθρώπους ἀντέχεσθαι τῆς πρὸς Μακεδόνας  
 4 εὐνοίας. τῶν δὲ προθύμως ἀποδεχομένων τὰ  
 λεγόμενα καὶ πρεσβευτὰς ψηφισαμένων πέμπειν  
 εἰς Μακεδονίαν, οὗτος μὲν ἀπέπλευσε καὶ συμ-  
 μίξας τῷ βασιλεῖ διεσάφει τὰ κατὰ τὴν Βοιωτίαν.  
 5 παραγενομένων δὲ καὶ τῶν πρεσβευτῶν μετ'  
 ὀλίγον καὶ παρακαλούντων βοήθειαν ἐκπέμψαι  
 ταῖς πόλεσι ταῖς αἰρουμέναις τὰ Μακεδόνων.  
 6 τοὺς γὰρ Θηβαίους βαρεῖς ὄντας ἐπικεῖσθαι καὶ  
 παρενοχλεῖν αὐτοὺς διὰ τὸ μὴ βούλεσθαι συμ-  
 7 φρονεῖν σφίσιν μηδ' αἰρεῖσθαι τὰ Ῥωμαίων. ἅπερ  
 ὁ Περσεὺς διακούσας βοήθειαν μὲν οὐδαμῶς ἔφη  
 8 δύνασθαι πέμπειν οὐδενὶ διὰ τὰς ἀνοχάς, καθόλου  
 δ' αὐτοὺς παρεκάλει Θηβαίους μὲν ἀμύνασθαι  
 κατὰ δύναμιν, Ῥωμαίοις δὲ μὴ πολεμεῖν, ἀλλὰ  
 τὴν ἡσυχίαν ἔχειν.

6 Ὅτι οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι τῶν ἀπὸ τῆς Ἀσίας παρα-  
 (7) γεγονότων πρεσβευτῶν διακούσαντες τὰ τε κατὰ  
 τὴν Ῥόδον καὶ τὰ κατὰ τὰς ἄλλας πόλεις προσ-



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2 οἱ δὲ περὶ τὸν Σόλωνα καὶ τὸν Ἰππίαν ἐπειρῶντο  
 μὲν καὶ περὶ τῶν ὄλων λέγειν τι καὶ παραιτεῖσθαι  
 τὴν σύγκλητον· τὸ δὲ πλεόν ἀπελογοῦντο περὶ  
 3 τῆς ἐπιβουλῆς τῆς κατὰ τὸν Εὐμένη. ληξάντων  
 δὲ τῆς δικαιολογίας αὐτῶν, πάλαι προδιειληφότες  
 ὑπὲρ τοῦ πολεμεῖν προσέταξαν αὐτοῖς ἐκ μὲν τῆς  
 Ῥώμης εὐθέως ἀπαλλάττεσθαι καὶ τοῖς ἄλλοις  
 ἅπασιν Μακεδόσιν, ὅσοι παρεπιδημοῦντες ἔτυχον,  
 ἐκ δὲ τῆς Ἰταλίας ἐν τριάκονθ' ἡμέραις ἐκχωρεῖν.  
 4 μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα τοὺς ὑπάτους ἀνακαλεσάμενοι  
 παρώρμων ἔχεσθαι τοῦ καιροῦ καὶ μὴ καθ-  
 υστερεῖν.  
 7 Ὅτι Γάιος ἔτι περὶ τὴν Κεφαλληνίαν ὄρμῶν  
 (6) ἐξέπεμψε τοῖς Ῥοδίοις γράμματα περὶ πλοίων  
 ἐξαποστολῆς, συνθεὶς τὴν ἐπιστολὴν ἀλείπτῃ τινὶ  
 2 Σωκράτει. παραγενομένων δὲ τῶν γραμμάτων  
 εἰς τὴν Ῥόδον, Στρατοκλέους πρυτανεύοντος τὴν  
 3 δευτέραν ἔκμηνον, καὶ τοῦ διαβουλίου προτεθέντος,  
 τοῖς μὲν περὶ τὸν Ἀγαθάγητον καὶ Ῥοδοφῶντα  
 καὶ Ἀστυμήδην καὶ ἑτέροις πλείοσιν ἔδόκει πέμπειν  
 τὰς ναῦς καὶ συνάπτεσθαι τῆς ἀρχῆς εὐθέως τοῦ  
 4 πολέμου, μηδεμίαν πρόφασιν ποιουμένους. οἱ δὲ  
 περὶ τὸν Δείνωνα καὶ Πολυάρατον δυσαρεστοῦν-  
 τες μὲν καὶ τοῖς ἤδη γεγονόσι φιλανθρώποις  
 πρὸς Ῥωμαίους, τότε δὲ προθέμενοι τὸ τοῦ  
 βασιλέως Εὐμένους πρόσωπον ἤρξαντο λυμαί-  
 5 νεσθαι τὴν τῶν πολλῶν προαίρεσιν. ὑπαρχούσης  
 γὰρ τοῖς Ῥοδίοις ὑποψίας καὶ διαφορᾶς πρὸς τὸν  
 Εὐμένη, πάλαι μὲν ἐκ τοῦ πολέμου τοῦ πρὸς  
 Φαρνάκην, ὅτε, τοῦ βασιλέως Εὐμένους ἐφορ-  
 μοῦντος ἐπὶ τοῦ κατὰ τὸν Ἑλλήσποντον στόματος

other towns, summoned the envoys of Perseus, Solon and Hippias. They made some attempt to discuss the general question and conciliate the Senate, but most of their speech was a defence of their conduct in the matter of the alleged plot against Eumenes. When their attempted justification was over, the Senate, which had already decided on war, ordered them and all other Macedonian residents to quit Rome at once and Italy within the space of thirty days. After this they summoned the consuls, and urged them to take the matter in hand at once and not to lose time.

### *Attitude of Rhodes*

(Cp. Livy xlii. 48. 8; lvi. 6.)

7. Gaius Lucretius, while still anchored off Cephalenia, wrote to the Rhodians asking them to dispatch ships, entrusting the letter to a certain Socrates, a gymnastic trainer. Upon the arrival of the letter in Rhodes at the time when Stratocles was prytanis for the second half-year, and upon the resolution being proposed, Agathagetus, Rhodophon, and Astymedes, and a good many others were in favour of sending the ships and at once taking part in the war from the very beginning without any hesitation. Deinon, however, and Polyaratus, who were dissatisfied with the favour already shown to Rome, now, under shelter of a grievance against Eumenes in person, began to try to shake the resolve of the majority. For in the first place there had been at Rhodes a certain suspicion of Eumenes and hostility to him, ever since the war with Pharnaces, when, Eumenes having stationed his fleet at the mouth of the Helles-



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χάριν τοῦ κωλύειν τοὺς πλείοντας εἰς τὸν Πόντον,  
 ἐπελάβοντο τῆς ὀρμῆς αὐτοῦ καὶ διεκώλυσαν  
 6 Ῥόδιοι, μικροῖς δ' ἀνώτερον χρόνοις ἐκ τῶν  
 Λυκιακῶν ἀναξαινομένης τῆς διαφορᾶς ἔκ τινων  
 ἐρυμάτων καὶ χώρας, ἣν συνέβαινε κείσθαι μὲν  
 ἐπὶ τῆς ἐσχατιᾶς τῆς τῶν Ῥοδίων Περαιίας,  
 κακοποιεῖσθαι δὲ συνεχῶς διὰ τῶν ὑπ' Εὐμένει  
 7 ταπτομένων· ἐκ πάντων δὴ τούτων εὐηκόως δι-  
 ἐκείντο πρὸς πᾶν τὸ λεγόμενον κατὰ τοῦ βασιλέως.  
 8 διὸ ταύτης ἐπιλαβόμενοι τῆς ἀφορμῆς οἱ περὶ  
 τὸν Δείωνα διέσυρον τὴν ἐπιστολήν, φάσκοντες  
 οὐ παρὰ Ῥωμαίων αὐτὴν ἦκειν, ἀλλὰ παρ' Εὐ-  
 μένους, θέλοντος αὐτοῦς ἐκείνου κατὰ πάντα  
 τρόπον ἐμβιβάζειν εἰς τὸν πόλεμον καὶ προσάπτειν  
 τῷ δήμῳ δαπάνας καὶ κακοπαθείας οὐκ ἀναγ-  
 9 καίας. καὶ μαρτύριον ἐποίουν τῆς ἑαυτῶν ἀπο-  
 φάσεως τὸ παραγεγονέναι φέροντα τὴν ἐπιστολήν  
 [ἀλείπτῃν τινὰ καὶ] τοιοῦτον ἄνθρωπον, οὐκ  
 εἰωθότων τοῦτο ποιεῖν Ῥωμαίων, ἀλλὰ καὶ λίαν  
 μετὰ πολλῆς σπουδῆς καὶ προστασίας διαπεμ-  
 10 πομένων ὑπὲρ τῶν τοιούτων. ἔλεγον δὲ ταῦτα,  
 καλῶς μὲν εἰδότες ὅτι συμβαίνει γεγράφθαι τὴν  
 ἐπιστολήν ὑπὸ τοῦ Λοκρητίου, βουλόμενοι δὲ  
 τοὺς πολλοὺς διδάσκειν μηδὲν ἐξ ἑτοίμου ποιεῖν  
 Ῥωμαίοις, ἀλλ' ἐν πᾶσι δυσχρηστεῖν καὶ διδόναι  
 11 προσκοπῆς καὶ δυσαρεστήσεως ἀφορμᾶς. ἦν γὰρ  
 τὸ προκείμενον αὐτοῖς ἀπὸ μὲν τῆς πρὸς Ῥωμαίους  
 εὐνοίας ἀλλοτριοῦν τὸν δῆμον, εἰς δὲ τὴν τοῦ  
 Περσέως φιλίαν ἐμπλέκειν, καθ' ὅσον οἰοί τ'  
 12 ἦσαν. συνέβαινε δὲ τοὺς προειρημένους οἰκείους  
 ὑπάρχειν διὰ τὸ τὸν μὲν Πολυάρατον, ἀλαζονικώ-  
 τερον ὄντα καὶ κενόδοξον, ὑπόχρεων πεποιηκέναι

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τὴν οὐσίαν, τὸν δὲ Δείνωνα, φιλάργυρον ὄντα καὶ  
 θρασύν, ἐξ ἀρχῆς οἰκεῖον εἶναι τῆς ἐκ τῶν δυνα-  
 στῶν καὶ βασιλέων ἐπανορθώσεως. ἐφ' οἷς Στρα-  
 13 τοκλῆς ὁ πρύτανις, ἐπαναστὰς καὶ πολλὰ μὲν κατὰ  
 τοῦ Περσέως εἰπών, πολλὰ δὲ περὶ Ῥωμαίων  
 ἐπ' ἀγαθῶ, παρώρμησε τοὺς πολλοὺς εἰς τὸ  
 κυρῶσαι τὸ ψήφισμα τὸ περὶ τῆς ἑξαποστολῆς  
 14 τῶν πλοίων. καὶ παραυτίκα καταρτίσαντες τε-  
 τρήρεις ἕξ, πέντε μὲν ἑξαπέστειλαν ἐπὶ Χαλκίδος,  
 ἡγεμόνα συστήσαντες ἐπ' αὐτῶν Τιμαγόραν, τὴν  
 δὲ μίαν εἰς Τένεδον, ἐφ' ἧς ἄρχων ἐπέπλει Νικ-  
 15 αγόρας. ὃς καὶ καταλαβὼν ἐν Τενέδῳ Διοφάνην,  
 ἀπεσταλμένον ὑπὸ τοῦ Περσέως πρὸς Ἀντίοχον,  
 αὐτοῦ μὲν οὐκ ἐγενήθη κύριος, τοῦ δὲ πληρώματος.  
 16 ὁ δὲ Λοκρῆτιος πάντας ἀποδεξάμενος φιλανθρώπως  
 τοὺς κατὰ θάλατταν παραγεγονότας συμμάχους  
 ἀπέλυσε τῆς χρείας, φήσας οὐ προσδεῖσθαι τὰ  
 πράγματα τῆς κατὰ θάλατταν βοηθείας.

8 Ὅτι μετὰ τὴν νίκην τῶν Μακεδόνων, συνεδρίου  
 παρὰ τῷ Περσεῖ συναχθέντος, ὑπέδειξαν τινες  
 τῶν φίλων διότι δεῖ πρεσβείαν πέμψαι τὸν βασιλέα  
 2 πρὸς τὸν στρατηγὸν τῶν Ῥωμαίων, ἐπιδεχόμενον  
 ἔτι καὶ νῦν ὅτι φόρους δώσει Ῥωμαίοις, ὅσους  
 πρότερον ὑπέσχετο [ὁ] πατὴρ καταπολεμηθείς,  
 3 καὶ τόπων ἐκχωρήσει τῶν αὐτῶν. εἰάν <τε>  
 γὰρ δέξωνται τὰς διαλύσεις, καλὴν ἔφασαν ἔσεσθαι  
 τῷ βασιλεῖ τὴν ἑξαγωγὴν τοῦ πολέμου, πεπρωτε-  
 ρηκότι διὰ τῶν ὑπαίθρων, καὶ καθόλου πρὸς τὸ  
 μέλλον εὐλαβεστέρους ὑπάρξειν τοὺς Ῥωμαίους,  
 πείραν εἰληφότας τῆς Μακεδόνων ἀνδρείας εἰς τὸ  
 μηδὲν ἄδικον μηδὲ βαρὺ προστάττειν Μακεδόσιν.  
 4 εἰάν τε μὴ δέξωνται θυμομαχοῦντες ἐπὶ τοῖς γε-

Deinon, who was avaricious and unscrupulous, had always been disposed to look to kings and princes for advancement. Upon this Stratocles the prytanis got up, and after saying many things against Perseus and in favour of the Romans, exhorted the people to ratify the decree relating to the dispatch of the vessels. Having at once fitted out six quadriremes, they sent off five for Chalcis under the command of Timagoras, and one to Tenedos commanded by Nicagoras. The latter, finding in Tenedos Diophanes the envoy of Perseus to Antiochus, failed to capture him, but captured his crew. Lucretius, after giving a kind reception to all the allies who had arrived by sea, relieved them of their service, saying that as things were no naval assistance was required.

*Perseus applies for Peace*

(Cp. Livy xlii. 58, 62.)

8. After the victory of the Macedonians Perseus held a council in which some of his friends suggested to him that he should send an embassy to the Roman general, consenting still to pay the same tribute to Rome that his father on his defeat engaged to pay, and to evacuate the same places. For, they said, if they accepted these terms, the result of the war would be in favour of the king after his success in the field; and the Romans after their experience of the bravery of the Macedonians, would be more cautious about making unjust and severe demands upon Macedonia. But if they did not accept, out of vexa-

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γονόσιν, ἐκείνοις μὲν δικαίως νεμεσήσειν τὸ  
δαιμόνιον, αὐτῷ δὲ διὰ τὴν μετριότητα συναγω-  
νιστὰς ὑπάρξειν τοὺς θεοὺς καὶ τοὺς ἀνθρώπους.  
5 ταῦτα μὲν οὖν ἔδόκει τοῖς πλείοσι τῶν φίλων.  
συγκαταθεμένου δὲ τοῦ Περσέως ἐπέμποντο παρα-  
χρῆμα πρεσβευταὶ Πάνταυχος Βαλάκρου καὶ  
6 Μίδων Βεροιεύς. ὧν παραγενομένων πρὸς τὸν  
Λικίννιον εὐθέως ὁ στρατηγὸς συνῆγε συνέδριον.  
τῶν δὲ πρέσβεων διασαφησάντων τὰ κατὰ τὰς  
ἐντολάς, μεταστησάμενοι τοὺς περὶ τὸν Πάνταυχον  
7 ἐβουλεύοντο περὶ τῶν προσπεπτωκότων. ἔδοξεν  
οὖν αὐτοῖς ὁμοθυμαδὸν ὡς βαρυτάτην δοῦναι τὴν  
8 ἀπόκρισιν. ἴδιον γὰρ τοῦτο πάντῃ παρὰ Ῥω-  
μαίοις ἔθος καὶ πάτριόν ἐστι τὸ κατὰ μὲν τὰς  
ἐλαττώσεις ἀνθαδεστάτους καὶ βαρυτάτους φαίνε-  
σθαι, κατὰ δὲ τὰς ἐπιτυχίας ὡς μετριωτάτους.  
9 τοῦτο δ' ὅτι καλὸν πᾶς ἂν τις ὁμολογήσειεν· εἰ  
δὲ καὶ δυνατὸν ἐν ἐνίοις καιροῖς, εἰκότως ἂν τις  
10 ἐπαπορήσειεν. πλὴν τότε γε τοιαύτην ἔδωκαν  
τὴν ἀπόκρισιν· ἐκέλευον γὰρ ἐπιτρέπειν τὸν  
Περσέα τὰ καθ' αὐτόν, καὶ καθόλου διδόναι τῇ  
συγκλήτῳ τὴν ἐξουσίαν, ὡς ἂν αὐτῇ δοκῇ, βου-  
11 λεύεσθαι περὶ τῶν κατὰ τὴν Μακεδονίαν. οἱ δὲ  
περὶ τὸν Πάνταυχον ταῦτ' ἀκούσαντες ἐπανῆλθον  
12 καὶ διεσάφουν τῷ Περσεῖ καὶ τοῖς φίλοις. ὧν  
τινες ἐκπληττόμενοι τὴν ὑπερηφανίαν παρωξύνοντο  
καὶ συνεβούλευον τῷ Περσεῖ μήτε διαπρεσβεύεσθαι  
13 μηκέτι μήτε διαπέμπεσθαι περὶ μηδενός. οὐ  
μὴν ὁ Περσεὺς τοιοῦτος ἦν, ἀλλὰ προστιθεὶς καὶ  
τὸ πλῆθος αὐξῶν τῶν χρημάτων διεπέμπετο  
πλεονάκισ πρὸς τὸν Λικίννιον. προκόπτων δ'  
14 οὐδέν, ἀλλὰ καὶ τῶν πλείστων φίλων ἐπιτιμώντων



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αὐτῷ καὶ φασκόντων ὅτι νικῶν ποιεῖ τὰ τοῦ  
 15 λειπομένου καὶ τοῖς ὅλοις ἑπταικότος, οὕτως  
 ἠναγκάσθη τὰς διαπρεσβείας ἀπογνοὺς μετα-  
 στρατοπεδεῦσαι πάλιν ἐπὶ τὸ Συκύριον. καὶ  
 ταῦτα μὲν ἐπὶ τούτων ἦν.

9 "Ὅτι τῆς κατὰ τὴν ἵππομαχίαν φήμης μετὰ τὴν  
 (7<sup>a</sup>) νίκην τῶν Μακεδόνων εἰς τὴν Ἑλλάδα διαγγελ-  
 θείσης ἐξέλαμψε καθαπερὶ πῦρ ἢ τῶν πολλῶν  
 πρὸς τὸν Περσέα διάθεσις, τὸν πρὸ τούτου χρόνον  
 2 ἐπικρυπτομένων τῶν πλείστων. ἦν δὲ περὶ αὐ-  
 τοὺς τοιαύτη τις, ἐμοὶ δοκεῖ, διάθεσις· παρα-  
 πλήσιον ἦν τὸ γινόμενον τῷ συμβαίνοντι περὶ  
 3 τοὺς γυμνικοὺς ἀγῶνας. καὶ γὰρ <ἐν> ἐκείνοις  
 ὅταν πρὸς ἐπιφανῆ καὶ ἀήττητον ἀθλητὴν εἶναι  
 δοκοῦντα συγκαταστή ταιπεινὸς καὶ πολὺ κατα-  
 δεέστερος ἀνταγωνιστής, εὐθέως ἀπομερίζει τὰ  
 πλήθη τὴν εὐνοίαν τῷ καταδεεστέρῳ καὶ θαρρεῖν  
 παρακαλεῖ καὶ συνεξανίσταται τούτῳ ταῖς ὀρμαῖς·  
 4 εἰ δὲ καὶ ψαύσῃ τοῦ προσώπου καὶ ποιήσῃ τι  
 σημεῖον τῆς πληγῆς, παραυτίκα πάλιν ἀπάντων  
 5 ἀγῶν μικρὸς γίνεται· ποτὲ δὲ καὶ χλευάζειν  
 ἐγχειροῦσι τὸν ἕτερον, οὐ μισοῦντες οὐδὲ κατα-  
 γινώσκοντες, ἀλλὰ παραδόξως τε συμπαθεῖς γινό-  
 μενοι καὶ τῷ καταδεεστέρῳ φύσει προσμερίζοντες  
 6 τὴν ἑαυτῶν εὐνοίαν· οὓς εἰ ἐπιστήσῃ τις ἐν  
 καιρῷ, ταχέως μετατίθενται καὶ παρὰ πόδας  
 7 ἐπιλαμβάνονται τῆς ἑαυτῶν ἀγνοίας. ὃ φασὶ  
 (7<sup>b</sup>) ποιῆσαι Κλειτόμαχον· ἐκείνου γὰρ ἀνυποστάτου  
 δοκοῦντος εἶναι κατὰ τὴν ἀθλησιν, καὶ τῆς αὐτοῦ  
 δόξης ἐπιπολαζούσης κατὰ πᾶσαν τὴν οἰκουμένην,  
 Πτολεμαῖόν φασὶ τὸν βασιλέα φιλοδοξήσαντα

friends found fault with him and told him, that now he was victorious, he was acting as if he were unsuccessful and indeed utterly defeated, he was obliged to give up these embassies, and to transfer his camp again to Sycyrium. Such was the situation there.

*Position of Perseus in Greece*

(Cp. Livy xlii. 63. 1.)

9. When after the Macedonian victory the news of the cavalry engagement was spread abroad in Greece, the attachment of the people to Perseus, which had been for the most part concealed, burst forth like fire. The state of their feelings was, I think, more or less as follows. The phenomenon was very like what happens in boxing contests at the games. For there, when a humble and much inferior combatant is matched against a celebrated and seemingly invincible athlete, the sympathy of the crowd is at once given to the inferior man. They cheer him on, and back him up enthusiastically; and if he manages to touch his opponent's face, and gets in a blow that leaves any mark, there is at once again the greatest excitement among them all. They sometimes even try to make fun of the other man, not out of any dislike for him or disapproval but from a curious sort of sympathy and a natural instinct to favour the weaker. If, however, one calls their attention at the right time to their error, they very soon change their minds and correct it. This was what Clitomachus did, as is told. He was considered to be a quite invincible boxer, and his fame had spread over the whole world, when Ptolemy, am-



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πρὸς τὸ καταλῦσαι τὴν δόξαν αὐτοῦ, παρασκευά-  
 σαντα μετὰ πολλῆς φιλοτιμίας Ἀριστόνικον τὸν  
 πύκτην ἔξαποστεῖλαι, δοκοῦντα φύσιν ἔχειν ὑπερ-  
 8 ἔχουσαν ἐπὶ ταύτην τὴν χρείαν· παραγενομένου δ'  
 εἰς τὴν Ἑλλάδα τοῦ προειρημένου καὶ συγκατα-  
 στάντος Ὀλυμπίασι πρὸς τὸν Κλειτόμαχον, ἐξ  
 αὐτῆς, ὡς ἔοικεν, ἀπένευσαν <οἱ> πολλοὶ πρὸς  
 τὸν Ἀριστόνικον καὶ παρεκάλουν, χαίροντες ἐπὶ  
 τῷ βραχύ τι τετολμηκέναι τινὰ συγκαταστήναι  
 9 πρὸς τὸν Κλειτόμαχον· ὡς δέ γε προβαίνων  
 ἐφάμιλλος ἐφαίνετο κατὰ τὸν ἀγῶνα καί που καὶ  
 τραῦμα καίριον ἐποίησε, κρότος ἐγένετο καὶ συν-  
 ἐξέπιπτον οἱ πολλοὶ ταῖς ὀρμαῖς, θαρρεῖν παρα-  
 10 καλοῦντες τὸν Ἀριστόνικον· ἐν ᾧ καιρῷ φασὶ  
 τὸν Κλειτόμαχον ἀποστάντα καὶ διαπνεύσαντα  
 βραχὺν χρόνον, ἐπιστρέψαντα πρὸς τὰ πλήθη  
 πυνθάνεσθαι τί βουλόμενοι παρακαλοῦσι τὸν Ἀρι-  
 στόνικον καὶ συναγωνίζονται ἑκείνῳ καθ' ὅσον  
 11 εἰσὶ δυνατοί, πότερον οὐ συνοίδασιν αὐτῷ ποιοῦντι  
 τὰ δίκαια κατὰ τὴν ἀθλησιν ἢ τοῦτ' ἀγνοοῦσι  
 διότι Κλειτόμαχος μὲν ἀγωνίζεται νῦν ὑπὲρ τῆς  
 τῶν Ἑλλήνων δόξης, Ἀριστόνικος δὲ περὶ τῆς  
 12 Πτολεμαίου τοῦ βασιλέως· πότερον ἂν οὖν βου-  
 ληθεῖεν τὸν Ὀλυμπίασι στέφανον Αἰγύπτιον  
 ἀποφέρειν ἄνθρωπον νικήσαντα τοὺς Ἕλληνας,  
 ἢ Θηβαῖον καὶ Βοιωτίον κηρύττεσθαι νικῶντα  
 13 τῇ πυγμῇ τοὺς ἄνδρας· ταῦτα δ' εἰπόντος τοῦ  
 Κλειτομάχου τηλικαύτην φασὶ γενέσθαι τὴν μετά-  
 πτωσιν τῶν πολλῶν ὥστε πάλιν ἐκ μεταβολῆς  
 μᾶλλον ὑπὸ τοῦ πλήθους ἢ τοῦ Κλειτομάχου  
 καταγωνισθῆναι τὸν Ἀριστόνικον.

10 Τούτῳ δὲ παραπλήσιον ἦν καὶ τὸ κατὰ τὸν

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2 Περσέα συμβαῖνον περὶ τοὺς ὄχλους· εἰ γὰρ τις ἐπιστήσας αὐτοὺς ἤρετο μετὰ παρρησίας εἰ βούλονται ἂν εἰς ἓνα πεσεῖν τὴν τηλικαύτην ὑπεροχὴν καὶ λαβεῖν μοναρχικῆς πείραν ἐξουσίας, ἀνυπευθύνου κατὰ πάντα τρόπον, ταχέως ἂν αὐτοὺς ὑπολαμβάνω συννοήσαντας παλινωδίαν ποιῆσαι  
3 καὶ μεταπεσεῖν εἰς τοῦναντίον· εἰ δὲ καὶ βραχέα τις ὑπέμνησε τῶν γεγονότων ἐκ μὲν τῆς Μακεδόνων οἰκίας δυσκόλων τοῖς Ἕλλησιν, ἐκ δὲ τῆς Ῥωμαίων ἀρχῆς συμφερόντων, καὶ λίαν <ἂν> παρὰ πόδας αὐτοὺς ὑπολαμβάνω μεταμεληθῆναι.  
4 πλὴν τότε γε κατὰ τὴν ἀνεπίστατον καὶ πρώτην ὄρμην ἐκφανῆς ἦν ἡ τῶν πολλῶν εὐδόκησις τοῖς προσαγγελλομένοις, ἀσμενιζόντων διὰ τὸ παράδοξον, εἰ καθόλου πέφηνέ τις ἰκανὸς ἀνταγωνιστῆς  
5 Ῥωμαίοις. περὶ μὲν οὖν τούτων ἐπὶ τοσοῦτον προήχθην εἰπεῖν, ἵνα μή τις ἀκρίτως εἰς ἀχαριστίαν ὀνειδίξῃ τοῖς Ἕλλησι τὴν τότε διάθεσιν, ἀγνοῶν τὰ φύσει παρεπόμενα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις.

11 Κέστρος. ξένον ἦν τοῦτο τὸ εὔρημα κατὰ  
(9) 2 τὸν Περσικὸν πόλεμον. τὸ δὲ βέλος τοιοῦτον· διπάλαιστον ἦν, ἴσον ἔχον τὸν αὐλίσκον τῇ προβολῇ. τούτῳ ξύλον ἐνήρμοστο τῷ μὲν μήκει σπιθαμιαῖον,  
3 τῷ δὲ πάχει δακτυλιαίαν ἔχον τὴν διάμετρον.  
4 εἰς δὲ τούτου τὸ μέσον ἐσφῆνωτο πτερύγια τρία

the multitude towards Perseus. For if anyone had secured their attention, and asked them frankly, if they really would wish to see the supreme power in so absolute a form fall into the hands of a single man and to experience the rule of an absolutely irresponsible monarch, I fancy they would very soon have come to their senses and, changing their tune, have undergone a complete revulsion of feeling. And if one had reminded them even briefly of all the hardships that the house of Macedon had inflicted on Greece, and of all the benefits she had derived from Roman rule, I fancy the reaction would have been most sudden and complete. But now, when they gave way to their first unreflecting impulse, the delight of the people at the news was conspicuous, hailing, as they did, owing to the very strangeness of the fact, the appearance of some one at least who had proved himself a capable adversary of Rome. I have been led to speak of this matter at such length lest anyone, in ignorance of what is inherent in human nature, may unjustly reproach the Greeks with ingratitude for being in this state of mind at the time.

*The Cestrus or Cestrosphendone*

(Suid. ; cp. Livy xlii. 65. 9.)

11. The so-called cestrus was a novel invention at the time of the war with Perseus. The form of the missile was as follows. It was two cubits long, the tube being of the same length as the point. Into the former was fitted a wooden shaft a span in length and a finger's breadth in thickness, and to the middle of this were firmly attached three quite short wing-

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5 ξύλινα, βραχέα παντελῶς. τοῦτο, δυεῖν κώλων  
ἀνίσων ὑπαρχόντων τῆς σφενδόνης, εἰς τὸ μέσον  
6 ἐνηγκυλίζετο τῶν κώλων εὐλύτως. λοιπὸν ἐν  
μὲν τῇ περιαγωγῇ τεταμένων τούτων ἔμενεν·  
ὅτε δὲ παραλυθείη θάτερον τῶν κώλων κατὰ τὴν  
ἄφεσιν, ἐκπίπτον ἐκ τῆς ἀγκύλης καθαπερὶ  
7 μολυβδῖς ἐκ τῆς σφενδόνης ἐφέρετο καὶ πρὸς-  
πίπτον μετὰ βιαίας πληγῆς κακῶς διετίθει τοὺς  
συγκυρήσαντας.

12 "Ὅτι ὁ Κότυς ἦν ἀνὴρ καὶ κατὰ τὴν ἐπιφάνειαν  
(10) ἀξιόλογος καὶ πρὸς τὰς πολεμικὰς χρείας δια-  
2 φέρων, ἔτι δὲ κατὰ τὴν ψυχὴν πάντα μᾶλλον ἢ  
3 Θράξ· καὶ γὰρ νήπτης ὑπῆρχε καὶ πραότητα καὶ  
βάθος ὑπέφαινε ἐλευθέριον.

## II. RES AEGYPTI

13 "Ὅτι Πτολεμαῖος ὁ στρατηγὸς ὁ κατὰ Κύπρον  
(12) οὐδαμῶς Αἰγυπτιακὸς γέγονεν, ἀλλὰ νουνεχῆς  
2 καὶ πρακτικὸς. παραλαβὼν γὰρ τὴν νῆσον ἔτι  
νηπίου τοῦ βασιλέως ὄντος ἐγίνετο μὲν ἐπιμελῶς  
περὶ συναγωγὴν χρημάτων, ἐδίδου δ' ἀπλῶς  
οὐδὲν οὐδενί, καίπερ αἰτούμενος πολλάκις ὑπὸ  
τῶν βασιλικῶν διοικητῶν καὶ καταλαλούμενος  
3 πικρῶς ἐπὶ τῷ μηδὲν προῖεσθαι. τοῦ δὲ βασιλέως  
εἰς ἡλικίαν παραγεγονότος, συνθεὶς πλῆθος ἱκανὸν  
4 χρημάτων ἐξαπέστειλεν, ὥστε καὶ τὸν Πτολεμαῖον  
αὐτὸν καὶ τοὺς περὶ τὴν αὐλὴν εὐδοκῆσαι τῇ  
πρότερον αὐτοῦ συστολῇ καὶ τῷ μηδὲν προῖεσθαι.



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**14** "Οτι κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν ἠνίκα Περσεὺς ἐκ τοῦ  
(11) πολέμου τοῦ πρὸς Ῥωμαίους ἀπελύθη, Ἀντήνορος  
παραγενομένου παρὰ τοῦ Περσέως περὶ <τῆς>  
τῶν αἰχμαλώτων διαλυτρώσεως τῶν μετὰ Διο-  
φάνους πλεόντων, ἐνέπεσε μεγάλη τοῖς πολιτευο-  
2 μένοις ἀπορία περὶ τοῦ τί δέον εἶη ποιεῖν. τοῖς  
ιὲν γὰρ περὶ τὸν Φιλόφρονα καὶ Θεαίδητον  
οὐδαμῶς ἤρεσκε προσδέχεσθαι τὴν τοιαύτην ἐπι-  
πλοκὴν, τοῖς δὲ περὶ τὸν Δείνωνα καὶ Πολυάρατον  
ἤρεσκε. καὶ τέλος ἐποιήσαντο διάταξιν πρὸς  
τὸν Περσέα περὶ τῆς τῶν αἰχμαλώτων διαλυ-  
τρώσεως.

**15** "Οτι Κέφαλος ἦκεν ἐξ Ἑπείρου, ἔχων μὲν καὶ  
(13) πρότερον ἤδη σύστασιν πρὸς τὴν Μακεδόνων  
οἰκίαν, τότε δὲ διὰ τῶν πραγμάτων ἠναγκα-  
σμένος αἰρεῖσθαι τὰ τοῦ Περσέως. ἡ δ' αἰτία  
2 τοῦ συμβαίνοντος ἐγένετο τοιαύτη. Χάροψ ἦν  
Ἑπειρώτης, ἀνὴρ τᾶλλα μὲν καλὸς καγαθὸς καὶ  
φίλος Ῥωμαίων, ὃς Φιλίππου τὰ κατὰ τὴν Ἑπειρον  
στενὰ κατασχόντος αἴτιος ἐγένετο τοῦ Φίλιππον  
μὲν ἐκπεσεῖν ἐκ τῆς Ἑπείρου, Τίτον δὲ καὶ τῆς  
3 Ἑπείρου κρατῆσαι καὶ τῶν Μακεδόνων. οὗτος  
4 υἱὸν ἔσχε Μαχατᾶν, οὗ Χάροψ ἐγένετο. τοῦτον  
ἀντίπαιδα κατὰ τὴν ἡλικίαν ὄντα τοῦ πατρὸς  
μεταλλάξαντος ὁ Χάροψ μετὰ τῆς καθηκούσης  
προστασίας εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην ἀπέστειλε χάριν τοῦ  
καὶ τὴν διάλεκτον καὶ τὰ γράμματα τὰ Ῥωμαϊκὰ  
5 μαθεῖν. τοῦτο τὸ μεράκιον πολλοῖς σύνηθες  
γεγονὸς ἐπανῆλθε μετὰ τινα χρόνον εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν.

II. THE WAR WITH PERSEUS

14. At the time when Perseus had retired from 171-170 the war with Rome, Antenor, the envoy sent by him to ransom the prisoners who were in the same ship with Diophanes, reached Rhodes, and public men there were in great doubt as to what course to take, Philophon and Theaedetus by no means wishing to involve themselves in such a negotiation, while Deinon and Polyaratus were in favour of it. Finally they made an arrangement with Perseus about ransoming the prisoners.

*Epirot Statesman to Perseus*

15. Cephalus, who now came from Epirus, had previously had relations with the royal house of Macedon, and was now forced by circumstances to take the part of Perseus. The reason for what happened was as follows. There was a certain Epirot called Charops, a man well principled in general and a friend of the Romans. At the time when Philip held the passes to Epirus, it was by his agency that the king had to abandon Epirus, and that Flamininus became master of it and worsted the Macedonians. He had a son named Machatas who had a son also named Charops. Upon the death of his father this Charops, while still a boy, was sent by his grandfather Charops with a retinue that befitted his rank to Rome to learn to speak and write Latin. The boy made many acquaintances, and returned home after a



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6 ὁ μὲν οὖν πρεσβύτερος Χάροψ μετήλλαξε τὸν βίον.  
τὸ δὲ μεираκίον μετέωρον ὄν τῇ φύσει καὶ πάσης  
πονηρίας ἔμπλεων ἔκορωνία καὶ παρετρίβετο πρὸς  
7 τοὺς ἐπιφανεῖς ἄνδρας. τὰς μὲν οὖν ἀρχὰς  
οὐδεὶς ἦν αὐτοῦ λόγος, ἀλλ' οἱ προκατέχοντες  
καὶ ταῖς ἡλικίαις καὶ ταῖς δόξαις, οἱ περὶ τὸν  
'Αντίουν, ἐχείριζον τὰ κοινὰ κατὰ τὰς αὐτῶν  
8 γνώμας. τοῦ δὲ πολέμου τοῦ Περσικοῦ συ-  
στάντος, εὐθέως διέβαλλε τὸ μεираκίον τοὺς  
προειρημένους ἄνδρας πρὸς Ῥωμαίους, ἀφορμῇ  
μὲν χρώμενον τῇ προγεγενημένῃ συστάσει τῶν  
9 ἀνδρῶν πρὸς τὴν Μακεδόνων οἰκίαν, κατὰ δὲ τὸ  
παρὸν πάντα παρατηροῦν καὶ πᾶν τὸ λεγόμενον  
ἢ πραττόμενον ὑπ' αὐτῶν ἐπὶ τὸ χεῖρον ἐκδεχό-  
μενον καὶ τὰ μὲν ἀφαιροῦν τὰ δὲ προστιθὲν ἐλάμβανε  
10 πιθανότητας κατὰ τῶν ἀνθρώπων. ὁ δὲ Κέφαλος,  
τᾶλλα τε φρόνιμος καὶ στάσιμος ἄνθρωπος, καὶ  
κατὰ τοὺς καιροὺς τούτους ἐπὶ τῆς ἀρίστης ὑπῆρχε  
11 γνώμης. ἀρχόμενος γὰρ ἠϋξάτο τοῖς θεοῖς μὴ  
συστῆναι τὸν πόλεμον μηδὲ κριθῆναι τὰ πράγματα·  
12 πραττομένου δὲ τοῦ πολέμου τὰ κατὰ τὴν συμ-  
μαχίαν ἐβούλετο δίκαια ποιεῖν Ῥωμαίοις, πέρα δὲ  
τούτου μήτε προστρέχειν ἀγεννῶς μήθ' ὑπηρετεῖν  
13 μηδὲν παρὰ τὸ δέον. τοῦ δὲ Χάροπος ἐνεργῶς  
χρωμένου ταῖς κατ' αὐτοῦ διαβολαῖς καὶ πᾶν τὸ  
παρὰ τὴν Ῥωμαίων βούλησιν γινόμενον εἰς ἐθελο-  
κάκησιν ἄγοντος, τὸ μὲν πρῶτον οἱ προειρημένοι  
κατεφρόνουν, οὐδὲν αὐτοῖς συνειδότες ἀλλότριον  
14 βουλευομένοις Ῥωμαίων. ὡς δὲ τοὺς περὶ τὸν  
'Ἰππόλοχον καὶ Νίκανδρον καὶ Λόχαγον εἶδον  
τοὺς Αἰτωλοὺς ἀναγομένους εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην ἀπὸ  
τῆς ἵππομαχίας ἀλόγως, καὶ τὰς διαβολὰς τὰς ἐκ  
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τῶν περὶ Λυκίσκον πεπιστευμένας κατ' αὐτῶν,  
οἷτινες κατὰ τὴν Αἰτωλίαν τὴν αὐτὴν αἵρεσιν  
ἤγον τῷ Χάροπι, τὸ τηνικάδε προϊδόμενοι—τὸ  
15 μέλλον ἐβουλεύοντο περὶ αὐτῶν. ἔδοξεν οὖν  
αὐτοῖς παντὸς πείραν λαμβάνειν ἐφ' ᾧ μὴ προέσθαι  
σφᾶς αὐτοὺς ἀκρίτως εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην ἐπανάγεσθαι  
16 διὰ τὰς Χάροπος διαβολάς. οὕτω μὲν οὖν οἱ  
περὶ τὸν Κέφαλον ἠναγκάσθησαν παρὰ τὰς αὐτῶν  
προαιρέσεις ἐλέσθαι τὰ τοῦ Περσέως.

**16** Ὅτι οἱ περὶ Θεόδοτον καὶ Φιλόστρατον ἐποίησαν  
(14) ἀσεβὲς πρᾶγμα καὶ παράσπονδον ὁμολογουμένως.  
2 πυθόμενοι γὰρ τὸν ὑπατον τῶν Ῥωμαίων Αὐλον  
Ἄστίλιον παραγίνεσθαι κομιζόμενον εἰς Θετταλίαν  
ἐπὶ τὸ στρατόπεδον καὶ νομίζοντες, εἰ παραδοίεν  
τὸν Αὐλον τῷ Περσεῖ, μεγίστην μὲν <ἂν> πίστιν  
προσενέγκασθαι, μέγιστα δ' ἂν βλάψαι κατὰ τὸ  
παρὸν Ῥωμαίους, ἔγραφον τῷ Περσεῖ συνεχῶς  
3 ἐπισπεύδειν. ὁ δὲ βασιλεὺς ἐβούλετο μὲν ἐξ  
αὐτῆς προάγειν καὶ συνάπτειν, τῶν δὲ Μολοττῶν  
κατὰ τὸν Ἄων ποταμὸν τὴν γέφυραν κατειλη-  
φόντων ἐκωλύετο τῆς ὁρμῆς καὶ πρῶτον ἠναγ-  
4 κάζετο διαμάχεσθαι πρὸς τούτους. συνέβη δὲ  
τὸν Αὐλον εἰς τοὺς Φανοτεῖς παραγενόμενον  
καταλῦσαι παρὰ Νέστορι τῷ Κρωπίῳ καὶ παρα-  
δοῦναι καθ' αὐτοῦ τοῖς ἐχθροῖς καιρὸν ὁμολο-  
γούμενον· <ὄν> εἰ μὴ τύχη τις ἐβράβευσε πρὸς  
5 τὸ βέλτιον, οὐκ ἂν μοι δοκεῖ διαφυγεῖν. νῦν δὲ  
δαιμονίως πως ὁ Νέστωρ τὸ μέλλον ὀπτευσάμενος  
ἐξ αὐτῆς ἠνάγκασε μετελθεῖν εἰς Γίτανα τῆς  
6 νυκτός. καὶ ἀπογνοὺς τὴν διὰ τῆς Ἡπείρου

credence was given to the false accusations brought against them by Lyciscus, who was pursuing in Aetolia the same course as Charops in Epirus; then foreseeing what would happen, he took thought for his own safety. He resolved, in consequence, to take any measures rather than allow himself to be arrested and sent to Rome without trial, owing to the false accusations of Charops. This is why, against his conviction, Cephalus found himself compelled to side with Perseus.

*Attempt to seize the Consul*

16. Theodotus and Philostratus in the opinion of all were guilty of a wicked and treacherous action. For learning that Aulus Hostilius the Roman consul was present in Epirus on his way to his army in Thessaly, and thinking that if they delivered him up to Perseus they would be giving the king a signal pledge of their fidelity and would inflict great present injury on the Romans, they wrote repeatedly to Perseus to hasten his arrival. The king wished to advance at once and join them; but as the Molotti had occupied the bridge over the river Aoüs, his design was checked, and he was forced in the first place to fight with this tribe. Hostilius, as it happened, had reached Phanata, and was staying there with Nestor the Cropian, which gave an evident opportunity to his enemies; and, had not a mere chance determined for the better, I do not think he could have escaped. But now, in some mysterious manner, Nestor divined what was brewing, and made him at once leave for Gitana by night. Renouncing, henceforth, his design of marching through Epirus,

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πορείαν ἀνήχθη καὶ πλεύσας εἰς Ἀντίκυραν ἐκεῖθεν ἐποιήσατο τὴν ὄρμην εἰς Θετταλίαν.

### III. RES ASIAE

**17** Ὅτι Φαρνάκης πάντων τῶν πρὸ τοῦ βασιλέων  
(15) ἐγένετο παρανομώτατος.

**18** Ὅτι Ἀτταλος χειμάζων ἐν Ἐλατεία καὶ σαφῶς  
(15) εἶδὼς τὸν ἀδελφὸν Εὐμένην λυπούμενον ὡς ἐνι  
μάλιστα καὶ βαρυνόμενον ἐπὶ τῷ τὰς ἐπιφανεστάτας  
αὐτοῦ τιμὰς ἠθετήσθαι παρὰ τῶν ἐν Πελοποννήσῳ  
διὰ κοινοῦ δόγματος, ἐπικρυπτόμενον δὲ πρὸς  
πάντας τὴν περὶ αὐτὸν ὑπάρχουσαν διάθεσιν,  
2 ἐπεβάλετο διαπέμπεσθαι πρὸς τινὰς τῶν ἐν Ἀχαΐᾳ,  
σπουδάζων ἀποκατασταθῆναι τὰδελφῶ δι' αὐτοῦ  
μὴ μόνον τὰς ἀναθηματικάς, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὰς ἐγ-  
3 γράπτους τιμὰς. τοῦτο δ' ἐποίει πεπεισμένος  
μεγίστην μὲν ἂν ἐκείνῳ ταύτην <τὴν> χάριν προσ-  
ενέγκασθαι, μάλιστα δ' ἂν τὸ φιλάδελφον καὶ  
γενναῖον τῆς αὐτοῦ προαιρέσεως ἐναποδείξασθαι  
τοῖς Ἑλλησι διὰ ταύτης τῆς πράξεως.

**19** Ὅτι Ἀντίοχος ὄρων ἐκφανῶς ἤδη τοὺς κατὰ τὴν  
(17) Ἀλεξάνδρειαν παρασκευαζομένους εἰς τὸν περὶ  
Κοίλης Συρίας πόλεμον, εἰς μὲν τὴν Ῥώμην  
2 ἐπέμψε πρεσβευτὰς τοὺς περὶ Μελέαγρον, ἐντειλά-  
μενος λέγειν τῇ συγκλήτῳ καὶ διαμαρτύρασθαι  
διότι παρὰ πάντα τὰ δίκαια Πτολεμαῖος αὐτῷ  
τὰς χεῖρας ἐπιβάλλει <πρότερος> . . .

**20** Ἴσως μὲν οὖν ἐν πᾶσι τοῖς ἀνθρωπίοις τῷ  
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- καιρῷ δεῖ μετρεῖν ἕκαστα τῶν ἐνεργουμένων·  
μεγίστην γὰρ οὗτος ἔχει δύναμιν· μάλιστα δ' ἐν  
2 τοῖς πολεμικοῖς· ὀξύταται γὰρ περὶ τούτων εἰς  
ἐκάτερα τὰ μέρη γίνονται ῥοπαί· τὸ δ' ἀστοχεῖν  
τούτων μέγιστόν ἐστι τῶν ἀμαρτημάτων.
- 3 Ὅτι δοκοῦσι πολλοὶ μὲν τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἐπι-  
θυμῆιν τῶν καλῶν, ὀλίγοι δὲ τολμᾶν ἐγχειρεῖν  
αὐτοῖς, σπάνιοι δὲ τῶν ἐγχειρησάντων ἐπὶ τέλος  
ἀγαγεῖν τὰ πρὸς τὸ καθήκον ἐν ἑκάστοις ποιούμενα.

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all our actions by opportunity, for opportunity is more powerful than anything else; and this is especially true in war, for there it is that the balance shifts most abruptly from one side to the other. Not to avail oneself of this is the greatest of mistakes.

Many men, it would seem, are desirous of doing what is good, but few have the courage to attempt it, and very few indeed of these who do attempt it fully accomplish their duty in every respect.



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