A CLASICAL DICTIONARY,
CONTAINING
A FULL ACCOUNT
OF ALL THE
PROPER NAMES MENTIONED IN ANCIENT AUTHORS,
WITH
Tables of Coins, Weights, and Measures,
IN
USE AMONG THE GREEKS AND ROMANS.
TO WHICH IS NOW PREFIXED,
A CHRONOLOGICAL TABLE.

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1833.
IN the following pages it has been the wish of the Author to give the most accurate and satisfactory account of all the proper names which occur in reading the Classics, and, by a judicious collection of anecdotes and historical facts, to draw a picture of ancient times, not less instructive than entertaining. Such a work, it is hoped, will not be deemed an useless acquisition in the hands of the public, and while the student is initiated in the knowledge of history and mythology, and familiarized with the ancient situation and extent of kingdoms and cities that no longer exist, the man of letters may, perhaps, find it not a contemptible companion, from which he may receive information, and be made, a second time, acquainted with many important particulars, which time, or more laborious occupations, may have erased from his memory. In the prosecution of his plan, the author has been obliged to tread in the steps of many learned men, whose studies have been directed, and not without success, to facilitate the attainment of classical knowledge, and the ancient languages. Their compositions have been to him a source of information, and he trusts that their labours have now found new elucidation in his own, and that, by a due consideration of every subject, he has been enabled to imitate their excellencies without copying their faults. Many compositions of the same nature have issued from the press, but they are partial and unsatisfactory. The attempts to be concise, have rendered the labours of one barren and uninstructive, while long and unconnected quotations of passages, from Greek and Latin writers, disfigure the page of the other, and render the whole insipid and disgusting. It cannot, therefore, be a discouraging employment now, to endeavour to finish what others have left imperfect, and, with the conciseness of Stephens, to add the diffuse researches of Lloyd, Hoffman, Collier, &c. After paying due attention to the ancient poets and historians, from whom the most authentic information can be received, the labours of more modern authors have been consulted, and every composition, distinguished for the clearness and perspicuity of historical narration, or geographical descriptions, has been carefully examined. Truly sensible of what he owes to modern Latin and English writers and commentators, the author must not forget to make a public acknowledgment of the assistance he has likewise received from the labours of the French. In the Sirelce Payens of l'Abbé Sabatier de Castres, he has found all the in-
formation which judicious criticism, and a perfect knowledge of heathen
mythology, could procure. The compositions of l'Abbé Banier, have also
been useful, and in the Dictionnaire Historique of a literary society, printed
at Caen, a treasure of original anecdotes, and a candid selection and
arrangement of historical facts, have been discovered.

It was the original design of the author of this Dictionary, to give a
minute explanation of all the names of which Pliny, and other ancient geo-
graphers, make mention; but, upon a second consideration of the subject,
he was convinced, that it would have increased his volume in bulk, and
not in value. The learned reader will be sensible of the propriety of this
remark, when he recollects, that the names of many places mentioned by
Pliny and Pausanias, occur nowhere else in ancient authors, and that to
find the true situation of an insignificant village, mentioned by Strabo, no
other writer but Strabo is to be consulted.

This Dictionary being undertaken more particularly for the use of
schools, it has been thought proper to mark the quantity of the penultimate
of every word, and to assist the student who can receive no fixed and
positive rules for pronunciation. In this the authority of Smethius has
been followed, as also Leedes’s edition of Labbe’s Catholici Indices.

As every publication should be calculated to facilitate literature, and to
be serviceable to the advancement of the sciences, the author of this
Dictionary did not presume to intrude himself upon the public, before
he was sensible that his humble labours would be of some service to the
lovers of the ancient languages. The undertaking was for the use of
schools, therefore he thought none so capable of judging of its merit, and
of ascertaining its utility, as those who preside over the education of youth.

With this view, he took the liberty to communicate his intentions to
everal gentlemen in that line, not less distinguished for purity of criticism
than for their classical abilities, and from them he received all the enco-
ragement which the desire of contributing to the advancement of learning
can expect. To them, therefore, for their approbation and friendly com-
munications, he publicly returns his thanks, and hopes, that, now his
labours are completed, his Dictionary may claim from them that patronage,
and that support, to which, in their opinion, the specimen of the work
seemed to be entitled. He has paid due attention to their remarks, he
has received with gratitude their judicious observations, and cannot pass
over in silence their obliging recommendations, and particularly the
friendly advice he has received from the Rev. R. Valpy, master of Reading
school.

For the account of the Roman laws, and for the festivals celebrated by
the ancient inhabitants of Greece and Italy, he is particularly indebted to
the useful collections of Archbishop Potter, of Godwin, and Kennet. In
the Tables of ancient coins, weights, and measures, which he has annexed
to the body of the Dictionary, he has followed the learned calculations of
Dr. Arbuthnott. The quoted authorities have been carefully examined
and frequently revised, and, it is hoped, the opinions of mythologists will
appear without confusion, and be found divested of all obscurity.

Therefore, with all the confidence which an earnest desire of being use-
ful can command, the author offers the following pages to the public, con-
scious that they may contain inaccuracies and imperfections. A Dic-
tionary, the candid reader is well aware, cannot be made perfect all at
once; it must still have its faults and omissions, however cautious and vigi-
lant the author may have been, and in every page there may be found, in
the opinion of some, room for improvement, and for addition. Before the
candid, therefore, and the impartial, he lays his publication, and for what-
ever observations the friendly critic may make, he will shew himself grateful,
and take advantage of the remarks of every judicious reader, should the
favours and the indulgence of the public demand a second edition.

Pembroke College, Oxford,

November 1788.

The very favourable reception which the first edition of the Classical
Dictionary has met from the public, fully evinces the utility of the per-
formance. From the consciousness of this, the author has spared no
pains to render this second edition more deserving of the same liberal
patronage. The hints of friends, and the animadversions of critics, have
been carefully adopted, and almost every article has been corrected and
improved. New names have not only been introduced, but the date of
events has been more exactly ascertained, and, therefore, to such as com-
pare the two editions, the improvements will appear numerous and impor-
tant in every page.

In answer to those Gentlemen who have objected against the smallness
of the print, and have recommended a larger type, the author begs leave to
observe, that it has been found impracticable to remove the inconvenience,
so much matter could not well have been compressed in one octavo, an.
it must be remembered, that the book is intended as a volume of occa-
sional reference, and, therefore that it cannot long fatigue the eye
It will be found not an unnecessary addition, to have an account of the best editions of each classic at the end of the respective character of the authors. Dr. Harwood’s plan has in general been attended to, but the price has not been inserted from its great fluctuation, which often depends more upon the caprice of opinion than upon real value.

The Chronological Table prefixed to the Dictionary will, it is hoped, be acknowledged universally useful. It has been compiled with great accuracy, and chiefly extracted from “The Chronology and History of the World,” by Dr. J. Blair, folio edition, 1754; and from Archbishop Usher’s “Annales Veteris et Novi Testamenti,” printed at Geneva, folio, 1722.

London, July, 1792.

The Editor presumes that this edition will claim the patronage of the learned world, having been revised and corrected with great care. The student will find more information in it than in any former edition ever published: it contains at the least a thousand articles more than any similar work the Editor has ever seen, English or French.

Gordon House, Kentish Town, Middlesex, 7th March, 1826.
A CHRONOLOGICAL TABLE,
FROM THE
CREATION OF THE WORLD
TO THE
FALL OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE
IN THE WEST, AND IN THE EAST.

THE world created in the 710th year of the Julian period
The deluge
The kingdom of Egypt is supposed to have begun under Misraim the son of Ham, and to have continued 1663 years, to the conquest of Cambyses
The kingdom of Sicyon established
The kingdom of Assyria begins
The kingdom of Argos established under Inachus
The deluge of Ogyges, by which Attica remained waste above 200 years, till the coming of Cecrops
The chronology of the Arundelian Marbles begins about this time, fixing here the arrival of Cecrops into Attica, an epoch which other writers have placed later by 26 years
Moses born
The kingdom of Athens begun under Cecrops, who came from Egypt with a colony of Saites. This happened about 780 years before the first Olympiad
Scamander migrates from Crete, and begins the kingdom of Troy
The deluge of Deucalion, in Thessaly
Cadmus comes into Greece, and builds the citadel of Thebes
The first Olympic games celebrated in Elis by the Idaei Dactyli
Minos flourishes in Crete

Before Christ *
4004
2348
2188
2089
2055
1856
1764
1571
1556
1546
1503
1493
1453
1406

In the following table, I have confined myself to the more easy and convenient eras of before (B. C.) and after (A. D.) Christ. For the sake of those, however, that do not wish the exclusion of the Julian period, it is necessary to observe, that, as the first year of the Christian era always falls on the 4714th of the Julian years, the number required either before or after Christ, will easily be discovered by the application of the rules of subtraction or addition. The era from the foundation of Rome (A. U. C.) will be found with the same facility, by recollecting that the city was built 753 years before Christ; and the Olympiads can likewise be secured to by the consideration, that the conquest of Corbus (B. C. 776) forms the first Olympiad, and that the Olympic games were celebrated after the revolution of four years.
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<td>The Isthmian games first instituted by Sisyphus, king of Corinth</td>
<td>1326</td>
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<td>The Argonautic expedition. The first Pythian games celebrated by</td>
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<td>Adrastus, king of Argos</td>
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<td>The Theban war of the seven heroes against Eteocles</td>
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<td>Olympic games celebrated by Heracles</td>
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<td>The rape of Helen by Theseus, and, 15 years after, by Paris</td>
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<td>Troy taken after a siege of 10 years. Ανεας sails to Italy</td>
<td>1184</td>
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<td>Alba Longa built by Ascanins</td>
<td>1152</td>
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<td>Migration of the ΑΕοιlian colonies</td>
<td>1124</td>
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<td>The return of the Heraclidæ into Peloponnesus, 80 years after the</td>
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<td>taking of Troy. Two years after they divide the Peloponnesus</td>
<td>1104</td>
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<td>among themselves; and here, therefore, begins the kingdom of</td>
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<td>Lacedæmon under Eurysthenes and Procles</td>
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<td>The kingdom of Sicyon ended</td>
<td>808</td>
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<td>The kingdom of Athens ends in the death of Codrus</td>
<td>1076</td>
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<td>The migration of the Ιonian colonies from Greece, and their settlement</td>
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<td>in Asia Minor</td>
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<td>Samos built</td>
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<td>Homer and Hesiod flourished about this time, according to the</td>
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<td>Marbles</td>
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<td>Lycurgus, 42 years old, establishes his laws at Lacedæmon, and,</td>
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<td>together with Ίphitus and Cleosthenes, restores the Olympic games</td>
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<td>at Elis, about 108 years before the era which is commonly called</td>
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<td>the first Olympiad</td>
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<td>Plidon, king of Argos, is supposed to have invented scales and</td>
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<td>measures, and coined silver at ΑΕινα. Carthage built by Dido</td>
<td>809</td>
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<td>Fall of the Assyrian empire by the death of Sardanapalus, an era</td>
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<td>placed 80 years earlier by Justin</td>
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<td>The kingdom of Macedonia begins, and continues 646 years, till the</td>
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<td>battle of Pydna</td>
<td>814</td>
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<td>The kingdom of Lydia begins, and continues 249 years</td>
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<td>The monarchical government abolished at Corinth, and the Prytanes</td>
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<td>elected</td>
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<td>Coræbus conquers at Olympia, in the 28th Olympiad from the</td>
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<td>institution of Ίphitus. This is vulgarly called the first Olympiad,</td>
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<td>about 23 years before the foundation of Rome</td>
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<td>The Ephori introduced into the government of Lacedæmon by</td>
<td>760</td>
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<td>Theopompus</td>
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<td>The decennial archons begin at Athens, of which Charops is the first</td>
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<td>Rome built on the 20th of April, according to Varro, in the year</td>
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<td>3961 of the Julian period</td>
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<td>The rape of the Sabines</td>
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<td>The first Messenian war begins, and continues 19 years, to the taking</td>
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<td>of Ithome</td>
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<td>Syracuse built by a Corinthian colony</td>
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<td>Candaules murdered by Gyges, who succeeds to the Lydian throne</td>
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<td>Tarentum built by the Parthenians</td>
<td>707</td>
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<td>Corcyra built by the Corinthians</td>
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<td>The second Messenian war begins, and continues 14 years, to the</td>
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<td>taking of Ira, after a siege of 11 years. About this time flourished</td>
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<td>the poets Tyrtaeus and Archilochus</td>
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<td>The government of Athens entrusted to annual archons</td>
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<td>Cypselus usurps the government of Corinth, and keeps it for 30 years</td>
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<td>Byzantium built by a colony of Argives or Athenians</td>
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<td>630</td>
<td>Cyrene built by Battus</td>
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<td>624</td>
<td>The Scythians invade Asia Minor, of which they keep possession for 28 years</td>
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<td>623</td>
<td>Draco establishes his laws at Athens</td>
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<td>604</td>
<td>The Phenicians sail round Africa, by order of Necho. About this time flourished Arion, Pittacus, Alcaeus, Sappho, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>596</td>
<td>The Scythians are expelled from Asia Minor by Cyaxares</td>
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<td>591</td>
<td>The Pythian games first established at Delphi. About this time flourished Chilo, Anacharsis, Thales, Epimenides, Solon, Æsop,</td>
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<td>591</td>
<td>Stesichorus, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>562</td>
<td>The first comedy acted at Athens by Susarion and Dolon</td>
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<td>560</td>
<td>Cyrus begins to reign. About this time flourished Anaximenes, Bias, Anaximander, Phalaris, and Cleobulus</td>
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<td>548</td>
<td>Croesus conquered by Cyrus. About this time flourished Theognis and Pherecydes</td>
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<td>539</td>
<td>Marseilles built by the Phoecians. The age of Pythagoras, Simónides, Thespis, Xenophanes, and Anacreon</td>
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<td>525</td>
<td>Egypt conquered by Cambyses</td>
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<td>522</td>
<td>Polycrates, of Samos, put to death</td>
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<td>521</td>
<td>Darius Hystaspes chosen king of Persia. About this time flourished Confucius, the celebrated Chinese philosopher</td>
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<td>510</td>
<td>The tyranny of the Pisistratidæ abolished at Athens</td>
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<td>The consular government begins at Rome after the expulsion of the Tarquins, and continues independent for 461 years, till the battle of Pharsalia</td>
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<td>504</td>
<td>Sardis taken by the Athenians and burnt, which became afterwards the cause of the invasion of Greece by the Persians. About this time flourished Heraclitus, Parmenides, Milo the wrestler, Aristagoras, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>490</td>
<td>The battle of Marathon</td>
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<td>480</td>
<td>The battles of Thermopylae and Salamis. About this time flourished Æschylus, Pindar, Charon, Anaxagoras, Zeuxis, Aristides, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>479</td>
<td>The Persians defeated at Plataea and Mycale on the same day</td>
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<td>471</td>
<td>Themistocles, accused of conspiracy, flies to Xerxes</td>
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<td>470</td>
<td>The Persians defeated at Cyprus, and near the Eurymedon</td>
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<td>465</td>
<td>The third Messenian war begins, and continues 10 years</td>
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<td>463</td>
<td>Egypt revolts from the Persians under Inarus, assisted by the Athenians</td>
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<td>454</td>
<td>The Romans send to Athens for Solon's laws. About this time flourished Sophocles, Plato the comic poet, Aristarchus the tragic, Leocrates, Thrasybulus, Pericles, Zaleucus, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>448</td>
<td>The first sacred war concerning the temple of Delphi</td>
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<td>445</td>
<td>Herodotus reads his history in the council of Athens, and receives public honours in the 39th year of his age. About this time flourished Empedocles, Hellanicus, Euripides, Herodicus, Phidias, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>444</td>
<td>A colony sent to Thurium by the Athenians</td>
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<td>440</td>
<td>Comedies prohibited at Athens, a restraint which remained in force for three years</td>
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<td>439</td>
<td>A war between Corinth and Corcyra</td>
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<td>431</td>
<td>The Peloponnesian war begins, May the 7th, and continues about 27 years. About this time flourished Cratinus, Eupolis, Aristophanes, Meton Democtitus, Gorgias, Thucydides, Hippocrates, &amp;c.</td>
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The history of the Old Testament finishes about this time. A plague at Athens for five years 430
A peace of 50 years made between the Athenians and Lacedæmonians, which is kept only during six years and ten months, though each continued at war with the other’s allies 421
The scene of the Peloponnesian war changed to Sicily. The agrarian law first moved at Rome 416
Egypt revolts from the Persians, and Amyrtæus is appointed king 414
The Carthaginians enter Sicily, where they destroy Selinus and Himera, but they are repulsed by Hermocrates 409
The battle of Egospotamos. The usurpation of Dionysius 405
Athens taken by Lysander, the end of the Peloponnesian war, and the appointment of 30 tyrants over the conquered city. About this time flourished Parrhasius, Protagoras, Lysias, Agathon, Euclid, Cebes, &c. 404
Cyrus the Younger killed at Cunaxa. The glorious retreat of the 10,000 Greeks, and the expulsion of the 30 tyrants from Athens by Thrasybulus 401
Socrates put to death 400
Agesilaus, of Lacedæmon, expedition into Asia against the Persians. The age of Xenophon, Ctesias, Zeuxis, Antisthenes, Evagoras, Aristippus of Cyrene, and Archytas 396
The Corinthian war begun by the alliance of the Athenians, Thebans, Corinthians, and Argives, against Lacedæmon 395
The Lacedæmonians, under Pisander, defeated by Conon at Cnidus; and, a few days after, the allies are defeated at Coronea, by Agesilaus 394
The battle of Allia, and the taking of Rome by the Gauls 390
Dionysius besieges Rhegium and takes it after 11 months. About this time flourished Plato, Philoxenus, Damon, Pythias, Iphicrates, &c. 388
The Greek cities of Asia tributary to Persia, by the peace of Antalcidas, between the Lacedæmonians and Persians 387
The war of Cyprus finished by a treaty, after it had continued two years 385
The Lacedæmonians defeated in a sea-fight at Naxos, by Chabrias. About this time flourished Philistas, Isæus, Isocrates, Arete, Philolaus, Diogenes the cynic, &c. 377
Artaxerxes sends an army under Pharnabazus, with 20,000 Greeks commanded by Iphicrates 374
The battle of Leuctra, where the Lacedæmonians are defeated by Epaminondas, the general of the Thebans 371
The Messenians, after a banishment of 300 years, return to Peloponnesus 370
One of the consuls at Rome elected from the plebeians 367
The battle of Mantinea gained by Epaminondas, a year after the death of Pelopidas 363
Agesilaus assists Tachos, king of Egypt. Some of the governors of Lesser Asia revolt from Persia 362
The Athenians are defeated at Methone, the first battle that Philip of Macedon ever won in Greece 360
Dionysius the Younger is expelled from Syracuse by Dion. The second sacred war begins, on the temple of Delphi being attacked by the Phoceans 357
### Chronological Table

**Dion put to death, and Syracuse governed seven years by tyrants.**

- About this time flourished Eudoxus, Lycurgus, Ibis, Theopompos, Ephoros, Datames, Philomelus, &c.

**The Phoceans, under Onomarchus, are defeated in Thessaly by Philip.**

- Egypt is conquered by Ochus.

- The sacred war is finished by Philip taking all the cities of the Phoceans.

- Dionysius recovers the tyranny of Syracuse, after ten years banishment.

- Timoleon recovers Syracuse, and banishes the tyrant.

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**The battle of Cheronaea.**

- The battle of the Granicus.

**Philip of Macedon killed by Pausanias. His son Alexander, on the following year, enters Greece, destroys Thebes, &c.**

- The battle of Issus.

**Tyre and Egypt conquered by the Macedonian prince, and Alexandria built.**

- The battle of Arbela.

**Alexander's expedition against Porus. About this time flourished Apelles, Callisthenes, Bagoas, Parmenio, Philotas, Memnon, Dinocrates, Calippus, Hyperides, Philetus, Lysippus, Menedemus, &c.**

- Alexander dies on the 21st of April. His empire is divided into four kingdoms. The Samian war, and the reign of the Ptolemies in Egypt.

**Polyperchon publishes a general liberty to all the Greek cities.**

- The age of Praxiteles, Crates, Theophrastus, Menander, Demetrius, Dinarchus, Polemon, Neoptolemus, Perdiccas, Leosthenes.

**Syracuse and Sicily usurped by Agathocles. Demetrius Phalereus governs Athens for 10 years.**

- Eumenes delivered to Antigonus by his army.

**Seleucus takes Babylon, and here the beginning of the era of the Seleucidæ.**

**The conquests of Agathocles in Africa.**

- Democracy established at Athens by Demetrius Poliorcetes.

**The title of kings first assumed by the successors of Alexander.**

- The battle of Ipsus, where Antigonus is defeated and killed by Ptolemy, Seleucus, Lysimachus, and Cassander. About this time flourished Zeno, Pyrrho, Philemon, Megasthenes, Crantor, &c.

**Athens taken by Demetrius Poliorcetes, after a year's siege.**

- Seleucus, about this time, built about 40 cities in Asia, which he peopled with different nations. The age of Euclid the mathematician, Arcesilas, Epicurus, Bion, Timocharis, Erasistratus, Aristyllus, Strato, Zenodotus, Arsinoe, Lachares, &c.

**The Athenians revolt from Demetrius.**

- Pyrrhus expelled from Macedon by Lysimachus.

**The Pharos of Alexandria built. The Septuagint supposed to be translated about this time.**

- Lysimachus defeated and killed by Seleucus. The Tarentine war begins, and continues 10 years. The Achaean league begins.

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<td>Capitoline games instituted by Domitian, and celebrated every fourth year</td>
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<td>Secular games celebrated. The war with Dacia begins</td>
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<td>96</td>
<td>Domitian put to death by Juvenal, Tacitus, Status, &amp;c. and succeeded by Nerva.</td>
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<td>Nerva dies, and is succeeded by Trajan</td>
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<td>102</td>
<td>Pliny made proconsul of Bithynia</td>
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<td>103</td>
<td>Dacia reduced to a Roman province</td>
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<td>106</td>
<td>Trajan's expedition against Parthia. About this time flourished Florus, Suetonius, Pliny junior, Philo Byblius, Dion, Prusæus, Plutarch, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>131</td>
<td>The Jews rebel, and are defeated after a war of five years, and all banished</td>
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<td>Adrian dies, and is succeeded by Antoninus Pius. In the reign of Adrian flourished Theon, Phavorinus, Phlegon, Trallian, Aristides, Aquila, Salvius Julian, Polycarp, Arrian, Ptolemy, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>145</td>
<td>Antoninus defeated the Moors, Germans, and Dacians</td>
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<td>The worship of Serapis brought to Rome</td>
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<td>Antoninus dies, and is succeeded by M. Aurelius and L. Verus, the last of which reigned nine years. In the reign of Antoninus flourished Maximus Tyrius, Pausanias, Diophantes, Lucian, Hermogenes, Polyænus, Appian, Artemidorus, Justin the martyr, Apuleius, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>M. Aurelius dies, and Commodus succeeds. In the last reign flourished Galen, Athenagoras, Tatian, Athenæus, Montanus, Diogenes Laertius</td>
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<td>Commodus makes peace with the Germans</td>
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<td>Commodus put to death by Martia and Laetus. He is succeeded for a few months by Pertinax, who is murdered, 193, and four rivals arise, Didius Julianus, Pescennius Niger, Severus, and Albinus. Under Commodus flourished J. Pollux, Theodotion, St. Irenæus, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>Niger is defeated by Severus at Issus</td>
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<td>Albinus defeated in Gaul</td>
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<td>Severus conquers the Parthians</td>
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<td>Severus visits Britain, and builds a wall there</td>
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<td>211</td>
<td>Severus dies at York, and is succeeded by Caracalla and Geta. In his reign flourished Tertullian, Minutius Felix, Papinianus, Clemens of Alexandria, Philostratus, Plotianus, and Bulas</td>
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<td>212</td>
<td>Geta killed by his brother Caracalla</td>
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<td>The Septuagint discovered. Caracalla murdered by Macrinus. Flourished Oppian</td>
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<td>218</td>
<td>Oppius Macrinus killed by the soldiers, and succeeded by Heliogabalus</td>
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<td>Alexander Severus succeeds Heligobalus. The Goths then exacted an annual payment not to invade or molest the Roman empire. The age of Julius Africanus</td>
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<td>The two Gordians succeed Maximinus, and are put to death by Pupienus, who soon after is destroyed, with Balbinus, by the soldiers of the younger Gordian</td>
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<td>Alexander killed, and succeeded by Maximinus. At that time flourished Dion, Cassius, Origen, and Ammonius</td>
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<td>Sabinianus defeated in Africa</td>
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<td>237</td>
<td>He is put to death by Philip, who succeeds, and makes peace with Sapor. About this time flourished Censorius and Gregory Thaumaturgus</td>
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<td>240</td>
<td>Philip killed, and succeeded by Decius. Herodian flourished</td>
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<td>Decius succeeded by Gallus</td>
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<td>251</td>
<td>A great pestilence over the empire</td>
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<td>252</td>
<td>Gallus dies, and is succeeded by Æmilianus, Valerianus, and Gallienus. In the reign of Gallus flourished St. Cyprian and Plotinus</td>
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<td>254</td>
<td>The empire is harassed by thirty tyrants successively</td>
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<td>Valerian is taken by Sapor, and fleed alive</td>
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<td>260</td>
<td>Odenatus governs the east for Gallienus</td>
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<td>The Scythians and Goths defeated</td>
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<td>Gallienus killed, and succeeded by Claudius. In this reign flourished Longinus, Paulus Samosatenus, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>Claudius conquers the Goths, and kills 300,000 of them. Zenobia takes possession of Egypt</td>
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<td>269</td>
<td>Aurelian succeeds</td>
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<td>Zenobia defeated by Aurelian at Edessa</td>
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<td>Dacia ceded to the barbarians by the emperor</td>
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<td>274</td>
<td>Aurelian killed, and succeeded by Tacitus, who died after a reign of six months, and was succeeded by Florianus, and two months after, by Probus</td>
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<td>Probus makes an expedition into Gaul</td>
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<td>He defeats the Persians in the East</td>
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<td>Probus is put to death, and succeeded by Carus, and his sons Carinus and Numerianus</td>
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<td>Dioclesian succeeds</td>
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<td>The empire attacked by the barbarians of the north. Dioclesian takes Maximianus as his imperial colleague</td>
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<td>Britain recovered, after a tyrant's usurpation of 10 years. Alexandria taken by Dioclesian</td>
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<td>Dioclesian and Maximianus abdicate the empire, and live in retirement, succeeded by Constantius Chlorus and Galerius Maximianus, the two Caesars. About this time flourished J. Capitolinus, Arnobius, Gregory and Hermogenes, the lawyers, Ælius Spartanus, Hierocles, Flavius Vopiscus, Trebellius Pollio, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>296</td>
<td>Constantius dies, and is succeeded by his son</td>
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<td>At this time there were four emperors, Constantine, Licinus, Maximianus, and Maxentius</td>
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<td>306</td>
<td>Maxentius defeated and killed by Constantine</td>
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<td>308</td>
<td>The emperor Constantine begins to favour the Christian religion</td>
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<td>319</td>
<td>The seat of empire removed from Rome to Constantinople</td>
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<td>Constantine the Younger defeated and killed by Constans at Aquileia</td>
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<td>Constans killed in Spain by Magnentius</td>
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<td>Gallus put to death by Constantius</td>
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<td>354</td>
<td>One hundred and fifty cities of Asia ruined by an earthquake</td>
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<td>358</td>
<td>Constantius and Julian quarrel, and prepare for war; but the former dies the next year, and leaves the latter sole emperor. About this period flourished Elius Donatus, Eutropius, Libanius, Ammian, Marcellinus, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>360</td>
<td>Julian dies, and is succeeded by Jovian. In Julian’s reign flourished Gregory Nazianzen, Themistius, Aurelius Victor, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>363</td>
<td>Upon the death of Jovian, and the succession of Valens and Valentinian, the empire is divided, the former being emperor of the east, and the other of the west</td>
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<td>367</td>
<td>Gratian taken as partner in the western empire by Valentinian</td>
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<td>373</td>
<td>Firmus, tyrant of Africa, defeated</td>
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<td>375</td>
<td>Valentinian the Second succeeds Valentinian the First</td>
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<td>376</td>
<td>The Goths permitted to settle in Thrace, on being expelled by the Huns</td>
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<td>379</td>
<td>Theodosius the Great succeeds Valens in the eastern empire</td>
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<td>383</td>
<td>Gratian killed and defeated by Andragathius</td>
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<td>388</td>
<td>The tyrant Maximus defeated and put to death by Theodosius</td>
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<td>392</td>
<td>Eugenius usurps the western empire, and is two years after defeated by Theodosius</td>
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<td>395</td>
<td>Theodosius dies, and is succeeded by his sons, Arcadius in the east, and Honorius in the west. In the reign of Theodosius flourished Ausonius, Eunapius, Pappus, Theon, Prudentius, St. Austin, St. Jerome, St. Ambrose, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>398</td>
<td>Gildo, defeated by his own brother, kills himself</td>
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<td>405</td>
<td>Stilichio defeats 200,000 of the Goths at Fesulae</td>
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<td>406</td>
<td>The Vandals, Alani, and Suevi, permitted to settle in Spain and France by Honorius</td>
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<td>408</td>
<td>Theodosius the Younger succeeds Arcadius in the east, having Isdegerdes, king of Persia, as his guardian, appointed by his father</td>
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<td>410</td>
<td>Rome plundered by Alaric, king of the Visigoths</td>
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<td>412</td>
<td>The Vandals begin their kingdom in Spain</td>
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<td>413</td>
<td>The kingdom of the Burgundians is begun in Alsace</td>
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<td>414</td>
<td>The Visigoths found a kingdom at Toulouse</td>
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<td>417</td>
<td>The Alani defeated and extirpated by the Goths</td>
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<td>420</td>
<td>The kingdom of the French begins on the Lower Rhine</td>
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<td>423</td>
<td>The death of Honorius, and succession of Valentinian the Third. Under Honorius flourished Sulpicius Severus, Macrobius, Anianus, Panodorus, Stobaeus, Servius the commentator, Hypatia, Pelagius Synesius, Cyril, Orosius, Socrates, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>425</td>
<td>Theodosius establishes public schools at Constantinople, and attempts the restoration of learning</td>
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<td>427</td>
<td>Pannonia recovered from the Huns by the Romans. The Vandals pass into Africa</td>
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<td>428</td>
<td>The French defeated by Ætius</td>
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<td>Attila, king of the Huns, ravages Europe</td>
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<td>The Romans abandon Britain for ever</td>
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<td>Theodosius the second dies, and is succeeded by Marcianus. About this</td>
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<td>time flourished Zosimus, Nestorius, Theodoret, Sozomen, Olympiodorus</td>
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<td>The city of Venice first began to be known</td>
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<td>Death of Valentinian the Third, who is succeeded by Maximus for two</td>
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<td>months, by Avitus for ten, and, after an inter-regnum of ten months,</td>
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<td>Marcianus dies, and is succeeded by Leo, surnamed the Thracian</td>
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<td>Severus succeeds in the western empire</td>
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<td>Olybiius succeeds Anthemus, and is succeeded, the next year, by</td>
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<td>Glycerius, and Glycerius by Nepos</td>
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<td>Nepos is succeeded by Augustulus. Leo junior, son of Ariadne, though</td>
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<td>an infant, succeeds his grandfather Leo in the eastern empire, and,</td>
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<td>some months after, is succeeded by his father Zeno</td>
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<td>The western empire is destroyed by Odoacer, King of the Heruli, who</td>
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<td>assumes the title of King of Italy. About that time flourished</td>
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<td>Eutyches, Prosper, Victorius, Sidonius Apollinaris</td>
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<td>Theodoric, king of the Ostrogoths, revolts about this time, and</td>
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<td>conquers Italy. About this time flourished Boethius and Symmachus</td>
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<td>After the death of Zeno in the east, Ariadne married Anastasius, sur-</td>
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<td>named the Silentiary, who ascends the vacant throne</td>
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<td>Justin the First, a peasant of Dalmatia, makes himself emperor</td>
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<td>Justinian the First, nephew of Justin, succeeds. Under his glorious</td>
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<td>reign flourished Belisarius, Procopius, Proclus, Narses, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>Justinian publishes his celebrated code of laws</td>
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<td>Conquest of Africa by Belisarius, and that of Rome two years after</td>
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<td>Italy is invaded by the Franks</td>
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<td>The beginning of the Turkish empire in Asia</td>
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<td>Defeat and death of Totila, the Gothic king of Italy</td>
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<td>Justin the Second, son of Vigilantia, the sister of Justinian, succeeds</td>
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<td>Part of Italy conquered by the Lombards</td>
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<td>Tiberius the Second, an officer of the imperial guard, is adopted,</td>
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<td>and soon after succeeds</td>
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<td>Maurice, the Cappadocian, son-in-law to Tiberius, succeeds</td>
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<td>Gregory the First, surnamed the Great, fills St. Peter’s chair at</td>
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<td>About this time the Saxon Heptarchy began in England</td>
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<td>Phocas, a simple centurion, is elected emperor, after the revolt of</td>
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<td>the oldiers, and the murder of Maurice and of his children</td>
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<td>Heraclius, an officer in Africa, succeeds, after the murder of the</td>
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<td>usurper Phocas</td>
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<td>The conquest of Chosroes, king of Persia, in Syria, Egypt, Asia Minor</td>
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<td>and afterwards, his siege of Rome</td>
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<td>Mahomet, in his 53d year, flies from Mecca to Medina, which forms</td>
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<td>the first year of the Hegira, the era of the Mahometans</td>
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<td>Constantine the Fourth, surnamed Pogonatus, succeeds on the murder of his father in Sicily. Constantinople is first besieged by the Arabs</td>
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<td>Justinian the Second succeeds his father Constantine. In his exile of 10 years the purple was usurped by Laontius and Absimerus Tiberius. His restoration happened 705</td>
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<td>709</td>
<td>Africa finally conquered by the Arabs</td>
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<td>711</td>
<td>Bardanes, surnamed Philippicus, succeeds at Constantinople, on the murder of Justinian</td>
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<td>Spain is conquered by the Arabs. Accession of Artemius, or Anastasius the Second, to the throne</td>
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<td>716</td>
<td>Second siege of Constantinople by the Arabs. Anastatius abdicates, and is succeeded by Theodosius the Third, who, two years after, yields to the superior influence of Leo the Third, the first of the Isaurian dynasty</td>
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<td>741</td>
<td>Constantine the Fifth, surnamed Copronymus, succeeds his father Leo the Fourth, son of Constantine, succeeds, and, five years after, is succeeded by his wife Irene and his son Constantine Sixth</td>
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<td>775</td>
<td>Irene murders her son and reigns alone</td>
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<td>792</td>
<td>Charlemagne is crowned emperor of Rome and of the western empire. About this time the Popes separate themselves from the princes of Constantinople</td>
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<td>Egbert ascends the throne of England, but the total reduction of the Saxon heptarchy is not effected till 26 years after</td>
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<td>Nicephorus the First, great treasurer of the empire, succeeds</td>
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<td>Stauracius, son of Nicephorus, and Michael the First, surnamed Rangabe, the husband of Procopia, sister of Stauracius, assume the purple</td>
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<td>Leo the Fifth, the Armenian, though but an officer of the palace ascends the throne of Constantinople</td>
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<td>813</td>
<td>Michael the Second, the Thracian, surnamed the Stammerer, succeeds after the murder of Leo</td>
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<td>Theophilus succeeds his father Michael</td>
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<td>Michael is murdered, and succeeded by Basil the First, the Macedonian</td>
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<td>Basil is succeeded by his son Leo the Sixth, the philosopher</td>
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<td>886</td>
<td>Death of Alfred, king of England, after a reign of 30 years</td>
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<td>Nicephorus, at the instigation of Theophano, is murdered by John Zimisces, who assumes the purple.</td>
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<td>Constantine becomes sole emperor on the death of his brother.</td>
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<td>1042</td>
<td>Zoe, and her sister Theodora, are made sole empresses by the populace, but after two months, Zoe, though 60 years old, takes for her third husband, Constantine the Tenth, who succeeds.</td>
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<td>1050</td>
<td>The Turks invade the Roman empire.</td>
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<td>Isaac Comnenus the First, chosen emperor by the soldiers.</td>
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<td>Isaac abdicates, and when his brother refuses to succeed him, he appoints his friend Constantine the Eleventh, surnamed Ducas.</td>
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CLASSICAL DICTIONARY.

ABA and Abæ, a town of Phocis, famous for an oracle of Apollo, surnamed Aeus. The inhabitants, called Abantes, were of Thracian origin. After the ruin of their country by Xerxes, they migrated to Euboea, which from them was called Abantis. Some of them passed afterwards from Euboea into Ionia. Plin. 6, c. 33. - Paus. 10, c. 55. - A city of Caria. - Another of Arabia Felix. - A mountain near Smyrna. Plin. 5, c. 24. - Strab. 10.

Abancæ, a country of Sicily near Messana. Diod. 14.

Abadir, the name of a stone which Ops or Phœna presented to Saturn, instead of his children.

Aeus, a surname of Apollo, a name of a temple which was consecrated to him in the city of Aba.

Abalæus, an island in the German ocean, where, as the ancients supposed, the amber dropped from the trees. Plin 37, c. 2. If a man was drowned there, and his body never appeared above the water, propitiatory sacrifices were offered to his manes during a hundred years. Plut. 37, c. 2.

Abâna, a place of Capua. Cic. contra Rull.

Abantes, a people of Peloponnesus, who built a town in Phocis called Aba, after their leader Abas, whence also their name originated; they afterwards went to Euboea. [Vid. Abantis.] Herodot. 1, c. 146.

Abantias, and Abantiades, a patronymic given to the descendants of Abas king of Argos, such as Acrisius, Danae, Perseus, Atalanta, &c. Ovid.

Abantias, made himself master of Sicyon, after he had murdered Clinias the father of Arah. He was himself soon after assassinated, B. C. 251. Plut. in Arat.

Abantis, or Abantias, an ancient name of the island of Euboea, received from the Abantes, who settled in it from Phocis. Plut. 4, c. 12.

- Also a country of Epirus. Paus. 5, c. 22.

Abaranea, one of the Naiades, mother of Acastus and Pegasus by Bucolion, Laomedon's eldest son. Homer. Il. 6, v. 12.

Abarimon, a country of Scythia, near mount Imaus. The inhabitants are said to have their toes behind their heels, and to breathe no air but that of their native country. Plin. 7, c. 2.

Abaris, a man killed by Perseus. Ovid. Met. 5, v. 86. - A Rutulian killed by Euryalus. Virg. Aen. 9, v. 344. - A Scythian, son of Suthes, in the age of Crassus, or the Trojan war, who received a flying arrow from Apollo, with which he gave oracles, and transported himself wherever he pleased. He is said to have returned to the Hyperborean countries from Athens without eating, and to have made the Trojan Palladium with the cones of Pelops. Some suppose that he wrote treatises in Greek and it is reported, that there is a Greek manuscript of his epistles to Phalaris in the library of Augsburg. But there were perhaps two persons of that name. Herodot. 4, c. 36. - Strab. 7.

Paus. 3, c. 33.

Abarus, an Arabian prince, who perjuredly deserted Crassus in his expedition against Parthia. Appian. in Parth. - He is called Mezeres by Flor. 3, c. 11. and Ariamnes by Plut. in Cress.

Abas, a mountain in Syria, where the Ephraites rises. - A river of Armenia Major, where Pompey routed the Albani. Plut. in Pomp. - A son of Metanira, changed into a lizard for laughing at Ceres. Ovid. Met. 5, fab. 7. - The 11th king of Argos, son of Belus, some say of Lynceus and Hypermenestra, was famous for his genius and valour. He was father to Proetus and Acrisius, and built Aea. He reigned 23 years. B. C. 1364. Paus. 2, c. 16; l. 10, c. 35. - Apollod. 2, c. 2. - One of Aeneas's companions, killed in Italy. Virg. Aen. 10, v. 170. - Another lost in the storm which drove Aeneas to Carthage. Virg. Aen. 1, v. 125. - A Latian chief, who assisted Aeneas against Turnus, and was killed by Lausus. Virg. Aen. 10, v. 170, &c.


- A soothsayer, to whom the Spartans erected a statue for his services to Lysander. Paus. 10, c. 9. - A son of Neptune. Hygin. fab. 157. - A sophist who wrote two treatises, one on history, the other on rhetoric: the time in which
he fired is unknown. — A man who wrote an account of Troy. He is quoted by Servius in Virg. Æn. 9.

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Abastis, a part of Mysia in Asia. Strab. 2.

Abassena or Abassinia. Vid. Abyssinia.

Abassus, a town of Phrygia. Liv. 38, c. 15.

Abator, one of Pluto's horses.

Abastos, an island near Memphis, in Egypt, abounding with flux and papyrus. Osiris was buried there. Lucan. 10, v. 323.

Abdalonimus, one of the descendants of the kins of Sidon, so poor, that to maintain himself, he worked in a garden. When Alexander took Sidon, he made him king, and enlarged his possessions on account of his great disinterestedness. Justin. 11, c. 10. —Curt. 4, c. 1. —Diod. 17.

Abdera, a town of Hispania Bética, built by the Carthaginians. Strab. 3. —A maritime city of Thrace, built by Hercules, in memory of Abdarus, one of his favourites. The Clazomenians and Teians beautified it. Some suppose that Abdera, the sister of Diomedes, built it. The air was so unwholesome, and the inhabitants of such a sluggish disposition, that stupidity was commonly called Abderita mens. It gave birth to Democritus, Protagoras, Anaxarchus, and Herocrates. Mela. 2, c. 2. —Cic. ad Attic. 4, ep. 16.

—Herod. 1, c. 186. —Marr. 10, ep. 25.

Abdera, a town of Spain. Apollod. 2, c. 5.

Abderites, a people of Peonia, obliged to leave their country on account of the great number of rats and frogs which infected it. Justin. 15, c. 2.

Abderus, a man of Locris, arm-bearer to Hercules, was torn to pieces by the maros of Diomedes, which the hero had entrusted to his care when going to war against the Bistonies. Hercules built a city, which in honour of his friend, he called Abdera. Apollod. 2, c. 3. —Philostrat. 2, c. 25.

Abestes, a people of Achaea, probably the inhabitants of Abia. Paus. 4, c. 30. —Plin. 4, c. 6.

Abell, a town of Campania, whose inhabitants were called Abellani. Its nuts, called adellane, were famous. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 740. —Justin, 20, c. 3.

Abia, formerly Ira, a maritime town of Messenia, one of the seven cities promised to Achilles by Agamemnon. It is called after Abia, daughter of Hercules, and nurse of Hyllus. Paus. 4, c. 30. —Strab. 8. —Homer. II. 9, v. 292.

Abenda, a town of Caria, whose inhabitants were the first who raised temples to the city of Rome.

Abil, a nation between Scythia and Thrace. They lived upon milk, were fond of celibacy, and enemies to war. Homer. II. 13, v. 6. According to Curt. 7, c. 6, they surrendered to Alexander, after they had been independent since the reign of Cyrus.

Abila, or Abyla, a mountain of Africa, in that part which is nearest to the opposite mountain called Cape, on the coast of Spain, only eighteen miles distant. These two mountains are called the columns of Hercules, and were said formerly to be united, till the hero separated them, and made a communication between the Mediterranean and Atlantic seas. Strab. 3. —Mela. 1, c. 5; l. 2, c. 6. —Plin. 3.

Abisares, an Indian prince, who offered to surrender to Alexander. Curt. 8, c. 12.

Abisares, a country beyond the Hydaspeas in India. Arrian.

Abisontes, some inhabitants of the Alps. Plin. 3, c. 20.

Abletes, a people near Troy. Strab.

Abodæa, a town of Lyctusin. —Another in Spain.

Aboda, a mountain of Germany.

Abodritus, a Boeotian general, killed with a thousand men, in a battle at Charonæa, against the Ætolians. Plut. in Arat.

Abolani, a people of Latium, near Alba. Plin. 5, c. 5.

Abulus, a river of Sicily. Plut. in Timol.

Abonitichos, a town of Galatia. Arrian. in Peripl.

Aboraca, a town of Sarmatia.

Aborigines, the original inhabitants of Italy, under the reign of Saturn. Their posterity was called Latin, from Latmus, one of their kings. They assisted Æneas against Turnus. Rome was built in their country. The word signifies without origin, or whose origin is not known. Liv. 1, c. 1, &c. —Dionys. Hal. 1, c. 10. —Justin. 43, c. 1. —Plin. 3, c. 5. —Strab. 5.

Aborras, a river of Mesopotamia. Strab. 16.

Abbrâtes, a king of Susa, who, when his wife Panthea had been taken prisoner by Cyrus, and humanely treated, surrendered himself and his troops to the conqueror. He was killed in the first battle he undertook in the cause of Cyrus, and his wife stabbed herself on his corpse. Cyrus raised a monument on their tomb. Xenoph. Cyrop. 5, 6, &c.

Abrentius, was made governor of Tarentum by Hannibal. He betrayed his trust to gain the favours of a beautiful woman, whose brother was in the Roman army. Polygen. 6.

Abrodonus, son of Darius, was in the army of Xerxes, when he invaded Greece. He was killed at Thermopylae. Herodot. 7, c. 224. —Plut. in Cleom.

Abrodicytus, a name given to Parrhasius the painter, on account of the sumptuous manner of his living. Vid. Parrhasius.

Abros, an Athenian, who wrote a treatise concerning the religion of the ancient Greeks.


Abrocnus, an Athenian, very serviceable to Themistocles in his embassy to Sparta. Thucyd. 1, c. 91. —Herodot. 6, c. 21.

Abroscius, Sla, a Latin poet in the Augustan age. He wrote some fables. Senec.

Abros, the wife of尼斯us, the youngest of the sons of Zébus. As a monument to her chastity, Nisos, after her death, ordered the garments which she wore to become the models of fashion in Messau. Plut. Quest. Orat.

Abrotum, the mother of Themistocles,
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ACADEMIA, a place surrounded with trees near Athens, belonging to Academus, from whom the name is derived. Some derive the word from ἀκαδήμης, removed from the people. Here Plato opened his school of philosophy, and from this, every place sacred to learning has ever since been called Academia. To exclude from it profaneness and dissipation, it was even forbidden to laugh there. It was called Academia vetus, to distinguish it from the second academy founded by Arcesilaus, who made some few alterations in the Platonic philosophy, and from the third which was established by Carneades. C. de Div. 1, c. 3.—Diog. 3. —Elian. V. H. 3, c. 35.

ACADEMUS, an Athenian, who discovered to Castor and Pollux where Theseus had concealed their sister Helen, for which they amply rewarded him. Plut. in Thes.

ACALANDRUS, or Acalyndrus, a river falling into the bay of Tarentum. Plin. 3, c. 11.

ACALLE, a daughter of Minos and Pasiphaë. Apollod. 3, c. 1.

ACAMARCHIS, one of the Oceaniae.

ACAMAS, son of Theseus and Phaedra, went with Diomedes to demand Helen from the Trojans after her elopement from Menelaus. In his embassy he had a son by Laodice the daughter of Priam. He was concerned in the Trojan war, and afterwards built the town of Acamantum in Phrygia, and called a tribe after his own name at Athens. Pal. 10, c. 26. —Q. Calab. 12.—Hygin. 106.—A son of Antenor in the Trojan war. Homer. Il. 11, v. 60, &c.

ACAMPIS, a river of Colchis. Arr.ian.

ACANTHA, a nymph loved by Apollo, and changed into the flower Acanthus.

ACANTHUS, a town of Macedonia, or, as some say, of Thrace, near Mount Athos. It was founded by a colony from Andros. Thucyd. 4, c. 84.—Mela. 2, c. 2.—Another in Egypt near the Nile, called also Dulopolis. Plin. 5, c. 28. 

ACÀ, a town of Pannonia. Another in Italy.

ACARIA, a fountain of Corinth, where Iolans cut off the head of Eurytheus. Strab. 8.

ACARNANIA, (anciently Curetes) a country of Epirus, at the north of the Ionian sea, divided from Aetolia by the Achelous. The inhabitants reckoned only six months in the year; they were luxurious, and addicted to pleasure. Their horses were famous. It received its name from Acrania. Plin. 2, c. 90.—Mela, 2, c. 3.—Strab. 7 and 9.—Pal. 8, c. 24.—Lucian in Dial. Meretr.

ACARNAS and Amphotherus, sons of Alcæonas and Callirhoe. Alcæonas being murdered by the brothers of Alphesibea his former wife, Callirhoe obtained from Jupiter, that her children, who were still in the cradle, might grow up to punish their father's murderers. This was granted. Vid. Alcæonas. Pal. 8, c. 24.—Ovid. Met.—Strab.

ACARNAS and Acranna, a stony mountain of Attica. Senec. in Hippol. v. 20.

ACASTA, one of the Oceaniae. Hesiod. Theog. v. 356.

ACATUS, son of Pelias, king of Thessaly, B 2
married Astydamia or Hyppolyte, who fell in love with Peleus, son of ^Eacus, when in banishment at her husband’s court. Peleus rejecting the addresses of Hyppolyte, was accused before Acastus of attempts upon her virtue, and soon after, at a chase, exposed to wild beasts. Vulcan, by order of Jupiter, delivered Peleus, who returned to Thessaly, and put to death Acastus and his wife. *Vid.* Peleus and Astydamia. *Ovid. Met.* 8, v. 306.—The second archon of Athens. *Heroid.* 13, v. 25.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 9, &c.

ACATHANTUS, a bay in the Red Sea. *Strab.* 16.

Acca Laurentia, the wife of Faustulus, shepherd of king Numitor’s flocks. She brought up Romulus and Remus, who had been exposed on the banks of the Tiber. From her wantonness she was called Lupa (a prostitute) whence the fable that Romulus was suckled by a she-wolf.

*Domus. Hut.* 1, c. 18.—*Liv.* 1, c. 4.—The Romans yearly celebrated certain festivals [*Vid. Laurentinian*] in honour of another prostitute of the same name, which arose from this circumstance: the keeper of the temple of Hercules, one day playing at dice, made the god one of the number, on condition that if Hercules was defeated, he should make him a present; but if he conquered, he should be entertained with an elegant feast, and share his bed with a beautiful female. Hercules was victorious, and accordingly Acca was conducted to the bed of Hercules, who in reality came to see her, and told her in the morning to go into the streets, and salute with a kiss the first man she met. This was Tarrutius, an old unmarried man, who, not displeased with Acca’s liberty, loved her, and made her the heiress of all his possessions. These, at her death, she gave to the Roman people, whereby the honours paid to her memory. *Plut. Quest. Rom.* 8, in *Romul.*—A companion of Camilla. *Verg.* *Axen.* 11, v. 820.

Acca or Atia, daughter of Julia, and M. Atius Balbus, was the mother of Augustus, and died about 40 years B.C. *Dio.*—*Suid. in Aug.* 4.—Variola, an illustrious female; whose cause was eloquently pleaded by Piny.

Accilia, a town of Sicily. *Liv.* 24, c. 35.

L. Accius, a Roman tragic poet, whose roughness of style Quintilian has imputed to the unpolished age in which he lived. He translated some of the tragedies of Sophocles, but of his numerous pieces only some of the names are known; and among these, his Nuptiae, Mercator, Neoptolemus, Phoencis, Medea, Areus, &c. The great marks of honour which he received at Rome, may be collected from this circumstance: that a man was severely reprimanded by a magistrate for mentioning his name without deformation. Some few of his verses may be found preserved in Cicero and other writers. He died about 180 years B.C. *Horat.* 2, ep. 1, v. 56.—*Ovid. Am.* 1, el. 15, v. 19.—*Quintil.* 10, c. 1.—*Cic. de Orat.* 3, c. 16.—A famous orator of Pisaurum in Cicero’s age.

Accius Tullius, a prince of the Volsci, very inimical to the Romans. Coriolanus, when banished by his countrymen, fled to him and led his armies against Rome. *Liv.* 2, c. 27.—*Plut.* in *Coriol.*

Acco, a general of the Senones in Gaul. *Caes. bell.* *Gal.* 6, c. 4 and 44.—An old woman who fell mad on seeing her deformity in a looking glass. *Hesych.*

Acca, a town in Italy. *Liv.* 24, c. 20.

Ace, a town in Phocicia, called also Polemais. *C. Nep.* in *Datam.* c. 5.—A place of Arcadia near Megalopolis, where Orestes was cured from the persecution of the Furies, who had a temple here. *Paus.* 8, v. 34.

Acératus, a soothsayer, who remained alone at Delphi when the approach of Xerxes frightened away the inhabitants. *Herod.* 8, c. 37.

Acerebs, a priest of Hercules at Tyre, who married Dido. *Vid.* Sichaeus. *Justin.* 18, c. 4.


Acerebus, an ancient town of Campania, near the river Clanian, which often overflowed the country. *Verg.* *G.* 2, v. 225.

Acercobumes, a surname of Apollo, which signifies *unborn.* *Juv.* 8, v. 128.

Acers, a river of Asia. *Herod.* 3, c. 117.

Acésia, a part of the island of Lemnos; it received this name from Philoctetes, whose wound was cured there. *Philostr.*

Acésines, a river of Sicily. *Thucyd.* 4, c. 25.

Acésinus or Acésines, a river of Persia falling into the Indus. Its banks produce reeds of such an uncommon size, that a piece of them, particularly between two knots, can serve as a boat to cross the water. *Justin.* 12, c. 9.—*Plin.* 4, c. 12.

Acésinus or Acésites, a river of Persia, called after king Acetes. It received also the name of Segesta; it was built by Æneas, who left here part of his crew, as he was going to Italy. *Verg.* *En.* 5, v. 718.

Acetés, son of Crinisus and Egesta, was king of the country near Drepanum in Sicily. He assisted Priam in the Trojan war, and kindly entertained Æneas during his voyage, and helped him to bury his father on mount Eryx. In commemoration of this, Æneas built a city there, called Aceto, from Acetes. *Verg.* *En.* 5, v. 36.

Acétius, a woman who saw all her relations invested with the sacred office of torch-bearers in the festivals of Ceres. *Paus.* 1, c. 37.

Acetodórus, a Greek historian who mentions the review which Xerxes made of his forces before the battle of Salamis. *Plut.* in *Themist.*


Acarytós, a lofty mountain in Rhodes where Jupiter had a temple.

Acres, a surname of Pallas, whose temple in Daunia was defended by dogs, who fawned upon the Greeks, but fiercely attacked all other per-
ACHAIA, the descendants of Achaæus, at first inhabited the country near Argos, but being driven by the Heraclidæ 60 years after the Trojan war, they retired among the Ionians, whose 12 cities they seized and kept. The names of these cities are Pelena, Ἑγία, Ἑγες, Bura, Tri-taca, Ἀγιον, Ῥυπα, Ολένος, Ἑλίκη, Πατρα, Dyme, and Phare. The inhabitants of these three last began a famous confederacy 284 years B. C. which continued formidable upwards of 130 years, under the name of the Achaean league. Their arms were directed against the Εθίους for three years, with the assistance of Philip of Macedon, and they grew powerful by the conjunction of the neighbouring states, and freed their country from foreign slavery, till at last they were attacked by the Romans, and, after one year's hostilities, the Achaean league was totally destroyed, B. C. 147. The Achaæans extended the borders of their country by conquest, and even planted colonies in Magna Graecia.

The name of Achaïa is generally applied to all the Greeks indiscriminately, by the poets. Vid. Achaia. Herodot. 1, c. 142; 1, 8, c. 35.—Stat. Theb. 2, v. 164.—Polyb.—Liv. 1, 27, 32.—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 605.—Paus. 7, c. 1, &c.—Also a people of Asia on the borders of the Euxine. Ovid de Pont. 4, el. 10, v. 27.

Achaiai, a place of Tros, opposite Tenedos. Strab. 8.

Achaïmens, a king of Persia, among the progenitors of Cyrus the Great; his descendants were called Achaïmenides, and formed a separate tribe in Persia, of which the kings were members. Cambyses son of Cyrus, on his deathbed, charged his nobles, and particularly the Achaïmenides, not to suffer the Medes to recover their former power, and abolish the empire of Persia. Herodot. 1, c. 125; 1, 3, c. 65; 1, 7, c. 11. Horat. 2, od. 12, v. 21.—A Persian, made governor of Egypt by Xerxes, B. C. 484.


Achaïménides, a companion of Ulysses abandoned on the coast of Sicily, where Ενας, on his voyage to Italy, found him. Virg. Aen. 3, v. 614.

Achaïorum lventus, a harbour in Cyprus. Strab.—In Tros, in Ἑλίκη, in Peloponnesus,—in the Euxine. Paus. 4, c. 34.

Achaïorum stætio, a place on the coast of the Thracian Chersonesus, where Polyxena was sacrificed to the shades of Achilles, and where Hecuba killed Polyneus, who had murdered her son Polydorus.

Achaia, a king of Lydia, hung by his subjects for his extortion. Ovid. in Ib.—A son of Xuthus of Thessaly. He fled to Peloponnesus, after the accidental murder of a man; where the inhabitants were called, from him, Achaï. He afterwards returned to Thessaly. Strab. 8.—Paus. 7, c. 1.—A tragic poet of Etricia, who wrote 43 tragedies, of which some of the titles are preserved, such as Adrastus, Linos, Cynere, Eumenides, Philoctetes, Pithithous, Theseus (Edipus, &c.; of these only one obtained the prize. He lived some time after Sophocles.—Another of Syracuse, author of 10 tragedies.

—A river which falls into the Euxine. Arrian in Perip. —A relation of Antiochus the Great, appointed governor of all the kings provinces beyond Taurus. He aspired to sovereign power, which he disputed for eight years with Antiochus, and was at last betrayed by a Cre- tan. His limbs were cut off, and his body sewed in the skin of an ass, was exposed on a gibbet. Polyb. 8.

Achaia, called also Hellas, a country of Peloponnesus at the north of Elis on the bay of Corinth, which is now part of Livadia. It was originally called Ἑγία (shore) from its situation. The Ionians called it Ionia, when they settled there; and it received the name of Achaia, from the Achai, who dispossessed the Ionians. Vid. Achai.—A small part of Phthiotis was also called Achaia, of which Allos was the capital. Achaïicum bellum. Vid. Achai.


Acharenes, a people of Sicily near Syracuse. Cic. in Verr. 3.

Acharne, a village of Attica. Thucyd. 2, c. 19.

Achat, a friend of Ενας, whose fidelity was so exemplary that Fixus Achates became a proverb. Virg. Aen. 1, v. 316.

Achelôides, a patronymic given to the Syr- rens as daughters of Achelous. Ovid. Met. 5; Fab. 15.

Achelour, a river of Thessaly. Pol. ym. 8.

Achelous, the son of Oceanus and Terra or Tethys, god of the river of the same name in Epirus. As one of the numerous of Deauiara, daughter of Ενας, he entered the lists against Hercules, and being inferior, changed himself into a serpent, and afterwards into an ox. Hercules broke off one of his horns, and Achelous being defeated, retired into his bed of waters. The broken horn was given to the goddess of Plenty. Some say that he was changed into a river after the victory of Hercules. This river is in Epirus. It rises in mount Findus, and divides Acarnania from Εθίους, and falls into the Ionian sea. The sand and mud which it carries down, have formed some islands at its mouth. This river is said by some to have sprung from the earth after the deluge. Herodot. 2, c. 10.—Strab. 10.—Ovid. Met. 8, fab. 5, 1, 3, fab. 1. Amor. 3, el. 6, v. 35.—Apollod. 1, c. 3; and 7, 1, 2, c.—Hygin. praef. Fab. 1. Ariver of Arcadia falling into the Alpheus.—Another flowing from mount Sipylus. Paus. 8, c. 38.

Acherus, a tribe of Attica; hence Acherus- sius. Demosth.

Acherus, a people of Sicily. Cic. 3 in Ver.

Acheron, a river of Thespatria, in Epirus Homer called it, from the dead appearance of its waters, one of the rivers of hell, and the fable has been adopted by all succeeding poets, who make the god of the stream to be the son of Ceres without a father, and say that he conceal- ed himself in hell for fear of the Titans, and was
changed into a bitter stream, over which the souls of the dead are at first conveyed. It receives, say they, the souls of the dead, because deadly langour seizes them at the hour of dissolution. Some make him son of Titan, and suppose that he was plunged into hell by Jupiter, for supplying the Titans with water. The word Acheron is often taken for hell itself. Horat. 1, od. 3, v. 36.—Virg. G. 2, v. 492.—Aen. 2, v. 295, &c.—Strab. 7.—Lucan, 3, v. 16.—Sil. 2 Sit. 6, v. 80.—Liv. 8, c. 24.—A river of Elis in Peloponnesus.—Another on the Paphian mountains. Orpheus.—Also a river in the country of the Bruttii in Italy. Justin. 12, c. 2.


Acherusia, a lake of Campania, near Capua. Diodore, lib. 1, mentions, that in Egypt, the bodies of the dead were conveyed over a lake called Acherusia, and received sentence according to the actions of their life. The boat was called Baris, and the ferryman Charon. Hence arose the fable of Charon and the Styx, &c. afterwards imported into Greece by Orpheus, and adopted in the religion of the country.—There was a river of the same name in Epirus, and another in Italy in Calabria.

Acherusia, a place near Heraclea, where Hercules, as is reported, dragged Cerberas out of hell. Xenop. Anab. 6.

Achetus, a river of Sicily. Sil. 14.

Achilles, a general of TROY, who murdered the son of Priam, his chariot, and Polyxena. Plut. in Pom.—Lucan. 8, v. 598.

Achilles or Aquileus, a Roman general in Egypt, in the reign of Diocletian, who rebelled, and for five years maintained the imperial dignity at Alexandria. Diocletian at last marched against him; and because he had supported a long siege, the emperor ordered him to be devoured by lions.

Achillea, a peninsula near the mouth of the Borythenes. Mela. 2, c. 1.—Herodot. 4, c. 55 & 76.—An island at the mouth of the Ister, where was the tomb of Achilles, over which it is said that birds never flew. Plin. 10, c. 29.—A fountain of Miletus, whose waters rise salted from the earth, and afterwards sweeten in their course. Athen.

Achilleenses, a people near Macedon. Xenop., Hist. Græc. 3.

Achilles, a poet of Stathius, in which he describes the education and memorable actions of Achilles. This composition is imperfect. The poet's immature death deprived the world of a valuable history of the life and exploits of this famous hero.

Achilles, the son of Peleus and Thetis, was the bravest of all the Greeks in the Trojan war. During his infancy, Thetis plunged him in the Styx, and made every part of his body invulnerable, except the heel, by which she held him. His education was entrusted to the centaur Chiron, who taught him the art of war, and made him master of music, and, by feeding him with the marrow of wild beasts, rendered him vigorous and active. He was taught eloquence by Phœnix, whom he ever after loved and respected. Thetis, to prevent him from going to the Trojan war, where she knew he was to perish, privately sent him to the court of Lycomedes, where he was disguised in a female dress, and, by his familiarity with the king's daughters, made Deidamia mother of Neoptolemus. As Troy could not be taken without the aid of Achilles, Ulysses went to the court of Lycomedes in the habit of a merchant, and exposed jewels and arms to sale. Achilles choosing the arms, discovered his sex and went to war. Vulcan, at the entreaties of Thetis, made him a strong armour, which was proof against all weapons. He was deprived by Agamemnon of his favourite mistress, Briseis, who had fallen to his lot at the division of the booty of Lynnessus. For this affront, he refused to appear in the field till the death of his friend called him to action and to revenge. [Vid. Patroclus.] He slew Hector, the bulwark of Troy, tied the corpse by the heels to his chariot, and dragged it three times round the walls of Troy. After thus appeasing the shades of his friend, he permitted old Priam to carry away Hector's body. In the 10th year of the war, Achilles was charmed with Polyxena: and as he solicited her hand in the temple of Minerva, it is said that Paris aimed an arrow at his vulnerable heel, of which he died the next day. His body was buried at Sigeum, and divine honours were paid to him, and temples raised to his memory. It is said, that after the taking of Troy, the ghost of Achilles appeared to the Greeks, and demanded of them Polyxena, who accordingly was sacrificed on his tomb by his son Neoptolemus. Some say that this sacrifice was voluntary, and that Polyxena was so grieved at his death that she killed herself on his tomb. The Thessalians yearly sacrificed a black and a white bull on his tomb. It is reported that he married Helen after the siege of Troy; and others maintain, that this marriage happened after his death, in the island of Cythe, where many of the ancient heroes lived, as in a separate elysium. [Vid. Leucos.] When Achilles was young, his mother asked him, whether he preferred a long life, spent in obscurity and retirement, to a few years of military fame and glory? and that, to his honour, he made choice of the latter. Some ages after the Trojan war, Alexander, going to the conquest of Persia, offered sacrifices on the tomb of Achilles, and admired the hero who had found a Homer to publish his fame to posterity. Xenop. de Secret.—Plut. in Alex. De Facie in Orbe Lumi. De Music. De Amic. mult. Quest. Græc. —Paus. 3, c. 13, &c.—Diod. 17.—Stat. Achil. —Ovid. Met. 12 fab. 3, &c.—Trist. 5, el. 5, v. 37, &c.—Virg. Aen. 1, v. 472, 488; 1, 2, v. 275; 1, 6, v. 58, &c.—Apolod. 3, c. 13.—Hygin. fab. 96 & 110.—Strab. 14.—Plin. 39, c. 15.—Max. Tyr. cot. 27.—Horat. 1, od. 8; 1, 2, od. 4; 1, 4, od. 6, 2 ep. 2, v. 42.—Hom. II. Od. &c.—Dixtyz Cret. 1, 2, 3, &c.—Dares Phrygien.—Juv. 7, v. 210.—Apoll. 4, Argon. v. 869.—There were other persons of the same name. The most known were—a man who received Juno when she fled from Jupiter's courtship—the preceptor of Chiron.
the centaur—a son of Jupiter and Lamia, reported to be fairer than Venus—a man who instituted ostracism at Athens. — Tattus, a native of Alexandria, originally a pagan. He was converted to Christianity, and made a bishop. He wrote a mixed history of great men, a treatise on the sphere, tactics, a romance on the loves of Chitonophon and Leonippus, &c. Some manuscripts of his works are preserved in the Vatican and Palatinate libraries. The best edition of his works is that in 12mo. L. Bat. 1640.

Achilleum, a town of Troas near the tomb of Achilles, built by the Mityleneans. Plin. 5, c. 30.

Achivi, the name of the inhabitants of Argos and Lacedaemon before the return of the Heraclidae, by whom they were expelled from their possessions 80 years after the Trojan war. Being without a home, they drove the Ionians from Αέgea, seized their 12 cities, and called the country Achaea. The Ionians were received by the Athenians. The appellation of Achivi is indiscriminately applied by the ancient poets to all the Greeks. Paus. 7, c. 1, &c. Vid. Achaea.

Achlaedus, a Corinthian general, killed by Aristomenes. Paus. 4, c. 19.

Acholae, one of the harpies. Hygin. 14.

Achiorius, general with Brennus in the expedition which the Gauls undertook against Peonia. Paus. 10, c. 19.

Aclidia, a surname of Venus, from a fountain of the same name in Boeotia, sacred to her. The Graces bathed in the fountain. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 724.—Ovid. Fast. v. 4, 468.

Acdiasa, a river of Peloponnesus, formerly called Jardanaus. Paus. 5, c. 3.

Acilia, a plebeian family at Rome, which traced its pedigree up to the Trojans. — The mother of Lucan.

Acilia lex was enacted, A. U. C. 556, by Acilius the tribune, for the plantation of five colonies in Italy. Liv. 32, c. 29.—Another called also Calpurina, A. U. C. 684, which enacted, that no person convicted of ambitus, or using bribes at elections, should be admitted in the senate, or hold an office. — Another concerning such as were guilty of extortion in the provinces.

M. Acilius Balbus, consul with Portius Cato, A. U. C. 638. It is said, that during his consulship, milk and blood fell from heaven. Plin. 2, c. 56.—Glabrio, a tribune of the people, who with a legion quelled the insurrent slaves in Etruria. Being consil with P. Corn. Scipio Nasica A. U. C. 561, he conquered Attalus at Thermopyle, for which he obtained a triumph, and three days were appointed for public thanksgiving. He stood for the censorship against Cato, but desisted on account of the false measures used by his competitor. Justin. 31, c. 6.—Liv. 30, c. 40; 31, c. 50; 33, c. 10, &c.—Son of the preceding, erected a temple to Pythie, which his father had vowed to this goddess when fighting against Antiochus. He raised a golden statue to his father, the first that appeared in Italy. The temple of Pythie was built on the spot where once a woman had fed with her milk, her aged father, whom the senate had imprisoned, and excluded from all aliments. Val. Max. 2, c. 5.—The enactor of a law against bribery. —A prator in the time that Verres was accused by Cicero. —A man accused of extortion, and twice defended by Cicero. He was proconsul of Sicily, and lieutenant to Caesar in the civil wars. Ces. Bell. Civ. 3, c. 15.—A consul, whose son Domitian killed, because he fought with wild beasts. The true cause of this murder was, that young Glabrio was stronger than the emperor, and therefore envied. Inv. 4, v. 94.


Acis, a shepherd of Sicily, son of Faunus and the nymph Simaethis. Galatea passionately loved him; upon which, his rival Polyphemus, through jealousy, crushed him to death with a piece of a broken rock. The gods changed Acis into a stream which rises from mount Etna. Ovid. Met. 13, fab. 8.

Acmon, a native of Lymnesus, who accompanied Ανέας into Italy. His father's name was Clytus. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 128.

Acmonides, one of the Cyclops. Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 288.

Acetes, the pilot of the ship which, against his consent, carried away Bacchus, who had been found asleep at Naros. The crew were changed into sea monsters, but Acetes was preserved. Ovid. Met. 3, fab. 8, &c. Vid. Acetes.

Acantes, one of Lycon's 50 sons. Apol. 3, c. 8.

Acontes, a famous hunter, changed into a stone by the head of Medusa, at the nuptials of Perseus and Andromeda. Ovid. Met. 5, v. 201.

A person killed in the wars of Ανέας and Turnus, in Italy. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 615.

Acontes, a youth of Cea, who, when he went to Delos to see the sacrifices of Diana, fell in love with Cydippe, a beautiful virgin, and being unable to obtain her, wrote these verses on an apple, which he threw into her bosom.

Juro tibi sancta per mystica sacra Diae, Me tibi venturam comitem, sponsamque futuram.

Cydippe read these; and being compelled by the oath she had inadvertently made, married Acontes. Ovid. Her. ep. 20.—A mountain of Boeotia. Plin. 4, c. 7.

Acontobuli, a place of Cappadocia, under Hippolyte queen of the Amazons. Apollon. arg. 2.

Acoris, a king of Egypt, who assisted Evagoras, king of Cyprus, against Persia. Diod. 15.

Acras, a town of Italy, —Euboea, —Cyprus, —Acarnania, —Sicily, —Africa, —Sarmatia, &c.— A promontory of Calabria, now Cape di Leuca.

Achadina, the citadel of Syracuse, taken by Marcellus the Roman consul. Plut. in Marcel Cis. in Verr. 3.

Acras, a mountain in Peloponnesus, Paus. 2, c. 54.

Acras, a daughter of the river Asterion.—A surname of Diana, from a temple built to her by Melampus, on a mountain near Argos. —A surname of Judo. Paus. 2, c. 17.
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ACRAEPHIA, a town in Boeotia; whence Apollo is called Acræphius. *Herodot. 8. c. 135. 

ACRAOAES. *Vid. Agragas.

ACRATUS, a freed man of Nero, sent into Asia to plunder the temples of the Gods. *Tac. An. 15. c. 45; l. 16, c. 22.

ACREAL, one of Hippodamia’s suitors. *Paus. 6. c. 21—He built Acrae, a town of Leconia. *Id. 3. c. 21.

ACIeMOPHAGOS, an *Æthiopian nation, who lived upon locusts. Their life does not exceed 40 years. At the approach of old age, swarms of winged lice attack them, and gnaw their belly and breast, till the patient, by rubbing himself, draws blood, which increases their number, and ends in their death. *Diod. 3.—*Plin. 11, c. 29. *Strab. 16.

ACRION, a Pythagorean philosopher of Locris. *Cic de fin. 5, c. 29.

ACRISEON, a patronymic applied to the Argives, from Acrisius, one of their ancient kings. *Virg. En. 7, v. 410.

ACRISONIANES, a patronymic of Perseus, from his grandfather Acrisius. *Ovid. Met. 5, v. 70.

ACRISIUS, son of Abas, king of Argos, by Ocalea, daughter of Mantineus. He was born at the same birth as Praxias, with whom it is said that he quarrelled even in his mother’s womb. After many dispensations, Praxias was driven from Argos. Acrisius had Danae by Eurydice, daughter of Lacedaemon; and being told by an oracle, that his daughter’s son would put him to death, he confined Danae in a brazen tower, to prevent her becoming a mother. She however became pregnant, by Jupiter changed into a golden shower; and though Acrisius ordered her, and her infant called Perseus, to be exposed on the sea, yet they were saved; and Perseus soon after became so famous for his actions, that Acrisius, anxious to see so renowned a grandson, went to Larissa. Here Perseus, wishing to shew his skill in throwing a quoit, killed an old man who proved to be his grandfather, whom he knew not. In that, therefore, the oracle was fulfilled. Acrisius reigned about 31 years. *H. g. i. fab. 63.—*Ovid. Met. 4. fab. 16.—*Horat. 3, od. 16.—*Apollod. 2, c. 2, &c. —*Paus. 2. c. 16, &c.—*Vid. Danae, Perseus, Polydeuces.

ACRITAS, a promontory of Messenia, in Peloponnesus. *Plin. 4, c. 5.—Mela. 2, c. 3.

ACROTHON or ACROTHOS, a town on the top of mount Athos, whose inhabitants lived to an uncommon old age. *Mela. 2, c. 2.—*Plin. 8, c. 10.

ACROCERAMIA, a promontory of Epirus, with mountains called Acroceramia, which separate the Ionian and Adriatic seas. The word comes from *akros, high, and *epaurvoc, thunder; because, on account of their great height, they were often struck with thunder. *Lucret. 6. v. 430.—*Plin. 4, c. 1.—*Virg. En. 3, v. 506.—*Strab. 6.—*Horat. 1, od. 3, v. 20.

ACROCORINTHOS, a lofty mountain on the Isthmus of Corinth; taken by Aratus, B. C. 213.

There is a temple of Venus on the top, and Corinth is built at the bottom. *Strab. 8.—*Paus. 2. c. 5.—*Plut. in Arat.—*Stat. Theb. 7, v. 166.

ACRON, a king of Cenina, killed by Romulus in single combat, after the rape of the Sabines. His spoils were dedicated to Jupiter Feretrix. *Plut. in Romul.—A physician of Agrigentum, B. C. 439, educated at Athens with Empedocles. He wrote physical treatises in the Doric dialect, and cured the Athenians of a plague, by lighting fire near the houses of the infected. *Plin. 29, c. 1.—*Plut. in Isid.—One of the friends of *Æneas, killed by Mezentius. *Virg. Æn. 10, v. 719.

ACRÔBÂROS, one of Alexander’s officers, who obtained part of Media after the king’s death. *Justin, 13, c. 4.

ACROPÔLIS, the citadel of Athens, built on a rock, and accessible only on one side. Minerva had a temple at the bottom. *Paus. in Attic.

ACROTÅTUS, son of Cleomenes, king of Sparta, died before his father, leaving a son called Areus. *Paus. 1, c. 13; 1, 3, c. 6.—Son of Areus, was greatly loved by Chelidonis, wife of Cleonymus. *This amour displeased her husband, whom he called Pyrrhus the Epirot, to avenge his wrongs. When Sparta was besieged by Pyrrhus, Acrotatus was seen bravely fighting in the middle of the enemy, and commended by the multitude, who congratulated Chelidonis on being mistress of such a warlike lover. *Plut. in Pyrrh.

ACTA or ACTE, a country of Attica. This word signifies shore, and is applied to Attica, as being near the sea. It is derived, by some writers, from Actaeus a king, from whom the Athenians have been called Actae. *Ovid. Met. 1, v. 313.—*Virg. Ecl. 2, v. 23.

ACTA, a place near mount Athos, on the Ægean sea. *Thucyd. 4, c. 109.

ACTEA, one of the Nereides.—A surname of Ceres.—A daughter of Danaus. *Apollod. 2, c. 1.

ACTEON, a famous huntsman, son of Aristæus and Autonoë daughter of Cadmus, whence he is called *Autonomus heros. He saw Diana and her attendants bathing near Gargarphia, for which he was changed into a stag, and devoured by his own dogs. *Paus. 9, c. 2.—*Ovid. Met. 3, fab. 3.—A beautiful youth, son of Melissus of Corinth, whom Archias, one of the Heracleidae, endeavoured to debauch and carry away. He was killed in the struggle which in consequence of this happened between his father and ravisher. Melissus complained of the insult, and drowned himself; and soon after, the country being visited by a pestilence, Archias was expelled. *Plut. in Amat.

ACTEUS, a powerful person who made himself master of a part of Greece, which he called Attica. His daughter Agrauleus married Cercops, whom the Athenians called their first king, though Actæus reigned before him. *Paus. 1, c. 2 & 10.

ACTE, a mistress of Nero, descended from Atalas. *Suid. in Ner. 28.—One of the Horse *Hygin. fab. 183.

ACTIA, the mother of Augustus. As she slept in the temple of Apollo, she dreamt that a dru-
had been inspired. Nine months after, she gave birth to a boy, whom she named Deion. The boy was esteemed by Homer, Virgil, and other poets.

7. **Actius**, a native of Mitylene, who wrote a Greek treatise on statuaries. *Athen. 16*

8. **Adamantha**, Jupiter's nurse in Crete, who accompanied him in his cradle, and lived only upon nectar. *Died. 1.*

9. **Adamanthia**, a queen of Ethiopia, who conquered Egypt, and expelled king Amasis. She is famous for her equity, and her severe punishment of robbers, whose noses she cut off, and whom she banished to a desert place, where they were in want of all aliment, and lived only upon crows. *Died. 1.*

10. **Actium**, a town and promontory of Epirus, noted for the naval victory which Augustus obtained over Antony and Cleopatra, the 2d of September, B. C. 31, in honour of which the conqueror built there the town of Nicopolis, and instituted games.

11. **Adonius**, a name of Apollo, from Actium, where he had his temple. *Virg. *Aen. 8*, v. 704.


16. **Aedibus**, one of the friends of Ascias. *Id. 9*, v. 500. *A son of Neptune by Agameda.*

17. **Aelius Dions**, a son of Dion and Diomed. *Apollod. 1*, c. 9.

18. **The father of Eurystus, and brother of Augen. Apollod. 2*, c. 7. *A son of Acatus, one of the Argonauts.*


21. **Actorides**, a son of Eridus, son of Actor. *Id. Met. 5*, ab. 3. *Two brothers so fond of each other, that in driving a chariot, one generally held the reins, and the other the whip; whereas they are represented with two heads, four feet, and one body.**

22. **Pindar.**


24. **An Akpin**, an ambassador from India to Alexander. *Plut. in Alex.*


26. **Achilles, an ancient comic writer, whose plays were known under the names of Leonis, Gemini, Anus, Basotia, &c.**

27. **Adda**, a sister of queen Artemisia, who married Hidricus. After her husband's death, she succeeded to the throne of Caria; but being expelled by her younger brother, she retired to Alinda, which she delivered to Alexander, after adopting him as her son. *Curt. 2*, c. 8. *Strab. 14.*

28. **Adeus**, a native of Mitylene, who wrote a Greek treatise on statuaries. *Athen. 13.*

29. **Adamaeus**, Jupiter's nurse in Crete, who suspended him in his cradle to a tree, that he might be found neither on the earth, the sea, nor in heaven. To drown the infant's cries, she had drums beat, and cymbals sounded, around the tree. *Hygin. fab. 139.*


32. **Adaspii**, a people at the foot of Mount Causus. *Justin. 12*, c. 5.

33. **Adarphagias**, a goddess of the Sicilians. *Elian. 1*, V. H. c. 27.

34. **Adduvius**, a river of Cisalpine Gaul, falling into the Po. *Plin. 2*, c. 103.

35. **Adolphus**, a friend of M. Antoninus, whom he accompanied in his expedition into Parthis, of which he wrote the History. *Strab. 11.*

36. **Ademus**, a sedition in Mauritania to avenge his master Ptolemy, whom Caligula had put to death. *Sueton. in Calig. 35.*

37. **Aedes, or Hadus**, the god of hell among the Greeks, the same as the Pluto of the Latins. The word is derived from *a and sedus,* [non vide] because hell is deprived of light. It is often used for hell itself by the ancient poets.

38. **Aegonstresius**, a prince of Gaul, who sent to Rome for poison to destroy Arminius, and was answered by the senate, that the Romans fought their enemies openly, and never used perfidious measures. *Tacit. *Ann. 2*, c. 88.*

39. **Adherbal**, son of Micipsa, and grandson of Masinissa, was besieged in Carte, and put to death, by Jugurtha, after vainly imploring his aid of Rome, B. C. 112. *Saltus in Jug.*


41. **Adiante**, a daughter of Danaus. *Apollod. 2*, c. 11.

42. **Adiatur**, a governor of Galatia, who, to gain Antony's favour, slaughtered, in one night, all the inhabitants of the Roman colony of Hieraclea, in Pontus. He was taken at Actium, led in triumph by Augustus, and strangled in prison. *Strab. 12.*

43. **Adimantus**, a commander of the Athenian fleet, taken by the Spartans. All the men of the fleet were put to death, except Adimantus, because he had opposed the designs of his
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countrymen, who intended to mutilate all the Spartans. Xenoph. Hist. Graec. Pausanias says, 4, c. 17, l. 10, c. 9, that the Spartans had bribed him. —A brother of Plato. Laert. 3. —A Corinthian general, who reproached Themis- tocles with his exile. —A king struck with thunder, for saying that Jupiter deserved no sacri- ceces. Oid. in ibim. 337.

Admeta, daughter of Eurytheus, was priest- ess of Juno's temple at Argos. —One of the Oceanides. Hesiod. Theog. v. 349.

Admetus, son of Phere and Clymene, king of Phaestus in Thessaly, married Theone daughter of Thestor, and after her death Alcesta daughter of Pelias. Apollo, when banished from heaven, is said to have tended his flocks for nine years, and to have obtained from the Parce, that Ad- metus should never die, if another person laid down his life for him. This was cheerfully done by Alcesta. Admetus was one of the Ar- gonauts, and was at the hunt of the Calydonian boar. Pelias promised his daughter in mar- riage only to him who could bring him a cha- riot drawn by a lion and a wild boar. Adme- tus did this by the aid of Apollo, and obtained Alcesta in marriage. Some say that Hercules brought him back Alcesta from hell. Senec. in Medea. Hyg. fab. 30, 51, &c. 213. —Oid. de Art. Am. 3. —Apollod. 1. c. 8 & 9, &c. —Tibull. 2. el. 3. —Paus. 3. c. 17. —A king of the Mo- lossi, to whom Themistocles fled for protection. C. Nep. in Them. 8. —An officer of Alexander, killed at the siege of Tyre. Diod. 17.

Adonia, festivals in honour of Adonis, first celebrated at Byblos in Phoenicia. They lasted two days, the first of which was spent in howlings and lamentations, the second in joyful cla- mours, as if Adonis was returned to life. In some towns of Greece and Egypt they lasted eight days. Only women were admitted, and such as did not appear were compelled to prosti- tute themselves for one day. The time of the celebration was supposed to be very unlucky. The fleet of Nicia sailed from Athens to Sicily on that day, whence many unfortunate omens were drawn. Plut. in Nica. —Amam. 22. c. 9.

Adonis, son of Cinyras, by his daughter Myrrha, [Vul. Myrrha] was the favourite of Venus. He was fond of hunting, and was often cautioned by his mistress not to hunt wild beasts, for fear of being killed in the attempt. This advice he slighted, and at last received a mortal bite from a wild boar which he had wounded, and Venus, after shedding many tears at his death, changed him into a flower called anemomy. Proserpine is said to have restored him to life, on condition that he should spend six months with her, and the rest of the year with Venus. This implies the alternate return of summer and winter. Adonis is often taken for Osiris, because the festivals of both were often begun with mournful lamentations, and finished with a revival of joy; as if they were returning to life again. Adonis had temples raised to his memory, and is said by some to have been beloved by Apollo and Bacchus. —Propert. 2, el. 13, v. 53. —Virg. Fel. 10, v. 18. —Bis. in Adon. —Hyg.,

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56, 164, 248, &c. —Oid. Met. 10, fab. 10. —Museus de Her.—Paus. 2. c. 20, l. 9, c. 41. —A river of Phoenicia, which falls into the Mediterranean, below Byblos.

Adramyttium, an Athenian colony on the sea coast of Mysia, near the Caycys. Strab. 13. —Thucyd. 5, c. 1.

Adrana, a river in Germany. Tac. Ann. 1, c. 56.

Adranum, a town of Sicily, near Ætna, with a river of the same name. The chief deity of the place is called Adranus. His temple was guarded by 1000 dogs. Plut. in Timol.

Adrasta, one of the Oceanides who nursed Jupiter. Hyg. fab. 182.

Adrasta, a fountain of Sicyon. Paus. 2. c. 15. —A mountain. Plut. in Lucat. —A country near Troy, called after Adrastus, who built there a temple to Nemesis. Here Apollo had an oracle. Strab. 13. —A daughter of Jupiter and Necessity. She is called by some Nemesis, and is the punisher of injustice. The Egyptians placed her above the moon, whence she looked down upon the actions of men. Strab. 13. —A daughter of Melisseus, to whom some attribute the nursing of Jupiter. Apol. 1. c. 1.

Adrasti Campi, a plain near the Granicus, where Alexander first defeated Darius. Justin. 11, c. 6.

Adrastus, son of Talas and Lysimache, was king of Argos. Polynices being banished from Thebes by his brother Eocles, fled to Argos, where he married Argia, daughter of Adrastus. The king assisted his son-in-law, and marched against Thebes with an army headed by seven of his most famous generals. All perished in the war, except Adrastus, who, with a few men saved from slaughter, fled to Athens, and implored the aid of Theseus against the Thebans, who opposed the burying of the Argives slain in battle. Theseus went to his assistance, and was victorious. Adrastus, after a long reign, died through grief, occasioned by the death of his son Ægaleus. A temple was raised to his memory at Sicyon. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 480. —Apollod. 1. c. 9. l. 3. c. 7. —Stat. Theb. 4 & 5. —Hyg., fab. 68, 69, &c. 70. —Paus. 1. c. 39. 1. 8. c. 25. 1. 10. c. 90. —Herodot. 5. c. 67, &c. —A peripatetic philosopher, disciple to Aristotle. It is supposed that a copy of his treatise on harmonics is preserved in the Vatican. —A Phrygian prince, who having inadvertently killed his brother, fled to Cressus, where he was humanely received, and entrusted with the care of his son Aty. In hunting a wild boar, Adrastus slew the young prince, and in his despair killed himself on his grave. He- rodot. 1. c. 35, &c. —A Lydian, who assisted the Greeks against the Persians. Paus. 7. c. 5. —A soothsayer in the Trojan war. Homer, Il. 2 & 6. —The father of Eurycle, who married Ilus the Trojan. Apollod. 2. c. 12. —A king of Sicyon, who reigned four years, B. C. 1913. —A son of Hercules. Hyg. 242.

Adria, Adriannum, or Adriaticum make a sea lying between Illyricum and Italy, now called the gulf of Venice, first made known to the Greeks by the discoveries of the Phocceans.
ADRIANOPOULIS, a town of Thrace on the Hebrus. Another in Aetolia, Asia, and Bithynia.

ADRIANUS, the 15th emperor of Rome. He is represented as an active, learned, warlike, and austere general. He came to Britain, where he built a wall between the modern towns of Carlisle and Newcastle 60 miles long, to protect the Britons from the incursions of the Caledonians. He killed in battle 500,000 Jews who had rebelled, and built a city on the ruins of Jerusalem, which he called Elia. His memory was so retentive, that he remembered every incident of his life, and knew all the soldiers of his army by name. He was the first emperor who wore a long beard, and this he hid to hide the warts on his face. His successors followed his example, not through necessity, but for ornament. He went always bareheaded, and in long marches always travelled on foot. In the beginning of his reign, he followed the virtues of his adopted father and predecessor Trajan; he remitted all arrears due to his treasury for 16 years, and publicly burnt the account-books, that his word might not be suspected. His peace with the Parthians proceeded from a wish of punishing the other enemies of Rome, more than from the effects of fear. The travels of Adrian were not for the display of imperial pride, but to see whether justice was distributed impartially; and public favour was courted by a condescending behaviour, and the manner familiarity of bathing with the common people. It is said that he wished to enrol Christ among the gods of Rome; but his apparent lenity towards the Christians was disproved by the erection of a statue to Jupiter on the spot where Jesus rose from the dead, and one to Venus on Mount Culvy. The weight of diseases became intolerable. Adrian attempted to destroy himself; and when prevent'd, he exclaimed, that the lives of others were in his hands, but not his own. He wrote an account of his life, and published it under the name of one of his domestics. He died of a dysentery at Baiae, July 10, A.D. 138, in the 72d year of his age, after a reign of 21 years. Dei. An officer of Lucullus. Plut. in Lucul. A rhetorician of Tyre in the age of M. Antoninus, who wrote seven books of metamorphoses, besides other treatises now lost.

ADRIMETUM, a town of Africa, on the Mediterranean, built by the Phoenicians. Saltus, in Jug.

ADUALACA, a town of Belgic Gaul, now Tongress, on the Maese.

ADULA, a mountain among the Rhetic Alps, near which the Rhine takes its rise, now St. Gothard.

ADYMACHIDE, a maritime people of Africa, near Egypt. Herodot. 4, c. 168.

ÆA, a huntress changed into an island of the same name by the gods, to rescue her from the pursuit of her lover, the river Phasis. It had a town called Æa, which was the capital of Colchis. Plut. 5, v. 426.—A town of Thessaly, of Africa. A fountain of Macedonia near Amydon.

ÆACIA, games at Ægina, in honour of Æacus.

ÆACIDAS, a king of Epirus, son of Neoptolemus, and brother to Olympus. He was expelled by his subjects for his continual wars with Macedonia. He left a son, Pyrrhus, only two years old, whom Chaucus king of Illyricum educated. Paus. 1, c. 11.

ÆACIDES, a patronymic of the descendants of Æacus, such as Achilles, Peleus, Pyrrhus, &c. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 103, &c.

ÆACUS, son of Jupiter by Ægina daughter of Asopus, was king of the island of Æoria, which he called by his mother's name. A pestilence having destroyed all his subjects, he entreated Jupiter to repeople his kingdom; and according to his desire, all the ants which were in an old oak were changed into men, and called by Æacus myrmidons, from μυρμηξ, an ant. Æacus married Eadeis, by whom he had Telemon and Peleus. He afterwards had Phocus by Psmathe, one of the Nereids. He was a man of such integrity that the ancients have made him one of the judges of hell, with Minos and Rhadamantius. Horat. 2, od. 13; 1, 4, od. 8.—Paus. 1, c. 44. 1, 2, c. 29.—Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 25. 1, 13, v. 25.—Propert. 4, el. 12.—Plut. de consol. ad Apoll.—Apollod. 3, c. 12.

ÆE, ÆA, or ÆA, an island of Colchis, in the Phasis. Abylon. 3.

ÆEA, a name given to Circe, because born at Æea. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 386.

ÆANTÉUM, a city of Troas, where Ajax was buried. Plut. 5, c. 30.—An island near the Thracian Chersonesus. Id. 4, c. 12.

ÆANTIDES, a tyrant of Lampsacus, intimate with Darius. He married a daughter of Hippias, tyrant of Athens. Thucyd. 6, c. 59.—One of the seven poets, called Pleiades.

ÆANTIS, an Athenian tribe. Plut. Symp. 2.

ÆAS, a river of Epirus, falling into the Ionian sea. In the fable of Io, Ovid describes it as falling into the Peneus, and meeting other rivers at Tempe. This some have supposed to be a geographical mistake of the poet. Lucan. 6, v. 261.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 532.

ÆATUS, son of Philip, and brother of Polyceas, was descended from Hercules. An oracle having said that whoever of the two touched the land after crossing the Achelous should obtain the kingdom, Polyceas pretended to be lame, and prevailed upon her brother to carry her across on his shoulders. When they came near the opposite side, Polyceas leaped ashore from her brother's back, exclaiming that the kingdom was her own. Æatus joined her in her exclamation, and afterwards married her, and reigned conjointly with her. Their son Theusas gave him his name to Thessaly. Polyan. 8.

ÆICHMAÇOÇAS, a son of Hercules, by Phylone, daughter of Alcmeon. When the father heard that his daughter had had a child, he exposed her and the infant in the woods to wild beasts, where Hercules, conducted by the noise of a magpie which imitated the cries of a
child, found and delivered them. Paus. 8, c. 12.

Æcumis, succeeded his father Polymnestor, on the throne of Arcadia, in the reign of Theopompus of Sparta. Paus. 8, c. 5.

ÆDIPUS, a town of Euboea. Plin. 4, c. 12.—Strab. 10.

Ædesa, or Edessa, a town near Pella. Caesar, king of Macedonia, took it by following goats that sought shelter from the rain, and called it, from that circumstance, Ægess. It was the burying-place of the Macedonian kings; and an oracle had said, that as long as the kings were buried there, so long would their kingdom subsist. Alexander was buried in a different place; and on that account some authors have said that the kingdom became extinct. Justin. 7, c. 1.

ÆDICULA. Ridscli, a temple raised to the god of mirth, from the following circumstance: after the battle of Canne, Hannibal marched to Rome, whence he was driven back by the inclemency of the weather; which caused so much joy in Rome, that the Romans raised a temple to the god of mirth. This deity was worshipped at Sparta. Plut. in Lyc. Agid. et Cleom.—Pausanias also mentions a θεός γεωργός.

ÆDILES, Roman magistrates, that had the care of all buildings, baths and aqueducts, and examined the weights and measures, that nothing might be sold without its due value. There were three different sorts: the ædiles Plebeii, or Minores; the Majores ædiles, and the ædiles Cereales. The plebeian ædiles were two, first created with the tribunes; they presided over the more minute affairs of the state, good order, and the reparation of the streets. They procured all the provisions of the city, and executed the decrees of the people. The Majores and Cereales had greater privileges, though they at first shared in the labour of the plebeian ædiles; they appeared with more pomp, and were allowed to sit publicly in ivory chairs. The office of an ædilis was honourable, and was always the primary step to greater honours in the republic. The ædiles were chosen from the plebeians for 127 years, till A. U. C. 388. Varro. de L. L. 4, c. 14.—Cic. Legib. 3.

ÆDIPUS, a town of Euboea.

ÆDITTIMI, or ÆDITUI, a name which was given to the treasurers of the temple.

ÆDITUS, a Roman poet.

ÆTIAS, a patronymic.

ÆDON, daughter of Pandarus, married Ze- thus brother to Amphion, by whom she had a son called Itylus. She was so jealous of her sister Niobe, because she had more children than herself, that she resolved to murder the elder, who was educated with Itylus. She by mistake killed her own son, and was changed into a nightingale as she attempted to kill herself. Homer. Od. 19.

ÆDUI, or Hedui, a powerful nation of Celtic Gaul, which for a long time maintained a war against J. Caesar. Cas. de Bell. Galli.

ÆETA, or ÆETES, king of Colchis, son of Sol, and Pereis daughter of Oceanus, was fa- ther of Medea, Absyrtus, and Chalciope, by Idy, one of the Oceanides. He killed Phryxus son of Athamas, who had fled to his court on a golden ram. This murder he committed to ob- tain the fleece of the golden ram. The Argonaughts came against Colchis, and recovered the golden fleece by means of Medea, though it was guarded by bulls that breathed fire, and by a venomous dragon. Their expedition has been celebrated by all the ancient poets. [Vid. Jason, Medea, and Phryxus.] Apollod. 1, c. 9.—Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 1, &c.—Paus. 2, c. 3.—Justin. 42, c. 2.—Place. et Orpheus in Argyon.

ÆETIAS, a patronymic given to Medea, as daughter of Æetes. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 9.

ÆGA, an island of the Ægean sea between Tenedos and Chios.

ÆGÉAS, a town, whose inhabitants are called Ægeatæ. [Vid. Ædessa.]

ÆGE, a city of Macedonia, the same as Edessa. Some writers make them different, but Justin proves this to be erroneous, 7, c. 1.—Plin. 4, c. 10.—A town of Euboea, whence Neptune is called Ægeus. Strab. 9.


ÆGEON, one of Lycaon's 50 sons. Apollod. 3, c. 8.—The son of Calus, or of Pontus and Terra. He is the same as Briareus. [Vid. Briareus.] It is supposed that he was a notorious pirate, chiefly residing at Æga, whence his name; and that the fable about his 100 hands arises from his having 100 men to manage his ships in his piratical excursions. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 565.

ÆGEMUM MARE, (now Archipelago) part of the Mediterranean, dividing Greece from Asia Minor. It is full of islands, some of which are called Cyclades, others Sporades, &c. The word Ægemum is derived by some from Æge, a town of Euboea; or from the number of islands which it contains, that appear above the sea, as Ægy, goats; or from Ægeus, who is supposed to have drowned himself in it. Plin. 4, c. 11.—Strab. 7.

ÆGEUS, a surname of Neptune, from Æge in Euboea. Strab. 9.—A river of Corcyra.

—A plain in Phocis.

ÆGALEOS, or Ægaleum, a mountain of Attica opposite Salamis, on which Xerxes sat during the engagement of his fleet with the Grecian ships in the adjacent sea. Herodot. 8, c. 90.—Thucyd. 2, c. 19.


ÆGAS, a place of Euboea.—Another near Daunia in Italy. Polyb. 3.

ÆGYTIS, a promontory of Æolia.—Islands opposite Carthage, called Are by Virg. Æn. 1, near which the Romans, in the first Punic war, defeated the Carthaginian fleet. 242 B. C. Liv. 21, c. 10 & 41. l. 22, c. 54.—Mela. 2, c. 7.

ÆGELON, a town of Macedonia taken by king Attalus. Liv. 31, c. 46.

ÆGIRIA. Vid. Egeria.

ÆOSTA, the daughter of Hippotes, and mo- ther of Ægestus, called Acestes. Virg. Æn. 1.
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v. 554.—An ancient town of Sicily, near mount Eryx, destroyed by Agathocles. *Diod. 10.*

ÆGEUS, king of Athens, son of Pandion, being desirous of having children, went to consult the oracle, and in his return, stopped at the court of Pittheus king of Troezene, who gave him his daughter Æthra in marriage. He left her pregnant, and told her, if she had a son, to send him to Athens as soon as he could lift a stone under which he had concealed his sword. By this sword he was to be known to Ægeus, who did not wish to make any public discovery of a son, for fear of his nephews, the Pallantides, who expected his crown. Æthra became mother of Theseus, whom she accordingly sent to Athens with his father's sword. At that time Ægeus lived with Medea, the divorced wife of Jason. When Theseus came to Athens Medea attempted to poison him; but he escaped, and upon shewing Ægeus the sword he wore, discovered himself to be his son. When Theseus returned from Crete after the death of the Minotaur, he forgot to hoist up white sails as a signal of his success; and Ægeus, at the sight of black sails, concluding that his son was dead, threw himself from a high rock into the sea; which, from him, as some suppose, has been called the Ægean. Ægeus reigned 48 years, and died B. C. 1235. [Vid. *Theseus, Minotaurus*, and Medea. *Apollod.* 1, c. 3, 9. 1, c. 13.—*Paus.* 1, c. 5, 22, 38. 1, c. 4, c. 2.—*Plut.* in Thes. *Hygin.* fab. 37 & 43.

ÆGIALUS, one of Phaeon's sisters changed into poplars, and their tears into amber. They are called Heliades.—A daughter of A drastus, by Amphithea daughter of Pronax. She married Diomedes, in whose absence, during the Trojan war, she prostituted herself to her servants, and chiefly to Cometes, whom the king had left master of his house. At his return, Diomedes being told of his wife's wantonness, went to settle in Daunia. Some say that Venus implanted those vicious and lustful propensities in Egiale, to revenge herself on Diomedes, who had wounded her in the Trojan war. *Ovid. in Lib.* v. 350.—*Homer.* II. 5, v. 412.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 9.—*Stat.* 3, Silv. v. 43.

ÆGIALUS, an island near Peloponneseus, in the Cretan sea.—Another in the Ionian sea, near the Echinades. *Plin.* 4, c. 12.—*Herodot.* 6, c. 107.—The ancient name of Peloponnesus.

ÆGIALUS, son of A drastus by Amphithea or Demoanassa, was one of the Epigoni, i.e. one of the sons of those generals who were killed in the first Theban war. They went against the Thebans, who had refused to give burial to their fathers, and were victorious. They all returned home safe, except Ægialus, who was killed. That expedition is called the war of the Epigoni. *Paus.* 1, c. 43, 44. 1, c. 20. 1, 9, c. 5.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 9. 1, 3, c. 7.—The same as Absyrtus brother to Medea. *Justin.* 42, c. 3.

ÆGIALUS, son of Phoroneus, was entrusted with the kingdom of A chaea by king Apis going to Egypt. Peloponnesus was called Ægalea from him.—A man who founded the kingdom of Sicyon 2901 before the Christian era, and reigned 52 years.

ÆGIALUS, a name given to part of Pelopon nesseus. [Vid. Achaia.] *Paus.* 5, c. 1. 1, 7, c. 1.—An inconsiderable town of Pontus.—A city of Asia Minor.—A city of Thrace near the Strymon.—A mountain of Galatia.—A city of Pontus.—Another in Ethiopia.

ÆGIDES, a patronymic of Theseus. *Homer.* II. 1, v. 265.

ÆGILA, a place in Laconia, where Aristomenes was taken prisoner by a crowd of religious women whom he had attacked. *Paus.* 4, c. 17.

ÆGILIA, an island between Crete and pelopon nesseus.—A place in Euobea. *Herodot.* 6, c. 101.

ÆGIMIUS, an old man who lived, according to Anacreon, 200 years. *Plin.* 7, c. 48.—A king of Doris, whom Hercules assisted to conquer the Lapithæ. *Apollod.* 2, c. 7.

ÆGIMORUS, or ÆGIMURUS, an island near Libya. *Liv.* 29, c. 27.

ÆGINA, daughter of Asopus, had Æacus by Jupiter changed into a flame of fire. She afterwards married Actor, son of Myrmidon, by whom she had some children, who conspired against their father. Some say that she was changed by Jupiter into the island which bears her name. *Plin.* 4, c. 12.—*Strab.* 8.—*Mela.* 2, c. 7.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 9. 1, 3, c. 12.—*Paus.* 2, c. 5 & 29.—An island formerly called Esopia in a part of the Ægean sea, called Sarsonicus Sinus. The inhabitants were once destroyed by a pestilence, and the country was re-peopled by ants changed into men by Jupiter, at the prayer of king Æacus. They were very powerful by sea, and gave themselves to Darius when he demanded submission from all the Greeks. The Athenians under Pericles expelled them from their possessions; the island is now called En gia. *Herodot.* 5, 6, & 7.—*Paus.* 2, c. 29.—*Strab.* 8.—*Elian.* V. H. 12, c. 10.

ÆGINETA PAULUS, a physician born in Ægina. He flourished in the age of Galen, whose compositions he revised and published in seven books.

ÆGINETES, a king of Arcadia, in whose age Lycurgus instituted his famous laws. *Paus.* 1, c. 5.

ÆEGUCHUS, a surname of Jupiter, from his using the goat Amalthea's skin, instead of a shield, in the war of the Titans. *Diod.* 5.

ÆGIPAN, a name of Paus, because he had goat's feet.

ÆGIRA, a town between Ætolia and P elo ponneseus.—A town of A chaea. *Paus.* 7, c. 26.—*Herodot.* 1, c. 145.

ÆEGROESSA, a town of Ætolia. *Herodot.* 1, c. 149.

ÆGIS, the shield of Jupiter, *apu totoxylkoy, a goat's skin. This was the goat Amalthea, with whose skin he covered his shield. The goat was placed among the constellations. Jupiter gave this shield to Pallas, who placed
upon it Medusa's head, which turned into stones all those who fixed their eyes upon it.

Virg. En. 8, v. 352 & 435.

Ægisthus king of Argos, was son of Thyestes by his daughter Pelepea. Thyestes being at variance with his brother Atreus, was told by the oracle that his wrongs could be revenged only by a son born of himself and his daughter. To avoid such an incest, Pelepea had been consecrated to the service of Minerva by her father, who some time after met her in a wood, and ravished her, without knowing who she was. Pelepea kept the sword of her ravisher, and finding it to be her father's, exposed the child she had brought forth. The child was preserved, and when grown up, presented with the sword of his mother's ravisher. Pelepea, soon after this melancholy adventure, had married her uncle Atreus, who received into his house her natural son. As Thyestes had debauched the first wife of Atreus, Atreus sent Ægisthus to put him to death; but Thyestes knowing the assassin's sword, discovered he was his own son, and, fully to revenge his wrongs, sent him back to murder Atreus. After this murder Thyestes ascended the throne, and banished Agamemnon and Menelaus, the sons, or, as others say, the grandsons of Atreus. These children were taken care of by Clyneus, king of Æolia. By their marriage with the daughters of Tyndarus, king of Sparta, they were empowered to recover the kingdom of Argos, in which Agamemnon succeeded, while Menelaus reigned in his father-in-law's place. Ægisthus had been reconciled to the son of Atreus; and when they went to the Trojan war, he was left guardian of Agamemnon's kingdom, and of his wife Clytemnestra. Ægisthus fell in love with Clytemnestra, and lived with her. On Agamemnon's return, these two adulterers murdered him, and, by a public marriage strengthened themselves on the throne of Argos. Orestes, Agamemnon's son, would have shared his father's fate, had not his sister Electra privately sent him to his uncle Strophius, king of Phocis, where he contracted the most intimate friendship with his cousin Pylades. Some time after, Orestes came to Mycenae, the residence of Ægisthus, and resolved to punish the murderers of his father, in conjunction with Electra, who lived in disguise in the tyrant's family. To effect this more effectually, Electra publicly declared that her brother Orestes was dead; upon which Ægisthus and Clytemnestra went to the temple of Apollo, to return thanks to the god for his death. Orestes, who had secretly concealed himself in the temple, attacked them, and put them both to death, after a reign of seven years. They were buried without the city walls. [Vid. Agamemnon, Thyestes, Orestes, Clytemnestra, Pylades, and Electra.] Ovid. de Rem. Am. 161. Trist. 2, v. 396.—Hygin. fab. 87 & 88.—Ellen. V. H. 12, c. 42.—Paus. 2, c. 16, &c.—Sophoc. in Electra.—Æschyl. et Senec. in Agam.—Homer. Od. 3 & 11. Pompey used to call J. Caesar Ægisthus, an account of his adultery with his wife Mutia, whom he repudiated, after she had borne him three children. Suet. in Ces. 50.

Ægrium, a town of Æolia, on a mountain eight miles from the sea. Thucyd. 3, c. 97.

Ægrium, a town on the Corinthian isthmus. Æole, the youngest daughter of Æsculapius and Lamptetia. A nymph, daughter of Sol and Neraea. Virg. Ec. 6, v. 20. —A nymph, daughter of Panepoies, beloved by Theseus after he had left Ariadne. Plut. in These. —One of the Hesperides.—One of the Graces.—A prostitute. Martial, 1, ep. 95.

Ægiles, a Samian wrestler, born dumb. Seeing some unlawful measures pursued in a contest, he broke the string which held his tongue, through the desire of speaking, and ever after spoke with ease. Val. Max. 1, c. 8.

Ægiles, a surname of Apollo.

Æglogi, a nurse of Nero. Sueton. in Ner. 50.

Ægocnoss, or Capricornus, an animal into which Pan transformed himself, when flying before Typhon in the war with the giants. Jupiter made him a constellation. Lucret. 1, v. 613.

Ægon, a shepherd. Virg. Æd.—Theocrit. Idyl. —A promontory of Lemnos.—A name of the Ægean sea. Placc. 1, v. 698.—A boxox of Ecyntus, who dragged a large bull by the heel from a mountain into the city. Theocrit. Idyl. 4.

Ægolon Potamokos, i.e. the goat's river, a town in the Thasian Chersonesus, with a river where the Athenian fleet, consisting of 180 ships, was defeated by Lysander, on the 13th Dec. B. C. 405, in the last year of the Peloponnesian war. Mela, in the 2, c. 2.—Plin. 2, c. 58.

Ægosae, an Asiatic nation under Attalus, with whom he conquered Asia, and to whom he gave a settlement near the Hellespont. Polyb, 5.

Ægus and Roscillus, two brothers amongst the Allobroges, who deserted from Caesar to Pompey. Cassar. bel. civ. 3, c. 59.

Ægy, a town near Sparta, destroyed because its inhabitants were suspected by the Spartans of favouring the Arcadians. Paus. 3, c. 2.

Ægyphens, a nation in the middle of Africa, whose body is human above the waist, and that of a goat below. Mete, 1, c. 4 & 8.

Ægypses, a town of the Getae, near the Danube. Ovid. ex Pont. 1, ep. B. 1, 4, ep. 7.

Ægypti, the inhabitants of Egypt. [Vid. Ægyptus.]

Ægyptium mare, that part of the Mediterranean sea which is on the coast of Egypt.

Ægyptus, son of Belus, and brother to Danaus, gave his 50 sons in marriage to the 50 daughters of his brother. Danaus, who had established himself at Argos, and was jealous of his brother, obliged all his daughters to murder their husbands the first night of their nuptials. This was executed; but Hypermnestra alone spared her husband Lynceus. Even Egyptus was killed by his niece Polyaena. [Vid. Danaus, Danaides, Lynceus.]
Egypt was king, after his father, of a part of Africa, which from him has been called Egyptus. Hygin, fab. 168, 170.—Apollod. 2, c. 1.—Ovid. Heroid. 14.—Paus. 7, c. 21.

Egyptus, an extensive country of Africa watered by the Nile, bounded on the east by Arabia, and on the west by Libya. Its name is derived from Egyptus brother to Danaus. Its extent, according to modern calculation, is 130 from north to south, and it measures 120 leagues on the shore of the Mediterranean; but at the distance of 50 leagues from the sea, it diminishes so much as scarce to measure 7 or 8 leagues between the mountains on the east and west. It is divided into Lower, which lies near the Mediterranean, and Upper, which is towards the south. Upper Egypt is famous for the town of Thebes. Lower Egypt was the most peopled. It contains the Delta, a number of large islands, which, from their form, have been called after the fourth letter of the Greek alphabet. This country has been the mother of arts and sciences. The greatest part of Lower Egypt has been formed by the mud and sand which the Nile carries down. The Egyptians reckoned themselves the most ancient nation in the universe. (Vid. Psammeticus.) Some authors make them of Ethiopian origin. They are remarkable for their superstition; they paid as much honour to the cat, the crocodile, the bull, and even to onions, as to Isis. Rain never or seldom falls in this country; the fertility of the soil originates in the yearly inundations of the Nile, which rises about 25 feet above the surface of the earth, and exhibits a large plain of waters, in which are scattered, here and there, the towns and villages, as the Cyclades in the Aegean sea. The air is not wholesome, the population is great, and the cattle very prolific. It is said that Egypt once contained 20,000 cities. It was governed by kings who have immortalized themselves by the pyramids they have raised and the canals they have opened. The priests traced the existence of the country for many thousand years, and fondly imagined that the gods were their first sovereigns, and that their monarchy had lasted 11,340 years, according to Herodotus. According to the calculation of Constantine Manasses, the kingdom of Egypt had lasted 1663 years from its beginning under Misraim the son of Ham, 2188 B. C. to the conquest of Cambyses, 525 B. C. Egypt revolted afterwards from the Persian power, B. C. 414, and Amyrtas then became king. After him succeeded Psammeticus, whose reign began 408 B. C. Nephereus 396, Acoris 389. Psamuthis 376. Nep herites four months, and Nectanebas, 375. Tachos, or Teos, 363. Nectanebus, 361. It was conquered by Ochus 350 B. C. and after the conquest of Persia by Alexander, Ptolemy re-founded the kingdom, and began to reign 323 B. C. Philadelpbus, 284. Evergetes, 246. Philopater, 221. Epiphanes, 204. Philomator, 180, and 169, conjointly with Evergetes II. or Physcous, for six years. Evergetes II. 145. Lathurus Soter, and his mother Cleopatra, 116.

Alexander of Cyprus, and Cleopatra, 106. Lathurus Soter restored, 88. Cleopatra II. six months, with Alexander the second 19 days, 81. Ptolemy, surnamed Alexander III. 80. Dionysius, surnamed Auletes, 65. Dionysius II. with Cleopatra III. 51, Cleopatra III. with young Ptolemy, 46, and in 30 B. C. it was reduced by Augustus into a Roman province. The history of Egypt, therefore, can be divided into three epochs; the first beginning with the foundation of the empire, to the conquest of Cambyses; the second ends at the death of Alexander; and the third comprehends the reign of the Ptolemies, and ends at the death of Cleopatra, in the age of Augustus. Strab. 17.—Herod. 2, 3, & 7. —Theorit. Id. 17, v. 79.—Polyb. 15.—Diod. 1.—Plin. 5, c. 1, l. 14, c. 7.—Marcell. 22, c. 40.—Justin. 1.—C. Nep. in Paus. 3, in Iphic. in Dafram. 3.—Curt. 4, c. 1.—Jun. 15, v. 175.—Paus. 1, c. 14.—Plut. de Facie in Orb. Luc. de Isid. et Oisir. in Ptol. in Alex. Mela, 1, c. 9.—Apollod. 2, c. 1 & 5.—A minister of Mausolus king of Caria. Polygen. 6.—The ancient name of the Nile. Homer. Od. 5, v. 258.—Paus. 9, c. 40.

ÆGYPTUS. Vid. Egypt.

ÆGYPTIUS. Vid. Egyptus.

ÆLIA, the wife of Sylla. Plut. in Syll. —The name of some towns built or repaired by the emperor Adrian.

Ælia lex, enacted by Ælius Tubero the tribune, A. U. C. 559, to send two colonies into the country of the Bruttii. Liv. 34, c. 53.—Another A. U. C. 569, ordaining, that, in public affairs, the augurs should observe the appearance of the sky, and the magistrates be empowered to postpone the business.—Another called Ælia Sextia, by Ælius Sertus, A. U. C. 756, which enacted, that all slaves who bore any marks of punishment received from their masters, or who had been imprisoned, should be set at liberty, but not rank as Roman citizens.

Ælia Petina, of the family of Tubero, married Claudius Cesar, by whom she had a son. The emperor divorced her, to marry Messalina. Sueton. in Claud. 26.

Ælianus Claudius, a Roman sophist of Praeneste, in the reign of Adrian. He first taught rhetoric at Rome; but being disgusted with his profession, he became author, and published treatises on animals in 17 books, on various history in 14 books, &c. in Greek, a language which he preferred to Latin. In his writings he shows himself very fond of the marvellous, and relates many stories which are often devoid of elegance and purity of style; though Philostratus has commended his language as superior to what could be expected from a person who was neither born nor educated in Greece. Ælian died in the 60th year of his age, A. D. 140. The best edition of his works collected together, is that of Conrad Gesner folio, printed Tiguri, 1556, though now seldom to be met with. Some attribute the treatise on the tactics of the Greeks to another Ælian.

Ælius and Ælia, a family in Rome, so poor that 16 lived in a small house, and were maintained by the produce of a little field,
Their poverty continued till Paulus conquered Parthia, king of Macedonia, and gave his son-in-law, Eul. Tubero five pounds of gold from the spoildy. Val. Max. 4, c. 4.

AElius Adri anus, an African, grandfather of the emperor Adrian. Gallus, a Roman knight, the first who invaded Arabia Felix. He was very intimate with Scratia the geographer, and sailed on the Nile with him to take a view of the country. Plin. 6, c. 28. Publius, one of the first questors chosen from the plebeians at Rome. Liv. 4, c. 54. AElius, son of Sextus or Publius. As he sat in the senate-house, a woodpecker perched on his head; upon which a soothsayer exclaimed, that if he preserved the bird, his house would flourish, and Rome decay; and if he killed it, the contrary must happen. Hearing this, AElius, in the presence of the senate, bit off the head of the bird. All the youths of his family were killed at Canne, and the Roman arms were soon attended with success. Val. Max. 5, c. 6. Saturnius, a satirist, thrown down from the Tarpeian rock for writing verses against Tiberius. Sejanus, Vid. Sejanus. Sextus Catus, censor with M. Cethegus. He separated the senators from the people in the public spectacles. During his consulsiphip, the ambassadors of the AEtolians found him feasting in earthen dishes, and offered him silver vessels, which he refused, satisfied with the earthen cups, &c. which, for his virtues, he had received from his father-in-law, L. Paulus, after the conquest of Macedonia. Plin. 33, c. 11. Spartianus, wrote the lives of the emperors Adrian, Antoninus Pius, and M. Aurelius. He flourished A.D. 240. Tubero, grandson of L. Paulus, was austere in his morals, and a formidable enemy to the Gracchi. His grandson was accused before Caesar, and ably defended by Cicero. Cic. ep. ad Brut. Verus Caesar, the name of L. C. Commodus Verus, after Adrian had adopted him. He was made pretor and consul by the emperor, who was soon convinced of his incapacity in the discharge of public duty. He killed himself by drinking an antidote; and Antoninus, surnamed Pius, was adopted in his place. AElius was father to Antoninus Verus, whom Pius adopted.

A physician mentioned by Galen. L. Gallus, a lawyer, who wrote 12 books concerning the signification of all law words. Sextus Paturus, a lawyer, consul at Rome, A. U. C. 554. He is greatly commended by Cicero for his learning, and called cordatus homo by Ennius for his knowledge of law. Cic. in Brut. 20.

Stilo, a native of Lanuvium, master to N. Ter. Varro, and author of some treatises. Lamia, Vid. Lamia.

AEello, one of the Harpies, (from elous aollo, aliuma tollens, or unixa, tempertas.) Placc. 4, c. 450. O. id. Met. 13, v. 710. One of Acteon's dogs.

AE lurus (a cat), a deity worshiped by the Egyptians; and after death, embalmed, and buried in the city of Bubastis. Herodot. 2, c. 66, &c.–Did. 1.–Cic. de Nat. D. 1.


AEenilia, A. U. C. 399. It ordained, that the censorship, which was before quinquennial should be limited to one year and a half. Liv. 9, c. 33. Another in the second consulsiphip of AEemilius Manemecus, A. U. C. 392. It gave power to the eldest pretor to drive a nail in the capitol on the ides of September. Liv. 7, c. 3. The driving of a nail was a superstitious ceremony, by which the Romans supposed that a pestilence could be stopped, or an impending calamity averted.

AEemilianus (C. Julius), a native of Mauritania, proclaimed emperor after the death of Decius. He marched against Gallus and Valerian, but was informed they had been murdered by their own troops. He soon after shared their fate. One of the thirty tyrants who rebelled in the reign of Gallienus. AEemilius. Vid. AEemilius.

AEemestus, tyrant of Enna, was deposed by Dionysius the elder. Died. 14.

AEemon. Vid. AEemon.

AEomna, a large city of Asia. Cic. pro Flacc.

AEomnia, a country of Greece, which receives its name from AEemon, or AEemus. It was afterwards called Thessaly. Achilles is called AEemontus, as being born there. Ovid. Trist. 3, el. 11. l. 4, el. 1. Horat. 1, od. 37. It was also called Pyrrha, from Pyrrha, Deucalion's wife, who reigned there.

AEomides, a priest of Apollo in Italy, killed by Aeneas. Vid. AEen. 10, v. 537.

AEemus, an actor in Domitian's reign. Juv. 6, v. 197.

AEemilia, a noble family in Rome, descended from Mameerus, son of Pythagoras, who, for his humanity, was called Amulag, blandus.

A vestal who rekindled the fire of Vesta, which was extinguished by putting her veil over it. Val. Max. 1, c. 1.–Dionys. Hal. 2. The wife of Africanus the elder, famous for her behaviour to her husband, when suspected of infidelity, Val. Max. 6, c. 7. Lepida, daughter of Lepidas, married Drusus the younger, whom she disgraced by her wantonness. She killed herself when accused of adultery with a slave. Tacit. 6, c. 40. A part of Italy, called also Flaminia. Martial. 6, ep. 85. A public road leading from Placentia to Ariminum; called after the consul AEemilius, who is supposed to have made it. Martial. 3, ep. 4.

AEemilianus, a name of Africanus the younger, son of P. AEemilius. In him the families of the Scipios and AEemilius were united. Many of that family bore the same name. Juv. 8, v. 2.

AEemilius, a noble family in Rome, descended from AEemilius, who reckoned Aeneas among his ancestors. Plutarch says, that they are descended from Mameerus, the son of Pythagoras, surnamed AEemilius, in Num. et AEemyl. AEemilius, a beautiful youth of Sybaris whose wife met with the same fate as Procias, Vid. Procris. Censorinus, a cruel tyrant of Sicily, who liberally rewarded those who invented new ways of torturing. Paterculus gave him a brazen horse for this purpose, and the tyrant made the first experiment upon the donor.
Plut. de Fort. Rom.—Lepidus, a youth who had a statue in the capitol for saving the life of a citizen in a battle. Val. Max. 4, c. 1. —A triumvir with Octavius. Vitr. Lepidus.—Macer, a poet of Verona in the Augustan age. He wrote some poems upon serpents, birds, and, as some suppose, on bees. The book, which is extant, on the virtues of herbs, and bears his name, is not, according to Scaliger, the production either of a great poet or learned physician. From the epitaph Illicium, given him by Ovid, some imagine that Macer wrote an account of the Trojan war. Macer died a few years before the birth of Christ. Ovid, Trist. 4, el. 16.—Marcus Scaurus, a Roman who flourished about 100 years B.C. and wrote three books concerning his own life. Cic. in Brut.—A poet in the age of Tiberius, who wrote a tragedy called Athens, and destroyed himself. —Sura, another writer on the Roman year. —Massencus, three times dictator, conquered the Cidenates, and took their city. He limited to one year and a half, the censorship, which before his time was exercised during five years. Liv. 4, c. 17, 19, &c.—Pappianus, son of Hostilius Pappianus, was in favour with the emperor Severus, and was made governor to his sons Geta and Caracalla. Geta was killed by his brother, and Pappianus, for-upbraiding him, was murdered by his soldiers. From his school the Romans have had many able lawyers, who were called Pappianists. —Pappus, a censor, who banished from the senate, P. Corn. Ruffinus, who had been twice consul, because he had at his table ten pounds of silver plate, A. U. C. 478. Liv. 14. —Porcina, an elegant orator. Cic. in Brut.—Rectus, a severe governor of Egypt, under Tiberius. Dio.—Regillus, conquered the general of Antiochus at sea, and obtained a naval triumph. Liv. 37, c. 31.—Scaurus a noble, but poor citizen of Rome. His father, to maintain himself, was a coal merchant. He was edile, and afterwards pretor. He fought against Jughurtha.—His son Marcus, was son-in-law to Sylla, and in his edilship he built a very magnificent theatre. Plin. 36, c. 15.—A bridge at Rome, called also Subicibus. Juv. 6, v. 32.


ÆNEA or ÆNEA, a town of Macedonia, 15 miles from Thessalonica, founded by Æneas. Liv. 40, c. 4, l. 44, c. 10.

ÆNÉADES, a town of Chersonesus, built by Æneas. Cassander destroyed it, and carried the inhabitants to Thessalonica, lately built. Dionys. Hal. 1.

ÆNÉADES, a name given to the friends and companions of Æneas, by Virg. En. 1, v. 161.

ÆNEAS, a Trojan prince, son of Anchises and the goddess Venus. The opinions of authors concerning his character are different. He was educated by Chiron. Xenop. Cyneg. 1. —He married Creusa, Priam's daughter, by whom he had a son called Ascanius. During the Trojan war, he behaved with great valour in defence of his country, and came to an engagement with Diomedes and Achilles. Yet Strabo, Dictys of Crete, Dionysius of Halicarnassus, and Dares of Phrygia, accuse him of betraying his country to the Greeks, with Antonius, and of preserving his life and fortune by this treacherous measure. He lived at variance with Priam, because he received not sufficient marks of distinction from the king and his family, as Homer, II. 13, says. This might have provoked him to seek revenge by perjury. —Authors of credit report, that when Troy was in flames, he carried away, upon his shoulders, his father Anchises, and the statues of his household gods, leading in his hand his son Ascanius, and leaving his wife to follow behind. Some say that he retired to mount Ida, where he built a fleet of 20 ships, and set sail in quest of a settlement. Strabo and others maintain that Æneas never left his country, but rebuilt Troy, where he reigned, and his posterity after him. Even Homer, who lived 400 years after the Trojan war, says, II. 20, v. 30, &c. that the gods destined Æneas and his posterity to reign over the Trojan. This passage Dionys. Hal. explained, by saying that Homer meant the Trojans who had gone over to Italy with Æneas, and not the actual inhabitants of Troy. According to Virgil and other Latin authors, who, to make their court to the Roman emperors, traced their origin up to Æneas, and described his arrival into Italy as indubitable, he with his fleet first came to the Thracian Chersonesus, where Polyneustor, one of his allies reigned. After visiting Delos, the Strophades and Crete, where he expected to find the empire promised him by the oracle, as in the place where his progenitors were born, he landed in Epirus and Drepanum, the court of king Acestes, in Sicily, where he buried his father. From Sicily he sailed for Italy, but was driven on the coasts of Africa, and kindly received byDido queen of Carthage, to whom, on his first interview, he gave one of the garments of the beautiful Helen. Dido being enamoured of him, wished to marry him; but he left Carthage by order of the gods. In his voyage he was driven to Sicily, and from thence he passed to Cumæ, where the Sybil conducted him to hell, that he might hear from his father the fates which attended him and all his posterity. After a voyage of seven years, and the loss of 13 ships, he came to the Tyber. Latinus, the king of the country, received him with hospitality, and promised him his daughter Lavinia, who had been before betrothed to king Turnus by her mother Amata. To prevent this marriage, Turnus made war against Æneas; and after many battles, the war was decided by a combat between the two rivals, in which Turnus was killed. Æneas married Lavinia, in whose honour he built the town of Lavinium, and succeeded his father in-law. After a short reign, Æneas was killed in a battle against the Etruscans. Some say that he was drowned in the Numicus, and his body weighed down by his armour; upon which the Latins, not finding their king, supposed that he had been taken up to heaven, and therefore offered him sacrifices.
as to a god. Dionys. Hal. fixes the arrival of Æneas in Italy in the 54th olymp. Some authors suppose that Æneas, after the siege of Troy, fell to the share of Neoptolemus, together with Andromache, and that he was carried to Thessaly, whence he escaped to Italy. Others say, that after he had come to Italy, he returned to Troy, leaving Ascanius king of Latium. Æneas has been praised for his piety, and submission to the will of the gods. Homer. Il. 13 & 20. Hymn. in Vener. — Apollod. 5, c. 12.— Dial. 3.— Paus. 2, c. 33. l. 3, c. 22. l. 10, c. 25.— Plut. in Romul. & Cord. Quest. Rom.— Val. Max. 1. c. 8. — Flor. 1. c. 1.— Justin. 20. c. 1. 31, c. 8. l. 43, c. 1.— Dictys Cret. 5.— Dares Phey. 6.— Dionys. Hal. 1, c. 11.— Strab. 13.— Liv. 1, c. 1.— Virg. Æn.— Aur. Victor.— Ælian. V. H. 8, c. 22.— Propert. 4, c. 1.— Ovid. Met. 14, fab. 3. &c. Tris. 4, v. 790.— A son of Æneas and Livinia, called Syrius, because his mother retired with him into the woods after his father's death. He succeeded Ascanius in Latium. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 770.— Liv. 1, c. 3.— An ambassador sent by the Lacedaemonians to Athens, to treat of peace, in the 8th year of the Peloponnesian war. — An ancient author who wrote on tactics, besides other treatises, which, according to Ælian, were epitomized by Cineas the friend of Pyrrhus. A native of Gaza, who, from a Platonic philosopher became a Christian, A. D. 485, and wrote a dialogue called Theophrastus, on the immortality of the soul, and the resurrection.


ÆNÉΩS, a poem of Virgil, which has for its subject the settlement of Æneas in Italy. The great merit of this poem is well known. The author has imitated Homer, and, as some say, Homer is superior to him only because he is more ancient, and is an original. Virgil died before he had corrected it, and at his death desired it might be burnt. This was happily disobeyed, and Augustus saved from the flames a poem which proved his family to be descended from the kings of Troy. The Æneid had engaged the attention of the poet for 11 years, and in the first six books it seems that it was Virgil's design to imitate Homer's Odyssey, and in the last the Iliad. The action of the poem comprehends eight years, one of which only, the last, is really taken up by action, as the seven first are merely episodes, such as Juno's attempts to destroy the Trojans, the loves of Æneas and Dido, the relation of the fall of Troy, &c.—In the first book of the Æneid, the hero is introduced, in the seventh year of his expedition, sailing in the Mediterranean, and shipwrecked on the African coast, where he is received by Dido. In the second, Æneas, at the desire of the Phoenician queen, relates the fall of Troy, and his flight through the general conflagration to mount Ida. In the third, the hero continues his narration, by a minute account of his voyage through the Cyclades, the places where he landed, and the dreadful storm with the description of which the poem opened. Dido, in the fourth book, makes public her partiality to Æneas, which is slighted by the sailing of the Trojans from Carthage, and the book closes with the suicide of the disappointed queen. In the fifth book, Æneas sails to Sicily, where he celebrates the anniversary of his father's death, and thence pursues his way to Italy. In the sixth, he visits the Elysian fields, and learns from his father the fate which attends him and his descendants the Romans. In the seventh book, the hero reaches the destined land of Latium, and concludes a treaty with the king of the country, which is soon broken by the interference of Juno, who stimulates Turnus to war. The auxiliaries of the enemy are enumerated; and in the eighth book, Æneas is assisted by Erander, and receives from Venus a shield wrought by Vulcan, on which are represented the future glory and triumphs of the Roman nation. The reader is pleased, in the ninth book, with the account of battles between the rival armies, and the immortal friendship of Nisus and Euryalus. Jupiter, in the tenth, attempts a reconciliation between Venus and Juno, who patronized the opposite parties; the fight is renewed, Pallas killed, and Turnus saved from the avenging hand of Æneas, by the interposition of Juno. The eleventh book gives an account of the funeral of Pallas, and of the meditated reconciliation between Æneas and Latinus, which the sudden appearance of the enemy defeats. Camilla is slain, and the combatants separated by the night. In the last book, Juno prevents the single combat agreed upon by Turnus and Æneas. The Trojans are defeated in the absence of their king; but on the return of Æneas, the battle assumes a different turn, a single combat is fought by the rival leaders, and the poem is concluded by the death of king Turnus. Plin. 7, c. 30, &c.

ÆNEIDES, a patronymic given to Ascanius, as son of Æneas. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 658. ÆNEISIDÉMUS, a brave general of Argos. Liv. 32, c. 25.— A Cretan philosopher, who wrote eight books on the doctrine of his master Pyrrho. Diog. Pyrr.

ÆNÉSIUS, a surname of Jupiter, from mount Ænum.

ÆNÉTUS, a victor at Olympia, who, in the moment of victory, died through excess of joy. Paus. 3, c. 18.

ÆNIA: Vid. ÆNIA.


ÆNÓBARBÚS, or Aenobarbus, the surname of Domitius. When Castor and Pollux acquainted him with a victory, he discredited them; upon which they touched his chin and beard, which instantly became of a brazen colour, whence the surname given to himself and his descendants.

ÆNÓCLES, a writer of Rhodes. Athen.
Æneas, an independent city of Thrace, con-
ounded with Ænea, of which Æneas was the

**Ænum, a town of Thrace—of Thessaly.**
A mountain in Cephalenia. *Strab.* 7.—A
river and village near Issa.—A city of Crete
built by Æneas.

**Ænya, a place in Thasos. Herodot.* 6, c. 47.
Æolia, a name given to Arne. Sappho is
called *Æolia puella,* by Horace, 4, od. 9, v. 12.

**Æolia, or Æolis, a country of Asia Minor,
are near the Æegan sea. It has Trias at the
north, and Ionia at the south. The inhabitants
were of Greek origin, and were masters of many
of the neighbouring islands. They had 15,
others say 30, considerable cities, of which Cu-
nae and Lesbos were the most famous.
They receive their name from Æolus, son of Heliusen.
They migrated from Greece about 1124 B.C. 80
years before the migration of the Ionian tribes.
*Herodot.* 1, c. 29, &c.—*Strab.* 1, 2, & 6.—*Plin.
5, c. 30.—*Meta.* 1, c. 2 & 18.—Theseus
is said to have been called Æolia. Bacotus, son of
Neptune, having settled there, called his fol-
lowers Boeotians, and their country Bootta.

**Æolida and Æolides**, seven islands between
Sicily and Italy; they are Lipara, Hieria, Stron-
gyle, Didyma, Ericusua, Phenicus, and Eonu-
mos. They were the retreat of the winds; and
*Virg.* *En.* 1, v. 56, calls them Æolus, and the
kingdom of Æolus, the god of storms and
winds. They sometimes bear the name of Vul-
canie and Hesperesades, and are known now
among the moderns under the general appella-
tion of Lipari islands. *Justin.* 4, c. 1.

**Æolida, a city of Tenedos—Another near
Thermopylae. Herodot.* 8, c. 35.

**Æolides, a patronymic of Ulysses, from
Æolus; because Anticlea, his mother,
was pregnant by Sisyphus, the son of Æolus, when
she married Laertes. It is also given to Atha-
mas and Misenus, as sons of Æolus. Also to *Æolus.
168 & 529.

**Æolus, the king of storms and winds,
was the son of Hippotæs. He reigned over Æolia;
and because he was the inventor of sails, and a
great astronomer, the poets have called him
the god of the wind. It is said that he con-
fined in a bag, and gave Ulysses, all the winds
that could blow against his vessel, when he
returned to Ithaca. The companions of Ulysses
untied the bag, and gave the winds liberty.
Æolus was indebted to Juno for his royal
dignity, according to Virgil. The name seems
to be derived from *aëolos,* *tartus,* because the
winds over which he presided are ever varying.

There are two others, a king of Etruria,
rather to Macarius and Canace, and a son of
Hellenus, often confounded with the god of the
winds. This last married Enareta, by whom
he had seven sons and five daughters. *Apollon.*
1, l. 7.—*Homor.* Od. 10, v. 1.—*Ovid.* Met.
1, c. 556.—*Didot.* 4 & 5.—*Virg.* *En.* 1, v. 56, &c.

**Æolia, a festival in Athens, in honour of
Erigone.

**Æphæus, a king of Greece, restored to his
kingdom by Hercules, whose son Hyllus he

**Æreæ, a town of Crete, called Solis, in ho-

**Ærito, a general of the Istrians, who
drove the excess, after he had stormed the camp
of A. Manlius, the Roman general. Being at-
tacked by a soldier, he fled to a neighbouring
town, which the Romans took. He killed him-
sell for fear of being taken. *Flor.* 2, c. 10.

**Æry, a town of Elus, under the dominion of

**Æryustus, king of Mycenæ, son of Chres-
phontes and Meropa, was educated in Arcadia
with Cæsærus, his mother's father. To re-
cover his kingdom, he killed Polyphontes, who
had married his mother against her will, and
married the crown. *Apollod.* 2, c. 6.—*Paus.* 4,
v. 3.—A son of Arcadia, son of Elatus.

A son of Hippothous, who forcibly entered the
temple of Neptune, near Mantinea, and was
struck blind by the sudden eruption of salt
water from the altar. He was killed by a ser-
pent in hunting. *Paus.* 8, c. 4 & 5.

**Æsæus, or Æricællus, a people of Latium,
near Tyburn; they were great enemies to Rome
in its infant state, and were conquered with
much difficulty. *Flor.* 1, v. 11. *Liv.* 1, c. 32.
1, c. 30. l. 3, c. 2, &c.—*Plin.* 3, c. 4.—*Virg.*
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**Ægæumælium, a place in Rome where the
house of Mælius stood, who aspired to sovereign
power. *Liv.* 4, c. 16.

**Ærias, an ancient king of Cyprus, who
built the temple of Paphos. *Tacit.* Hst. 2, c. 3.

**Ærope, wife of Atreus, committed adultery
with Thyestes her brother-in-law, and had by
him twins, who were placed as food before
Atreus. *Ovid.* *Trist.* 2, v. 391.—A daughter of
Cepheus, ravished by Mars. She died in
child-bed; her child was preserved, and called
Æropus. *Paus.* 8, c. 44.

**Ænæus, a general of Epirus, in the reign of
Pyrhus. A person appointed regent to Orestes,
the infant son of Archelaus king of
Macedonia. An officer of king Philip,
barnished for bringing a singer into his camp.
*Polyem.* 4, c. 2.—A mountain of Chaonia.
*Liv.* 31, c. 5.

**Æscacuus, a Trojan river near Ida.—A son of
Priam, by Alexërithoe. He became enamoured
of Hesperia, whom he pursued into the woods.
The nymph threw herself into the sea, and was
changed into a bird. Æscicus followed her
example, and was changed into a corn出生于.
*Ovid.* Met. 11, fab. 11.

**Æscacuus, a river of Mysia, in Asia, falling
into the Hellespont. *Plin.* 5, c. 32.

**Æsæus, or Æsæe, a river of Magna Grecia,
falling into the sea near Crotona. *Ovid.* Met.
15, v. 28.

**Æschines, an Athenian orator, who flour-
ished about 342 B. C. and distinguished
himself by his rivalship with Demosthenes.
His father's name was Atrometus, and he
boasted of his descent from a noble family,
though Demosthenes rep.uzed him as being
the son of a courtesan. The first open signs of enmity between the rival orators appeared at the court of Philip, where they were sent as ambassadors; but the character of Æschines was tarnished by the acceptance of a bribe from the Macedonian prince, whose tyranny had hitherto been the general subject of his declamation. When the Athenians wished to reward the patriotic labours of Demosthenes with a golden crown, Æschines impeached Ctesiphon, who proposed it; and to their subsequent dispute we are indebted for the two celebrated orations de corona. Æschines was defeated by his rival's superior eloquence, and banished to Rhodes; but as he retired from Athens, Demosthenes ran after him, and nobly forced him to accept a present of silver. In his banishment, the orator repeated to the Rhodians, what he had delivered against Demosthenes; and after receiving much applause, he was desired to read the answer of his antagonist. It was received with greater marks of approbation; but, exclaimed Æschines, how much more would your admiration have been raised, had you heard Demosthenes himself speak it! Æschines died in the 75th year of his age, at Rhodes, or, as some suppose, at Samos. He wrote three orations, and nine epistles, which, from their number received the name, the first of the graces, and the last of the muses. The orations alone are extant, generally found collected with those of Lysias. An oration which bears the name of Deliaea ler, is said not to be his production, but that of Æschines, another orator of that age. Cie. de Orat. 1, c. 24, l. 2, c. 52, in Brut. c. 17—Plut. in Demoth.—Diog. 2 & 3.—Plin. 7, c. 30. Diogenes mentions seven more of the same name.—A philosopher, disciple of Socrates, who wrote several dialogues, some of which bore the following titles: Aspasia, Plaedon, Alcibiades, Draco, Ertyca, Poyaus, Telauges, &c. The dialogue intituled Aïkiouchus, and ascribed to Plato, is supposed to be his composition. The best edition is that of Leovard, 1718, with the notes of Horraeus, in 6vo.—A man who wrote on oratory. An Arcadian.—A Mitylenean.—A disciple of Melanthius.—A Milesian writer.—A statuary.

Æschiuon, a Mitylenean poet, intimate with Aristotle. He accompanied Alexander in his Asiatic expedition.—An Iambic poet of Samos. Athen.—A physician commended by Galen. A treatise of his on husbandry has been quoted by Pliny.—A lieutenant of Arachgathus, killed by Hanno. Died 20.

Æscthides, a man who wrote a book on agriculture. Ælian. H. An. 15.

Æschylus, an excellent soldier and poet of Athens; son of Euphorion, and brother to Cynegetus. He was in the Athenian army at the battles of Marathon, Salamis, and Platea. But the most solid fame he has obtained, is the offspring of his valor in the field of battle; of his writings. Of ninety tragedies, however, the fruit of his ingenious labours, sixty of which were rewarded with the public fire, only seven have come safe to us: Pro-

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meneutam vinicus, Septem duce apud Thebas, Perse, Agamennon, Charophor, Eumenides, Suppl. Æschylus is the first who introduced two actors on the stage, and clothed them with dresses suitable to their character. He likewise removed murder from the stage. It is said, that when he composed, his countenance betrayed the greatest ferocity; and according to one of his scholiasts, when his Eumenides were represented, many children died through fear, and several pregnant women actually miscarried in the house, at the sight of the horrible masks that were introduced. The imagination of the poet was strong and comprehensive, but disorderly and wild; fruitful in prodigies, but disdaining probabilities. His style is obscure, and the labours of an excellent modern critic, have pronounced him the most difficult of all the Greek classics. A few expressions of impius tendency in one of his plays, nearly proved fatal to Æschylus; he was condemned to death: but his brother Amytias, it is reported, reversed the sentence, by uncovering an arm, of which the hand had been cut off at the battle of Salamis in the service of his country, and the poet was pardoned. Æschylus has been accused of drinking to excess, and of never composing except when in a state of intoxication. In his old age, he retired to the court of Hiero in Sicily; and being informed that he was to die by the fall of a house, he retired from the city into the fields, where he sat down. An eagle, with a tortoise in her bill, flew over his bald head, and supposing it to be a stone, dropped her prey upon it to break the shell, and Æschylus instantly died of the blow, in the 69th year of his age, 456 B.C. It is said that he wrote an account of the battle of Marathon, in elegiac verses. The best editions of his works are those of Starley, fol. London, 1663, and that of Glasg. 2 vols. in 12mo, 1746. Horat. Art. Poet. 278.—Quintil. 10, c. 1.—Plin. 19, c. 3.—Val. Mar. 12. The 12th perpetual archon of Athens.—A Corinthian, brother-in-law to Timophanes, intimate with Timoleon. Plut. in Tolon. A Rhodian set over Egypt with Peucestes of Macedonia. Curt. 4, c. 8.

Æsculapius, son of Apollo, by Coronis, or as some say, by Larissa daughter of Phlegias, was god of medicine. After his union with Coronis, Apollo set a crow to watch her, and was soon informed that she admitted the caresses of Ischys, of Æmonia. The god, in a fit of anger, destroyed Coronis with lightning, but saved the infant from her womb, and gave him to be educated to Chiron, who taught him the art of medicine. Some authors say, that Coronis left her father to avoid the discovery of her pregnancy, and that she exposed her child near Epidauros. A goat of the flocks of Aristocles, gave him her milk, and the dog who kept the flock stood by him to shelter him from injury. He was found by the master of the flock, who went in search of his stray goat, and saw his head surrounded with resplendent rays of light. Æsculapius was physician to the Argonauts. He restored many
to life, of which Pluto complained to Jupiter, who struck Esculapius with thunder. Apollo, angry at the death of his son, killed the Cyclops who made the thunderbolts. Esculapius received divine honors after death, chiefly at Epidauros, Pergamus, Athens, Smyrna, &c. Goats, bulls, lambs, and pigs, were sacrificed to him, and the cock and the serpent were sacred to him. Rome, A. U. C. 462, was delivered of a plague, and built a temple to the god of medicine, who, as was supposed, had come there in the form of a serpent, and hid himself among the reeds in an island of the Tyber. Esculapius is represented with a large beard, holding in his hand a staff, round which is wreathed a serpent; his other hand is sometimes supported on the head of a serpent. Serpents are more particularly sacred to him, as the ancient physicians used them in their prescriptions. He married Epioné, by whom he had two sons, famous for their skill in medicine, Machaon and Podalirius; and four daughters, of whom Hygeia, goddess of health, is the most celebrated. Some have supposed that he lived a short time after the Trojan war. Hesiod makes no mention of him. Homer. II. 4, v. 193. Hymn. in Escul. Apollon. 3, c. 10. — Apollon. 4, Argon. — Hylgin. fab. 49. — Ovid. Met. 2, fab. 8. — Paus. 2, c. 11 & 27. 1, 7, c. 23, &c. — Dial. 4. — Pindar. Pyth. 3. — Lucian. Dial. de Saltat.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 22, says there were three of this name; the first, a son of Apollo, worshipped in Arcadia; second, a brother of Mercury; third, a man who first taught medicine. Eseius, a son of Bucolion. Homer. II. 6, c. 21. — A river. Vid. Eseapus. Esernia, a city of the Samnites, in Italy. Liv. 27, c. 12. — Sil. 8, v. 367. Eson, an Athenian, famous for his respect for the talents of Demosthenes. Plut. in Dem. Eson, son of Crethus, was born at the same birth as Pelias. He succeeded his father in the kingdom of Iolchos, but was soon exiled by his brother. He married Alcimeda, by whom he had Jason, whose education he entrusted to Chiron, being afraid of Pelias. When Jason was grown up, he demanded his father's kingdom from his uncle, who gave him evasive answers, and persuaded him to go in quest of the golden fleece. [Vid. Jason.] At his return, Jason found his father very infirm; and Medea, [Vid. Medea.] at his request, drew the blood from Jason's veins, and refilled them with the juice of certain herbs which she had gathered, and immediately the old man recovered the vigour and bloom of youth. Some say that Jason killed himself by drinking bull's blood, to avoid the persecution of Pelias. Dial. 4. — Apollod. 1, c. 9. — Ovid. Met. 7, v. 283. — Hylgin. fab. 12. — A river of Thessaly, with a town of the same name. Esonides, a patronymic of Jason, as being descended from Jason. Esopeus, a Phrygian philosopher, who, though originally a slave, procured his liberty by the sallies of his genius. He travelled over the greatest part of Greece and Egypt but chiefly resided at the court of Cresus, king of Lydia, by whom he was sent to consult the oracle of Delphi. In this commission Esop behaved with great severity, and satirically compared the Delphians to floating sticks, which appear large at a distance, but are nothing when brought near. The Delphians, offended with his sarcastic remarks, accused him of having secreted one of the sacred vessels of Apollo's temple, and threw him down from a rock, 561 B. C. Maximus Planudes has written his life in Greek; but no credit is to be given to the biographer, who falsely asserts that the mythologist was short and deformed. Esop dedicated his fables to his patron Cresus; but what appears now under his name, is no doubt a compilation of all the fables and apol·ogues of wits before and after the age of Esop, conjointly with his own. Plut. in Solon.—Phed. 1. fab. 2. 1. 2. fab. 9. — Claudius, an actor on the Roman stage, very intimate with Cicero. He amassed an immense fortune. His son, to be more expensive, melted precious stones to drink at his entertainments. Horat. 2, Sat. 3, v. 239. — Val. Max. 3, c. 10. 1. 9. c. 1. — Plin. 9. c. 35. l. 10, c. 51. — An orator. Diog. — An historian in the time of Anaximedes. Plut. in Solon.—A river of Poutus. Strab. 12. — An attendant of Mithridates, who wrote a treatise on Helen, and a panegyric on his royal master. Estria, an island in the Adriatic. Mela. 2, c. 7. Esula, a town on a mountain between Tybur and Praeneste. Horat. 3, od. 29. Esyetes, a man from whose tomb Polites spied what the Greeks did in their ships during the Trojan war. Homer. II. 2, v. 793. Esymnetes, a surname of Bacchus. Paus. 7, c. 21. Esynus, a person of Megara, who consulted Apollo to know the best method of governing his country. Paus. 1, c. 43. Ethalides, a herald, son of Mercury, to whom it was granted to be amongst the dead and the living at stated times. Apollon. Argon. 1. Ethiopia, an extensive country of Africa, at the south of Egypt, divided into east and west by the ancients, the former division lying near Meroe, and the latter near the Mauri. The country, as well as the inhabitants, were little known to the ancients, though Homer has styled them the justest of men. Dial. 4, says, that the Ethiopians were the first inhabitants of the earth. They were the first who worshipped the gods, for which, as some suppose, their country has never been invaded by a foreign enemy. The inhabitants are of a dark complexion. The country is inundated for five months every year, and their days and nights are almost of an equal length. The ancients have given the name of Ethiopia to every country whose inhabitants are of a black colour. Lucan. 3, v. 253. l. 9, v. 651. — Juv. 2, v. 23. — Plin. 6, c. 29. — Paus. 1, c. 33. — Homer. Od. 1, v. 22.
ÆTHLIVS, son of Jupiter by Protagenia, was father of Endymion. Apollod. 1, c. 7.

ÆTHON, a horse of the sun. Ovid. Met. 2, fab. 1.—A horse of Pallas, represented as shedding tears at the death of his master, by Virg. Æn. 11, v. 89.—A horse of Homer. Homer. Ill. 8, v. 185.

ÆTHRA, daughter of Pittheus king of Troy, had Theseus by Ægeus. [Vid. Ægeus.] She was carried away by Castor and Pollux, when they recovered their sister Helen, whom Theseus had stolen, and given her to keep. [Vid. Helen.] She went to Troy with Helen. Homer. Ill. 3, v. 144.—Paus. 2, c. 31. l. 5, c. 19.—Hugin. fab. 37 & 79.—Plut. in Theb. Ovid. Her. 10, v. 131.—One of the Oceanides, wife to Atlas. She is more generally called Pleione.

ÆTHUSA, a daughter of Neptune by Amphitrite. Paus. 9, c. 26.—An island near Lilybæum. Plin. 3, c. 8.

ÆTLA, a poem of Callimachus, in which he speaks of sacrifices, and of the manner in which they were offered. Mart. 10, ep. 4.

ÆTION, the father of Andromache, Hector's wife. He was killed at Thebes, with his seven sons, by the Greeks. A—A famous painter. He drew a painting of Alexander going to celebrate his nuptials with Roxana. This piece was much valued, and was exposed to public view at the Olympic games, where it gained so much applause that the president of the games gave the painter his daughter in marriage.

ÆTKA, a mountain of Sicily, now called Mount Gibel, famous for its volcano, which, for more than 3000 years, has thrown out fire at intervals. It is supposed to be eight miles nigh, and 60 in compass. Its top is covered with snow and smoke at the same time; and the sides, on account of the fecundity of the soil, are carefully cultivated and planted with vineyards. The poets supposed that Jupiter had confined the giants under this mountain. It was the forge of Vulcan, where his servants the Cyclops fabricated thunderbolts, &c. Hesiod. Theog. v. 860.—Virg. Æn. 3, v. 570.—Ovid. Met. 5, fab. 6, l. 13, v. 340.—Ital. 11, v. 59.

ÆTOLIA, a country bounded by Epirus, Acarnania, and Locris, supposed to be the birth of the middle of Greece. It received its name from Ætolus. The inhabitants were covetous and illiberal. Luc. 26, c. 24, &c.—Flor. 2, c. 9.—Strab. 8 & 10.—Mela, 2, c. 3.—Plin. 4, c. 2.—Paus. 10, c. 18.—Plut. in Flam.

ÆTOLUS, son of Endymion of Elia and Iphimassa, married Pronoe, by whom he had Pieu- rom and Calydon. Having accidentally killed a person in his own country, and came to settle in that part of Greece which has been called, from him, Ætolia. Apollod. 1, c. 7 & 9.—Paus. 5, c. 11.

ÆX, a rocky island between Tenedos and Chios. Plin. 4, c. 11.—A city in the country of the Marsi.—The nurse of Jupiter, changed into a constellation.

ÆFER, an inhabitant of Africa. An in- former under Tiberius and his successors. He became also known as an orator, and as the preceptor of Quintilian, and was made consular by Domitian. He died A.D. 59.

ÆFRANUS, a Roman matron who frequented the forum, forgetful of female decency. Val. Max. 9, c. 3.

ÆFRANUS, a Latin comic poet, often com- pared to Menander. He lived in the age of Terence. He is blamed for the unnatural love of boys, which he mentions in his writings, some fragments of which are to be found in the Corpus Poetarum. Quint. 10, c. 1.—Sueton. Ner. 11.—Horat. 2, ep. 1, v. 57.—A general of Pompey, conquered by Caesar in Spain. Sueton. in Ces. 34.—Plut. in Pom.—Q. a man who wrote a severe satire against Nero, for which he was put to death in the Pisonian conspiracy. Tacit.—Potitus, a plebeian, who said before Caligula, that he would willingly die if he (Ca- ligula) could recover from the distemper he laboured under. The emperor recovered, and Afranius was put to death, that he might not forfeit his word. Dio.

ÆFRICA, called Libya by the Greeks, one of the three parts of the ancient world, and the greatest peninsula of the universe, was bounded on the east by Arabia and the Red sea, on the north by the Mediterranean, south and west by the ocean. It is joined on the east to Asia, by an isthmus 60 miles long, which some of the Ptolemies endeavoured to cut, in vain, to join the Red and Mediterranean seas. It is so immediately situated under the sun, that only the maritime parts are inhabited, and the inland country is barren and sandy, and infested with wild beasts. The ancients, through ignorance, peopled the southern parts of Africa with monsters, enchanters, and chimeras; errors, which begin to be corrected by modern travellers. Mela, 1, c. 4, &c.—Diod. 3, 4, &c.—Herodot. 2, c. 17, 26 & 32. l. 4, c. 41, &c.—Plin. 3, c. 1, &c.—There is a part of Africa, called Propria, which lies about the middle, and has Carthage for its capital.

ÆFRICANUS, a blind poet, commended by Eunius.—A Christian writer, who flourished A.D. 222. In his chronicle, which was universally esteemed, he reckoned 5500 from the creation of the world to the age of Julius Cæsar. Nothing remains of this work, but what Eusebius has preserved. In a letter to Origen, Africanus proved, that the history of Susannah is supposititious; and in another to Aristides, still extant, he endeavours to reconcile the seeming contradictions that appear in the genealogies of Christ in St. Matthew and Luke. He is supposed to be the same who wrote nine books, in which he treats of physics, agriculture, &c.—A lawyer, disciple to Papinius, and intimate with the emperor Alexander.—An orator mentioned by Quintilian.—The surname of the Scipios, from the conquest of Africa. Vid. Scipio.

ÆFRICUM MARE, is that part of the Me- terranean which is on the coast of Africa.
the Permessus, and is sacred to the muse, who, from it, were called Agraippenes. Paus. 9, c. 29.—Propert. 2, el. 3.—Ovid. Met. 5, v 312.

Agaënon, the commander of Agamemnon's fleet. Homer. Il. 2.—The son of Aeusceus, and grandson of Lycurgus, who, after the ruin of Troy, was carried by a storm into Cyprus, where he built Paphos. Paus. 8, c. 5.—Homer. Il. 2.


Agræn, a people of Arabia. Trojan destroyed their city, called Agarum. Strab. 16.

Agraristas, daughter of Clisthenes, was courted by all the princes of Greece. She married Megacles. Ælian. V. H. 12, c. 24.—Herodot. 6, c. 126, &c.—A daughter of Hippocrates, who married Xantippus. She dreamed that she had brought forth a lion, and some time after became mother of Pericles, Plut. in Pericl.—Herodot. 6, c. 131.

Agaüsile, king of Sparta, was son of Archidamus, and one of the Proclide. He used to say that a king ought to govern his subjects as a father governs his children. Paus. 5, c. 7—Plut. in Apoph.

Agsæ, a city of Thessaly. Lit. 45, c. 27.

Agastrænes, king of Elis, father to Polyxenus, was concerned in the Trojan war. Homer. Il. 2.—Apollod. 3, c. 11.—A son of Agæus, who succeeded as king of Elis. Paus. 5, c. 5.

Agastróphus, a Trojan, wounded by Diomedes. Homer. Il. 11, v. 338.

Agastrus, an archon of Athens.

Agas, a harbour on the coast of Apulia. Plin. 3, c. 11.

Agatharchidas, a general of Corinth in the Peloponnesian war. Thucyd. 2, c. 83.—A Samian historian, who wrote a treatise on stones, and a history of Persia and Phe nice.—A peripatetic philosopher and historian of Cudius, 177 B.C. who wrote several treatises on the Red sea, Europe, Asia, &c Joseph. cont. Ap.

Agatharcus, an officer in the Mycean fleet. Thucyd. 7, c. 25.—A painter in the age of Zeuxis. Plut. in Pericl.

Agathias, a Greek historian of Æolia.

A poet and historian in the age of Justinian, of whose reign he published the history in five books. Several of his epigrams are found in the Anthologia. His history is a sequel of that of Procopius. The best edition is that of Paris, fol. 1660.

Agathias, a Samian historian, who wrote an account of Scythia.—A tragic poet, who flourished 406 B.C. The name of some of his tragedies are preserved, such as Telephus, Thystes, &c.—A comic poet who lived in the same age. Plut. in Parall.—A son of Priam. Homer. Il. 24.—A governor of Babylon. Cart. 5, c. 1.—A Pythagorean philosopher. Ælian. V. H. 13, c. 4.—A learned and melodious musician, who first introduced songs in tragedy. Arista. in Post. A youth of Athens, loved by Plato. D yog. Loert. 3, c. 32.
AGATHOCLES, a beautiful courtesan of Egypt. One of the Ptolemies destroyed his wife Eurydice to marry her. She, with her brother, long governed the kingdom, and attempted to murder the king’s son. Plut. in Cleon.—Justin. 30, c. 1.

AGATHOCLES, a lascivious and ignoble youth, son of a potter, who, by entering in the Sicilian army, arrived to the greatest honours, and made himself master of Syracuse. He reduced all Sicily under his power; but being defeated at Himera by the Carthaginians, he carried the war into Africa, where, for four years, he extended his conquests over his enemy. He afterwards passed into Italy, and made himself master of Corotna. He died in his 72d year. B. C. 289, after a reign of 28 years of prosperity and adversity. Plut. in Apollath.—Justin. 22 & 23.—Polyb. 15.—Did. 19, &c.

A son of Lysimachus, taken prisoner by the Getae. He was ransomed, and married Lysandra daughter of Polylem Lagus. His father, in his old age, married Arsinoe, the sister of Ly- sander. After her husband’s death, Arsinoe, fearful for her children, attempted to murder Agathocles. Some say that she fell in love with him, and killed him because he slighted her. When Agathocles was dead, 228 B. C. Lysandra fled to Seleucus. Strab. 13.—Plut. in Pyrrh. & Demet.—Paus. 1, c. 9 § 10. 11.

A Greek historian of Babylon, who wrote an account of Cyzicus. A Chian, who wrote on husbandry. Varro.—A Samian writer.

—A physician.—An Athenian archon.

AGATHÓN. Vid. Agatho.

AGATHÓNYMUS, wrote an history of Persia. Plut. de Plum.

AGATHÔNÈES, a poet, &c.

AGATHYLUUS, an elegiac poet of Arcadia.

AGATHYRNUM, a town of Sicily.

AGATHYRYS, an effeminate nation of Scythia, who had their wives in common. They received their name from Agathysus, son of Hercules. Herodot. 4, c. 10.—Virg. Aen. 4, v. 146.

AGAYE, daughter of Cadmus and Hermione, married Ethion, by whom she had Pentheusus, who was torn to pieces by the Bacchanals. [Vid. Pentheusus.] She is said to have killed her husband in celebrating the orgies of Bacchus. She received divine honours after death. Theocr. 26.—Ovid. Met. 3, v. 725.—Lucan. 1, v. 574.—Stat. Theb. 11, v. 318.—Apollod. 3, c. 4.—One of the Nereides. Apol. 1.—A tragedy of Statius. Juv. 7, v. 87, &c.

AGAU, a northern nation, who lived upon milk. Homer. II. 13.

AGAYUS, a son of Priam. Homer. II. 24.

AODESTAS, a mountain of Phrygia, where Atys was buried. Paus. 1, c. 4.—A surname of Cybele.

AGELASTUS, a surname of Carusus, the grandfather of the rich Crassus. He only laughed once in his life, and this was upon seeing an ass eat thistles. Cic. de fin. 5.—Ptol. 7, c. 19.—A surname of Pluto.

AEGLAUS, a King of Corinth, son of Ilxion.

—One of Penelope’s suitors. Homer. Od. 20.—A son of Hercules and Omphale, from whom Cressus was descended. Apollod. 2, c. 7.—A servant of Priam, who preserved Paris when exposed on mount Ida. Id. 3, c. 12.

AEGENICUS, a town of Gaul, near the Ses- nones. Ces. bell. Gall. 6, c. 44.

AEGON, king of Phoenicia, was son of Nep- tune and Libya, and brother to Belus. He married Telephassa, by whom he had Cadmus, Phoenix, Cilix, and Europa. Hygin. fab. 6.—Ital. 3, v. 13. l. 17, v. 56.—Apollod. 2, c. 1, l. 3, c. 1.—A son of Jesus, and father of Ar- gus. Apollod. 2, c. 10.—A son of Egyptus. Id. 2, c. 1.—A son of Phileus. Id. 3, c. 7.—A son of Pleuron, and father to Phineus. Id. 1, c. 7.—A son of Amphion and Niobe. Id. 3, c. 4.—A king of Argos, father to Crotopus.—A son of Antenor. Homer. II. 21, v. 579.—A Mitylenean, who wrote a treatise on music.

AEGÖNIDES, a patronymic applied to Cad- mus, and the other descendants of Agenor. Ovid. Met. 3, c. 8.


AEGISANDER, a sculptor of Rhodes under Vespasian, who made a representation of Lao- coon’s history, which now passes for the best relic of all ancient sculpture.

AEGISIAS, a Platonic philosopher, who taught the immortality of the soul. One of the Ptolemies forbade him to continue his lectures, because his doctrine was so prevalent that many of his auditors committed suicide.

AEGILAIUS, king of Sparta, of the family of the Agidae, was son of Doryssus, and father of Archelaus. During his reign, Ly- curgus instituted his famous laws. Herodot. 7, c. 204.—Paus. 3, c. 2.—Son of Archida- mus, of the family of the Proclides, made king in preference to his nephew Leotychides. He made war against Artaxerxes king of Persia with success; but in the midst of his conquests in Asia, he was recalled home to oppose the Athenians and Brotians, who desolated his country; and on his return, he passed, in thirty days, over that tract of country which had taken up a whole year of Xerxes’ expedition. He defeated his enemies at Corona; but sickness prevented the progress of his conquests, and the Spartans were beat in every engagement, especially at Leuctra, till he appeared at their head. Though deformed, small of stature, and lame, he was brave, and a greatness of soul compensated all the imperfections of nature. He was as fond of sobriety as of military discipline; and when he went, in his 80th year, to assist Tachus king of Egypt, the服役s of the monarch could hardly be persuaded that the Laceda- monian general was eating with his soldiers on the ground, bareheaded, and without any covering underneath. Agesilaus died on his
return from Egypt, after a reign of 36 years, 362 B. C. and his remains were embalmed and brought to Lacedaemon. Justin. 6, c. 1. Plut. & C. Nep. in vit. Paus. 3, c. 9. — Xenoph. Orat. pro Ages. — A brother of Themistocles, who went into the Persian camp, and stabbed Mardonius instead of Xerxes. Plut. in Parall. — A surname of Pluto. — A Greek who wrote an history of Italy.

Agis, first, king of Lacedaemon, son of Pausanias, obtained a great victory over the Mantineans. He reigned 14 years, and was succeeded by his brother Cleombrotus, B. C. 330. Paus. 3, c. 5. 1, c. 8. — Xenoph. 3. Hist. Græc. — Second, son of Cleombrotus, king of Sparta, was succeeded by Cleomenes 2d, B. C. 370. Paus. 1, c. 13. 1, c. 5.

Agisistrata, the mother of king Agis. Plut. in Agisid.

Agisistratus, a man who wrote a treatise intituled De arte machi- ali.

Aggrarmes, a cruel king of the Ganga-rides. His father was a hair-dresser, of whom the queen became enamoured, and whom she made governor of the king's children, to gratify her passion. He killed them, to raise Aggrarmes, his son by the queen, to the throne. Curt. 9, c. 2.

Agrine, a people near mount Rhodope. Cic. in L. Pis. 37.

Agile, the descendants of Eurystheus, who shared the throne of Sparta with the Proclide; the name seems to be derived from Agis, son of Eurystheus. The family became extinct in the person of Cleomenes son of Leonidas. — Virg. En. 8, v. 682.

Agilas, king of Corinth, reigned 36 years. — One of the Ephori, almost murdered by the partisans of Cleomenes. Plut. in Cleom.

Agis, king of Sparta, succeeded his father, Eurystheus, and, after a reign of one year, was succeeded by his son Echestratus, B. C. 1058. Paus. 3, c. 2. — Another king of Sparta, waged bloody wars against Athens, and restored liberty to many Greek cities. He attempted to restore the laws of Lycurgus at Sparta, but in vain; the perfidy of friends, who pretended to second his views, brought him to difficulties, and he was at last dragged from a temple, where he had taken refuge, to a prison, where he was strangled by orders of the Ephori. Plut. in Agig. — Another son of Archidamus, who signalized himself in the war which the Spartans waged against Epidaurus. He obtained a victory at Mantinea, and was successful in the Peloponnesian war. He reigned 27 years. Thucyd. 3 & 4. — Paus. 3, c. 6. k 10. — Another son of Archidamus, king of Sparta, endeavoured to deliver Greece from the empire of Macedonia, with the assistance of the Persians. He was conquered in the attempt, and slain by Antipater, Alexander's general, and 5,500 Lacedaemonians perished with him. Curt. 6, c. 1. — Dio. 17. — Justin. 2, c. 1. &c. — Another son of Endamidas, killed in a battle against the Mantineans.

Paus. 8, c. 10. — An Arcadian in the expedition of Cyrus against his brother Artaxerxes. Polyæn. 7, c. 18. — A poet of Argos, who said that Bacchus and the sons of Leda would give way to Alexander, when a god. Curt. 8, c. 5. — A Lycian who followed the Macedonians into Italy, where he was killed. Virg. En. 10, v. 751.

Agia, one of the Graces. She is called sometimes Pasiphae. Paus. 9, c. 35.

Aglaonice, daughter of Hegemon, was acquai- nted with astronomy and eclipses, whence she boasted of her power to draw the moon from heaven. Plut. de Orac. defect.

Aglaôpe, one of the Sirens.

Aglaophon, an excellent painter. Plin. 35, c. 8.

Aglaosthenes, wrote an history of Naxos.

Strab. 6.

Aglauros, daughter of Erechtheus, the oldest king of Athens. Some make her daughter of Cecrops. She was changed into a stone by Mercury. Vide. Horse. — Ovid. Met. 2, fab. 12.

Aglæus, the poorest man of Arcadia, pronounced by the oracle more happy than Gyges, king of Lydia. Plin. 7, c. 46. — Val. Max. 7, c. 1.

Agna, a woman in the age of Horace, who, though deformed, had many admirers. Horat. 1, Sat. 3, v. 40.

Agno, one of the nympha who nursed Jupiter. She gave her name to a fountain on mount Lyceus. When the priest of Jupiter after a prayer, stirred the waters of this fountain with a bough, a thick vapour arose, which was soon dissolved into a plentiful shower. Paus. 8, c. 31, &c.

Agnodice, an Athenian virgin, who disguised her sex to learn medicine. She was taught by Hierophilus the art of midwifery, and when employed, always discovered her sex to her patients. This brought her into so much practice, that the males of her profession, who were now out of employment, accused her before the Areopagus, of corruption. She confessed her sex to the judges, and a law was immediately made to empower all free-born women to learn midwifery. Hygin. fab. 274.

Agnon, son of Nicias, was present at the taking of Samos by Pericles. In the Peloponnesian war he went against Potidaea, but abandoned his expedition through disease. He built Amphipolis, whose inhabitants rebelled to Brasidas, whom they regarded as their founder, forgetful of Agnon. Th. cyd. 2, 3, &c. — A writer. Quintil. 2, c. 17. — One of Alexander's officers. Plin. 33, c. 3.

Agnonis, a rhetorician of Athens, who accused Phocion of betraying the Piraeus to Nic- canor. When the people recollected what services Phocion had rendered them, they raised him statues, and put to death his accu- user. Plut. & Nep. in Phocion.

Agnalia and Agonia, festivals in Rome, celebrated three times a year, in honour of Janus, or Agonius. The chief priest used to
of Agraulos. The Cyprians also observed these festivals, by offering human victims.

Agraulos, a daughter of Cecrops.—A

name of Minerva.

Agraulitis, a people of Illyria. Liv. 45

c. 26.

Agrae, one of Actaeon's dogs. Ovid. Met. 3

c. 215.

Agrænès, a river of Thrace. Herodet. 4,
c. 9.—A people that dwelt in the neighbour
hood of that river. Id. 5, c. 16.

Agricola, the father-in-law of the histo-
rian Tacitus, who wrote his life. He was
eminent for his public and private virtues.
He was governor of Britain, and first discovered
it to be an island. Domitian envied his
virtues; he recalled him from the province he
had governed with equity and moderation, and
ordered him to enter Rome in the night, that
no triumph might be granted to him. Agrico-
la obeyed, and without betraying any
resentment, he retired to a peaceful solitude,
and the enjoyment of the society of a few
friends. He died in his 56th year, A D. 95.
Tacit. in Agric.

Agrimentum, now Girgenti, a town
of Sicily, 18 stadia from the sea, on Mount
Agrigas. It was founded by a Rhodian,
or, according to some, by an Ionian
colony. The inhabitants were famous for
their hospitality, and for their luxurious
manner of living. In its flourishing situation
Agrimont contained 200,000 inhabitants,
who submitted with reluctance to the superior
power of Syracuse. The government was
monarchical, but afterwards a democracy was
established. The famous Phalaris usurped
the sovereignty, which was also for some time
in the hands of the Carthaginians. Agrimen-
tum can now boast of more venerable remains
of antiquity than any other town in Sicily.

Polyb. 9.—Strab. 6.—Diod. 13.—Virg. 5, v. 707.

—Sil. It. 14, c. 211.

Agriniun, a city of Acarnania. Polyb. 6.

Agrionia, annual festivals in honour of
Bacchus, celebrated generally in the night.
They were instituted, as some suppose
because the god was attended with wild
beasts.

Agripas, a man who wrote the history of
all those who had obtained the public prize at
Olympia. Plut. 8, c. 22.

Agripe, the wife of king Agenor.

M. Agrippa Vipsanius, a celebrated
Roman, who obtained a victory over S
Pompey, and favoured the cause of Augustus
at the battles of Actium and Philippi, where
he behaved with great valour. He advised
his friend to re-establish the republican
government at Rome, but he was over-ruled
by Mecenas. In his expeditions in Gaul and
Germany he obtained several victories, but
refused the honour of a triumph, and turned
his liberality towards the embellishing of
Rome, and the raising of magnificent buildings,
one of which, the Pantheon, still exists. After
he had retired for two years to Mitylene, in
consequence of a quarrel with lecras Maes,
Augustus recalled him, and as a proof of his regard, gave him his daughter Julia in marriage, and left him the care of the empire during an absence of two years employed in visiting the Roman provinces of Greece and Asia. He died universally lamented at Rome in the 51st year of his age, 12 B.C. and his body was placed in the tomb which Augustus had prepared for himself. He had been married three times, to Pomponia daughter of Atticus, to Marcella daughter of Octavia, and to Julia, by whom he had five children, Caius, and Lucius Caesar, Posthumus Agrippa, Agrippina, and Julia. His son, C. Cæsar Agrippa, was adopted by Augustus, and made consul, by the flattery of the Roman people, at the age of 14 or 15. This promising youth went to Armenia, on an expedition against the Persians, where he received a fatal blow from the treacherous hand of Lollius, the governor of one of the neighbouring cities. He languished for a little time, and died in Lycia. His younger brother, L. Cæsar Agrippa, was likewise adopted by his grandfather Augustus; but he was soon after banished to Campania, for using seditious language against his benefactor. In the seventh year of his exile he would have been recalled, had not Livia and Tiberius, jealous of the partiality of Augustus for him, ordered him to be assassinated in his 26th year. He has been called ferocious and savage; and he gave himself the name of Neptune, because he was fond of fishing.—Sylvius, a son of Tiberinus Sylvius, king of Latium. He reigned 33 years, and was succeeded by his son Remulus Sylvius Denys. Hal. 1, c. 3.—One of the servants of the murdered prince assumed his name, and raised commotions. Tacit. Ann. 2, c. 39.—A consul who conquered the Équéi.—A philosopher. Dio.—A son of Aristobulus, grandson of the Great Herod, who became tutor to the grandchild of Tiberius, and was soon after imprisoned by the suspicious tyrant. When Caligula ascended the throne, his favour was released, presented with a chain of gold as heavy as that which had lately confined him, and made king of Judea. He was a popular character with the Jews; and it is said, that while they were flattering him with the appellation of god, an angel of God struck him with the lousy disease, of which he died, A. D. 43.—His son, of the same name, was the last king of the Jews, deprived of his kingdom by Claudius, in exchange for other provinces. He was with Titus at the celebrated siege of Jerusalem, and died A. D. 94. It was before him that St. Paul pleaded, and made mention of his incestuous commerce with his sister Berenice. Juv. 6, v. 156.—Tacit. 2 Hist. c. 31.—Menenius, a Roman general, who obtained a triumph over the Sabines, appealed the populace of Rome by the well-known fable of the belly and the limbs, and erected the new office of tribunes of the people, A. U. C. 261. He died poor, but universally regretted; his funeral was at

the expense of the public, from which also his daughters received dowries. Liv. 2, c. 32. Flor. 1, c. 23.—A mathematician in the reign of Domitian; he was a native of Bithynia. Agrippina, a wife of Tiberius. The emperor repudiated her to marry Julia. Sueton. in Tib. 7.—A daughter of M. Agrippa, and grand-daughter to Augustus. She married Germanicus, whom she accompanied in Syria; and when Piso poisoned him, she carried his ashes into Italy, and accused his murderer, who stabbed himself. She fell under the displeasure of Tiberius, who exiled her in an island, where she died, A. D. 26, for want of bread. She left nine children, and was distinguished all her life for intrepidity and conjugal affection. Tac. 1, Ann. c. 2, &c.—Sueton. in Tib. 52.—Julia, daughter of Germanicus and Agrippina, married Domitius Ænobarbus, by whom she had Nero. After her husband’s death, she married her uncle the emperor Claudius, whom she destroyed, to make Nero succeed to the throne. After many cruelties, and much licentiousness, she was assassinated by order of her son, and as she expired, she exclaimed, “Strike the belly which could give birth to such a monster.” She died A. D. 59, after a life of prostitution and incestuous gratifications. It is said that her son viewed her dead body with all the raptures of admiration, saying, he never could have believed his mother was so beautiful a woman. She left memoirs which assisted Tacitus in the composition of his annals. The town which she built, where she was born, on the borders of the Rhine, and called Agrippina Coloma, is the modern Cologne. Tacit. Ann. 4, c. 75. l. 12, c. 7, 22, &c.


Agrisope, the mother of Cadmus. Hygin. fab. 6.

Agricola, son of Partham, drove his brother Æneas from the throne. He was afterwards expelled by Diomedes, the grandson of Æneas, upon which he killed himself. Hygin. fab. 175 & 242.—Apollod. 1, c. 7.—A giant. A centaur killed by Hercules. Apollod. 2, c. 5. A son of Ûlysses by Circe. Hesiod. Theog. v. 1013.—The father of Theseis. Ovid. ex Pont. 3, el. 9, v. 9.

Agrólas, surrounded the citadel of Athens with walls, except that part which afterwards was repaired by Cimon. Paus. 1, c. 28.

Agron, a king of Illyria, who after conquering the Ætolians, drank to such excess that he died instantly, B. C. 231. Polyb. 2, c. 4.

Agrorítas, a Greek orator of Marseilles.

Agróterá, an anniversary sacrifice of goats offered to Minerva at Athens. It was instituted by Callimachus the Polemarch, who vowed to sacrifice to the goddess so many goats as there might be enemies killed in a battle which he was going to fight against the troops of Darius, who had invaded Attica. The quantity of the slain was so great, that a sufficient number of goats could not be procured; therefore they were limited to 500 every year, till they equalled the number of Persians slain in battle.—A temple of Agira.
in Peloponnesus erected to the goddess under this name. Paus.

AGYLEUS and AGYEUS, from ayyus, a street, a surname of Apollo, because sacrifices were offered to him in the public streets of Athens. Horat. 4, od. 6. AGLYLLA, a town of Etruria, founded by a colony of Pelagians, and governed by Messenians, when Æneas came to Italy. It was afterwards called Cere, by the Lydians, who took possession of it. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 652. 1, 8, v. 479. AGLYLLUS, a wrestler of Cleone, scarce inferior to Hercules in strength. Stat. Theb. 6, v. 837. AGRUS, a tyrant of Sicily, assisted by Dionysius against the Carthaginians. Died. 14. AGRYRTUS, a town of Sicily, where Diodorus the historian was born. The inhabitants were called Agyrinenses. Died. 14.—Cic. in Verr. 2, c. 65. AGRYUS, an Athenian general, who succeeded Thrasylus. Died. 14. AGYRTUS, a man who killed his father. Ovid. Met. 5, v. 148.—A piper. Sil. 2, Ach. v. 50. AHALA, a surname of the Servilii at Rome. Athenobarus. Vide Ænobarbus. Ajax, son of Telamon by Periboea or Eriboea, daughter of Alcathous, was the bravest of all the Greeks in the Trojan war after Achilles. He engaged Hector, with whom at parting he exchanged arms. After the death of Achilles, Ajax and Ulysses disputed their claims to the arms of the dead hero. When they were given to the latter, Ajax was so enraged, that he slaughtered a whole flock of sheep, supposing them to be the sons of Atreus, who had given the preference to Ulysses, and stabbed himself with his sword. The blood which ran to the ground from the wound, was changed into the flower hyacinth. Some say that he was killed by Paris in battle; others, that he was murdered by Ulysses. His body was buried at Sigraeum, some say on mount Rhætus. His tomb was visited by Alexander. Hercules, according to some authors, prayed to the gods that his friend Telamon, who was childless, might have a son, with a skin as impenetrable as the skin of the Nemean lion, which he then wore. His prayers were heard; and when Ajax was born, Hercules wrapped him up in the lion's skin, which rendered his body invulnerable, except that part which was left uncovered by a hole in the skin, through which Hercules hung his quiver. This vulnerable part was in his breast, some say behind the neck. Q. Calab. 1 & 4. Apollod. 5, c. 10 & 13. Philostr. in Hcric. c. 12. Pinder. Issth. 6. Homer. Il. 1, & Oid. Od. 11.—Dictys Cret. 5.—Dares Phryg. 9.—Ovid. Met. 13.—Horat. 2, Sat. 3, v. 197.—Hygin. fab. 107 & 242.—Paus. 1, c. 35, 1, 5. v. 19.—The son of Oileus king of Locri, was surnamed Locrian, in contradistinction to the son of Telamon. He went with 40 ships to the Trojan war, as being one of Helen's suitors. The night that Troy was taken, he offered violence to Cassandra, who fled into Minerva's temple; and for this, as he returned home, the goddess, who had obtained the thunders of Jupiter, and the power of tempests from Neptune, destroyed his ship in a storm. Ajax swam to a rock, and said that he was safe in spite of all the gods. Such impiety offended Neptune, who struck the rock with his trident, and Ajax tumbled into the sea with part of the rock, and was drowned. His body was afterwards found by the Greeks, and black sheep offered on his tomb. According to Virgil's account, Minerva seized him in a whirlwind, and dashed him against a rock, where he expired, consumed by thunder. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 43, &c.—Hom. Il. 2, 13, &c. Od. 4.—Hygin. fab. 116 & 273.—Philostr. Ios. 2, c. 13.—Senec. in Agam.—Horat. epod. 10, v. 13.—Paus. 10, c. 26 & 31.—The two Agyres were, as some suppose, placed after death in the island of Lucea, a separate place reserved only for the bravest heroes of antiquity.

AIDONEUS, a surname of Pluto, because he and Pirithous attempted to ravish his daughter Proserpine, near the Acheron whence arose the well-known fable of the descent of Theseus and Pirithous into hell. Plut. in Thes.—A river near Troy. Paus. 10, c. 12. AIMYLUS, son of Ascanius, was, according to some, the progenitor of the noble family of the Æmilius in Rome. Aius Locutius, a deity to whom the Romans erected an altar, from the following circumstance: one of the common people, called Cedritos, informed the tribunes, that as he passed one night through one of the streets of the city, a voice more than human, issuing from above Vesta's temple, told him that Rome would soon be attacked by the Gauls. His information was neglected, but the veracity was known by the event; and Camillus, after the conquest of the Gauls, built a temple to that supernatural voice which had given them warning of the approaching calamity, under the name of Aius Locutius. Alabanda, an inland town of Caria, abounding with scorpions. The name is derived from Alabandus, a deity worshipped there. Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 15.—Herodot. 7, c. 193.—Strab. 14. Alabastrum, a town of Egypt. Plin. 36, c. 7 Alabas, a river of Sicily. Alesa, a city on a mountain of Sicily. Alea, a surname of Minerva in Peloponnesus. Her festivals are also called Aleea. Paus. 8, c. 4, 7. Alex, a number of islands in the Persian gulf, abounding in tortoises. Att. 12, 4, 12. Alce, or the father of Auge, who married Hercules. Alogonia, a city of Laconia. Paus. 3, 21 & 26. Alala, the goddess of war, sister to Mars. Plut. de glor. Athen. Alalcomene, a city of Boeotia, where some suppose that Minerva was born. Plut. Quæst. Gr.—Stat. Theb. 7, v. 330.
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_**Alalia,** a town of Corsica, built by a colony of Phocæans, destroyed by Scipio 562 B. C. and afterwards rebuilt by Sylla. Herodot. 1, c. 165.—Flor. 2, c. 2._

_**Alamanæs,** a stately of Athens, disciple of Phidias._

_**Alamanni, or Alemanni,** a people of Germany, near the Hercynian forest. They were very powerful, and inimical to Rome._

_**Alani,** a people of Sarmatia, near the Palus Moeotis, who were said to have 26 different languages. *Strab._

_**Alares,** a people of Pannonia. *Tac. 15._

_**Ann. c. 10._

_**Alaricus,** a famous king of the Goths, who plundered Rome in the reign of Honorius. He was greatly respected for his military valour, and during his reign he kept the Roman empire in continual alarms. He died, after a reign of 13 years, A. D. 410._

_**Alarööii,** a nation near Pontus. Herodot. 3, c. 94._

_**Alastor,** a son of Neleus and Chloris. *Apollod. 1, c. 9._—An arm-bearer to Sarpedon king of Lycia, killed by Ulysses. *Ovid. Met. 13, v. 237._—One of Pluto’s horses when he carried away Proserpine. *Cl. de rapt. Pros. 1, v. 236._

_**Alaudæ,** soldiers of the legions in Gaul. *Sueton. in Jul. 24._

_**Alaxon,** a river flowing from mount Cau- casus into the Cynus, and separating Albania from Iberia. *Flac. 6, v. 101._

_**Alba Sylvius,** son of Latinus Sylvius, suc- ceeded his father in the kingdom of Latium, and reigned 36 years. *Ovid. Met. 14, v. 612._—Longa, a city of Latium, built by Ascanius, B. C. 1152, on the spot where Æneas found, according to the prophecy of Helenus, (Virg. *En. 3, v. 390, &c.), and of the god of the river, (Æn. 8, v. 43.) a white sow with 30 young ones. The descendants of Æneas reigned there in the following order: 1. Asca- nius, son of Æneas, with little intermission, eight years. 2. Sylvius Posthumus, 29 years. 3. Æneas Sylvius, 31 years. 4. Latinus, five years. 5. Alba, 36 years. 6. Atys or Capetus, 25 years. 7. Capys, 25 years. 8. Calpetus, 13 years. 9. Tiberinus, eight years. 10. Agrippa, 33 years. 11. Remulus, 19 years. 12. Aventinus, 37 years. 13. Procas, 13 years. 14. Numitor and Amulius. Alba was destroyed by the Romans, 665 B.C. and the inhabitants were carried to Rome. *Liv. Flor._—*Justin. &c._—A city of the Marsi in Italy._

_**Pompeia,** a city of Liguria. *Plin. 3, c. 5._

_**Albania,** a country of Asia, between the Caspian sea and Iberia. The inhabitants are said to have their eyes all blue. Some main- tain that they followed Hercules from mount Albanus in Italy, when he returned from the conquest of Geryon. *Dionys. Hal. 1, c. 15._—*Justin. 42, c. 3._—*Strab. 11._—*Plin. 8, c. 40._—*Mela. 3, c. 5._—The Caspian sea is called Al- banum, as being near Albania. *Plin. 6, c. 13._

_**Albanus,** a mountain with a lake, in Italy, 16 miles from Rome. *Horat. 2, ep. 1, v 27._

The word, taken adjetively, is applied to such as are natives of, or belong to, the town of Alba._

_**Álbcit,** a people of Gallia Aquitania. *Cæs. bell. civ. 1, c. 34._

_**Albétex,** a people of Latium. *Dionys. Hal.*

_**Alba Cumana,** a town of Liguria. *Mela. 2, c. 4._

_**Albini,** two Roman orators of great merit, mentioned by Cicero in *Brut.* This name is common to many tributes of the people. *Liv. 2, c. 33. l. 6, c. 30._—*Sallust. de Jug. bell._

_**Albinovæus Celusius. *Vid. Celus._

_**Albinovæus Pedo,** a poet contemporary with Ovid. He wrote elegies, epigrams, and heroic poetry. *Ovid. ex Ponz. 4, ep. 10._—*Quint. 10, c. 5._

_**Albentiælium,** a town of Liguria. *Tacit. 2 Hist. c. 13._

_**Albins,** was born at Adrumetum in Africa, and made governor of Britain, by Commodo. After the murder of Pertinax, he was elected emperor by the soldiers in Britain. Severus had also been invested with the imperial dignity by his own army; and these two rivals, with about 50,000 men each, came into Gaul to decide the fate of the empire. Severus was conqueror, and he ordered the head of Albinus to be cut off, and his body to be thrown into the Rhone, A.D. 198. Albinus, according to the exaggerated account of a certain writer called Codrus, was famous for his voracious appetite, and sometimes eat for breakfast, no less than 500 fgs, 100 peaches, 20 pounds of dry raisins, 10 melons, and 400 oysters.—A pratorian sent to Sylla, as ambassador from the Senate during the civil wars. He was put to death by Sylla’s soldiers. *Plut. in Syl._

An usurer. *Horat._—A Roman plebeian who received the vestals into his chariot in preference to his family, when they fled from Rome, which the Gauls had sacked. *Val. Max. 1, c. 1._—*Liv. 5, c. 40._—*Flor. 1, c. 13._

—A. Postunmus, consul with Lucullus, A. U. C. 601, wrote an history of Rome in Greek._

_**Albion,** son of Neptune by Amphirite, came into Britain, where he established a king- dom, and first introduced astrology and the art of building ships. He was killed at the mouth of the Rhone, with stones thrown by Jupiter, because he opposed the passage of Hercules. *Mela. 2, c. 5._—The greatest island of Eu- rope, now called Great Britain. It is called Albion, who is said to have reigned there; or from its chalky white (albus) rocks, which appear at a great distance. *Plin. 4, c. 16._—*Tacit. in Agric._—The ancients com- pared its figure to a long buckler, or to the iron of a hatchet._

_**Albis,** a river of Germany falling into the German ocean. *Lucan. 2, v. 32._

_**Albrius,** a man, father to a famous spend- thrift. *Horat. 1, Sat. 4._—A name of the poet Tibullus. *Horat. 1, Od. 33, v. 1._

_**Albicilla,** an immodest woman. *Tacit._

_**An. 6, c. 47._

_**Albula,** the ancient name of the river Ti- bur. *Virg. *En. 8, v. 332._—*Liv. 1, c. 3._
ALBUNEA, a wood near Tyburn and the river Anio, sacred to the Muses. It received its name from a Sibyl, called also Albunea, worshipped as a goddess at Tyburn, whose temple still remains. Near Albunea there was a small lake of the same name, whose waters were of a sulphureous smell, and possessed some medicinal properties. This lake fell, by small streams called Albula, into the river Anio, with which it soon lost itself in the Tibur. Horat. 1. Od. 7. v. 12.—Virg. Aen. 7. v. 83.


ALBUS PAUSUS, a place near Sidon, where Antony waited for the arrival of Cleopatra.

ALBUTIIUS, a prince of Celtiberia, to whom Scipio restored his wife. Arrian.—A sorcid man, father to Canidia. He beat his servants before they were guilty of any offence, lest, said he, I should have no time to punish them when they offend. Horat. 2. Sat. 2.—A rhetorician in the age of Seneca.—An ancient satirist. Cic. in Brut.—Titus, an epicurean philosopher, born at Rome; so fond of Greece and Grecian manners, that he wished not to pass for a Roman. He was made governor of Sardina; but he grew offensive to the senate, and was banished. It is supposed that he died at Athens.

ALCEIUS, a celebrated lyric poet, of Mitylene in Lesbos, about 600 years before the Christian era. He fled from a battle, and his enemies hung up, in the temple of Minerva, the armour which he left in the field, as a monument of his disgrace. He is the inventor of alcaic verses. He was contemporary to the famous Sappho, to whom he paid his addresses. Of all his works nothing but a few fragments remain, found in Athenaeus. Quintil. 10. c. 1.—Herodot. 5. p. 98.—Horat. 4. od. 9.—Cic. 4. Tus. 1. A poet of Athens, said by Suidas to be the inventor of tragedy.—A writer of epigrams.—A comic poet.—A son of Androgeus, who went with Hercules into Thrace, and was made king of part of the country. Apollod. 2. c. 5.—A son of Hercules by a maid of Omphale.—A son of Perseus, and father of Amphitrion. From him Hercules has been called Alcides. Apollod. 2. c. 4.—Paus. 8. c. 14.

ALCAMENES, one of the Agide, king of Sparta, known by his apophthegms. He succeeded his father Teleclus, and reigned 37 years. The Helots rebelled in his reign. Paus. 3. c. 2. l. 4, c. 4 & 5.—A general of the Achaeans. Paus. 7. c. 15.—A statue, who lived 448 B.C. and was distinguished for his statues of Venus and Vulcan. Paus. 5. c. 10.—The commander of a Spartan fleet, killed by the Athenians. Thucyl. 4. c. 5, &c.

ALCANDER, an attendant of Sarpedon, killed by Ulysses. Ovid. Met. 13. v. 257.—A Lacedaemonian youth, who accidentally put out one of the eyes of Lycurgus. Plut. in Lyce. Paus. 3. c. 18.—A Trojan killed by Turnus. Virg. Aen. 9. v. 767.

ALCANDRE, the wife of Polybius, a rich Theban. Homer. Od. 4.

ALCANTOR, a Trojan of mount Ida, whose sons Pandarus and Hietas followed Aneas into Italy. Virg. Aen. 9. v. 672.—A son of Phorbas, killed by Aneas. Ibid. 10. v. 336.

ALCATHODE, a name of Megara in Attica, because rebuilt by Alcathoe. Ovid. Met. v. 8.

ALCATHÖUS, a son of Pelops, who being suspected of murdering his brother, came to Megara, where he killed a lion, which had destroyed the king's son. He succeeded to the kingdom of Megara. In commemoration of this, festivals called Alcathoe, were instituted at Megara. Paus. 1. c. 4, &c.—A Trojan who married Hippodamia, daughter of Anchises. He was killed in the Trojan war, by Idomeneus. Homer. II. 12. v. 95.—A son of Parthaoon, killed by Tydeus. Apollod. 1. c. 7, &c.—A friend of Aeneas, killed in the Rutulian war. Virg. Aen. 10. v. 747.

ALCE, one of Actaeon's dogs. Ovid.—A town of Spain, which surrendered to Gracchus. Liv. 40. c. 47.

ALCEIUS, an Athenian, who alone with Chrysomius survived the battle between 300 of his countrymen and 300 Lacedaemonians. Herodot. 1. c. 82.

ALCEST, of Alcestis, daughter of Pelias, married Admetus. She, with her sisters, put to death her father, that he might be restored to youth and vigour by Medea, who, however, refused to perform her promise. Upon this, the sisters fled to Admetus, who married Alcest. They were soon pursued by an army headed by their brother Castus; and Admetus being taken prisoner, was redeemed from death, by the generous offer of his wife, who was sacrificed in his stead to appease the shades of her father. Some say that Alcest laid down her life for her husband, when she had been told by an oracle, that he could never recover from a disease if one of his friends died in his place. According to some authors, Hercules brought her back from hell. She had many suitors while she lived with her father. Virg. Aen. 6. v. 651.—Apollod. 1. c. 9.—Paus. 5. c. 17.—Hygin. fab. 257.—Eurip. in Alcest.

ALCETAS, a king of the Molossi, descended from Pyrrhus, the son of Achilles. Paus. 1. c. 11.—A general of Alexander's army, brother to Perdiccas, the eighth king of Macedonina, who reigned 29 years. An historian who wrote an account of every thing that had been dedicated in the temple of Delphi. Athen. —A son of Arybas, king of Epirus. Paus. 1. c. 11.

ALCEIDAS, a Rhodian, who became enamoured of a naked Cupid of Praxiteles. Plin. 36. c. 5.

ALCHIMACHUS, a celebrated painter. Plin. 35. c. 11.

ALCRIBLades, an Athenian general, famous for his enterprising spirit, versatile genius, and natural foibles. He was disciple to Socrates, whose lessons and example checked, for a while, his vicious propensities. In the
Peloponnesian war he encouraged the Athenians to make an expedition against Syracuse. He was chosen general in that war, and in his absence, his enemies accused him of impiety, and confiscated his goods. Upon this he fled, stirred up the Spartans to make war against Athens, and when this did not succeed, he retired to Tissaphernes, the Persian general. Being recalled by the Athenians, he obliged the Lacedaemonians to sue for peace, made several conquests in Asia, and was received in triumph at Athens. His popularity was of short duration, the failure of an expedition against Cyme, exposed him to the resentment of the people, and he fled to Pharnabazus, whom he almost induced to make war upon Lacedaemon. This was told to Lysander, the Spartan general, who prevailed upon Pharnabazus to murder Alcibiades. Two servants were sent for that purpose, and they set on fire the cottage where he was, and killed him with darts as he attempted to make his escape. He died in the 46th year of his age, 404 B.C. after a life of perpetual difficulties. If the fickleness of his countrymen had known how to retain among them the talents of a man who distinguished himself, and was admired wherever he went, they might have risen to greater splendour, and to the sovereignty of Greece. His character has been cleared from the aspersions of malevolence, by the writings of Thucydides, Timaeus, and Theopompos; and he is known to us as a hero, who, to the principles of the debauche, added the intelligence and sagacity of the statesman, the cool intrepidity of the general, and the humanity of the philosopher. Plut. and C. Nep. in Locb.—Thucydi. 5, 6, and 7.—Xenoph. Hist. Grec. 1, &c.—Diod. 12.

Alcidamas, of Cos, father to Ctesilla, who was changed into a dove. Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 12.—A celebrated wrestler. Stat. Theb. 10, v. 500.—A philosopher and orator, who wrote a treatise on death. He was pupil to Gorgias, and flourished B.C. 424. Quintil. 3, c. 1.

Alcidamēa, was mother of Bunus by Mercury.

Alcidamidas, a general of the Messenians, who retired to Rhbegiam, after the taking of Ithome by the Spartans, B.C. 723. Strab. 6.

Alcidamus, an Athenian rhetorician, who wrote an eulogy on death, &c. Cic. 1. Tusc. c. 48.—Plut. de Orrat.

Alcidas, a Lacedaemonian, sent with 23 galleys against Corcyra, in the Peloponnesian war. Thucydi. 3, c. 16, &c.

Alcides, a name of Hercules, from his strength, &c., or from his grandfather, Alceus.—A surname of Minerva in Macedonia. Liv. 42, c. 51.

Alcidice, the mother of Tyro by Salomeus. Apollod. 1, c. 9.

Alcimēde, the mother of Jason by Aeson. Piac. 1, v 296.

Alcimēdon, a plain of Arcadia, with a cave, the residence of Alcimēdon, whose daughter was ravished by Hercules. Paus. 8, c. 12.


Alcinēnes, a tragic poet of Megara.—A comic writer of Athens.—An attendant of Demetrius. Ovid. Met. 5.—A man killed by his brother Bellerophon. Apollod. 2, c. 3.

Alcimus, an historian of Sicily, who wrote an account of Italy.—An orator. Dug.

Alcinōx, a daughter of Schenules. Apollod. 2, c. 4.

Alcīnor. Vid. Alcenor.

Alcīnous, a son of Nausithous, king of Phœacia, praised for his love of agriculture. He kindly entertained Ulysses, who had been shipwrecked on his coast, and heard the recital of his adventures; whence arose the proverb of the stories of Alcinous, to denote improbability. Homer. Od. 7.—Orph. in Argon. Virg. G. 2, v. 67.—Stat. 1. Sylov. 3, v. 81.—Juv. 5, v. 151.—Ovid. Am. el. 10, v. 56.—Plat. de Rep. 10.—Apollod. 1, c. 9.—A son of Hippocoon. Apollod. 3, c. 10.—A man of Elis. Paus.—A philosopher in the second century, who wrote a book De doctrina Platonis, the best edition of which is the 12mo. printed Ozen. 1667.

Alcīneus, a man killed by Perseus. Ovid. Met. 5, fab. 4.

Alciphron, a philosopher of Magnesia, in the age of Alexander. There are some epistles in Greek, that bear his name, and contain a very perfect picture of the customs and manners of the Greeks. They are by some supposed to be the production of a writer of the fourth century. The only edition is that of Leips. 12mo. 1715, cum notis Bergleri.

Alcīppe, a daughter of the god Mars, by Agranet. She was ravished by Halirrhotus. Apollod. 3, c. 14.—The wife of Metion, and mother to Eupalamedus. Id. 3, c. 16.—The daughter of Oenomaus, and wife of Evenus, by whom she had Marpessa. A woman who brought forth an elephant. Plut. 7.—A countrywoman. Virg. Ecl. 7.

Alcīppus, a reputed citizen of Sparta, banished by his enemies. He married Democritus, of whom Plut. in Erat.

Alcis, a daughter of Egyptus. Apollod.

Alcīthoe, a Theban woman who ridiculed the orgies of Bacchus. She was changed into a bat, and the spindle and yarn with which she worked, into a vine and ivy. Ovid. Met. 4, fab. 1.

Alcmeōn, was the son of the prophet Amphaiaraus and Ephryle. His father going to the Theban war, where he was to perish, charged him to revenge his death upon Ephryle, who had betrayed him. [Vid. Ephryle.] As soon as he heard of his father's death, he murdered his mother, for which crime the furies persecuted him till Phileus purified him and gave him his daughter Alphesiboea in marriage. Alcmeōn gave her the fatal collar which his mother had received to betray his father, and afterwards divorced her, and married Callirhoe the daughter of Achelous, to whom he promised the necklace he had given to Alphesiboea. When he attempted to re-

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cover it, Alphesibœa's brothers murdered him on account of the treatment he had given their sister, and left his body a prey to wild beasts. Alcmena's children by Callirhoe reveaged their father's death by killing his murderers. [Vid. Alphesibœa, Amphiareus.] Pan. 5, c. 17. l. 6, c. 18. l. 8, c. 24.—Phot. de Estili.—Apollod. 3, c. 7. —Hygin. fab. 73 & 243.—Stat. Theb. 2 & 4.—Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 44.—Met. 9, fab. 10. —A son of ΑΕγυπτος. Apoll.—A philosopher, disciple of Pythagoras, born in Crotona. He wrote on physic, and he was the first who dissected animals to examine into the structure of our frame. Cic. de Nat. D. 6, c. 27. —A son of the poet Ἀeschylus.—A son of Syllus, driven from Messenia with the rest of Nestor's family, by the Heracclids. He came to Athens, and from him the Alcmæonicæ are descended. Paus. 1, c. 16.

Alcmena, a noble family of Athens, descended from Alcmæon. They undertook for 300 talents to rebuild the temple of Delphi, which had been burnt, and finished the work in a more splendid manner than was required, in consequence of which they gained popularity, and by their influence the Pythia prevailed upon the Lacedæmonians to deliver their country from the tyranny of the Pisistratidæ. Herodot. 5 & 6.—Thucyd. 6, c. 59.—Phot. in Solon.

Alcman, a very ancient lyric poet, born in Sardinia, and not at Lacedæmon, as some suppose. He wrote, in the Doric dialect, six books of verses, besides a play called Colymbos. He flourished B. C. 670, and died of the lousy disease. Paus. 1, c. 41. l. 3, c. 15.—Aristot. Hist. Anim. 5, c. 31.

Alcmena, was daughter of Electron king of Argos, by Anaxo, whom Phot. de reb. Græc. calls Lysidice, and Diod. l. 2. Eurymede. Her father promised his crown and his daughter to Amphitryon, if he would revenge the death of his sons, who had been all killed, except Li-cymnius, by the Teleboans, a people of Ἐτοία. While Amphitryon was gone against the Ιταλικος, Jupiter, who was enamoured of Alcmena, resolved to introduce himself into her bed. The more effectually to insure success in his amour, he assumed the form of Amphitryon, declared that he had obtained a victory over Alcmena's enemies, and even presented her with a cup, which he said he had preserved from the spoils for her sake. Alcmena yielded to her lover what she had promised to her future husband; and Jupiter, to delay the return of Amphitryon, ordered his messenger, Mercury, to stop the rising of Phorbas, or the sun, so that the night he passed with Alcmena was prolonged to three long nights. Amphitryon returned the next day, and after complaining of the coldness with which he was received, Alcmena acquainted him with the reception of a false lover the preceding night, and even showed him the cup which she had received. Amphitryon was perplexed at the relation, and more so upon missing the cup from among his spoils. He went to the prophet Tiresias, who told him of Jupiter' intrigue; and he returned to his wife, proud of the dignity of his rival. Alcmena became pregnant by Jupiter, and afterwards by her husband; and when she was going to bring forth, Jupiter boasted in heaven that a child was to be born that day, to whom he would give absolute power over his neighbours, and even over all the children of his own blood. Juno, who was jealous of Jupiter's amours with Alcmena, made him swear by the Styx, and immediately prolonged the travails of Alcmena, and hastened the bringing forth of the wife of Sthenelus king of Argos, who, after a pregnancy of seven months, had a son called Eurytheus. Ovid. Met. 8, fab. 5, &c. says that Juno was assisted by Luchia to put on the bringing forth of Alcmena, and that Luchia, in the form of an old woman, sat before the door of Amphitryon with her legs and arms crossed. This posture was the cause of infinite torment to Alcmena, till her servant, Galanthis, supposing the old woman to be a witch, and the cause of the pains of her mistress, told her she had brought forth. Luchia retired from her posture, and immediately Alcmena brought forth twins, Hercules conceived by Jupiter, and Iphiclus by Amphitryon. Eurytheus was already born, and therefore Hercules was subjected to his power. After Amphitryon's death, Alcmena married Rhadamanthus, and retired to Ocalea in Bcrozia. This marriage, according to some authors, was celebrated in the island of Lene. The people of Negara said she had been buried in the temple of Jupiter Olympius. Paus. 1, c. 41. l. 5, c. 18. l. 9, c. 16.—Phot. in Theb. & Pomp.—Homer. Od. 11. l. 19.—Phidias. Pyth. 9.—Lucian. Dial. Dor. —Died. 4.—Hygin. fab. 29.—Apollod. 2, c. 4, 7. l. 3, c. 1.—Plaut. Amphi. Herodot. 2, c. 43 & 45. Vid. Amplitryon, Hercules, Eurytheus.

Alcon, a famous archer, who one day saw his son attacked by a serpent, and aimed at him so dexterously that he killed the beast without hurting his son.—A silversmith, Ovid. Met. 13, fab. 5.—A son of Hippocoon. Paus. 3, c. 14.—A son of Mars.—A surgeon under Claudius, who gained much money by his profession, in curing hernias and fractures.—A son of Amycus. These two last were at the chase of the Calydonian boar. Hygin. fab. 173.

Alcyone, or Halcyon, daughter of Ελος, married Ceyx, who was drowned as he was going to consult the oracle. The gods prized Alcyone, in a dream, of her husband's fate; and when she found, on the morrow, his body washed on the sea-shore, she threw herself into the sea, and was with her husband changed into birds of the same name, who keep the waters calm and serene while they build, and sit on their nests on the surface of the sea, for the space of 7, 11, or 14 days. Virg. G. 1, v. 399.—Apollod. 1, c. 7.—Ovid. Met. 11, fab. 10.—Hygin. fab. 65.—One of the Pleiades, daughter of Atlas. She had Arethusa by Neptune, and Eleutheria by Apollo. She, with her sisters, was changed into a con-
stellation. Vid. Pleides. Paus, 2, c. 30. 1. 3, c. 18.—Apollod. 3, c. 10.—Hygin, fab. 157. The daughter of Euenus, carried away by Apollo after her marriage. Her husband pursued the ravisher with bows and arrows, but was not able to recover her. Upon this, her parents called her Alcyone, and compared her fate to that of the wife of Ceyx. Homer. II. 9, v. 558.—The wife of Meleager. Hygin, fab. 174.—A town of Thessaly, where Philip, Alexander's father, lost one of his ves.

Alcyoneus, a youth of exemplary virtue, on to Antigonus. Plut. in Pyrrh.—Diog. 4.—A giant, brother to Phorpyron. He was killed by Hercules. His daughters, mourning his death, threw themselves into the sea, and were changed into Alcyons, by Amphitrion. Claudian. de Rap. Pros.—Apollod. 1, c. 6. Alcyona, a pool of Greece, whose depth the emperor Nero attempted in vain to find. Paus. 2, c. 37.

Aldescus, a river of European Sarmatia, rising from the Riphean mountains, and falling into the northern sea. Dionys. Per.

Albudis. Vid. Dubis.

Ales, a surname of Minerva, from her temple, built by Ales, son of Aphidias, in Tegara in Arcadia. The statue of the goddess was of ivory. Augustus carried it to Rome. Paus. 3, c. 4 & 46.—A town of Arcadia, built by Ales. It had three famous temples, that of Minerva, Bacchus, and Diana the Ephesian. When the festivals of Bacchus were celebrated, the women were whipped in the temple. Paus. 8, c. 23.

Albias, a tyrant of Larissa, killed by his own guards for his cruelties. Ovid. in lb. 323.

Albion and Dercynus, sons of Neptune, were killed by Hercules, for stealing his oxen in Africa. Apollod. 2, c. 5.

Alecto, one of the furies, (αλέκτος, non de uno) is represented with her head covered with serpents, and breathing vengeance, war, and pestilence. Vid. Eumenides. Virg. En. 7, v. 324. 1. 10, v. 41.

Alector, succeeded his father Anaxagoras in the kingdom of Argos, and was father to Iphis and Capaneus. Paus. 2, c. 13.—Apollod. 3, c. 6.

Alectryon, a youth whom Mars, during his amours with Venus, stationed at the door to watch against the approach of the sun. He fell asleep, and Apollo came and discovered the lovers, who were exposed by Vulcan, in each other's arms, before all the gods. Mars was so incensed that he changed Alectryon into a cock, who, still mindful of his neglect, early announces the approach of the sun. Lucian. in Alect.

Alex, a tyrant of Britam, in Dioclesia's reign, &c. He died 296, A. D.

Albus Campus, a place in Lycia, where Bellerophon fell from the horse Pegasus, and wandered over the country till the time of his death. Homer. II. 6, v. 201.—Dionys. Perig.

Alemani, or Alamanni, a people of Germany.


Alemus, inhabitants of Attica, in whose country there is a temple of Ceres and of Proserpine. Paus. in Attic.

Alens, a place in the island of Cos.

Aleon, or Aleas, a river of Ionia, near Colophon. Paus. 7, c. 5. 1. 8, c. 28.

Alése, a town of Sicily, called afterwards Archimund, after the founder. The Romans made it an independent city.

Alésia, or Alexia, a famous city of the Mandubri in Gaul, founded by Hercules as he returned from Iberia, on a high hill. J. Cesar conquered it. Flor. 3, c. 10.—Cass. bell. Gall. 7, c. 68.

Alésium, a town and mountain of Peloponnesus Paus. 8, c. 10.

Aletes, a son of Athamithus, murdered by Orestes. Hygin. fab. 122.

Aithes, the first of the Heraclidæ, who was king of Corinth. He was son of Hippotas. Paus. 2, c. 4.—A companion of Eneas, described as a prudent and venerable old man. Virg. En. 1, v. 125. l. 9, v. 246.

Alethia, one of Apollo's nurses.

Alétidas, (from αλαθέω, to wonder), certain sacrifices at Athens, in remembrance of Erigone, who wandered with a dog after her father Icarius.

Alétium, a town of Latium, whose inhabitants are called Aletribates. Liv. 9, c. 42.

Aleum, a tomb near the harbour of Carthage in Spain. Polyb. 10.

Aleuadae, a royal family of Larissa in Thessaly, descended from Seleus king of that country. They betrayed their country to Xerxes. The name is often applied to the Thessalians without distinction. Dio. 16.—Herodot. 7, c. 6. 172.—Paus. 3, c. 8. l. 7, c. 10.—Elian. Anim. 8, c. 11.

Aleus, a king of Arcadia, famous for his skill in building temples. Paus. 8, c. 4 & 53.

Alex, a river in the country of the Bruti. Dionys. Perig.

Alexamenus, an Æolian, who killed Nabib, tyrant of Lacedemon. He was soon after murdered by the people. Liv. 35, c. 34.

Alexander 1st, son of Amyntas, was the tenth king of Macedonia. He killed the Persian ambassadors for their immodest behaviour to the women of his father's court, and was the first who raised the reputation of the Macedonians. He reigned 43 years, and died 451 B. C. Justin. 7, c. 3.—Herodot. 5, 7, 8, & 9.

Alexander 2d, son of Amyntas 2d, king of Macedonia, was treacherously murdered, B. C. 370, by his younger brother Ptolemy, who held the kingdom for four years, and made way for Perdixcas and Philip. Justin. 7, c. 5.

Alexandcr 3d, surnamed the Great, was son of Philip and Olympias. He was born B. C. 355, on that night in which the famous temple of Diana at Ephesus was burnt by Erostratus. This event, according to the imagi-
cians, was an early prognostic of his future greatness, as well as the taming of Bucephalus, a horse whom none of the king's courtiers could manage; upon which Philip said, with tears in his eyes, that his son must seek another kingdom, as that of Macedonia would not be sufficiently large for the display of his greatness. Olympia during her pregnancy declared, that she was with child by a dragon; and the day that Alexander was born, two eagles perched for some time on the house of Philip, as if foretelling that his son would become master of Europe and Asia. He was pupil to Aristotle during five years, and he received his learned preceptor's instructions with much deference and pleasure, and always respected his abilities. When Philip went to war, Alexander, in his 15th year, was left governor of Macedonia, where he quelled a dangerous sedition, and soon after followed his father to the field, and saved his life in a battle. He was highly offended when Philip divorced Olympia to marry Cleopatra, and even caused the death of Attalus, the new queen's brother. After this he retired from court to his mother Olympia, but was recalled; and when Philip was assassinated, he punished his murderers; and, by his prudence and moderation, gained the affections of his subjects. He conquered Thrace and Illyricum, and destroyed Thebes; and after he had been chosen chief commander of all the forces of Greece, he declared war against the Persians, who, under Darius and Xerxes had laid waste and plundered some of the Grecian cities. With 32,000 foot and 5,000 horse, he invaded Asia, and after the defeat of Darius at the Granicus, he conquered all the provinces of Asia Minor. He obtained two other celebrated victories over Darius at Issus and Arbela, took Tyre after an obstinate siege of seven months, and the slaughter of 2000 of the inhabitants in cold blood, and made himself master of Egypt, Media, Syria, and Persia. From Egypt he visited the temple of Jupiter Ammon, and bribed the priests, who saluted him as the son of their god, and enjoined his army to pay divine honours to him. He built a town which he called Alexandria, in the most eligible situation on the western side of the Nile, near the coast of the Mediterranean. His conquests were extended in India, where he fought with Porus, a powerful king of the country; and after he had invaded Scythia, and visited the Indian ocean, he retired to Babylon, loaded with the spoils of the east. His entering the city was foretold by the magicians as fatal, and their prediction was fulfilled. He died at Babylon the 11th of April, in the 32d year of his age, after a reign of 12 years and eight months of continual success, 323 B.C. His death was so premature that some have attributed it to the effects of poison, and excess of drinking. Antipater has been accused of causing the fatal poison to be given him at a feast; and perhaps the resentment of the Macedonians, whose service he seemed to forget, by entrusting the guard of his body to the Persians, was the cause of his death. He was so universally regretted, that Babylon was filled with tears and lamentations; and the Medes and Macedonians declared, that no one was able or worthy to succeed him. Many conspiracies were formed against him by the officers of his army, but they were all seasonably suppressed. His tender treatment of the wife and mother of king Darius, who were taken prisoners, has been greatly praised; and the latter, who had survived the death of her son, killed herself when she heard that Alexander was dead. His great intrepidity more than once endangered his life; he always fought as if sure of victory, and the terror of his name was often of more effect than his arms. He was always forward in every engagement, and bore the labours of the field as well as the meanness of his soldiers. During his conquests in Asia, he founded many cities, which he called Alexandrias, after his own name. When he had conquered Darius, he ordered himself to be worshipped as a god; and Callisthenes who refused to do it, was shamefully put to death. He murdered, at a banquet, his friend Critis, who had once saved his life in a battle because he enlarged upon the virtues and exploits of Philip, and preferred them to those of his son. His victories and success increased his pride; he dressed himself in the Persian manner, and gave himself up to pleasure and dissipation. He set on fire the town of Persepolis, in a fit of madness and intoxication, encouraged by the courtisan Thais. Yet, among all his extravagancies, he was fond of candour and of truth; and when one of his officers read to him, as he sailed on the Hylaspes, an history which he had composed of the wars with Porus, and in which he had too liberally panegyrized him, Alexander snatched the book from his hand, and threw it into the river, saying, "What need is there of such flattery? are not the exploits of Alexander sufficiently meritorious in themselves, without the colourings of falsehood?" He in like manner rejected a statuary, who offered to cut mount Athos like him, and represent him as holding a town in one hand, and pouring a river from the other. He forbade any statuary to make his statue except Lysippus, or any painter to draw his picture except Apelles. On his death-bed he gave his ring to Perdiccas, and it was supposed that by this singular present he wished to make him his successor. Some time before his death, his officers asked him whom he appointed to succeed him on the throne? and he answered, 'The worthiest among you; but I am afraid,' added he, 'my best friends will perform my funeral obsequies with bloody hands.' Alexander, with all his pride, was humane and liberal, easy and familiar with his friends, a great patron of learning as may be collected from his assisting Aristotle with a purse of money to the completion of his natural history. He was brave often to rashness; he often lamented that his father conquered everything, and left him nothing to do; and exclaimed, in all the pride of regal dig-
Give me kings for competitors, and I will enter the lists at Olympia. All his family and infant children were put to death by Cassander. The first deliberation that was made after his decease, among his generals, was to appoint his brother Aristaeus successor, until Roxane, who was then pregnant by him, brought into the world a legitimate heir. Perdiccas wished to be supreme regent, as Aristaeus wanted capacity; and, more strongly to establish himself, he married Cleopatra, Alexander's sister, and made alliance with Eumenes. As he endeavoured to deprive Ptolemy of Egypt, he was defeated in a battle by Seleucus and Antigonus on the banks of the river Nile, and assassinated by his own cavalry. Perdiccas was the first of Alexander's generals who took up arms against his fellow soldiers, and he was the first who fell a sacrifice to his rashness and cruelty. To defend himself against him, Ptolemy made a treaty of alliance with some generals, among whom was Antipater, who had strengthened himself by giving his daughter Phila, an ambitious and aspiring woman, in marriage to Craterus, another of the generals of Alexander. After many dissensions and bloody wars among themselves, the generals of Alexander laid the foundations of several great empires in the three quarters of the globe. Ptolemy seized Egypt, where he firmly established himself, and where his successors were called Ptolemies, in honour of the founder of their empire, which subsisted till the time of Augustus. Seleucus and his posterity reigned in Babylon and Syria. Antigonus at first established himself in Asia Minor, and Antipater in Macedonia. The descendants of Antipater were conquered by the successors of Antigonus, who reigned in Macedonia till it was reduced by the Romans in the time of king Perseus. Lysimachus made himself master of Thrace; and Leonatus, who had taken possession of Phrygia, meditated for a while to drive Antipater from Macedonia. Eumenes established himself in Cappadocia, but was soon overpowered by the combinations of his rival Antigonus, and starved to death. During his lifetime, Eumenes appeared so formidable to the successors of Alexander, that none of them dared to assume the title of king. Curt. Arrian & Plut. have written an account of Alexander's life. Dio l. 17 & 18. Paus. 1, 7, 8, 9. Justin. 11 & 12. Vat. Max. Strab. 1 & c. A son of Alexander the Great, by Roxane, put to death with his mother, by Cassander. Justin. 15, c. 2. A man, who, after the expulsion of Teleses, reigned in Corinth. Twenty-five years after, Teleses dispossessed him, and put him to death. A son of Cassander, king of Macedonia, who reigned two years conjointly with his brother Antipater, and was prevented by Lysimachus from revenging his mother Thesalonia, whom his brother had murdered. Demetrius, the son of Antigonus, put him to death. Justin. 16, c. 1. Paus. 9, c. 7. A king of Epirus, brother to Olympias, and successor to Amymbas. He banished Timolaus to Peloponnesus, and made war in Italy against the Romans, and observed that he fought with men, while his nephew, Alexander the Great, was fighting with an army of women (meaning the Persians.) He was surnamed Molossus. Justin. 17, c. 3. Died. 16. Luc. 8, c. 17 & 27. Strab. 16. A son of Ptolemy, was king of Epirus. He conquered Macedon, from which he was expelled by Demetrius. He recovered it by the assistance of the Acanarians. Justin. 26, c. 3. Plut. in Ptolemy. A king of Syria, driven from his kingdom by Nicanor, son of Demetrius Soter, and his father-in-law Ptolemy Philometor. Justin. 35, c. 1 & 2. Joseph. 13 ant. Jud. Strab. 47. After the death of Ptolemy, first called Bala, was a merchant, and succeeded Demetrius. He conquered Nicanor by means of Ptolemy Physcon, and was afterwards killed by Antiochus Gryson, son of Nicanor. Joseph. ant. Jud. 13 c. 18. Ptolemy, was one of the Ptoleman kings in Egypt. His mother Cleopatra raised him to the throne, in preference to his brother Ptolemy Lathurus, and reigned conjointly with him. Cleopatra however expelled him, and soon after recalled him; and Alexander, to prevent being expelled a second time, put her to death, and for his unnatural action was himself murdered by one of his subjects. Joseph. 35 ant. Jud. c. 20 & c. Justin. 39, c. 3 & 4. Paus. 1, c. 9. Ptolemy, king of Egypt, was son of the preceding. He was educated in the island of Cos, and falling into the hands of Mithridates, escaped to Sylla, who restored him to his kingdom. He was murdered by his subjects a few days after his restoration. Appian. 1 bell. C. Ptolemy was king of Egypt, after his brother Alexander, the last-mentioned. After a peaceful reign, he was banished by his subjects, and died at Tyre, B. C. 65, leaving his kingdom to the Roman people. Cic. pro Rull. A youth ordered by Alexander the Great to climb the rock Aornus, with 30 other youths. He was killed in the attempt. Curt. 8, c. 11. An historian mentioned by Plut. in Mario. An Epicurean philosopher. Plut. A governor of Eolia, who assembled a multitude on pretence of shewing them an uncommon spectacle, and confined them till they had each bought their liberty with a sum of money. Polypen. 6, c. 10. A name given to Paris, son of Pliam. Vid. Paris. Jannaeus, a king of Judea, son of Hyrcanus, and brother of Aristobulus, who reigned as a tyrant, and died through excess of drinking. B. C. 79, after massacring 800 of his subjects for the entertainment of his concubines. A Paphlagonian who gained divine honours by his magical tricks and impostions, and likewise procured the friendship of Marcus Aurelius. He died 70 years old. A native of Caria, in the third century, who wrote a commentary on the writings of Aristotle, part of which is still extant. Trallianus, a physician and philosopher of the 4th century, some of whose works in Greek are still extant. A poet of Etolia, in the age of Ptolemy Philadephus.
Alexandria, and, as it if were an insult to its former greatness, it scarce contains 6000 inhabitants.  
Curt. 4, c. 8.  — Strab. 17. — Plin. 5, c. 10. — Another in Albania, at the foot of mount  
Caucasus. — Another in Arachosia, in India.  
— The capital of Aria, between Hecatompylon and Bactra. — Another of Carmania.  
— Another in Cilicia, on the confines of Syria.  
— Another, the capital of Margiana.  
— Another of Tros, &c.  
Curt. 7. — Plin. 6, c. 16, 23, 25.

Alexandrines, a Lacedemonian who married his sister's daughter, by whom he had  
Dorycus, Leonidas, and Cleobrotus. — A native of Delphi, of which he wrote an history.  
Alexandrina aqua, baths in Rome, built  
by the emperor Alexander Severus.  
Alexandropolis, the city of Parthia, built  
by Alexander the Great.  
Plin. 6, c. 25.

Alexanor, a son of Machaon, who built a  
temple to his grandfather Esculapius, and  
received divine honours after death.  
Paus. 2, c. 11.

Alexarchus, a Greek historian.  
Alexas, of Laodicea, was recommended to  
M. Antony by Timagenes. He was the cause  
that Antony repudiated Octavia to marry  
 Cleopatra, Augustus punished him severely  
after the defeat of Antony.  
Plut. in Anton.  

Alexia, or Alesia.  
Vid. Alesia.  

Alexicus, a surname given to Apollo by the  
Athenians, because he delivered them  
from the plague during the Peloponnesian war.  

Alexius, a disciple of Eubul the Mileian,  
famous for the acuteness of his genius and  
judgment. He died of a wound he had  
received from a sharp-pointed reed, as he swam  
across the river Alpheus.  
Diog. in Elcud.  

Alexio, a physician, intimate with Cicero.  
Cic. ad Att. 13, ep. 23.

Alexippus, a physician of Alexander.  
Plut. in Alex.  

Alexiæs, a son of Hercules, by Hebe.  
Apollod. 2, c. 7. — A place of Bacotia, where  
Alexiæs was born, bears also this name.  
Paus. 9, 23.

Alexithoe, a daughter of the river  
Graicus.  
Ovid. Met. 11, v. 763.

Alexis, a man of Samos, who endeavoured  
to ascertain, by his writings, the borders of his  
country. — A comic poet, 336, B. C. of Thurium,  
who wrote 245 comedies, of which some few  
fragments remain. — A servant of Asinius  
Pollio. An ungrateful youth of whom a  
shepherd is deeply enamoured, in Virgil's  
Ecl. 2. — A statuary, disciple to Polyceutes, 87  
Olymp. Plin. 34, c. 8. — A school-fellow of  
Atticus.  
Cic. ad Attic. 7, ep. 2.

Alexon, a native of Myndos, who wrote  
fables.  
Diog.  

Alfaterna, a town of Campania, beyond  
mount Vesuvius.  

Alfenus, a native of Cremona, who, by  
the force of his genius and his application, raises  
himself from his original profession of  
acobbler, to offices of trust at Rome, and at  
last became consul.  
Horat. Sat. 3, v. 130.

Aloibum, a town of Latium near Tusculum,
about 12 miles from Rome. There is a mountain of the same name in the neighbourhood. Horat. 1, od. 21.

Aliacon and Haliacmon, a river of Macedonia, separating it from Thessaly. It flows into the Aegean sea. Plin. 4, c. 10.

Aliartum, a city of Boetia, taken by M. Lucretius. Liv. 42, c. 63.


Allicis, a town of Laconia. — A tribe of Athens. Strab.

Alienus Cecina, a questor in Boetia, appointed, for his services, commander of a legion in Germany, by Galba. The emperor disgraced him for his bad conduct, for which he raised commotions in the empire. Tacit. 1, Hist. c. 52.

Alife, Alifa, or Alipsa, a town of Italy near the Vulturnus. Liv. 8, c. 25.

Ailete, a people of Arabia Felix.

Alimentus, C, an historian in the second Punic war, who wrote in Greek an Annal; besides a treatise on military affairs. Liv. 21 & 30.

Alinde, a town of Carsia. Arrian.

Alipheria, a town of Arcadia, situate on a hill. Polyb. 4, c. 77.

Alirothius, a son of Neptune. Hearing that his father had been defeated by Minerva in his dispute about giving a name to Athens, he went to the citadel, and endeavoured to cut down the olive, which had sprung from the ground, and given the victory to Minerva; but in the attempt he missed his aim, and cut his own legs so severely that he instantly expired.

T. Alladius Severus, a Roman knight who married his brother's daughter to please Agrippina. — A noted glutton in Domitian's reign. Juvi. 5, v. 118.

Alia, a river of Italy, falling into the Tiber. The Romans were defeated on its banks by Brennus and the Gauls, who were going to plunder Rome, 17th of July, B. C. 390. Plat. in Cam. — Liv. 5, c. 37. — Flor. 1, c. 13. — Virg. Æn. 7, v. 717.


Allobroges, a warlike nation of Gaul near the Rhone, in that part of the country now called Savoy. The Romans destroyed their city, because they had assisted Hannibal. Their ambassadors were allured by great promises to join in Cataline's conspiracy against his country; but they scorned their offers, and discovered the plot. Dio. Strab. 4. — Tacit. 1, Hist. c. 66. — Scalist. in Jug. bell.

Allobrogum, a people of Gaul supposed to be the same as the Allobroges. Polyb. 30, c. 56.

Allotrices, a nation on the southern parts of Spain. Strab. 2.

Allutius, a prince of the Celtiberi, to whom Scipio restored the beautiful princess he had taken in battle.
Hannibal marched his army over them, and
made his way through rocks, by softening and
breaking them with vinegar. They were in-
habited by fierce uncivilized nations, who were
unsubdued till the age of Augustus, who, to
eternize the victory he had obtained over them
erected a pillar in their territory. *Strab.* 4 & 5.
Lív. 21, c. 35.—*Juv.* 10, v. 151.—*Horat.* 2,
Sat. 3, v. 41.—*Lucan.* 1, v. 183.—*Tacit.* Hist.
3, c. 53.

**Alphæa,** a surname of Diana in Elis. It
was given her when the river Alpheus en-
deavoured to ravish her without success.—
A surname of the nymph Arethusa, because
loved by the Alpheus. *Ovid.* Met. 5, v. 487.

Alpĕn̄or, one of Niobe's sons. *Ovid.* Met.
6, fab. 6.

**Alpĕn̄us.** Vid. Alpheus.

**Alphēsibea,** daughter of the river Phle-
geus, married Alcmeon, son of Amphiaraurus,
who had fled to her father's court after the
murder of his mother. [Vid. Alcmeon.] She
received as a bridial present, the famous neck-
lace which Polymedes had given to Eriphyle, to
induce her to betray her husband Amphiaraurus.
Alcmeon, being persecuted by the men of
his mother, left his wife by order of the oracle,
and retired near the Achelous, whose daughter
Callirhoe, he married. Callirhoe had two sons
by him, and begged of him, as a present, the
necklace which was then in the hands of Al-
phēsibea. He endeavoured to obtain it, and
was killed by Iemenus and Axion, Alphēsibea's
brothers, who thus revenged their sister, who
had been so innocently abandoned. *Hygin.*
fab. 244.—*Propert.* 1, cl. 15, v. 15.—*Paus.* 8,
c. 24.

**Alphēsibēa,** a shepherd, often mentioned
in Virgil's eclogues.

**Alpheus,** a famous river of Peloponnesus,
which rises in Arcadia, and after passing through
Elis and Achæia, falls into the sea. The god
of this river fell in love with the nymph Are-
thusa, and pursued her till she was changed
into a fountain by Diana. The fountain Are-
thusa, is in Ortygia, a small island near Syra-
cuse; and the ancients affirm, that the river
Alpheus passes under the sea from Pelopon-
nesus, and, without mingling itself with the
salt waters, rises again in Ortygia, and joins the
stream of Arethusa. If any thing is thrown
into the Alpheus in Elis, according to their
traditions, it will re-appear, after some time,
swimming in the waters of Arethusa, near
Sicily. Hercules made use of the Alpheus to
clean the stables of Augæa. *Strab.* 6.—
*Virg.* Æn. 3, v. 694.—*Ovid.* Met. 5, fab. 10.
2, c. 7.—*Paus.* 5, c. 7, l. 6, c. 21.—*Marcellin.*
25.—*Plin.* 2, c. 103.

**Alpĭus, or Alphĕus,** a celebrated orator,
discussed in *Horat.* Epod. 2.

**Alpĭus Avitus,** a writer in the age of Se-
verus, who gave an account of illustrious men,
and an history of the Carthaginian war.

**Alpĭns,** belonging to the Alps. *Virg.* Æn.
6, v. 442.

**Alphinŭs (Cornelius),** a contemptible poet,
AMÁNUS, a country near Mysia. Homer. II. 2.
ALYKÉA, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 27.
ALYCÉUS, son of Scyron, was killed by Theseus. A place in Megara regarded as his birthplace. *Plut. in Theseus.
ALYMON, the husband of Circe.
ALYSSUS, a fountain of Arcadia, whose waters could cure the bite of a mad dog. Paus. 8, c. 19.
ALYXOTHE, daughter of Dymus, was mother of Æacus by Priam. Ovid. Met. 11. fab. 11.
AMÁDOUS, a king of Thrace, defeated by his antagonist Seuthes. Aristot. 5.—Polit. 10.
AMAGE, a queen of Sarmatia, remarkable for her justice and fortitude. Polyc. 8, c. 56.
AMALTHEA, daughter of Melissus king of Crete, fed Jupiter with goat's milk. Hence some authors have called her a goat, and have maintained that Jupiter, to reward her kindness, placed her in heaven as a constellation, and gave one of her horns to the nymphs who had taken care of his infant years. This horn was called the horn of plenty, and had the power to give the nymphs whatever they desired. Dios. 3, 4, &c.—Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 113.—Strab. 10.—Hygin. fab. 139.—Paus. 7, c. 26. —A sibyl of Cumae, called also hierophile and Demophile. She is supposed to be the same who brought nine books of prophecies to Tarquin king of Rome, &c. Varro.—Tibull. 2, el. 5, v. 67. [Vid. Sibylla.]
AMALTHEUM, a public place which Atticus had opened in his country-house, and provided with every thing which could furnish entertainment and convey instruction. *Cic. ad Attic. 1, ep. 13.
AMÁNCÉA or AMÁNUS, a mountain of Cilicia. Lucan. 3, v. 244. 
Cs. Sal. AMANDUS, a rebel general under Dioclesian, who assumed imperial honours, and was at last conquered by Dioclesian's colleague.
AMÁNTES or AMANTINI, a people of Illyricum descended from the Abantes of Phocis. Callimach.
AMÁNUS, one of the deities worshipped in Persia. Strab. 1. —A mountain of Cilicia.
AMÁRACUS, an officer of Cinyras, changed into nymph. 
AMARDÍ, a nation near the Caspian sea. Mela, 1, c. 5.
AMARÍTUS, a city of Greece. Homer. Hymn. in Apollo.
AMARYLLIS, the name of a country woman in Virgil's eclogues. Some commentators have supposed, that the poet spoke of Rome under this fictitious name.
AMARYNCHÉS, a king of the Epeans, buried at Buprasium. Strab. 8.—Paus. 8, c. 1. 
AMARYNTHUS, a village of Euboea, whence Diana is called Amarisyia, and her festivals in that town Amarynthia.—Euboea is sometimes called Amarynthus. Paus. 1, c. 31. 
AMAS, a mountain of Laconia. Paus. 3.
AMASÍA, a city of Pontus, where Mithridates the great, and Strabo the geographer, were born. Strab. 12.—Plin. 6, c. 5.

AMÁSENUS, a small river of Latium falling into the Tyrrenhus sea. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 685. 
AMÁSIS, a man who, from a common soldier, became king of Egypt. He made war against Arabia, and died before the invasion of his country by Cambyses king of Persia. He made a law, that every one of his subjects should yearly give an account to the public magistrates, of the manner in which he supported himself. He refused to continue in alliance with Polycrates the tyrant of Samos, on account of his uncommon prosperity. When Cambyses came into Egypt, he ordered the body of Amasis to be dug up, and to be insulted and burnt; an action which was very inimical to the religious notions of the Egyptians. Herodot. 1, 2, 3.—A man who led the Persians against the inhabitants of Barce. Herodot. 4, c. 201, &c.
AMÁSTRIS, the wife of Dionysius the tyrant of Sicily. She was sister to Darius, whom Alexander conquered. Strab. —Also, the wife of Xerxes, king of Persia. [Vid. Amestris.]—A city of Paphlagonia, on the Euxine sea. Catull.
AMÁSTRIS, one of the auxiliaries of Perses, against Æetes king of Colchis. He was killed by Argus, son of Phrythus. Flacc. 6, v. 544. —A friend of Æneas, killed by Camilla in the Rutulian war. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 673.
AMÁTIA, the wife of king Latinus. She had betrothed her daughter Lavinia to Turnus, before the arrival of Æneas in Italy. She zealously favoured the interest of Turnus; and when her daughter was given in marriage to Æneas, she hung herself, to avoid the sight of her son-in-law. Virg. Æn. 7, &c.
AMÁTHUS, (gen. untis) a city on the southern side of the island of Cyprus, particularly dedicated to Venus. The island is sometimes called Amathusia. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 51. —Ptol. 5, v. 14.
AMÁXAMPÉUS, a fountain of Scythia, whose waters imbitter the stream of the river Hypanis. Herodot. 4, c. 52.
AMÁXIA or AMÁXITA, an ancient town of Thrace.—A place of Cilicia abounding with wood fit for building ships. Plin. 5, c. 9.—Strab. 14.
AMÁZÉNES or MAZÉNES, a prince of the island Oaracitas, who sailed for some time with the Macedonians and Nearchus in Alexander's expedition into the east. Arrian. in Indic.
AMÁZYNES or AMÁZONIDES, a nation of famous women who lived near the river Thermus in Cappadocia. All their life was employed in wars and manly exercises. They never had any commerce with the other sex; but, only for the sake of propagation, they visited the inhabitants of the neighbouring country for a few days, and the male children which they brought forth were given to the fathers. According to Justin, they were strangled as soon as born, and Diódorus says that they maimed them and distorted their limbs. The females were carefully educated by their mothers, in the labours of the field; their right
breast was burnt off, that they might hurl a javelin with more force, and make a better use of the bow; from that circumstance, therefore, their name is derived (a non μακά μαμά). They founded an extensive empire in Asia Minor, along the shores of the Euxine, and near the Thermodon. They were defeated in a battle near the Thermodon, by the Greeks; and some of them migrated beyond the Tanais, and extended their country as far as the Caspian sea. The mystycya was the most capital of their towns.

Smyrna, Magnesia, Thyatira, and Ephesus, according to some authors, were built by them. Diodorus, l. 3, mentions a nation of Amazons in Africa, more ancient than those of Asia. Some authors, among whom is Strabo, deny the existence of the Amazons, but Justin and Diodorus particularly support it; and the latter says, that Penthesiles, one of their queens, came to the Trojan war on the side of Priam, and that she was killed by Achilles, and from that time the glory and character of the Amazons gradually decayed, and was totally forgotten. The Amazons of Africa flourished long before the Trojan war, and many of their actions have been attributed to those of Asia. It is said, that after they had almost subdued all Asia, they invaded Attica, and were conquered by Theseus. Their most famous actions were their expedition against Priam, and afterwards the assistance they gave him during the Trojan war, and their invasion of Attica, to punish Theseus, who had carried away Antiope, one of their queens. They were also conquered by Bellerophon and Hercules. Among their queens, Hippolite, Antiope, Lampeto, Marpesia, &c. are famous. Curtis says, that Thalestris, one of their queens, came to Alexander whilst he was pursuing his conquests in Asia, for the sake of raising children from a man of such military reputation; and that after she had remained 13 days with him, she retired into her country. The Amazons were such expert archers, that, to denote the goodness of a bow or quiver, it was requisite to call it Amazonian. Virg. Enni. 5, v. 311.—Juvan. de Reb. Get. c. 7.—Philost. Ion. 2, c. 5.—Justin. 2, c. 4.—Cur. 6, c. 5.—Pline. 6, c. 7, l. 13, c. 8, l. 36, c. 5.—Hercot, 4, c. 110.—Strab. 11.—Diod. 2.—Dim. Hal. 4.—Paus. 7, c. 2.—Plut. in Them.—Apollod. 2, c. 3 & 5.—Hygin fab. 14 & 165.

Amazonia, a celebrated mistress of the emperor Commodus.—The country of the Amazons, near the Caspian sea.

Amazonium, a place in Attica, where Thoseus obtained a victory over the Amazons.

Amazonis, a surname of Apollo at Lacedaemon.

Amazonis, a people of Gallia Celtica; they were related to the Eedu. Cas. bell. G. 1, c. 11.

Amazonus, a mountain of European Sarmatia. Place. 6, v. 85.

Ambarvālī, a joyful procession round the ploughed fields in honour of Ceres the goddess of corn. There were two festivals of that name celebrated by the Romans, one about the month of April, the other in July. They went three times round their fields crowned with oak-leaves, singing hymns to Ceres, and entreating her to preserve their corn. The word is derived ob ambiantis arvis, going round the fields. A sow, a sheep, and a bull, called ambarmatia hostia, were afterwards immolated, and the sacrifice has sometimes been called suonnavariia, from sus, avis, and taurus. Cat. de R. R. c. 111.


Ambamūnum, a town of Belgium. Its inhabitants conspired against J. Caesar. Cas. 2. bell. G. c. 4.

Ambatiunum, a village of Germany, where the emperor Caligula was born. Sueton. in Cal. 8.

Ambigavis, a king of the Celts, in the time of Tarquinius Priscus. Seeing the great population of his country, he sent his two nephews, Sigovesus and Belivesus, with two colonies, in quest of new settlements; the former towards the Hercynian woods, and the other towards Italy. Liv. 5, c. 34, &c.

Ambiorix, a king of the Eburones in Gaul. He was a great enemy to Rome, and was killed in a battle with J. Caesar, in which 60,000 of his countrymen were slain. Cas. bell. G. 5, c. 11, 26. l. 6, c. 30.

Ambra, a town of Pisidia. Strab.

Ambra, a city of Epirus, near the Acheron, the residence of king Pyrrhus. Augustus, after the battle of Actium, called it Nicopolis. Mela, 2, c. 3.—Plin. 4, c. 1.—Polyb. 4, c. 63.—Strab. 10.

Ambraecus, a bay of the Ionian sea, near Ambraicia, about 300 stadia deep, narrow at the entrance, but within near 100 stadia in breadth. It is now called the gulf of Larta. Polyb. 4, c. 63.—Mela, 2, c. 3.—Flor. 4, c. 11. Strab. 10.

Ambri, an Indian nation. Justin. 12, c. 9.

Ambroines, certain nations of Gaul, who lost their possessions by the inundation of the sea, and lived upon rapine and plunder. They were conquered by Marius. Plat. in Maris.

Ambrosia, festivals observed in honour of Bacchus, in some cities in Greece. They were the same as the Brumalia of the Romans.—One of the daughters of Atlas, changed into a constellation after death. The food of the gods was called ambrosia, and their drink nectar. The word signifies immortal. It had the power of giving immortality to all those who eat it. It was sweeter than honey, and of a most odoriferous smell. Berenice, the wife of Ptolemy Soter, was saved from death by eating ambrosia given her by Venus. Titanus was made immortal by Aurora, by eating ambrosia; and in like manner Tantalus and Pelops, who, on account of their impiety, had been driven from heaven, and compelled to die upon earth. It had the power of healing wounds. Apollo, in Homer's Iliad, saves Sarpedon's body from putrefaction by rubbing it with ambrosia, and Venus heals the wounds of her son, in Virgil's Aeneid, with it. The gods used generally to perfume their hair with ambrosia, as Juno when she adorned herself to captivate Jupiter, and Venus when she appeared to Aeneas. Homer.
AMBRUS, a city of Phocis, which receives its name from a hero of the same name. *Paus.* 10, c. 35.

AMONDÁLÉ, Syrian women of immoral lives, who in the dissolute period of Rome, attended festivals and assemblies as minstrels. The name is derived from some by words, which signify a flute. *Horat.* 1, Stat. 2.—*Suet.* in Ner. 27.

AMBULLI, a surname of Castor and Pollux, in Sparta.

AMELÉS, a river of hell, whose waters no vessel could contain. *Plut.* 10, de Rep.

AMENANUS, a river of Sicily, near mount Ætna.

AMENIDES, a servant of Darius the last king of Persia. Alexander set him over the Arimaspi. *Curt.* 7, c. 3.

AMENÉCLES, a Corinthian, said to be the first Grecian who built a three-oared galley at Samos and Corinth. *Thucyd.* 1, c. 13.


AMESTRÁTUS, a town of Sicily, near the Halesus. The Romans besieged it for seven months, and it yielded at last after a third siege, and the inhabitants were sold as slaves. *Polyb.* 1, c. 24.

AMESTRIS, queen of Persia, was wife to Xerxes. She cruelly treated the mother of Ariante, her husband's mistress, and cut off her nose, ears, lips, breast, tongue, and eyebrows. She also sacrificed 14 noble Persian youths, to appease the deities under the earth. *Herodot.* 7, c. 61, l. 9, c. 111.—A daughter of Oxyartes, wife to Lysimachus. *Diod.* 20.

AMIDA, a city of Mesopotamia, besieged and taken by Sapor, king of Persia. *Amm.* 19.

AMILCAR, a Carthaginian general of great eloquence and cunning. He was surnamed Rhodanus. When the Athenians were afraid of Alexander, Amilcar went to his camp, gained his confidence, and secretly transmitted an account of all his schemes to Athens. *Trogus.* 21, c. 6.—A Carthaginian, whom the Syracusans called to their assistance against the tyrant Agathocles, who besieged their city. Amilcar soon after favoured the interest of Agathocles, for which he was accused at Carthage. He died in Syracuse, B. C. 309. *Diod.* 20.—Justin. 22, c. 2 & 3.—A Carthaginian surnamed Barcas, father to the celebrated Annibal. He was general in Sicily during the first Punic war; and after a peace had been made with the Romans, he quelled a rebellion of slaves, who had besieged Carthage, and taken many towns of Africa, and rendered themselves so formidable to the Carthaginians that they begged and obtained assistance from Rome. After this, he passed into Spain with his son Annibal, who was but nine years of age, and laid the foundation of the town of Barcelona. He was killed in a battle against the Vettones, B. C. 237. He had formed the plan of an invasion of Italy, by crossing the Alps, which his son afterwards carried into execution. His great enmity to the Romans was the cause of the second Punic war. He used to say of his three sons, that he kept three lions to devour the Roman power. *C. Nep.* in Vit., *Liv.* 21, c. 1.—*Polyb.* 2.—*Plut.* in Amil.—A Carthaginian general, who assisted the Insubres against Rome, and was taken by Cn. Cornelius. *Liv.* 32, c. 30, l. 33, c. 8.—A son of Hanno, defeated in Sicily by Gelon, the same day that Xerxes was defeated at Salamis by Themistocles. He burnt himself, that his body might not be found among the slain. Sacrifices were offered to him. *Herodot.* 7, c. 165, &c.

AMÍLOS, or ANÍLUS, a river of Mauritia, where the elephants go to wash themselves by moonshine. *Plin.* 8, c. 1.—A town of Arcadia. *Paus.* in Arcadia.

AMIMÓNÉ, or AMYMÓNE, a daughter of Da- naus, changed into a fountain which is near Argos, and flows into the lake Lerna. *Ovid.* Met. 2, v. 240.

AMÍNEA, or AMÍNEA, a part of Campania, where the inhabitants are great husbandmen. *Virg.* G. 2, v. 97.—A place of Thessaly.

AMÍNIAS, a famous pirate, whom Antigonus employed against Apollodorus tyrant of Cassandrea. *Polygen.* 4, c. 18.


AMÍNOCLES, a native of Corinth, who flourished 705 B. C. &c.

AMÍSENÁ, a country of Cappadocia. *Strab.* 12.

AMÍSIA, a comic poet, whom Aristophanes ridiculed for his insipid verses.


AMÍTERNUM, a town of Italy, where Sallust was born. The inhabitants assisted Turnus against *Æneas.* *Virg.* Æn. 7, v. 710.—*Plin.* 3, c. 5.

AMÍTHAON, or AMÍTHAON, was father to Melampus the famous prophet. *Stat.* Theb. 3, v. 451.

AMÍMÁLO, a festival in honour of Jupiter in Greece.

AMMÍNÁNUS, *Vit.* Marcellinus.

AMMON and HANNON, a name of Jupiter, worshipped in Libya. He appeared under the form of a ram to Bacchus, who, with his army, suffered the greatest extremities for want of water, in the deserts of Africa, and showed him a fountain. Upon this, Bacchus erected a tem-
Eriphyle, the son of Amnon, was born in the reign of Xerxes. Herodot. 5, c. 121. Amorgos, a Persian general, killed in Caria, on the island among the Cyclades, where Simonides was born. Strab. 10.


Amphelus, a promontory of Africa, in Mauritania. Mela, 1, c. 5 & 6.

Amphithe, a city of Messaena, taken by the Lacedaemonians. Paus. 4, c. 5.

Amphiálus, a famous grave in the island of the Pharsacians. Homer. Od. 8.

Amphianax, a king of Lycia in the time of Agesilaus and Perseus. Aquil. 2, c. 2.

Amphiaraios, son of Oicles, or according to others, of Apollo, by Hypermenaia, was at the chace of the Caledonian boar, and accompanied the Argonauts in their expedition. He was famous for his knowledge of futurity. He married Erphyle, the sister of Adrastus king of Argos, by whom he had two sons, Alcmene and Amphileochus. When Adrastus, at the request of Polyneices, declared war against Thebes, Amphiaraus secreted himself, not to accompany his brother-in-law in an expedition in which he knew he was to perish. But Erphyle, who knew where he had concealed himself, was prevailed upon to betray him by Polyneices, who gave her, as a reward for her perfidy, a famous golden necklace set with diamonds Amphiaraus, being thus discovered, went to the war, but previously charged his son Alcmene to put to death his mother Erphyle, as soon as he was informed that he was killed. The Theban war was fatal to the Argives, and Amphiaraus, was swallowed up in his chariot by the earth as he attempted to retire from the battle. The news of his death was brought to Alcmene, who immediately executed his father’s command, and murdered Erphyle. Amphiaraus received divine honours after death, and had a celebrated temple and oracle at Oropus, in Attica. His statue was made of marble, and near his temple was a fountain, whose waters were ever held sacred. They only who had consulted his oracle, or had been delivered from a disease, were permitted to bathe in it, after which they threw pieces of gold and silver into the stream. Those who consulted the oracle of Amphiaraus, first purified themselves and abstained from food for 24 hours, and three days from wine, after which they sacrificed a ram to the prophet, and spread the skin upon the ground, upon which they slept in expectation of receiving in a dream the answer of the oracle. Plutarch de orac. defect. mentions, that the oracle of Amphiaraus was once consulted in the time of Xerxes, by one of the servants of Mardonius, for his master, who was then with an army in Greece; and that the servant, when asleep, saw in a dream the priest of the temple who upbraided him, and drove him away, and even threw stones at his head when he refused to comply. This oracle was verified in the

Ammon, a name of Juno in Elis. Paus. 5, c. 15.


Ammonia, a name of Juno in Elis, as being the wife of Jupiter Ammon. Paus. 5, c. 15.

Ammon, a nation of Africa, who derived their origin from the Egyptians and Ethiopians. Their language was a mixture of that of the two peoples from whom they were descended. Herodot. 2, 3, & 4.

Ammonius, a Christian philosopher, who opened a school of Platonic philosophy at Alexandria, 232 A. D. and had among his pupils Origen and Plotinus. His treatise Ἱεροτεορία was published in 4to. by Valckenaer, L. Bat. 1739.—A writer who gave an account of sacrifices, as also a treatise on the harlots of Athens. Athen. 13.—An Athenian general, surnamed Barcas. Polyb. 3.

Ammonius, one of the Nereides. Hesiod. Theog.


Amnius, a port of Gnossus, at the north of Crete, with a small river of the same name, near which Lucina had a temple. The nymphs of the place were called Amniasiades. Callim.

Amorites, an Athenian player of great reputation, who sang at the nuptials of Demetrius and Nicias. Polyb. 4, c. 6.

Amomés, a Greek historian. Plin. 6, c. 17.

Amor, the son of Venus, was the god of Love. Vid. Cupido.
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death of Mardonius, who was actually killed by the blow of a stone he received on the head.


Paus. \textit{1, c. 34. l. 2, c. 37. l. 19, c. 8 \&c. - \textit{Echyl. Sept. ante Theb.} - Apollod. 1, c. 8 \& 9. l. 3, c. 6, \&c. - \textit{Strab. 8.}

\textbf{Amphiaraides}, a patronymic of Alcmeon, as being son of Amphiaraus. \textit{Ovid. Fast.} 2, c. 43.

\textbf{Amphiarates}, an historian, who wrote the lives of illustrious men. \textit{Diog.}

\textbf{Amphyctyon}, son of Deucalion and Pyrrha, reigned at Athens after Cranias, and first attempted to give the interpretation of dreams, and to draw omens. Some say that the deluge happened in his age. \textit{Justin.} 2, c. 6. - The son of Helenus, who first established the celebrated council of the Amphyctyons, composed of the wisest and most virtuous men of some cities of Greece. This august assembly consisted of 12 persons, originally sent by the following states; the Ionians, Dorians, Perhobians, Bocotians, Magensians, Pithians, and \textit{Athenians}. Other cities in process of time sent also some of their citizens to the council of the Amphyctyons, and in the age of Antinous Pius, they were increased to the number of 30. They generally met twice every year at Delphi, and sometimes sat at Thermopylae. They took into consideration all matters of difference which might exist between the different states of Greece. When the Phocians plundered the temple of Delphi, the Amphyctyon declared war against them, and this war was supported by all the states of Greece, and lasted 10 years. The Phocians, with their allies, the Lacedemonians, were deprived of the privilege of sitting in the council of the Amphyctyons, and the Macedonians were admitted in their place, for their services in support of the war. About 60 years after, when Brennus, with the Gauls, invaded Greece, the Phocians behaved with such courage, that they were reinstated in all their former privileges. Before they proceeded to business, the Amphyctyons sacrificed an ox to the god of Delphi, and cut his flesh into small pieces, intimating that union and unanimity prevailed in the several cities which they represented. Their decisions were held sacred and inviolable, and even arms were taken up to enforce them. \textit{Paus. in Phocic. \& Achaic. - \textit{Strab. 8. - Snidas. - Hesych.}}

\textbf{Amphiclea}, a town of Phocis, where Bacchus had a temple.

\textbf{Amphiadmus}, son of Aleus, brother to Lycurgus. He was of the family of the Inachide. \textit{Paus. 8, c. 4. - One of the Argonauts. Flac. 1, v. 376. - A son of Busiris, killed by Hercules. Apollod. 2, c. 5.}

\textbf{Amphidromia}, a festival observed by private families at Athens, the fifth day after the birth of every child. It was customary to \textit{run round} the fire with a child in their arms; whence the name of the festival.


\textbf{Amphilochus}, a son of Amphiaraus and

\textbf{Eriphyle. After the Trojan war, he left Argos his native country, and built Amphileuchus, a town of Epirus. \textit{Strab. 7. - Paus. 2, c. 18. - An Athenian philosopher who wrote upon agriculture. Varro. de R. R. 1.}

\textbf{Amphillitus}, a soothsayer of Acharnia, who encouraged Pisistratus to seize the sovereign power of Athens. \textit{Herodot.} 1, c. 62.

\textbf{Amphimachus}, one of Helen's suitors. He went to the Trojan war. \textit{Apollod. 3, c. 10. - Hygin. fab. 97}


\textbf{Amphinome}, the name of one of the attendants of Thetis. \textit{Homer. Ili.} 18, v. 44.

\textbf{Amphinomus}, one of Penelope's suitors, killed by Telemachus. \textit{Homer. Ili.} 22, v. 89.

\textbf{Amphinomus} and \textit{Anatius}, two brothers, who, when Catana and the neighbouring cities were in flames by an eruption from mount 

\textbf{Amphion}, was son of Jupiter, by Antiope daughter of Nycteus, who had married Lycus, and had been repudiated by him when he married Dirce. Amphion was born at the same birth as Zethus, on mount Cytheron, where Antiope had fled to avoid the resentment of Dirce; and the two children were exposed in the woods, but preserved by a shepherd. \textit{[Vid. Antiope.]}

When Amphion grew up, he cultivated poetry and made such an uncommon progress in music that he is said to have been the inventor of it, and to have built the walls of Thebes at the sound of his lyre. Mercury taught him music, and gave him the lyre. He was the first who raised an altar to this god. Zethus and Amphion united to avenge the wrongs which their mother had suffered from the cruelties of Dirce. They besieged and took Thebes, put Lycus to death, and tied his wife to the tail of a wild bull, who dragged her through precipices till she expired. The fable of Amphion's moving stones and raising the walls of Thebes at the sound of his lyre, has been explained by supposing that he persuaded, by his eloquence, a wild and uncivilized people to unite together and build a town to protect themselves against the attacks of their enemies. \textit{Homer. Od.} 11. - \textit{Apollod. 3, c. 5 \& 10. - Paus. 6. c. 6. l. 6, c. 20. l. 9, c. 5 \& 17. - Propert. 3, c. 15. - Ovid. de Art. Am. 3, v. 323. - Horat. 3, od. 11. Art. Poet. v. 394. - Stat. Theb. v. 10. - A son of Iasus, king of Orchomenos, by Persephone daughter of Mius. He married Niobe, daughter of Tantalus, by whom he had many children, among whom was Chloris the wife of Neleus. He has been confounded by mythologists with the son of Antiope, though Homer, in his Odyssey, speaks of them both, and distinguishes them beyond contradiction. The number of Amphion's children, according to Homer, was
13. six of each sex; according to Ælian, 20; and according to Ovid 14, seven males and seven females. When Niobe boasted herself greater, and more deserving of immortality than Latona, all her children, except Chloris, were destroyed by the arrows of Apollo and Diana; Niobe herself was changed into a stone, and Amphion killed himself in a fit of despair. Homer. Od. 11, v. 261 & 282.—Ælian. V. H. 12, v. 36.—Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 5.—A famous Argonauts. Hygin. fab. 14.—One of the Greek generals in the Trojan war. Homer. II. 13, v. 692.

Amphipòles, magistrates appointed at Syracuse, by Timoleon, after the expulsion of Dionysius the younger. The office existed for above 300 years. Diol. 16.

Amphipòlis, a town on the Strymon, between Macedonia and Thrace. An Athenian colony under Agnon, son of Nicios, drove the ancient inhabitants, called Edonians, from the country, and built a city, which they called Amphipolis, i.e. a town surrounded on all sides, because the Strymon flowed all around it. It has been also called Acra, Strymon, Myrissa, Eion, and the town of Mars. It was the cause of many wars between the Athenians and Spartans. Thucyd. 4, c. 102, &c. —Herodot. 5, c. 126. I. 7, c. 114.—Diol. 11, 12, &c.

Amphipòros, a surname of Diana, because she carries a torch in both her hands. Sophocles in Trach.

Amphìretus, a man of Acanthus, who artfully escaped from pirates who had made him prisoner. Polyen. 6.

Amphimâche, a daughter of Amphidamus, wife of Eurystheus. Apollod. 2.

Amphimáchus, one of Helen’s suitors, son of Cleatus. He went to the Trojan war. Apollod. 3, c. 10.—Hygin. fab. 97.

Amphirôe, one of the Oceanides. Herodot. Thcng. v. 361.

Amphís, a Greek comic poet of Athens, contemporary with Plato. Besides his comedies he wrote other pieces, which are now lost. Suidas.—Diog.

Amphißêna, a two-headed serpent in the deserts of Libya, whose bite is venomous and deadly. Lucan. 9, v. 719.

Amphißâ, a daughter of Macareus, beloved by Apollo. She gave her name to a city of Locris near Phocis, in which was a temple of Minerva. Liv. 37, c. 5.—Ovid. Met. 15, v. 703.—Lucan. 3, v. 172.—A town of the Bruttii on the east coast.

Amphißêna, a country of Armenia.

Amphissús, a son of Dryope. Ovid. Met. 9, fab. 10.

Amphißênes, a Lacedaemonian, who fell delirious in sacrificing to Diana. Paus. 3, c. 16.

Amphißtides, a man so naturally destitute of intellects, that he seldom remembered he ever had a father. He wished to learn arithmetic, but never could comprehend beyond the figure 4. Aristot.

Amphißtratûs and Rhecas, two men of Lacedaemon, charioteers to Casior and Pollux. Strab. 11.—Justin. 49, c. 3.

Amphiteâ, the mother of Ægraleus, by Cyanippus, and of three daughters, Argia, Deipyle, and Æglea, by Adriatus, king of Argos. She was daughter to Pronax. Apollod. 1.—The wife of Autolycus, by whom she had Anticlea, the wife of Laertes. Homer. Od. 19.

Amphißetárum, a large round or oval building at Rome, where the people assembled to see the combats of gladiators, of wild beasts, and other exhibitions. The amphitheatres of Rome were generally built with wood; Statilius Taurus was the first who made one with stones, under Augustus.

Amphiphémis, a Theban general, who involved the Lacedaemonians into a war with his country. Plut. in Lys.—Paus. 3, c. 9.

Amphíthoë, one of the Nereides.

Amphítrite, daughter of Oceanus and Tethys, married Neptune, though she had made a vow of perpetual celibacy. She had by him Triton, one of the sea deities. She had a statue at Corinth in the temple of Neptune. She is sometimes called Salatia, and is often taken for the sea itself. Varro de L. L. 4.—Hesiod. Theog.—Apollod. 3.—Claudian. de Rept. Pros. 1, v. 104.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 14.

Amphítryon, a Theban prince, son of Alcæus and Hypponome. His sister Anaxo had married Electryon, king of Mycene, whose sons were killed in a battle by the Teleboans. Electryon promised his crown, and daughter Alcmena, to him who could revenge the death of his sons upon the Teleboans; and Amphítryon offered himself, and was received, on condition that he should not approach Alcmena before he had obtained a victory. Jupiter, who was captivated with the charms of Alcmena, borrowed the features of Amphítryon, when he was gone to the war, and introduced himself to Electryon's daughter, as her husband returned victorious. Alcmena became pregnant of Hercules by Jupiter, and of Iphichus by Amphítryon, after his return. [Vid. Alcmena.] When Amphítryon returned from the war, he brought back to Electryon the herds which the Teleboans had taken from him. One of the cows having strayed from the rest, Amphítryon, to bring them together, threw a stick, which struck the horns of the cow, and rebounded with such violence upon Electryon that he died on the spot. After this accidental murder, Sthenelus, Electryon’s brother, seized the kingdom of Mycene, and obliged Amphítryon to leave Argolis, and retire to Thebes with Alcmena. Creon, king of Thebes, purified him of the murder. Apollod. 2, c. 4.—Virg. Æn. 8, v. 213.—Propert. 4, cl. 10, v. 1.—Hesiod. in Scut. Hercul.—Hygin. fab. 29.—Paus. 8, c. 14.

Amphíthus, a priest of Ceres, at the court of Cepheus. Ovid. Met. 5, fab. 5.

Amphógerus was appointed commander of a fleet in the Hellespont by Alexander. Curt. 3, c. 1.—A son of Alcmeon.

Amphítryónádes, a patroonymic given to
Hercules, as the supposed son of Amphitryon. Virg. Æn. 8. v. 103.

Amphrysus, a river of Thessaly, near which Apollo, when banished from heaven, fed the flocks of king Admetus. From this circumstance the god has been called Amphrysus, and his priestess Amphyssia. Æthan. 6. v. 367.—Virg. G. 3. v. 2. Æn. 6. v. 398. A river of Phrygia, whose waters rendered women liable to barrenness. Plin. 32. c. 2.

Amyta Labiena Lex, was enacted by T. Ammius and T. Labienus, tribunes of the people, A. U. C. 693. It gave Pompey the Great the privilege of appearing in triumphal robes, and with a golden crown at the Circensian games, and with a praetexta and golden crown at theatrical plays.

Amyntas, a patrician of Mophsus, son of Amyntas. Ovid. Met. 8. v. 316.

Amyx, a son of Pelias. Paus. — A man mentioned by Ovid. Met. 5. v. 184.—The father of Mophsus. Orph. in Argon.—Paus. 8. c. 17.

Amactus, a place about the middle of Italy, whose waters are so sulphureous that they infect and destroy whatever animals come near the place. Virg. Æn. 7. v. 565.—Cic. de Div. 1. c. 36.

Amulius, king of Alba, was son of Procas, and youngest brother to Numitor. The crown belonged to Numitor by right of birth; but Amulius dispossessed him of it, and even put to death his son Lausus, and consecrated his daughter Rhea Sylvia to the service of Vesta, to prevent her ever becoming a mother. Yet, in spite of all these precautions, Rhea became pregnant by the god Mars, and brought forth twins, Romulus and Remus. Amulius, who was informed of this, ordered the mother to be buried alive for violating the laws of Vesta, which enjoined perpetual chastity, and the two children to be thrown into the river. They were providentially saved by some shepherds, or, as others say, by a she-wolf; and when they attained the years of manhood, they put to death the usurper, Amulius, and restored the crown to their grandfather.

Ovid. Fast. 3. v. 67.—Liv. 1. c. 3 & 4.—Plut. in Romul.—Flor. 1. c. 1.—Divn. Hal. — A celebrated painter. Plin. 33. c. 10.

Amyci Portus, a place of Portus, famous for the death of Amycus king of the Bebryces. His tomb was covered with laurels, whose boughs, as is reported, when carried on board a ship, caused uncommon dissensions among the sailors. Plin. 5. c. 32.—Arrian.

Amycla, a daughter of Niobe, who, with her sister Melanassa, was spared by Diana, when her mother boasted herself greater than Diana. Paus. 2. c. 22.—Homer says that all the daughters perished. Il. 24. [Vid. Niobe.] — The nurse of Aciabades.

Amycle, a town of Italy between Caetia and Tarraccia, built by the companions of Castor and Pollux. The inhabitants were strict followers of the precepts of Pythagoras, and therefore abstained from flesh. They were killed by serpents, which they thought impious to destroy, though in their own defence. Plin. 8. c. 29. Once a report prevailed in Amycla, that the enemies were coming to stain it; upon which the inhabitants made a law, that forbade such a report to be credited, and when the enemy really arrived, no one mentioned it, or took up arms in his own defence, and the town was easily taken. From this circumstance the epithet of tacite has been given to Amycla. Virg. Æn. 10. v. 564.—St. B. v. 592.—A city of Peloponnesus, built by Amyclas. Castor and Pollux were born there. The country was famous for dogs. Apollo, called Amycleas, had a rich and magnificent temple at Amycle, surrounded with delightful groves. Paus. 3. c. 18.—Stat. Theb. 4. v. 223.—Strab. 8.—Virg. G. 3. v. 345.—Ovid. de Art. Am. 2. v. 5.

Amyclus, a statuary. Paus. 10. c. 13. A surname of Apollo.

Amyclas, son of Lacedaemon and Sparta, built the city of Amycle. His sister Eurydice, married Acrisius, king of Argos, by whom she had Danae. Paus. 3. c. 1. c. 7. c. 19. — The master of a ship in which Caesar embarked in disguise. When Amycles wished to put back to avoid a violent storm, Caesar, unveiling his head, discovered himself, and bidding the pilot pursue his voyage, exclaimed: Cesarern vehis, Caesarisque fortunam. Lucan. 5. v. 520.

Amycus, son of Neptune, by Melia, was king of the Bebryces. He was famous for his skill in the management of the cestus, and he challenged all strangers to a trial of strength. When the Argonauts, in their expedition, stopped on his coasts, he treated them with great kindness, and Pollux accepted his challenge, and killed him when he attempted to overcome him by fraud. Apollon. 2.—Argon.—Theocrit. Id. 22.—Apokol. 1. c. 9. — One of the companions of Aeneas. He almost perished in a storm on the coast of Africa. He was killed by Turnus. Virg. Æn. 1. v. 225. l. 9. v. 772.—Another likewise killed by Turnus. Tb. 12. v. 509.—A son of Ixion and the cloud. Ovid. Met. 12. v. 245.

Amydon, a city of Macedonia, which sent auxiliaries to Priam during the Trojan war. Homer. Il. 2.

Anymone, daughter of Danaus and Europa, married Enceladus, son of Aegyptus, whom she murdered the first night of her nuptials. She wounded a satyr with an arrow which she had aimed at a stag. The satyr pursued her, and even offered her violence, but Neptune delivered her. It was said, that she was the only one of her 50 sisters who was not condemned to fill a leaky tub with water in hell, because she had been continually employed, by order of her father, in supplying the city of Argos with water, in a great drought. Neptune saw her in this employment, and was enamoured of her. He carried her away, and, in the place where she stood, he raised a fountain, by striking a rock. The fountain has
A water and rivulet of Peloponnesus, flowing through Argolis into the lake of Lerna. Ovid. Met. 2. v. 240.

Amyntas 1st, was king of Macedonia after his father Alcetas. His son Alexander murdered the ambassadors of Megabyzus, for their wanton and insolent behaviour to the ladies of his father's court. Dubaers, a Persian general, was sent with an army to revenge the death of the ambassadors; but instead of making war, he married the king's daughter, and defended his possessions. Justin. 7. c. 3.

Herodot. 5. 7 & 8. The second of that name was son of Menelaus, and king of Macedonia, after his murder of Pausanias. He was expelled by the Illyrians, and restored by the Thessaliens and Spartans. He made war against the Illyrians and Olyanthians, and lived to a great age. His wife, Eurydice, conspired against his life; but her snares were prudently discovered by one of his daughters by a former wife. He had Alexander, Perdiccas, and Philip, Alexander the Great's father, by his first wife, and by the other he had Archelaus, Arideus, and Menelaus. He reigned 24 years; and soon after his death, his son Philip murdered all his brothers, and ascended the throne. Justin. 7. c. 4 & 9. Dict. 14. &c.
C. Nep. et Plut. in Ptol. There is another king of Macedonia of the same name, but of his life few particulars are recorded in history. A man who succeeded Dejotarius in the kingdom of Gallogrecia. After his death it became a Roman province under Augustus. Strab. 12.

One of Alexander's officers. Another officer who deserted to Darius, and was killed as he attempted to seize Egypt. Curt. 3. c. 9. A son of Antiochus, who withdrew himself from Macedonia, because he hated Alexander. An officer in Alexander's cavalry. He had two brothers, called Simmius and Polemon. He was accused of conspiracy against the king, on account of his great intimacy with Philetas, and acquitted. Curt. 4. c. 15. 1. 6. c. 9. 1. 8. c. 12. A shepherd's name in Virgil's Eclog. A Greek writer who composed several works quoted by Athenus.

Amyntius, an historian in the age of Antinous, who wrote a treatise in commendation of Philip, Olympos, and Alexander.

Amyris, a man of Sybaris, who consulted the oracle of Delphi concerning the probable duration of his country's prosperity, &c.


Amyrius Campus, a plain of Thessaly. Ptole. 5.
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Stephens, with an elegant translation. The best editions of Anacreon are, that of Maittaire, 4to London, 1725, of which only 100 copies were printed, and the very correct one of Barnes, 12mo. Cantab. 1721. Paus. 1, c. 2, 25.—Strab. 14.—Eliaian. V. Hist. 9, c. 4.—Cic. in Tusc. 4, c. 35.—Horat. epod. 14, v. 10.—Plin. 7, c. 7.—Herodot. 3, c. 121.

ANACTORIA and ANACTORIUM, a town of Epirus, in a peninsula towards the gulf of Ambracia. It was founded by a Corinthian colony, and was the cause of many quarrels between the Corcyreans and Corinthians. Augustus carried the inhabitants to the city of Nicopolis, after the battle of Actium. Strab. 10.—Thucyd. 1, c. 55.—Plin. 4, c. 1, 5, c. 29.—An ancient name of Miletus.


ANADYMÈNE, a valuable painting of Venus rising from the sea, by Apelles. Augustus bought it, and placed it in the temple of J. Cæsar. The lower part of it was a little defaced, and there were found no painters in Rome able to repair it. Plin. 35, c. 10.

ANAGNIA, a city of the Hernici in Latium, where Antony struck a medal when he divorced Octavia and married Cleopatra. Verg. Æn. 7, v. 684.—Strab. 5.—Ital. 8, c. 392.

ANACOGIA, a festival, celebrated by the people of Eryx in Sicily, in honour of Venus.

ANAITIS, a goddess of Armenia. The virgins who were consecrated to her service esteemed themselves more dignified by public prostitution. The festivals of the deity are called Saracum Festa; and when they are celebrated, both sexes assist at the ceremony, and inebriate themselves to such a degree, that the whole is concluded by a scene of the greatest lasciviousness and intemperance. They were first instituted by Cyrus, when he marched against the Sace, and covered tables with the most exquisite dainties, that he might detain the enemy by the novelty and sweetness of food to which they were unaccustomed, and thus easily destroy them. Strab. 11.—Diana is also worshipped under this name by the Lydians. Plin. 33, c. 4.

ANAGYRONTUM, a small village of Attica. Herodot.

ANANIAS, an Iambic poet. Athen.

ANAPHE, an island that rose out of the Cretan sea, and received this name from the Argonauts, who, in the middle of a storm, suddenly saw the new moon. Apollo was worshipped there, and called Anaphæus, Apolloius.

ANAPHYLUSTUS, an Athenian tribe called after an ancient hero of the same name, who was son of Troezen.—A small village near Athens.

ANAPUS, a river of Epirus. Thucyd. 2, c. 82.—Of Sicily. Id. 6, c. 96.


ANAS, a river of Spain, now called Guadiana. Strab. 3.

ANATOLE, one of the Horæ. Hygin, fab.
Cleomenes 1st, and Leonidas, was king of Sparta. By order of the Ephori, he divorced his wife, of whom he was extremely fond, on account of her barrenness; and he was the first Lacedaemonian who had two wives. He was also the first poet who introduced intriguers and rakes upon the stage. He was of such a passionate disposition that he tore to pieces all his compositions which met with no success. He composed about a hundred plays, of which ten obtained the prize. Some fragments of his poetry remain in Athenaeus. He was starved to death by order of the Athenians, for satirizing their government. Aristot. 3, Rhet.

Anaxarchus, a philosopher of Abdera, one of the followers of Democritus, and the friend of Alexander. When the monarch had been wounded in a battle, the philosopher pointed to the place, saying, "That is human blood, and not the blood of a god." The freedom of Anaxarchus offended Nicocreon at Alexander's table, and the tyrant, in revenge, seized the philosopher, and pounded him in a stone mortar with iron hammers. He bore this with much resignation, and exclaimed, "Pound the body of Anaxarchus, for thou dost not pound his soul." Upon this, Nicocreon threatened to cut his tongue, and Anaxarchus bit it off with his teeth, and spat it out into the tyrant's face. Ovid. in Jos. v. 571.—Plut. in Symm. 7.—Diog. in Vita.—Cic. in Tusq. c. 22.—A Theban general. Thucyd. 8, c. 100.

Anaxarete, a girl of Salamis, who so arrogantly despised the addresses of Iphis, a youth of ignoble birth, that the lover hung himself at her door. She saw this sad spectacle without emotion or pity, and was changed into a stone. Ovid. Met. 14, v. 748.

Anaxenor, a musician, whom M. Antony greatly honoured, and presented with the tribute of four cities. Strab. 14.

Anaxias, a Theban general. Paus. 2, c. 22.

Anaxibia, a sister of Agamenmon. Paus. 2, c. 29.—A daughter of Bias, brother to the physician Melampus. She married Pelias king of Iolchus, by whom she had Acastus, and four daughters, Pisdice, Pelopea, Hippothoe, and Alceste. Apollod. 1, c. 9. She is called daughter of Dymas, by Hygin. fab. 14.

Anaxiocrates, an Athenian archon. Paus. 10, c. 23.

Anaxidamus, succeeded his father Zeuxidamus on the throne of Sparta. Paus. 3, c. 7, 1, 4, c. 15.

Anaxilas and Anaxilaius, a Messenian, tyrant of Rhegium. He took Zancle, and was so mild and popular during his reign, that when he died, 476 B. C. he left his infant sons to the care of one of his servants, and the citizens chose rather to obey a slave than revolt from their benevolent sovereign's children. Justin. 3, c. 2.—Paus. 4, c. 23, l. 5, c. 26.—Thucyd. 6, c. 5.—Herodot. 6, c. 23, l. 7, c. 167.—A magician of Larissa, banished from Italy by Augustus. A Pythagorean philosopher. A physician. An historian who began his history with bitter invectives against former writers. Dionys. Hal. A Lacedaemonian. Plut. in Alexb. A comic writer, about the 100th Olympiad.

Anaxilides, wrote some treatises concerning philosophers, and mentioned that Plato's mother became pregnant by a phantom of the god Apollo, from which circumstance her son was called the prince of wisdom. Diog. in Plet.

Anaximander, a Milesian philosopher, the companion and disciple of Thales. He was the first who constructed spheres, asserted that the earth was of a cylindrical form, and taught that men were born of earth and water mixed together, and heated by the beams of the sun, that the earth moved, and that the moon received light from the sun. He made the first geographical maps and sun-dials. He died in the 64th year of his age, B. C. 547. Cic. acad. Quest. 4, c. 37.—Diog. in vit. Plin. 2, c. 79. He had a son who bore his name. Strab. 1.

Anaximenes, a philosopher, son of Erasistratus. He was the disciple of Anaximander, and succeeded him in his school. He said that the air was the cause of every created being, and a self-existent divinity, and that the sun, the moon, and the stars, had been made from the earth. He died 504 years B. C. Cic. acad. Quest. 4, c. 57. de Nat. D. 1, c. 10. Plin. 2, c. 76. A native of Lampscus, son of Aristocles. He was pupil to Diogenes the Cynic, and preceptor to Alexander the Great, of whose life, and that of Philip, he wrote the history. When Alexander, in a fit of anger, threatened to put to death all the inhabitants of Lampscus, because they had maintained a long siege against him, Anaximenes was sent by his countrymen to appease the king, who, as soon as he saw him, swore he would not grant the favour he was going to ask. Upon this, Anaximenes begged the king to destroy the city, and enslave the inhabitants, and by this artful request the city of Lamphscus was saved from destruction. Besides the life of Philip and his son, he wrote an history of Greece in 12 books. His nephew bore the same name, and wrote an account of ancient paintings Paus. 6, c. 18.—Val. Max. 7, c. 3.

Anaxipolis, a comic poet of Thasos. Plin. 14, c. 14.—A writer on agriculture, likewise of Thasos.

Anaxippus, a comic writer in the age of Demetrius. He used to say, that philosophers were wise only in their speeches, but fools in their actions. Athen.

Anaxihof, a daughter of Coronus, who married Epeus. Paus. 5, c. 1.

Anaxis, a Bactrian historian, who wrote an history down to the age of Philip son of Amyntas. Diod. 23.

Anaxo, a virgin of Thrace was carried away by Theseus. Plut. in These.—A daughter of Alceus, mother of Alcmena by Electryon.

Anceus, the son of Lycurgus and Antinoe, was in the expedition of the Argonauts. He
was at the chase of the Calydonian boar, in which he perished. *Hygin. fab. 173 & 248.—
*Ovid. Met. 8.—The son of Neptune and Asypalae. He went with the Argonauts, and succeeded Tiphis as pilot of the ship Argo. He reigned in Ionia, where he married Samia, daughter of the Magander, by whom he had four sons, Perilas, Enudas, Samus, Alitherus, and one daughter called Parthenope. *Orpheus Argen. He was once told by one of his servants, whom he pressed with hard labour in his vineyard, that he never would taste the produce of his vines. He had already the cup in his hand, and called the prophet to convince him of his falsehood: when the servant, yet firm in his prediction, uttered this well-known proverb, 
πολλα μεταξ θελε κυλεω και χειλεσ ακρον

*Multa cadunt inter calicem supremaque labra.

And that very moment Anchises was told that a wild boar had entered his vineyard; upon which he threw down the cup, and ran to drive away the wild beast. He was killed in the attempt.

Ancaletes, a people of Britain near the Trinobantes. *Cas. bel. G. 5, c. 21.


Anchari, a family of Rome.—The name of Octavia's mother. *Plut. in Anton.

Ancharius, a noble Roman, killed by the partisans of Marius during his civil wars with Sylla. *Plut. in Marić.

Anchemolus, son of Rhuctus, king of the Marrubii in Italy, ravished his mother-in-law Casperia, for which he was expelled by this father. He fled to Turnus, and was killed by Pallas, son of Evander, in the wars of *Aeneas against the Latins. *Virg. En. 10, v. 399.

Anchesites, a wind which blows from Anchises, a harbour of Epirus. *Cic. ad Attic. 7, ep. 1.—*Dionys. Hal.

Anchiseus, a mountain of Attica, where Jupiter Anchiseus has a statue. 

Anchialae and Anchiala, a city on the sea coasts of Cilicia. Sardanapalus, the last king of Assyria, built it, with Tarsus in its neighbourhood, in one day. *Strab. 14.—*Plin. 5, c. 27.

The founder was buried there, and had a statue, under which was a famous inscription, denoting the great intemperance and dissipation which distinguished all his life. There was a city the same name in Thrace, called by Ovid the city of Apollo. There was another in Epirus. *Ovid. Trist. 1, el. 10, v. 36.—*Plin. 4, c. 11.—*Mela, 2, c. 2.

Anchialus, a famous astrologer.—A great warrior.—One of the Phaeacians. *Homer. Od. 5.—A god of the Jews, as some suppose, in *Martial's epigrams, 11, ep. 93.

Anchimolus, a Sparta general, sent against the Pisistratae, and killed in the expedition, *Herodot. 5, c. 63.—A son of Rhuctus. *Pind. Anchimolus.

Anchinoe, a daughter of Nilus, and wife of Belas. *Apollod. 2, c. 1.


Anchise, a city of Italy. *Dionys. Hal.
of gold existed still in the age of Plutarch. Plut. in Parall.

Ancile and Anycle, a sacred shield, which, according to the Roman authors, fell from heaven in the reign of Numa, when the Roman people laboured under a pestilence. Upon the preservation of this shield depended the fate of the Roman empire, and therefore Numa ordered 11 of the same size and form to be made, that if ever any attempt was made to carry them away, the plunderer might find it difficult to distinguish the true one. They were made with such exactness, that the king promised Vetuerius Mamurius, the artist, whatever reward he desired. [Vid. Mamur.1] They were kept in the temple of Vesta, and were twelve in number; they carried every year, on the first of March, the shields in a solemn procession round the walls of Rome, dancing and singing praises to the god Mars. This sacred festival continued three days; during which every important business was stopped. It was deemed unfortunate to be married on those days, or to undertake any expedition, and Tacitus in 1 Hist. has attributed the unsuccessful campaign of the emperor Otho against Vitellius, to his leaving Rome during the celebration of the Anxiliature festum. These two verses of Ovid explain the origin of the word Ancyle, which is applied to these shields: 

Igque ancyle vocat, quod ab omni parte rectum est,
Quemque notus oculis, angustis omnis abest.


Varro de L. L. 5, c. 6. Val. Mar. 1, c. 1.—


Ancus and Ancina, a town of Picenum, built by the Sicilians, with a harbour in the form of a crescent. Plin. 3, c. 13.—Lazuv. 2, v. 402.—Ital. 8, v. 437.

Ancus Martius, the fourth king of Rome, was grandson to Numa, by his daughter. He waged a successful war against the Latins, Venetians, Fidenates, Volsci, and Sabines, and joined mount Janiculum to the city by a bridge, and enclosed mount Martius and the Aventine within the walls of the city. He extended the confines of the Roman territories to the sea, where he built the town of Ostia, at the mouth of the Tiber. He inherited the valour of Romulus with the moderation of Numa. He died B. C. 616, after a reign of 24 years, and was succeeded by Tarquin the elder. Dionys. Hal. 3, c. 9.—Liv. 1, c. 52, &c.—Flor. 1, c. 4.—Virg. En. 6, v. 815.


Anoa, a city of Africa. Polyb.

Andarata, certain gladiators, who fought blindfolded, whence the proverb, Andabaturum move, to denote rash and inconsiderate measure. Cic. 7, ad fam. ep. 10.

Andania, a city of Arcadia, where Aristomenes was educated. Paus. 4, c. 1, &c. It received its name from a gulf of the same name. Id. 4, 33.

Andecavia, a country of Gaul, near the Taurus and the ocean. Tacit. Ann. 3, c. 41.

Andes, a nation among the Celtae. Cas. 2, bell. Gall. c. 35.—A village of Italy, near Mantus, where Virgil was born—hence Andius. Ital. 8, v. 595.

Andocides, an Athenian orator, son of Leocrates. He lived in the age of Socrates the philosopher, and was intimate with the most illustrious men of his age. He was often banished, but his dexterity always restored him to favour. Plutarch has written his life in 10 Horat. Four of his orations are extant. Andomatis, a river of India, falling into the Ganges. Arrian.

Andra, a town of Phrygia.

Andremon, the father of Thoas. Hygin. fab. 97.—The son-in-law and successor of Ceneus. Apol. 1.

Andragathius, a tyrant, defeated by Gratian, A. D. 383, &c.

Andragathus, a man bribed by Lysimachus to betray his country, &c. Polyen. 4, c. 12.

Andracoras, a man who died a sudden death. Martial. 6, ep. 33.

Andramyle, a king of Lydia, who castigated women, and made use of them as eunuchs. Athen.

Andreas, a statuary of Argos. Paus. 6 c. 16.—A man of Panomum, who wrote an account of all the remarkable events that had happened in Sicily. Athen.—A son of Perneus. Part of Greece was called Andreis after him. Paus. 9, c. 34, &c.


And the river of Troas, falling into the Scamander. Plin. 5, c. 27.

Andriscus, a man who wrote an history of Naxos. Athen. 1.—A worthless person called Pseudophilippus, on account of the likeness of his features to king Philip. He incited the Macedonians to revolt against Rome. He was conquered and led in triumph by Metellus, 152 B. C. Flor. 2, c. 14.

Androbus, a famous painter. Plin. 35, c. 11.

Androcles, a daughter of Antiponus of Thebes. She, with her sister Alcia, sacrificed herself in the service of her country, when the oracle had promised the victory to her countrymen, who were engaged in a war against Orchomenus, if any one of noble birth devoted himself for the glory of his nation. Antiponus refused to do it, and his daughters cheerfully accepted it. They received great honours after death. Hercules, who fought on the side of Thebes, dedicated to them the image of a lion in temple of Diana. Paus. 9, c. 17.

Androcles, a son of Phintas, who reigned in Messenia. Paus. 4, c. 5, &c.—A man who wrote an history of Cyprus.

Androcides, a noble Athenian who defied the democratical, against the encroachments of the oligarchical power. He was killed by one of his enemies. —A sophist in the age of
Aurelian, who gave an account of philosophers.

Androcles, a son of Codrus, who reigned in Ionia, and took Ephesus and Samos. Paus, 7, c. 2.

Androcides, a physician, who wrote the following letter to Alexander: — Vinum potaturus, Rex, mememento te ibere sangunem terram, scuti venenum est homini cincta, iste est vinum. Pln. 14, c. 3.

Andromamus, a man of Rhgium, who gave laws to the Thracians. Aristot.

Androgios, a Greek, killed by Xeneas and his friends, whom he took to be his countrymen. Virg. En. 2, v. 371.

Androgus, son of Minos and Pasiphae, was famous for his skill in wrestling. He overcame every antagonist at Athens, and became the favourite of the people. Aegeus king of Athens grew jealous of his popularity, and caused him to be assassinated as he was going to Thebes. Some say that he was killed by the wild bull of Marathon. Minos declared war against Athens to revenge the death of his son, and peace was at last re-established on condition that Aegeus sent yearly seven boys and seven girls from Athens to Crete to be devoured by the minotaur. [Vid. Minotauros.] The Athenians established festivals by order of Minos, in honour of his son, and called them Androgenia. Hygin. fab. 41. — Dion. 4. — Virg. En. 6, v. 20. — Paus. 1 c. 1 & 27. — Apollod. 2. c. 3, l. 3, c. 15. & c. Philt. in. Thes.

Androgynyx, a nation of Africa, beyond the Nasamones. Every one of them bears the characteristics of the male and female sex; and one of their breasts is that of a man, and the other that of a woman. Pln. 7, c. 2.

Andromache, daughter of Eetion, king of Thebes in Cilicia, married Hector son of Priam king of Troy, by whom she had Astyanax. She was so fond of her husband that she even fed his horses with her own hand. During the Trojan war she remained at home employed in her domestic concerns. Her parting with Hector, who was going to a battle, in which he perished, has always been deemed the best, most tender and pathetic of all the passages in Homer's Iliad. She received the news of her husband's death with extreme sorrow; and after the taking of Troy, she had the misfortune to see her only son Astyanax, after she had saved him from the flames, thrown headlong from the walls of the city, by the hands of the man whose father had killed her husband. [Senec. in Troad.] Andromache, in the division of the prisoners by the Greeks, fell to the share of Neoptolemus, who treated her as his wife, and carried her to Epirus. He had by her three sons, Molossus, Pileus, and Pergamus, and afterwards repudiated her. After this divorce she married Helenus son of Priam, who, as herself, was a captive of Pyrrhus. She reigned with him over part of the country, and became mother by him of Cestrinus. Some say that Astyanax was killed by Ulysses, and Euripides says that Menelaus put him to death. Homer II. 6, 22 & 24.— Q Cato I. — Virg. En. 3, v. 486. — Hygin. fab. 123

Andromachis, a nation who presented to their king all the virgins who were of noble years, and permitted him to use them as he pleased.

Andromachus, an opulent person of Sicily, father to the historian Timaeus. Diod. He assisted Timoleon in recovering the liberty of the Syracusans. — A general of Alexander, to whom Parmenio gave the government of Syria. He was burnt alive by the Samaritans Curt. 4. c. 2 & 8. — An officer of Seleucus the younger Polyan. 4. — A poet of Byzantium. — A physician of Crete, in the age of Nero. — A sophost of Naples, in the age of Dioclesian.

Andromadas, a native of Rhgium, who made laws for the Thracians concerning the punishment of homicide, &c. Aristot.

Andromeda, a daughter of Cepheus king of Ethiopia, by Cassiope. She was promised in marriage to Phineus, her uncle, when Neutone drowned the kingdom, and sent a sea monster to ravage the country, because Cassiope had boasted herself fairer than Juno and the Nereides. The oracle of Jupiter Ammon was consulted, and nothing could stop the resentment of Neptune, if Andromeda was not exposed to the sea monster. She was accordingly tied naked on a rock, and at the moment that the monster was going to devour her, Perseus, who returned through the air from the conquest of the Gorgons, saw her, and was captivated with her beauty. He promised to deliver her and destroy the monster, if he received her in marriage as a reward for his trouble. Cepheus consented, and Perseus changed the sea monster into a rock, by shewing him Medusa's head, and united Andromeda and married her. He had by her many children, among whom were Sthenelus, Acheseus, and Electryon. The marriage of Andromeda with Perseus was opposed by Phineus, who after a bloody battle was changed into a stone by Perseus. Some say that Minerva made Andromeda a constellation in heaven after her death. [Vid. Medusa, Perseus.] Hygin. fab. 64. — Cic. de Nat. D. 2. c. 43. — Apollod. 2. c. 4. — Pliny, 5. v. 333. — Propert. 3, el. 21. — According to Pliny, 1, 5, c. 31, it was at Joppa in Judea that Andromeda was tied on a rock. He mentions that the skeleton of the huge sea monster, to whom she had been exposed, was brought to Rome by Scaurus, and carefully preserved. The fable of Andromeda and the sea monster has been explained, by supposing that she was courted by the captain of a ship, who attempted to carry her away, but was prevented by the interposition of another more faithful lover.

Andron, an Argive, who travelled all over the deserts of Lybia without drink. Aristot. 1. de oebiet. — A man set over the citadel of Syracuse by Dionysius. Hermocrates advised him to seize it and revolt from the tyrant, which he refused to do. The tyrant put him to death for not discovering that Hermocrates had incited him to rebellion Polyan. 5, c. 2. — A man

Andronicus Livius. Vid. Livius. Andronicus, a peripatetic philosopher of Rhodes, who flourished 59 years B.C. He was the first who published and revised the works of Aristotle and Theophrastus. His periphrasis is extant, the best edition of which is that of Hein- sius, 8vo. L. Bat. 1617. Plut. in Syll.—A Latin poet in the age of Caesar.—A Latin grammarian, whose life Suetonius has written. —A king of Lydia, surnamed Alypus.

One of Alexander's officers. One of the officers of Antiochus Epiphanes.—An astronomer of Athens, who built a marble octagonal tower in honour of the eight principal winds, on the top of which was placed a Triton with a stick in his hand, pointing always to the side whence the wind blew.

Androphagi, a savage nation of European Scythia. Herodot. 4, c. 18, 102.

Androponesus, a Theban who killed Xanthus in single combat by fraud. Paus. 2, c. 18.

Andros, an island in the Egean sea, known by the different names of Epagris, Antandros, Lasia, Cauros, Hydusea, Nonagria. Its chief town was called Andros. It had a harbour, near which Bacchus had a temple, with a fountain, whose waters during the idea of January tasted like wine. It received the name of Andros from Andros the son of Anius, one of its kings. Andros lived in the time of the Trojan war. Ovid. Met. 13, v. 649.—Virg.Æn. 3, v. 80. Jun. 5, v. 70.—Plin. 2, c. 103.—Mela, 1 & 2.

Androsthenes, one of Alexander's generals, sent with a ship on the coast of Arabia. Arrian, 7, c. 10.—Strab. 16.—A governor of Thessal. Diony. 7, c. 80.—A statuary of Thebes. Paus. 10, c. 19.—A geographer in the age of Alexander.

Androtiron, a Greek, who wrote a history of Attica, and a treatise on agriculture. Plin. 

—Paus. 10, c. 8.

Anelontis, a river near Colophon. Paus. 8, c. 28.

Anestus, a king of Gaul.

Anemolia, a city of Phocis, afterwards called Byamplus. Strab.

Anemostus, a village of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 35.

Anioniumus and Anaxius, two wealthy brothers, who neglected all their possessions to save the love of their aged parents from the consuming lava which followed an eruption of Etna; the fire, adds the fabulous history, spared them, while it consumed others by their side. Strab.—Arat.

Angelia, a daughter of Mercury.

Angelion, a statuary, who made Apollo's statue at Delphi. Paus. 2, c. 32.

Angelus, a son of Neptune, born in Chios, of a nymph whose name is unknown. Paus. 7, c. 9.

Angifae, a river of Thrace, falling into the Strymon. Herodot. 7, c. 113.

Angi, a people of Germany at the north of the Elbe. Tacit.

Angrius, a river of Illyrium, flowing in a northern direction. Herodot. 4, c. 49.

Anguita, a wood in the country of the Marsi, between the lake Fucinus and Alba. Serpents, it is said, could not injure the inhabitants, because they were descended from Circe, whose power over these venomous creatures has been much celebrated. Sil. 8.—Verg. Æn. 7, v. 759.

Ania, a Roman widow, celebrated for her beauty. One of her friends advised her to marry again; No, said she, if I marry a man as affectionate as my first husband, I shall be apprehensive for his death; and if he is bad, why have him, after such a kind and indulgent one?

Anicetus, a son of Hercules by Bebe, the goddess of youth. Apollod. 2.—A freedman who directed the education of Nero, and became the instrument of his crimes. Suet. in Ner.

Anicia, a family at Rome, which, in the flourishing times of the republic, produced many brave and illustrious citizens.—A relation of Atticus. C. Nepos.


Anicius Gallus triumphed over the Illyrians and their king Gentius, and was proprietor of Rome, A. U. C. 583.—A consul with Corn. Cethegus, A. U. C. 592.—Probus, a Roman consul in the fourth century, famous for his humanity.

Anigrus, a river of Thessaly, where the Cen- taurz washed the wounds which they had received from Hercules, and made the waters unwholesome. Ovid. Met. 15, v. 281. The nymphs of this river are called Amigrides. Paus. 5, c. 6.

Ang and Anien, a river of Italy, flowing through the country of Tybur, and falling into the river Tiber, about five miles at the north of Rome. It receives its name, as some suppose, from Anius, a king of Etruria, who drowned himself there when he could not recover his daughter, who had been carried away. Stat. 1. Syl. 3, v. 20.—Virg. Æn. 7, v. 663.—Strab. 5.

—Horat. 1, od. 7, v. 13.—Plut. de fort Rom.

Anigrus, a city of Spain, near which a battle was fought between Asdrubal and the Scipios. Liv. 25, c. 33.

Anius, son of Apollo and Rhea, was king of Delos, and father of Andros. He had by Do- rippe three daughters, Oeno, Spermo, and Elais, to whom Bacchus had given the power of changing whatever they pleased into wine, corn, and oil. When Agamemnon went to the Tro- jan war, he wished to carry them with him to supply his army with provisions; but they com- plained to Bacchus, who changed them into doves. Ovid. Met. 13, v. 642.—Dionys. Hal. 1.

—Diod. 5.—Verg. Æn. 3, v. 80.

Anna, a goddess, in whose honour the Ro- mans have instituted festivals. She was, ac- cording to some, Anna the daughter of Belus
and sister of Dido, who, after her sister's death, fled from Carthage, which Jarbus had besieged, and came to Italy, where Æneas met her, as he walked on the banks of the Tiber, and gave her an honourable reception, for the kindnesses she had shewn him when he was at Carthage. Lavinia, the wife of Æneas, was jealous of the tender treatment which was shewn to Anna, and meditated her ruin. Anna was apprized of this by her sister in a dream, and she fled to the river Numicus, of which she became a deity, and ordered the inhabitants of the country to call her Anna Perenna, because she would remain for ever under the waters. Her festivals were performed with many rejoicings, and the females often, in the midst of their cheerfulness, forgot their natural decency. They were introduced into Rome, and celebrated the 15th of March. The Romans generally sacrificed to her, to obtain a long and happy life: and hence the words Annare et Pen- nare. Some have supposed Anna to be the moon, quia mensibus implicit annum; others call her Themis, or Io, the daughter of Inachus, and sometimes Maia. Another more received opinion maintains, that Anna was an old industrious woman of Boville, who, when the Roman populace had fled from the city to mount Sacer, brought them cakes every day; for which kind treatment the Romans, when the peace was re-established, decreed immortal honours to her whom they called Perenna, ab perennitate cultus, and who, as they supposed, was become one of their deities. Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 653, &c.—Sil. 8, v. 79.—Virg. En. 4, v. 9, 20, 421, &c.

Anna Commena, a princess of Constantinople, known to the world for the Greek history which she wrote of her father Alexius emperor of the east. The character of this history is not very high either for authenticity or beauty of composition; the historian is lost in the daughter; and instead of simplicity of style and narrative, as Gibbon says, an elaborate affectation of rhetoric and science betrays in every page the vanity of a female author. The best edition of Anna Commena, is that of Paris, folio, 1651.

Annælas, a chronological history which gives an account of all the important events of every year in a state, without entering into the causes which produced them. The annals of Tacitus may be considered in this light. In the first ages of Rome, the writing of the annals was on of the duties and privileges of the high-priest; whence they have been called Annælas Maximi, from the priest Pontifex Maximus, who consecrated them, and gave them as truly genuine and authentic.

Annælas lex settled the age at which, among the Romans, a citizen could be admitted to exercise the offices of the state. This law originated in Athens, and was introduced in Rome. No man could be a knight before 18 years of age, nor be invested with the consular power before he had arrived at his 25th year.

Annænas, a poet in the age of Trajan.

Annibal, a celebrated Carthaginian general, son of Amilcar. He was educated in his father's camp, and inured from his early years to the labours of the field. He passed into Spain when nine years old, and at the request of his father, took a solemn oath he never would be at peace with the Romans. After his father's death, he was appointed over the cavalry in Spain; and some time after, upon the death of Asdrubal, he was invested with the command of all the armies of Carthage, though not yet in the 25th year of his age. In three years of continual success, he subdued all the nations of Spain which opposed the Carthaginian power, and took Saguntum after a siege of eight months. This city was in alliance with the Romans, and its fall was the cause of the second Punic war, which Annibal prepared to support with all the courage and prudence of a consummate general. He levied three large armies, one of which he sent to Africa, he left another in Spain, and marched at the head of the third towards Italy. This army some have calculated at 20,000 foot and 6,000 horse, others say it consisted of 100,000 foot and 20,000 horse. Liv. 21, c. 38. He came to the Alps, which were deemed almost inaccessible, and had never been passed over before him but by Hercules, and after much trouble gained the top in nine days. He conquered the uncivilized inhabitants that opposed his passage, and after the amazing loss of 30,000 men, made his way so easy, by softening the rocks with fire and vinegar, that even his armed elephants descended the mountains without danger or difficulty, where a man without his arms could not walk before in safety. He was opposed by the Romans as soon as he entered Italy; and after he had defeated P. Corn. Scipio and Sempronius near the Rhone, the Po, and the Trebia, he crossed the Apenines, and invaded Etruria. He defeated the army of the consul Flaminius near the lake Trasimensus, and soon after met the two consuls C. Terentius and L. Ämilius at Cannæ. His army consisted of 40,000 foot and 10,000 horse, when he engaged the Romans at the celebrated battle of Cannæ. The slaughter was so great, that no less than 40,000 Romans were killed, and the conqueror made a bridge with the dead carcasses; and as a sign of his victory, he sent to Carthage three busses of gold rings which had been taken from 5630 Roman knights slain in the battle. Had Annibal, immediately after the battle, marched his army to the gates of Rome, it must have yielded amidst the general consternation, if we believe the opinions of some writers; but his delay gave the enemy spirit and boldness, and when at last he approached the walls, he was informed that the piece of ground on which his army then stood, was selling at a high price in the Roman forum. After hovering for some time round the city, he retired to Capua, where the Carthaginian soldiers soon forgot to conquer in the pleasures and riot of this luxurious city. From that circumstance it has been said, and with propriety, that Capua was a Cannæ to Annibal. After the battle of Cannæ the Romans became more cautious, and when the dictator Fabius Maximus had defied the affranch as well as the valor of Annibal, they began to look for better times. Marcellus,
who succeeded Fabius in the field, first taught the Romans that Annibal was not invincible. After many important debates in the senate, it was decreed, that war should be carried into Africa, to remove Annibal from the gates of Rome, and Scipio, who was the first proposer of the plan, was empowered to put it into execution. When Carthage saw the enemy on her coasts, she recalled Annibal from Italy; and that great general is said to have left, with tears in his eyes, a country, which during sixteen years he had kept under continual alarms, and which he could almost call his own. He and Scipio met near Carthage, and after a parley, in which neither would give the preference to his enemy, they determined to come to a general engagement. The battle was fought near Zama: Scipio made a great slaughter of the enemy; 20,000 were killed, and the same number made prisoners. Annibal, after he had lost the day, fled to Adrumetum. Soon after this decisive battle, the Romans granted peace to Carthage, on hard conditions; and afterwards Annibal, who was jealous and apprehensive of the Roman power, fled to Syria, to king Antiochus, whom he advised to make war against Rome, and lead an army into the heart of Italy. Antiochus distrusted the fidelity of Annibal, and was conquered by the Romans, who granted him peace on the condition of his delivering their mortal enemy into their hands. Annibal, who was apprized of this, left the court of Antiochus and fled to Prusias, king of Bithynia. He encouraged him to declare war against Rome, and even assisted him in weakening the power of Eumenes, king of Pergamus, who was in alliance with the Romans. The senate received intelligence that Annibal was in Bithynia, and immediately sent ambassadors, among whom was L. Q. Flaminius, to demand him of Prusias. The king was unwilling to betray Annibal, and violate the laws of hospitality, and at the same time, he dreaded the power of Rome; but Annibal extricated him from his embarrassment, and when he heard that his house was besieged on every side, and every means of escape fruitless, he took a dose of poison, which he always carried with him in a ring on his finger, and as he breathed his last, he exclaimed, S. domus diviturna cura popularum Romanum, quando mortem semis expectare longum censet. He died in his 70th year, according to some, about 182 years B. C. That year was famous for the death of the three greatest generals of the age, Annibal, Scipio, and Philipomen. The death of that great man was the cause of great rejoicing in Rome; he had always been a professed enemy to the Roman name, and ever endeavoured to destroy its power. If he shone in the field, he also distinguished himself by his studies. He was taught the Greek by Sosius the Lacedemonian, and he even wrote some books in Greek on different subjects. It is remarkable, that the life of Annibal, whom the Romans wished so many times to destroy by perjury, was never attempted by any of his soldiers or countrymen. He made himself as conspicuous in the government of the state, as at the head of armies; and though his enemies reproached him with the rudeness of laughing in the Carthaginian senate, while every senator was bathed in tears for the misfortunes of their country, Annibal defended himself by saying, that he, who had been bred all his life in a camp, ought to be dispensed with all the more polished feelings of a capital. He was so apprehensive for his safety, that when he was in Bithynia, his house was fortified like a castle, and on every side there were secret doors which could give immediate escape if his life was ever attempted. When he quitted Italy, and embarked on board a vessel for Africa, he so strongly suspected the fidelity of his pilot, who told him that the lofty mountain which appeared at a distance was a promontory of Sicily, that he killed him on the spot; and when he was convinced of his fatal error, he gave a magnificent burial to the man whom he had so falsely murdered, and called the promontory by his name. The labours which he sustained, and the inclemency of the weather to which he exposed himself in crossing the Alps, so weakened one of his eyes, that he ever after lost the use of it. The Romans have celebrated the humanity of Annibal, who, after the battle of Canna, sought the body of the Roman consul amidst the heaps of slain, and honoured it with a funeral which became a general. He performed the same friendly offices to the remains of Marcellus and Timostratus, who had fallen in battle. He often blamed the unsettled measures of his country; and when the enemy had thrown into his camp the head of his brother Asdrubal, whom the Romans had conquered as he came from Spain with a reinforcement into Italy, Annibal said that the Carthaginian arms would no longer meet with their usual success. Juvenal, in speaking of Annibal, observes, that the ring which caused his death made a due atonement to the Romans for the many thousand rings which had been sent to Carthage from the battle of Canna. Annibal, when in Spain, married a woman of Castulo. The Romans entertained such a high opinion of him as a commander, that Scipio, who conquered him, calls him the greatest general that ever lived, and gives the second rank to Pyrrhus the Epirus, and places himself the next to these in merit and abilities. It is plain that the failure of Annibal's expedition in Italy, did not arise from his neglect, but from that of his countrymen, who gave him no assistance; far from imitating their enemies of Rome, who even raised in one year 18 legions to oppose the formidable Carthaginian. Livy has painted the character of Annibal like an enemy, and it is much to be lamented that a great historian has witheld the tribute due to the merits and virtues of the greatest general. C. Nep. in vitia.—Liv. 21, 22, &c.—Plut. in Flamin. &c.—Justin. 32, c. 4.—Sil. Ital. 1, &c.—Appian.—Florus 2 & 3.—Polyb.—Diod.—Juv. 10, v. 139, &c.—Pat. Mar.—Horat. 4, Od. 4, Epod. 16.—The son of the great Annibal, was sent by Himilco to Lilybaeum, which was besieged by the Romans, to keep the Sicilians in their duty. Polyb. 1.—A Carthaginian general.
son of Asdrubal, commonly called of Rhodes, above 160 years before the birth of the great Annibal. Justin. 19, c. 2.—Xenoph. Hist. Græc. —A son of Giscon, and grandson of Amilcar, sent by the Carthaginians to the assistance of Ægisia, a town of Sicily. He was overpowered by Hemocrates, an exiled Syracusan. Justin. 22 & 23.—A Carthaginian, surnamed Senior. He was conquered by the consul, C. Sulpiet. Paterculus, in Sardinia, and hung on a cross by his countrymen for his ill success.

Anniceris, an excellent charioteer of Cyrene, who exhibited his skill in driving a chariot before Plato and the academy. Ellan. V. H. 2, c. 27.—A disciple of Aristippus, who freed Plato from captivity, and was founder of a sect at Cyrene. Diog. in Plat. & Arisip.

Annius Scapula, a Roman of great dignity, put to death for conspiring against Cæsius, Hirt. Aler. 55.

Annon and Hanno, a Carthaginian general conquered in Spain by Scipio, and sent to Rome. He was son of Bomilcar, whom Anniball sent privately over the Rhone to conquer the Gauls. Liv. 21, c. 27.

Annon, a Carthaginian who taught birds to sing "Ann on is a god," after which he restored them to their native liberty; but the birds lost with their slavery what they had been taught. Ellan. V. H. ult. lib. c. 30.—A Carthaginian who wrote, in the Punic language, the account of a voyage he had made round Africa. This book was translated into Greek.

Another, banished from Carthage for taming a lion for his own amusement, which was interpreted as if he wished to aspire to sovereign power. Plut. 8, c. 16. This name has been common to many Carthaginians who have signalized themselves among their countrymen during the Punic wars against Rome, and in their wars against the Sicilians. Liv. 26, 27, &c.

Anopha, a mountain and road near the river Asopus. Herodot. 7, v. 216.

Anser, a Roman poet, whom Ovid, Trist. 3, el. 1, v. 425, calls bold and impertinent.


Antea, the wife of Proteus. Homer. II. —A goddess worshipped by the inhabitants of Antium.

Anteas, a king of Scythia, who said that the neighing of a horse was far preferable to the music of Ismenias, a famous musician who had been taken captive. Plut.

Anteus, a giant of Libya, son of Terra and Neptune. He was so strong in wrestling, that he boasted he would erect a temple to his father with the skulls of his conquered antagonists. Hercules attacked him, and as he received new strength from his mother as often as he touched the ground, the hero lifted him up in the air, and squeezed him to death in his arms. Lucan. 4, v. 598.—Stat. 6. Theb. v. 893.—Plur. 3, v. 88.—A servant of Atticus. Cic. ad Atti. 13, ep. 44.—A friend of Turnus, killed by Æneas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 561.

Antaguras, a man of Cos. Paus. 3, c. 5.

A Rhodian poet, much admired by Antoninus, Id. 1, c. 2. One day as he was cooking some fish, the king asked him whether Homer ever dressed any meals when he was recording the actions of Agamemnon! And do you think, replied the poet, that he οὐ λαθεῖν εὐπτωματαί καὶ τοσσα μεθέλη, ever inquired whether any individual dressed fish in his army! Plut. Symp. & Apoph.

Antæclidas of Sparta, son of Leon, was sent into Persia, where he made a peace with Artaxerxes very disadvantageous to his country, by which, B. C. 337, the Greek cities of Asia became tributary to the Persian monarch. Paus. 9, c. 1, &c.—Diod. 14.—Plut. in Artax.

Antander, a general of Messenia, against the Spartans. Paus. 4, c. 7.—A brother of Agathocles, tyrant of Sicily, Justin. 22, c. 7.

Antanderos, a city of Troas, inhabited by the Leleges, near which Æneas built his fleet after the destruction of Troy. It has been called Eodon, Cimmeris, Assos, and Apollonia. There is a hill in its neighbourhood called Alexandria, where Paris sat, as some suppose when the three rival goddesses appeared before him when contending for the prize of beauty. Strab. 13.—Virg. Æn. 3, v. 6.—Meda, 1, c. 18.

Antebrogius, an ambassador to Caesar from the Rhum, a nation of Gaul. Cas. bell. Gall 2, c. 3.

Antius Publicius was appointed over Syria by Nero. He was accused of sedition and conspiracy, and drank poison, which operating slowly, obliged him to open his veins. Tacit. Ann. 13, &c.


Antenor, a Trojan prince related to Priam. It is said that during the Trojan war, he always kept a secret correspondence with the Greeks, and chiefly with Menelaus and Ulysses. In the council of Priam, Homer introduces him as advising the Trojans to restore Helen, and conclude the war. He advised Ulysses to carry away the Trojan palladium, and encouraged the Greeks to make the wooden horse, which, at his persuasion, was brought into the city of Troy by a breach made in the walls. Æneas has been accused of being a partner of his guilt; and the night that Troy was taken, they had a number of Greeks stationed at the doors of their houses to protect them from harm. After the destruction of his country, Antenor migrated to Italy, near the Adriatic, where he built the town of Padua. His children were also concerned in the Trojan war, and displayed much valour against the Greeks. Their names were Polybius, Acamas, Agenor, and according to others, Polydamas and Heliacus. Liv. 1, c. 1.—Plin. 3, c. 13.—Virg. Æn. 1, v. 242.—Tacit. 16, c. 21.—Homer. II. 3, 7, 8, 11.—Ovid. Met. 13.—Dietys Cret. 5.—Dares Phryg. 6.—Strab. 13.—Dionys. Hal. 1.—Paus. 10, c. 27.—A statuary. Paus.—A Cretan who wrote an history of his country. Elian.

Antenorides, a patronymic given to the
three sons of Antenor, all killed during the Trojan war. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 484.

Antéros, (ἀντι ἐρως, against love) a son of Mars and Venus. He was not, as the derivation of his name implies, a deity that presided over an opposition to love, but he was the god of mutual love and of mutual tenderness. Venus had complained to Themis, that her son Cupid always continued a child, and was told, that if he had another brother, he would grow up in a short space of time. As soon as Anteros was born, Cupid felt his strength increase, and his wings enlarge; but if ever his brother was at a distance from him, he found himself reduced to his ancient shape. From this circumstance it is seen, that return of passion gives vigour to love. Anteros had a temple at Athens raised to his honour, when Meles had experienced the coldness and disdain of Timagoras, whom he passionately esteemed, and for whom he had killed himself. [Vid. Meles.] Cupid and Anteros are often represented striving to seize a palm-tree from one another, to teach us that true love always endeavours to overcome by kindness and gratitude. They were always painted in the Greek academies, to inform the scholars that it is their immediate duty to be grateful to their teachers, and to reward their troubles with love and reverence. Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 23.—Paus. 1, c. 30. l. 6, c. 23.—A grammarian of Alexandria, in the age of the emperor Claudius.—A freedman of Atticus.

Antéa, a town of Achaia. Paus. 7, c. 18.—Of Messenian. Id. 4, c. 31.—Of Terezene. Id. 2, c. 30.

Anteas, a son of Eumelus, killed in attempting to sow corn from the chariot of Triptolemus drawn by dragons. Paus. 7, c. 13.

Antédon, a city of Boetia, which receives its name from the flowery plains that surround it, or Antedon, a certain nymph. Paus. 7, c. 10. l. 9, c. 22.—It was formerly inhabited by Thracians. Homer. II. 2.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 905.—A port of Peloponnesus. Plin. 4, c. 5.—Stat. 9, v. 291.

Antéla, a town near the Asopus. Ceres and Amphicyton had a temple in its neighbourhood. Herodot. 7, c. 176.

Antémis, an island in the Mediterranean, the same as the Ionian Samos. Strab. 10.

Antémon, a Trojan. Homer. II. 4.

Antémus, a city of Macedonia at Thermæ. —A city of Syria. Strab.

Antémusia, the same as Samos.—A city of Mesopotamia. Strab.

Anténe, a town of Peloponnesus. Thucyd. 3, c. 41.

Antémor, a Chian sculptor, son of Miciades, and grandson to Malas. He and his brother Bupalus made a statue of the poet Hippoxyn, which caused universal laughter, on account of the deformity of its countenance. The poet was so incensed upon this, and inveighed with so much bitterness against the statues, that they hung themselves. Plin. 36, c. 5.

Anthes, a native of Anthedon, who first invented hymns. Plut. de Mus.—A son of Neptune.

Antéosphor, festivals celebrated in Sicily in honour of Poseiphen, who was carried away by Pluto as she was gathering flowers. Claudian de Rapt. Pros.—Festivals of the same name were also observed at Argos, in honour of Juno, who was called Antheia. Paus. Corinth.—Pollux. Onom. 1, c. 1.

Antésteria, festivals in honour of Bacchus among the Greeks. They were celebrated in the month of February, called Anthesterion, whence the name is derived. They continued three days. The first day was called Πυθνακα, απο του πυθος ρεβειν, because they topped their barrels of liquor. The second day was called Χοες, from the measure χος, because every individual drank of his own vessel, in commemoration of the arrival of Orestes, who, after the murder of his mother, came, without being purified, to Demophoon, or Pandion, king of Athens, and was obliged with all the Athenians to drink by himself, for fear of polluting the people by drinking with them before he was purified of the parricide. It was usual on that day, to ride out in chariots, and ridicule those that passed by. The best drinker was rewarded with a crown of leaves, or rather of gold, and with a cask of wine. The third day was called χυρως, from χυρως, a vessel brought out full of all sorts of seeds and herbs, deemed sacred to Mercury, and therefore not touched. The slaves had the permission of being merry and free during these festivals and at the end of the solemnity a herald proclaimed, Θυριστατης, Καρπες, οι οι κατ' αυστηρον i. e. Depart, ye Carian slaves, the festivals are at an end. Elian. V. H. 2, c. 41.

Antéus, a son of Antenor, much esteemed by Paris.—One of the companions of Antaeas. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 514.

Anthia, a sister of Priam, seized by the Greeks. She compelled the people of Pallene to burn their ships, and build Sicane. Polyan. 7, c. 47.—A town. Vid. Anthia.—A daughter of Thespis, mistress to Hercules. Apollod. 2, c. 7.


Anthium, a town of Thrace. Afterwards called Apollonia. Plin. 4, c. 11.—A city of Italy.

Anthius, (florwey), a name of Bacchus worshipped at Athens. He had also a statue at Patra.

Antho, a daughter of Amulius, king of Alba.

Anthophere, a companion of Hercules, who followed Evander, and settled in Italy. He was killed in the war of Turnus against Aeneas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 778.

Anthracia, a nymph. Paus. 8, c. 31.

Anthropinous, Tarsichus, and Diocles three persons who laid snares for Agathocles tyrant of Sicily. Polyan. 5, c. 3.

Anthropophagi, a people of Scythia that fed on human flesh. They lived near the country of the Messagetae. Plin. 4, c. 12. l. 6 c. 30.—Mela, 2, c. 1.
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ANTHylla, a city of Egypt, on the Canopic month of the Nile. It maintained the queens of the country in shoes, or, according to Athenæus, 1. in girldes. Herodot. 2. c. 98.

Antilla was made for the suppression of luxury at Rome. Its particulars are not known. The executor was Antius Rentio, who afterwards never supped abroad for fear of being himself a witness of the profusion and extravagance which his law meant to destroy, but without effect. Macrob. 3. c. 17.

Antianira, the mother of Echion.

Antias, the goddess of fortune, chiefly worshipped at Antium.—A poet. [Vid. Furius.]

Anticlea, a daughter of Antolyeus and Amphithena. Her father, who was a famous robber, permitted Sisyphus, son of Æolus, to enjoy the favours of his daughter, and Anticlea was really pregnant of Ulysses when she married Laertes king of Ithaca. Laertes was nevertheless the reputed father of Ulysses. Ulysses is reproached by Ajax in Ovid. Met. as being the son of Sisyphus. It is said that Anticlea killed herself when she heard a false report of her son’s death. Homer. Od. 11, 19. —Hygin. fab. 201, 243.—Paus. 10. c. 29.—A woman who had Periphetes by Vulcan. Apollod. 3.—A daughter of Diocles, who married Machaon the son of Æsculapius, by whom she had Nicomachus and Gorgasus. Paus. 4. c. 30.

Anticles, an Athenian archon.—A man who conspired against Alexander with Hermolaus. Curt. 3. c. 6.—An Athenian victor at Olympia.

Anticleus, a Greek historian, whose works are now lost. They are often quoted by Athenaeus and Plut. in Alex.

Antigræus, a mountain of Lydia, opposite mount Cragus. Strab. 4.

Antigrates, a Spartan, who stabbed Epaminondas, the Theban general, at the battle of Mantinea. Plut. in Ages.

Anticyra, two towns of Greece, the one in Phocis, and the other near mount Oeta, both famous for the heliobore which they produced. This plant was of infinite service to cure diseases, and particularly insanity; hence the proverb Navigat Anticyram. The Anticyra of Phocis was anciently called Cyprissia. It had a temple of Neptune, who was represented holding a trident in one hand, and resting the other on his side, with one of his feet on a dolphin. Some writers, especially Horace (Art. P. 300), speak of three islands of this name, but this seems to be a mistake. Paus. 10. c. 36.—Horat. 2. Sat. 3. v. 166. De Art. P. 300.—Persius, 4. v. 16.—Strab. 9.—Mela, 2. c. 3.—Ovid. Pont. 4. ep. 3. v. 53. —A mistress of Demetrius. Plut. in Demet.

Antidotus, an excellent painter, pupil of Empyranus. Plin. 35. c. 11.

Antidotus, a warlike soldier of king Philip at the siege of Perinthus.

Antigenes, one of Alexander’s generals, publicly rewarded for his valour. Curt. 5. c. 14.

Antigenidas, a famous musician of Thebes, disciple to Philoxenus. He taught his papi.

Ismenias to despise the judgment of the populace. Cic. in Brut.

Antigonia, daughter of Berenicus, was wife to king Pyrrhus. Plut. in Pyrrh.

Antigone, a daughter of Cadmus, king of Thebes, by his mother Jocasta. She buried by night her brother Polynices, against the positive orders of Creon, who, when he heard of it, ordered her to be buried alive. She however killed herself before the sentence was executed; and Hermon, the king’s son, who was passionately fond of her, and had not been able to obtain her pardon, killed himself on her grave. The death of Antigone is the subject of one of the tragedies of Sophocles. The Athenians were so pleased with it at the first representation, that they presented the author with the government of Samos. This tragedy was represented 32 times at Athens without interruption. Sophoc. in Antig.—Hygin. fab. 67, 72, 243, 254.—Apollod. 3. c. 5.—Ovid. Trist. 3. el. 3.—Philostrat. 2. c. 29.—Stat. Theb. 12.—A daughter of Eurytion king of Phthia in Thessaly. Apollod.—A daughter of Laomedon. She was the sister of Priam, and was changed into a stork for comparing herself to Juno. Ovid. Met. 6, v. 93.

Antigonia, an inland town of Epirus. Plin. 4. c. 1.—One of Macedonia, founded by Antigonus, son of Gatanus. Id. 4. c. 10.—One in Syria on the borders of the Orontas. Strab. 16.—Another in Bithynia, called also Nicara. Id. 12.—Another in Arcadia, anciently called Mantinea. Paus. 8. c. 8.—One of Tros in Asia Minor. Strab. 13.

Antigonus, one of Alexander’s generals, universally supposed to be the illegitimate son of Philip, Alexander’s father. In the division of the provinces after the king’s death, he received Pamphylia, Lycia, and Phrygia. He united with Antipater and Ptolemy, to destroy Perdiccas and Eumenes; and after the death of Perdiccas, he made continual war against Eumenes, whom, after three years of various fortune, he took prisoner, and ordered to be starved. He afterwards declared war against Cassander, whom he conquered, and had several engagements by his generals with Lysimachus. He obliged Seleucus to retire from Syria, and fly for refuge and safety to Egypt. Ptolemy, who had established himself in Egypt, promised to defend Seleucus, and from that time all friendship ceased between Ptolemy and Antigonus, and a new war was begun, in which Demetrius, the son of Antigonus, conquered the fleet of Ptolemy, near the island of Cyprus, and took 16,000 men prisoners, and sunk 200 ships. After this famous naval battle, which happened 26 years after Alexander’s death, Antigonus and his son assumed the title of kings, and their example was followed by all the rest of Alexander’s generals. The power of Antigonus was now become so formidable, that Ptolemy, Seleucus, Cassander and Lysimachus, combined together to destroy him; yet Antigonus despaired them, and said, that he would disperse them as birds. He at

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tempted to enter Egypt in vain, and gained many victories over them; but at last he received so many wounds in a battle, that he could not survive them, and died in the 80th year of his age, 301 B.C. During his life, he was master of all Asia Minor, as far as Syria; but after his death, his son Demetrius lost Asia, and established himself in Macedonia after the death of Cassander, and some time after attempted to recover his former possessions, but died in captivity, in the court of his son-in-law Seleucus. Antigonus was concerned in the different intrigues of the Greeks. He made a treaty of alliance with the Ætolians, and was highly respected by the Athenians, to whom he shewed himself very liberal and indulgent. Antigonus discharged some of his officers because they spent their time in taverns, and he gave their commissions to common soldiers, who performed their duty with punctuality. A certain poet called him divine; but the king despaired his flattery, and bade him go and inquire of his servants whether he was really what he supposed him. Strab. 13.—Dict. 17, &c.—Paus. 1. c. 6, &c.—Justin. 13. 14, 15. C. Nep. in Eumen.—Plut. in Demetr. Eumen. § 4. Ant.—Gonatas, son of Demetrius, and grandson to Antigonus, was king of Macedonia. He restored the Armenians to liberty, conquered the Gauls, and at last was expelled by Pyrrhus, who seized his kingdom. After the death of Pyrrhus, he recovered Macedo- dics, and died after a reign of 34 years, leaving his son Demetrius to succeed, B. C. 243. Justin. 21 & 25.—P. lyb.—Plut. in De- metr.—The guardian of his nephew, Philip, the son of Demetrius, who married the widow of Demetrius, and usurped the kingdom. He was called Dositheus, from his promising much and giving nothing. He conquered Cleomenes king of Sparta, and obliged him to retire into Egypt, because he favoured the Ætolians against the Greeks. He died B. C. 221, after a reign of 11 years, leaving his crown to the lawful possessor, Philip, who distinguished himself by his cruelties and the war he made against the Romans. Justin. 23 & 29.—Polyb. 2.—Plut. in Clem.—A son of Aristobulus king of Judea, who obtained an army from the king of Parthia, by promising him 1000 talents and 500 women; and with these foreign troops he attacked his country, and cut the ears of Hircanus-to make him unfit for the priesthood. Herod, with the aid of the Romans, took him prisoner, and he was put to death by Antipater. Joseph. 14.—Dion. and Plut. in Anton.—Caryatius, an historian in the age of Philadelphus, who wrote the lives of some of the ancient philosophers. Dieg. Athen.—A writer on agriculture.—A statuary who wrote on his profession. Antilochus, tyrant of Chalcis. After his death, oligarchy prevailed in that city. Arist. 3, Politi. Antilbanus, a mountain of Syria, opposite mount Libanus; near which the Oronetes flows. Strob.—Plin. 5, c. 20. Antileonicus, a king of Messenia.—The eldest son of Nestor by Eurydice. The king to the Trojan war with his father, and was killed by Memnon the son of Aurora. Homer. Od. 4. Ovid. Heroid. says, he was killed by Hec- tor.—A poet who wrote a panegyric upon Lysander, and received a hat filled with silver Plut. in Lys.—An historian commended by Dinsys. Hal. Antimachus, a lascivious person.—An his- torian.—A Greek poet of Ionia in the age of Socrates. He wrote a treatise on the age and genealogy of Homer, and proved him to be a native of Colophon. He repeated one of his compositions before a large audience, but his dictation was so obscure and unintelligible that all retired except Plate; upon which he said, Legam nihilominus, Placum enim uti est unus star omnium. He was reckoned the next to Homer in excellence, and the emperor Adrian was so fond of his poetry that he preferred him to Homer. He wrote a poem on the Theban war; and before he had brought his heroes to the city of Thebes, he had filled 24 volumes. He was surnamed Clarius from Claro, a mountain near Colophon, where he was born. Paus. 9, c. 35.—Plut. in Lynd. and Timo.—Propert. 2, el. 34, v. 43.—Quintil. 10, c. 1. Another poet of the same name, surnamed Pseicas, because he praised himself.—A Trojan, whom Paris bribed to oppose the restoring of Helen to Menelaus and Ulysses, who had come as ambassadors to recover her. His sons, Hippolochus and Pisander, were killed by Agamemnon. Homer. Il. 11 & 12.—A son of Hercules by a daughter of Theseus. Apollod. 2 & 3.—A native of Heliopolis, who wrote a poem on the creation of the world, in 3780 verses. Antimenes, a son of Deiphon. Paus. 2, c. 23. Antinoe, one of the daughters of Pheleas, whose wishes to restore her father to youthful vigour proved so fatal. Apollod. 1.—Paus. 8, c. 11. Antinoeia, annual sacrifices and quinquennial games in honour of Antinous, instituted by the emperor Adrian at Mantinea, where Antin- nous was worshipped as a divinity. Antinopolis, a town in Egypt, built in ho- nour of Antinous. Antinous, a youth of Bithynia, of whom the emperor Adrian was so extremely fond, that at his death he erected a temple to him, and wished it to be believed that he had been changed into a constellation. Some writers suppose that Antinous was drowned in the Nile, while others maintain that he offered himself at a sacrifice as a victim, in honour of the em- peror.—A native of Ithaca, son of Euphis. He was one of Penelope’s suitors. He was brutal and cruel in his manners; and advised his companions to destroy Telemachus, whose ad- vice comforted his mother Penelope. When Ulysses returned home, he came to the palace in a beggar’s dress, and begged for bread, which Antinous refused, and even struck him. After Ulysses had discovered himself to Telemachus and Eumaeus, he attacked the suitors, who were
ignorant who he was, and killed Antinous among the first. Homer. Od. 1, 16, 17, & 22.

—Propert. 2, el. 5.

Antiocba, the name of a Syrian province. Melas. 1. c. 14.—A city of Syria, once the third city in the world for beauty, greatness, and population. It was built by Antiochus and Seleucus Nicanor, partly on a hill, and partly in a plain. It has the river Orontes in its neighborhood, with a celebrated grove called Daphne; whence, for the sake of distinction, it has been called Antiochi near Daphne.

Dians. Perieg.—A city called also Nisibis, in Mesopotamia, was built by Seleucus, son of Antiochus.

—The capital of Pisidia, 92 miles at the east of Ephesus. —A city on mount Cragus. Another near the river Tragus, 25 leagues from Seleucia, on the west. Another in Margiana, called Alexandria & Seleucia—Another near mount Taurus, on the confines of Syria. —Another of Caria, on the river Mean-der.

Antioches, the name of the mother of Antiochus the son of Seleucus. —A tribe of Athens. Antioches, surnamed Soter, was son of Seleucus, and king of Syria and Asia. He made a treaty of alliance with Ptolemy Philadelphus, king of Egypt. He fell into a lingering disease, which none of his father's physicians could cure for some time, till it was discovered that his pulse was more irregular than usual, when Stratonice his step-mother entered his room, and that love for her was the cause of his illness. This was told to the father, who willingly gave Stratonice to his son, that his immoderate love might not cause his death. He died 291 B.C. after a reign of 19 years. Justin. 17, c. 2, &c.—Val. Max. 3.—Polyb. 4. Appian.

—The second of that name, surnamed Theos (God) by the Milesians, because he put to death their tyrant Timarchus, was son and successor of Antiochus Soter. He put an end to the war which had been begun with Ptolemy; and, to strengthen the peace, he married Berenice, the daughter of the Egyptian king. This so offended his former wife Laodice, by whom he had two sons, that she poisoned him, and suborned Artemon, whose features were similar to his, to represent him as king. Artemon, subservient to her will, pretended to be indisposed, and, as king, called all the ministers, and recommended to them Seleucus, surnamed Callinicus, son of Laodice, as his successor. After this ridiculous imposture, it was made public that the king had died a natural death, and Laodice placed her son on the throne, and dispatched Berenice and her son, 246 years before the Christian era. Appian.—The third of that name, surnamed the Great, brother to Seleucus Cerannus, was king of Syria and Asia, and reigned 36 years. He was defeated by Ptolemy Philopater at Raphia, after which he made war against Persia, and took Sardeis. After the death of Philopater, he endeavored to crush his infant son Euphranes; but his guardians solicited the aid of the Romans, and Antiochus was compelled to resign his pretensions. He conquered the greatest part of Greece, of which some cities implored the aid of Rome and Amphial, who had taken refuge at his court, encouraged him to make war against Rome. He was glad to find himself supported by the abilities of such a general; but his measures were dilatory, and not agreeable to the advice of Amphial, and he was conquered and obliged to retire beyond mount Taurus, and pay a yearly fine of 9000 talents to the Romans. His revenues being unable to pay the fine, he attempted to plunder the temple of Belus in Susiana, which so incensed the inhabitants that they killed him with his followers, 137 years before the Christian era. In his character of King, Antiochus was humane and liberal, the patron of learning, and the friend of merit; and he published an edict, ordering his subjects never to obey except his commands were consistent with the laws of the country. He had three sons, Seleucus Philopater, Antiochus Euphranes, and Demetrius. The first succeeded him, and the two others were kept as hostages by the Romans. —Justin. 31 & 32. —Strab. 16. —Liv. 34, c. 39.—Flor. 2, c. 1. —Appian. bell. Syr.—Euphranes, or Illustrious, was king of Syria, after the death of his brother Seleucus, and reigned eleven years. He destroyed Jerusalem, and was so cruel to the Jews, that they called him Epiphanes, or Furious, and not Epi-phanes. He attempted to plunder Persopolis without effect. He was of a voracious appetite, and fond of childish diversions; he used for his pleasure to empty bags of money in the streets, to see the people's eagerness to gather it; he bathed in the public baths with the populace, and was fond of perfuming himself to excess. He invited all the Greeks he could at Antioch, and waited upon them as a servant, and danced with such indecency among the stage players, that even the most dissipate and shameless blushed at the sight. Polybius.—Justin. 34, c. 3.—The fifth surnamed Eupator, succeeded his father Euphranes on the throne of Syria, 164 B.C. He made a peace with the Jews, and in the second year of his reign was assassinated by his uncle Demetrius, who said that the crown was lawfully his own, and that it had been seized from his father. Justin. 34. —Joseph. 12. —The sixth, king of Syria, was surnamed Euthus, or Noble. His father Alexander Bala, entrusted him to the care of Mal- curus, an Araban; and he received the crown from Tryphon, in opposition to his brother Demetrias, whom the people hated. Before he had been a year on the throne, Tryphon murdered him 143 B.C. and reigned in his place for three years. Joseph. 13.—The seventh, called Sibetes, reigned nine years. In the begin-ning of his reign, he was afraid of Tryphon, and concealed himself, but he soon obtained the means of destroying his enemy. He made war against Phraotes king of Parthia, by whom he was killed in a battle, 150 B.C. He was killed in a war he had undertaken against the Parthians. Justin. 36, c. 1. —Appian. bell. Syr. The eighth surnamed Grypus, from his aquiline nose, was son of Demetrius Nicanor by Cleopa-tra. His brother Seleucus was destroyed by
Cleopatra, and he himself would have shared the same fate, had not he discovered his mother's artifice, and compelled her to drink the poison which was prepared for himself. He killed Alexander Zebina, whom Ptolemy had set to oppose him on the throne of Syria, and was at last assassinated, B. C. 112, after a reign of eleven years. Justin, 39, s.c.—Joseph. Appian.—The ninth, surnamed Cyzicus, from the city of Cyzicus, where he received his education, was son of Antiochus Sidetes, by Cleopatra. He disputed the kingdom with his brother Grypus, who ceded to him Colosyria, and part of his patrimony. He was at last conquered by his nephew Seleucus near Antioc, and rather than to continue prisoner in his hands, he killed himself, B. C. 93. While a private man, he seemed worthy to reign; but when on the throne, he was dissolute and tyrannical. He was fond of mechanics, and invented some useful military engines. Appian. Joseph.—The tenth was ironically surnamed Pius, because he married Selena, the wife of his father and of his uncle. He was the son of Antiochus the ninth, and he expelled Seleucus the son of Grypus from Syria, and was killed in a battle he fought against the Parthians, in the cause of the Galatians. Joseph. Appian.—After his death, the kingdom of Syria was torn to pieces by the factions of the royal family or usurers, who, under a good or false title, under the name of Antiochus or his relations, established themselves for a little time either as sovereigns of Syria, or Damascus, or other dependent provinces. At last Antiochus, surnamed Asiaticus, the son of Antiochus the ninth, was restored to his parental throne by the influence of Lucullus the Roman general, on the expulsion of Tigranes king of Armenia from the Syrian dominions; but four years after, Pompey deposed him, and observed, that he who had hid himself while an usurper sat upon his throne, ought not to be a king. From that time, B. C. 65, Syria became a Roman province, and the race of Antiochus was extinguished. Justin. 40.—A philosopher of Ascalon, famous for his writings, and the respect with which he was treated by his pupil Lucullus. He was also preceptor to Cicero and Brutus. Plut. in Lucull. An historian of Syracuse, son of Xenophanes, who wrote an history of Sicily, in nine books, in which he began at the age of king Cocalus. Strab.—Diod. 12.—A rich king, tributary to the Romans in the age of Vespasian. Tacit. Hist. 2, c. 81.—An sophist who refused to take upon himself the government of a state, on account of the vehemence of his passions. —A king conquered by Antony, &c. Cas. 3, b. 20, c. 4.—A king of Messenia. Paus. 4.—A commander of the Athenian fleet under Alcibiades, conquered by Lysander. Xenoph. Hist. Græc. —A writer of Alexandria, who published a treatise on comic poets, Athen. —A sceptor of Laodicea. Diog. in Pyrrh. —A learned sophist. Philostra. —A servant of Atticus. Cic. at Attic. 13, ep. 33. —A hair-dresser mentioned by Martial, 11, ep. 85.—A son of Hercules by Medea. Apollod. 2, c. 7.—A stage player. Jul. 3, v. 98.

Antiope, daughter of Nycteus king of Thebes, by Polioxy, was beloved by Jupiter, who, to deceive her, changed himself into a satyr. She became pregnant, and, to avoid the resentment of her father, she fled to mount Cytheron, where she brought forth twins, Amphion and Zethus. She exposed them to prevent discovery, but they were preserved. After this she fled to Epeus, king of Sicyon, who married her. Some say that Epeus carried her away, for which action Nycteus made war against him, and at his death left his crown to his brother Lycus, entertaining him to continue the war and punish the ravisher of his daughter. Lycus obeyed his injunctions, killed Epeus, and recovered Antiope, whom he loved, and married, though his niece. His first wife, Dirce, was jealous of his new connexión; she prevailed upon her husband, and Antiope was delivered into her hands, and confined in a prison, where she was daily tormented. Antiope, after many years of imprisonment, obtained means to escape, and went after her sons, who undertook to avenge her wrongs upon Lycus and his wife Dirce. They took Thebes, put the king to death, and tied Dirce to the tail of a wild bull, who dragged her till she died. Bacchus changed her into a fountain, and deprived Antiope of the use of her senses. In this forlorn situation she wandered all over Greece and at last found relief from Phocus, son of Ornyton, who cured her of her disorder, and married her. Hyginus, fab. 7, says that Antiope was divorced by Lycus, because she had been ravished by Epeus, whom he calls Epaphus, and that after her repudiation, she became pregnant by Jupiter. Meanwhile Lycus married Dirce, who suspected that her husband still kept the company of Antiope, upon which she imprisoned her. Antiope however escaped from her confinement, and brought forth on mount Cytheron. Some authors have called her daughter of Asopus, because she was born on the banks of that river. Paus. 2, c. 6, l. 9, c. 17.—Ovid. 6. Met. v. 110.—Apollod. 5, c. 5.—Propert. 3, el. 15.—Hom. Od. 11. v. 239.—Hygin. fab. 7, 8, & 155.—A daughter of Thespicus or Thestius, mother of Alciopus by Hercules. Apollod. 2, c. 7.—A daughter of Mars, queen of the Amazons, taken prisoner by Hercules, and given in marriage to Theseus. She is also called Hippolyte. V'Id. Hippolyte. A daughter of Euritius, mother of Brutus and Hellen by Neptune. Hygin. fab. 157.—A daughter of Pylon, who married Eurytus. Id. fab. 14.

Antirhus, a son of Lycargus. Plut. in Lycurg. Antipater, son of Iolaus, was soldier under king Philip, and raised to the rank of a general under Alexander the Great. When Alexander went to invade Asia, he left Antipater supreme governor of Macedonia, and of all Greece. Antipater exerted himself in the cause of his king; he made war against Sparta, and
was soon after called into Persia with a reinforcement by Alexander. He has been suspected of giving poison to Alexander, to raise himself to power. After Alexander's death, his generals divided the empire among themselves, and Macedonia was allotted to Antipater. The war which Greece, and chiefly Athens, had meditated during Alexander's life, now burst forth with uncommon fury as soon as the news of his death was received. The Athenians levied an army of 30,000 men, and equipped 200 ships against Antipater, who was master of Macedonia. Their expedition was attended with much success, Antipater was routed in Thessaly, and even besieged in the town of Lamia. But when Leosthenes the Athenian general was mortally wounded under the walls of Lamia, the fortune of the war was changed, Antipater obliged the enemy to raise the siege, and soon after received a reinforcement from Craterus from Asia, with which he conquered the Athenians at Cranon in Thessaly. After this defeat, Antipater and Craterus marched into Boeotia, and conquered the Æolians, and granted peace to the Athenians, on the conditions which Leosthenes had proposed to Antipater when besieged in Lamia, i. e. that he should be absolute master over them. Besides this, he demanded from their ambassadors, Demades, Phocion, and Xenocrates, that they should deliver into his hands the orators Demosthenes and Hyperides, whose eloquence had inflamed the minds of their countrymen, and had been the primary causes of the war. The conditions were accepted, a Macedonian garrison was stationed in Athens, but the inhabitants still were permitted the free use of their laws and privileges. Antipater and Craterus were the first who made hostile preparations against Perdiccas; and during that time, Polyperchon was appointed over Macedonia. Polyperchon defeated the Æolians, who had made an invasion upon Macedonia. Antipater gave assistance to Eumenes, in Asia, against Antigonus, according to Justin 14, c. 2. At his death, B. C. 319, Antipater appointed Polyperchon master of all his possessions; and as he was the oldest of all the generals and successors of Alexander, he recommended that he might be the supreme ruler in their councils, that every thing might be done according to his judgment. As for his son Cassander, he left him in a subordinate station under Polyperchon. But Cassander was of too aspiring a disposition tamely to obey his father's injunctions. He recovered Macedonia, and made himself absolute, Cart. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, & 10. Justin. 11, 12, 13, &c.—Diod. 17, 18, &c.—C. Nep. in Plut. and Eumen. Alexand. &c.—A son of Cassander, king of Macedonia, and son-in-law of Lysimachus. He killed his mother because she wished his brother Alexander to succeed to the throne. Alexander, to revenge the death of his mother, solicited the assistance of Demetrius; but peace was re-established between the two brothers by the advice of Lysimachus, and soon after Demetrius killed Antipater, and made himself king of Macedonia, 294 B. C. Justin. 26, c. 1. — A king of Macedonia, who reigned only 45 days, 277 B. C. — A king of Cilicia. A powerful prince, father to Herod. He was appointed governor of Judea, by Caesar, whom he had assisted in the Alexandrine war. Joseph.—An Athenian archon. — One of Alexander's soldiers, who conspired against his life with Hermolaus. Curr. 8, c. 6.—A celebrated sophist of Hierapolis, preceptor to the children of the emperor Severus. — A stoic philosopher of Tarsus, 144 years B. C. — A poet of Sidon, who could compose a number of verses extemporarily, upon any subject. He ranked Sappho among the muses, in one of his epigrams. He had a fever every year on the day of his birth, of which he died. He flourished about 80 years B. C. Some of his epigrams are preserved in the anthologia. Plin. 7, c. 51.—Val. Max. 1, c. 10.—Cic. de Orat. 3; de Offic. 3; de Quest. Acad. 4.—A philosopher of Phocacia, preceptor to Cato of Utica. Plat. in Cat.—A Stoic philosopher, disciple to Diogenes of Babylon. Cic. 3, de Offic. 14.—A disciple of Aristotle, who wrote two books of letters.—A voet of Thessalonica, in the age of Augustus.

ANTIPATRIA, a city of Macedonia. Liv. 31, c. 27.

ANTIPATRIDAS, a governor of Telmessus. Polygen. 5.

ANTIPATIS, a city of Palestine.

ANTIPHNES, an ingenious statuary of Argos. Paus. 5, c. 17.—A comic poet of Rhodes, or rather of Smyrna, who wrote above 90 comedies, and died in the 74th year of his age, by the fall of an apple upon his head.—A physician of Delos, who used to say that diseases originated from the variety of food that was eaten. Clem. Aler. — Athen.

ANTIPHATES, a king of the Læstryles, descended from Lamus, who founded Formia. Ulysses returning from Troy, came upon his coasts, and sent three men to examine the country. Antiphates devised one of them, and pursued the others, and sunk the fleet of Ulysses with stones except the ship in which Ulysses was. Ovid. Met. 14, v. 232.—A son of Sarpedon. Verg. En. 9 v. 696.—The grandfather of Amphiaraurus. Homer. Od.—A man killed in the Trojan war by Leonteus Homer. II. 12, v. 191.

ANTIPHILIP PORTUS, a harbour on the African side of the Red sea. Strab. 16.

ANTIPHILOUS, an Athenian who succeeded Leosthenes at the siege of Lamia against Antipater. Dioc. 18.—A noble painter who represented a youth leaning over a fire, and blowing it, from which the whole house seemed to be illuminated. He was an Egyptian by birth: he imitated Apelles, and was disciple to Ctesidemus. Plin. 35, c. 10.

ANTIPHON, a poet.—A native of Rhamnusia, called Nestor, for his eloquence and prudence, the 16 orations that are extant under his name, are supposititious.—An orator who promised Philip, king of Macedonia, that he would set on fire the citadel of Athens, for which he was
put to death at the instigation of Demothenes. 

Cic. de Div. 2.—Plut. in Alcib. and Demost.—
A poet who wrote on agriculture. Athen.

An author who wrote a treatise on peacocks — A rich man introduced by Xenophon as disputing with Socrates. — An Athenian who interpreted dreams, and wrote an history of his art. Cic. de Div. 1 & 2.—A foolish rhetorician. — A poet of Attica, who wrote tragedies, epic poems, and orations. Dionysius put him to death because he refused to praise his compositions. Being once asked by the tyrant, what brass was the best? he answered,' that with which the statues of Harmodius and Aristogiton are made. Plut.—Aristos.

Antiphon, a son of Priam, who went with his father to the tent of Achilles to redeem Hector. Homer, II. 24.

Antiphus, a son of Priam, killed by Agamemnon during the Trojan war. — A son of Thessalus, grandson to Hercules. He went to the Trojan war with 30 ships. Hom. II.—
An intimate friend of Ulysses. Homer, Od. 17.

— A brother to Cymenes, was son of Ganyctor, the Naupactian. These two brothers murdered the poet Hesiod, on the false suspicion that he had offered violence to their sister, and threw him into the sea. The poet's dog discovered them, and they were seized and convicted of the murder. "Plut. de Solert. Anim.

Antiponus, a noble Theban, whose daughters sacrificed themselves for the public safety. Vit. Androclaeas.

Antipolus, a city of Gaul, built by the people of Marseilles. Tacit. 2, Hist. c. 13.

Antirrhium, a promontory of Ætolia, opposite Rhium in Peloponnesus.

Antissa, a city at the north of Lesbos.— An island near it. Ovid. Met. 15, v. 287.—Plin. II, c. 89.

Antisthenes, a philosopher, born of an Athenian father, and of a Phrygian mother. He taught rhetoric, and had among his pupils the famous Diogenes; but when he had heard Socrates, he shut up his school, and told his pupils, "Go seek for yourselves a master, I have now found one." He was the head of the sect of the Cynic philosophers. One of his pupils asked him, what philosophy had taught him? "To live with myself," said he. He sold his all, and preserved only a very ragged coat, which drew the attention of Socrates, and tempted him to say to the Cynic, who carried his contempt of dress too far, "Antisthenes, I see thy vanity through the holes of thy coat." Antisthenes taught the unity of God, but he recommended suicide. Some of his letters are extant. His doctrines of austerity were followed as long as he was himself an example of the Cynical character, but after his death they were all forgotten. Antisthenes flourished 396 years B. C. Cic de Orat, 3, c. 35.—Dios. 6.—Plut. in Lyce.—A disciple of Heraclitus. —An historian of Rhodes. Dog.

Antistius Labeo, an excellent lawyer at Rome, who defended the liberties of his country against Augustus, for which he is taxed of madness by Horat. 1 Sat. 3, v. 82.—Suet. in Aug. 54.—Petron of Gabii, was the author of a celebrated treaty between Rome and his country, in the age of Tarquin the proud. Dionys. Hal. 4.—C. Reginus, a lieutenant of Caesar in Gaul. Cass. bell. G. 6 & 7.—A soldier of Pompey's army, so confident of his valour that he challenged all the adherents of Caesar. Hirt. 25, Hist. bel.

Antitaurus, one of the branches of mount Taurus, which runs in a north-east direction through Cappadocia towards Armenia and the Euphrates.

Antitheus, an Athenian archon. Paul. 7, c. 17.

Antium, a maritime town of Italy, built by Ascanias, or, according to others, by a son of Ulysses and Circe, upon a promontory 32 miles from Ostium. It was the capital of the Volsci, who made war against the Romans for above 200 years. Camillus took it, and carried all the beaks of their ships to Rome, and placed them in the Forum on a tribunal, which from thence was called Rostrum. This town was dedicated to the goddess of Fortune, whose statues when consulted, gave oracles by a nodding of the head, or other different signs. Nero was born there. Cic. de Div. 1.—Horat. 1, od. 33.

Antonines, the last king of Corinth. After his death, magistrates with regal authority were annually chosen.

Antonia lex, was enacted by M. Antony, the consul, A. U. C. 708. It abrogated the lex Attia, and renewed the lex Cornelia, by taking away from the people the privilege of choosing priests, and restoring it to the college of priests, to which it originally belonged. Div. 44.—Another by the same, A. U. C. 703. It ordained that a new decury of judges should be added to the two former, and that they should be chosen from the centurions. Cic. in Philipp. 1 & 3.—Another by the same. It allowed an appeal to the people, to those who were condemned de mortestate, or of perfidious measures against the state. —Another by the same, during his triumvirate. It made it a capital offence to propose ever after, the election of a dictator, and for any person to accept of the office. Appian. de bell. civ. 3.

Antonia, a daughter of M. Antony, by Octavia. She married Domitius Ahenobarbus, and was mother of Nero, and two daughters. — A sister of Germanicus. — A daughter of Claudius and Alba Petina. She was of the family of the Tubero's, and was repudiated for her lewity. Sueton. in Claud. 1—Tacit. Ann. 11. —The wife of Drusus, the son of Livia, and brother of Tiberius. She became mother of three children, Germanicus, Caligula's father; Claudius the emperor, and the debauched Livia. Her husband died very early, and she never would marry again, but spent her time in the education of her children. Some people suppose her grands Caligula
ordered her to be poisoned, A. D. 38. Val. Mar. 4, c. 3.—A castle of Jerusalem, which received this name in honour of M. Antony.

Antonius, a patrician and plebeian family, which are said to derive their origin from Antones, a son of Hercules, as Plut. in Anton. informs us.

Antonina, the wife of Beliaarius, N.C. Antoninus, surnamed Pius, was adopted by the emperor Adrian, to whom he succeeded. This prince is remarkable for all the virtues that can form a perfect statesman, philosopher, and king. He rebuilt whatever cities had been destroyed by wars in former reigns. In cases of famine or inundation, he relieved the distressed, and supplied their wants with his own money. He suffered the governors of the provinces to remain long in the administration, that no opportunity of extortion might be given to new comers. In his behaviour to his subjects, he behaved with affability and humanity, and listened with patience to every complaint brought before him. When told of conquering heroes, he said with Scipio, I prefer the life and preservation of a citizen to the death of 100 enemies. He did not persecute the Christians like his predecessors, but his life was a scene of universal benevolence. His last moments were easy, though preceded by a lingering illness. When consul of Asia, he lodged at Smyrna in the house of a sophist, who in civility obliged the governor to change his house at night. The sophist, when Antoninus became emperor, visited Rome, and was joyously desired to use the palace as his own house, without an apprehension of being turned out at night. He extended the boundaries of the Roman province in Britain, by raising a rampart between the friths of Clyde and Forth, but he waged no wars during his reign, and only repulsed the enemies of the empire who appeared in the field. He died in the 75th year of his age, after a reign of 23 years, A. D. 161. He was succeeded by his adopted son M. Aurelius Antoninus, surnamed the philosopher, a prince as virtuous as his father. He raised to the imperial dignity his brother I. Verus, whose voluptuousness and dissipation were as conspicuous as the moderation of the philosopher. During their reign, the Quadi, Partians, and Marcomanni were defeated. Antoninus wrote a book in Greek, intituled τὰ καὶ τὰ ἐν τοῖς ἐνεργοῖς, concerning himself. The best editions of which are the 4to. Cantab. 1652, and the 8vo. Oxon. 1704. After the war with the Quadi had been finished, Verus died of an apoplexy, and Antoninus survived him eight years, and died in his 61st year, after a reign of 19 years and ten days. Dio. Cassius.—Bassianus Caracalla, was son of the emperor Antoninus Severus, celebrated for his cruelties. He killed his brother Geta in his mother's arms, and attempted to destroy the writings of Aristotle, observing that Aristotle was one of those who sent poison to Alexander. He married his mother, and publicly lived with her, which gave occasion to the people of Alexandria to say that he was an Elypides and his wife a Jocasta. This joke was fatal to them; and the emperor to punish their ill language, slaughtered many thousands in Alexandria. After assuming the name and dress of Achilles, and styling himself the conqueror of provinces he had never seen, he was assassinated at Edessa, by Macrinus, April 8, in the 43d year of his age, A. D. 217. His body was sent to his wife Julia, who stabbed herself at the sight. There is extant a Greek itinerary, and another book called Iter Britannicum, which some have attributed to the emperor Antoninus, though it was written by a person of that name, whose age is unknown.

Antoniopolis, a city of Mesopotamia. Marcell. 8.

M. Antonius Gnipho, a poet of Gaul who taught rhetoric at Rome; Cicero and other illustrious men frequented his school. He never asked any thing for his lectures, whence he received more from the liberality of his pupils. Sueton. de Illust. Gr. 7.—An orator, grandfather to the triumvir of the same name. He was killed in the civil wars of Marius. His head was hung in the Forum. Val. Mar. 9, c. 2.—Lucan. 2, v. 121.—Marcus, the eldest son of the orator of the same name; who, by means of Corta and Cethegus, obtained from the senate the office of managing the corn on the maritime coasts of the Mediterranean, with unlimited power. This gave him many opportunities of plundering the provinces and enriching himself. He died of a broken heart. Sallust. Flug.—Caius, a son of the orator of that name. He obtained a troop of horse from Sylla, and plundered Achaia. He was carried before the prince M. Lucullus, and banished from the senate by the censors, for pillaging the allies, and refusing to appear when summoned before justice. Caius, son of Antonius Caius, was consul with Cicero, assisted him to destroy the conspiracy of Catiline in Gaul. He went to Macedonia, as his province, and fought with ill success against the Dardani. He was accused at his return, and banished.—Marcus, the triumvir, was grandson to the orator, M. Antonius, and son of Antonius, surnamed Cretensis, from his wars in Crete. He was augur and tribune of the people, in which he distinguished himself by his ambitious views. He always entertained a secret resentment against Cicero, which arose from Cicero's having put to death Corn. Lentulus, who was concerned in Catiline's conspiracy. This Lentulus had married Antonius's mother after his father's death. When the senate was torn by the factions of Pompey's and Caesar's adherents, Antony proposed that both should lay aside the command of their armies in the provinces; but as this proposition met not with success, he privately retired from Rome to the camp of Caesar, advised him to march his army to Rome, and in support of his attachment, commanded the left wing of his army at Pharsalia, and according to a premeditated scheme, offered him a diadem in the presence of the Roman people. When Caesar was assassinated in the senate
house, his friend Antony spoke an oration over his body, and to ingratiate himself and his party with the populace, he reminded them of the liberal treatment they had received from Caesar. He besieged Mutna, which had been allotted to D. Brutus, for which the senate judged him to be an enemy to the republic, at the remonstration of Cicero. He was conquered by the consuls Hirtius and Pansa, and by young Cassar, who soon after joined his interest with that of Antony, and formed the celebrated triumvirate, which was established with such cruel proscriptions that Antony did not even spare his own uncle that he might strike off the head of his enemy Cicero. The triumvirate divided the Roman empire among themselves; Lepidus was set over all Italy, Augustus the west, and Antony returned into the east, where he enlarged his dominions by different conquests. Antony had married Fulvia, whom he repudiated to marry Octavia the sister of Augustus, and by this connexion to strengthen the triumvirate. He assisted Augustus at the battle of Philippi against the murderers of J. Caesar, and he buried the body of M. Brutus, his enemy, in a most magnificent manner. During his residence in the east, he became enamoured of the fair Cleopatra queen of Egypt, and repudiated Octavia to marry her. This divorce incensed Augustus, who now prepared to deprive Antony of all his power. Antony assembled all the forces of the east, and with Cleopatra marched against Octavius Caesar. These two enemies met at Actium, where a naval engagement soon began, and Cleopatra, by flying with 60 sail, drew Antony from the battle, and ruined his cause. After the battle of Actium, Antony followed Cleopatra into Egypt, where he was soon informed of the defection of all his allies and adherents, and saw the conqueror on his shores. He stabbed himself, and Cleopatra likewise killed herself with the bite of an asp. Antony died in the 56th year of his age, B. C. 30, and the conqueror shed tears when he was informed that his enemy was no more. Antony left seven children by his three wives. He has been blamed for his great effeminacy, for his uncommon love of pleasures, and his fondness of drinking. It is said that he wrote a book in praise of drunkenness. He was fond of imitating Hercules, from whom, according to some accounts, he was descended; and he is often represented as Hercules, with Cleopatra in the form of Omphale, dressed in the arms of her submissive lover, and beating him with her sandals. In his public character, Antony was brave and courageous, but with the trepidity of Caesar, he possessed all his volup- tuous inclinations. He was prodigal to a degree, and did not scruple to call, from vanity, his sons by Cleopatra, kings of kings. His kindness for low company, and his debauchery, form the best parts of Cicero's philippics. It is said, that the night of Caesar's murder, Cassius supped with Antony; and being asked whether he had a dagger with him, answered,

Yes, if you, Antony, aspire to sovereign power. Plutarch has written an account of his life. Virg. Æn. 8, v. 683. — Horat. ep. 9.—Aug. 10, v. 122. — C. Nep. ii. Attic. — Cic. philip. — Justin. 41 & 42. — Julius, son of Antony the triumvir, by Fulvia, was consul with Paulus Fabius Maximus. He was sur-named Africanus, and put to death by order of Augustus. Some say that he killed himself. It is supposed that he wrote an heroic poem on Diomede, in 12 books. Horace dedicated his 4 Od. 2 to him. Tacit. 4, Ann. c. 44. — Lucius, the triumvir's brother, was besieged in Pelusium by Augustus, and obliged to surrender himself with 300 men by famine. The conqueror spared his life. Some say that he was killed at the shrine of Caesar. — A noble but unfortunate youth. His father, Julius, was put to death by Augustus, for his criminal conversation with Julia, and he himself was removed to Marseilles, on pretence of finishing his education. Tacit. 4, Ann. c. 44. — Felix, a freedman of Claudius, appointed governor of Judea. He married Drusilla, the daughter of Antony and Cleopatra. Tacit. 4, Hist. 9. — Flamma, a Roman, condemned for extortion, under Vespasian. Tacit. Hist. 4, c. 45. — Musus, a physician of Augustus. Plin. 29, c. 1. — Merenda, a decemvir at Rome, A. U. C. 304. Liv. 3, c. 35. — Q. Merenda, a military tribune, A. U. C. 332. Liv. 4, c. 42. — Antonides, a painter, disciple to Aristippus. Plin. — Antylla. Vild. Anthylla. — Anubis, an Egyptian deity, represented under the form of a man with the head of a dog, because when Osiris went in his expedition against India, Anubis accompanied him, and clothed himself in a sheep's skin. His worship was introduced from Egypt into Greece and Italy. He is supposed by some to be Mercury, because he is sometimes represented with a caduceus. Some make him son of Osiris, others, his brother. Diod. 1.—Lucan. 8, v. 331.—Ovid. Met. 9, v. 686.—Plut. de Isid. & Osirid.—Herodot. 4.—Virg. Æn. 1, v. 693. — Anxius, a river of Armenia falling into the Euphrates. — Anxur, a city of the Volsci, taken by the Romans A. U. C. 348. It was sacred to Jupiter, who is called Jupiter Anxur. Liv. 4, c. 59. — Horat. 1, Sat. 5, v. 26. — Lucan. 3, v. 84. — Virg. Æn. 7, v. 799. — Anyta, a Greek woman, some of whose elegant verses are still extant. — Anytus, an Athenian rhetorician, who, with Miltius and Lycon, accused Socrates of impiety, and was the cause of his condemnation. These false accusers were afterwards put to death by the Athenians. Diog.—Elian. V. H. 2, c. 13. — Horat. 2, Sat. 4, v. 3. — Plut. in Alcib. — One of the Titans. — Anzabe, a river near the Tigris. Marel. 18. — Aollius, a son of Romulus by Hersilia afterwards called Abilius.
AON, a son of Neptune, who came to Epeiros and Baotia, from Apulia, where he collected the inhabitants into cities, and reigned over them. They were called Aones, and the country Aonia, from him.

Aones, the inhabitants of Aonia, called afterwards Beotia. They came there in the age of Cadmus, and obtained his leave to settle with the Phoenicians. The muses have been called Aonides, because Aonia was more particularly frequented by them. Paus. 9, c. 5.—Ovid. Met. 3, 7, 10, 13. Trist. el. v. 10. Paus. 3, v. 436. l. 4, v. 243.—Verg. G. 3, v. 11.

Aonia, one of the ancient names of Beotia. Aoris, a famous hunter, son of Aras king of Corinth. He was so fond of his sister Arthena, that he called part of the country by her name. Paus. 2, c. 12.—The wife of Nelles, called more commonly Chloris. Id. 9, c. 36.

Aornos, Aornus, Aornis, a lofty rock in India, taken by Alexander. Hercules had besieged it, but was never able to conquer it. Curt. 8, c. 11.—Arrian. 4.—Strab. 15.—Plut. in Alex. —A place of Epirus with an oracle. Paus. 9, c. 80.—A certain lake near Tarcesus. Another near Bais and Putochi. It is also called Avernum.

Aotis, a people of Thrace near the Gete on the Ister. Plin. 4.

Apathe, a people of Asia Minor. Strab.

Apaima, a daughter of Artaxerxes, who married Pharnabazus satrap of Ionia. —A daughter of Artocous. Paus. 1, c. 8.

Apame, the mother of Nicomedes by Ptolemy. —The mother of Anocous Soter by Seleucus Nicanor. Soter founded a city which he called by his mother’s name.

Apamia, Apamea, a city of Phrygia, on the Marsyas. —A city of Bithynia. —Of Media. —Mesopotamia. Another near the Tigris.

Aparni, a nation of shepherds near the Caspian sea. Strab.

Apatura, a festival of Athens, which received its name from apathe, deceit, because it was instituted in memory of a stratagem by which Xanthus king of Boctia was killed by Melanthus king of Athens, upon the following occasion: when a war arose between the Boctians and Athenians about a piece of ground which divided their territories, Xanthus made a proposal to the Athenian king to decide the battle by single combat. Thymetes, who was then on the throne of Athens, refused, and his successor Melanthus accepted the challenge. When they began the engagement, Melanthus exclaimed, that his antagonist had some person behind him to support him, upon which Xanthus looked behind, and was killed by Melanthus. From this success Jupiter was calledapatetepoi, docteur, and Bacchus, who was supposed to be behind Xanthus, was called Melanartioe, clothed in the skin of a black goat. Some derive the word from apater, i. e. ouotoria, because on the day of the festival, the children accompanying their fathers to be registered among the citizens. The festivals lasted three days. The first day was called doptus, because supper, doptros, were prepared for each separate tribe. The second day was called antarDos, atop to aw aw evne, because sacrifices were offered to Jupiter and Minerva, and the head of the victims was generally turned up towards the heavens. The third was called Kounoitic, from kouros, a youth, or koupe, shaving; because the young men had their hair cut off before they were registered, when their parents swore that they were freeborn Athenians. They generally sacrificed two ewes and a she-goat to Diana. This festival was adopted by the Ionians, except the inhabitants of Ephesus and Colophon. —A surname of Minerva. —Of Venus.

Ape, a mountain in Peloponnese. Polyb. 4.

Ape, a word, Horat. 1, Sat. 5, v. 10, which has given much trouble to critics and commentators. Some suppose it to mean circumscribed, an epithet highly applicable to a Jew. Others maintain that it is a proper name, upon the authority of Cicero ad Attic. 12, ep. 19, who mentions a person of the same name.

Apeles, a celebrated painter of Cos, or, as others say, of Ephesus son of Pithius. He lived in the age of Alexander the Great, who honoured him so much that he forbade any man but Apelles to draw his picture. He was so attentive to his profession that he never spent a day without employing his pencil, whence the proverb of Nulla dies sine linea. His most perfect picture was Venus Anadyomene, which was not totally finished when the painter died. He made a painting of Alexander holding thunder in his hand, so much like life, that Pliny, who saw it, says that the hand of the king with the thunder seemed to come out of the picture. This picture was placed in Diana’s temple at Ephesus. He made another of Alexander, but the king expressed not much satisfaction at the sight of it; and at that moment a horse passing by, neighed at the horse which was represented in the piece, supposing it to be alive; upon which the painter said, “one would imagine that the horse is a better judge of painting than your majesty.” When Alexander ordered him to draw the picture of Campaspe, one of his mistresses, Apelles became enamoured of her, and the king permitted him to marry her. He wrote three volumes upon painting, which were still extant in the age of Pliny. It is said that he was accused in Egypt of conspiring against the life of Ptolemy, and that he would have been put to death had not the real conspirator discovered himself, and saved the painter. Apelles never put his name to any pictures but three; a sleeping Venus, Venus Anadyomene, and an Alexander. The proverb of Ne siter ultra crepidam, is applied to him by some. Plin. 33, c. 10.—Horat. 2, ep. 1, v. 236.—Cic. in Famil. 1, ep. 9.—Orat. de Art. Am. 3, v. 401.—Var. Mar. 8, c. 11.—A Macedonian general, &c.
APELLEAS, a Teian peripatetic philosopher, whose fondness for books was so great that he is accused of stealing them, when he could not obtain them with money. He bought the works of Aristotle and Theophrastus, but greatly disfigured them by his frequent interpolations. The extensive library which he had collected at Athens, was carried to Rome when Sylla had conquered the capital of Attica, and among the valuable books was found an original manuscript of Aristotle. He died about 86 years before Christ. Strab. 13.

APPENNINUS, a ridge of high mountains which run through the middle of Italy, from Liguria to Aetium. They are joined to the Alps. Some have supposed that they ran across Sicily by Rhegium before Italy was separated from Sicily. Lucan. 2, v. 306.—Ovid. Met. 2, v. 226.—Ital. 4, v. 743.—Strab. 2.—Met. 2, c. 4.

APER, MARCUS, a Latin orator of Gaul, who distinguished himself as a politician, as well as by his genius. The dialogue of the orators, inserted with the works of Tacitus and Quintilian, is attributed to him. He died A. D. 85.—Another. Viz. Numerianus.

APEROPHIS, a small island on the coast of Argolis. Paus. 2, c. 34.

APESUS, Apesas, or Apesantias, a mountain of Peloponnesus, near Lerna. Stat. in Theb. 9, v. 461.

APHACA, a town of Palestine, where Venus was worshipped, and where she had a temple and an oracle.

APHAEA, a name of Diana, who had a temple in Eginia. Paus. 2, c. 30.

APHAR, the capital city of Arabia, near the Red sea. Arrian. in Peripl.

APHRATUS, fell in love with Marpessa, daughter of Enoeaus, and carried her away.

APHRATUS, a king of Messenia, who married Arene, daughter of Cebalus, by whom he had three sons. Paus. 3, c. 1.—A relation of Isocrates, who wrote 37 tragedies.

APHAS, a river of Greece, which falls into the bay of Ambracia. Plin. 4, c. 1.

APHELIA, a king of Cyrene, who, with the aid of Agathocles, endeavoured to reduce all Africa under his power. Justin. 22, c. 7.

APHRESAS, a mountain in Peloponnesus, whence, as the poets have imagined, Perseus attempted to fly to heaven. Stat. 5, Theb. v. 461.

APHYE, a city of Magnesia, where the ship Aphidna was launched. Apoll.

APHIDNAS, a son of Arcas, king of Arcadia. Paus. 8.

APHIDNA, a part of Attica, which received its name from Aphidnas, one of the companions of Theseus. Herodot.

APHIDNUS, a friend of THESEUS, killed by Turnus. Virg. Aen. 9, v. 702.

APHILEUTUS, one of the conspirators against Alexander. Curt. 6, c. 7.

APHIBES, an Indian prince, who defended the rock Aornus with 20,000 foot and 15 elephants. He was killed by his troops, and his head sent to Alexander.

APHRODISIA, an island in the Persian gulf, where Venus is worshipped. Festivals in honour of Venus, celebrated in different parts of Greece, but chiefly in Cyprus. They were first instituted by Cinyras, from whose family the priests of the goddess were always chosen. All those that were initiated offered a piece of money to Venus, as a harlot, and received, as a mark of the favours of the goddess, a measure of salt and a φαλακρόν; the salt because Venus arose from the sea, the φαλακρόν, because she is the goddess of wantonness. They were celebrated at Corinth by harlots, and in every part of Greece they were very much frequented. Strab. 14.—Atthis.


APHRODISIUM, a town of Apulia, built by Diomede in honour of Venus.

APHRODISIUM, a city on the eastern parts of Cyprus, nine miles from Salamis.—A promontory with an island of the same name on the coast of Spain. Plin. 3, c. 3.

APHRODITE, the Grecian name of Venus, from ἀφρός, froth, because Venus is said to have been born from the froth of the ocean. Hesiod. Th. 195.—Paus. 53, c. 5.

APHÝTE or Aphysis, a city of Thrace, near Pallena, where Jupiter Ammon was worshipped. Lysander besieged the town; but the gods of the place appeared to him in a dream, and advised him to raise the siege, which he immediately did. Paus. 3, c. 16.

APHA, an ancient name of Peloponnesus, which it received from king Apis. It was afterwards called Αἰγία, Pelagia, Argia, and at last Peloponnesus, or the island of Pelop. Homer. II. 1, v. 270.—Also the name of the earth, worshipped among the Lydians as a powerful deity. Herodot. 4, c. 59.

APIANUS, or Apion, was born at Oasis; in Egypt, whence he went to Alexandria, of which he was deemed a citizen. He succeeded Theus in the profession of rhetoric in the reign of Tiberius, and wrote a book against the Jews, which Josephus refuted. He was at the head of an embassy to which the people of Alexandria sent to Caligula, to complain of the Jews. Seneca, ep. 88.—Plin. prof. Hist.

APICATA, married Sejanus, by whom she had three children. She was repudiated. Tacit. Ann. 4, c. 3.

APICUS, a famous glutton in Rome. There were three of the same name, all famous for their voracious appetite. The first lived in the time of the republic, the second in the reign of Augustus and Tiberius, and the third under Trajan. The second was the most famous, as he wrote a book on the pleasures and incitements of eating. He hanged himself after he had consumed the greatest part of his estate. The best edition of Apicus Caelius de arte coquinaria is that of Amst. 12mo. 1709. Juv. v. 3.—Martial. 2, ep. 69.

APIDANUS, one of the chief rivers of Thessaly, flowing into the Peneus, above Larissa. Lucan. 6, v. 372.

APIKA, and APINAE, a city of Apulia, destroyed with Trica, in its neighbourhood, by

Ἀπίλλα and Apilne, a town of Italy, taken by Tarquin the proud. The Roman capital was begun with the spoils taken from that city. *Plin.* 3, c. 5.

Ἀπίων, a surname of Ptolemy, one of the descendants of Ptolemy Lagus.—A grammarian. *Vid. Apianus.*

Apis, one of the ancient kings of Peloponnesus, son of Phoroneus and Laodice. Some say that Apollo was his father, and that he was king of Argos, while others called him king of Sicily, and fix the time of his reign above 200 years earlier, which is enough to shew he is but obscurely known, if known at all. He was a native of Naupactum, and descended from Inachus. He received divine honours after death, as he had been munificent and humane to his subjects. The country where he reigned was called Apia; afterwards it received the name of Pelasgia, Arga, or Argos, and at last that of Peloponnesus, from Pelops. Some, amongst whom is Varro, and St. Augustine, have imagined that Apis went to Egypt with a colony of Greeks, and that he civilized the inhabitants, and polished their manners, for which they made him a god after death, and paid divine honours to him under the name of Serapis. This tradition, according to some of the moderns, is without foundation. *Æchyl.* in *Suppl.* *Argos.* de Civ. *Dei.* 18, c. 5.—*Paus.* 2, c. 5.—*Apollod.* 2, c. 1.—A son of Jason, born in Arcadia; he was killed by the horses of *Ætolus.* *Paus.* 5, c. 1.—A town of Egypt, on the lake Marcotta.—A god of the Egyptians, worshipped under the form of an ox. Some say that Isis and Osiris are the deities worshipped under this name, because during their reign they taught the Egyptians agriculture. The Egyptians believed that the soul of Osiris was really departed into the ox, where it wished to dwell, because that animal had been of the most essential service in the cultivation of the ground, which Osiris had introduced into Egypt. The ox that was chosen, was always distinguished by particular marks: his body was black; he had a square white spot upon the forehead, the figure of an eagle upon the back, a knot under the tongue like a beetle, the hairs of his tail were double, and his right side was marked with a whitish spot, resembling the crescent of the moon. Without these, an ox could not be taken as the god Apis; and it is to be imagined that the priests gave these distinguishing characteristics to the animal, on which their credit, and even prosperity depended. The festival of Apis lasted seven days; the ox was led in a solemn procession by the priests, and every one was anxious to receive him into his house, and it was believed that the children who smelt his breath received the knowledge of futurity. The ox was conducted to the banks of the Nile with much ceremony, and if he had lived to the time which their sacred books allowed, they drowned him in the river, and embalmed his body, and buried it in solemn state in the city of Memphis. After his death, which sometimes was natural, the greatest cries and lamentations were heard in Egypt, as if Osiris was just dead; the priests shaved their heads, which was a sign of the deepest mourning. This continued till another ox appeared with the proper characteristics to succeed as the deity, which was followed with the greatest acclamations as if Osiris was returned to life. This ox which was found to represent Apis, was left 40 days in the city of the Nile before he was carried to Memphis, during which time none but women were permitted to appear before him, and they performed according to their superstitious notions, in a wanton and indecent manner. There was also an ox worshipped at Heliopolis, under the name of Mnevis; some suppose that he was Osiris, but others maintain that the Apis of Memphis was sacred to Osiris, and Mnevis to Isis. When Cambyses came into Egypt, the people were celebrating the festivals of Apis with every mark of joy and triumph, which the conqueror interpreted as an insult upon himself. He called the priests of Apis, and ordered the deity itself to come before him. When he saw that an ox was the object of their veneration, and the cause of such rejoicings, he wounded it on the thigh, ordered the priests to be chastised, and commanded his soldiers to slaughter such as was found celebrating such riotous festivals. The god Apis had generally two stables, or rather temples. If he eat from the hand, it was a favourable omen; but if he refused the food that was offered him, it was interpreted as unlucky. From this, Germanicus, when he visited Egypt, drew the omens of his approaching death. When his oracle was consulted, incense was burnt on an altar, and a piece of money placed upon it, after which the people that wished to know futurity, applied their ear to the mouth of the God, and immediately retired, stopping their cars till they had departed from the temple. The first sounds that were heard, were taken as the answer of the oracle to their questions. *Paus.* 7, c. 22.—*Herodot.* 2 & 3.—*Plin.* 8, c. 39, &c.—*Strab.* 7.—*Plut.* in *Ibid.* and Osiris.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 7, 1, 2, c. 1.—*Mela.* 1, c. 9.—*Plin.* 8, c. 39, &c.—*Strab.* 7.—*Elian.* V, 4 & 6.—*Diod.* 1.

Aptius Galba, a celebrated buffoon in the time of Tiberius. *Juv.* 5, v. 4.

Apolinarenses ludi games celebrated at Rome in honour of Apollo. They originated from the following circumstance; an old prophetic poem informed the Romans that if they instituted yearly games to Apollo, and made collection of money for his service, they would be able to repel the enemy whose approach already signified their destruction. The first time they were celebrated, Rome was alarmed by the approach of the enemy, and instantly the people rushed out of the city, and saw a cloud of arrows discharged from the sky on the troops of the enemy. With this heavenly assistance they easily obtained the victory. The
people generally sat crowned with laurel at the representation of these games, which were usually celebrated at the option of the pretor, till the year U. C. 545, when a law was passed to settle the celebration yearly on the same day about the nones of July. When this alteration happened, Rome was infested with a dreadful pestilence, which however seemed to be appealed by this act of religion. *Liv.* 25, c. 15.

Apollinaris, C. Sulpius, a grammarian of Carthage, in the second century, who is supposed to be the author of the verses prefixed to Terence's plays as argument.

Apollinides, a Greek in the wars of Darius and Alexander, &c. *Curt.* 4, c. 5.


Apollo, son of Jupiter and Latona, called also Phoebus, is often confounded with the sun. According to Cicero, *3 de Nat. Deor.* there were four persons of this name. The first was son of Vulcan, and the tutelary god of the Athenians. The second was son of Corybas, and was born in Crete, for the dominion of which he disputed even with Jupiter himself. The third was son of Jupiter and Latona, and came from the nations of the Hyperboreans to Delphi. The fourth was born in Arcadia, and called Nomion, because he gave laws to the inhabitants. To the son of Jupiter and Latona all the actions of the others seem to have been attributed. The Apollo, son of Vulcan, was the same as the Osiris of the Egyptians, and was the most ancient, from whom the actions of the others have been copied. The three others seem to be of Grecian origin. The tradition that the son of Latona was born in the floating island of Delos, is taken from the Egyptian mythology, which asserts that the son of Vulcan, which is supposed to be Orus, was saved by his mother Isis from the persecution of Typhon, and entrusted to the care of Latona, who concealed him in the island of Chemmis.

—When Latona was pregnant by Jupiter, Juno, who was ever jealous of her husband's amours, raised the serpent Python to torment Latona, who was refused a place to give birth to her children, till Neptune, moved at the severity of her fate, raised the island of Delos from the bottom of the sea, where Latona brought forth Apollo and Diana. Apollo was the god of all the fine arts, of medicine, music, poetry, and eloquence, of all which he was devoted to the inventor. He had received from Jupiter the power of knowing futurity, and he was the only one of the gods whose oracles were in general repute over the world. His amours with Leto, Daphne, Issa, Bolina, Coronis, Cyrene, Clione, Acacallis, Calliope, &c. are well known, and the various shapes he assumed to gratify his passion. He was very fond of young Hyacinthus, whom he accidentally killed with a quoit; as also of Cypriarius, who was changed into a cypress tree. When his son Esculapius had been killed with the thun-

ders of Jupiter, for raising the dead to life, Apollo, in his resentment, killed the Cyclops who had fabricated the thunderbolts. Jupiter was incensed at this act of violence, and he banished Apollo from heaven, and deprived him of his dignity. The exiled deity came to Admetus, king of Thessaly, and hired himself to be one of his shepherds, in which ignoble employment he remained nine years; from which circumstance he was called the god of shepherds, and at his sacrifices a wolf was generally offered, as that animal is the declared enemy of the sheepfold. During his residence in Thessaly, he rewarded the tender treatment of Admetus. He gave him a chariot, drawn by a lion and a bull, with which he was able to obtain in marriage Alceste, the daughter of Pelias; and soon after, the Paree granted, at Apollo's request, that Admetus might be redeemed from death, if another person laid down his life for him. —He assisted Neptune in building the walls of Troy; and when he was refused the promised reward from Laomedon, the king of the country, he destroyed the inhabitants by a pestilence. —As soon as he was born, Apollo destroyed, with arrows, the serpent Python, whom Juno had sent to persecute Latona; hence he was called Pythius. He was not the inventor of the lyre, as some have imagined, but Mercury gave it him, and received as a reward the famous caduceus with which Apollo was wont to drive the flocks of Admetus. His contest with Pan and Marsyas, and the punishments inflicted upon Midas are well known. He received the surnames of Phoebus, Delius, Cyntius, Pean, Delphicus, Nomius, Lycurus, Clarus, Ismenius, Vulturius, Smintheus, &c. for reasons which are explained under those words. Apollo is generally represented with long hair, and the Romans were fond of imitating his figure, and therefore in their youth they were remarkable for their fine head of hair, which they cut short at the age of 17 or 18. He is always represented as a tall beardless young man with a handsome shape, holding in his hand a bow, and sometimes a lyre; his head is generally surrounded with beams of light. He was the deity who, according to the notions of the ancients, inflicted plagues, and in that moment he appeared surrounded with clouds. His worship and power were universally acknowledged: he had temples and statues in every country, particularly in Egypt, Greece, and Italy. His statue, which stood upon mount Actium, as a mark to mariners to avoid the dangerous coasts, was particularly famous, and it appeared at a great distance on this sea. Augustus, before the battle of Actium, addressed himself to it for victory. The cock, the grasshopper, the wolf, the crow, the swan, the hawk, the olive, the laurel, the palm-tree, &c. were sacred to him; and in his sacrifices, wolves and hawks were offered, as they were the natural enemies of the flocks over which he presided. Bullocks and lambs were also im- molated to him. As he presided over poetry, he was often seen on mount Parnassus with the nine Muses. His most famous oracles were at
Delphi, Delos, Claros, Tenedos, Cyzicus, and Patara. His most splendid temple was at Delphi, where every nation and individual made considerable presents, when they consulted the oracle. Augustus, after the battle of Actium, built him a temple on mount Palatine, which he enriched with a valuable library. He had a famous Colossus in Rhodes, which was one of the seven wonders of the world. Apollo has been taken for the Sun; but it may be proved by different passages in the ancient writers, that Apollo, the Sun, Phobus, and Hyperion, were all different characters and deities, though confounded together. When once Apollo was addressed as the Sun, and represented with a crown of rays on his head, the idea was adopted by every writer, and from thence arose the mistake. Ovid, Met. 1., fab. 9 & 10, 1, 4, fab. 3, &c.—Paus. 2., c. 7. 1, c. 7. 1, 7. c. 20., 1, 9. c. 30., &c.—Hygin. fab. 9, 14, 50, 93, 140., &c.—Stat. 1., Thid. 560.—Tibull. 2., cl. 3.—Plut. de Amor.—Hon. L. & HymA. in Apoll. Virg. Æn. 2, 3, &c.—G. 4., v. 383.—Horat. 1., od. 10.—Diopth., Dial. Mer. &c.—Vulg. Propert. 2., cl. 28.—Callimach. in Apoll. Apollod. 1., c. 3, 4, & c. 9. 1, c. 5, 1, 3, c. 5, 10, &c.—One of the ships in the fleet of Æneas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 171.—Also a temple of Apollo upon mount Leucas, which appeared at a great distance in the sea; and served as a guide to mariners, and reminded them to avoid the dangerous rocks that were along the coast. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 275.—Apollonocrates, a friend of Dion, supposed by some to be the son of Dionysius.

Apollodorus, a famous grammarian and mythologist of Athens, son of Asclepias, and disciple to Panætius the Rhodian philosopher. He flourished about 115 years before the Christian era. He wrote an history of Athens, besides other works. But of all his compositions, nothing is extant but his Bibliotheca, which is divided into three books. It is an abridged history of the gods and of the ancient heroes, of whose actions and genealogy it gives a true and faithful account. The best edition is that of Heyne Gottli. in 8vo. 4 vols. 1792. Athen. Phila. 7., c. 37.—Diod. 4. & 13.—A tragic poet of Cilicia, who wrote tragedies entitled Ulysses, Thyestes, &c.—A comic poet of Gela in Sicily, in the age of Menander, who wrote 47 plays.—An architect of Damascus, who directed the building of Trajan’s bridge across the Danube. He was put to death by Adrian, to whom, when in a private station, he had spoken in too bold a manner.—A writer who composed an history of Parthia.—A learned disciple of Epicurus, who wrote about 40 volumes on different subjects. Digg.—A painter of Athens, of whom Zeuxis was a pupil. Two of his paintings were admired at Pergamus in the age of Pliny: a priest in a suppliant posture, and Ajax struck with Minerva’s thunders. He was of such an irascible disposition, that he destroyed his own pieces upon the least provocation. Plut. 34. c. 8.—A rhetorician of Pergamus, preceptor and friend of Augustus, who wrote a book on rhetoric, but this work has been lost. Augustus addressed him with these words: “It is a happy occasion, my friend, to attend upon Lycurgus and Pericles. I hope you are not an ignominious pupil, who have not the merit of the ancients.” Augustus, well pleased with this, said: “You have received the mark of the best teachers.” Sarab. 15.—A tragic poet of Tarsus. A Lemman who wrote on husbandry. A physician of Tarentum. Another of Cytiuim.

Apollonia, a festival at Egialea, in honour of Apollo and Diana. It arose from this circumstance; these two deities came to Egialea after the conquest of the serpent Python; but they were frightened away, and fled to Crete. Egialea was soon visited with an epidemic distemper, and the inhabitants, by advice of their prophets, sent seven chosen boys, with the same number of girls, to entreat them to return to Egialea. Apollo and Diana granted their petition, in honour of which a temple was raised to Pæleo, the goddess of persuasion; and ever after, a number of youths of both sexes were chosen to march in solemn procession, as if anxious to bring back Apollo and Diana. Pausan. in Cors. A town of Magnida. Of Crete.—Of Sicily.—On the coast of Asia Minor. Another on the coast of Thrace, part of which was built upon a small island of Pontus, where Apollo had a temple. A town of Macedonia, on the coasts of the Adriatic. A city of Thrace. Another on mount Parnassus. Apollonias, the wife of Attalus king of Pthgia, to whom she bore four children. Apollonides, a tyrant of Sicily, compelled to lay down his power to Timoleon. Apollonides, a writer of Nicea. A physician of Cos at the court of Artaxerxes, who became enamoured of Amytis, the monarch’s sister, and was some time after put to death for slighting her after the reception of her favours. Apollonius, a Stoic philosopher of Chalices, sent for by Antoninus Pius, to instruct his adopted son Marcus Antoninus. When he came to Rome, he refused to go to the palace, observing, that the master ought not to wait upon his pupil, but the pupil upon him. The emperor hearing this, said, laughing, “It was then easier for Apollonius to come from Chalices to Rome, than from Rome to the palace.” A geometricalian of Perge in Pamphylia, whose works are now lost. He lived about 342 years before the Christian era. He composed a commentary on Euclid, whose pupils he attended at Alexandria, besides several books on conic sections, eight of which are now extant, the best edition of which is Dr. Halley’s, Oxon. fol. 1710.—A poet of Naucratis in Egypt, generally called Apollonius, of Rhodes, because he lived for some time there. He was pupil, when young, to Callimachus and Panætius. He was the third librarian of the famous library of Alexandria, under Ptolemy Evergetes. He was ungrateful to his master Callimachus, who wrote a poem against him, in which he denominated him Ibas. Of all his works nothing remains but his poem on the expedition of the Argonauts, in four books. The best editions of Apollonius, are those printed at Oxford, in 4to. by Shaw. 1777, in 2 vols. and in 1, 8vo. 1779, and that of Brunck Argentor. 12mo. 1780. Quintil. 10. c. 1.—A Greek orator surnamed Molo. He
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was a native of Alburna in Caria. He opened a school of rhetoric at Rhodes and Rome, and had J. Caesar and Cicero among his pupils. He wrote an history, in which he did not candidly treat the people of Judaea, according to the complaint of Josephus contra Apion. Cic. de mat. 1, c. 75, 126, & 130. Ad. fam. 3, ep. 16. De Invent. 1, c. 61. Quintil. 3, c. 1. l. 12, c. 6.—Suet. in Cæs. 4.—Plut. in Cæs.

A Greek historian, about the age of Augustus, who wrote upon the philosophy of Zeno, and of his followers. Strab. 14.

A Stoic philosopher who attended Cató of Utica in his last moments. Plut. in Cat.—An officer set over Egypt by Alexander. Cæs. 4, c. 8.—A wrestler.—Paus. 3.

A physician of Pergamus, who wrote on agriculture. Varro.

A grammarian of Alexandria. A writer in the age of Antoninus Pius. Tyaneus, a Pythagorean philosopher, well skilled in the secret arts of magic. Being one day haranguing the populace at Ephesus, he suddenly exclaimed, "Strike the tyrant, strike him; the blow is given; he is wounded, and fallen!"

At that very moment the emperor Domitian had been stabbed at Rome. The magician acquired much reputation when this circumstance was known. He was courted by kings and princes, and commanded unusual attention by his numberless artifices. His friend and companion Damis, wrote his life, which 200 years after engaged the attention of Philostratus. In his history the biographer relates so many curious and extraordinary anecdotes of his hero, that many have justly deemed it a romance; yet for all this, Hierocles had the presumption to compare the impostures of Apollo- lonius with the miracles of Jesus Christ.

A sophist of Alexandria, distinguished for his Leton Grece: Thias. et Odyss. a book that was beautifully edited by Villoseon in 4to. 2 vols. Paris, 1775. Apollo- lonius was one of the pupils of Ditylus, and flourished in the beginning of the first century. A physician.

A son of Setades at the court of Ptolemy Philadelphia, or Syrus, a Platonic philosopher. Hieropilhbus wrote concerning ointments. —A sculptor of Rhodes.


A son of Jupiter. Apodytistes, a surname of Jupiter.


M. Apollonius, a governor of Meassia, rewarded with a triumphal statue by Otho, for defeating 9000 barbarians. Tacit. Hist. 1, c. 79.

Aponia, a fountain with a village of the same name near Patavium in Italy. The waters of the fountain were wholesome, and were supposed to have an oracular power. Lucan, 7, v. 194.—Suet. in Tiber. 14.

Apo- strophia, a surname of Venus in Bo- rnia, who was distinguished under these names, Venus Urania, Vulgaria, and Apostrophia. The former was the patroness of a pure and chaste love; the second of carnal and sensual desires; and the last incited men to illicit and unnatural gratifications, to incests and rapes. Venus Apostrophia was invoked by the Thebans, that they might be saved from such unlawful desires. She is the same as the Verticordia of the Romans. Paus. 9, c. 16.—Val. Mar. 8, c. 15.

Apothecies, a ceremony observed by the ancient nations of the world, by which they raised their kings, heroes, and great men to the rank of deities. The nations of the east were the first who paid divine honours to their great men, and the Romans followed their example, and not only deified the most prudent and humane of their emperors, but also the most cruel and profligate. Herodian has left us an account of the apotheosis of a Roman emperor. After the body of the deceased was burnt, an ivory image was laid on a couch for seven days, representing the emperor under the agonies of disease. The city was in sorrow, the senate visited it in mourning, and the physicians pronounced it every day in a more decaying state. When the death was announced, a young band of senators carried the couch and image to the Campus Martius, where it was deposited on an edifice in the form of a pyramid, where spices and combustible materials were thrown. After this the knights walked round the pile in solemn procession and the images of the most illustrious Romans were drawn in state, and immediately the new emperor, with a torch, set fire to the pile, and was assisted by the surrounding multitude. Meanwhile an eagle was let fly from the middle of the pile, which was supposed to carry the soul of the deceased to heaven, where he was ranked among the gods. If the deified was female, a peacock, and not an eagle, was sent from the flames.—The Greeks observed ceremonies much of the same nature.

Appia Via, a celebrated road leading from Rome to Brundusium, through Capua. Appius Claudius made it as far as Capua, and it received its name from him. It was continued and finished by Gracchus, J. Caesar, and Augustus. Lucan, 3, v. 285.—Stat. 2. Sylyc. 2, v. 12.—Mart. 9, ep. 104.

Appiades, a name given to these five deities, Venus, Pallas, Vesta, Concord, and Peace. A temple was erected to them near the Appian Way, by the forum of J. Caesar. Ovid. de Aris. 3, v. 452.

Appianus, a Greek historian of Alexandria, who flourished A. D. 123. His universal history, which consisted of 24 books, was a series of history of all the nations that had been conquered by the Romans in the order of time; and in the composition, the writer displayed, with a style simple and unadorned, a great knowledge of military affairs, and described his battles in a masterly manner. This excellent history is greatly mutilated, and there is extant now only the account of the Punic, Syrian, Parthian, Mithridatic, and Spanish wars, with those of Illyricum and the civil dissensions with a fragment of the Celtic wars. The best
editions are those of Tollius and Variorum, vols. 8vo. Amst. 1670, and that of Schweiguerus, 3 vols. 8vo. Lips. 1785. He was so eloquent that the emperor highly promoted him in the state. He wrote an universal history in 24 books, which begins from the time of the Trojan war, down to his own age. Few books of this valuable work are extant.

**APPEI FORUM**, a little village not far from Rome, built by the consul Appius. Horat. 1, Sat. 5.

Appius, the progeny of an illustrious family at Rome.—A censor of that name, A. U. C. 442. Orat. 1, Sat. 6.

**APPIS CLAUDIUS**, a decemvir who obtained his power by force and oppression. He attempted the virtue of Virginia, whom her father killed to preserve her chastity. This act of violence was the cause of a revolution in the state, and the ravisher was banished. Liv. 3, c. 33.—Claudius Cæcus, a Roman orator, who built the Appian way, and many aqueducts in Rome. When Pyrrhus, who was come to assist the Tarentines against Rome, demanded peace of the senators, Appius caused himself to be carried to the senate-house, and, by his authority, dissuaded them from granting a peace which would prove dishonourable to the Roman name. Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 203.—Cic. in Brut. & Tusc. 4.—A Roman, who, when he heard that he had been proscribed by the triumvirs, divided his riches among his servants, and embarked with them for Sicily. In their passage the vessel was shipwrecked, and Appius alone saved his life. Appian. 4.—Claudius Crassus, a consul, who, with Sp. Naut. Rutu-

hus, conquered the Celtiberians, and was defeated by Persecus, king of Macedonia. Liv. —Claudius Pulcher, a grandson of Ap. Cl. Cæcus, consul in the age of Sylla, retired from grandeur to enjoy the pleasures of a private life. —Claudius, a general of the Sabines, who, upon being ill treated by his countrymen, retired to Rome with 5000 of his friends, and was admitted into the senate in the early part of the republic. Plut. in Poplic.—Herodinus seized the capital with 4000 exiles, A. U. C. 292, and was soon afterthrown. Liv. 3, c. 15. —Flor. 3, c. 19.—Claudius Lentulus, a consul with M. Perpenna. —A dictator who con-

quered the Hernici. —The name of Appius was common in Rome, and particularly to many consuls whose history is not marked by any uncommon event.

**APPULIA, an immodest woman**, &c. Juuv. 6, v. 64.

**APRIES** and **APRIOUS**, one of the kings of Egypt in the age of Cyrus, supposed to be the Pharaoh Hophra of scripture: he took Sidon, and lived in great prosperity till his subjects revolted to Amasis, by whom he was conquered and strangled. Herodot. 2, c. 159, &c. —Divid. 1.

**APSINTHII, a people of Thrace**; they received their name from a river called Apis-

thus, which flowed through their territory. Dionys. Perieg.

**APSINUS, an Athenian sophist in the 3d century, author of a work called Praeceptor de arte rhetorica.**

**APSEUS**, a river of Macedonia, falling into the Ionian sea between Dyrhachium and Apollo-

denia. Lucan. 5, v. 461.

**APTERA, an inland town of Crete.** Ptol.

**APULEIUS LEX**, was enacted by L. Apuleius the tribune, A. U. C. 632, for inflicting a pu-

nishmment upon such as were guilty of raising seditions, or shewing violence in the city. —Varilla, a grand-daughter of Augustus, con-


**APULEIUS, a learned man who studied at** Carthage, Athens, and Rome, where he mar-

ried a rich widow called Pudatilla, for which he was accused by some of her relations of using magical arts to win her heart. His apology was a masterly composition. In his youth, Apuleius had been very expensive; but he was, in a mature age, more devoted to study, and learnt Latin without a master. The most famous of his works extant is the golden ass, in eleven books, an allegorical piece replete with morality. The best editions of Apuleius, are the Delphini, 2 vols. 4to. Paris, 1688, and Praxicai, 8vo. Gouda, 1650.

**APULIA, a country of Italy between Dau-

nia and Calabria. It was part of the ancient Magna Grecia, and generally divided into** Apulia Daunia, and Apulia Peucetia. It was famous for its woods. Some suppose that it is called after Apulus, an ancient king of the country before the Trojan war. Plin. 3, c. 11. —Cic. de Div. 1, c. 43.—Strab. 6.—Mela. 2.—Martial in Apoph. 155.

**APUSICAMUS, a lake of Africa. All bod-

ies, however heavy, were said to swim on the surface of its waters. Plin. 32, c. 2.

**AQUARIUS, one of the signs of the Zodiac,** rising in January, and setting in February. Some suppose that Ganymede was changed into this sign. Virg. G. 5, v. 304.

**AGUJARIA, a place of Africa.** Cest. 2, bell. civ. 23.

**AQUILA and AQUILEGIA, a town founded** by a Roman colony, called, from its grandeur, 

*Roma secunda*, and situated at the north of the Adriatic sea, on the confines of Italy. The Romans built it chiefly to oppose the frequent incursions of the barbarians. The Roman em-

perors enlarged and beautified it, and often made it their residence. Ital. 8, v. 605. —Martial, 4, ep. 25.—Mela, 2, c. 4.

**AQUITILIUS NIORI, an historian mentioned** by Sueton. in Aug. 11.—Marcus, a Roman consul, who had the government of Asia Mi-

nor. Justin. 36, c. 4.—Sabinus, a lawyer of Rome, surnamed the Cato of his age. He was father to Aquilia Severa, whom Heliogabalus married. —Severus, a poet and historian in the age of Valentian.

**AQUILLA and AQUILIA, a patrician family** at Rome, from which few illustrious men rose.

**Aquilo, a wind blowing from the north.** Its name is derived, according to some, from 

*Aquila*, on account of its keenness and velo-

city.
ARATUS, a city of the Hirpini in Italy. Liv. 10, c. 36.

ARACCA, a city of Colophon, daughter of Ammon, a dyer. She was so skilful in working with the needle, that she challenged Minerva, the goddess of the art, to a trial of skill. She represented on her work the amours of Jupiter with Europa, Antiope, Leila, Asteria, Dana, Alcmena, &c. but though her piece was perfect and masterly, she was defeated by Minerva, and hanged herself in despair, and was changed into a spider by the goddess. Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 1, &c.—A city of Thessaly.

ARACHOMIA, a city of Asia, near the Massagetae. It was built by Semiramis.—One of the Persian provinces beyond the Indus. Plin. 6, c. 23.—Strab. 11.

ARACHÔTE and ARACHÔTI, a people of India, who receive their name from the river Arachous, which flows down from mount Caucasus. Dionys. Perieg.—Curt. 9, c. 7.

ARACHTIAS, one of the four capital rivers of Epirus, nearNicopolis, falling into the bay of Ambracia. Strab. 7.

ARACILLUM, a town of Hispania Tarraconensis. Flor. 4, c. 12.

ARACOSIT, an Indian nation. Justin. 13, c. 4.


ARADUS, an island near Phoenicia, joined to the continent by a bridge. Dionys. Perieg.

ARES, rocks in the middle of the Mediterranean, between Africa and Sardinia, where the Romans and Africans ratified a treaty. It was upon them that Æneas lost the greatest part of his fleet; they are supposed to be those islands which are commonly called Ægates. Virg. En. 1, v. 113.


ARAB, a river of Gaul, flowing into the Rhone, over which Cæsar's soldiers made a bridge in one day. Cæs. bell. Gall. 1, c. 12.—Silv. 3, v. 452.

ARARUS, a Scythian river flowing through Armenia. Herodot. 4, c. 48.

ARATHYREA, a small province of Achaia, afterwards called Asopis, with a city of the same name. Homer. II. 2.—Strab. 8.

ARATUS, a Greek poet of Cilicia, about 277 B.C. He was greatly esteemed by Antigonus Gonatas king of Macedonia, at whose court he passed much of his time. He wrote a poem on astronomy, in which he gives an account of the situations, rising and setting, number and motion of the stars; the work is without variety. He wrote besides, hymns and epigrams, &c. and had among his interpreters and commentators many of the learned men of Greece whose works are lost, besides Cicero, Claudius, and Germanicus Cæsar, who, in their youth, or moments of relaxation, translated the phænomena into Latin verse. The best editions of Aratus are, Grotius's 4to. apud Raphaleng. 1600; and Oxon. 8vo. 1672. Cic. de Nat. D.—Ovid. Am. 1, el. 15, v. 26.—The son of Clinias and Aristodama, was born at Sicyon in Achaia, near the river Asopus. When he was but seven years of age, his father, who held the government of Sicyon, was assassinated by Abantidas, who made himself absolute. After some revolutions, the sovereignty
came into the hands of Nicocles, whom Aratus murdered, to restore his country to liberty. He was so jealous of tyrannical power, that he even destroyed a picture which was the representation of a tyrant. He joined the republic of Sicyon to the Achaean league, which he strengthened, by making a treaty of alliance with the Corinthians, and with Ptolemy, king of Egypt. He was chosen chief commander of the forces of the Achaean, and drove away the Macedonians from Athens and Corinth. He made war against the Spartans, but was conquered in a battle by their king Cleomenes. To repair the losses he had sustained, he solicited the assistance of King Antigonus, and drove away Cleomenes from Sparta, who fled to Egypt, where he killed himself. The Aetolians soon after attacked the Achaean; and Aratus, to support his character, was obliged to call to his aid Philip, king of Macedonia. His friendship with this new ally did not long continue. Philip shewed himself cruel and oppressive; and put to death some of the noblest of the Achaean, and even seduced the wife of the son of Aratus. Aratus, who was now advanced in years, showed his displeasure by withdrawing himself from the society and friendship of Philip. But this rupture was fatal. Philip dreaded the power and influence of Aratus, and therefore he caused him and his son to be poisoned. Some days before his death, Aratus was observed to spit blood; and when apprized of it by his friends, he replied, "Such are the rewards which a connexion with kings will produce." He was buried with great pomp, by his countrymen; and two solemn sacrifices were annually made to him, the first on the day that he delivered Sicyon from tyranny, and the second on the day of his birth. During those sacrifices which were called Arateia, the priests wore a ribbon bespangled with white and purple spots, and the public school-master walked in procession at the head of his scholars, and was always accompanied by the richest and most eminent senators, adorned with garlands. Aratus died in the 62d year of his age, B. C. 213. He wrote a history of the Achaean league, much commended by Polybius. Plut. in vita.—Paus. 2, c. 8.—Cic. de Offic. 2, c. 23.—Strab. 14.—Liv. 27, c. 51.—Polyb. 2.

Araxes, a celebrated river which separates Armenia from Media, and falls into the Caspian sea. Lucan. 1, v. 19. 1. 7, v. 188.—Strab. 8.—Virg. En. 3, v. 798.—Herodot. 1, c. 202, &c.—Another which falls into the Euphrates.—Another in Europe, now called Volga.

Arbaces, a Mede who revolted with Belus against Sardanapalus, and founded the empire of Media upon the ruins of the Assyrian power, 820 years before the Christian era. He reigned about 50 years, and was famous for the greatness of his undertakings, as well as for his valor. Justin. 1, c. 3.—Paterc. 1, c. 6.

Arbela, a town of Persia, on the river Lycus, famous for a battle fought there between

Alexander and Darius, the 2d of October, B. C. 331. Curt. 5, c. 1.—Plut. in Alex.

Arbela, a town of Sicily, whose inhabitants were very credulous.

Arbis, a river on the western boundaries of India. Strab.

Arbocala, a city taken by Aniball as he marched against Rome.

Arbuscula, an actress on the Roman stage, who laughed at the hisses of the populace, while she received the applause of the knights Horat. 1, Sat. 10, v. 77.

Arcadia, an inland country of Peloponnesus, surrounded on every side by land. Situate between Achaia, Messenia, Elis, and Argolis. It received its name from Arcus son of Jupiter, and was anciently called Drymodes, on account of the great number of oaks (époç) it produced, and afterwards called Pelasgia. The country has been much celebrated by the poets, and was famous for its mountains. The inhabitants were for the most part all shepherds, who lived upon acorns, were skilful warriors, and able musicians. They thought themselves more ancient than the moon. Pan the god of shepherds chiefly lived among them. Aristotle, de met. says, that the wine of Arcadia, when placed in a goat's skin, near a fire, will become chalky, and at last be turned into salt. Strab. 8.—Plin. 4, c. 5.—Paus. 8, c. 4.—Athen. 14.—A fortified village of Zacythus.

Arcaidius, elder son of Theodosius the Great, succeeded his father A. D. 395. Under him the Roman power was divided into the eastern and western empire. He made the eastern empire his choice, and fixed his residence at Constantinople; whilst his brother Honorius was made emperor of the west, and lived in Rome. After this separation of the Roman empire, the two powers looked upon one another with indifference; and soon after, their indifference was changed into jealousy, and contributed to hasten their mutual ruin. In the reign of Arcaidius, Alaric attacked the western empire, and plundered Rome. Arcaidius married Eudoxia, a bold ambitious woman; and died in the 31st year of his age, after a reign of 13 years, in which he bore the character of an effeminate prince, who suffered himself to be governed by favourites, and who abandoned his subjects to the tyranny of ministers, while he lost himself in the pleasures of a voluptuous court.

Arcanum, a villa of Cicero's, near the Minturn. Cic. 7, ep. ad Att. 10.

Arcas, a son of Jupiter and Calisto. He nearly killed his mother, whom Juno had changed into a bear. He reigned in Pelasgia, which from him was called Arcadia, and taught his subjects agriculture and the art of spinning wool. After his death, Jupiter made him a constellation, with his mother. As he was one day hunting, he met a wood nymph, who begged his assistance, because the tree over which she presided, and on whose preservation her life depended, was going to be carried away by the impetuous torrent of a river. Ar-
cas changed the course of the waters, and preserved the tree, and married the nymph, by whom he had three sons, Azan, Aphidas, and Elatus, among whom he divided his kingdom. The descendants of Azan planted colonies in Phrygia. Aphidas received for his share, Tegea, which on that account has been called the inheritance of Aphidas; and Elatus became master of mount Cyene, and some time after passed into Phocis. Paus. 8. c. 4. — Hygin. fab. 155 & 176. — Apollod. 3. c. 8. — Strab. 8. — Ovid. Fast. 1. v. 470. — One of Acteon’s dogs.

Archena, a town of Phoenicia, where Alexander Severus was born.

Arceus, a Sicilian, who permitted his son to accompany Aeneas into Italy, where he was killed by Mezentius. Virg. Æn. 9. v. 581, &c.

Arcesilaus, son of Battus, king of Cyrene, was driven from his kingdom in a sedition, and died B. C. 575. The second of that name, died B. C. 550. Polym. 8. c. 41. — Herodot. 4. c. 159. — One of Alexander’s generals, who obtained Mesopotamia at the general division of the provinces after the king’s death. — A chief of Catana, which he betrayed to Dionysius the elder. Dio. 14. — A philosopher of Pitane in Æolia, disciple of Polemon. He visited Sardes and Athens, and was the founder of the middle academy, as Socrates founded the ancient, and Carneades the new one. He pretended to know nothing, and accused others of the same ignorance. He acquired many pupils in the character of teacher; but some of them left him for Epicurus, though no Epicurean came to him; which gave him occasion to say, that it is easy to make an eunuch of a man, but impossible to make a man of an eunuch. He was very fond of Homer, and generally divided his time among the pleasures of philosophy, love, reading, and the table. He died in his 75th year, B. C. 241, or 300, according to some. Dio. in v. 82. — Persius 3. v. 78. — Cic. de Fini. — A painter. Paus.

A comic and elegiac poet.

Arcesius, son of Jupiter, said to be father to Ulysses. Ovid. Met. 13. v. 144.

Archaeus, a city of Æolia.

Archænax of Mitylene, was intimate with Pisistratus tyrant of Athens. He fortified Sigraum with a wall from the ruins of ancient Troy. Strab. 13.

Achmatidas, a country of Peloponnesus.

Archagathus, son of Archagathus, was slain in Africa by his soldiers, B. C. 285. He killed his grandfather Agathocles, tyrant of Syracuse. Dio. 20. — Justin. 22. c. 5, &c. says, that he was put to death by Archelaus, — A physician at Rome, B. C. 219.

Archander, father-in-law to Danann. Herodot. 2. c. 93.

Archandros, a town of Egypt.

Arch, one of the Muses, according to Cisero.

Archergetes, a surname of Hercules.

Archelæus, a name common to some kings of Cappadocia. One of them was conquered by Sylla, for assisting Mithridates. — A person of that name married Berenice, and made himself king of Egypt; a dignity he enjoyed only six months, as he was killed by the soldiers of Gabinius, B. C. 56. He had been made priest of Comana by Pompey. His grandson was made king of Cappadocia by Antony, when he assisted at Actium, and maintained his independence under Augustus, till Tiberius perfidiously destroyed him. — A king of Macedonia, succeeded his father Perdiccas the second; as he was but a natural child, he killed the legitimate heirs, to gain the kingdom. He proved himself to be a great monarch; but he was at last killed by one of his favourites, because he had promised him his daughter in marriage, and given her to another, after a reign of 23 years. He patronised the poet Euripides. Dio. 14. — Justin. 7. c. 4. — Elia. V. H. 2. 8. 12. 14. — A king of the Jews, surnamed Herod. He married Glymphe, daughter of Archelaus king of Macedonia, and widow of his brother Alexander. Cassar banished him, for his cruelties to Vienna, where he died. Dio. — A king of Lacedaemon, son of Agestus. He reigned 42 years with Charilus, of the other branch of the family. Herodot. 7. c. 204. — Paus. 3. c. 2. — A general of Antigonus the younger, appointed governor of the Acrocorinth, with the philosopher Persesus. Polym. 6. c. 5. — A celebrated general of Mithridates against Sylla. Id. 8. c. 9. — A philosopher of Athens or Messenia, son of Apollodorus and successor to Anaxagoras. He was preceptor to Socrates, and was called Physicus. He supposed that heat and cold were the principles of all things. He first discovered the voice to be propagated by the vibration of the air. Cic. Tusc. 5. — Diog. in v. 82. — Augustus de civ. Dei. 8. — A man set over Sessa by Alexander, with a garrison of 3000 men. Curt. 5. c. 2. — A Greek philosopher, who wrote a history of animals, and maintained that goats breathed not through the nostrils, but through the ears. Plin. 8. c. 50. — A son of Electrony and Anazo. Apollod. 2. — A Greek poet, who wrote epigrams. Varro. de R. R. — A sculptor of Priene, in the age of Claudius. He made an apotheosis of Homer, a piece of sculpture highly admired, and said to have been discovered under ground, A. D. 1658. — A writer of Thrace.


Archemonos, or Opheltes, son of Lycurgus, king of Nemea, in Thrace, by Eurydice, was brought up by Hypsipyle, queen of Lemnos, who had fled to Thrace, and was employed as a nurse in the king’s family. Hypsipyle was met by the army of A drastrus, who was going against Thrace; and she was forced to shew them a fountain where they might quench their thirst. To do this more expeditiously, she put down the child on the grass, and at her return found him killed by a serpent. The Greeks were so
afflicted at this misfortune, that they instituted games in honour of Archemorus, which were called Nemian, and king Adrastus enlisted among the combatants, and was victorious. Apollod. 2 & 3.—Paus. 8, c. 43.—Stat. Theb. 6.

ARCHÉPOLUS, a man in Alexander's army, who conspired against the king with Dymnus. Curt. 6, c. 7.

ARCHÉPTOLEMUS, son of Iphitus, king of Elis, went to the Trojan war, and fought against the Greeks. As he was fighting near Hector, he was killed by Ajax, son of Telamon. It is said that he re-established the Olympic games. Homer. Iliad. 8, v. 129.

ARCHÉSTRATUS, a tragic poet, whose pieces were acted during the Peloponnesian war. Plat. in Arist.—A man so small and lean, that he could be placed in a dish without filling it, though it contained no more than an obolus.

—A follower of Epicurus, who wrote a poem in commendation of gluttony.

ARCHÉSTIMUS, the first philosophical writer in the age of the seven wise men of Greece. Diog.

ARCHÉTIUS, a Rutulian, killed by the Trojans. Verg. Aen. 12, v. 459.

ARCHIA, one of the Oceanides, wife to Inachus. Hygin. fab. 143.

ARCHIAC, a Corinthian, descended from Hercules. He founded Syracuse, B.C. 732. Being told by an oracle to make choice of health or riches, he chose the latter. Dionys. Hal. 2.

—A poet of Antioch, intimate with Lucullus. He obtained the rank and name of a Roman citizen by the means of Cicero, who defended him in an elegant oration, when his enemies had disputed his privileges of citizen of Rome. He wrote a poem on the Cimbrian war, and began another concerning Cicero's consulsip, which are now lost. Some of his epigrams are preserved in the Anthologia. Cic. pro Arch.

—A poem of March of Thebes, assassinated in the conspiracy of Pelopidas, which he could have prevented, if he had not deferred to the Morrow, the reading of a letter which he had received from Archias the Athenian high-priest, and which gave him information of his danger. Plat. in Pind. —A high-priest of Athens, contemporary and intimate with the polemarch of the same name. Id. ibid.—A Theban taken in the act of adultery, and punished according to the law, and tied to a post in the public place, for which punishment he abolished the oligarchy. Aristot.

ARCHIÁDÖES, a philosopher of Athens, very unimical to the views and measures of Phocion. Plat. in Pind.—An ambassador of Byzantium, &c. Polyn. 2, c. 44.

ARCHIUS, the son of the geographer Ptolemy.

ARCHIDAMIA, a priestess of Ceres, who, on account of her affection for Aristomenes, restored him to liberty, when he had been taken prisoner by her female attendants at the celebration of their festivals. Paus. 4, c. 17.

A daughter of Cleadas, who, upon hearing that her countrymen, the Spartans, were debating whether they should send away their women, against the hostile approach of Pyrrhus, seized a sword, and ran to the senate house, exclaiming that the women were as able to fight as the men. Upon this the decree was repealed. Plut. in Pyrrhus.—Polyn. 8, c. 8.

ARCHIDAMUS, son of Theopompus, king of Sparta, died before his father. Paus.—Another, king of Sparta, son of Anaxidamus, succeeded by Agasicles.—Another, son of Agesilaus, of the family of the Proclidae.—Another, grandson of Lectychidas, by his son Zeuxidamus. He succeeded his grandfather, and reigned in conjunction with Plistonax. He conquered the Argives and Arcadians, and privately assisted the Phocians in plundering the temple of Delphi. He was called to the aid of Tarentum against the Romans, and killed there in a battle, after a reign of 35 years. Diod. 16.—Xenoph.—Another, son of Endamidas.

Another, who conquered the Hetai, after a violent earthquake. Diod. 11.—A son of Agesilaus, who led the Spartan auxiliaries to Cleobrotus at the battle of Leuctra, and was killed in a battle against the Leucanians, B. C. 333.—A son of Xenius Theopompus. Paus.

ARCHIDAS, a tyrant of Athens, killed by his troops.

ARCHIDEMUS, a Stoic philosopher, who willingly exiled himself among the Parthians. Plat. de exil.

ARCHIDUS, a son of Amyntas, king of Macedonia. Justin. 7, c. 4.

ARCHIDUM, a city of Crete, named after Archidus, son of Tegeates. Paus. 8, c. 33.

ARCHIGALLUS, the chief of the priests of Cybele.

ARCHIGENES, a physician, born at Amyclae, in Syria. He lived in the reign of Domitian, Nerva, and Trajan, and died in the 73d year of his age. He wrote a treatise on adorning the hair, as also ten books on fevers. Juv. 6, v. 235.

ARCHILÖCHUS, a poet of Paros, who wrote elegies, satires, odes, and epigrams, and was the first who introduced iambics in his verses. He had courted Neobule, the daughter of Lycomedes, and had received promises of marriage; but the father gave her to another, superior to the poet in rank and fortune; upon which Archilochus wrote such a bitter satire, that Lycomedes hanged himself in a fit of despair. The Spartans condemned his verses on account of their petulance, and banished him. He flourished 685 B.C. and it is said that he was assassinated. Some fragments of his poetry remain, which display vigour and animation, boldness and vehemence in the highest degree; from which reason, perhaps Cicero calls virulent edicts, Archilochia dicta. Cic. Tusc. 1. —Quint. 10, c. 1.—Herodot. 1, c. 12.—Horat. art. poet. v. 79.—Athen. 1, 2, &c.—A son of Nestor, killed by Memnon in the Trojan war. Homer. II. 2.—A Greek historian who wrote a chronological table and other works.

ARCHIMÉDES, a famous geometerian of Syracuse, who invented a machine of glass that faithfully represented the motion of all the hea-
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Archines, a man who, when he was appointed to distribute new arms among the populace of Argos, raised a mercenary band, and made himself absolute. Polyc. 3. c. 8. —A rhetorician of Athens.

Archipelagus, a part of the sea where a great number of islands are interpersed, such as that part of the Mediterranean which lies between Greece and Asia Minor and is generally called Mares Egeum.

Archippus, a soldier who conspired against Alexander with Dymnus. Curt. 6. c. 7.

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Architus, a name of Venus, worshipped mount Libanus.

Archon, one of Alexander's generals, who received the provinces of Babylon, at the general division after the king's death. Diod. 18.

Archontes, the name of the chief magistrates of Athens. They were nine in number, and none were chosen but such as were descended from ancestors who had been free citizens of the republic for three generations; they were also to be without deformity in all the parts and members of the body, and were obliged to produce testimonies of their dutiful behaviour to their parents, of the services they had rendered their country, and the competency of their fortune to support their dignity. They took a solemn oath, that they would observe the laws, administer justice with impartiality, and never suffer themselves to be corrupted. If they ever received bribes they were compelled by the laws to dedicate to the god of Delphi a statue of gold, of equal weight with their body. They had all the power of punishing malefactors with death. The chief among them was called Archon. The year took its denomination from him; he determined all causes between man and wife, and took care of legacies and wills; he provided for orphans, protected the injured, and punished drunkenness with uncommon severity. If he suffered himself to be intoxicated during the time of his office, the misdemeour was punished with death. The second of the archons was called Besileus; it was his office to keep good order, and to remove all causes of quarrel in the families of those who were dedicated to the service of the gods. The profane and the impious were brought before his tribunal, and he offered public sacrifices for the good of the state. He assisted at the celebration of the Eleusinian festivals, and other religious ceremonies. His wife was to be related to the whole people of Athens, and of a pure and unassiled life. He had a vote among the Areopagites, but was obliged to sit among them without his crown. The polemarch was another archon of inferior dignity. He had the care of all foreigners, and provided a sufficient maintenance, from the public treasury, for the families of those who had lost their lives in the defence of their country. These three chief archons generally chose each of them two persons of respectable character, and of an advanced age, whose counsels and advice might assist and support them in their public capacity. The six other archons were indiscriminately called Thesmophores, and received complaints against persons accused of impiety, bribery, and ill behaviour. They settled all disputes between the citizens, repressed the wrongs of strangers, and forbad any laws to be enforced, but such as were conducing to the safety of the state. These officers of state were chosen after the death of king Codrus; their power was originally for life, but afterwards it was limited to 10 years, and at last to one year.

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ARCHITAS, a musician of Mitylene, who wrote a treatise on agriculture. 

ARCHITHEUS, the son of Nestos of Tarentum, was a follower of the Pythagorean philosophy, and an able astronomer and geometrician. He redeemed his master, Plato, from the hands of the tyrant Dionysius, and for his virtues he was seven times chosen by his fellow-citizens governor of Tarentum. He invented some mathematical instruments, and made a wooden pigeon which could fly. He perished in a shipwreck, about 394 years before the Christian era. He is also the reputed inventor of the screw and the pulley. A fragment of his writings has been preserved by Porphry. Horat. 1. od. 28.—Cic. de Orat. 

ARCHITENES, an epithept applied to Apollo, from his bearing a bow, with which, as soon as born, he destroyed the serpent Python. Virg. Æn. 3. v. 75.

ARCHIUS, a Milesian poet, said to be pupil to Homer. Dionys. Hal. 1.

ARCHOPHYLAX, a star near the Great Bear, called also Bootes. Cic. de Nat. D. 2. c. 42.

ARCTOS, a mountain near Propontis, inhabited by giants and monsters. Two celestial constellations near the north pole, commonly called Ursa Major and Minor, supposed to be Arcas and his mother, who were made constellations. Virg. G. 1.—Aratus. Ovid. Fast. 3 v. 107.

ARCTURUS, a star near the tail of the Great Bear, whose rising and setting was generally supposed to portend great tempests. Horat. 3. od. 1. The name is derived from its situation, ἀρκτός, ursa, ursa, cauda. It rises now about the beginning of October, and Pliny tells it rose in his age on the 12th, and, according to Columella, on the 5th of September.

ARDAIUS, a son of Vulcan, said to have been the first who invented the pipe. He gave it to the Muses, who on that account have been called Aradaleas and Aradalitoides. Paus. 2. c. 31.

ARDANIA, a country of Egypt. Strab.

ARDAXANUS, a small river of Illyricum. Polyb.
judges that composed this august assembly is
not known. They have been limited by some
to 9, to 31, to 51, and sometimes to a greater
number. The most worthy and religious of the
Athenians were admitted as members, and
such archons as had discharged their duty
with care and faithfulness. In the latter ages
of the republic, this observance was often
violated, and we find some of their members of
loose and debauched morals. If any of them
were convicted of immorality, if they were seen
sitting at a tavern, or had used any indecent
language, they were immediately expelled
from the assembly, and held in the greatest
disgrace, though the dignity of a judge of the
Areopagus always was for life. The Areopagites
took cognizance of murders, impiety, and
immoral behaviour, and particularly of idleness,
which they deemed the cause of all vice.
They watched over the laws, and they had the
management of the public treasury; they had
the liberty of rewarding the virtuous, and of
inflicting severe punishment upon such as blas-
phem ed against the gods, or slighted the cel-
bration of the holy mysteries. They always
sat in the open air, because they took cogni-
zance of murder; and by their laws it was not
permitted for the murderer and his accuser to
be both under the same roof. This custom al-
so might originate because the persons of the
judges were sacred, and they were afraid of
contracting pollution by conversing in the
same house with men who had been guilty of
shedding innocent blood. They always heard
cases and passed sentence in the night, that
they might not be prepossessed in favour of
the plaintiff or of the defendant by seeing them.
Whatever causes were pleaded before them,
were to be divested of all oratory and fine
speaking, lest eloquence should charm their
eyes, and corrupt their judgment. Hence arrose
the most just and most impartial decisions, and
their sentence was deemed sacred and invio-
able, and the plaintiff and defendant were
equally convinced of its justice. The Areopagites
generally sat on the 27th, 29th, and 29th day of
every month. Their authority con-
 tinued in its original state, till Pericles, who was
refused admittance among them, resolved to
lessen their consequence, and destroy their
power. From that time the morals of the
Athenians were corrupted, and the Areopagites
were no longer conspicuous for their vir-
tue and justice; and when they censured the
debaucheries of Demetrius, one of the family of
Phalereus, he plainly told them, that if they
wished to make a reform in Athens, they must
begin at home.
Areopagus, a hill in the neighbourhood of
Athens. Vide Areopagitæ.
Areṣtē, a people of India, conquered by
Alexander. Justin. 12, c. 8.
Areṣthanas, a countryman, whose goat
sucked Æsculapius, when exposed by his mo-
Arestrōrōs, a patronymic given to the
bund r-eyed Argus, a son of Arestor. Ovid.
Met. 1, v. 584.

Areêtē, the mother of Aristippus the phi-
losopher. Laert. 2.—A daughter of Dio-
nysius, who married Dion. She was thrown
into the sea. Plut. in Dion.—A female
philosopher of Cyrene, B. C. 377.—A
daughter of Rhe xenor, descended from Ne-
tune, who married her uncle Alcinous, by
whom she had Nauscuc. Homer. Od. 7 & 8.
—Apollod. 1.
Areṭēs, a physician of Cappadocia,
very inquisitive after the operations of nature. His
 treatise on aquæ has been much admired.
The best edition of his works which are extant
is that of Boerhaave, L. Bat. fol. 1735.
Areṭaphīla, the wife of Melanippus, a
priest of Cyrene. Nicocrates murdered her
husband to marry her. She, however, was
so attached to Melanippus, that she endeav-
oured to poison Nicocrates, and at last
caused him to be assassinated by his brother
Lysander, whom she married. Lysander
proved as cruel as his brother, upon which
Areṭaphila ordered him to be thrown into
the sea. After this she retired to a private sta-
nation. Plut. de Virtut. Maior.—Polyen. 8, c. 38.
Areṭāles, a Cudian, who wrote a history
of Macedonia, besides a treatise on islands.
Plut.
Areête, Vide Aretā. Areêtes, one of Alexander's officers. Curt. 4, c. 15.
Arephūsa, a nymph of Elis, daughter of
Oceanus, and one of Diana's attendants. As
she returned one day from hunting, she sat
near the Alpheus, and bathed in the stream.
The god of the river was enamoured of her,
and he pursued her over the mountains and all
the country, when Arethusa, ready to sink
under fatigue, implored Diana, who changed
her into a fountain. The Alpheus immediately
mingled his streams with hers, and Diana
opened a secret passage under the earth and
under the sea, where the waters of Arethusa
disappeared, and rose in the island of Ortygia,
near Syracuse, in Sicily. The river Alpheus
followed her also under the sea, and rose also
in Ortygia; so that, as mythologists relate,
whatever is thrown into the Alpheus, in Elis,
rises again, after some time, in the fountain
Arethusa, near Syracuse. Vide Alpheus.—Ovid.
Met. 5, fab. 10.—Athen. 7.—Paus. One of
the Hesperides. Apollod. 2, c. 5.—A daughter
of Herileus, mother of Abas, by Neptune.
Hygin. fab. 137.—One of Acteon's dogs.
Hygin. fab. 181.—A lake of Upper Armenia,
near the fountains of the Tigris. Nothing can
sink under its waters. Plut. 2, c. 103.—A
Arethûnum, a Roman colony in Etruria.
Ital. 5, v. 235.
Arethus, a son of Nestor and Anaxibia.
Homer. Od. 3.—A Trojan against the Greeks.
He was killed by Automedon. Homer. II. 17.
A famous warrior, whose only weapon was an
iron club. He was treacherously killed by
Lycurgus, king of Arcadia. Pass. 8, c. 11.
Arethus, a king of Sparta, preferred in the
succession to Cleonymus, brother of Acrotatus,
ARGES and ARGUS, a son of Apollo and Cephisus. Justin. 13, c. 7.—A son of Perdiccas, who succeeded his father in the kingdom of Macedon. Justin. 7, c. 1.—A mountain of Cappadocia, covered with perpetual snows, at the bottom of which is the capital of the country called Maxata. Claudian.—A son of Tolymer, killed by his brother.—Paus. 1.

A son of Lycurgus. Apollod. 2.

ARGIUS, a king of Sparta, son of Amyclas. Paus. 3, c. 1.

ARGATHON, a hunteess of Cios, in Bithynia, whom Rhæsus married before he went to the Trojan war. When she heard of his death, she died in despair. Parthen. Ero. c. 36.

ARGATHONIUS, a king of Tartessus, who, according to Plut. 7, c. 48, lived 120 years, and 300 according to Ital. 3, v. 396.

Argæus, a beautiful hunteess, changed into a stag by Apollo. Hygin. fab. 203.—One of the Cyclopes. Heid.—A daughter of Thespius, by whom Hercules had two sons. Apollod. 2.

A nymph, daughter of Jupiter and Juno. Apollod. 1.

Argæa, a place at Rome, where certain Argives were buried. Arékath, a villag of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 25.

Argennum, a promontory of Ionia.

Argos, a son of Colus and Tera, who had only one eye in his forehead. Apollod. 1, c. 1.

Argerestatus, a king of Lacedæmon, who reigned 35 years.

Argës, a son of Perdiccas, king of Macedonia, who obtained the kingdom when Amyntas was deposed by the Bithynians. Justin. 7, c. 2.

Argi (plur. mass.) Vid. Argos.

Argia, daughter of Adrastus, married Polytimes, whom she loved with uncommon tenderness. When he was killed in the war, she buried his body in the night, against the positive orders of Creon, for which pious action she was punished with death. Theseus avenged her death by killing Creon. Hygin. fab. 69 & 72. Stat. Theb. 12. [Vid. Antigone and Creon.]

—A country of Peloponnesus, called also Argolis, of which Argos was the capital. One of the Oceaneides. Hygin. pref.—The wife of Inachus, and mother of Io. Id. fab. 145.—The mother of Argus, by Polybus. Id. fab. 145.—A daughter of Autesion, who married Aristodemus, by whom she had two sons, Eurythennes, and Procles. Apollod. 2.—Paus. 4, c. 3.

Argias, a man who founded Chalcodon, A. U. C. 148.

Argiletum, a place at Rome near the Palatian, where the tradesmen generally kept their shops. Verg. En. B, v. 355.—Martial, 1, ep. 4.

Argilisus, a favourite youth of Pausanias, who revealed his master’s correspondence with the Persian king to the Ephori. C. Nep. in Paus.

Argillus, a mountain of Egypt near the Nile.

Argilus, a town of Thrace, near the Strimon, built by a colony of Andrians. Thucyd. 4, c. 103.—Herodot. 7, c. 115.

Arginuss, three small islands near the continent between Mitylene and Methymna, where the Lacedæmonian fleet was conquered by Coan the Athenian. Strab. 13.

Argiöpe, a nymph of mount Parassus, mother of Thamyris, by Philammon the son of Apollo. Paus. 4, c. 33.

Argiphenites, a surname given to Mercury, because he killed the hundred-eyed Argus, by order of Jupiter.

Argippis, a nation among the Sauronians, born bald, and with flat noses. They lived upon trees. Herodot. 4, c. 23.


Argivi, the inhabitans of the city of Argos and the neighbouring country. The word is indiscriminately applied by the poets to all the inhabitans of Greece.

Argius, a steward of Galba, who privately interred the body of his master in his gardens. Tacit. Hist. 1, c. 49.

Argo, the name of the famous ship which carried Jason and his 54 companions to Colchos, when they resolved to recover the golden fleece. The derivation of the word Argo has been often disputed. Some derive it from Argos, the person who first proposed the expedition, and who built the ship. Others maintain that it was built at Argos, whence its name. Cicero Tus. 1, c. 20, calls it Argo, because it carried Grecians, commonly called Argives. Diod. 4, derives the word from argos, which signifies swift. Tolymer says, but falsely, that Hercules built the ship, and called it Argo, after a son of Jason, who bore the same name. The ship Argo had 50 oars. According to many authors, she had a beam on her prow, cut in the forest of Dodona by Minerva, which had the power of giving oracles to the Argonauts. This ship was the first that ever sailed on the sea as some report. After the expedition was finished, Jason ordered her to be drawn aground at the isthmus of Corinth, and consecrated to the god of the sea. The poets have made her a constellation in heaven. Jason was killed by a beam which fell from the top, as he slept on the ground near it. Hygin. fab. 14. A. P. 2, c. 37.—Catull. De Nupt. Pet. & Thet.—Val. Pute. 1, v. 98, &c.—Phedr. 4, fab. 6.—Seneca in Medea.—Apollon. Argon.—Apollod. 1.—Cic. de Nat. D.—Plin. 7, c. 56.—Manil. 1.

Argolicus Sinus, a bay on the coast of Argolis.

Argolis and Argia, a country of Peloponnesus, between Arcadia and the Ægean sea. Its chief city was called Argos.

Argon, one of the descendants of Hercules who reigned in Lydia 505 years before Gyges. Herodot. 1, c. 7.
ARGONAUTS, a name given to those ancient heroes who went with Jason on board the ship Argo to Colchis, about 79 years before the taking of Troy, or 1263 B.C. The causes of this expedition arose from the following circumstances:—Athamas, king of Thebes, had married Ino, the daughter of Cadmus, whom he divorced to marry Nephele, by whom he had two children, Phryxis and Helle. As Nephele was subject to certain fits of madness, Athamas repudiated her, and took a second time Ino, by whom he had soon after two sons, Learchus and Melicerta. As the children of Nephele were to succeed to their father by right of birth, Ino conceived an immortal hatred against them, and she caused the city of Thebes to be visited by a pestilence, by poisoning all the grain which had been sown in the earth. Upon this the oracle was consulted; and as it had been corrupted by means of Ino, the answer was, that Nephele's children should be immolated to the gods. Phryxus was apprized of this, and he immediately embarked with his sister, and fled to the court of Æetes, king of Colchis, one of his near relations. In the voyage Helle died, and Phryxus arrived safe at Colchis, and was received with kindness by the king. The poets have embellished the flight of Phryxus, by supposing that he and Helle fled through the air on a ram who had a golden fleece and wings, and was endowed with the faculties of speech. This ram, as they say, was the offspring of Neptune's amours, under the form of a ram, with the nymph Theophane. As they were going to be sacrificed, the ram took them on his back, and instantly disappeared in the air. On their way Helle was giddy, and fell in that part of the sea which from her was called the Hellespont. When Phryxus came to Colchis, he sacrificed the ram to Jupiter, or, according to others, to Mars, to whom he also dedicated the golden fleece. He soon after married Chalciope the daughter of Æetes; but his father-in-law envied him the possession of the golden fleece, and therefore, to obtain it, he murdered him. Some time after this event, when Jason, the son of Æson, demanded of his uncle Pelias the crown which he usurped. [Vid. Pelias, Jason, Æson.] Pelias said that he would restore it to him, provided he avenged the death of their common relation Phryxus, whom Æetes had basely murdered at Colchis. Jason, who was in the vigour of youth, and of an ambitious soul, cheerfully undertook the expedition, and embarked with all the young princes of Greece in the ship Argo. They stopped at the island of Lemnos, where they remained two years, and raised a new race of men from the Lemnian women who had murdered their husbands. [Vid. Hypsipyle.] After they had left Lemnos, they visited Samothrace, where they offered sacrifices to the gods, and thence passed to Troas and to Cyzicus. Here they met with a favourable reception from Cyzicus the king of the country. The night after their departure they were driven back by a storm again on the coast of Cyzicus, and the inhabitants, supposing them to be their enemies the Pelasgi, furiously attacked them. In this nocturnal engagement the slaughter was great, and Cyzicus was killed by the hand of Jason, who, to expiate the murder he had ignorantly committed, buried him in a magnificent manner, and offered a sacrifice to the mother of the gods, to whom he built a temple on mount Dyndemus. From Cyzicus they visited Bebrycia, otherwise called Bithymia, where Pollux accepted the challenge of Amycus king of the country, in the combat of the cestus, and slew him. They were driven from Bebrycia, by a storm, to Salmydessus, on the coast of Thrace, where they delivered Phineus, king of the place, from the persecution of the harpies. Phineus directed their course through the Cyanean rock or the Symplegades, [Vid. Cynaeae.] and they safely entered the Euxine sea. They visited the country of the Mariandinians, where Lycus renounced, and lost two of their companions, Idmon, and Tiphis their pilot. After they had left this coast, they were driven upon the island of Arecia, where they found the children of Phryxus, whom Æetes their grandfather had sent to Greece to take possession of their father's kingdom. From this island, they at last arrived safe at Æae, the capital of Colchis. Jason explained the causes of his voyage to Æetes; but the conditions on which he was to recover the golden fleece, were so hard, that the Argonauts must have perished in the attempt, had not Medea, the king's daughter, fallen in love with their leader. She had a conference with Jason, and after mutual oaths of fidelity in the temple of Hecate, Medea pledged herself to deliver the Argonauts from her father's hard conditions, if Jason married her, and carried her with him to Greece. He was to tame two bulls, which had brazen feet and horns, and which vomited clouds of fire and smoke, and to tie them to a plough made of adamant stone, and to plough a field of two acres of ground never before cultivated. After this he was to sow in the plain, the teeth of a dragon, from which an armed multitude were to rise up, and to be all destroyed by his hands. This done, he was to kill an ever watchful dragon, who was at the bottom of the tree, on which the golden fleece was suspended. All these labours were to be performed in one day; and Medea's assistance, whose knowledge of herbs, magic, and potions was unparalleled, easily extricated Jason from all danger, to the astonishment and terror of his companions, and of Æetes, and the people of Colchis, who had assembled to be spectators of this wonderful action. He tamed the bulls with ease, ploughed the field, sowed the dragon's teeth, and when the armed men sprang from the earth, he threw a stone in the midst of them, and they immediately turned their weapons one against the other, till they all perished. After this he went to the dragon, and by means of enchanted herbs, and a draught which Medea had given him, he lulled the monster to sleep, and obtained the golden fleece, and immediately set sail with Medea. He was soon pursued by Absyrtus, the king's son, who came up to them, and was seized and
murdered by Jason and Medea. The mangled limbs of Absyrtus were strewed in the street through which Æetes was to pass, that his further pursuit might be stopped. After the murder of Absyrtus, they entered the Palus Maeotis, and by pursuing their course towards the left, according to the foolish account of poets who were ignorant of geography, they came to the island Peucetiae, and to that of Circe. Here Circe informed Jason, that the cause of all his calamities arose from the murder of Absyrtus, of which she refused to expiate him. Soon after, they entered the Mediterranean by the column of Hercules, and passed the straits of Carybdis and Sylla, where they must have perished, had not Tethys, the mistress of Peleus, one of the Argonauts, delivered them. They were preserved from the Sirens by the eloquence of Orpheus, and arrived in the island of the Phaeacians, where they met the enemy's fleet, which had continued their pursuit by a different course. It was therefore resolved that Medea should be restored, if she had not been actually married to Jason; but the wife of Alcinous, the king of the country, being appointed umpire between the Colchians and Argonauts, had the marriage privately consummated by night, and declared that the claims of Æetes to Medea were now void. From Phæacia the Argonauts came to the bay of Ambracia, whence they were driven by a storm upon the coast of Africa, and after many disasters at last came in sight of the promontory of Melea in the Peloponnesus, where Jason was purified of the murder of Absyrtus, and soon after arrived safe in Thessaly. The impracticability of such a voyage is well known. Apollonius Rhodius gives another account, equally improbable. He says, that they sailed from the Euxine up one of the mouths of the Danube, and that Absyrtus pursued them by entering another mouth of the river. After they had continued their voyage for some leagues, the waters decreased, and they were obliged to carry the ship Argo across the country to the Adriatic, upwards of 150 miles. Here they met with Absyrtus, who had pursued the same measures, and conveyed his ships in like manner over the land. Absyrtus was immediately put to death; and soon after, the beam of Dodona [Vid. Argo.] gave an oracle, that Jason should never return home if he was not previously purified of the murder. Upon this they sailed to the island of Æa, where Circe, who was the sister of Æetes, expiated him without knowing who he was. There is a third tradition which maintains, that they returned to Colchis a second time, and visited many places of Asia. This famous expedition has been celebrated in the ancient ages of the world; it has employed the pen of many writers, and among the historians, Dio- dorus Siculus, Strabo, Apollodorus, and Justin; and among the poets, Onomacritus, more generally called Orpheus, Apollonius Rhodius, Pindar, and Valerius Flaccus, have extensively given an account of its most remarkable particulars. The number of the Argonauts is not exactly known; the following list is drawn from the various authors who have made mention of the Argonaut expedition. Jason, son of Æson, as is well known, was the chief of the rest. His companions were Acastus son of Pellic, Actor son of Hippopus, Almedus son of Pheres, Æsculapius son of Apollo, Ætides son of Mercury and Eupoleme, Almenus son of Mars, Amphiaras son of Æcleus, Amphilanthus son of Æles, Amphion son of Hyperasius, Anceus a son of Lycurgus, and another of the same name, Areus, Argus the builder of the ship Argo, Argus son of Phryxus, Armenus, Ascalaphus son of Mars, Asterion son of Cometes, Asterius son of Neleus, Augeas son of Sol, Atalanta daughter of Schæneus disguised in a man's dress, Autolycus son of Mercury, Azorius, Buphaus, Butes son of Teleon, Calais son of Boreas, Canthus son of Abas. Castor son of Jupiter, Ceneus son of Elatus, Cepheus son of Æles, Cius, Clytus and Iphitus sons of Eurythus, Coronus, Deucalion son of Minos, Echion son of Mercury and Antianira, Ergynus son of Neptune, Euphemus son of Neptune and Macondas, Erithobus, Eurylus son of Cisteus, Eurydamas and Eurythion sons of Iris, Eurytus son of Mercury, Glaucus, Her- cules son of Jupiter, Ida son of Aphaerus, Ilmenus son of Mars, Idmon son of Abas, Iclaus son of Jijicus, Iphiclus son of Thustius, Iphiclistus son of Phileucus, Iphis son of Alector, Lynceus son of Aphaerus, Iritus son of Naubolus, Laertes son of Arcesius, Laocoon, Leonatus son of Bias, Leitus son of Alector, Meleager son of Ceneus, Menactus son of Aetor, Mopsus son of Amphiucus, Nauplius son of Neptune, Neleus the brother of Pelias, Nestor son of Neleus, Oileus the father of Ajax, Orpheus son of Eager, Palemon son of Ætolus, Peleus and Telamon sons of Æacus, Periclymenes son of Neleus, Peneleus son of Hypal- mus, Philoctetes son of Pean, Phlias, Pollix son of Jupiter, Polyphemus son of Elates Peas son of Thaumacus, Phanus son of Bacchus, Phalerus son of Alcon, Phocas and Pria- bus son of Ceneus, one of the Lapithes, Talaus, Tiphys son of Aginus, Staphilus son of Bacchus, two of the name of Iphitus, Theseus son of Ægeus, with his friend Pirithous. Among these Æsculapius was physician, and Tiphys was pilot. Argos (sing. neut. & argi. masc. plur.) an ancient city, capital of Argolis in Peloponnesus, about two miles from the sea, on the bay called Argolicus sinus. Juno was the chief deity of the place. Its kingdom was founded by Inachus 1856 years before the Christian era, and afterwards it was united to the crown of Mycene. Argos was built, according to Euripides, Iphig. in Aulid. v. 152, 534, by seven Cyclops, who came from Syria. These Cyclops were not Vulcan's workmen. The nine first kings of Ar- gos were called Inachides, in honour of the founder. Their names were Inachus, Phoroneus, Apis, Argus, Chrysus, Phorbas, Triopas, Stelenus, and Gelanor. Gelanor gave a kind reception to Danaus, who drove him from his kingdom in return for his hospitality. The de-
memon was king of Argos during the Trojan war: and 50 years after, the Heraclidæ seized the Plopomenes, and deposed the monarchs. The inhabitants of Argos were called Argivi and Argolici; and this name has been often applied to all the Greeks, without distinction. Plin. 7, c. 56.—Paus. 2, c. 15, &c.—Horat. 1, od. 7.—Elian. V. H. 9, c. 15.—Strab. 8.—Mela. 1, c. 13, &c. 1, 2. 3.—Virg. Æn. 1, v. 40, &c.—A town of Thessaly called Pelasgicus by the Pelasgians. Lucan. 6, v. 355.

Another in Epirus, called Amphilochium.

Argus, a king of Argos, who reigned 70 years.—A son of Arestor, whence he is often called Arestorides. He married Ismene, the daughter of Asopus. As he had an hundred eyes, of which only two were asleep at one time, Juno set him to watch Io, whom Jupiter had changed into a heifer; but Mercury, by order of Jupiter, slew him, by lulling all his eyes asleep with the sound of his lyre. Juno put the eyes of Argus to the tail of the peacock, a bird sacred to her. Moschus Ital.—Ovid. Met. 1.—Propert. 1, v. 585, &c. el. 3.—Apollod. 1, c. 9. 1. 2. c. 1.—A son of Agenor. Hygin. fab. 145.—A son of Danaus, who built the ship Argo. Id. 14.—A son of Jupiter and Niobe. Id. 145.—A son of Pyras and Callirhoe. Id. 145.—A son of Phryxus. Id. 3.—A son of Polybus. Id. 14.—One of Actaeon's dogs. Apollod. A dog of Ulysses, who knew his master after an absence of 20 years. Homer, Od. 17, v. 300.

Argynnis, a name of Venus, which she received from Argynnis, a favourite youth of Agamemnon, who was drowned in the Cephisus. Propert. 3, el. 5, v. 52.

Argyra, a nymph greatly beloved by a shepherd called Solennus. She was changed into a fountain, and the shepherd into a river of the same name, whose waters makes lovers forget the object of their affections. Paus, 7, c. 23. A city of Tros. Also the native place of Diodorus Siculus, in Sicily.

Argyrasienes, a Macedonian legion which received this name from their silver helmets. Curt. 4, v. 13.

Argyres, an island beyond the mouth of the river Indus, abounding in metal. Mela, 3, c. 7.

Argyripa, a town of Apulia, built by Diomedes after the Trojan war. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 246.

Aria, a country of Asia, situate at the east of Parthia. Mela, 1, c. 2, l. 2, c. 7. The wife of Patus Ccinna, of Padua, a Roman senator who was accused of conspiracy against Claudius, and carried to Rome by sea. She accompanied him, and in the boat she stabbed herself, and presented the sword to her husband, who followed her example. Plin. 7.

Ariadne, daughter of Minos 2d, king of Crete, by Pasiphae, fell in love with Theseus, who was shut up in the labyrinth to be devoured by Minotaur. She gave him a clue of thread, by which he extricated himself from the different windings of his confinement. After he had conquered the Minotaur, he carried her away according to the promise he had made, and married her; but when he arrived at the island of Naxos he forsook her, though she was already pregnant, and repaid his love with the most endearing tenderness. Ariadne was so disconsolate upon being abandoned by Theseus that she hung herself, according to some; but Plutarch says, that she lived many years after and had some children by Osaurus, the priest of Bacchus. According to some writers, Bacchus loved her after Theseus had forsaken her, and he gave her a crown of seven stars, which, after her death, were made a constellation. The Argives shewed Ariadne's tomb, and when one of their temples was repaired, her asbes were found in an earthen urn. Homer, Od. 11, says, that Diana detained Ariadne at Naxos. Plut. in Theb. Ovid. Met. 8, fab. 2. Herod. 10. De Arct. Am. 2. Fast. 3, v. 462.—Catull. de Nupt. Pet. & Thet. ep. 61.—Hygin. fab. 14, 43, 270.—Apollod. 3, c. 1.

Arietus, an officer who succeeded to the command of the surviving army after the death of Cyrus the younger, after the battle of Cynaxa. He made peace with Artauxerxes. Xenoph.

Ariamnes, a king of Cappadocia, son of Ariarathes 3d.


Ariantas, a king of Scythia, who yearly ordered every one of his subjects to present him with an arrow. Herodot. 4, v. 81.

Ariarathes, a king of Cappadocia, who joined Darius Ochus in his expedition against Egypt, where he acquired much glory. His nephew, the second of that name, defended his kingdom against Perdiccas, the general of Alexander, but he was defeated and hung on a cross in the 81st year of his age, 321 B.C. His son, Ariarathes the 3d, escaped the massacre which attended his father and his followers, and after the death of Perdiccas, he recovered Cappadocia, by conquering Amyntas the Macedonian general. He was succeeded by his son Ariamnes.—Ariarathes the 4th, succeeded his father Ariamnes, and married Stratonice, daughter of Antiocbus Theos. He died after a reign of 23 years, B. C. 220, and was succeeded by his son Ariarathes the 5th, a prince who married Antiocthia, the daughter of King Antiocbus, whom he assisted against the Romans. Antiocbus being defeated, Ariarathes saved his kingdom from invasion by paying the Romans a large sum of money remitted at the instance of the king of Pergamus.—His son, the 6th of that name, called Philopater, from his piety, succeeded him 166 B. C.; an alliance with the Romans shielded him against the false claims that were laid to his crown by one of the favourites of Demetrius king of Syria. He was maintained on his throne by Attalus, and assisted his friends of Rome against Aristonicus, the usurper of Pergamus; but he was killed in the war B. C. 130, leaving six children, five of whom were murdered by his surviving wife Laodice. The only one who escaped Ariarathes 7th was proclaimed king, and soon after married Laodice, the sister of Mithridates Eupator, by
whom he had two sons. He was murdered by an illegitimate brother, upon which his widow Laodice gave herself and kingdom to Nicomedes king of Bithynia. Mithridates made war against the new king, and raised his nephew to the throne. The young king, who was the eighth of the name of Ariarathes, made war against the tyrannical Mithridates, by whom he was assassinated in the presence of both armies, and the murderer’s son, a child eight years old, was placed on the vacant throne. The Cappadocians revolted, and made the late monarch’s brother, Ariarathes ninth, king; but Mithridates expelled him, and restored his own son. The exiled prince died of a broken heart; and Nicomedes of Bithynia, dreading the power of the tyrant, interested the Romans in the affairs of Cappadocia. The arbiters wished to make the country free; but the Cappadocians demanded a king, and received Ariobarzanes, B.C. 91. On the death of Ariobarzanes, his brother ascended the throne, under the name of Ariarathes, 10th; but his title was disputed by Sisenna, the eldest son of Glaphrya, by Achelaus, priest of Comana. M. Antony, who was umpire between the contending parties, decided in favour of Sisenna, but Ariarathes recovered it for a while, though he was soon after obliged to yield in favour of Achelaus, the second son of Glaphrya, B.C. 36. Diod. 15. — Justin. 13 & 29. — Strab. 12.

ARIUS, a general mentioned by Polyb., 7, c. 29.

ARICIA, an Athenian girl, whom Hippolytus married after he had been raised from the dead by Esculapius. He built a city in Italy, which he called by her name. He had a son by her called Vibius. Ovid. Met. 15, v. 544. — Verg. Aen. 7, v. 762, &c. — A very ancient town of Italy, built by Hippolytus, son of Theseus, after he had been raised from the dead by Esculapius, and transported into Italy by Diana. In a grove in the neighbourhood of Aricia, Theseus built a temple to Diana, where he established the same rites as were in the temple of that goddess in Taurus. The priest of this temple was always a fugitive, and the murderer of his predecessor, and went always armed with a dagger, to prevent whatever attempts might be made upon his life by one who wished to be his successor. The Arician forest was very celebrated, and no horses would ever enter it, because Hippolytus had been killed by them. Egeria, whom Numa visited, generally resided in this famous grove, which was situated in the Appian way beyond mount Albanus. Ovid. Met. 15. — Fast. 3, v. 263. — Lucan. 6, v. 74. — Verg. Aen. 7, v. 761, &c.

ARICINA, a surname of Diana, from her temple near Aricia. [Vid. Aricia.] — The mother of Octavius. Cic. 3. — Phil. c. 6.

ARIDEUS, a companion of Cyrus the younger. After the death of his friend, he reconciled himself with Artaxerxes, by betraying to him the surviving Greeks in their return. Died. — An illegitimate son of Philip, who, after the death of Alexander, was made king, till Roxane, who was pregnant by Alexander, brought into the

whirl a legitimate male successor. Arideus had not the free enjoyment of his senses; and therefore Ptolemaeus, one of Alexander’s generals, declared himself his protector, and even married his sister, to strengthen their connexion. He was seven years in possession of the sovereign power, and was put to death, with his wife Eurydice, by Olympias. Justin. 9, c. 8. — Dio.

ARIENIS, daughter of Alyattes, married Astyages king of Media. Herodot. 1, c. 74.

ARIGEUM, a town of India, which Alexander found burnt, and without inhabitants. Arrian. 4.


Of Germany. Tac.

ARIMA, a place of Cilicia or Syria, where Typhon was overwhelmed under the ground. Homer. ll. 2.

ARIMASPIS, a people conquered by Alexander the Great. Curt. 7, c. 3.

ARIMASPIS, a river of Scythia, with golden sands. The neighbouring inhabitants have but one eye in the middle of their forehead, and wage continual war against the griffins, monstrous animals that collect the gold of the rivers. Plin. 7, c. 2. — Herodot. 3 & 4. — Strabo. 1 & 13.

ARIMASTHE, a people near the Euxine sea. Orpheus. Argon.

ARIMazes, a powerful prince of Sogdiana, who treated Alexander with much insolence, and even asked, whether he could fly, to aspire to so extensive a dominion? He surrendered and was exposed on a cross with his friends and relations. Curt. 7, c. 11.

ARIMIS, a nation of Syria. Strabo.

ARIMINUM, an ancient city of Italy, near the Rubicon, on the borders of Gaul, founded by a colony of Umbrians. It was the cause of Caesar’s civil wars. Lucan. 1, v. 231. — Plin. 3 c. 13.

ARIMINUS, a river of Italy, rising in the Apennine mountains. Plin. 3, c. 15.

ARIMPHESI, a people of Scythia, near the Riphean mountains, who lived chiefly upon berries in the woods, and were remarkable for their innocence and mildness. Plin. 6 c. 7.

ARIMUS, a king of My sia. Varro.

ARIjobarzanes, a man made king of Cappadocia by the Romans, after the troubles which the false Ariarathes had raised, had subsided. Mithridates drove him from his kingdom, but the Romans restored him. He followed the interest of Pompey, and fought a Pharsalia against J. Caesar. He and his kingdom were preserved by means of Cicero. Cic. 5, ad Attic. ep. 29. — Horat. ep. 6, v. 38. — Flor. 3, c. 5. — A satrap of Phrygia, who, after the death of Mithridates, invaded the kingdom of Pontus, and kept it for 26 years. He was succeeded by the son of Mithridates. Diod. 17. — A general of Darius, who defended the passes of Susa with 13,000 foot against Alexander. After a bloody encounter with the Macedonians, he was killed as he at-
tempted to seize the city of Persepolis. Diod. 17.—Curt. 4 & 5.—A Mede of elegant stature, and great prudence, whom Tiberius appointed to settle the troubles of Armenia. Tacit. Ann 2, c. 4.—A mountain between Parthia and the country of the Massagetae. A satrap, who revolted from the Persian king.

Ariomandès, son of Gobryas, was general of Athens against the Persians. Plut. in Cim.

Ariomardus, a son of Darius, in the army of Xerxes when he went against Greece. Herodot. 7, c. 78.

Ariomèdes, a pilot of Xerxes.

Arian, a famous lyric poet and musician, son of Cyclos, of Methymna, in the island of Lesbos. He went into Italy with Periander, tyrant of Corinth, where he obtained immense riches by his profession. Some time after he wished to revisit his country; and the sailors of the ship in which he embarked, resolved to murder him, to obtain the riches which he was carrying to Lesbos. Arian seeing them immoveable in their resolutions, begged that he might be permitted to play some melodious tune; and as soon as he had finished it, he threw himself into the sea. A number of dolphins had been attracted round the ship by the sweetness of his music; and it is said, that one of them carried him safe on his back to Tanaurus, whence he hastened to the court of Periander, who ordered all the sailors to be crucified at their return. Hygin. fab. 194.—Herodot. 1, c. 23 & 24.—Elian. de Nat. An. 13, c. 45.—Ital. 11.—Propert. 2, el. 26, v. 17.—Plut. in Symp.—A horse, sprung from Ceres and Neptune. Ceres, when she travelled over the world in quest of her daughter Proserpine, had taken the figure of a mare, to avoid the importuning addresses of Neptune. The god changed himself also into a horse, and from their union arose the horse Arian, who had the power of speech, the feet on the right side like those of a man, and the rest of the body like a horse. Arian was brought up by the Nereids, who often harnessed him to his father’s chariot, which he drew over the sea with uncommon swiftness. Neptune gave him to Copreus, who presented him to Hercules. Adrastus, king of Argos, received him as a present from Hercules, and with this wonderful animal he won the prize at the Nemean games. Arian, therefore, is often called the horse of Adrastus. Paus. 8, c. 25.—Propert. 2, el. 34, v. 37.—Apollod. 3, c. 6.

Ariovistus, a king of Germany, who professed himself a friend of Rome. When Caesar was in Gaul, Ariovistus marched against him, and was conquered with the loss of 80,000 men. Ces. 1, bell. Gall.—Tacit. 4. Hist.

Aris, a river of Messenia. Paus. 4, c. 31.

Arisba, a town of Lesbos, destroyed by an earthquake.—A colony of the Mitylenians in Troas, destroyed by the Trojans before the coming of the Greeks. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 264.—Homer. Il. 7.—The name of Priam’s first wife, divorced that the monarch might marry He Cuba.

Aristenetus, a writer whose epistles have been beautifully edited by Abresch. Zwolle, 1749.

Aristeus, a city of Thrace, at the foot of mount Hemus. Plin. 4, c. 11.

Aristeus, son of Apollo and the nymph Cyrene, was born in the deserts of Lyibia, and brought up by the Seasons, and fed upon nectar and ambrosia. His fondness for hunting has procured him the surname of Nomus and Agreus. After he had travelled over the greatest part of the world, he came to settle in Greece, where he married Autonoe, the daughter of Cadmus, by whom he had a son called Actaeon. He fell in love with Eurydice, the wife of Orpheus, and pursued her in the fields. She was stung by a serpent that lay in the grass, and died, for which the gods destroyed all the bees of Aristeus. In this calamity he applied to his mother, who directed him to seize the sea-god Proteus, and consult him how he might repair the losses he had sustained. Proteus advised him to appease the manes of Eurydice by the sacrifice of four bulls and four heifers; and as soon as he had done it, and left them in the air, swarms of bees immediately sprang from the rotten carcases, and restored Aristaeus to his former prosperity. Some authors say, that Aristeus had the care of Bacchus when young, and that he was initiated in the mysteries of this god. Aristeus went to live on mount He mus, where he died. He was, after death, worshipped as a demi-god. Aristeus is said to have learned from the nymphs, the cultivation of olives, and the management of bees, &c. which he afterwards communicated to the rest of mankind. Virg. G. 4, v. 317.—Diod. 4.—Justin. 13, c. 7.—Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 363.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 18.—Paus. 10, c. 17.—Hygin. fab. 161, 180, 247.—Apollod. 3, c. 4.—Herodot. 4, c. 4, &c.—Polye. 1, c. 24.—A general who commanded the Corinthian forces at the siege of Potidæa. He was taken by the Athenians, and put to death.

Aristagoras, a writer who composed an history of Egypt. Plin. 36, c. 12.—A son-in-law of Histaicus, tyrant of Mileus, who revolted from Darius, and incited the Athenians against Persia, and burnt Sardis. This so exasperated the king, that every evening before supper he ordered his servants to remind him of punishing Aristagoras. He was killed in a battle he fought against the Persians, B.C. 499. Herodot. 5, c. 30, &c. l. 7, c. 8.—Polye. 1, c. 24.—A man of Cyzicus.—Another of Cuma. Herodot. 4.

Aristander, a celebrated soothsayer, greatly esteemed by Alexander. Plut. in Alex.—Plin. 17, v. 25.—An Athenian, who wrote on agriculture.

Aristandros, a statuary of Sparta. Plut. 3, c. 18.

Aristarch, a matron of Ephesus, who by order of Diana sailed to the coasts of Gaul with the Phocians, and was made priestess. Strab. 4.

Aristarchus, a celebrated grammarian of Samos, disciple of Aristophanes. He lived the
greatest part of his life at Alexandria, and Poly-  
lemny Philometer entrusted him with the educa-

tion of his sons. He was famous for his critical  
powers, and he revised the poems of Homer  
with such severity, that ever after all severe  
critics were called Aristarchi. He wrote above  
800 commentaries on different authors, much  
estimated in his age. In his old age he be-
came dropsical, upon which he starved him-
self, and died in his 73d year, B. C. 157. He  
left two sons, called Aristarchus and Aristar-
gras, both famous for their stupidity. Horat. de  
Art. Poet. v. 449.—Ovid. 3. ex Pont. ep. 9, v. 24.  
—Cic. ad Fam. 3 ep. 11. ad Attic. 1, ep. 14.  
Quintil. 10, c. 1.—A tragic poet of Tegae in  
Arcadia, about 454 years B. C. He composed  
70 tragedies, of which only two were rewarded  
with the prize. One of them, called Achilles,  
was translated into Latin verse by Ennius.  
A physician to queen Berenice, the widow of  
Antiochus. Polyaen. 8.—An orator of Am-
bracia. An astronomer of Samos, who first  
supposed that the earth turned round its axis,  
and revolved round the sun. This doctrine  
nearly proved fatal to him, as he was accused  
of disturbing the peace of the gods Lares.  
The age in which he flourished, is not precisely  
known. His treatise on the largeness of the  
sun, and its distance, is extant, of which the  
best edition is that of Oxford, 8vo. 1638.  
ARISTAZANES, a noble Persian in favour with  
Artaxerxes Ochus. Diod. 16.  
ARISTEAS, a poet of Proconnesus, who ap-
peared seven years after his death to his coun-
trymen, and 540 years after to the people of  
Metapontum in Italy, and commanded them to  
raise him a statue near the temple of Apollo.  
He wrote an epic poem on the Arim Base in three  
books, and some of his verses are quoted by  
Longinus.—A physician of Rhodes.—A  
geometrician, intimate with Euclid. Herodot. 4,  
c. 13, &c.—A poet, son of Democares, in the  
year of Creusus.  
ARISTAEUS, an island on the coast of Pelo-
ponnesus. Paus. 2, c. 54.  
ARISTEUS, a man of Argos, who excited king  
Pyrrhus to take arms against his country-
men, the Argives. Polyaen. 8, c. 68.  
ARISTHENES, a shepherd who found Æscu-
lapius when he had been exposed in the woods  
by his mother Coronis.  
ARISTHUS, an historian of Arcadia. Dionys.  
Hal. 1.  
ARISTHUS, a river of Paeonia. Polyaen. 4,  
c. 12.  
ARISTIDES, a celebrated Athenian, son of  
Lyssmachus, in the age of Themistocles, whose  
great temperance and virtue procured him the  
surname of Just. He was rival to Themistoc-
les, by whose influence he was banished for  
ten years. B. C. 484; but before six years of  
his exile had elapsed, he was recalled by the  
Athenians. He was at the battle of Salamis,  
and was appointed chief commander with Pau-
sanias against Mardonius, whom they defeated  
at Plateæ. He died so poor, that the expenses  
of his funeral were defrayed at the public  
charge: his two daughters, on account of their  
father’s virtues, received a dowry from the  
public treasury when they were come to mar-
riageable years; but poverty became heredi-
tary, and the grandson of Aristides was seen in  
the public streets getting his livelihood by  
explaining dreams. The Athenians became more  
virtuous in imitation of their leader; and from  
the sense of his great qualities, at the represen-
tation of one of the tragedies of Æschylus,  
on the mention of a sentence concerning moral  
goodness, the eyes of the audience were all at  
one turned from the actor to Aristides. When  
he sat as judge, it is said that the plaintiff, in  
his accusation, mentioned the injuries his op-
ponent had done to Aristides. “Mention the  
wrongs you have received,” replied the equa-
tible Athenian; “I sit here as judge, and the  
lawsuit is yours, and not mine.” C. Nep. &  
Plut. in Vita.—An historian of Miletus,  
founder of stories and anecdotes than of truth.  
He wrote an history of Italy, of which the 40th  
volume has been quoted by Plut. in Paral.  
An athlete, who obtained a prize at the Olymp-
ian, Nemean, and Pythian games. Paus. 6,  
c. 16.—A painter of Thebes in Boeotia, for  
one of whose pieces Attalus offered 600 sas-
teres. Plin. 7 & 35.—A Greek orator who  
rote 50 orations, besides other tracts. When  
Smyrna was destroyed by an earthquake, he  
wrote so pathetic a letter to M. Aurelius, that  
the emperor ordered the city immediately to  
be rebuilt, and a statue was in consequence raised  
to the orator. His works consist of hymns in  
prose in honour of the gods, funeral orations  
apologies, panegyrics, and harangues, the best  
edition of which is that of Jebb, 2 vols. 4to.  
Oxon. 1722, and that in a smaller size in  
12mo. 3 vols. of Canterus apud P. Steph. 1604.  
A man of Lucris, who died by the bite of a  
weasel. Ælian. V. H. 14.—A philosopher of  
Mysia, intimate with M. Antoninus.—An  
Athenian, who wrote treatises on animals,  
trees, and agriculture.  
ARISTILUS, a philosopher of the Alexan-
drian school, who attempted with Timocharis  
to determine the place of the different stars in  
the heavens, and to trace the course of the  
planets.  
ARISTIPPUS, the elder, a philosopher of Cy-
rene, disciple to Socrates, and founder of the  
Cyrenaic sect. He was one of the flatterers of  
Dionysius of Sicily, and distinguished himself  
for his epicurean voluptuousness, in support of  
which he wrote a book, as likewise an history  
of Lybia. When travelling in the deserts of  
Africa, he ordered his servants to throw away  
the money they carried, as too burdensome.  
Many of his sayings and maxims are recorded  
100.—His grandson of the same name, called  
the younger, was a warm defender of his op-
inions, and supported that the principles of all  
things were pain and pleasure. He flourished  
about 363 years B. C.—A tyrant of Argos,  
whose life was one continued series of appre-
hension. He was killed by a Cretan, in a battle  
against Aratus, B. C. 242. Diog.—A man  
who wrote an history of Arcaea. Diog. 2.


ARISTOTLE, a name given to Diana by Themistocles.

ARISTOBULUS, a name common to some of the high-priests and kings of Judea, &c. Joseph.—A brother of Epicurus.—One of Alexander's attendants, who wrote the king's life, replete with adulation and untruth.—A philosopher of Judea, B. C. 150.

ARISTOCLES, a beautiful woman seen naked by Strato, as she was offering a sacrifice. She was passionately loved by Callisthenes, and was equally admired by Strato. The two rivals so furiously contended for her hand, that she died during their quarrel, upon which Strato killed himself, and Callisthenes was never seen after. *Plut. in Amat.*

ARISTOCLES, a peripatetic philosopher of Messenia, who reviewed, in a treatise on philosophy, the opinions of his predecessors. The 14th book of this treatise is quoted, &c.—He also wrote on rhetoric, and likewise nine books on morals.—A grammarian of Rhodes.—A stoic of Lampascus.—An historian. *Strab. 4.*—A musician, *Athen. &c.*—A prince of Tegea, &c. *Polyan.*—This name is common to many Greeks, of whom few or no particulars are recorded.

ARISTOCRATES, a king of Arcadia, put to death by his subjects, for offering violence to the priestess of Diana. *Paus.* 8, c. 5.—His grandson of the same name, was stoned to death for taking bribes during the second Messenian war, and being the cause of the defeat of his Messenian allies, B. C. 682. *Id. ibid.*—A Rhodian.—A man who endeavoured to destroy the democratical power at Athens. —An Athenian general sent to the assistance of Corcyra with 25 galleys. *Diod.* 13.—An Athenian who was punished with death for flying from the field of battle.—A Greek historian, son of Hyparchus. *Plut. in Lyc.*

ARISTOCRITUS, the writer of a book on geography.

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ARISTODEMUS, a daughter of Priam.

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ARISTOGÉNES, a physician of Cnidus, who attained great reputation by the cure of Demetrius Gonatus, king of Macedonia.—A Thasian, who wrote 24 books on medicine.

ARISTOGITON and HARMODIUS, two celebrated friends of Athens, who, by their joint efforts, delivered their country from the tyranny of the Pisistratidæ, B. C. 510. They received immortal honours from the Athenians, and had statues raised to their memory. These statues were carried away by Xerxes when he took Athens. The conspiracy of Aristogiton was so secret, that it is said a courtezan bit her tongue off, not to betray the trust reposed in her. *Paus.* 1, c. 29.—*Herodot.* 5, c. 55.—*Plut. de 10. Orat.*—An Athenian orator, surnamed Canis, for his impudence. He wrote orations against Timarchus, Timotheus, Hyperides, and Thrasyllus.—A statuary. *Paus.* 15, 11. 20.

ARISTONÄUS, a painter. *Plin.* 35, c. 11.


ARISTOMÄNES, a Thessalian general in the interest of Darius 3d. *Curt.* 3, c. 9.

ARISTOMÄNES, commander of the fleet of Darius on the Hellespont, conquered by the Macedonians. *Curt.* 4, c. 1.—A famous
general of Messenia, who encouraged his countrymen to shake off the Lacedaemonian yoke, under which they had laboured for above 30 years. He once defended the virtue of some Spartan women whom his soldiers had attempted; and when he was taken prisoner and carried to Sparta, the women whom he had protected interested themselves earnestly in his cause that they procured his liberty. He refused to assume the title of king, but was satisfied with that of commander. He acquired the surname of Just, from his equity, to which he joined the true valour, sagacity, and perseverance of a general. He often entered Sparta without being known, and was so dexterous in eluding the vigilance of the Lacedaemonians, who had taken him captive, that he twice escaped from them. As he attempted to do it a third time, he was unfortunately killed, and his body being opened, his heart was found all covered with hair. He died 671 years B. C. and it is said that he left dramatical pieces behind him. Died 15. Paus. in Messen. — A Spartan sent to the assistance of Dionysius. Polyb. 2.

Ariston, the son of Agasicles, king of Sparta. Being unable to raise children by two wives, he married another, famous for her beauty, by whom he had, after seven months, a son, whom he had the imprudence to call not his own. Herod. 6, c. 61, &c. A general of Aetolia. — A sculptor. A Corinthian, who assisted the Syracusans against the Athenians. — An officer in Alexander's army. — A tyrant of Methymna, who being ignorant that Chios had surrendered to the Macedonians, entered into the harbour, and was taken and put to death. Curt. 4, c. 9.

— A philosopher of Chios, pupil to Zeno the stoic, and founder of a sect which continued but a little while. He supported that the nature of the divinity is unintelligible. It is said that he died by the heat of the sun, which fell too powerfully upon his bald head. In his old age he was much given to sensuality. Diog. — A lawyer in Trajan's reign, whose eulogium has been written by Pliny, 22 epist. lib. 1. — A peripatetic philosopher of Alexandria, who wrote concerning the course of the Nile. Strab. — A wrestler of Argos, under whom Plato performed some exercises. — A musician of Athens. — A tragic poet. — A peripatetic of Cos. — A native of Pella, in the age of Adrian, who wrote on the rebellion of the Jews.

Aristonate, the naval dock of Pellene.

Paus. 2.

Aristonicus, son of Eunenes, by a concubine of Ephesus, 126 B C invaded Asia and the kingdom of Pergamus, which Attalus had left by his will to the Romans people. He was conquered by the consul Perpenna, and strangled in prison. Justin. 36, c. 4. — Flor. 2, c. 20. — A musician of Olynthus. — A grammarian of Alexandria, who wrote a commentary on Hesiod and Homer, besides a treatise on the Museum established at Alexandria by the Ptolemies.

Ariston, a captain of Alexander's cavalry. Curt. 9, c. 5.

Aristonides, a noble statuary. Plin. 34.

Aristonymus, a comic poet under Philip of Macedon, keeper of the library of Alexandria. He died of a retention of urine, in his 77th year. Athen. 16. — One of Alexander's musicians. Plut. in Alex.

Aristophanes, a celebrated comic poet of Athens, son of Philip of Rhodes. He wrote 54 comedies, of which only 11 are come down to us. He lived in the age of Socrates, Demosthenes and Eupides, B. C. 434, and lashed the vices of his age with a masterly hand. The wit and excellence of his comedies are well known; but they abound sometimes too much with obscenity, and his attack upon the venerable character of Socrates has been always censured, and with justice. As a reward of his mental greatness, the poet received a crown of olive, in a public assembly; but if he deserved praise, he merited blame for his licentiousness, which spared not even the gods, and was so offensive to his countrymen that Alcibiades made a law at Athens, which forbade the comic writers from mimicking or representing on the stage any living character by name. Aristophanes has been called the prince of ancient comedy, as Menander of the new. The play called Nubes is pointedly against Socrates, and the philosopher is exposed to ridicule, and his precepts placed in a most ludicrous point of view, by the introduction of one of his pupils in the characters of the piece. It is said that St. Chrysostom used to keep the comedies of Aristophanes under his pillow, on account of the brilliancy of the composition. Plutarch has made a comparison between the princes of the new and old comedy, which abound with many anecdotes concerning these original characters. The best editions of the works of Aristophanes, are, Kuster's fol. Amst. 1710, and the 12mo. L. Bat. 1670, and that of Brunck, 4 vols. 8vo. Argent. 1783, which would still be more perfect if it contain the valuable Scholia. Quintil. 10, c. 1. — Patere. 1, c. 16. — Horat. 1, Sat. 4, v. 1. — A grammarian of Byzantium, keeper of the library of Alexandria under Ptolemy Evergetes. He wrote a treatise on the harlots of Attica. Diog. in Plat. Epic. Athen. 9. — A Greek historian of Brotia, quoted by Plut. de Herod. Mai. — A writer on agriculture.

Aristophilides, a king of Tarentum in the reign of Darius son of Hystaspes. Herodot. 3.

Aristophanes, a painter in the age of Socrates. He drew the picture of A cibadias softly reclining on the bosom of the courtezian Nemea, and all the people of Athens ran in crowds to be spectators of the masterly piece. He also made a painting of Mars leaning on the arm of Venus. Athen. 13. — Plin. 33, c. 11. — A comic poet in the age of Alexander, many of whose fragments are collected in Athenaeus.

Aisthor, the father of Argus the hundred-eyed keeper of Io.

Aristonides, the patronymic of Agrus. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 904.
ARISTOTELIA, festivals in honour of Aristotle, because he obtained the restitution of his country from Alexander.

ARISTOTLE, a famous philosopher, son of Nicomachus, a physician at Festraida, born at Stagira. After his father's death he went to Athens, to hear Plato's lectures. Where he soon signalized himself by the brightness of his genius. He had been of an inactive and dissolute disposition in his youth, but now he applied himself with uncommon diligence, and after he had spent 20 years in hearing the instructions of Plato, he opened a school for himself, for which he was accused of ingratitude and illiberality by his ancient master. He was moderate in his meals; he slept little, and always had one arm out of his couch with a bullet in £, which, by falling into a brazen basin underneath, early awakened him. He was, according to some, 10 years preceptor to Alexander, who received his instructions with much pleasure and deference, and always respected him. According to Plutarch, the improvement that Alexander made under Aristotle, was of more service to him than all the splendour and power which he received from Philip.

Almost all his writings, which are composed on a variety of subjects, are extant: he gave them to Theophrastus at his death, and they were bought by one of the Ptolemies, and placed in the famous library of Alexandria. Diogenes Laertes has given us a very extensive catalogue of them. Aristotle had a deformed countenance, but his genius was a sufficient compensation for all his personal defects. He has been called by Plato the philosopher of truth; and Cicero compliments him with the title of a man of eloquence, universal knowledge, readiness and acuteness of invention, and fecundity of thought. The writings of Aristotle have been compared with those of Plato; but the one are the effusions of a lively and fruitful imagination, whilst the philosopher of Stagira studied nature more than art, and had recourse to simplicity of expression more than ornament. He neither worshipped nor cared for the divinity, concerning which his opinions were ever various and dissuasive; and the more he disregarded the mythology of the ancients, the greater was the credit he acquired over his less philosophical predecessors. He was so authoritative in his opinions, that, as Bacon observes, he wished to establish the same dominion over men's minds, as his pupil over nations. Alexander, it is said, wished and encouraged his learned tutor to write the history of animals; and the more effectually to assist him, he supplied him with 800 talents, and in his Asiatic expedition employed above a thousand men to collect animals, either in fishing, hunting, or hawking, which were carefully transmitted to the philosopher. Aristotle's logic has long reigned in the schools, and been regarded as the perfect model of all imitation. As he expired, the philosopher is said to have uttered the following sentiment: *Fede hunc mundum sustuli, animus visi, perturbatus egridor, causa ruinarum miserere mei.* The letter which Philip wrote to Aristotle, had been preserved, and is in these words: "I inform you I have a son; I thank the gods, not so much for making me a father, as for giving me a son in an age when he can have Aristotle for his instructor. I hope you will make him a successor worthy of me, and a king worthy of Macedonia." Aristotle wished to make his wife Pythias a deity, and to pay her the same worship as was paid to Ceres. He died in the 63rd year of his age, B. C. 322. His treatises have been published separately; but the best edition of the work collectively, is that of Duval, 2 vols. fol. Paris, 1629. He had a son, whom he called Nicomachus, by the courtezan Herpyllis. Some have accused him of being accessory to the death of Alexander, and said that he drowned himself in the Euphrus, because he could not find out the cause of its flux and reflux. There are different reports about the manner of his death, and some believe that he died at Athens of a cholic, two years after Alexander's death. The people of Stagira instituted festivals in his honour, because he had been very serviceable to their city. *Dieg. in vita—Plut. in Alex. & de Alex. fort. &c.—Cic. Acad. Quest. 4, de Orat. 3, de finib. 5.—Quintil. 1, 2, 5, 10.—Elian. V. H. 4.—Justin. 12.—Justin. Martyr. Aug ust. de Cis. Del. 8.—Plin. 2, 4, 5, &c.—Athen. Val. Max. 5, c. 6, &c.—There were besides seven of the same name: a magistrate of Athens. A commentator on Homer's Iliad. An orator of Sicily, who answered the panegyric of Isocrates. A friend of Aeschines. A man of Cyrene who wrote on poetry. A schoolmaster mentioned in Plato's life, written by Aristoxenus. An obscure grammian. *Dieg. de Aristot.*

ARISTOTIMUS, a tyrant of Ellis, 271 years B. C. Paus. 5, c. 5.

ARISTOXENUS, a celebrated musician, disciple of Aristotle. He wrote 433 different treatises on philosophy, history, &c. and was disappointed in his expectations of succeeding in the school of Aristotle, for which he always spoke with ingratitude of his learned master. Of all his works nothing remains but three books upon music, the most ancient on that subject extant. A philosopher of Cyrene. Athen. A physician whose writings are quoted by Galen. A poet of Selinus. A Pythagorean philosopher.


ARISTYLLUS, an obscure poet. Aristipp. An astronomer of Alexandria, 292, B. C.

ARIUS, a river of Gaul and of Asia. The inhabitants in the neighbourhood are called Arii. A celebrated writer, the origin of the Arian controversy, that denied the eternal divinity and consubstantiality of the Word. Though he was greatly persecuted for his opinions, he gained the favour of the emperor Constantine, and triumphed over his powerful antagonist Athanasius. He died the very night he was going to enter the church of Constantinople in triumph; pressed by
nature, he stepped aside to ease himself; but his bowels gushed out, and he expired on the spot. *Atius.*

**Armexes,** a son of Nabis, led in triumph at Rome. *Liv. 34*, c. 1.

**Armenia,** a large country of Asia, divided into Upper and Lower Armenia. Upper Armenia, called also Major, has Media on the east, Iberia on the north, and Mesopotamia on the south. Lower Armenia, or Minor, is bounded by Cappadocia, Armenia Major, Syria, Cilicia, and the Euphrates. The Armenians were a long time under the dominion of the Medes and Persians, till they were conquered, with the rest of Asia, by Alexander and his successors. The Romans made it one of their provinces, and under some of the emperors, the Armenians had the privilege of choosing their own kings, but they were afterwards reduced. The country received its name from Armenus, who was one of the Argonauts, and of Thessalian origin. They borrowed the names and attributes of their deities from the Persians. They paid uncommon adoration to Venus Anaitis, and the chiefest of the people always prostituted their daughters in honour of this goddess. Armenia Major is now called Turciana, and Minor, Aladulia. *Herodot. 1*, c. 194. l. 5, c. 49.—*Curt. 4*, c. 12. l. 5, c. 1. —*Strab. 1* & 11.—*Mela*, 3, &c.—*Plin. 6*, c. 4, &c.—*Lucan. 2.*

**Armentarius,** a Caesar in Dioclesian’s reign.

**Armillatus,** one of Domitian’s favourites. *Jul. 4*, v. 53.

**Armillustrium:** a festival at Rome on the 19th of October. When the sacrifices were offered, all the people appeared under arms. The festival has often been confounded with that of the Salii, though easily distinguished; because the latter was observed on the 2d of March, and on the celebration of the Armilustrium they always played on a flute, and the Salii played upon the trumpet. It was instituted A. U. C. 543. *Varro. de L. L. 5*, c. 3.—*Liv. 27*, c. 37.

**Arminius,** a warlike general of the Germans, who supported a bloody war against Rome for some time, and was at last conquered by Germanicus in two great battles. He was poisoned by one of his friends, A. D. 19, in the 37th year of his age. *Dio. 56.—Tacit. Ann. 1*, &c.

**Armorice,** cities at Celtic Gaul, famous for the warlike, rebellious, and inconstant disposition of the inhabitants, called Armorici. *Cass. Bell. G.*

**Arne,** a city of Lycia, called afterwards Xanthus.—*A town of Umbris in Italy.*

**A daughter of Θεόλος,** who gave her name to two towns, one in Thessaly, the other in Boetia. Neptune changed himself into a bull to enjoy her company. *Strab. 1* & 2.—*Paus. 9*, c. 40.—*Ovid. Met. 6*, fab. 4.

**Arni,** a people of Italy, destroyed by Hercules.

**Arniensis,** a tribe in Rome. *Liv. 6.*

**Arnobius,** a philosopher in Dioclesian’s reign, who became a convert to Christianity. He applied for ordination, but was refused by the bishops till he gave them a proof of his sincerity. Upon this he wrote his celebrated treatise, in which he exposes the absurdity of irreligion, and ridicules their gods. Opinions are various concerning the purity of his style, though all agree in praise of his extensive erudition. The book that he wrote *de rhetorica institutione* is not extant. The best edition of his treatise *adversus gentes* is the 4to. printed L. Bat. 1651.

**Arthus,** a river of Etruria, rising on the Apennine mountains and falling into the Mediterranean. *Liv. 22*, c. 2.

**Aroa,** a town of Achaia. *Paus. 7.*

**Arora,** a town of Caria.—*Of Cappadocia.*

**Arpante,** a people of Italy.

**Arpi,** a city of Apulia, built by Diomedes after the Trojan war. *Justin. 20*, c. 1.—*Virg. En. 10*, v. 28.


**Arrez,** a people of Thrace. *Plin.*

**Arrhameus,** the king of a nation in the neighbourhood of Macedonia, who greatly distressed Archelaus. *Aristot. 5. Polit. c. 10.*

**Arria,** *Vid. Aria.*

**Arria Gallia,** a beautiful, but immodest woman in the reign of the emperors. *Tacit. 15*, c. 59.

**Arrhanus,** a philosopher of Nicomedia, priest of Ceres and Proserpine, and disciple of Epictetus, called another Xenophon, from the elegance and sweetness of his dictum, and distinguished for his acquaintance with military and political life. He wrote seven books of Alexander’s expedition, the periplo of the Euxine and Red sea, four books on the dissertations of Epictetus, besides an account of the Alani, Bithynians, and Parthians. He flourished about the 140th year of Christ, and was rewarded with the consulsip and government of Cappadocia, by M. Antoninus. The best edition of Arrian’s *Expedition Alexandri,* is the fol. Gronovii, L. Bat. 1704, and the 8vo. a Raphaelio, 2 vols. 1757, and the Tactica, 8vo. Amst. 1683.—A Greek historian. An Athenian, who wrote a treatise on hunting, and the manner of keeping dogs.—A poet, who wrote an epic poem in 24 books on Alexander; also another poem on Attalus, king of Pergamus. He likewise translated Virgil’s *Georgics* into Greek verse.

**Arrius,** a friend of Cicero, whose sumptuous feast *Horat. describes,* 2, Sat. 3, v. 86.—*Aper,* a Roman general who murdered the emperor, &c.

**Arrius and Arrius,** a philosopher of Alexandria, who so ingratiated himself with Augustus, after the battle of Actium, that the conqueror declared the people of Alexandria owed the preservation of their city to these three causes; because Alexander was their founder, because of the beauty of the situation, and because Arrius was a native of the place. *Plut. in Anton.*

**Arvunius,** a Roman consul.—*A famous
Arsakes, a man of obscure origin, who, upon seeing Seleucus defeated by the Gauls, invaded Parthia, and conquered the governor of the province called Andragoras, and laid the foundations of an empire, 230 B.C. He added the kingdom of the Hyrcani to his newly acquired possessions, and spent his time in establishing his power, and regulating the laws. After death he was made a god of his nation, and all his successors were called, in honour of his name, Arsacidae. Justin. 41, c. 5 & 6.

—His son and successor bore the same name. He carried war against Antiochus the son of Seleucus, who entered the field with 100,000 foot and 20,000 horse. He afterwards made peace with Antiochus, and died B. C. 217.

Id. 41, c. 5. —The 3d king of Parthia, of the family of the Arsacidae, bore the same name, and was also called Priapatus. He reigned 12 years, and left two sons, Mithridates and Phraates. Phraates succeeded as being the elder, and at his death he left his kingdom to his brother, though he had many children; observing, that a monarch ought to have in view, not the dignity of his family, but the prosperity of his subjects. Justin. 31, c. 5.

—A king of Pontus and Armenia, in alliance with the Romans. He fought long with success against the Persians, till he was deceived by the snares of king Sapor, his enemy, who put out his eyes, and soon deprived him of life. Marcellin. —The eldest son of Artabanus, appointed over Armenia by his father, after the death of king Artaxias. Tacit. Hist. 6. —A servant of Themistocles.

Arsaces, a name given to some of the monarchs of Parthia, in honour of Arsaces, the founder of the empire. Their power subsisted till the 29th year of the Christian era, when they were conquered by Artaxerxes, king of Persia. Justin. 41.

Arsamenes, a satrap of Persia, at the battle of the Granicus.

Arsameteres, a river of Asia, near Parthia. Tacit. Ann. 15.


Arsanes, the son of Ochus, and father of Codomnus.

Arsanias, a river of Armenia, which, according to some, flows into the Tigris, and afterwards into the Euphrates. Plin. 5, c. 24.

Arsena, a marsh of Armenia Major, whose fishes are all of the same sort. Strab.

Arses, the youngest son of Ochus, whom the eunuch Bagoas raised to the throne of Persia, and destroyed with his children, after a reign of three years. Died. 17.

Arsia, a wood of Etruria, famous for a battle between the Romans and the Veientes. Plut. in Popl. —A river of Italy, flowing through Campania.

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Aristaeus, a son of Datames, &c.

Aristo, daughter of Leucippus and Philodice, and mother of Asclepius by Apollo, according to some authors. She received divine honours after death at Sparta. Apollod. 3. —Paus. 2, c. 26. l. 3. c. 12. —A daughter of Philegous, promised in marriage to Alcmeon. Apollod. 3, c. 7. —A fountain of Peloponnesus. Paus. Messen. —The sister and wife of Ptolemy Philadelphus, worshipped after death, under the name of Venus Zephyritis. Dinocharis began to build her a temple with loadstones, in which there stood a statue of Arisino suspended in the air by the power of the magnets; but the death of the architect prevented its being perfected. Plin. 34, c. 14.

—A daughter of Ptolemy Lagus, who married Lysimachus, king of Macedonia. After her husband's death, Cereusus, her own brother, married her, and ascended the throne of Macedonia. He previously murdered Lysimachus and Philip, the sons of Arisino by Lysimachus, in their mother's arms. Arisinoe was some time after banished into Samothrace. Justin. 17, c. 1, &c. —A younger daughter of Ptolemy Auletes, sister to Cleopatra. Antony dispatched her to gain the good graces of her sister. Hirt. Alex. 4. —Appian. —The wife of Magas, king of Cyrene, who committed adultery with her son-in-law. Justin. 26, c. 3.

—A daughter of Lysimachus. Paus. —A town of Egypt, situated near the lake of Moria, where the inhabitants paid uncommon veneration to the crocodiles. They nourished them in a splendid manner, and embalmed them after death, and buried them in the subterranean cells of the labyrinth. Strab. —A town of Cilicia, of Eolia, of Syria, of Cyprus, of Lycia, &c.

Aristides, a satrap of Paphlogonia.

Aristobulus, son of Hystaspes, was brother to Darius the first. He dissuaded his nephew Xerxes from making war against the Greeks, and at his return he assassinated him, with the hopes of ascending the throne. Darius, the son of Xerxes, was murdered in a similar manner; and Artaxerxes, his brother would have shared the same fate, had not he discovered the snares of the assassin, and punished him with death. Dio. 11. —Justin. 3, c. 1, &c. —Herodot. 4, c. 33. l. 7. c. 10, &c. —A king of Parthia, after the death of his nephew Phraates 2d. He undertook a war against a nation of Scythia, in which he perished. His son Mithridates succeeded him, and merited the appellation of Great. Justin. 42, c. 2. —A king of Media, and afterwards of Parthia, after the expulsion of Vonones, whom Tiberius had made king there. He invaded Armenia, from whence he was driven away by one of the generals of Tiberius. He was expelled from his throne which Tiridates usurped; and some time after he was restored again to his ancient power and died A. D. 48. Tacit. Ann. 5, &c. —A king of Parthia, very inimical to the interest of Vespasian. —Another king of Parthia, who made war against the emperor Caracalla, who
and attempted his life on pretence of courting his daughter. He was murdered, and the power of Parthia abolished, and the crown translated to the Persian monarchs. Dio.—Her.

Artabazus, a son of Pharnaces, general in the army of Xerxes. He fled from Greece upon the ill success of Mardonius. Herodot. 7, 8 & 9.—A general who made war against Artaxerxes, and was defeated. He was afterwards reconciled to his prince, and became his familiar friend of Darius 3d. After the murder of this prince he surrendered himself up with his sons to Alexander, who treated him with much humanity and confidence. Curt. 5, c. 9 & 12. l. 6, c. 5. 1. 7, c. 3 & 5. l. 8, c. 1.—An officer of Artaxerxes against Datames. Dio. 15.

Artabri and Artaphnites, a people of Lusitania, who receive their name from Artabrum, a promontory on the coast of Spain. Sil. 3, v. 362.

Artaces, an officer in the army of Xerxes, the tallest of all the troops, the king excepted.

Artacena, a city of Asia, near Aria. Artace, a town and seaport near Cyzicus. It did not exist in the age of Pliny. There was in its neighbourhood a fountain called Artacia. Herodot. 4, c. 14.—Procop. de bell. Pers. 1, c. 25.—Strab. 13.—Plin. 5, c. 32.—A city of Phrygia.—A fortified place of Bisitnian.

Artacene, a country of Assyria near Arbela, where Alexander conquered Darius. Strab. 16.

Artacia, a fountain in the country of the Lestrygonian. Tibull. 4, ep. 1, v. 60.

Artex, a name by which the Persians were called among their neighbours. Herodot. 7, c. 61.

Artageras, a town of Upper Armenia. Strab.

Artageres, a general in the army of Artaxerxes, killed by Cyrus the Younger. Plut. in Artax.

Artanes, a king of the southern parts of Armenia. Strab. 11.—A river of Thrace flowing into the Ister. Herodot. 4, c. 49.—A river of Colchis.

Artaphernes, a general whom Darius sent to Greece with Datis. He was conquered at the battle of Marathon by Miltiades. [Vid. Datis.] C. Nep. in Milt.—Herodot.

Artatus, a river of Illyria. Liv. 43, c. 19.

Artavases, a son of Tigranes, king of Upper Armenia, who wrote tragedies, and shone as an elegant orator and faithful historian. He lived in alliance with the Romans, but Crassus was defeated partly on account of his delay. He betrayed M. Antony in his expedition against Parthia, for which Antony reduced his kingdom, and carried him to Egypt, where he adorned the triumph of the conqueror led in golden chains. He was some time after murdered. Strab. 11.—The crown of Armenia was given to Tiberius to a person of the same name, who was expelled. —Au-

Artaxerxes had also raised to the throne of Armenia a person of the same name. Tacit. Ann. 2.

Artaxa and Artaxias, a general of Artiochus the Great, who erected the province of Armenia into a kingdom, by his reliance on the friendship of the Romans. King Tigranes was one of his successors. Strab. 11.

Artaxata, a strongly fortified town of Upper Armenia, the capital of the empire where the kings generally resided. It is said that Annibal built it for Artaxias, the king of the country. It was burnt by Corbulo, and rebuilt by Tiridates, who called it Neronia, in honour of Nero. Strab. 11.

Artaxerxes 1st, succeeded to the kingdom of Persia, after his father Xerxes. —He destroyed Artabanus, who had murdered Xerxes, and attempted to destroy the royal family to raise himself to the throne. He made war against the Bactrians, and reconquered Egypt, that had revolted, with the assistance of the Athenians, and was remarkable for his equity and moderation. One of his bands was longer than the other, whence he has been called Macrocir or Longimanus. He reigned 39 years, and died B. C. 425. C. Nep. in Reg.—Plut. in Artax.—The second of that name, king of Persia, was surnamed Memon, on account of his extensive memory. He was son of Darius the Second, by Parysatis, the daughter of Artaxerxes Longimanus, and had three brothers, Cyrus, Ostanes, and Oxathres. His name was Arsaces, which he changed into Artaxerxes when he ascended the throne. His brother Cyrus was of such an ambitious disposition, that he resolved to make himself king, in opposition to Artaxerxes Parysatis always favoured Cyrus; and when he had attempted the life of Artaxerxes, she obtained his pardon by her entreaties and influence. Cyrus, who had been appointed over Lydia and the sea-coasts, assembled a large army under various pretences, and at last marched against his brother at the head of 100,000 barbarians and 13,000 Greeks. He was opposed by Artaxerxes with 900,000 men, and a bloody battle was fought at Cunaxa, in which Cyrus was killed, and his forces routed. It has been reported, that Cyrus was killed by Artaxerxes, who was so desirous of the honour, that he put to death two men for saying that they had killed him. The Greeks, who had assisted Cyrus against his brother, though at the distance of above 600 leagues from their country, made their way through the territories of the enemy; and nothing is more famous in the Grecian history than the retreat of the ten thousand. After he was delivered from the factions of his brother, Artaxerxes stirred up a war among the Greeks against Sparta, and exerted all his influence to weaken the power of the Greeks. He married two of his own daughters, called Atossa and Amesris, and named his eldest son Darius to be his successor. Darius, however, conspired against his father, and was put to death; and Ochus, one of the younger sons, called also Artaxerxes.
made his way to the throne, by causing his elder brothers Ariaspes and Arsames to be assassinated. It is said that Artaxerxes died of a broken heart, in consequence of his son's unnatural behaviour, in the 94th year of his age, after a reign of 46 years, B.C. 358. Artaxerxes had 150 children by his 350 concubines, and only four legitimate sons. *Plut. in vit.*—C. Nenos in Reg.—*Justin. 10*, c. 1, &c. —*Diod. 13*, &c.—The 3d, surnamed Ochus, succeeded his father Artaxerxes 2d, and established himself on the throne by murdering above 80 of his nearest relations. He punished with death one of his officers who conspired against him, and recovered Egypt, which had revolted, destroyed Sidon, and ravaged all Syria. He made war against the Cadusii, and greatly rewarded a private man, called Codomannus, for his uncommon valour. But his behaviour in Egypt, his cruelty towards the inhabitants, offended his subjects, and Bagoas at last obliged his physician to poison him, B.C. 337, and afterwards gave him his flesh to be devoured by cats, and made handles for swords with his bones. Codomannus, on account of his virtues, was soon after made king by the people; and that he might seem to possess as much dignity as the house of Artaxerxes, he reigned under the name of Darius the 3d. *Justin. 10*, c. 3.—*Diod. 17*.—Ethian, V. H. 6, c. 8.

Artaxerxes or Artaxares 1st, a common soldier of Persia, who killed Artabanus, A.D. 228, and erected Persia again into a kingdom, which had been extinct since the death of Darius. Severus, the Roman emperor, conquered him, and obliged him to remain within his kingdom. *Herod. 5*.—One of his successors, son of Sapor, bore his name, and reigned 11 years, during which he distinguished himself by his cruelties.

Artaxias, son of Artavasdes, king of Armenia, proclaimed king by his father's troops. He opposed Antony, by whom he was defeated, and became so odious that the Romans, at the request of the Armenians, raised Tigranes to the throne.—Another, son of Polemon, whose original name was Zeno. After the expulsion of Venon from Armenia, he was made king by Germanicus. *Tacit. 6. Ann. c. 31*.—A general of Antiochus. *Vit. Artem.*

Artavaces, a Persian appointed governor of Sestos by Xerxes. He was hung on a cross by the Athenians for his cruelties. *Herodot. 7* & 9.

Artavanta, a Persian lady, whom Xerxes gave in marriage to his son Darius. She was one of the mistresses of her father-in-law. *Herodot. 9*, c. 103, &c.

Artavates, a Persian appointed over a fleet in Greece by Xerxes. *Herodot. 8*, c. 13. I. 9, c. 107.

Artembares, a celebrated Mede in the reign of Cyrus the Great. *Herodot. 1* & 9.

Artemidorus, a native of Ephesus, who wrote an history and description of the earth, in eleven books. He flourished about 104 years B.C.—A physician in the age of Adrian.—A man in the reign of Antoninus, who wrote a learned work on the interpretation of dreams, still extant; the best edition of which is that of Rigaltius, Paris, 4to. 1604, to which is annexed Aelomeis oneirocritica.—A man of Cnidus, son to the historian Theopompos. He had a school at Rome, and he wrote a book on illustrious men, not extant. As he was a friend of Julius Caesar, he wrote down an account of the conspiracy which was formed against him. He gave it to the dictator from among the crowd as he was going to the senate, but Julius Caesar put it with other papers which he held in his hand, thinking it to be of no material consequence. *Plut. in Cas. Artemisia, the Greek name of Diana. Her festivals, called Artemisia, were celebrated in several parts of Greece, particularly at Delphi, where they offered to the goddess a mullet, which, as was supposed, bore some affinity to the goddess of hunting, because it is said to hunt and kill the sea-hare. There was a solemnity of the same name at Syracuse; it lasted three days, which were spent in banqueting and diversions. *Athen. 7*.

Artemisia, daughter of Lygdamis of Halicarnassus, reigned over Halicarnassus and the neighbouring country. She assisted Xerxes in his expedition against Greece with a fleet, and her valour was so great, that the monarch observed, that all his men fought like women, and all women like men. The Athenians were so ashamed of fighting against a woman, that they offered a reward of 10,000 drachmae for her head. It is said that she was fond of a youth of Abydos, called Dardanus, and that, to punish his disdain, she put out his eyes while he was asleep, and afterwards leaped down the promontory of Leucos. *Herodot. 7*, c. 99. I. 8, c. 68, &c.—*Justin. 2*, c. 12.—There was also another queen of Caria of that name, often confounded with the daughter of Lygdamis. She was daughter of Hecatomnus, king of Caria or Halicarnassus, and was married to her own brother, Mauusolus, famous for his personal beauty. She was so fond of her husband, that at his death she drank in her liquor his ashes, after his body had been burnt, and erected to his memory a monument, which, for its grandeur and magnificence, was called one of the seven wonders of the world. This monument she called Mauusolos, a name which has been given from that time to all monuments of uncommon splendour. She invited all the literary men of her age, and proposed rewards to him who composed the best elegiac panegyric upon her husband. The prize was adjudged to Theopompos. She was so inconsolable for the death of her husband, that she died through grief two years after. *Varrut.—Strab. 14*.—*Plin. 36*, c. 5.

Artemisia. *Vit. Artemis.*

Artemesium, a promontory of Eubera, where Diana had a temple. The neighbouring part of the sea bore the same name. The fleet of Xerxes had a skirmish there with the Greek ships. *Herodot. 7*, c. 175, &c.—A lake near
the grove Aricia, with a temple sacred to Artemis, whence the name.

ARTEMIS, a city at the east of Seleucia.—An island opposite the mouth of the Acheleous. Strab.

ARTEMON, an historian of Pergamus.—A native of Clazomenae, who was with Pericles at the siege of Samos, where it is said he invented the battering ram, the testudo, and other equally valuable military engines.

A man who wrote a treatise on collecting books.—A native of Magnesia, who wrote the history of illustrious women.—A physician of Clazomenae.—A painter.—A Syrian whose features resembled in the strongest manner those of Antiochus. The queen, after the king's murder, made use of Artemon to represent her husband in a lingering state, that, by his seeming to die a natural death, she might conceal her guilt, and effect her wicked purpose. Vél. ad Antiochus.

ARTIMPASA, a name of Venus among the Scythians. Herodot. 4, c. 59.

ARTOBARZANES, a son of Darius, who endeavoured to ascend the throne in preference to his brother Xerxes, but to no purpose. Herodot. 7, c. 2 & 3.

ARTOCHMENES, a general of Xerxes, who married one of the daughters of Darius. Herodot. 7, c. 73.

ARTÔNA, a town of the Latins, taken by the Equi. Liv. 2, c. 43.

ARTÔNIES, a son of Mardonius. Paus. in Beoz. c.

ARTONIUS, a physician of Augustus, who, on the night previous to the battle of Philippi, saw Minerva in a dream, who told him to assure Augustus of victory. Val. Mar. 1, c. 7.

ARTOXARES, an eunuch of Paphlagonia, in the reign of Artaxerxes 1st, cruelly put to death by Parysatis.

ARTURIUS, an obscure fellow, raised to honours and wealth by his flatteries, &c. Jun. 3, v. 29.

ARTYMES, a king of Media.

ARTYNIA, a lake of Asia Minor.

ARTYSTÔNA, a daughter of Darius. Herodot. 3, c. 88.

ARU, a people of Hyrcania, where Alexander kindly received the chief officers of Darius. Curt. 6, c. 4.

ARVÀILES, a name given to twelve priests who celebrated the festivals called Ambarvalia. According to some, they were descended from the 12 sons of Acca Laurentia, who suckled Romulus. They wore a crown of ears of corn, and a white fillet. Varr. de L. L. 4. Vid. Ambarvalia.

ARUÈRIS, a god of the Egyptians, son of Isis and Osiris. According to some accounts, Osi-

ARVESNI, a powerful people of Gaul, near the Liguris, who took up arms against J. Caesar. They were conquered with great slaughter. They pretended to be descended from the Troyans, as well as the Romans. Cat. bell. Gall. 7.

Strab. 14.

ARVIRAGUS, a king of Britain. Juv. 4, v. 127

ARVISSUM and ARVISUS, a promontory of Chios, famous for its wine. Virg. Ecl. 5.

L. AURUNCULCIUS COSTA, an officer sent by J. Caesar against the Gauls, by whom he was killed. Cat. bell. Gall.

ARVUS, an Etrurian soothsayer in the age of Marius. Lucan. 1, v. 586.—A soldier who slew Camilla, and was killed by a dart of Diana. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 759.—A brother of Tarquin the Proud. He married Tullia, who murdered him to espouse Tarquin, who had assassinated his wife.—A son of Tarquin the Proud, who, in the battle that was fought between the par- tisans of his father and the Romans, attacked Brutus the Roman consul, who wounded him, and threw him down from his horse. Liv. 2, c. 6.—A son of Porsena king of Etruria, sent by his father to take Aricia. Liv. 2, c. 14.

ARVUTIUS, a Roman who ridiculed the rites of Baccus, for which the god inebriated him to such a degree that he offered violence to his father Medullina, who murdered him when she found that he acted so dishonourably to her virtue. Plut. in Parall.—A man who wrote an account of the Punic wars in the style of Sallust, in the reign of Augustus. Tacit. Ann. 1.—Senec. ep. 14.—Another Latin writer. Senec. de benef. 6.—Paterculus, a man who gave Æmylius Censorinus, tyrant of Ægessa, a frenzied horse to torment criminals. The ty-
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who was among the Argonauts, and went to the Trojan war at the head of the Orchomenians, with his brother Ialmenus. He was killed by Deiphobus. *Homer. ii. 2, v. 13.* — A son of Acheron by Gorgyra or Orphne, stationed by Pluto to watch over Proserpine in the Elysian fields. When Ceres had obtained from Jupiter her daughter's freedom and return upon earth, provided she had eaten nothing in the kingdom of Pluto. Ascalaphus discovered that she had eaten some pomegranates from a tree; upon which Proserpine was ordered by Jupiter to remain six months with Pluto, and the rest of the year with her mother. Proserpine was so displeased with Ascalaphus, that she sprinkled water on his head, and immediately turned him into an owl. *Apollod. i. c. 5. l. 2, c. 5.* — *Ovid. Met. 5, fab. 8.*

Ascalon, a town of Syria, near the Mediterranean, about 320 stadia from Jerusalem, still in being. It was anciently famous for its onions. *Joseph. de bell. Jud. 3, c. 2.* — *Thaophrast. H. Pl. 7, c. 4.*

Ascania, an island of the Ægean sea. — A city of Troas, built by Ascanius.

Ascanius, son of Æneas by Creusa, was saved from the flames of Troy by his father, whom he accompanied in his voyage to Italy. He was afterwards called Iulus. He behaved with great valour in the war which his father carried on against the Latins, and succeeded Æneas in the kingdom of Latinum, and built Alba, to which he transferred the seat of his empire from Lavinium. The descendants of Ascanius reigned in Alba for above 420 years, under 14 kings, till the age of Numitor. Ascanius reigned 36 years; 30 at Lavinium, and eight at Alba; and was succeeded by Sylvius Posthumus, son of Æneas by Lavinia. Iulus, the son of Ascanius, disputed the crown with him; but the Latins gave it in favour of Sylvius, as he was descended from the family of Latinus, and Iulus was invested with the office of high-priest, which remained a long while in his family. *Liv. 1, c. 3.* — *Virg. Aen. 1, &c.* — According to *Dionys. Hal. 1, c. 15, &c.* the son of Æneas by Lavinia was also called Ascanius. — A river of Bithynia. *Virg. G. 3, v. 270.*

Asci, a nation of India, in whose country objects at noon have no shadow. *Plin. 2.*

Asclepiades, a rhetorician in the age of Eumenes, who wrote an historical account of Alexander. *Arrian.* — A disciple of Plato. — A philosopher, disciple to Stilpo, and very intimate with Menedemus. The two friends lived together, and that they might not be separated when they married, Asclepiades married the daughter, and Menedemus, though much the younger, the mother. When the wife of Asclepiades was dead, Menedemus gave her will to his friend, and married another. He was blind in his old age, and died at Eretria. *Plut.* — A physician of Bithynia, B. C. 90, who acquired great reputation at Rome, and was the founder of a sect in physic. He relied so much upon his skill, that he laid a wager he should never be sick; and won it, as he died of a fall, in a very advanced age. Nothing of his medical treatises is now extant. — An Egyptian, who wrote hymns to the gods of his country, and also a treatise on the coincidence of all religions. — A native of Alexandria who gave an history of the Athenian archons. — The writer of a treatise on Demetrius Phaleus. — A disciple of Isocrates, who wrote six books on those events which had been the subject of tragedies. — A physician in the age of Pompey. — A tragic poet. — Another physician of Bithynia, under Trajan. He lived 70 years, and was a great favourite of the emperor's court.

Asclepiodōrus, a painter in the age of Apelles, 12 of whose pictures of the gods were sold for 300 minae each, to an African prince. *Plin. 35.* — A soldier who conspired against Alexander with Hermolaus. *Curt. 1, c. 6.*

Asclepiodotus, a general of Mithridates.

Asclepius. *Vid.* *Æsculapius.*

Asclepius, a mathematician in the age of Domitian, who said that he should be torn by dogs. The emperor ordered him to be put to death, and his body carefully secured; but as soon as he was set on the burning pile, a sudden storm arose which put out the flames, and the dogs came and tore to pieces the mathematician's body. *Suett. in Domit. 15.*

Asculum, a town of Italy. *Ital. 8.*

Asculum, a festival in honour of Bacchus, celebrated by the Athenian husbandmen, who generally sacrificed a goat to the god, because that animal is a great enemy to the vine. They made a bottle with the skin of the victim, which they filled with oil and wine, and afterwards leapt upon it. He who could stand upon it first was victorious, and received the bottle as a reward. This was called *ασκελαγαζέναν παρα το επι τον ασκον αλεποθαλασσαν λιπαρυντας, upon the bottle, whence the name of the festival is derived. It was also introduced in Italy, where the people besmeared their faces with the dregs of wine, and sang hymns to the god. They always hanged some small images of the god on the tallest trees in their vineyards, and these images they called Oscilla. *Virg. G. 2, v. 334.* — *Poltius. 2, c. 7.*

Asconius Laber, a preceptor of Nero. — Pedia, a man intimate with Virgil and Livy. — Another of the same family in the age of Vespasian, who became blind in his old age, and lived 12 years after. He wrote, besides some historical treatises, annotations on Cicero's orations.

Asura, a town of Bocotia, built, according to some, by the giants Otus and Ephialtes, at the foot of mount Helicon. Hesiod was born there, whence he is often called the Ascean poet. The town received its name from Ascrta, a nymph—mother of Eoecus by Neptune. *Strab. 9.* — *Paus. 9, c. 29.* — *Paterc. 1.*

Asculum, a town of Picenum,
the defeat of Pyrrhus by Carius and Fabricius. 

Another in Apulia, near the Aenus.

ASDRUBAL, a Carthaginian, son-in-law of Hamilcar. He distinguished himself in the Numidian war, and was appointed chief general on the death of his father-in-law, and for eight years presided with much prudence and valour over Spain, which submitted to him with cheerfulness. Here he laid the foundation of New Carthage, and saw it complete. To stop his progress towards the east, the Romans, in a treaty with Carthage, forbade them to pass the Iberus, which was faithfully observed by their general. He was killed in the midst of his soldiers, B.C. 220, by a slave whose master he had murdered. The slave was caught, and put to death in the greatest torments, which he bore with patience, and even ridiculed. Some say that he was killed in hunting. *Ital. i.* v. 165.

**Appian. Iberic.** Polyb. 2.—Liv. 21. c. 2, &c. 

—A son of Hamilcar, who came from Spain with a large reinforcement for his brother Annibal. He crossed the Alps, and entered Italy; but some of his letters to Annibal having fallen into the hands of the Romans, the consuls, M. Livius Salinator and Claudius Nero, attacked him suddenly near the Metaurus, and defeated him, B.C. 207. He was killed in the battle, and 56,000 of his men shared his fate, and 5400 taken prisoners; about 8000 Romans were killed. The head of Asdrubal was cut off, and some days after thrown into the camp of Annibal, who, in the moment that he was in the greatest expectations for a promised supply, exclaimed at the sight, "In losing Asdrubal, I lose all my happiness, and Carthage all her hopes." Asdrubal had before made an attempt to penetrate into Italy by sea, but had been defeated by the governor of Sardinia. Liv. 21. 23, 27, &c.—Polyb.—Horat. 4, od. 4.—A Carthaginian general, surnamed Calvus, appointed governor of Sardinia, and taken prisoner by the Romans. Liv.—Another, son of Gisgon, appointed general of the Carthaginian forces in Spain, in the time of the great Annibal. He made head against the Romans in Africa, with the assistance of Scyphax, but he was soon after defeated by Scipio. He died B.C. 206. Liv.—Another, who advised his countrymen to make peace with Rome, and upbraided Annibal for laughing in the Carthaginian senate. Liv.—A grandson of Masinissa, murdered in the senate-house by the Carthaginians. —Another, whose camp was destroyed in Africa by Scipio, though at the head of 20,000 men, in the last Punic war. When all was lost, he fled to the enemy, and begged his life. Scipio shewed him to the Carthaginians, upon which his wife with a thousand imprecations, threw herself and her two children into the flames of the temple of Esclusapius, which she and others had set on fire. He was not of the same family as Annibal.

Lit. 51.—A Carthaginian general, conquered by L. Cassius Metellus in Sicily, in a battle in which he lost many elephants. These animals were led in triumph all over Italy by the conquerors.

ASELLIO (Sempronius), an historian and military tribune, who wrote an account of the actions in which he was present. *Dionys. Hal.*

Asia, one of the three parts of the ancient world, separated from Europe by the Tanais, the Euxine, Ægean, and Mediterranean seas. The Nile and Egypt divided it from Africa. It receives its name from Asia, the daughter of Oceanus. This part of the globe has given birth to many of the greatest monarchies of the universe, and to the ancient inhabitants of Asia we are indebted for most of the arts and sciences. The soil is fruitful, and abounds with all the necessaries as well as luxuries of life. It was divided into many different empires, provinces, and states, of which the most conspicuous were the Assyrian and Persian monarchies. The Assyrian monarchy, according to Eusebius, lasted 1240 years, and according to Justin 1530 years, down to the year of the world 4380. The empire of Persia existed 228 years, till the death of Darius the 3d, whom Alexander the Great conquered. The empire of the Medes lasted 259 years, according to Eusebius, or less, according to others, till the reign of Astyages, who was conquered by Cyrus the Great, who transferred the power of the Medes, and founded the Persian monarchy. It was in Asia that the military valour of the Macedonians, and the bold retreat of the 10,000 Greeks were so conspicuously displayed. It is in that part of the world that we are to look for the more visible progress of luxury, despoticism, sedition, effeminacy, and dissipation. Asia was generally divided into Major and Minor. Asia Major was the most extensive, and comprehended all the eastern parts; and Asia Minor was a large country in the form of a peninsula, whose boundaries may be known by drawing a line from the bay of Issus, in a northern direction, to the eastern part of the Euxine sea. Asia Minor has been subject to many revolutions. It was tributary to the Scythians for upwards of 1500 years, and was a long time in the power of the Lydians, Medes, &c. The western parts of Asia Minor were the receptacle of all the ancient emigrations from Greece, and it was totally peopled by Grecian colonies. The Romans generally and indiscriminately called Asia Minor by the name of Asia. *Strab.—Mal.—Justin.—Plin.—Tactit. &c.* One of the Oceanides, who married Japetus, and gave her name to one of the three quarters of the ancient globe. *Apollod. 1.* c. 2.—One of the Nereides. *Hygin.* A mountain of Laconia. *Paus. 3.* c. 24. 

**ASIA.** Asia Palus, a lake in Mysia. *Virg. Aen. 7.* v. 701.

**ASITATUS, a Gaul, in the age of Vitellius.** *Tacit. Hist. 2.*—The surname of one of the Scipios and others, for their conquests or campaigns in Asia.

**ASILAS, an augur, who assisted Æneas against Turnus.**—A Trojan officer. *Virg. Aen.* 9, 10, &c.
Asinaria, a festival in Sicily, in commemoration of the victory obtained over Demosthenes and Nicia, at the river Asinarius.

Asinarius, a river of Sicily, where the Athenian generals, Demosthenes and Nicia, were taken prisoners.

Asine, one of the Sporades.—An island of the Adriatic.—Three towns of Peloponnesus bore that name, viz. in Laconia, Argolis, and Messenia.

Asine, a river of Sicily.

Asinus Gallus, son of Asinus Pollio the orator, married Vipsania, after she had been divorced by Tiberius. This marriage gave rise to a secret enmity between the emperor and Asinus, who starved himself to death, either voluntarily, or by order of his imperial enemy. He had six sons by his wife. He wrote a comparison between his father and Cicero, in which he gave a decided superiority to the former. Tacit. 1 & 5. Ann.—Deo. 58.—Plin. 7, ep. 4.

Marcellus, grandson of Asinus Pollio was accused of some misdemeanors, but acquitted, &c. Tacit. 14. Ann.—Pollio, an excellent orator, poet, and historian, intimate with Augustus. He triumphed over the Dalmatians, and wrote an account of the wars of Caesar and Pompey, in 17 books, besides poems. He refused to answer some verses written against him by Augustus, "because," said he, "you have the power to proscribe me, should my answer prove offensive." He died in the 80th year of his age, A.D. 4. He was consul with Cn. Domitius Calvinus, A. U. C. 712. It is to him that the fourth of Virgil’s Bucolics is inscribed. Quintil.—Sueton, in Car. 30 & 55.—Deo. 37, 49, 55.—Senec. de tranq. Ani. & ep. 100.—Plin. 7, c. 30.—Tacit. 6.—Patere. 2. Plut. in Car.—A commander of Mauritania, under the first emperors, &c. Tacit. Hist. 2.—An historian in the age of Pompey. Another in the third century.—Quadratus, a man who published the history of Parthia, Greece, and Rome.

Asius, a son of Dymas, brother of Hecuba. He assisted Priam in the Trojan war. Homer.—A poet of Samos, who wrote about the genealogy of the ancient heroes and heroines. Paus. 7, c. 4.—A son of Imbracus, who accompanied Æneas into Italy. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 123.

Asius Campus, a place near the Cayster.

Asinæ, a mountain of Macedonia, near which the river Aous flows. Lin. 32, c. 5.

Asopis, a small country of Peloponnesus, near the Asopus.

Asopia, the ancient name of Sicyon. Paus. 2, c. 1.

Asopiades, a patronymic of Æacus, son of Ægina, the daughter of Asopus. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 464.

Asoris, the daughter of the Asopus.—A daughter of Theosphus, mother of Mentor. Apolod. 2, c. 7.

Asopus, a river of Thessaly, falling into the bay of Mali, at the north of Thermopylae. Strab. 8.—A river of Boeotia, rising near Plataea, and flowing into the Eurusus, after it has separated the country of the Thebans and Plataeans. Paus. 9, c. 4.—A river of Asia, flowing into the Lyceus near Laodicea. A river of Peloponnesus, passing by Sicyon. Another of Macedonia, flowing near Heraclea. Strab. &c.—A river of Phoenicia.—A son of Neptune who gave his name to a river or Peloponnesus. Three of his daughters are particularly celebrated, Ægina, Salamis, and Ismene. Apolod. 1, c. 9. 1, 3. c. 12.—Paus. 2, c. 12.

Aspamithres, a favourite eunuch of Xerxes, who conspired with Artabanus to destroy the king and his royal family, &c. Ctesias.


Aspasia, a daughter of Hermotimus of Phocaea, famous for her personal charms and elegance. She was priestess of the sun, mistress to Cyrus, and afterwards to his brother Artaxerxes, from whom she passed to Darius. She was called Milto, Vermillion, on account of the beauty of her complexion. Alin. V. H. 12, c. 1.—Plut. in Artax.—Another woman, daughter of Axiocus, born at Miletus. She came to Athens, where she taught eloquence. Socrates was proud to be among her scholars. She so captivated Pericles by her mental and personal accomplishments, that he became her pupil, and at last took her for his mistress and wife. He was so fond of her, that he made war against Samos at her instigation. The behaviour of Pericles towards Aspasia greatly corrupted the morals of the Athenians, and introduced dissipation and lasciviousness into the state. Some have confounded the mistress of Pericles with Aspasia the daughter of Hermotimus. Plut. in Pericl.—Quintil. 11.—The wife of Xenophon was also called Aspasia. Cic. de Inv. 1, c. 31.

Aspasernus, a peripatetic philosopher in the 2d century, whose commentaries on different subjects were highly valued.—A sophist, who wrote a panegyric on Adrian.

Aspentes, a satrap of Carmania, suspected of infidelity to his trust while Alexander was in the east. Curt. 9, c. 20.

Asphinae, one of the seven noblemen of Persia who conspired against the usurper Smerdis. Herod. 3, c. 70, &c.—A son of Prexaspes. Id. 7.

Aspendus, a town of Pamphylia. Cic. in Ver. 1, c. 20. The inhabitants sacrificed swine to Venus.

Aspis, a satrap of Chasia, who revolted from Artaxerxes. He was reduced by Damastes. Cor. Nep. in Dat.—A city and mountain of Africa.—One of the Cyclades. A city of Macedonia.

Aspledon, a son of Neptune by the nymph Midea. He gave his name to a city of Boeotia, whose inhabitants went to the Trojan war. Homer. Ill. 2.—Paus. 9, c. 38.

Aspörenus, a mountain of Asia Minor near Pergamus, where the mother of the gods was worshipped, and called Asporena. Strab. 13.
Asa, a town near mount Athos.

Assabius, the Jupiter of the Arabian.


Aserini, a people of Sicily.

Assorus, a town of Sicily, between Enna and Agrigum.

Assos, a town of Lycia on the sea-coast.

Assyria, a large country of Asia, whose boundaries have been different in its flourishing times. At first it was bounded by the Ly- cus and Caprus; but the name of Assyria, more generally speaking, is applied to all that territory which lies between Media, Mesopota- mia, Armenia, and Babylon. The Assyrian empire is the most ancient in the world. It was founded by Ninus or Belus, B. C. 2059, according to some authors, and lasted till the reign of Sardanapalus, the 31st sovereign since Ninus, B. C. 820. According to Eusebius, it flourished for 1240 years; according to Justin, 1300 years; and Herodotus says that its duration was not above 5 or 600 years. Among the different monarchs of the Assyrian empire, Semiramis greatly distinguished herself, and extended the boundaries of her dominions as far as Ethiopia and Libya. In ancient authors, the Assyrians are often called Syrians, and the Syrians Assyrians. The Assyrians assisted Priam in the Trojan war, and sent him Memnon with an army. The king of Assyria generally styled himself king of kings, as a demonstration of his power and greatness. The country is now called Kurdistan. Strab. 16. Hero- clet. 1 & 2. Justin. 1. — Plut. 6. c. 15 & 26. — Ptol. 1. c. 2. — Dion. c. 2.

Ast, a city of Spain.

Astacca, a people of India, near the Indus. Strab. 15.

Astacus, a town of Bithynia, built by As- tacus, son of Neptune and Olbia, or rather by a colony of Megara and Athens. Lysimachus destroyed it, and carried the inhabitants to the town of Nicomedia, which was then lately built. Paus. 5, c. 12. — Arrian. Strab. 17. A city of Acarnania. Plut. 5.

Astapa, a town of Hispania Baetica. Liv. 38, c. 20.

Astapus, a river of Ethiopia, falling into the Nile.

Astarte, a powerful divinity of Syria, the same as the Venus of the Greeks. She had a famous temple at Hierapolis in Syria, which was served by 300 priests, who were always employed in offering sacrifices. She was represented in medallia with a long habit, and a mantle over it, tucked up on the left arm. She had one hand stretched forward, and held in the other a crooked staff in the form of a cross. Lucian. de Dea Syria. — Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 23.

Aster, a dextrous archer of Amphipolis, who offered his services to Philip king of Ma- cedonia. Upon being slighted, he retired into the city, and aimed an arrow at Philip, who pressed it with a siege. The arrow, on which was written, "aimed at Philip's right eye," struck the king's eye, and put him to flight; and Philip, to return the pleasantry, threw back the same arrow, with these words, "If Philip takes the town, Aster shall be hanged." The conqueror kept his word. Lucian. de Hist. Scrib.

Asteria, a daughter of Ceus, one of the Titans, by Phebe, daughter of Ceus and Terra. She married Perses, son of Crius, by whom she had the celebrated Hecate. She enjoyed for a long time the favours of Jupiter, under the form of an eagle; but falling under his displeasure, she was changed into a quail, called ortyx by the Greeks; whence the name of Ortygia, given to that island in the Archipelago where she re- tired. Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 4. — Hymn. fab. 38. — Apollod. 1, c. 2, &c. — A town of Greece, whose inhabitants went to the Trojan war. Homer. II. 2, v. 735. — One of the daughters of Danaus, who married Chastus, son of Ægyp- tus. Apollod. 2. — One of the daughters of Atlas, mother of Oenomaus, king of Pisa. Hymn. fab. 250. — A mistress of Gyges, to whom Herace wrote three odes, to comfort her during her lover's absence.

Asterion and Asterus, a river of Pelo- ponnese, which flowed through the country of Argolis. This river had three daughters, Eu- bea, Prosymna, and Arce. Paus. 2, c. 17.

A son of Cometes, who was one of the Arc- onauts. Apollod. 1. — A statue, son of Æscylus. Paus. — A son of Minos 2d, king of Crete, by Pasiphae. He was killed by Theseus, though he was thought the strongest of his age. Apollodorus supposes him to be the same as the famous Minotaur. According to some, Asterion was the son of Teutamus, one of the descendants of Æolus, and they say that he was surnamed Jupiter, because he had carried away Europa, by whom he had Minos the 1st. — Dia. — Apollod. 3. — Paus. 2, c. 31.

A son of Nelous and Chloris. Apollod. 1, c. 12.

Asteropia, the wife of Endymion. Paus 5, c. 1.

Asterope and Asterope, one of the Pleiades, who were beloved by the gods and most illustrious heroes, and made constellations after death. — A daughter of Pelias, king of Iolchos, who assisted her sisters to kill her father, whom Medea promised to restore to life. Her grave was seen in Arcadia, in the time of Pausanias, B. c. 11. — A daughter of Deion by Diomed. Apollod. 1. — The wife of Æscatus. Id. 3.

Asteropus, a king of Pæonia, son of Pe- legon. He assisted Priam in the Trojan war, and was killed by Achilles. Homer. II. 17, &c.

Asterus, a mountain at the south of Crete. — A town of Arabia Felix.

Astonome, the wife of Hipponous.

Aströchus, a general of Lacedemon, who conquered the Athenians near Cnidus, and took Phocaea and Cyme, B. C. 411.

Astræa, a daughter of Astræus, king of Arcadia, or, according to others, of Titan, Sa-
tarn's brother by Aurora. Some make her daughter of Jupiter and Themis. She was called Justice, of which virtue she was the goddess. She lived upon the earth, as the poets mention, during the golden age; but the wickedness and impiety of mankind drove her to heaven in the brazen and iron ages, and she was placed among the constellations of the zodiac, under the name of Virgo. She is represented as a virgin, with a stern but majestic countenance, holding a pair of scales in one hand, and a sword in the other. *Senec. in Oct.* — *Ovid. Met. 1*, v. 149.— *Arat. 1*. *Phenom.* v. 96.— *Hesiod. Theog.*


**ASTU**, a Greek word which signifies city, generally applied, by way of distinction, to Athens, which was the most capital city of Greece. The word ura is applied with the same meaning of superiority to Rome, and τηςκας to Alexandria, the capital of Egypt.

**ASTUR, and Etrurian, who assisted Æneas against Turnus. *Virg. Ên. 10*, v. 180.**

**ASTURÁ, a small village of Latium, where Antony's soldiers cut off Cicero's head.**

**ASTÚRES, a people of Hispania Tarraco- nensis, who spend all their lives in digging for mines of ore. *Lucan. 4*, v. 298.— *Ital. 1*, v. 231.**

**ASTÝAOR, a daughter of Iphesus, who married Periphas, by whom she had some children, among whom was Antion, the father of Ixion.**

**ASTYÁOER, son of Cyaxares, was the last king of Media. He was father to Mandane, whom he gave in marriage to Cambyses, an ignoble person of Persia, because he was told by a dream, that his daughter's son would dispossess him of his crown. From such a marriage he hoped that none but mean and ignorant children could be raised; but he was disappointed, and though he had exposed his daughter's son by the effects of a second dream, he was deprived of his crown by his grandson, after a reign of 35 years. Astroges was very cruel and oppressive; and Harpagus, one of his officers, whose son he had wantonly murdered, encouraged Mandane's son, who was called Cyrus, to take up arms against his grandfather, and he conquered him and took him prisoner, 559 B.C. Xenophon, in his Cyropedia, relates a different story, and asserts that Cyrus and he lived in the most undisturbed friendship together. *Justin. 1*, c. 4, &c.— *Herodot. 1*, c. 74, 75, &c.— *A grammarian who wrote a commentary on Callimachus.*— *A man changed into a stone by Medusa's head. Ovid. Met. 5*, fab. 6.

**ASTYÁLUS, a Trojan king killed by Neoptolemus. *Homer. 11*, 6.**

**ASTYÁNAX, a son of Hector and Andromache. He was very young when the Greeks besieged Troy; and when the city was taken, his mother saved him in her arms from the flames. Ulysses, who was afraid lest the young prince should inherit the virtues of his father, and one day avenge the ruin of his country upon the Greeks, seized him, and threw him down from the walls of Troy. According to Euripides, he was killed by Menelaus; and Seneca says, that Pyrrhus the son of Achilles put him to death. Hector had given him the name of Scamandrius; but the Trojans, who hoped he might prove as great as his father, called him Astyanax, or the bulwark of the city. *Homer. II*, 6 & 22.— *Virg. Ên. 2*, v. 457. l. 3, v. 489.— *Ovid. Met. 13*, v. 415.— *An Arcadian, who had a statue in the temple of Jupiter, on mount Lyceus. Paus. 8*, c. 36.— *A son of Hercules. Apollod. 2*, c. 7.— *A writer in the age of Gallienus.**

**ASTYCRATÍA, a daughter of Aëolus. *Homer. II.*— *A daughter of Amphin and Niobe.**

**ASTYDÁMÁS, an Athenian, pupil to Isocrates. He wrote 240 tragedies, of which only 13 obtained the poetical prize. — *A Mileesian, three times victorious at Olympia. He was famous for his strength, as well as for his voracious appetite. He was once invited to a feast by king Ariobarzanes, and he eat what had been prepared for nine persons. Athen. 10.— *Two tragic writers bore the same name, one of whom was disciple to Socrates. — A comic poet of Athens.**

**ASTYDÁMÍA, daughter of Amyntor, king of Orchomenos in Bœotia, married Acæus, son of Pelias, who was king of Iolchos. She became enamoured of Peleus, son of Æacus, who had visited her husband's court; and because he refused to gratify her passion, she accused him of attempting her virtue. Acæus readily believed his wife's accusation; and as he would not violate the laws of hospitality, by punishing his guest with instant death, he waited for a favourable opportunity, and dissembled his resentment. At last they went in a hunting party to mount Pelion, where Peleus was tied to a tree, by order of Acæus, that he might be devoured by wild beasts. Jupiter was moved at the innocence of Peleus, and sent Vulcan to deliver him. When Peleus was set at liberty, he marched with an army against Acæus, whom he dethroned, and punished with death the cruel and false Astydamia. She is called by some Hippolyte. *Apollod. 3*, c. 13.— *Pindar. Nem. 4.*— *A daughter of Ormenus, carried away by Hercules, by whom she had Tlepolemus. Ovid. Herod. 9*, v. 50.

**ASTÝLUS, one of the centaurs, who had the knowledge of futurity. He advised his brothers not to make war against the Lapithæ. *Ovid. Met. 12*, v. 338.— *A man of Crotone, who was victorious three successive times at the Olympic games. Paus.**

**ASTYMÉDUSA, a woman whom Cædus married after he had divorced Jocasta.**

**ASTYNÖME, the daughter of Chryses the priest of Apollo, sometimes called Chrysieus. She fell to the share of Achilles, at the division of the spoils of Lyrnessus.— *A daughter of Amphin. — of Talus. Ipygin.**

**ASTYNOS, a Trojan prince. *Homer. II*. 5, v 144.**

**ASTÝOCHÉ and ASTÝOCHÍA, a daughter of Astynous, an Actor, who had by Mars, Ascalaphus, and**
Ialmenus, who were at the Trojan war. Homer. Il. 2, v. 20.—A daughter of Phylas king of Ephyre, who had a son called Tlepolemus, by Hercules. Hygin. fab. 97, 162.—A daughter of Laomedon, by Strymo. Apollod. 3.—A daughter of Amphion and Niobe. Id. 3, c. 4.—A daughter of the Simois, who married Erichthonius. Id. 3, c. 12.—The wife of Strophius, sister to Agamenmon. Hygin.

Astypalea, one of the Cyclades called after Astypalaia, the daughter of Phœnix, and mother of Anchus, by Neptunus. Ovid. Fast. 10, 39.

Asystylus, a soothsayer very skilled in the knowledge of futurity. Plut. in Cim.

Astyrion, a town built by the Argonauts on the coast of Illyricum. Strab.

Asychis, a king of Egypt, who succeeded Mycerinus, and made a law, that whoever borrowed money, must deposit his father's body in the hands of his creditors, as a pledge of his promise of payment. He built a magnificent pyramid. Herodot. 2, c. 135.

Asylas, a friend of Æneas, skilled in auguries. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 571. l. 10, v. 175.

Asyllus, a gladiator. Juw. 6, v. 230.

Atabûlus, a wind which was frequent in Apulia. Horat. 1, Sat. 5, v. 78.

Atabyris, a mountain in Rhodes, where Jupiter had a temple, whence he was surnamed Atabyris. Strab. 14.

Atâcke, a town of Gaul, whence the adjective Atacicus.

Atalanta, a daughter of Scheneus, king of Scyros. According to some, she was the daughter of Jesus or Jason, by Clymene, but others say that Menalion was her father. This uncertainty of not rightly knowing the name of her father, has led Ætolian mythologists into error, and some have maintained that there were two persons of that name, though their supposition is groundless. Atalanta was born in Arcadia, and, according to Ovid she determined to live in perpetual celibacy; but her beauty gained her many admirers, and to free herself from their importunities, she proposed to run a race with them. They were to run without arms, and she was to carry a dart in her hand. Her lovers were to start first, and whoever arrived at the goal before her, would be made her husband; but all those whom she overtook, were to be killed by the dart with which she had armed herself. As she was almost invincible in running, many of her suitors perished in the attempt, till Hippomenes the son of Macareus proposed himself as her admirer. Venus had presented him with three golden apples from the garden of the Hesperides, or according to others, from an orchard in Cyprus; and as soon as he had started in the course, he artfully threw down the apples at some distance one from the other. While Atalanta, charmed at the sight, stopped to gather the apples; Hippomenes hastened on his course, arrived first at the goal, and obtained Atalanta in marriage. These two fond lovers, in the impatience of consummating their nuptials, entered the temple of Cybele; and the goddess was so offended at their impiety, and at the profanation of her house, that she changed them into two lions. Apollo- dorus says, that Atalanta's father was desirous of raising a male issue, and that therefore she was exposed to wild beasts as soon as born. She was however suckled by a she-bear, and preserved by shepherds. She dedicated her time to hunting, and resolved to live in celibacy. She killed two centaurs, who attempted her virtue. She was present at the hunting of the Calydonian boar, which she first wounded, and she received the head as a present from Meleager, who was enamoured of her. She was also at the games instituted in honour of Pelias, where she conquered Peleus; and when her father, to whom she had been restored, wished her to marry, she consented to give herself to him who could overcome her in running, as has been said above. She had a son called Parthenopeus, by Hippomenes. Hyginus says, that that son was the fruit of her love with Meleager; and Apollo- dorus says, she had him by Milianon, or, according to others, by the god Mars. [Vid. Mete- jargon.] Apollo- dorus, 1, c. 8, l. 3, c. 9, etc.—Paus. 1, c. 36, 43, etc.—Hygin. fab. 99, 174, 195, 270.—Elian. V. H. 13.—Diod. 4.—Ovid. Met. 8, fab. 4. 10, fab. 11.—Euripid. in Phæniss. An island near Euboea and Locris. Paus.

Atarantes, a people of Africa, ten days journey from the Garamantes. There is in their country a hill of salt with a fountain of sweet water upon it. Herodot. 4, c. 184.

Atarëches, a town in one of the islands of the Delta, where Venus had a temple.

Atarne, a part of Mysia, opposite Lesbos, with a small town in the neighbourhood, of the same name. Paus. 4, c. 35.

Atargatis, a divinity among the Syrians represented as a siren. Strab. 16.

Atas and Atius, a youth of wonderful velocity, who is said to have run 73 miles between noon and the evening. Martial 4, ep. 19.—Plin. 7.

Atax, a river of Gaul Narbonensis, rising in the Pyrenean mountains, and falling into the Mediterranean sea. Melo. 2.

Atis, the goddess of all evil, and daughter of Jupiter. She raised such jealousy and sedition in heaven among the gods, that Jupiter dragged her away by the hair, and banished her for ever from heaven, and sent her to dwell on earth, where she incited mankind to wickedness, and sowed commotions among them. Homer. Il. 19. She is the same as the Discord of the Latins.

Atella, a town of Campania, famous for a splendid amphitheatre. Juw. 6.

Athenomous, a chief-tain, who made war against the Romans Plut. in Paelv.

Athamanes, an ancient people of Epirus who existed long before the Trojan war, and still preserved their name and customs in the age of Alexander. There was a fountain in their territories, whose waters, about the last quarter of the moon, were so sulphureous that they set on fire any piece of wood. Ovid. Met.
ATTAMAS, king of Thebes, in Boeotia, was son of Xeos. He married Themisto, whom some call Nephele, and Findar, Demotive, and by her he had Phryxus and Helle. Some time after, on pretense that Nephele was subject to fits of madness, he married Ino, the daughter of Cadmus, by whom he had two sons, Learchus and Melicerta. Ino became jealous of the children of Nephele; because they were to ascend their father's throne in preference to her own, therefore she resolved to destroy them; but they escaped from her fury to Colchis, on a golden ram. [Vid. Phryxus & Argonaut.] According to the Greek scholiast of Lycophron, v. 22. Ino attempted to destroy the corn of the country; and as if it were the consequence of divine vengeance, the soothsayer, at her instigation, told Athamas, that before the earth would yield her usual increase, he must sacrifice one of the children of Nephele to the gods. The credulous father led Phryxus to the altar, where he was saved by Nephele. The prosperity of Ino was displeasing to Juno, and more particularly because she was descended from Venus. The goddess therefore sent Tisiphone, one of the furies, to the house of Athamas, who became inflamed with such sudden fury, that he took Ino to be a lioness, and her two children to be whelps. In this fit of madness he snatched Learchus from her, and killed him against a wall; upon which, Ino fled with Melicerta, and, with him in her arms, she threw herself into the sea from a high rock, and was changed into a sea deity. After this, Athamas recovered the use of his senses; and as he was without children, he adopted Coronus and Alaricus, the sons of Thersander, his nephew. Hygin. fab. 1, 2, 3, 239.—Apollod. 1, c. 7 & 9.

—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 407, &c. Fast. 6, v. 489.—Paus. 9, c. 34.—A servant of Atticus. Cic. ad Att. 12, ep. 10.—A stage dancer. Id. Pis. 36.—A tragic poet. Id. Pis. 20.—One of the Greeks concealed in the wooden horse at the siege of Troy. Verg. Aen. 2, v. 263.


ATHANASius, a bishop of Alexandria, celebrated for his sufferings, and the determined opposition he maintained against Arius and his doctrine. His writings, which were numerous, and some of which have perished, contain a defence of the mystery of the Trinity, the divinity of the Word and of the Holy Ghost, and an apology to Constantine. The creed which bears his name, is supposed by some not to be his composition. Athanasius died 2d May, 373 A. D. after filling the archiepiscopal chair 47 years, and leading alternately a life of exile and of triumph. The latest edition of his works, is that of Benedictin, 3 vols. fol. Paris, 1698.

ATHANIS, a man who wrote an account of Sicily. Athen. 3.

ATHEA, a king of Scythia, who implored the assistance of Philip of Macedonia against the Istrians, and laughed at him when he had furnished him with an army. Judd. c. 2.

ATHENA, the name of Minerva among the Greeks.

ATHENE, a celebrated city of Attica, founded about 1556 years before the Christian era, by Cecrops and an Egyptian colony. It was called Cecropia from its founder, and afterwards Athene in honour of Minerva, who had obtained the right of giving it a name in preference to Neptune. [Vid. Minerva.] It was governed by 17 kings, in the following order:—After a reign of 50 years, Cecrops was succeeded by Cranus, who began to reign 1506 B. C. Amphictyon, 1497; Erichthonius, 1487; Pandion, 1437; Erichtheus, 1397; Cecrops 2d, 1347; Pandion 2d, 1307; Areus, 1233; Theseus, 1235; Mnesarchus, 1235; Demophon, 1232; Oxyntes, 1149; Aphidas, 1137; Thyestes, 1356; Melanthus, 1128; and Codrus, 1091, who was killed after a reign of 21 years. The history of the twelve first of these monarchs is mostly fabulous. After the death of Codrus, the monarchical power was abolished, and the state was governed by 13 perpetual, and 317 years after, by seven decennial, and lastly, B. C. 694, after an anarchy of three years, by annual magistrates, called Archons. [Vid. Archontes.] Under this democracy, the Athenians signalized themselves by their valour in the field, and their munificence, and the cultivation of the fine arts. They were deemed so powerful by the Persians, that Xerxes, when he invaded Greece, chiefly directed his arms against Athens, which he took and burnt. Their military character was chiefly displayed in the battle of Marathon, of Salamis, of Plataea, and of Mycale. After these immortal victories, they rose in consequence and dignity, and they demanded the superiority in the affairs of Greece. The town was rebuilt and embellished by Themistocles, and a new and magnificent harbour built. Their success made them arrogant, and they raised contentions among the neighbouring states, that they might aggrandize themselves by their fall. The luxury and intemperance, which had been long excluded from the city by the salutary laws of their countrymen, Draco and Solon, crept by degrees among all ranks of people, and soon all Greece united to destroy that city, which claimed a sovereign power over all the rest. The Peloponnesian war, though at first a private quarrel, was soon fomented into an universal war; and the arms of all the states of Peloponnesus [Vid. Peloponnesiacorum Bellum] were directed against Athens, which, after 28 years of misfortunes and bloodshed, was totally ruined, the 24th April, 404 years before the Christian era, by Lysander. After this the Athenians were oppressed by 50 tyrants, and for a while laboured under the weight of their own calamities. They recovered some of their spirit in the age of Philip, and boldly opposed his ambitious views; but their efforts were not of great service to the interests of Greece. They fell into the hands of the Romans, B. C. 86. The Athenians have been admired in all
ages, for their love of liberty, and for the great men that were born among them; but favour there was attended with danger; and there were very few instances in the history of Athens, that can prove the jealousy and frenzy of the people did not persecute and disturb the peace of the man who has fought their battles, and exposed his life in the defence of his country. Perhaps not one single city in the world can boast, in such a short space of time, of such a number of truly illustrious citizens, equally celebrated for their humanity, their learning, and their military abilities. The Romans, in the more polished ages of their republic, sent their youths to finish their education at Athens, and respected their learning, while they despised the military character of the inhabitants. The reputation the Athenian schools had acquired under Socrates and Plato, was maintained by their degenerate and less learned successors; and they flourished with diminished lustre, till an edict of the emperor Justinian suppressed, with the Roman consulship, the philosophical meetings of the Academy. It has been said by Plutarch, that the good men which Athens produced, were the most just and equitable in the world; but that its bad citizens could not be surpassed in any age or country, for their impiety, perfidiousness, or cruelties. Their criminals were always put to death by drinking the juice of hemlock. The ancients, to distinguish Athens in a more peculiar manner, called it Astu, one of the eyes of Greece, the learned city, the school of the world, the common patroness of Greece. The Athenians thought themselves the most ancient nation of Greece, and supposed themselves the original inhabitants of Attica, for which reason— they were called αυτογυγοι, produced from the same earth which they inhabited, γιγαντιαίοι sons of the earth, and τεττετεις grasshoppers. They sometimes wore grasshoppers in their hair as badges of honour, to distinguish them from the other people of later origin and less noble extraction, because those insects are supposed to be sprung from the ground. Cic. ad Attic. in Ver. &c. Thucyd. 1, &c. Justini. 2, &c., Diod. 13, &c., Eel. V. H. Plin. 7, c. 56— Xenoph. Memor.— Plut. in vitis, &c., Strab. 9, &c., Paus. 1, &c., Val. Max.— Liv. 31, &c.— C. Nep. in Milit. &c., Polyb., Patercul.

Athena, festivals celebrated at Athens in honour of Minerva. One of them was called Panathenaea, and the other Chalecon; for an account of which see those words. Athenæum, a place at Athens, sacred to Minerva, where the poets, philosophers, and rhetoricians, generally declined and repeated their compositions. It was public to all the professors of the liberal arts. The same thing was adopted at Rome by Adrian, who made a public building for the same laudable purposes. A promontory of Italy. Athenæus, a Greek cosmographer. A peripatetic philosopher of Cilicia in the time of Augustus. Strab. A Spartan sent by his countrymen to Athens, to settle the peace during the Peloponnesian war. A grammarian of Naucratis, who composed an elegant and miscellaneous work, called Dermophone. Replete with very curious and interesting remarks and anecdotes of the manners of the ancients, and likewise valuable for the scattered pieces of ancient poetry it preserves. The work consists of 15 books, of which the two first, part of the third, and almost the whole of the last, are lost. Athenæus wrote, besides this, an history of Syria, and other works now lost. He died A.D. 194. The best edition of his works is that of Casabon, vol. 2 vols. Ludg. 1612, by far superior to the editions of 1595 and 1657. A historian, who wrote an account of Semiramis. Dio. A brother of king Rumenus 2d, famous for his paternal affection. A Roman general in the age of Galienus, who is supposed to have written a book on military engines. A physician of Cilicia in the age of Pliny, who made heat, cold, wet, dry, and air, the elements, instead of the four commonly received. Athenagoras, a Greek in the time of Diarius, to whom Pharramabuz gave the government of Chios, &c. Curt. 8, c. 5. A writer on agriculture. Varro. A Christian philosopher, in the age of Aurelius, who wrote a treatise on the resurrection, and an apology for the Christians, still extant. He died A.D. 177. The best edition of his works is that of Dechair, 8vo. Oxon. 1706. The romance of Theagenes and Charis is falsely ascribed to him. Athenais, a Sibyl of Erythraea, in the age of Alexander. Strab. A daughter of the philosopher Leontus. Athenion, a peripatetic philosopher, B.C. A general of the Sicilian slaves. A tyrant of Athens, surnamed Ariston. Athenocles, a general, &c. Polyen. 6. A turner of Mitylene. Plin. 34. Athenodorus, a philosopher of Tarsus, intimate with Augustus. The emperor often profited by his lessons, and was advised by him always to repeat the 24 letters of the Greek alphabet, before he gave way to the impulse of anger. Athenodorus died in his 82d year, much lamented by his countrymen. Suet. A poet who wrote comedy, tragedy, and elegy, in the age of Alexander. Plut. in Alex. A stotic philosopher of Caena, near Tarsus, in the age of Augustus. He was intimate with Strabo. Strab. 14. A philosopher, disciple to Zeno, and keeper of the royal library at Pergamus. A marble sculptor. A man assassinated at Bactra for making himself absolute. Athros, a surname of Diogenas and Theodorus, because they denied the existence of a deity. Cic. de Nat. D. 1, c. 1. Athēsis, a river of Cisalpine Gaul, near the Po, falling into the Adriatic sea. Verg. Æs. 9, v. 650. Athos, a mountain of Macedonia, projecting into the Ægean sea like a promontory. It is so high, that it overshadows the island of Lemnos, though at the distance of 87 miles; or according to modern calculation, only eight...
When Xerxes invaded Greece, he made a trench of a mile and a half in length at the foot of the mountain, into which he brought the sea-water, and conveyed his fleet over it. —A sculptor, called Democrites, offered Alexander to cut mount Athos, and make with it a statue of the king, holding a town in his left hand, and in the right a spacious cist, to receive all the waters which flowed from it. Alexander greatly admired the plan, but objected to the place; and he observed that the neighbouring country was not sufficiently fruitful to produce corn and provisions for the inhabitants which were to dwell in the city in the hand of the statue. Athos is now called Monte Santo. Herodot. 6. c. 44. l. 7, sc. —Lucan. 2. v. 672. —Aelian. de Anim. 13, c. 20, sc. —Plin. 4. c. 10. —Eschin. contra Ctesiph.


Atia, a city of Campania. —A law enacted A. U. C. 690, by T. Atius Labienus, the tribune of the people. It abolished the Corneelian law, and put in full force the Lex Domitia, by transferring the right of electing priests from the college of priests to the people. —The mother of Augustus. Vid. Accia.

Atilla lex gave the praetor and a majority of the tribunes, power of appointing guardians to those minors who were not previously provided for by their parents. It was enacted about A. U. C. 560. —Another, A. U. C. 443, which gave the people power of electing 20 tribunes of the soldiers in four legions. Liv. 9. c. 30.

Atilius, a freed-man, who exhibited combats of gladiators at Fidenae. The amphitheatre, which contained the spectators, fell during the exhibition, and about 50,000 persons were killed or mutilated. Tacit. 4. Ann. c. 62.

Atilla, the mother of the poet Lucan. She was accused of conspiracy by her son, who expected to clear himself of the charge. Tacit. Ann. 15. c. 56.

Atina, an ancient town of the Volsci, one of the first that began hostilities against Æneas. Virg. Æn. 7. v. 630.

Atina, a friend of Turnus, &c. Virg. Æn. 11. v. 869.

Atinia lex was enacted by the tribune Atinius. It gave a tribune of the people the privileges of a senator, and the right of sitting in the senate.

Atlantes, a people of Africa in the neighbourhood of mount Atlas. They daily cursed the sun at his rising and at his setting; because his excessive heat scorched and tormented them. Herodot.

Atlantides, a patronymic of Mercury, as grandson of Atlas. Ovid. Met. 1. v. 639.

Atlantides, a people of Africa, near mount Atlas. They boasted of being in possession of the country in which all the gods of antiquity received their birth. Uranus was their first king, whom, on account of his knowledge of astronomy, they enrolled in the number of their gods. Dio. 3. —The daughters of Atlas, seven in number, Maia, Electa, Taygeta, Asterope, Merope, Alcyone, and Celene. They married some of the gods and most illustrious heroes, and their children were founders of many nations and cities. The Atlantides were called nymphs, and such goddesses, on account of their great intelligence and knowledge. The name of Hesperides was also given them, on account of their mother Hesperia. They were made constellations after death. [Vid. Pleiades.]

Atlas, one of the Titans, son of Japetus and Clymene, one of the Oceanides. He was brother to Epimetheus, Prometheus, and Mezentius. His mother's name, according to Apollodoros, was Asia. He married Pleione, daughter of Oceanus, or Hesperia, according to others, by whom he had seven daughters, called Atlantides. [Vid. Atlantides.] He was king of Mauritania, and master of a thousand flocks of every kind, as also of beautiful gardens, abounding in every species of fruit, which he had intrusted to the care of a dragon Perseus, after the conquest of the Gorgons passed by the palace of Atlas, and demanded hospitality. The king, who was informed by an oracle of Themis, that he should be de-throned by one of the descendants of Jupiter refused to receive him, and even offered him violence. Perseus, who was unequal in strength, slewed him Medusa's head, and Atlas was instantly changed into a large mountain. This mountain, which runs across the deserts of Africa east and west, is so high, that the ancients have imagined that the heavens rested on its top, and that Atlas supported the world on his shoulders. Hyginus says, that Atlas assisted the giants in their wars against the gods, for which Jupiter compelled him to bear the heavens on his shoulders. The fable that Atlas supported the heavens on his back, arises from his fondness for astronomy, and his often frequenting elevated places and mountains, whence he might observe the heavenly bodies. The daughters of Atlas were carried away by Busiris king of Egypt, but redeemed by Hercules, who received, as a reward from the father, its knowledge of astronomy, and a celestial globe. This knowledge Hercules communicated to the Greeks; whence the fable has further said, that he eased for some time the labours of Atlas, by taking upon his shoulders the weight of the heavens. According to some authors, there were two other persons of that name, a king of Italy, father of Electra, and a king of Arcadia, father of Maia the mother of Mercury. Virg. Æn. 4. v. 481. l. 8. v. 186. —Ovid. Met. 4. fab. 17. —Diod. 3. —Lucan. 9. —Val. Flacc. 5. —Hygib. 83, 125, 155, 157, 192. —Aratus in Astron. —Apollod. 1. —Hesiod. Theog. v. 508. &c. —A large mountain of Africa. Paus. —A river flowing from mount Haemus into the Ister. Herodot. 4. c. 49.

Atossa, a daughter of Cyrus, who was one of the wives of Cambyses, Smerdis, and afterwards of Darius, by whom she had Xerxes.
She was cured of a dangerous cancer by Democedes. She is supposed by some to be the Vasthi of scripture. Herodot. 3, c. 68, &c. Atreus, a people of Etolia, who received their name from Atrax, son of Etolus. Their country was called Atracia.

Atramiytmum, a town of Myasia.

Atrape, an officer of Alexander, who, at the general division of the provinces, received Media. Died 16.

Atrax, a son of Etolus, or, according to others, of the river Peneus. He was king of Thessaly, and built a town which he called Atrax or Atracia. This town became so famous, that the word Atracus has been applied to any inhabitant of Thessaly. He was father to Hippodamia, who married Pithous, and whom we must not confound with the wife of Pelops, who bore the same name. Propert. 1, el. 8, v. 25.—Stat. 1, Theb. v. 106. Oxid. Met. 12, v. 209.—A city of Thessaly, whence the epithet of Atracus.—A river of Etolia, which falls into the Ionian sea.

Atrape, a people of Britain, who were in possession of the modern counties of Berks, Oxford, &c.

Atrape, a people of Gaul, who opposed J. Caesar with 15,000 men, together with the Nervii. They were conquered, and Commius, a friend of the general, was set over them as king. They were reinstated in their former liberty and independence, on account of the services of Commius. Cæs. bel. Gall. 2, &c.

Aréni, a people of Armenia.

Atreu, a son of Pelops by Hippodamia, daughter of Cnomaus king of Pisa, was king of Mycene, and brother to Pittheus, Troesen, Thyestes, and Chrysippus. As Chrysippus was an illegitimate son, and at the same time a favourite of his father, Hippodamia resolved to remove him. She persuaded her sons Thyestes and Atreus to murder him; but their refusal exasperated her more, and she executed it herself. This murder was grievous to Pelops; he suspected his two sons, who fled away from his presence. Atreus retired to the court of Eurystheus king of Argos, his nephew, and upon his death he succeeded him on the throne. He married, as some report, Érope, his predecessor’s daughter, by whom he had Plisthenes, Menelaus, and Agamemnon. Others affirm that Érope was the wife of Plisthenes, by whom she had Agamemnon and Menelaus, who are the reputed sons of Atreus, because that prince took care of their education. [Vid. Plisthenes.] Thyestes had followed his brother to Argos, where he lived with him, and debauched his wife, by whom he had some children. This incestuous commerce offended Atreus, and Thyestes was banished from his court. He was however soon after recalled by his brother, who determined cruelly to revenge the violence offered to his bed. To effect this purpose he invited his brother to a sumptuous feast, where Thyestes was served up with the flesh of the children he had had by his sister-in-law the queen. After the repast was finished, the arms and the heads of the murdered children were produced, to convince Thyestes of what he had feasted upon. This action appeared so cruel and impious, that the sun is said to have shrunk back in his course at the bloody sight. Thyestes immediately fled to the court of Theoprous, and thence to Sicyon, where he ravished his own daughter Pelopea, in a grove sacred to Minerva, without knowing who she was. This incest he committed intentionally, as some report, to revenge himself on his brother Atreus, according to the word of the oracle, which promised him satisfaction for the cruelties he had suffered, only from the hand of a son who was born of himself and his own daughter. Pelopea brought forth a son whom she called Égisthush, and soon after she married Atreus, who had lost his wife. Atreus adopted Égisthush, and sent him to murder Thyestes, who had been seized and imprisoned. Thyestes knew his son, and made himself known to him; he made him espouse his cause, and instead of becoming his father’s murderer, he rather avenged his wrongs, and returned to Atreus, whom he assassinated. [Vid. Thyestes, Égisthush, Pelopea, Agamemnon, &c.] Hygin. fab. 83, 86, 87, 88, &c. 238.—Eurypid. in Orest. in Iphig. Taur.—Plut. in Parall.—Paus. 9, c. 40.—Apolod. 3, c. 10.—Senec. in Atr.

Atréde, a patronymic given by Homer to Agamemnon and Menelaus, as being the sons of Atreus. This is false, upon the authority of Hesiod, Lactantius, Dextris of Crete, &c. who maintain that these princes were not the sons of Atreus, but of Plisthenes and that they were brought up in the house and under the eye of their grandfather. [Vid. Plisthenes.]

Atronius, a friend of Turnus, killed by the Trojans. Verg. En. 10.

Atropatia, a part of Media. Strab.

Atrópos, one of the Parce, daughter of Nox and Erubes. According to the derivation of her name, ἀτρόπος, inmutabilis, she is inexorable and inflexible, and her duty among the three sisters is to cut the thread of life without regard to sex, age, or quality. She was represented by the ancients in a black veil, with a pair of scissors in her hand. [Vid. Parce.]

T. Q. Atta, a writer of merit in the Augustan age, who seems to have received this name from some deformity in his legs or feet. His compositions, dramatical as well as satirical, were held in universal admiration. Horat. 2, ep. 1, v. 79.

Attália, a city of Pamphylia, built by king Attalus. Strab.

Attalús I, king of Pergamus, succeeded Eumenes 1st. He defeated the Gauls who had invaded his dominions, extended his conquests to mount Taurus, and obtained the assistance of the Romans against Antiochus. The Athenians rewarded his merit with great honours. He died at Pergamus after a reign of 44 years, B. C. 197. Liv. 26, 27, 28, &c. Polyb. 5.—Strab. 13.—The 23d of that name, was sent on an embassy to Rome by his bro-
Eumene the 2d, and at his return was appointed guardian to his nephew Attalus the 3d, who was then an infant. Prusias made successful war against him, and seized his capital; but the conquest was stopped by the interference of the Romans, who restored Attalus to his throne. Attalus, who has received the name of Philadelphus, from his fraternal love, was a munificent patron of learning, and the founder of several cities. He was poisoned by his nephew in the 82d year of his age, B. C. 133. II. governed with great prudence and moderation for 20 years. Strab. 13.—Polyb. 5,—The 3d, succeeded to the kingdom of Pergamus, by the murder of Attalus the 2d, and made himself odious by his cruelty to his relations, and his wanton exercise of power. He was son to Eumenes 2d, and surnamed Philopater. He left the cares of government to cultivate his garden, and to make experiments on the melting of metals. He lived in great amity with the Romans; and as he died without issue by his wife Berenice, he left in his will the words Ρ. Ρ. μερος hares esto, which the Romans interpreted as themselves, and therefore took possession of his kingdom, B. C. 133, and made it a Roman province, which they governed by a proconsul. From this circumstance, whatever was a valuable acquisition, or an ample fortune, was always called by the epithet of Attalicus. Attalus, as well as his predecessors, made themselves celebrated for the valuable libraries which they collected at Pergamus, and for the patronage which merit and virtue always found at their court. Liv. 24, &c.—Plin. 7, 8, 33, &c.—Justin. 39.—Horat. 1, od. 1.—An officer in Alexander's army. Curt. 4, c. 13.—Another, very inimical to Alexander. He was put to death by Parmenio, and Alexander was accused of the murder. Curt. 6, c. 9. l. 8. 1.—A philosopher, preceptor to Seneca. Senec. ep. 108.—An astronomer of Rhodes.

Attarras, an officer who seized those that had conspired with Dymnaus against Alexander. Curt. 6.

Attius Capito, a consul in the age of Augustus, who wrote treatises on sacerdotal laws, public courts of justice, and the duty of a senator.

Attis, a son of Calanus of Phrygia, who was born impotent. He introduced the worship of Cybele among the Lydians, and became a great favourite of the goddess. Jupiter was jealous of his success, and sent a wild boar to lay waste the country and destroy Attis. Paus. 7, c. 17.

Attius, a daughter of Cranaus the 2d, king of Athens, who gave her name to Attica, according to Apolod. 3, c. 14.

Attica, a country of Achaia or Hellas, at the south of Boeotia, west of the Ægean sea, north of the Saronicus Sinus, and east of Megara. It received its name from Attisa the daughter of Cranaus. It was originally called Ionia, from the Ionians, who settled here; and also Acra, which signifies shore, and Cecrops, from Cecrops one of the kings. The most famous of its cities is called Athens, whose inhabitants sometimes bear the name of Attics. Attica was famous for its gold and silver mines, which constituted the greatest part of the public revenues. The face of the country was partly level, and partly mountainous, divided into the 13 tribes of Acamantis, Zanteis, Antiochis, Attalis, Ægeis, Erechtheis, Adrianis, Hippothoonitis, Cecropis, Leontis, Æneis, Ptolemiaeis, and Pandionis; whose inhabitants were numbered, in the 116 Olympiad, at 3,011,000 citizens, and 400,000 slaves, within 174 villages, some of which were considerable towns. Vid. Athens.

Atticus, one of Galba's servants, who entered his palace with a bloody sword, and declared he had killed Otho. Tacit. Hist. 1. (T. Pomponius) a celebrated Roman knight, to whom Cicero wrote a great number of letters, which contained the general history of the age. They are now extant, and divided into 17 books. In the time of Marius and Sylla he retired to Athens, where he endeared himself to the citizens, who, after his departure, erected statues to him in commemoration of his munificence and liberality. He was such a perfect master of the Greek writers, and spoke their language so fluently, that he was surnamed Atticus. He favoured the world with some of his compositions. He behaved in such a disinterested manner, that he offended neither of the inimical parties at Rome, and both were equally anxious of courting his approbation. He lived in the greatest intimacy with the illustrious men of his age, and he was such a lover of truth, that he not only abstained from falsehood even in a joke, but treated with the greatest contempt and indignation a lying tongue. It is said that he refused to take ailments when unable to get the better of a fever, and died in his 77th year, B. C. 32, after bearing the amiable character of peace-maker among his friends. Cornelius Nepos, one of his intimate friends, has written a minute account of his life. Cic. ad Attic. &c.—A Platonic philosopher in the second century.—A consul in the age of Nero, &c. Tacit. Ann. 15.

Attila, a celebrated king of the Huns, a nation in the southern parts of Scythia, who invaded the Roman empire in the reign of Valentinian, with an army of 500,000 men, and laid waste the provinces. He took the town of Aquilia, and marched against Rome; but his retreat and peace were purchased with a large sum of money by the feeble emperor. Attila, who boasted in the appellation of the scourge of God, died A. D. 453, of an uncommon effusion of blood the first night of his nuptials. He had expressed his wish to extend his conquests over the whole world; and he often heated his barbarity by dragging captive kings in his train. Jornald. de ref. 6, 7.

Attilius, a Roman consul in the first Punic war. Vid. Regulus.—Calatinus, a Roman consul who fought the Carthaginian fleet.—Marcus, a poet who translated the Electra of Sophocles into Latin verse, and wrote comedies whose unintelligible language procured him the
appellation of Ferreut. — Regulus, a Roman censor who built a temple to the goddess of concord. Liv. 23, c. 23, &c. — The name of Attilius was common among the Romans, and many of the public magistrates are called Attili: their life however is not famous for any illustrious event.

Attinus, an officer set over Bactriana by Alexander. Curt. 8.

Attilius Peligius, an officer of Caesar. Ces. bell. civ. 1. — Tullius, the general of the Volsci, to whom Coriolanus fled when vanquished from Rome. Liv. — Varus, seized Axinum in Pompey's name, whence he was expelled. After this he fled to Africa, which he alienated from J. Caesar. Ces. 1, bell. civ. — A poet. Vid. Accites. — The family of the Atti was descended from Atys, one of the companions of Æneas, according to the opinion which Virgil has adopted. En. 5, v. 568.

Atyade, the descendants of Atys, the Lydian.

Atys, an ancient king of Lydia. Herodot. 1, c. 7. — A son of Cræsus, king of Lydia. He was forbidden the use of all weapons by his father, who had dreamt that he had been killed. Some time after this, Atys prevailed on his father to permit him to go to hunt a wild boar, which laid waste the country of Myasia, and was killed in the attempt by Abdas, whom Cræsus had appointed guardian over his son, and the apprehensions of Cræsus were realized. Herodot. 1, c. 34, &c. — Vid. Abdas. — A Trojan, who came to Italy with Æneas, and is supposed to be the progenitor of the family of the Atti at Rome. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 568. — A youth to whom Ismene the daughter of Õdipus was promised in marriage. He was killed by Tydeus before his nuptials. Stat. Theb. 8, v. 593.

— A son of Limnicæ the daughter of the river Ganges, who assisted Cephæus in preventing the marriage of Andromeda, and was killed by Perseus with a burning log of wood. Ovid. Met. 5, v. 47. — A celebrated shepherd of Phrygia, of whom the mother of the gods, generally called Cybele, became enamoured. She entrusted him with the care of her temple, and made him promise he always would live in celibacy. He violated his vow by an amour with the nymph Sargaris, for which the goddess made him so insane and delirious, that he castrated himself with a sharp stone. This was afterwards intentionally made by his sacerdotal successors in the service of Cybele, to prevent their breaking their vows of perpetual chastity. This account is the most general and most approved. Others say, that the goddess became fond of Atys, because he had introduced her festivals in the greatest part of Asia Minor, and she herself mutilated him. Pausanias relates, in Archæic, c. 17, that Atys was the son of the daughter of the Sanger, who became pregnant by putting the bough of an almond-tree in her bosom: upiter, as the passage mentions, once had an amorous dream, and some of the impurity of the god fell upon the earth, which soon after produced a monster of an human form, with the characteristics of both sexes. This monster was called Agdistis, and was deprived by the gods of those parts which distinguished the male sex. From the mutilated parts, which were thrown on the ground, rose an almond-tree, one of whose branches a nymph of the Sangar gathered, and placed in her bosom as mentioned above. Atys, as soon as born, was exposed in a wood, but preserved by a she-goat. The genius Agdistis saw him in the wood, and was captivated with his beauty. As Atys was going to celebrate his nuptials with the daughter of the king of Pessinus, Agdistis who was jealous of his rival, inspired by his enchantments the king and his future son-in-law with such an uncommon fury, that they both attacked and mutilated one another in the struggle. Ovid, says, Met. 10, fab. 2, &c. that Cybele changed Atys into a pine-tree as he was going to lay violent hands upon himself, and ever after that tree was sacred to the mother of the gods. After his death, Atys received divine honours, and temples were raised to his memory, particularly at Dyman. Catull. de Atys, &c. — Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 223, &c. — Lucian in Dea Syra. — Sylvius, son of Alba Sylvius, was king of Alba. Liv. 1, c. 3.


Avella, a town of Campania, abounding in nuts, whence nuts have been called avellina. Sil. 8, v. 45, &c. — Virg. Æn. 7, v. 740.

Aventinus, a son of Hercules, by Rhea, who assisted Turnus against Æneas. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 657. — A king of Alba, buried upon mount Aventine. Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 51. — One of the seven hills on which part of the city of Rome was built. It was 13,300 feet in circumference, and was given to the people to build houses upon by king Ancus Martius. It was not reckoned within the precincts of the city till the reign of the emperor Claudius, because the soothsayers looked upon it as a place of ill omen, as Remus had been buried there, whose blood had been criminally shed. The word is derived, according to some, ab avibus, because birds were fond of the place. Others suppose that it receives its name because Aventinus, one of the Alban kings, was buried upon it. Juno, the Moon, Diana, Bona Dea, Hercules, and the goddess of Victory and Liberty, had magnificent temples built upon it. Varro de L. L. 4.

— Virg. Æn. 8, v. 235. — Liv. 1, c. 33.

Avernus or Avern, a lake of Campania, near Baiae, whose waters were so unwholesome and putrid, that no birds were seen on its banks; hence its original name was appovæca, avibus cores. The ancients made it the entrance of hell, as also one of its rivers. Its circumference was five stadia, and its depth could not be ascertained. The waters of the Avernus were indispensably necessary in all enchantments and magical processes. It may be observed, that all lakes whose stagnated waters were putrid and offensive to the smell, were indiscriminately called Avern. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 5. — 12, &c. 1. 6, v. 201, &c. — Mela, 2, &c. 4. — Strab. 5. — Dict. 4. — Aristot. de Adm.

Avesta, a book composed by Zoroaster.
AUFZIA AQUA, called afterwards Marcia, was the sweetest and most wholesome water in Rome, was first conveyed into the city by Aulus Martius.

AUFZIA, a city of Italy, whose inhabitants, called Aufidenates, were among the Sabines. Liv. 10, c. 15.

AUFZIAIUS, was enacted by the tribune Aufidius Lurco, A. U. C. 692. It ordained, that if any candidate, in canvassing for an office, promised money to the tribunes, and failed in the performance, he should be excused; but if he actually paid it, he should be compelled to pay every tribune 6000 sesterces.

AUFZIUS, an effeminate person of Chios. Jun. 9, v. 25.—Bassus, a famous historian in the age of Quintillian, who wrote an account of Germany, and of the civil wars.—A Roman senator, famous for his blindness and abilities.

Cic. Tusc. 5.—Lurco, a man who enriched himself by fattening peacocks, and selling them for meat. Plin. 10.—Luscus, a man obscurely born, and made a pretor of Fundi, in the age of Horace. 1 Sat. 5, v. 34.

AUFZIUS, a river of Apulia, falling into the Adriatic sea. It was on its banks that the Romans were defeated by Hannibal at Cannae. Horat. 3, od. 30. 1, 4, od. 9.—Virg. Enn. 11, v. 403.

AUGA, and AUGE, and AUGA, daughter of Aleus king of Tegea, by Neera, was ravished by Hercules, and brought forth a son, whom she exposed in the woods to conceal her amours from her father. The child was preserved, and called Telephus. Aleus was informed of his daughter's shame, and gave her to Nauplius to be put to death. Nauplius refused to perform the cruel office, and gave Auge to Teuthras, king of Myisia, who, being without issue, adopted her as his daughter. Some time after, the dominions of Teuthras were invaded by an enemy, and the king promised his crown and daughter to him who could deliver him from the impending calamity. Telephus, who had been directed by the oracle to go to the court of Teuthras, if he wished to find his parents, offered his services to the king, and they were accepted. As he was going to unite himself to Auge, in consequence of the victory he had obtained, Auge rushed from him with secret horror, and the gods sent a serpent to separate them. Auge implored the aid of Hercules, who made her son known to her, and she returned with him to Tegea. Pausanias says, that Auge was confined in a coffer with her infant son, and thrown into the sea, where she was found by king Teuthras. Apollod. 2 & 3. 

Paus. 8, c. 4.—Hygin. fab. 99 & 100.

AUGARES, an Arabian, who, for his good offices, obtained the favours of Pompey whom he vilely deceived. Dis.—A king of Osroene, whom Caracalla imprisoned, after he had given him solemn promises of friendship and support. Dis.

AUGARES, a town of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 21.

AUGAS and AUGARAS, son of Eleus or Ellis, was one of the Argonauts, and afterwards ascended the throne of Elis. He had an immense number of oxen and goats, and the stables in which they were kept had never been cleaned, so that the task seemed an impossibility to any man. Hercules undertook it on promise of receiving for a reward the tenth part of the herds of Augias, or something equivalent. The hero changed the course of the river Alpheus, or, according to others, of the Peneus which immediately carried away the dung and filth from the stables. Augias refused the promised remuneration, on pretence that Hercules had made use of artifice, and had not experienced any labour or trouble. He farther drove his own son Phyleus from his kingdom, because he supported the claims of Hercules. The refusal was a declaration of war. Hercules conquered Elia, put to death Augias, and gave the crown to Phyleus. Pausanias says, 5, c. 2 & 3, that Hercules spared the life of Augias for the sake of his son, and that Phyleus went to settle in Dulichium; and that at the death of Augias, his other son, Agasthenes, succeeded to the throne. Augias received, after his death, the honours which were generally paid to a hero. Augias has been called the son of Sol, because Elia signifies the sun. The proverb of Augias stable is now applied to an impossibility. Hygin. fab. 11.—Plut. 17, c. 9.

AUGILS, a people of Africa, who supposed that there were no gods except the manes of the dead, of whom they sought oracles. Mela. 1.

AUGINUS, a mountain of Liguria. Liv. 39 c. 2.

AUGURES, certain officers at Rome who foretold future events; whence their name ab avium garrita. They were first created by Romulus, to the number of three. Servius Tullius added a fourth, and the tribunes of the people, A. U. C. 454, increased the number to nine; and Sylla added six more during his dictatorship. They had a particular college, and the chief among them was called magister collegii. Their office was honourable; and if any one of them was convicted of any crime, he could not be deprived of his privileges; an indulgence granted to no other sacerdotal body at Rome. The augur generally sat on a high tower, to make his observations. His face was turned towards the east, and he had the north at his left, and the south at his right. With a crooked staff he divided the face of the heavens into four different parts, and afterwards sacrificed to the gods, covering his head with his vestments. There were generally five things from which the augurs drew omens; the first consisted in observing the phenomena of the heavens, such as thunder, lightning, comets, &c. The second kind of omens were drawn from the chirping of flying birds. The third was from the sacred chickens, whose eagerness or indifference in eating the bread which was thrown to them, was looked upon as lucky or unlucky. The fourth was from quadrupeds, from their crossing or appearing in some unaccustomed place. The fifth was from different casualties, which were called Dirae, such as spilling salt on a table, or
wine upon one's clothes, hearing strange noises, stumbling or sneezing, meeting a wolf, hare, fox, or pregnant bitch. From such superstitious notions did the Romans draw their prophecies; the sight of birds on the left hand was always deemed a lucky object, and the words *sineater* & *fameus,* though generally supposed to be terms of ill luck, were always used by the augurs in an auspicious sense. Cic. *de Div.-Liv. 1,* &c.—Dionys. *Hal.-Ovid. Fast.*

Augusta, a name given to seventy cities in the Roman provinces, in honour of Augustus Cæsar.—London, as capital of the country of the Trinobantes, was called Augusta Tri- nobantina.—Massalina, famous for her de- hauceries, was called Augusta, as wife of the emperor Claudius. *Jun. 6,* v. 118.

Augustalia, a festival at Rome, in commemoration of the day on which Augustus returned to Rome, after he had established peace over the different parts of the empire.

Augustinus, bishop of Hippo, in Africa, distinguished himself by his writings, as well as by the austerity of his life. In his works, which are numerous, he displayed the powers, of a great genius, and an extensive acquaintance with the philosophy of Plato. He died in the 76th year of his age, A.D. 430. The best edition of his works is that of the Benedict. fol. *Ant. 1700 to 1703,* 12 vols.

Augustodunum, now Autun, a town of Gaul, the capital of the ancient Auedu.

Augustus, the last Roman emperor of the west, A.D. 475, conquered by Odoacer, king of the Heruli.

Augustus Octavianus Cæsar, second em- peror of Rome, was son of Octavius a senator, and Accia daughter of Julius, and sister to Ju- lius Cæsar. He was adopted by his uncle Cæsar, and inherited the greatest part of his fortune. He lost his father at the age of four; and though only 18 when his uncle was mur- dered, he hastened to Rome, where he ingra- tiated himself with the senate and the people, and received the honours of the consulate two years after, as the reward of his hypocrisy. Though his youth and his inexperience were ridiculed by his enemies, who branded him with the appellation of *boy,* yet he rose in con- sequence by his prudence and valour, and made war against his opponents, on pretence of avenging the death of his murdered uncle. But when he perceived that by making him fight against Antony, the senate wished to de- bilitate both antagonists, he changed his views, and, uniting himself with his enemy, soon formed the second triumvirate, in which his cruel proscriptions shed the innocent blood of 300 senators and 200 knights, and did not even spare the life of his friend Cicero. By the di- visions which were made among the triumvirs, Augustus retained for himself the more im- portant provinces of the west, and vanished, as it were, his colleagues, Lepidus and Antony, to more distant territories. But as long as the murderers of Cæsar were alive, the reigning ty- rants had reasons for apprehension, and there-
with all the power of sovereignty, he guarded against offending the jealous Romans by the assumption of the regal title. His refusal to read the letters he found after Pompey's defeat, arose more from fear than refusal, and he dreaded the discovery of names which would have perhaps united to sacrifice his ambition. His good qualities and many virtues he perhaps never possessed, have been transmitted to posterity by the pen of adulation or gratitude, in the poems of Virgil, Horace, and Ovid. To distinguish himself from the obscurity of the Octavii, and, if possible, to suppress the remembrance of his uncle's violent fate, he aspired after a new title; and the submissive Senate yielded to his ambition, by giving him the honourable appellation of Augustus. He has been accused of licentiousness and adultery by his biographer; but the goodness of his heart, and the fidelity of his friendship, which in some instances he possessed, made some amends for his natural foibles. He was ambitious of being thought handsome; and he was publicly reported to be the son of Apollo, according to his mother's declaration, he wished his flatterers to represent him with the figure and attributes of that god. Like Apollo, his eyes were clear, and he affected to have it thought that they possessed some divine irradiation; and was well pleased, if when he fixed his eyes upon any body, they held down their eyes, as if overcome by the glaring brightness of the sun. He distinguished himself by his learning; he was a perfect master of the Greek language, and wrote some tragedies, besides memoirs of his life, and other works, all now lost. He was married three times; to Claudia, Scribonia, and Livia; but he was unhappy in his matrimonial connections, and his only daughter, Julia, by Scribonia, disgraced herself and her father by the debauchery and licentiousness of her manners. He recommended, at his death, his adopted son Tiberius as his successor. He left his fortune partly to Tiberius and to Drusus, and made donations to the army and Roman people. Virgil wrote his heroic poem at the desire of Augustus, whom he represented under the amiable and perfect character of /Peneas. Sueton. in vita. Horat. Virg. Paus. Tacit. Paterc. Dio. Cass. —The name of Augustus was afterwards given to his successors in the Roman empire, as a personal, and the name of Caesar, as a family distinction. In a more distant period of the empire, the title of Augustus was given only to the emperor, while that of Caesar was bestowed on the second person in the state, who was considered as presumptive heir. Avidenus, a rich and sordid man whom Horat. styles happy, 2 Ser. 2, v. 55. Avidius Cassius, a man saluted emperor, A. D. 175. He reigned only three months, and was assassinated by a centurion. He was called a second Catiline, from his excessive love of blood. Dio. —Rufus Festus Avienus, a poet in the age of Theodosius, who translated the phenomena of Aratus, as also all Livy, into iambic verses. The best edition of what remains of him, is that of Cannegieter Svo. 1751. Avitus, a governor of Britain under Nero Tacit. Ann. 14. Avienus, a poet in the age of Theodosius, who translated the phenomena of Aratus, as also all /Peneas, into iambic verses. The best edition of what remains of him, is that of Cannegieter, Svo. 1751. Avium, a city between Tyre and Sidon, Strab. 16. Aurestes, a king of the Etrurians when /Peneas came into Italy. Virg. En. 12, v. 290. Auretus, a general who assisted /Peneas in Italy with 100 ships. Virg. En. 10, v. 207. —The surname of one of the Ptolemaic kings, father to Cleopatra. Avulis, a daughter of /Ugyges. Paus. Beotie. —A place of Beotia near Chalcis, on the sea-coast, where all the Greeks conspired against Troy. They were detained there by contrary winds, by the anger of Diana; and to appease her, Agamemnon was obliged to sacrifice his own daughter Iphigenia, whom, however, the goddess spared by substituting a ram. Virg. En. 4, v. 426. —Ovid. Met. 12, v. 9, &c. —Horat. II. 2, v. 503. Aulon, a mountain of Calabria, opposite Tarentum, famous for its wine, which, according to Horat. 2, od. 6, v. 18, is superior to that of Falernum. Martial. 13, ep. 125. —Strab. 6. —A place of Messenia. Paus. Aulonius, a surname of /Escaropus. Aulius, a praenomen, common among the Romans. —Gellius. Vide Gellius. Auras, an European river, flowing into the Ister from mount Hæmus. Herodot. 4, c. 49. Aurelia lex, was enacted, A. u. C. 653, by the pretor, L. Aurelius Cotta, to invest the Senatorian and Equestrian orders, and the Tribuni /Earrarii, with judicial power. —Another, A. u. C. 678. It abrogated a clause of the Lex Cornelia, and permitted the tribunes to hold other offices after the expiration of the tribuneship. Aurelia, a town of Hispania Baetica. —The mother of J. Caesar. Suet. in Cas. 74. —A fish woman. Jun. 4, v. 28. Aupertianus, emperor of Rome after Flavius Claudius, was austere and even cruel in the execution of the laws, and punished his soldiers with uncommon severity. He rendered himself famous for his military character; and his expedition against Zenobia, the celebrated queen of Palmyra, gained him great honours. He beautified Rome, was charitable to the poor, and the author of many salutary laws. He was naturally brave; and in all the battles he fought, it is said he killed no less than 800 men with his own hand. In his triumph he exhibited to the Romans, people of 15 different nations, all of which he had conquered. He was the first emperor who went in a diadem. After a glorious reign of six years, he marched against the northern barbarians, he was assassinated near Byzantium, A. D. 179, 29th January, by his soldiers, whom Menex thesus had incited to rebellion against their em.
peror. Menestheus had been threatened with death, for some ill behaviour to the emperor, and therefore he meditated his death. The soldiers, however, soon repented of their ingratitude and cruelty to Aurelian, and threw Menestheus to be eaten up by wild beasts. — A physician of the fourth century.

Aurelius, emperor of Rome. Vid. Antonius Baseianus. — A painter in the age of Augustus. Plin. 35. — A. Victor, an historian in the age of Julian, two of whose compositions are extant; an account of illustrious men, and a biography of all the Caesars to Julian. The best editions of Aurelius are the 4to. of Artazaemus, Amst. 1733, and the 8vo. of Pindicus, Ut. 1696. — Antoninus, an emperor. Vid. Antoninus.

Aurelius, a general who assumed the purple in the age of Gallienus.

Aurinia, a prophetess held in great veneration by the Germans. Tacit. Germ. 8.

Aurota, a goddess, daughter of Hyperion and This or Then. Some say that Pallas, son of Crius, and brother to Perses, was her father; hence her surname of Pallantia. She married Astraus, by whom she had the winds, the stars, &c. Her amours with Tithonus and Cephalus are also famous; by the former she had Memnon and Eamathan, and Phaeton by the latter. [Vid. Cephalus and Tithonus.] She had also an intrigue with Orion, whom she carried to the island of Delos, where he was killed by Diana’s arrows. Aurora is generally represented by the poets drawn in a rose-coloured chariot, and opening with her rosy fingers the gates of the east, pouring the dew upon the earth, and making the flowers grow. Her chariot is generally drawn by white horses, and she is covered with a veil. Nox and Somnus fly before her sun, and the constellations of heaven disappear at her approach. She always sets out before the sun, and as the forerunner of his rising. The Greeks call her Eos. Homer. Il. 6, Od. 10. Hymns in Vener. — Ovid. Met. 3, 9, 15. — Apollod. 1, 3. — Virg. En. 6, v. 533. — Varro de L. L. 5, &c. — Hesiod. Theog. — Hygin. praef. fab.


Auriscen, a people of Libya. Herodot. 4, c. 171.

Auci, a people of Gaul.

Auser, Auseris, and Ansir, a river of Italy.

Audes, a people of Africa, whose virgins yearly fight with sticks in honour of Minerva. She who behaves with the greatest valour receives uncommon honour, &c. Herodot. 4, c. 180.

Auson, a son of Ulysses and Calypso, from whom the Ausones, a people of Italy are descended.

Ausonia, one of the ancient names of Italy, which received from Auson the son of Ulysses. If Virgil makes Aeneas speak of Ausonia, it is by anticipation. Virg. En. 3, v. 171.

Austiones, a poet in the 4th century, preceptor to Gratian, son of the emperor Valentinian, made consul by the means of his pupil, his compositions have been long admired. The thanks he returned the emperor Gratian is one of the best of his poems, which were too often hurried for publication, and consequently not perfect. He wrote the consular fasti of Rome, an useful performance, now lost. His style is obscure, and he has attempted, upon the words of Virgil, what revolts every thing against his idiosyncrasy. The best edition is that of Tellinus, 8vo. L. Bat. 1671; or that of Jambert, with a French translation, 4 vols. 12mo. Paris, 1789.

Austice, a sacred order at Rome, nearly the same as the augurs. Vid. Augures.

Auster, one of the winds blowing from the south, whose breath was pernicious to flowers as well as to health. He was parent of rain. Virg. Ec. 2, v. 38. Vid. Venti.

Austrian, a Theban, son of Tisamenus. His son Theras led a colony into an island, which from him was called Thera. Herodot. 4. — Paus.

Austroclus, a painter. Plin. 35.

Autochthones, the original inhabitants of the country who were the first possessors of it, and who never have mingled with other nations. The Athenians called themselves Autochthones, and boasted that they were as old as the country which they inhabited. Paus. 1, c. 14. — Tacit. de Germ. — Cic. de Ouat. 3, c. 83.

Avocles, an Athenian, sent by his countrymen with a fleet to the assistance of Alexander of Phere.

Autocrates, an historian mentioned by Athen. 9 & 11.

Autolycus, a people of Mauritia, descended from the Gatuli. They excelled all their neighbours in running. Lucan. 1, v. 677.

Autolycus, a son of Mercury by Chione, a daughter of Deidamia. He was one of the Argonauts. His craft as a thief has been greatly celebrated. He stole the flocks of his neighbours, and mingled them with his own after he had changed their marks. He did the same to Sisyphus, son of Eolus; but Sisyphus was as crafty as Autolycus, and he knew his own omen by a mark which he had made under their feet. Autolycus was so pleased with the artifice of Sisyphus, that he immediately formed an intimacy with him, and even permitted him freely to enjoy the company of his daughter Anticlea, who became pregnant of Ulysses, and was soon after married to Laertes. Vid. Sisyphus, Laertes. Hygin. fab. 200, &c. — Ovid. Met. 1, fab. 8. — Apollod. 1. — Homer. Od. 14. — A son of Phryxus and Chalciope. Hygin. fab. 14.

Automate, one of the Cycnodes. — A daughter of Danaus.

Automedon, a son of Dioreus, who went to the Trojan war with ten ships. He was the charioteer of Achilles, after whose death he served Pyrrhus in the same capacity. Homer. I. 9. 16, &c. — Virg. En. 2, v. 477.

AutoMedusa, a daughter of Alcamous, killed by Tydeus. Apollod. 2.

Autonenes, one of the Heraclidic, king of Corinth. At his death, B. C. 779, annual magistrates, called Pytyanes, were chosen at Co-
ABILIUS, a Roman, who by the help of a certain herb, is said to have passed in six days from the Sicilian sea to Alexandria. Plin. p. 19.

ABILIUS, an astrologer in Nero's age, who told the emperor to avert the danger which seemed to hang upon his head, from the appearance of a hairy comet, by putting all the leading men of Rome to death. His advice was faithfully followed. Sueton, in life, c. 36.

BABYLON, a son of Belus, who as some suppose, founded a city which bears his name. —A celebrated city, the capital of the Assyrian empire, on the banks of the Euphrates. It had 100 brazen gates; and its walls, which were cemented with bitumen, and greatly enlarged and embellished by the activity of Semiramis, measured 400 stadia in circumference, 50 cubic inches in thickness, and 200 in height. It was taken by Cyrus, B.C. 538, after he had drained the waters of the Euphrates into a new channel, and marched his troops by night into the town, through the dry bed; and it is said that the fate of the extensive capital was unknown to the inhabitants of the distant suburbs till late in the evening. Babylon became famous for the death of Alexander, and for the new empire which was afterwards established there under the Seleucids. [Vid. Syria.] Its greatness was so reduced in succeeding ages, according to Pliny's observations, that in his time it was but a desolate wilderness, and at present the place where it stood is unknown to travellers. The inhabitants were early acquainted with astrology. Plin. 6, c. 26. —Herod. 1, 2, 3. —Justin. 1, c.c. —Diad. 2. —Xenoph. Cyrop. 7, c.c. —Proper. 3, c. 11, v. 21. —Ovid. Met. 4, fab. 2. —Martial. 9, ep. 77. —There is also a town of the same name near the Nile in Egypt.

BABYLONIA, a large province of Assyria, which Babylon was the capital. The inhabitants, though a race of the Assyrian yoke, and afterwards became very powerful. The surname Seleucia, which arose from the ruins of Babylon, under the successors of Alexander. Plin. 6, c. 26.

BABYLONI, the inhabitants of Babylon famous for their knowledge of astrology, first divided the year into 12 months, and the zodiac into 12 signs.

BABYPEA, a fortified castle near Artaxata. Strab. 11.

BABYSECE, a city of Armenia, whose inhabitants despised gold. Plin. 6, c. 27.

BACABES, betrayed the snares of Artu-
Barus, brother of Darius, against Artaxerxes. Justin. 3, c. 1.

Bacchus, the priestesses of Bacchus. Paul. 2, c. 7.

Bacchanalia, festivals in honour of Bacchus at Rome, the same as the Dionysia of the Greeks. Vit. Dionysia.

Bacchantes, priestesses of Bacchus, who are represented at the celebration of the Oracles almost naked, with garments of ivy, with a thyrsus and dishevelled hair. Their looks are wild, and they utter dreadful sounds, and clash different musical instruments together. They are also called Thyades and Menades. Ovid. Met. 6, v. 592.—Horat. 3, od. 25.—Propert. 3, el. 21.—Lucan. 1, v. 674.

Bacchus, a mountain of Thrace, near Philippi, Appian.

Bacchides, a Corinthian family descended from Bacchus, daughter of Dionysius. In their nocturnal orgies, they, as some report, tore to pieces Actaeon, son of Melissus, which so enraged the father, that before the altar he entreated the Corinthians to revenge the death of his son, and immediately threw himself into the sea. Upon this the Bacchides were banished, and went to settle in Sicily, between Pachynum and Pelorus. Ovid. Met. 5, v. 407.—Strab. 8.

Bacchides, a general who betrayed the town of Sinope to Lucullus. Strab. 12.

Bacchus or Balus, king of Corinth, succeeded his father Prumnides. His successors were always called Bacchide, in remembrance of the equity and moderation of his reign. The Bacchide increased so much, that they chose one of their number to preside among them with regal authority. Cypselus overturned this institution, by making himself absolute. Strab. 8.—Paul. 2, c. 4.—Herodot. 5, c. 92.

Bacchium, a small island in the Ægean sea, opposite Smyrna. Ilin. 5, c. 3.

Bacchus and Bithus, two celebrated gladiators of equal age and strength; whence the proverb to express equality, Bithus contra Bacchium. Sueton. in Aug.—Horat. 1, sat. 7, v. 20.

Bacchus, was son of Jupiter and Semele, the daughter of Cadmus. After she had enjoyed the company of Jupiter, Semele was deceived, and perished by the artifice of Juno. This goddess, always jealous of her husband's amours, assumed the shape of Beroe, Semele's nurse, and persuaded Semele that the lover whom she entertained was not Jupiter, but a false lover, and that to prove his divinity she ought to beg of him, if he really were Jupiter, to come to her bed with the same majesty as he courted the embraces of Juno. The artifice succeeded, and when Jupiter promised his mistress whatever she asked, Semele required him to visit her with all the divinity of a god. Jupiter was unable to violate his oath, and Semele unwilling to retract it; therefore, as she was a mortal, and unable to bear the majesty of Jupiter, she was consumed, and reduced to ashes. The child, of which she had been pregnant for seven months, was with difficulty saved from the flames, and put in his father's thigh, where he remained the full time he was naturally was to have been in his mother's womb. From this circumstance Bacchus has been called Bimater. According to some, Dirce, a nymph of the Acheolus, saved him from the flames. There are different traditions of the manner of his education. Ovid says, that after his birth, he was brought up by his aunt Ino, and afterwards entrusted to the care of the nymphs of Nysa. Lucian supposes, that Mercury carried him, as soon as born, to the nymphs of Nysa; and Apollonius says, that he was carried by Mercury to a nymph in the island of Euboea, whence he was driven by the power of Juno, who was the chief deity of the place. Some support, that Naxos can boast of the place of his education, under the nymphs Philia, Coronis, and Clyda. Pausanias relates a tradition which prevailed in the town of Brasie in Peloponnesus; and accordingly mentions, that Cadmus, as soon as he heard of his daughter's amours, shut her up, with her child lately born, in a coffer, and exposed them on the sea. The coffer was carried safe by the waves on the coast of Brasie; but Semele was found dead, and the child alive. Semele was honoured with a magnificent funeral, and Bacchus properly educated. This diversity of opinions shews that there were many of the same name. Diodorus speaks of three, and Cicero of a greater number; but among them all, the son of Jupiter and Semele seems to have obtained the merit of all the rest. Bacchus is the Osiris of the Egyptians, and his history is drawn from the Egyptian traditions concerning that ancient king. Bacchus assisted the gods in their wars against the giants, and was cut to pieces; but the son of Semele was not then born; this tradition therefore is taken from the history of Osiris, who was killed by his brother Typhon, and the worship of Osiris has been introduced by Orpheus into Greece, under the name of Bacchus. In his youth he was taken asleep in the island of Naxos, and carried away by some mariners, whom he changed into dolphins, except the pilot, who had expressed some concern at his misfortune. His expedition into the east is celebrated. He marched at the head of an army, composed of men, as well as of women, all inspired with divine fury, and armed with thyrsuses, symbols, and other musical instruments. The leader was drawn in a chariot by a lion and a tiger, and was accompanied by Pan and Silenus, and all the satyrs. His conquests were easy, and without bloodshed; the people easily submitted, and gratefully elevated to the rank of a god the hero who taught them the use of the vine, the cultivation of the earth, and the manner of making honey. Amidst his benevolence to mankind, he was relentless in punishing all want of respect to his divinity; and the punishment he inflicted on Pentheus, Agave, Lycurgus, &c. is well known. He has received the name of Liber,
BACCHYLIDES, a lyric poet of Cos, nephew to Simonides, who like Pindar, wrote the praises of Hiero. Some of his verses have been preserved. Marcell.

BACIUS, a soothsayer of Bœotia. Cir. 1, de Div. c. 34.—A king of Corinth, in honour of whom all the following kings were called Bacidi.—An athletic of Troezene. Paul. 6

BACTRA, the capital of Bactriana, on the river Bactros in Asia. Virg. G. 2, v. 138.—Strab. 2.

BACTRIANA, the inhabitants of Bactriana, who live upon plunder, and are always under arms. They give to their dogs those that die through old age or disease, and suffer slaves and strangers to take whatever liberties they please with their wives. They were conquered by Alexander the Great. Curt. 4, c. 6, &c.—Plin. 6, c. 25.—Plut. in vitis. ad infel. suff.—Herodot. 1 & 3.

BACTRIANA, a country of Asia, fruitful as well as extensive. It formed once part of the Persian empire, on the eastern parts of which it is situated. Zoroaster was the most ancient king of this country, who taught his subjects the art of magic and astrology. 2d. Justin. 1, c. 1.

BACTROS, a Campanian, who challenged T. Q. Crispinus, one of his friends, by whom he was killed. Liv. 35, c. 18.

BADIA, a town of Spain. Val. Max. 3, c. 7.

BADIVIA, a place in the country of the Frisli, where 900 Romans were killed. Tacit. 4, Ann. c. 73.

BADIA.LEX was enacted concerning the public exhibitions, &c.

M. BAEIUS, a Roman, whose consulship the tomb of Numa was discovered. Plut. in Num.—Val. Max. 1, c. 1.—Lucius, a Roman pretor, who was surprised by the Ligurians, fled to Marseilles, where he died three days after. Liv. 37, c. 57.

BÆTIS, a river of Spain, from which a part of the country has received the name of Bética. It was formerly called Tartessus, and now bears the name of Guadalquivir. 1. 12, ep. 100.

BETON, a Greek historian in the age of Alexander.
BAOSTAME, a delightful country of Media.
Diod. 17.

BAOSTANES, a friend of Bessus, whom he abandoned when he murdered Darius. Curt. 5, c. 13.

BAOGAS and BAGOGAS, an Egyptian eunuch in the court of Artaxerxes Ochus, so powerful that nothing could be done without his consent. He led some troops against the Jews, and profaned their temple. He poisoned Ochus, gave his flesh to cats, and made knife-handles with his bones, because he had killed the god Apis. He placed on the throne Arses, the youngest of the slaughtered prince's children, and afterwards put him to death. He was at last killed, B. C. 333, by Darius, whom, after raising to the crown, he had attempted to poison. Diod. 16 & 17. —Another, greatly esteemed by Alexander. He was the cause that one of the satchaws was put to death by the most excruciating tortures. Curt. 10, c. 1. —Plut. in Alex.

The name of Bagos occurs very frequently in the Persian history; and it seems that most of the eunuchs of the monarchs of Persia were generally known by that appellation.

BAGODARES, a friend of Bessus, whom he abandoned when he attempted the life of Darius.
Diod. 17.

Bagophanes, a governor of Babylon, who, when Alexander approached the city, strewed all the streets, and burned incense on the altars, &c. Curt. 5, c. 1.

Bagrada, a river of Africa near Utica, where Regulus killed a serpent 120 feet long.

Bale, a city of Campania near the sea, founded by Baus, one of the companions of Ulysses. It is famous for its delightful situation and baths, where many of the Roman senators had country houses.

Bala, a town of Lybia.
Bala, a name of a baby king of Syria. Justin. 35, c. 1.

Balarus, an officer in Alexander's army, who took Miletus.
Curt. 4, c. 13. —Another officer, who commanded some auxiliaries.
Id. 4, c. 5.

Balangaë, a town of Cyrene.

Balans, a prince of Gaul, who assisted the Romans in their Macedonian war.
A. U. C. 581.

L. Balbius, a lawyer, &c. one among the pupils of Scaevola. —A man killed by the assassins of the triumvirs.

Bale, the islands in the Mediterranean, moderny called Majorca, Minorca, and Yecla, on the coast of Spain. The word is derived from Balleus to throw, because the inhabitants were expert archers and slingers, besides great pirates. We are told by Florus, that the mothers never gave their children breakfast before they had struck with an arrow a certain mark in a tree. When a woman was married, she was not admitted to her husband's bed before she had received the embraces of all her relations. The inhabitants were naturally of a lascivious propensity, and in their war they required nothing but females and wine, and often changed four men for one woman. Strab. 14.


Baleus, a son of Hippo, who first founded Corinth.
Paterc. 1, c. 3.


Balista, a mountain of Liguria.
Liv. 40, c. 41.

Balantium, a people of European Sarmatia.
Flacc. 6, v. 160.

Balneæ (baths) were very numerous at Rome, private as well as public. In the ancient times simplicity was observed, but in the age of the emperors they became expensive; they were used after walking, exercise, or labour, and were deemed more necessary than luxurious. Under the emperors it became so fashionable to bathe, that without this the meanest of the people seemed to be deprived of one of the necessaries of life. There were certain hours of the day appointed for bathing, and a small piece of money admitted the poorest as well as the most opulent. In the baths there were separate apartments for the people to dress and to undress; and after they had bathed, they commonly covered themselves, rubbed with ointments, the hair was plucked out of the skin, and the body rubbed over with a pumice stone, and perfumed to render it smooth and fair. The Roman emperors generally built baths, and all endeavoured to eclipse each other in the magnificence of the building. It is said, that Diocletian employed 40,000 of his soldiers in building his baths; and when they were finished, he destroyed all the workmen. Alex ander Severus first permitted the people to use them in the night, and he himself often bathed with the common people. For some time both sexes bathed promiscuously and without shame, and the edicts of the emperors proved abortive for a while in zobalising that indecent custom, which gradually destroyed the morals of the people. They generally read in bathing, and we find many compositions written in using the bath.

Balvintius, a centurion of great valour in Caesar's army, killed by Ambiorix.
Cas. bel. Gall. 5, c. 35.

Balvæs, a river of Peloponnesus.
Paus. 4, c. 33.

Bamburuk, a people of Lybia.
Ital. 3, v. 305.

Bantius, a town of Apulia, whence Bantu-
hor. 3, od. 4, v. 15.

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L. Bantius, a gallant youth of Noa, whom Annibal found, after the battle of Canne, almost dead amongst the heap of slain. He was sent back home with great humanity, upon which he resolved to betray his country to so generous an enemy. Marcellus the Roman general heard of it, and rebuked Bantius, who continued firm and faithful to the interest of Rome. Liv. 33, c. 15.

Baphyris, a river of Macedonia. Liv. 44, c. 6.

Battre, the priests of Cotyto, the goddess of lasciviousness and debauchery at Athens. Her festivals were celebrated in the night; and so infamous and obscene was the behaviour of the priests, that they disgusted even Cotyto herself, though the goddess of obscenity. The name is derived from Batetov, to wash, because the priests bathed themselves in the most effeminate manner. Juv. 2, v. 91.—A comedy of Eupolis, in which men are introduced dancing on the stage, with all the indecent gestures of common prostitutes.

Barzii, a people of Colchis and Iberia, who burn the bodies of their friends who die by disease, but give to the fowls of the air such as fall in the war. Ælian. de Anim. 10, c. 22.

Barathrum, a deep and obscure gulf at Athens, where criminals were thrown.

Barbar, a name originally applied to those who spoke inelegantly, or with harshness and difficulty. The Greeks and Romans generally called all nations, except their own, by the despicable name of Barbarians.

Barbaria, a river of Macedonia. Liv. 44, c. 31.—A name given to Phrygia and Troy. Horat. 1, ep. 2, v. 7.

Barbatius, the surname of a Roman family. Suet. Cl. 21.

Bardosthenes, a mountain of Peloponnesus, 10 miles from Sparta. Liv. 37, c. 27.

Barbythace, a city of Persia. Plin. 6, c. 27.

Barca, a friend of Cato the elder. Plut. in Cat.

Barci, or Barcite, a warlike nation of Africa, near Carthage. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 43.

Barce, the nurse of Sicæus. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 632.—A large country of Africa. Also a city about nine miles from the sea, founded by the brothers of Arcæus king of Cyrene, 515 years before the Christian era. Strabo says, that in his age it was called Ptolemais; but this arises because most of the inhabitants retired to Ptolemais, which was on the sea-coast, to enrich themselves by commerce. Strab. 17.—Pet. 4, c. 4.—A small village of Bactriana, where the people who had been taken prisoners by Darius in Africa were confined. Herodot. 4, c. 204.—A city of Media. Justin. 1, c. 7.

Barcha, the surname of a noble family at Carthage, of which Annibæ and Amilcar were descended. By means of their bribes and influence, they excited a great faction, which was celebrated in the annals of Carthage by the name of the Barchitzen faction, and at last raised themselves to power, and to the independent disposal of all the offices of trust or emolument in the state. Liv. 21, c. 2 & 9.

Bardei, a people of Illyricum, concerned in the factions of Marius. Plut. in Maro.

Bardi, a celebrated sacerdotal order among the ancient Gauls, who praised their heroes, and published their fame in their verses, or on musical instruments. They were so esteemed and respected by the people, that at their sight two armies who were engaged in battle, laid down their arms, and submitted to their orders. They censured, as well as commended, the behaviour of the people. Lucan. 1, v. 447.—Strab. 4.—Marcell. 15, c. 24.

Barbtlis, an Illyrian prince, whose daughter Bircenna married king Pyrrhos. Plut. in Pyrrh.

Barbas Soranus, a youth killed by his tutor Egnatius, a stoic philosopher. Juv. 3, v. 116.

Barses, a naval officer of Persia, who wished to destroy Cyrene, but was opposed by Amasis. Herodot. 4, c. 203.

Bargusii, a people of Spain. Liv. 21, c. 19.

Barine, a prostitute whom Horace accuses of perjury, 2, od. 8.

Barisses, one of the seven conspirators against the usurper Smerdis. Ctesias.

Barium, a town of Apulia, on the Adriatic Horat. 1, sat. 5, 97.

Barnius, a town of Macedonia, near Heraclea. Strab. 7.

Barsine and Barsene, a daughter of Darius, who married Alexander, by whom she had a son called Hercules. Cassander ordered her and her child to be put to death. Justin. 13, c. 2. 1, 15, c. 2.—Arrian.

Barzabentes, a satrap who revolted from Alexander, &c. Curt. 8, c. 13.

Barzanes, a king of Armenia, tributary to Ninus. Diod. 2.

Basilæa, daughter of Cælius and Terra, who was mother of all the gods. Diod. 3.—An island at the north of Gaul, famous for its amber. Diod. 5.—An island in the Euxine sea. Plin. 4, c. 13.

Basilide, European Sarmatians, descended from Hercules and Echidna. Mæta, 2, c. 1.

Basilæae, the father of Herodotus, who, with others, attempted to destroy Stratus, tyrant of Chios. Herodot. 8, c. 132.—A family who held an oligarchical power at Erythre. Strab. 14.—A priest of mount Car mel, who foretold many momentous events to Vespasian, when he offered sacrifices. Tacit. 2, Hist. c. 87.—Sueton. in Vespl. 7.

Basilippotamos, an ancient name of the Euretans. Strab. 6.

Basilis, an historian who wrote concerning India. Athen. A city of Arcadia, built by Cypselus, near the river Alpheus. Paus. ii, c. 29.

Basilius, a river of Mesopotamia, falling into the Euphrates. Strab. A celebrated bishop of Africa, very animated against the Arians, whose tenets and doctrines he refuted with warmth, but great ability. He was eloquent as well as ingenious, and possessed of all those qualities which constitute the persuasive

Batrachomyomachia, a poem, describing the fight between frogs and mice, written by Homer, which has been printed sometimes separately from the Iliad or Odyssey. The best edition of it is Maittaire's, 8vo. Lond. 1721.

Battides, a pamylon of Callimachus, from his father Battus. Ovid. in Ibin. v. 53.

—A name given to the people of Cyrene from king Battus. Ital. 3, v. 253.

Battis, a girl celebrated by Philletas the elegiac poet. Ovid. Trist. 1, el. 5.

Battus 1st, a Lacedemonian who built the town of Cyrene, B. C. 630, with a colony from the island of Thera. He was son of Polynesius and Phronime, and reigned in the town he had founded, and after death received divine honours. The difficulty with which he spoke, first procured him the name of Battus. Herodot. 4, c. 155, &c.—Pass. 10, c. 15.—The 2d of that name, was grandson to Battus 1st, by Arcesilaus. He succeeded his father on the throne of Cyrene, and was surnamed Felix, and died 554 B. C. Herodot. 4, c. 159, &c.

—A shepherd of Pylos, who promised Mercury that he would not discover his having stolen the flocks of Admetus, which Apollo tended. He violated his promise, and was turned into a pumice stone. Ovid. Met. 2, v. 702.—A general of Corinth against Athens. Thyest. 4, c. 43.—A buffoon of Caesar's. Pl. t. Symp. 6.

BatuLum, a town of Campania, whose inhabitants assisted Turnus against Aneas. Virg. Aen. 7, v. 739.

Batulus, a surname of Demosthenes, from his effeminacy when young. Plut. in Demost.

Bastyllus, a celebrated dancer in Domitian's reign. Juv. 6, v. 63.

Baubo, a woman who received Ceres when she sought her daughter all over the world, and gave her some water to quench her thirst. Ovid. Met. 5, fab. 7.

Baucus, an aged old woman of Phrygia, who, with her husband Philemon, lived in a small cottage, in a penurious manner, when Jupiter and Mercury travelled in disguise over Asia. The gods came to the cottage, where they received the best things it afforded; and Jupiter was so pleased with their hospitality, that he metamorphosed their dwelling into a magnificent temple, of which Baucus and her husband were made priests. After they had lived happy to an extreme old age, they died both at the same hour, according to their request to Jupiter, that one might not have the sorrow of following the other to the grave. Their bodies were changed into trees before the doors of the temple, Ovid. Met. 8, v. 631, &c.

Baius and Mexius, two stupid and malevolent poets in the age of Augustus, who attacked the superior talents of the contemporary writers. Virg. Fcl. 2.


Bazylentus, a friend of Bessus, &c.
BASARIA, a country of Asia. Curt. 8. c. 1.
BEBRYS, a daughter of Danaus, who is said to have spared her husband. Most authors, however, attribute that character of humanity to Hypermenastra. Vid. Danaides.
BEBRYCS and BEBRYCHIA, a nation of Asia near Pontus, of Thracian origin, and, according to Arrian, descended from Bebryce. They were expert in the battle of the cestus. The Argonauts touched on their coasts in their expedition to Colchis. Apollod. 1. — Strab. 7 & 12.
BEBRYCHIA, an ancient name of Bithynia, from Bebryce the daughter of Danaus. Strab. 13. — Virg. Aen. 5, v. 373.
BELEMNA, a town of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 21.
BELENUS, a divinity of the Gauls, the same as the Apollo of the Greeks, and the Orus of the Egyptians.
BELPHANTES, a Chaldean, who, from his knowledge of astronomy, told Alexander that his entering Babylon would be attended with fatal consequences to him. Dio. 17.
BELIS, a priest of Babylon, who told Arbaces governor of Media, that he should reign one day in the place of Sardanapalus. His prophecy was verified, and he was rewarded by the new king with the government of Babylion. B. C. 826. — Dio. 2.
BELE, a warlike people of ancient Gaul, separated from the Celts by the rivers Matrona and Sequana. Their country extends from the Rhine to the river modernly called the Loire. Caesar de bell. Gall. 1 & 2.
BELE, one of the four provinces of Gaul near the Rhine.
BELGIUM, the capital of Gallia Belgica. The word is often used to express the whole country. Cas. bell. Gall. 5, c. 24.
BELGIUS, a general of Gaul, who destroyed an army of Macedonians. Justin. 25, c. 2. — Polyb. 2.
BELIDES, a surname given to the daughter of Belus. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 463.
BELIDES, a name applied to Palemedes, as descended from Belus. Virg. Aen. 2, v. 82.
BELISAMA, the name of Minerva among the Gauls, signifying queen of heaven. Cas. bell. Gall. 6.
BELINARIUS, a celebrated general, who, in a degenerate and effeminate age, in the reign of Justinian emperor of Constantinople, renewed all the glorious victories, battles, and triumphs, which had rendered the first Romans so distinguished in the time of their republic. He died, after a life of military glory, and the trial of royal ingratitude, in the 565th year of the Christian era.
BELISTIDA, a woman who obtained a prize at Olympia. Paus. 5, c. 8.
BELITIA, a nation of Asia. Curt. 4, c. 12.
BELLOPHON, son of Glaucus king of Ephyre, by Eurymede, was at first called Hippomous. The murder of his brother, whom some call Alcimenus and Beller, procured him the name of Bellerophon, or murderer of Beller. After this murder, Bellerophon fled to the court of Proetus king of Argos. As he was of a handsome appearance, the king's wife, called Antea or Stenoboea, fell in love with him; and as he slighted her passion, she accused him before her husband, of attempts upon her virtue. Proetus, unwilling to violate the laws of hospitality, by punishing Bellerophon, sent him away to his father-in-law Jobates king of Lyvia, and gave him a letter, in which he begged the king to punish with death a man who had so dishonourably treated his daughter. From that circumstance all letters which are of an unfavourable tendency to the bearer, have been called letters of Bellerophon. Jobates, to satisfy his son-in-law, sent Bellerophon to conquer a horrible monster called Chimera, in which dangerous expedition he hoped, and was even assured, he must perish. [Vid. Chimera.] But the providence of Minerva supported him, and, with the aid of the winged horse Pegasus, he conquered the monster, and returned victorious. After this, Jobates sent him against the Solymi, in hopes of seeing him destroyed; but he obtained another victory, and conquered afterwards the Amazons, by the king's orders. At his return from this third expedition, he was attacked by a party sent against him by Jobates; but he destroyed all his assassins, and convinced the king that innocence is always protected by the gods. Upon this, Jobates no longer sought to destroy his life; but he gave his daughter in marriage, and made him his successor on the throne of Lyvia, as he was without a male issue. Some authors have supported, that he attempted to fly to heaven upon the horse Pegasus; but that Jupiter sent an insect, which stung the horse, and threw down the rider, who wandered upon the earth in the greatest melancholy and dejection till the day of his death, one generation before the Trojan war. Bellerophon had two sons, Isander, who was killed in his war against the Solymi, and Hippolochus, who succeeded to the throne after his death, besides one daughter called Hippocamia, who had Sapedon by Jupiter. Homer. Il. 6, v. 156, &c. — Juv. 10. — Apollod. 2, c. 3 1, 3, c. 1. — Hygin. fab. 157 & 243. P. A. 2, c. 18. — Hesiod. Theog. v. 325. — Horat. 4, od. 11, v. 26. — Paus. 9, c. 31.
BELIUS and BELLER, a brother of Hippomous. Vid. Bellerophon.
BELIUS, a Roman, whose house was set on fire at Caesar's funeral. Cic. 2, Phil. c. 36.
BELLONIA, the goddess of war, daughter to Phorcys and Ceto, called by the Greeks Enyo, and often confounded with Minerva. She was anciently called Duelliona, and was the sister of Mars, or, according to others, his daughter, or his wife. She prepared the chariot of Mars when he was going to war; and she appeared in battles armed with a whip to animate the combatants, with dishevelled hair, and a torch in her hand. The Romans said great adora-
tion to her; but she was held in the greatest generation by the Cappadocians, and chiefly at Comana, where she had above 3000 priests. Her temple at Rome was near the Porta Carmentalis. In it the senators gave audience to foreign ambassadors, and to generals returning from war. At the gate was a small column, called the column of war, against which they threw a spear whenever war was declared against an enemy. The priests of this goddess consecrated themselves by great incitements in their body, and particularly in the thigh, of which they received the blood in their hands to offer a sacrifice to the goddess. In their wild enthusiasm, they often predicted bloodshed and wars, the defeat of enemies, or the besieging of towns. Jun. 4, v. 124.—Varro de L. I. 5.—Hesiod, Theog. v. 270.—Paus. 4, c. 30.—Virg. Æn. 8, v. 703.—Stat. Theb. 2, v. 716. l. 7, v. 73.—Ital. 5, v. 221.

Bellonarii, the priests of Bellona.

Belovac, a people of Gaul, conquered by J. Cassar. Cas. bel. 2, c. 4.

BelloVESus, a king of the Celtæ, who in the reign of Tarquin Priscus was sent at the head of a colony to Italy by his uncle Ambigatus. Liv. 5, v. 34.

Belon, a general of Alexander's. Curt. 6, c. 11.—A city and river of Hispania Baetica. Strab. 3.

Belus, one of the most ancient kings of Babylonia, about 1800 years before the age of Semiramis, was made a god after death, and worshipped with much ceremony by the Assyrians and Babylonians. He was supposed to be the son of the Osiris of the Egyptians. This temple of Belus was the most ancient and most magnificent in the world. It was originally the tower of Babel, which was converted into a temple, and had lofty towers, and it was enriched by all the succeeding monarchs till the age of Xerxes, who, after his unfortunate expedition against Greece, plundered and demolished it. Among the riches it contained, were many statues of massy gold, one of which was forty feet high. In the highest of the towers was a magnificent bed, where the priests daily conducted a woman, who, as they said, was honoured with the company of the god. Joseph. Ant. Jud. 10.—Hero dot. 1, c. 181.—Strab. 16.—Arrian. 7.—Diod. 1, &c.—A king of Egypt, son of Epha phus and Lybia, and father of Agenor. Another son of Phœnix the son of Agenor, who reigned in Phœnicia.—A river of Syria, where glass was first found. Plin. 5, c. 19.

Benacus, a lake of Italy, from which the Minicius flows into the Po. Virg. G. 2, v. 160. Æn. 10, v. 205.

BenediCtium, a temple of Diana Bendis. Liv. 39, c. 41.

Bendis, a name of Diana among the Thracians and their northern neighbours. Strab. 9.—Her festivals, called Bendidia, were introduced from Thraco into Athens.

Beneventum, a town of the Hirpini, built by Diomedes, 28 miles from Capua. Its original name was Maleventum, changed into the more auspicious word of Beneventum, when the Romans had a colony there. Plin. S. c. 11.

Benthysicyme, a daughter of Neptune by the nurse of Euemolpus. Apollod. 3, c. 15.

Bepolitanus, a youth whose life was saved by the delay of the executioner, who wished not to stain the youth's fine clothes with blood. Plut. de Virt. Mul.

Berrics, a nation who destroyed their relations when arrived at a certain age. Aelian. V. H. 4, c. 1.

Bero, a town of Sicily 90 miles from the sea, and 100 from the Euphrates, now called Aleppo.

Bercynthia, a surname of Cybele, from mount Bercynthia in Phrygia, where she was particularly worshipped. Ælian. V. H. 14, c. 43.—Theorit.—Paus. 1, c. 37.—A daughter of Ptolemy Philadelphus, who married Antiochus king of Syria, after he had divorced Laodice, his former wife. After the death of Philadelphus, Laodice was recalled, and, mindful of the treatment she had received, she poisoned her husband, placed her son on the vacant throne, and murdered Berenice and her child at Antioch, where she had fled. B. C. 246.—A daughter of Ptolemy Auletes, who usurped her father's throne for some time, strangled her husband Seleucus, and married Archelaus, a priest of Bellona. Her father regained his power, and put Berenice to death. B. C. 55.—The wife of Mithridates, who, when conquered by Lucullus, ordered all his wives to destroy themselves, for fear the conqueror should offer violence to them. She accordingly drank poison; but this not operating soon enough, she was strangulated by an eunuch.—The mother of Agrippa, who shines in the history of the Jews, as daughter-in-law of Herod the Great.—A daughter of Agrippa, who married her uncle Herod, and afterwards Polemon king of Cilicia. She was accused by Juvenal of committing incest with her brother Agrippa. It is said that she was passionately loved by Titus, who would have made her empress but for fear of the people.—A wife of king Attalus.—Another daughter of Philadelphus and Arsino, who married her own brother Evergetes, whom she loved with much tenderness. When he went on a dangerous expedition, she vowed all the hair of her head to the goddess Venus, if he returned. Some time after his victorious return, the locks which were in the temple of Venus disappeared; and Conon, an astronomer, to make his court to the queen, publicly reported that Jupiter had carried them away, and had made them a constellation. She was put to death by her own son, B. C. 221. Catull. 67.—Hygin. F. A. 2, c. 24.—Justin. 26, c. 3.—This name is common to many of the queens and princesses in the Ptolemaic family in Egypt.—A city of Lybia. Strab.—Mela, 3, c. 8.—Two towns of Arabia. Strab. 16.—One in Egypt.—Another near the Syrtæ, &c. II. 17.
Berenicius, a part of Africa, near the town of Berenice. Lucan. 9, v. 523.

Barcas and Almon, two giants, sons of Neptune, who opposed Hercules as he attempted to cross the Rhone, and were killed with stones from heaven. Mela, 2, c. 5.

Bergistani, a people of Spain. Liv. 34, c. 16.

Beris and Baris, a river of Cappadocia.

—A mountain of Armenia.

Bermius, a mountain of Macedonia. Herodot. 3, c. 138.

Berok, an old woman of Epidaurus, nurse to Semele. Juno assumed her shape when she persuaded Semele not to grant her favours to Jupiter, if he did not appear in the majesty of a god. Ovid. Met. 3, v. 278.—The wife of Doryclus, whose form was assumed by Iris at the instigation of Juno, when she advised the Trojan women to burn the fleet of Æneas in Sicily. Virg. Aen. 5, v. 620.—One of the Oceaniaes, attendant upon Cyrene. Virg. G. 4, 341.

Berkea, a town of Thessaly. Cic. Pis. 36.


Berobus, a native of Babylon, priest to Belus. He passed into Greece, and remained a long time at Athens. He composed an history of Chaldea, and signalized himself by his astronomical predictions, and was rewarded for his learning with a statue in the gymnasium at Athens. The age in which he lived is not precisely known, though some fix it in the reign of Alexander, or 268 years B. C. Some fragments of his Chaldean history are preserved by Josephus, contra Appian, &c. in Antiq. Jud. 105. The book that is now extant under his name, and speaks of kings that never existed, is a supposititious fabrication.

Berenca, a town of Macedonia. Thucyd. 1, c. 61.

Berythus, now Beruit, an ancient town of Phoenicia, on the coast of the Mediterranean, famous in the age of Justinian for the study of law.

Besa, a fountain in Thessaly. Strab. 8.


Besippo, a town of Hispania Baetica, where Mela was born. Mela, 2, c. 6.

Bess, a people of Thrace, on the left side of the Strymon, who live upon rapine. Ovid. Trist. 4, el. 1, v. 67.—Herodot. 7, c. 111.

Bessus, a governor of Bactria, who, after the battle of Arbela, seized Darius, his sovereign, and put him to death. After this murder, he assumed the title of king, and was some time after brought before Alexander, who gave him to Orestes, the brother of Darius. The prince ordered his hands and ears to be cut off, and his body to be exposed on a cross, and shot at by the soldiers. Justin. 12, c. 5.—Curt. 6 & 7.

—A parricide who discovered the murder he committed, upon destroying a nest of swallow's, which, as he observed, reproached him of his crime. Plut.

L. Bestia, a seditious Roman, who conspired with Cataline against his country. Cic. 2, in Phil.

Bettis, a river in Spain.—A governor of Gaza, who bravely defended himself against Alexander, for which he was treated with cruelty by the conqueror.

Beteria, a country in Spain.

Bia, a daughter of Pallas by Styx. Apollod. 1, c. 2.

Bianor, a son of Tiberius and Manto the daughter of Tiresias, who received the surname of Ocnus, and reigned over Etruria. He built a town which he called Mantua, after his mother's name. His tomb was seen in the age of Virgil, on the road between Mantua and Andes. Virg. Ecl. 9, v. 60.—A Trojan chief killed by Agamemnon. Homer. Il. 11, v. 92.—A centaur killed by Theseus. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 342.

Blas, son of Amythaon and Idomene, was king of Argos, and brother to the famous soothsayer Melampus. He fell in love with Perone, daughter of Nesus, king of Pylos; but the father refused to give his daughter in marriage before he received the oxen of Iphiclus. Melampus, at his brother’s request, went to seize the oxen, and was caught in the fact. He, however, one year after received his liberty from Iphiclus, who presented him with his oxen as a reward for his great services. Bias received the oxen from his brother, and obliged Nesus to give him his daughter in marriage. Homer. Od. 11.—Paus. 2, c. 6 & 18. l. 4, c. 34.—Apollod. 1, c. 9.—A Grecian prince, who went to the Trojan war. Homer. Il. 4, v. 13 & 20.—A river of Peloponnesus. Paus. 4, c. 34.—One of the seven wise men of Greece, son to Teutamidas, born at Priene, which he long saved from ruin. He flourished B. C. 560, and died in the arms of his grandson, who begged a favour of him for one of his friends. Diog. 1.—Plut. in Symp.—Val. Mar. 7, c. 2.—Paus. 10, c. 24.


Biblia and Billia, a Roman lady famous for her chastity. She married Duilius.

Biblis, a woman who became enamoured of her brother Caunus, and was changed into a fountain near Miletus. Ovid. Met. 9, v. 662.

Bibrius, a country of Thrace.

Bibulus, a city of Phocinia. Curt. 4.


Birulus, a son of Calpurnius Bibulus by Portia, Cato’s daughter. He was Caesar’s colleague in the consulship, but of no consequence in the state, according to the distich mentioned by Sueton in Jul. c. 20.

Non Bibulo quietum super, sed Cassar factum est: Nam Bibulo fieres console nil nemin,—One of the friends of Horace bore that name. 1 Sam. 10, v. 86.
Bicus, a marsh near the Palus Mæotis. 

Plac. 6, v. 68.

Bicon, a Greek who assassinated Athenodorus, because he made himself master of a colony which Alexander had left at Bactra. 

Curt. 9, c. 7.

Bicorniger, a surname of Bacchus. 

Bicornis, the name of Alexander among the Arabians.

Biformis, (two forms,) a surname of Bacchus and of Janus. Bacchus received it because he changed himself into an old woman, to fly from the persecution of Juno, or perhaps because he was represented sometimes as a young and sometimes as an old man.

Bironis, a surname of Janus, because he was represented with two faces among the Romans, as acquainted with the past and future. 


Bullilia, a town of Celtiberia, where Martial was born. 

Mart. 1, ep. 50.—A river of Spain. 

Justin. 44, c. 3.

Bumatier, a surname of Bacchus, which signifies that he had two mothers, because when he was taken from his mother's womb, he was placed on the thigh of his father Jupiter. 

Ovid. Met. 4, v. 12.

Bingium, a town of Germany. 

Tacit. Hist. 4, c. 70.

Bion, a philosopher and sophist of Borsithenes in Scythia, who rendered himself famous for his knowledge of poetry, music, and philosophy. He made every body the object of his satire, and rendered his compositions distinguished for clearness of expression, for facetiousness, wit, and pleasantry. He died 241 B. C. 

Diog. in vitis.—A Greek poet of Smyrna, who wrote pastorals in an elegant style. Moschus, his friend and disciple, mentions in an elegiac poem, that he died by poison, about 300 years B. C. Idylls are written with elegance and simplicity, purity and ease, and they abound with correct images, such as the view of the country may inspire. There are many good editions of this poet's works, generally printed by those of Moschus, the best of which may be that of Heskin, 8vo. Oxon. 1748. 

—A soldier in Alexander's army, &c. 

Curt. 4, c. 13.—A native of Propontis. 

—A man of Syracuse, who wrote on rhetoric.—A native of Abdera, disciple to Democritus. He first found out that there were certain parts of the earth where there were six months of perpetual light and darkness alternately. —A man of Soli, who composed an history of Ethiopia. 

—Another who wrote nine books on rhetoric, which he called by the names of the muses. 

Diog. 4.

Birrhæs. 

Vad. Cellius.

Bisalta, a people of Scythia, or, according to some, of Thrace, or Macedonia. Their country is called Bisaltia. 

Liv. 43, c. 29.—Plin. 4, c. 10.

Bisaltæs, a man of Abydos, &c. 

Herodot. c. 26.

Bisaltæs, a patronymic of Theophane, by whom Neptune, under the form of a ram, had

the golden ram. 

Ovid. Met. 6, v. 117.—Hygin. fab. 188.

Bisantii, a town on the Hellespont. 

Herodot. 7, c. 137.

Biston, son of Mars and Callirhoæ, built Bistonia in Thrace, whence the Thracians are often called Bistones. 

Herodot. 7, c. 110.—Plin. 4, c. 14.—Lucan. 7, v. 569.

Bistònii, a lake of Thrace, near Abdern. 

Herodot. 7, c. 109.

Bithus. 

Vad. Bacchus.

Bithyle, a certain race of women in Scythia, whose eyes, as Pliny reports, l. 7, c. 2, killed those who gazed upon them for some time.

Bithynia, a country of Asia Minor, formerly called Bebrycia. It was bounded by the Euxine on the north, on the south by Phrygia and Mysia, on the west by the Propontis, and the east by Paphlagonia. The country was first invaded by the Thracians, under Bithynus the son of Jupiter, who gave it the name of Bithynia. It was once a powerful kingdom. 

Strab. 12.—Herodot. 7, c. 75.—Mela, 1 & 2. According to Paus, 8, c. 9, the inhabitaunts were descended from Mantinea in Peloponnesus.

Bittias, a Trojan, son of Alcanor and Hera, brought up in a wood sacred to Jupiter. He followed the fortune of Aeneas, and, with his brother, was killed by the Rutuli in Italy. 

Virg. En. 9, v. 672, &c.—One of Dido's lovers, present when Aeneas and the Trojans were introduced to the queen. 

Virg. En. 1, v. 742.

Biton. 

Vid. Cleobis.

Bititius, a king of the Allobroges, conquered by a small number of Romans, &c. 

Val. Max. 9, c. 6.—Flor. 3, c. 2.

Bituntum, a town of Spain. 

Mart. 4, ep. 55.

Bituriges, a people of Gaul, divided from the Aedui by the Ligeris. 

Cas. bell. G. 7, c. 21.

Bituricium, a town of Gaul, formerly the capital of the Belgæ. 

Strab. 4.

Bizia, a citadel near Rhodope belonging to the kings of Thrace. Tereus was born there.

Blena, a fruitful country of Pontus, where the general of Mithridates Eupator destroyed the forces of Nicomedes the Bithynian. 

Strab. 12.

Blesii, two Romans who killed themselves because Tiberius deprived them of the priesthood. 

Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 40.

Bun. Blesius, a governor of Gaul. 

Tacit. 

Blandonica, a place near Placentia. 

Cic. 2, ep. 13, ad Quin.

Blandusia, a fountain on the borders of the country of the Sabines near Mandena, Horace's country seat. 

Horat. 3, ed. 13.

Blastophenices, a people of Lusitania. 

Appian.

Blemmyes, a people of Africa, who, as is fabulously reported, had no heads, but bare eyes and mouth placed in the breast. 

Herodot. 4, c. 85.—Mela, 1, c. 4.

Blenina, a town of Arcadia. 

Paus 8, c. 27.

Bleitus Catulins, was banished into
the Ægean sea after Piso's conspiracy, &c. Tacit. 15, Ann. c. 71.

Bocciium, a castle where king Deiotarus kept his treasures in Bithynia. Strab. 12.


Boe and Bora, a town of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 21.

Boaëius, a river of Locris. Strab. 9.

Bocchilia, a river in the island of Salamis.

Boccar, a king of Mauritania. Jul. 4, v. 20, applies the word in a general sense to any native of Africa.

Bocchoris, a wise king and legislator of Egypt. Dion. 1.


Boduni, a people of Britain who surrendered to Claudius Caesar.

Bohagnatus, a leader of the Nervii, when Caesar made war against them. Cas. bell. G. 2, v. 23.


Boëa, a town of Thessaly. Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 5.—A lake of Crete. Strab. 9.

Boëbris, a lake of Thessaly near mount Ossa. Lucan. 7, v. 176.

Bucia lex, was enacted to elect four pretors every year.—Another to insure proprietors in the possession of their lands.—Another, A. U. C. 571, against using bribes at elections.

Boedromia, an Athenian festival instituted in commemoration of the assistance which the people of Athens received in the reign of Erechtheus, from Ion of son of Xuthus, when their country was invaded by Eumolpus son of Neptune. The word is derived ἀπὸ τοῦ Βοῦδρομείου, coming to help. Plutarch in Theseus, mentions it in commemoration of the victory which Theseus obtained over the Amazons in a month, called at Athens Boedromion.

Beotarche, the chief magistrate in Boeotia. Liv. 42, c. 43.

Boeotia, a country of Greece, bounded on the north by Phocis, south by Attica, east by Euboea, and west by the bay of Corinth. It has been successively called Aonia, Mesapia, Hyantia, Oygia, and Cadmeis, and now forms a part of Lividia. It was called Boeotia, from Boeotis son of Itonus; or, according to others, a bœc, from a cow, by which Cadmus was led into the country where he built Thebes. The inhabitants were reckoned rude and illiterate, fonder of bodily strength than of mental excellence; yet their country produced many illustrious men, such as Pindar, Hesiod, Plutarch, &c. The mountains of Boeotia, particularly Helicon, were frequented by the Muses, to whom also many of their fountains and rivers were consecrated. Herodot. 2, c. 49. 1, 5, c. 57.—Ovid. Met. 5, v. 10.—Paus. 9, c. 1, &c.—C. Nep. 7, c. 11.—Strab. 9.—Justin. 3, c. 6. 1. 8, c. 4.—Horat. 2, ep. 1, v. 244.—Dion. 19.

Boëtus, a son of Itonus by Menalippa. Paus. 9, c. 1.

Bogorobia, a man who made himself ab-

solute among the Getae, by the strictness of his discipline. Strab. 7.

Borbius, a celebrated Roman, punished with death, on suspicion of a conspiracy, by Theodoric king of the Ostogoths. A. D. 525. It was during his imprisonment that he wrote his celebrated treatise de consolatione philosophiae. The best edition of his works is that of Hagenau, 4to. 1491, or that of L. Bat. 1671, with the notis variorum.


Borus, one of the Heracleides.

Boges and Bôs, a Persian, who destroyed himself and family when besieged by the Athenians. Herodot. 7, c. 107.—Paus. 6, c. 8.

Bogud, a king of Mauritania in the interest of Caesar. Cas. Alex. 59.

Bogus, a king of the Maurusii, present at the battle of Actium. Strab. 8.

Boi, a people of Celtic Gaul. Cas bell. G. 1, c. 28. l. 7, c. 17.—A people of Italy near the Padus. Sil. 4, v. 158.


Bola, a town of the Aequi in Italy. Virg. Än. 6, v. 775.

Boles, a marsh near Mygdonia. Thucyd. 1, c. 58.

Bolethinum, one of the mouths of the Nile, with a town of the same name. Naucratis was built near it. Herodot. 2, c. 17.

Bologus, a general of Gaul, in an expedition against Ptolemy king of Macedonia. Paus. 10, c. 19.

Bolina, a virgin of Achaea, who rejected the addresses of Apollo, and threw herself into the sea to avoid his importunities. The god made her immortal. There is a city which bears her name in Achaea. Paus. 7, c. 23.

Boleusæ, a river near Bolina. Paus. 7, c. 23.

Bolesius, a town and island near Chios. Thucyd. 8, c. 24.

• Bollanus, a man whom Horace represents, 1 Sat. 9, v. 11, as of the most irascible temper, and the most inimical to loquacity.

Bolus, a king of the Cimbri, who killed a Roman ambassador. Liv. ep. 67.

Bomines, a people near Ætolia. Thucyd. 3, c. 96.

Bomilcar, a Carthaginian general, son of Amilcar. He was suspected of conspiracy with Agathocles, and hung in the forum where he had received all his dignity. Dion. 26.—Justin. 22, c. 7.—An African, for some time the instrument of all Jugurtha's cruelties. He conspired against Jugurtha, who put him to death. Sallust. Jug.

Bonomice, youths, that were whipped at the altar of Diana Orthia during the festivals of the goddess. He who bore the lash of the whip with the greatest patience, and without uttering a groan, was declared victorious, and received an honourable prize. Paus. 3, c. 16.—Plut. in Lyc.

Bona Dea, a name given to Ops, Veeta,
Cybele, Rhea, by the Greeks; and by the Latins, to Fauna or Faunus. This goddess was so chaste, that no man but her husband saw her after her marriage; from which reason, her festivals were celebrated only in the night by the Roman matrons in their houses, and all the statues of the men were carefully covered with a veil where the ceremonies were observed. *Juov. 6, v. 213.—Propert. 4, el. 10, v. 25.*—Ovid. de art. am. 3, v. 637.

**Bononia**, a town on the borders of the Rhine. *Val. Max. 8, c. 1.—Ital. 8, v. 599.*

**Bonosius**, an officer of Probus, who assumed the imperial purple in Gaul.

**Bones, a Roman deity**, whose worship was first introduced by the peasants. He was represented holding a cup in his right hand, and in his left ears of corn. *Varro de R. R. 1.—Plin. 34, c. 8.*

**Boostra, (bovis cauda),** a town of Cyprus, where Venus had an ancient temple. *Strab.*

**Bootes, a northern constellation near the Cris Major,** also called Bubulcus and Arctohylax. Some suppose it to be Icarus, the father of Ergone, who was killed by shepherds for inebriating them. Others maintain that it is Arcas, whom Jupiter placed in heaven. *Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 405.—Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 42.*

**Bootus and Boeotus, a son of Neptune and Menalippe, exposed by his mother, but preserved by shepherds.** *Hygin. fab. 186.*

**Borea, a town taken by Sext. Pompey.** *Cic. 16. ad Att. ep. 48.*

**Boreades, the descendants of Boreas, who long possessed the supreme power and the priesthood in the island of the Hyperboeans.** *Diod. 1 & 2.*

**Boreas, the name of the north wind blowing from the Hyperboeian mountains.** According to the poets, he was son of Astraeus and Aurora; others make him son of the Strymon. He was passionately fond of Hyacinthus, [*Vid. Hyacinthus*] and carried away Orithya, who refused to receive his addresses, and by her had Zetes and Calais, Cleopatra and Chione. He was worshipped as a deity, and represented with wings and white hair. The Athenians dedicated altars to him, and to the winds, when Xerxes invaded Europe. Boreas changed himself into a horse, to unite himself with the mares of Dardanus, by which he had twelve mares so swift that they ran, or rather flew over the sea, without hardly wetting their feet. *Herod. 11, v. 222.—Hesiod. Theog. v. 379.*—*Apollod. 3, c. 15.—Herodot. 7, c. 189.—Ovid. Met. 6, v. 700.*

**Boreasmi, a festival at Athens in honour of Boreas, who, as the Athenians supposed, was related to them on account of his marriage with Oriulys, the daughter of one of their kings. They attributed the overthrow of the enemy’s fleet to the respect which he paid to his wife’s native country. There were also sacrifices at Megalopolis in Arcadia, in honour of Boreas.** *Paus. Attic. & Arcad.*

**Bokeus, a Persian, &c.** *Polyam. 7, c. 40.*

**Borjas, a Persian who burnt himself rather than submit to the enemy, &c.** *Polyam. 7, c. 24.*

**Bornos, a place of Thrace.** *C. Nep. in Alex. c. 7.*

**Borsippa, a town of Babylonia, sacred to Apollo and Diana.** The inhabitants eat bats. *Strab. 16.*

**Bors, a son of Perieres, who married Poladora the daughter of Peleus.** *Apollod. 3, c. 13.—Homer. II. 16, v. 177.*

**Borysthenes, a large river of Scythia, falling into the Euxine sea, now called the Danube, and inferior to no other European river but the Danube, according to *Herodotus 4, c. 45, &c.*—There was a city of the same name on the borders of the river, built by a colony of Milesians 655 years before the Christian era. It was also called Olba Savia. *Mela, 2, c. 1 & 7.*—A horse with which the emperor Adrian used to hunt. At his death he was honoured with a monument. *Died.*

**Bosphorus and Bosporus, two narrow straits, situate at the confines of Europe and Asia.** One was called Cimmerian, and joined the Palus Moottis to the Euxine, and is called by the moderns the strait of Caffa; and the other, which was called the Thracian Bosporsus, and by the moderns the strait of Constantinople, made a communication between the Euxine sea and the Propontis. The word is derived from *Boooc proooc, bovis meatus,* because, on account of its narrowness, an ox could easily cross it. Cocks were heard to crow, and dogs to bark, from the opposite banks, and in a calm day persons could talk one to the other. *Plin. 4, c. 12. l. 6, c. 1.—Ovid. Trist. 3, el. 4, v. 49.—Mela, 1, c. 4.—Strab. 12.—Herodot. 4, c. 85.*

**Bottia, a colony of Macedonians in Thrace.** The people were called Bottiani. *Plin. 4, c. 1.—Herodot. 7, c. 181, &c.—Thucyd. 2, c. 99.*

**Bottiaeas, a country at the north of Macedonia, on the bay of Thermo.** *Herodot. 7, c. 123, &c.*

**Boudicca, a queen in Britain, who rebelled upon being insulted by the Romans.** She poisoned herself when conqueror. *Tacit. Ann. 14, c. 31.*

**Boulanum, an ancient colony of the Samnites.** *Liv. 9, c. 28.*

**Boville, a town of Latium near Rome.** *Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 607.—Another in Campania.*

**Brachmanes, Indian philosophers, who derive their name from Brahma, one of the three beings whom God, according to their theology, created, and with whose assistance he formed the world. They devoted themselves totally to the worship of the gods, and were accustomed from their youth to endure labours, and to live with frugality and abstinence. They never eat flesh, and abstained from the use of wine, and all carnal enjoyments. After they had spent 37 years in the greatest trials, they were permitted to marry, and indulge themselves in more free and unbounded manner. According to modern authors, Brahma is the parent of all mankind, and he produced as many worlds as
observed, that no woman in Athens was ever
married before a previous consecration to the
goddess. The statue of Diana of Tauris,
which had been brought into Greece by Iphi-
genia, was preserved in the town of Brauron.
Xerxes carried it away when he invaded Greece.

PAUS. 8, c. 46.—Strab. 9.

BRENNI and BRENNUS, a people of Noricum
Horat. 4, od. 14.

BRENNUS, a general of the Galli Senones,
who entered Italy, defeated the Romans at
the river Agilia, and entered their city without
opposition. The Romans fled into the capitol,
and left the whole city in the possession of the
enemies. The Gauls climbed the Tarpeian rock
in the night, and the capitol would have
been taken, had not the Romans been awakened
by the noise of geese which were before the
doors, and immediately repelled the enemy.
Camillus, who was in banishment, marched to
the relief of his country, and so totally defeated
the Gauls, that not one remained to carry the
news of their destruction. Liv. 5, c. 36, &c.—
Plut. in Camill.—Another Gaul, who made
an irruption into Greece with 150,000 men
and 15,000 horse, and endeavoured to destroy
the temple of Apollo at Delphi. He was destroyed,
with all his troops, by the god, or more pro-
perly he killed himself in a fit of intoxication,
B. C. 278, after being defeated by the Del-
phins. PAUS. 10, c. 22 & 23.—Justin. 24, c 6,
&c.

BRENTHE, a ruined city of Arcadia. PAUS. 8,
c. 28.

BRESCIA, a city of Italy, who had gods pec-
uliar to itself. BURTIUS, a people of Italy. Strab. 6.

BRIAREUS, a famous giant, son of Calus and
Terra, who had 100 hands and 50 heads, and
was called by men Ägeon, and only by the
gods Briareus. When Juno, Neptune, and Mi-
nerva, conspired to dethrone Jupiter, Briareus
ascended the heavens, and sat himself next to
him, and so terrified the conspirators by his
fierce and threatening looks, that they desisted.
He assisted the giants in their war against the
gods, and was thrown under mount Ætna,
according to some accounts. Hesiod. Thesg. v.
148.—Apollod. 1, c. 1.—Homer. Ill. 1, v. 403.—
Virg. Äen. 6, v. 287. l. 10, v. 565.—A cyclop.
made judge between Apollo and Neptune, in
their dispute about the ısthmus and promontory
of Corinth. He gave the former to Neptune,
and the latter to Apollo. PAUS. 2, c. 1.

BRIAS, a town of Pisidia.

BRIGANTES, a people in the northern parts
of Britain. Jun. 14, v. 196.—PAUS. 8, c. 43.

BRIGANTINUS, a lake of Rhaetia between
the Alps, with a town called Brigantium
Plin. 9, c. 17.

BRILESUS, a mountain of Attica. Thucyd 2,
c. 23.

BRIKO, (terror) a name given to Proserpine
and Hecate. Propert. 2, el, v. 11.

BRISES, a girl of Lyrnessus, called also
Hippodamia. When her country was taken by
the Greeks, and her husband and brother killed
in the fight, she fell to the share of Achilles, in the division of the spoils. Agamemnon took her away some time after from Achilles, who made a vow to abstain himself from the field of battle. Briseis was very faithful to Achilles; and when Agamemnon restored her to him, he swore he had never offended her chastity. Homer. I. 1, 2, &c.—Ovid. Heroid. 3, de Art. Am. 2 & 3.—Propert. 2, el. 8, 20, & 22.—Paus. 5, c. 24.—Horat. 2, od. 4.

Briseis, a man of Lynessus, brother to the priest Chryses. His daughter, Hippodamia, was called Briseis from him.

Briseus, a surname of Bacchus, from his nurse of the same name, or his temple to Brisae, a promontory of Lesbos. Persius. 1, v. 76.

Britanni, the inhabitants of Britain. [Vid. Britannia.] A nation in Gallia Belgica. Plin. 4, c. 17.

Britannia, an island in the northern ocean, the greatest in Europe, B. C. 53, conquered by J. Cesar during his Gallic wars, and first known to be an island by Agricola, who sailed round it. It was a Roman province from the time of its conquest till the 44th year of the Christian era. The inhabitants, in the age of Cesar, used to paint their bodies, to render themselves more terrible in the eyes of their enemies. The name of Britain was unknown to the Romans before Cesar conquered it. Cas. bell. G. 4.—Diod. 5.—Paus. 1, c. 33.—Tacit. in Agric. 10.—Plin. 34, c. 17.

Britannicus, a son of Claudius Cesar by Messalina. Nero was raised to the throne in reverence to him, by means of Agrippina, and caused him to be poisoned. His corpse was buried in the night; but it is said that a shower of rain washed away the white paint which the murderer had put over his face, so that it appeared quite black, and discovered the effects of poison. Tacit. Ann.—Sueton. in Ner. c. 33.

Britomartis, a beautiful nymph of Crete, daughter of Jupiter and Charme. She was loved by Minos, who pursued her so closely, that to avoid his importunities, she threw herself into the sea. Paus. 2, c. 30. l. 3, c. 14.—A surname of Diana.

Britomarus, a chief of the Galli Insubres, conquered by Eximilius. Flor. 2, c. 4.

Britones, the inhabitants of Britain. Justin. 13, v. 124.

Brixellum, a town in Italy near Mantua. Tacit. Hist. 2, c. 32.

Brixia, a town of Italy beyond the Po. Justin. 20, c. 5.

Brizo, the goddess of dreams, worshipped in Delos.

Brucelus, a governor of Syria, who fled to Alexander, when Darius was murdered by Bessus. Curt. 5, c. 13.

Bromus, a surname of Bacchus, from Brumus, fruendere, alluding to the groans which Semele uttered when consumed by Jupiter's fire. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 11.—A son of Egyptus. Apollod. 2, c. 1.

Bromus, one of the Centaurs. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 459.

Brongus, a river falling into the Ister. Herodot. 4, c. 40.


Brontius a Pythagorean philosopher.—The father of Theano, the wife of Pythagoras. Diog.


Brother, a son of Vulcan and Minerva, who burned himself to avoid the ridicule to which his deformity subjected him. Ovid. in lb. v. 517.


Brumalia, festivals celebrated at Rome in honour of Bacchus, about the month of December. They were first instituted by Romulus.

Brandusium, a city of Calabria, on the Adriatic sea, where the Appian road was terminated. It was founded by Diomedes after the Trojan war, or, according to Strabo, by Theseus, with a Cretan colony. The Romans generally embarked at Brandusium for Greece. It is famous for the birth of the poet Pacuvius, and the death of Virgil.Justin. 3, c. 4. l. 12, c. 2.—Strab. 5.—Cas. bell. Civ. 1, c. 24. Cic. ad Attic. 4, ep. 1.

Brutius, a man dragged to prison in Juvenal's age, on suspicion of his favouring Sejanus. Juvin. 10, v. 52.

Brutus, a people in the farthest parts of Italy, who were originally shepherds of the Lucanians, but revolted, and went in quest of a settlement. They received the name of Brutus, from their stupidity and cowardice in submitting, without opposition, to Annibal in the 2d Punic war. They were ever after held in the greatest disgrace, and employed in every servile work. Justin. 23, c. 9.—Strab. 6.—Diod. 16.

Brutulus, a Samnite, who killed himself upon being delivered to the Romans for violating a treaty. Liv. 8, c. 39.

Brutus, L. Junius, son of M. Junius and Tarquinius second daughter of Tarquin Priscus. The father, with his eldest son, were murdered by Tarquin the Proud; and Lucius, unable to revenge their death, pretended to be insane. The artifice saved his life; he was called Brutus for his stupidity, which he however soon after shewed to be feigned. When Lucretia killed herself, B. C. 509, in consequence of the brutality of Tarquin, Brutus snatched the dagger from the wound, and swore, upon the reeking blade, immortal hatred to the royal family. His example was followed; the Tarquins were proscribed by a decree of the senate, and the royal authority vested in the hands of consuls chosen from patrician families. Brutus, in his consular office, made the people swear they never would again submit to kingly authority; but the first who violated their oath were in his own family. His sons conspired with the Tuscan ambassador to restore the Tarquins; and when discovered, they were tried and con-
Br tetted before their father, who himself at-

tended at their execution. Some time after,
in a combat that was fought between the Ro-

mans and Tarquins, Brutus engaged with Aruns,
and so fierce was the attack that they pierced
one another at the same time. The dead body
was brought to Rome, and received as in
triumph; a funeral oration was spoken over it,
and the Roman matrons showed their grief by
mourning a year for the father of the republic.
Flor. 1, c. 9.—Liv. 1. c. 56. 1, 2, c. 1, &c.—

Diomy. Hal. 4 & 5.—C. Nep. in Attic. 8.—Virg.
Æn. 6, v. 818.—Plut. in Brut. and Ces.—

Marcus Junius, father of Caesar's murderer,
rewrote three books on civil law. He followed
the party of Marius, and was conquered by
Pompey. After the death of Sylla, he was
besieged in Mutina by Pompey, to whom he
surrendered, and by whose orders he was put
do
to death. He had married Servilia, Cato's sister,
by whom he had a son and two daughters. Cic.
de Orat. c. 55.—Plut. in Brut.—His son of the
same name by Servilia was lineally de-
scended from J. Brutus, who expelled the Tar-
quins from Rome. He seemed to inherit the
republican principle of his great progenitor,
and in the civil wars joined himself to the side
of Pompey, though he was his father's mur-
derer, only because he looked upon him as
more just and candid in his claims. At the
battle of Pharsalia, Caesar not only spared the
life of Brutus, but he made him one of his
most faithful friends. He however forgot this,
because Caesar aspired to tyranny. He con-
pired with many of the most illustrious citi-
zens of Rome against the tyrant, and stabbed
him in Pompey's Basilica. The tumult which
this murder occasioned was great; the con-
spirators fled to the capitol, and by proclaiming
freedom and liberty to the populace, they re-
established tranquillity in the city. Antony,
whom Brutus, contrary to the opinion of his
associates, refused to seize, gained ground in
behalf of his friend Caesar, and the murderers
were soon obliged to leave Rome. Brutus re-
tired into Greece, where he gained himself
many friends by his arms, as well as by per-
suasion, and he was soon after pursued thither
by Antony, whom young Octavius accompanied.
A battle was fought at Philippi. Brutus, who
commanded the right wing of the republican
army, defeated the enemy; but Cassius, who
had the care of the left, was overpowered, and
as he knew not the situation of his friend, and
grew desperate, he ordered one of his freed-
men to run him through. Brutus deeply de-
plored his fall, and in the fulness of his grief,
called him the last of the Romans. In another
battle, the wing which Brutus commanded ob-
tained a victory; but the other was defeated,
and he found himself surrounded by the soldiers
of Antony. He however made his escape, and soon
after fell upon his sword, B. C. 42. Antony
honoured him with a magnificent funeral. Brus-
tus is not less celebrated for his literary talents,
than his valour in the field. When he was in
the camp, the greatest part of his time was
employed in reading and writing; and the day
which preceded one of his most bloody battles
while every one was under continual apprehen-
sions, Brutus calmly spent his hours till the
evening in writing an epitome of Polybius. He
was fond of imitating the austere virtues of
Cato, and in reading the histories of nations he
imbibed those principles of freedom which
were so eminently displayed in his political
career. He was intimate with Cicero, to whom
he would have communicated his conspiracy,
had he not been apprehensive of his great
timidity. He severely reprimanded him in his
letters for joining the side of Octavius, who
mediated the ruin of the republic. Plutarch
mentions, that Caesar's ghost made its appear-
ance to Brutus in his tent, and told him that
he would meet him at Philippi. Brutus
married Porcia, the daughter of Cato, who
killed herself by swallowing burning coals when
she heard the fate of her husband. C. Nep. in
Attic.—Paterc. 2, c. 48.—Plut. in Brut. & Ces.
Flor. 4.—D. Jan. Albinus, one of Caesar's
murderers, who, after the battle of Mutina,
was deserted by the legions, with which he
wished to march against Antony. He was put
to death by Antony's orders, though consul
elect.—Jun. one of the first tribunes of the
people. Plut.—One of Carbo's generals.
Bruyas, a general of the Argives against
Sparta, was put to death by a woman, to whom he
had offered violence. Paus. 2, c. 20.—
A general in the army of Xerxes. Herodot. 7, c. 72.
Bruyxis, a marble sculptor, who assisted in
making the Mausoleum. Paus. 1, c. 40. 
Bryum, a daughter of Danaus by Polyx
Apollod. 2, c. 1.
Bryges, a people of Thrace, afterwards
called Phyrgges. Strab. 7.
Bryci, a people of Macedonia, conquered
by Mardonius. Herodot. 6, c. 45.
Brysea, a town of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 20.
Bubacene, a country of Asia. Curt. 5.
Bubacors, an eunuch of Darius, &c. Curt.
5, c. 11.
Bubaris, a Persian who married the daugh-
ter of Amyntas, against whom he had been
sent with an army. Justin. 7, c. 13.
Bubastiacus, one of the mouths of the Nile.
Bubastis, a city in Egypt, in the eastern
parts of the Delta, where cats were held in
great veneration, because Diana Bubastis, who
is the chief deity of the place, is said to have
transformed herself into a cat when the gods
fled into Egypt. Herodot. 2, c. 95, 137, & 138. 
—Ovid. Met. 9, v. 690.
Bubassus, a country of Caria, whence Bus-
basides. Ovid. Met. 9, v. 643.
Bubon, an inland city of Lycia. Plut. 5, c.
27.
Bucephala, a city of India, near the Hy-
daspe, built by Alexander, in honour of his
favourite horse Bucephalus. Curt. 9, c. 3.—
Justin. 12, c. 8.—Diod. 17.
Bucephalus, a horse of Alexander's, whose
head resembled that of a bull, whence his name
(βους κεφαλος, lovus ceput). Alexander was
Buraicus, an epithet applied to Hercules, from his temple near Bura.—A river of Achaia. Paus. 7, c. 25.

Burhus Afranius, a chief of the praetorian guards, put to death by Nero.—A brother-in-law of the emperor Commodus.

Bursa, the capital city of Bithynia; sup posed to have been called Prusa, from its founder, Prusias. Strab. 12.

Bursia, a town of Babylonia. Justin. 12, c. 13.

Busa, a woman of Apulia who entertained 1000 Romans after the battle of Cannae. Val. Max. 4, c. 8.

Buse, a nation of Media. Herodot. 1.

Busiris, a king of Egypt, son of Neptune and Libya or Lysanassa, who sacrificed all foreigners to Jupiter with the greatest cruelty. When Hercules visited Egypt, Busiris carried him to the altar bound hand and foot. The hero soon disentangled himself, and offered the tyrant and the monsters of his cruelty on the altar. Many Egyptian princes have borne the same name. One of them built a town called Busiris, in the middle of the Delta, where Isis had a famous temple. Herodot. 2, c. 59 & 61. Strab. 17.—Ovid. Met. 9, v. 132.—Herod. 9, v. 69.—Plut. in Thes.—Virg. G. 3, v. 5.—Apollod. 2, c. 5.

Buta, a town of Achaia. Diod. 20.


Butes, one of the descendants of Amycus, king of the Breyces, very expert in the combat of the costus. He came to Sicily, where he was received by Lycastra, a beautiful harlot, by whom he had a son called Eryx. Lycastra, on account of her beauty, was called Venus; hence Eryx is often called the son of Venus. Virg. Aen. 5, v. 372.—One of the Argonauts. Apollod. 1, c. 9.—A Trojan slain by Camilla. Virg. Aen. 11, v. 690.—A son of Boreas who built Naxos. Diod. 5.—A son of Pandion and Zeuxippe, priest of Minerva and Neptune. He married Chthiona, daughter of Erechtchus. Apollod. 3, c. 14, &c.—An arm-bearer to Anchises, and afterwards to Ascanius. Apollo assumed his shape when he descended from heaven to encourage Ascanius to fight. Bute was killed by Turnus. Virg. Aen. 9, v. 617. l. 12, v. 632.—A governor of Darius, besieged by Conon the Athenian.

Buthidemus, a town of Epirus opposite Corcyra, visited by Xerxes, in his way to Italy from Troy. Virg. Aen. 3, v. 293.

Buthrotum, a river of Italy. Myron. Plin. 34, c. 8.

Buthus, a town of Epirus opposite Corcyra, visited by Xerxes, in his way to Italy from Troy. Virg. Aen. 3, v. 293.

Buthrotum, a river in Italy. Myron. Plin. 34, c. 8.

Buto, an island in the Mediterranean, near Crete. Plin. 4, c. 12.

Butos, a town of Egypt, where there was a temple of Apollo and Diana, and an oracle of Latona. Herodot. 2, c. 59 & 63.

Butoideis, an historian, who wrote concerning the pyramids. Plin. 36, c. 12.

Butunum, an inland town of Apulia. Plin. 3, c. 11.

Butus, a son of Pandion.
BU THEOS, an Athenian who first ploughed with harnessed oxen. Demophoon gave him the palladium with which Diomedes had entrusted him, to be carried to Athens. Polygen. 1. c. 5.

BYBLESIA and BYBASSIA, a country of Caria. Herodot. 1. c. 174.

BYBIL, a name of Venus.

BYBIL, a people of Syria. Apollod. 2. c. 1.

BYBIS, a daughter of Miletus and Cyanea. She fell in love with her brother Caucus, and when he refused to gratify her passion, she destroyed herself. Some say that Caucus became enamoured of her, and fled from his country to avoid incest; and others report, that he fled from his sister's importunities, who sought him all over Lycia and Caria, and at last sat down all bathed in tears, and was changed into a fountain of the same name. Ovid. de Art. Am. 1. v. 284. Met. 9. v. 451.—Hygin. fab. 243.—Paus. 7. c. 5.—A small island in the Mediterranean.

BYBLUS, a town of Syria in Phoenicia, where Adonis had a temple. Strab. 16.

BYLLIONES, a people of Illyricum.

BYRRHUS, a robber, famous for his dissipation. Horat. 1. Sat. 4. v. 69.

BYRSA, a citadel in the middle of Carthage, on which was the temple of Esclapius. Asdrubal's wife burnt it when the city was taken. When Dido came to Africa, she bought of the inhabitants as much land as could be encompassed by a bull's hide. After the agreement, she cut the hide in small things, and inclosed a large piece of territory, on which she built a citadel, which she called Byrs (Byrsa, a hide.) Virg. En. 1. v. 371.—Strab. 17.—Justin. 18. c. 5.—Fleuri. 2. c. 13.—Liv. 34. c. 62.

BYZACIUM, a country of Africa.

BYZANTIUM, a town situate on the Thracian Bosphorus, founded by a colony of Megara, under the conduct of Byzas, 658 years before the Christian era. Paterculus says it was founded by the Milesians, and by Lacedamonians according to Justin, and according to Ammianus by the Athenians. The pleasantness and convenience of its situation was observed by Constantine the Great, who made it the capital of the eastern Roman empire, A. D. 338, and called it Constantinopolis. A number of Greek writers, who have deserved or usurped the name of Byantine historians, flourished at Byzantium, after the seat of the empire had been translated thither from Rome. Their works, which more particularly relate to the time in which they flourished, and are seldom read, but by those who wish to form an acquaintance with the revolutions of the lower empire, were published in one large collection, in 36 vols. folio, 1648, &c. at Paris, and recommended themselves by the notes and supplement of Du Fresne du Cange. They were likewise printed at Venice 1729, in 23 vols. though perhaps this edition is not so valuable as that of the French. Strab. 1.—Paterc. 2. c. 12.—C. Nep. in Paus. Alcb. & Timoth. Justin. 9. c. 1.—Tacit. 12. Am. c. 62 & 63.—Mela. 2 c. 2.—Marcel. 22. c. 8.

BYZAS, a king of Thrace, from whom it is said Byzantium received its name. Diod. 4.

BYZERES, a people of Pontus, between Cappadocia and Colchis. Dionys. Perig.—Place. 5. v. 153.

BYZAS, a celebrated artist in the age of Astyages. Paus. 5. c. 10.

BYZIA, a town in the possession of the king of Thrace, hated by swallows, on account of the horrible crimes of Tereus. Plin. 4. t. 11.
wreck and storms. The obscenities which prevailed in the celebration have obliged the authors of every country to pass over them in silence, and say that it was unlawful to reveal them. These deities are often confounded with the Corybantes, Anaces, Dioscuri, &c. and according to Herodotus, Vulcan was their father. This author mentions the sacrifice which Cambyses committed in entering their temple, and turning to ridicule their sacred mysteries. They were supposed to preside over metals. Herodot. 2, c. 51.—Strab. 10, &c.—Paus. 9, c. 22, &c.—Cic. de Nat. D. 1.

CABIRIA, a surname of Ceres.——The festivals of the Cabiri. Vid. Cabiri.

CABURA, a fountain of Mesopotamia, where Jumo bathed. Plin. 31, c. 3.

CABRUS, a chief of the Helvi. Cas.

CACA, a goddess among the Romans, sister to Cacus, who is said to have discovered to Hercules where his brother had concealed his oxen. She presided over the excrements of the body. The vestals offered sacrifices in her temple. Lactant. 1, c. 20.

CACHALES, a river of Phocis. Paus. 10, c. 32.

CAcus, a famous robber, son of Vulcan and Medusa, represented a three-headed monster, and as vomiting flames. He resided in Italy, and the avenues of his cave were covered with human bones. He plundered the neighbouring country; and when Hercules returned from the conquest of Geryon, Cacus stole some of his cows, and dragged them backwards into his cave, to prevent discovery. Hercules departed without perceiving the theft; but his oxen having lowered, were answered by the cows in the cave of Cacus, and the hero became acquainted with the loss he had sustained. He ran to the place, attacked Cacus, squeezed and strangled him in his arms, though vomiting fire and smoke. Hercules erected an altar to Jupiter Servator, in commemoration of his victory; and an annual festival was instituted by the inhabitants in honour of the hero who had delivered them of such a public calamity. Ovid. 1, Fast. v. 551.—Virg. Æn. 8, v. 194.—Propert. 4, el. 10.—Juven. 5, v. 125.—Liv. 1, c. 7.—Dionys. Hal. 1, c. 9.

CACÝTHIS, a river of India, flowing into the Ganges. Arrian. Indic.

CACYPARIS, a river of Sicily.

CADI, a town of Phrygia. Strab. 12.—Of Lydia. Propert. 4, el. 6, v. 7.

CADMÉ, a citadel of Thebes, built by Cadmus. It is generally taken for Thebes itself, and the Thebans are often called Cadmeans. Stat. Theb. 3, v. 601.—Paus. 2, c. 5.

CADMÉS, an ancient name of Boeotia.

CADMUS, son of Ageon king of Phoenicia, by Telephassa or Agrippa, was ordered by his father to go in quest of his sister Europa, whom Jupiter had carried away, and he was never to return to Phoenicia if he did not bring her back. As his search proved fruitless, he consulted the oracle of Apollo, and was ordered to build a city where he should see a young heifer stop in the grass, and call the country Boeotia. He found the heifer according to the directions of the oracle; and as he wished to thank the god by a sacrifice, he sent his companions to fetch water from a neighbouring grove. The waters were sacred to Mars, and guarded by a dragon, who devoured all the Phoenician's attendants. Cadmus, tired of their seeming delay, went to the place, and saw the monster still feeding on their flesh. He attacked the dragon, and overcame it by the assistance of Minerva, and sowed the teeth in a plain, upon which armed men suddenly rose up from the ground. He threw a stone in the midst of them, and they instantly turned their arms one against the other, till all perished except five, who assisted him in building his city. Soon after he married Hermione the daughter of Venus, with whom he lived in the greatest cordiality, and by whom he had a son, Polydorus, and four daughters, Ino, Agave, Autonoe, and Semele. Juno persecuted those children; and their well-known misfortunes so distracted Cadmus and Hermione, that they re-ired to Illyricum, loaded with grief, and infirm with age. They intertreated the gods to remove them from the misfortunes of life, and they were immediately changed into serpents. Some explain the dragon's fable, by supposing that it was a king of the country that Cadmus conquered by war; and the armed men rising from the field, is no more than men armed with brass, according to the ambiguous signification of a Phoenician word. Cadmus was the first who introduced the use of letters into Greece; but some maintain, that the alphabet which he brought from Phoenicia, was only different from that which was used by the ancient inhabitants of Greece. This alphabet consisted only of 16 letters, to which Palamedes afterwards added four, and Simonides of Melos the same number. The worship of many of the Egyptian and Phoenician deities was also brought into Greece by Cadmus, who is supposed to have come into Greece 1493 years before the Christian era, and to have died 61 years after. According to those who believe that Thebes was built at the sound of Amphyon's lyre, Cadmus built only a small citadel, which he called Cadmea, and laid the foundations of a city which was finished by one of his successors. Ovid. Met. 3, fab. 2, &c.—Herodot. 2, c. 49, l. 4, c. 447.—Hygin. fab, 6, 76, 155, &c.—Diod. 1, &c.—Paus. 2, c. 5, &c.—Hesiod. Thesg. v. 937, &c.—A son of Pandion of Miletus, celebrated as an historian in the age of Croesus, and as the writer of an account of some cities of Ionia, in four books. He is called the ancient, in contradistinction from another of the same name and place who wrote a history of Attica, in 16 books. Diod. 1.—Dionys. Hal. 2.—Clement. Alexand. 3.—Strab. 1.—Plin. 5, c. 29.—A Roman executioner, mentioned Horat. 1, Sat. 6, v. 39.

CADER, a hill of Asia Minor. Tacit.

CADÜCEUS, a rod entwined at one end by two serpents, in the form of two equal semi-circles. It was the attribute of Mercury, and had been given him by Apollo in return for the lyre. Various interpretations have been put upon the
two serpents round it. Some suppose them to be a symbol of Jupiter's amours with Rhea, when these two deities transformed themselves into snakes. Others say, that it originates from Mercury's having appeased the fury of two serpents that were lighting, by touching them with his rod. Prudence is generally supposed to be represented by these two serpents, and the wings are the symbol of diligence; both necessary in the pursuit of business and commerce, which Mercury patronized. With it Mercury conducted to the infernal regions the souls of the dead, and could hulk to sleep, and even raise to life, a lead person. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 242.—Horat. 1, od. 10.

Cædurec, a people of Gaul. Cæs.
Cædusci, a people near the Caspian sea. Plut.
Cady, a town of Syria. Herodot. 2, c. 159.
Cæa, an island of the Ægean sea among the Cyclades, called also Ceos and Cæa, from Ceus the son of Titan. (vid. 20, Horod. — Virg. G. 1, v. 14.
Cæcias, a wind blowing from the north.
Cæcilia, the wife of Sylla. Plut. in Syl. — The mother of Lucullus. Id. in Luc.
Cæcilia Calla, or Tanaquil. Vid. Tanaquil.
Cæcilia Lex, was proposed A. U. C. 692, by Cæcil. Metellus Nepos, to remove taxes from all the Italian states, and to give them free exportation. — Another, called also Didia, A. U. C. 654, by the consul Q. Cæcilius Metellus, and T. Didius. It required that no more than one single matter should be proposed to the people in one question, lest by one word they should give their assent to a whole bill, which might contain causes worthy to be approved, and others unworthy. It required that every law, before it was preferred, should be exposed to public view on three market-days. — Another, enacted Cæcilius Metellus the censor, concerning fullers. Plin. 33, c. 17. — Another, A. U. C. 701, to restore to the censors their original rights and privileges, which had been lessened by P. Cæcius the tribune, the province. — Another, called also Gabinia, A. U. C. 685, against usury.
Cæcilius, a Latin writer before the age of Cicero.
Cæcilius, a plebeian family at Rome, descended from Cæclos, one of the companions of Æneas, or from Cæculus the son of Vulcan, who built Preneste. This family gave birth to many illustrious generals and patriots.
Cæcius Claudius Isidorus, a man who left in his will to his heirs, 4116 slaves, 3600 vokes of oxen, 257,000 small cattle, 600,000 sounds of silver. Plin. 33, c. 10. — Epirus, freedman of Atticus, who opened a school at Rome, and is said to have first taught reading to Virgil and some other growing poets. — A Sicilian orator in the age of Augustus, who wrote on the servile wars, a comparison between Demosthenes and Cicero, and an account of the orations of Demosthenes. — Metellus. Vid. Metellus. — Statius, a comic poet, whom Cicero ad Attic. calls Malum Latinitatis auctorem; above 30 of his comedies are mentioned by ancient historians, among which are his Naucleus, Phocius, Epiclerus, Syracusus, Foetorator, Falhia, Paphisarchus, &c. He was a native of Gaul, and died at Rome 169 B. C. and was buried in the Janiculum. Horat. 2, ep. 1.
Cæcina Tusces, a son of Nero's nurse, made governor of Egypt. Suet. in Ner. — A Roman who wrote some physical treatises.
A citizen of Volaterræ defended by Cicero. Cæcurnus, a town of Campania in Italy, famous for the excellence and plenty of its vines. Strab. 5.—Horat. 1, od. 20, 1, 2, od. 14, &c.
Cæcillus, a son of Vulcan, conceived, as some say, by his mother, when a spark of fire fell into her bosom. He was called Cæculus, because his eyes were small. After a life spent in plundering and rapine, he built Praeneste; but being unable to find inhabitants, he implored Vulcan to shew whether he really was his father. Upon this a flame suddenly shone among a multitude who were assembled to see some spectacles, and they were immediately persuaded to become the subjects of Cæculus. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 680, says, that he was found in fire by shepherds, and on that account called son of Vulcan, who is the god of fire.
Cælius Lex, was enacted A. U. C. 653, by Cælius, a tribune. It ordained, that in judicial proceedings before the people, in cases of treason, the votes should be given upon tablets, contrary to the exception of the Cassian law.
Cælius, an orator, disciple to Cicero. He died very young. Cicero defended him when he was accused of being accessory to Catiline's conspiracy. Orat. pro M. Cal. Quintil. 10, c. 1. — A man of Tarracina, found murdered in his bed. His sons were suspected of the murder, but acquitted. Val. Max. 8, c. 1. — Aurelianus, a writer about 300 years after Christ, the best edition of whose works is that of Almeoveon, Amst. 1722 and 1755. — L. Antipater, wrote an history of Rome, which M. Brutus epitomized, and which Adrian preferred to the histories of Sallust. Cælius flourished 120 years B. C. Val. Max. 1, c. 7. — Cic. 15, ad Attic. ep. 8. — Tubero, a man who came to life after he had been carried to the burning pile. — Vibenus, a king of Etruria, who assisted Romulus against the Cenimenes, &c. — Sabinus, a writer in the age of Vespasian, who composed a treatise on the edicts of the curule ediles. — One of the seven hills on which Rome was built. Romulus surrounded it with a ditch and rampart, and it was inclosed by walls, by the following kings. It received its name from Cælius, who assisted Romulus against the Sabines.
Cæmaro, a Greek, who wrote an account of India.
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CENE, a small island in the Sicilian sea.
—A town on the coast of Laconia, where Jupiter is called Cemne. Plin. 4, c. 5. —Orid. Met. 9, v. 136.

CENUS, one of the Argonauts. Apollod. 1, c. 9. —A Trojan killed by Turnus. Virg.

CERES a patronymic of Ection, as descended from Ceneus. Herodot. 5, c. 92.

CENIMA, a town of Latium near Rome. The inhabitants, called Cenimenses, made war against the Romans when their virgins had been stolen away. Orid. Fast. 3, v. 133. —Propert. 4, c. 11, v. 9. —Liv. 1, c. 19.

CENIS, a Thessalian woman. Daughter of Elatus, who, being forcibly ravished by Neptune, obtained from the god the power to change her sex, and to become invulnerable. She also changed her name, and was called Ceneus. In the wars of the Lapithae against the Centaurs, she offended Jupiter, and was overwhelmed with a huge pile of wood, and changed into a bird. Orid. Met. 12, v. 172 & 479. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 446, says, that she returned again to her pristine form.

CERVIUS CASSUS, a Roman consul, A. U. C. 646, in the Cimbrian war. He plundered a temple at Tolossa, for which he was punished by divine vengeance, &c. Justin. 32, c. 5.—Paterc. 2, c. 12.

CERATUS, a town of Crete. Strab.—A riv.

CERE, CERES, anciendy Agylla, now Cerveteri, a city of Etruria, once the capital of the whole country. It was in being in the age of Strabo. When Xæneas came to Italy, Mezen tus was king over the inhabitants called Cer retes and Cerce; but they banished their prince, and assisted the Trojans. The people of Cere received with all possible hospitality the Romans who fled with the fire of Vesta, when the city was besieged by the Gauls, and for this humanity they were made citizens of Rome, but without the privilege of voting; whence Cercites tabule was applied to those who had no suffrage, and Cercites cera appropriated as a mark of contempt. Virg. Æn. 8 & 10. —Liv. 1, c. 2.—Strab. 5.—A questor who opposed Saturnus. Cic. ad Her.

CERESI, a people of Germany. Ces.

CÆSAR, a surname given to the Julian family at Rome, either because one of them kept an elephant, which bears the same name in the Punic tongue, or because one was born with a thick head of hair. This name, after it had been dignified in the person of Julius Caesar, and of his successors, was given to the apparent heir of the empire, in the age of the Roman emperors. The two first Roman emperors were distinguished by the surname of Cæsar. They reigned in the following order: Julius Caesar, Augustus, Tibertus, Caligula, Claudius, Nero, Galba, Otho, Vitiæus, Vespasian, Titus, and Domitian. In Domitian, but rather in Nero, the family of Julius Cæsar was extinguished. But after such a lapse of time, the appellation of Cæsar seemed inseparable from the imperial dignity, and therefore it was assumed by the successors of the Julian family. Sestonius has written an account of these twelve characters, in an extensive and impartial manner. C. Julius Caesar, the first emperor of Rome, was son of L. Caesar and Aurelia the daughter of Cotta. He was descended, according to some accounts, from Julius the son of Xæneas. When he reached his 15th year he lost his father, and the year after he was made priest of Jupiter. Sylla was aware of his ambition, and endeavoured to remove him; but Caesar understood his intentions, and, to avoid discovery, changed every day his lodgings. He was received by Sylla's friendship some time after; and the dictator told those who solicited the advancement of young Caesar, that they were warm in the interest of a man who would prove some day or other the ruin of their country and of their liberty. When Caesar went to finish his studies at Rhodes, under Apollonius Molo, he was seized by pirates, who offered him his liberty for 30 talents. He gave them 40, and threatened to revenge their impudence; and no sooner was he out of their power, then he armed a ship, pursued them, and crucified them all. His eloquence procured him friends at Rome; and the generous manner in which he lived, equally served to promote his interest. He obtained the office of high priest at the death of Metellus; and after he had passed through the inferior employments of the state, he was appointed over Spain, where he signalized himself by his valour and intrigues. At his return to Rome, he was made consul, and soon after he brought a reconciliation between Crassus and Pompey. He was appointed for the space of five years over the Gauls, by the interest of Pompey, to whom he had given his daughter Julia in marriage. Here he enlarged the boundaries of the Roman empire by conquest, and invaded Britain, which was then unknown to the Roman people. He checked the Germans, and soon after had his government over Gaul prolonged to five other years, by means of his friends at Rome. The death of Julia and of Crassus, the corrupted state of the Roman senate, and the ambition of Cæsar and Pompey, soon became the causes of a civil war. Neither of these celebrated Romans would suffer a superior, and the smallest matters were sufficient grounds for unshathing the sword. Cæsar's petitions were received with coldness or indifference by the Roman senate; and, by the influence of Pompey, a decree was passed to strip him of his power. Antony, who opposed it as tribune, fled to Cæsar's camp with the news; and the ambitious general no sooner heard this, than he made it a plea of resistance. On pretence of avenging the violence which had been offered, he proceeded to the sacred office of tribune in the person of Antony, he crossed the Rubicon, which was the boundary of his province. The passage of the Rubicon was a declaration of war, and Caesar entered Italy sword in hand. Upon this, Pompey, with all the friends of liberty, left Rome, and retired to Dyrrachium; and Caesar, after he had subdued all Italy, in 90 days, entered Rome, and provided himself with money from the public trea-
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sury. He went to Spain, where he conquered the partisans of Pompey, under Petreius, Afranius, and Varro; and, at his return to Rome, was declared dictator, and soon after consul. When he left Rome, he went in quest of Pompey, observing that he was marching against a general without troops, after having defeated troops without a general in Spain. In the plain of Pharsalia, B. C. 48, the two hostile generals engaged. Pompey was conquered, and fled into Egypt, where he was murdered. Caesar, after he had made a noble use of victory, pur- sued his adversary into Egypt, where he some- times forgot his fame and character in the arms of Cleopatra, by whom he had a son. His danger was great while at Alexandria; but he extricated himself with wonderful success, and made Egypt tributary to his power. After se- veral conquests in Africa, the defeat of Cato, Scipio, and Juba, and that of Pompey's sons in Spain, he entered Rome, and triumphed over five different nations, Gaul, Alexandria, Pontus, Africa, and Spain; and was created perpet- ual dictator. But now his glory was at an end, his uncommon success created him enemies, and the chiefest of the senators, among whom was Brutus his most intimate friend, conspired against him, and stabbed him in the senate-house on the ides of March. He died, pierced with 25 wounds, the 15th of March, B. C. 44, in the 56th year of his age. Casca gave him the first blow, and immediately he attempted to make some resistance; but when he saw Brutus among the conspirators, he submitted to his fate, and fell down at their feet, muffling up his mantle, and exclaiming, Tu quoque Brutis! Caes- sar must have escaped the sword of the conspirators, if he had listened to the advice of his wife, whose dreams, on the night previous to the day of his murder, were alarming. He also received, as he went to the senate-house, a paper from Artemidorus, which discovered the whole conspiracy to him; but he neglected the reading of what might have saved his life. When he was in the first campaign in Spain, he was observed to gaze at a statue of Alex- ander, and even he shed tears at the recollection that that hero had conquered the world at an age in which he himself had done nothing. The learning of Caesar deserves commendation, as well as his military character. He reformed the calendar. He wrote his commentaries on the Gallic wars, on the spot where he fought his battles; and the composition has been ad- mired for the elegance as well as the correct- ness of its style. This valuable book was nearly lost; and when Caesar saved his life in the bay of Alexandria, he was obliged to swim from his ship, with his arms in one hand, and his commentaries in the other. Besides the Gallic and civil wars, he wrote other pieces, which are now lost. The history of the war in Alex- andria and Spain is attributed to him by some, and by others to Hirtius. Caesar has been blamed for his debaucheries and expenses; and the first year he had a public office, his debts were rated at 830 talents, which his friends discharged; yet, in his public character, he

must be reckoned one of the few heroes that now and then make their appearance among mankind. His qualities were such that in every battle he could not but be conqueror, and in every republic, master; and to his sense of his superiority over the rest of the world, or to his ambition, we are to attribute his saying, that he wished rather to be first in a little village than second at Rome. It was after his con- quest over Pharnaces in one day, that he made use of these remarkable words, to express the celerity of his operations; ieni, siti, victur. Conscious of the services of a man who, in the intervals of peace, beautified and enriched the capital of his country with public buildings, li- braries, and porticoes, the senate permitted the dictator to wear a laurel crown on his bald head; and it is said, that, to reward his bene- volence, they were going to give him the title or authority of king all over the Roman empire, except Italy, when he was murdered. In his private character, Caesar has been accused of seducing one of the vestal virgins, and suspected of being privy to Catiline's conspiracy; and it was his fondness for dissipate pleasures which made his countrymen say, that he was the hus- band of all the women at Rome, and the wo- man of all men. It is said that he conquered 300 nations, took 800 cities, and defeated three millions of men, one of which fell in the field of battle. Plin. 7, c. 25, says, that he could employ at the same time, his ears to listen, his eyes to read, his hand to write, and his mind to dictate. His death was preceded, as many authors mention, by uncommon prodigies; and immediately after his death, a large comet made its appearance. The best editions of Caesar's commentaries are the magnificent one by Dr. Clarke, fol. Lond. 1712; that of Cambridge, with a Greek translation, 4to. 1727; that of Oudendorp. 2 vols. 4to. L. Bat. 1737; and that of Elsevier, 8vo. L. Bat. 1635. Sueton. & Plut. in vita.—Dio. Appian.—Orosius.—Dict. 16 & ecl. 31 & 37.—Virg. G. 1, v. 466.—Ovid. Met. 15, v. 782.—Marcell. Flor. 3 & 4.—Lucius was father to the dictator. He died suddenly, when putting on his shoes.—Octavius. Vid. Augustus.—Caius, a tragic poet and orator, commended by Cic. in Brut. His brother, C. Lucius was consul, and fol- lowed, as well as himself, the party of Sulla. They were both put to death by order of Marius.—Lucius, an uncle of M. Antony, who followed the interest of Pompey, and was proscribed by Augustus, for which Antony pro- scribed Cicero, the friend of Augustus. His son Lucius was put to death by J. Caesar, in his youth.—Two sons of Agrippa bore also the name of Cæsars, Caius and Lucius. Vid. Agrrippa.—Augusta, a town of Spain, built by Augustus on the Iberus. Cæsarea, a city of Cappadocia,—of Bithyni- a,—of Mauritania,—of Palestine. There are many small insignificant towns of that name, either built by the emperors, or called by their name, in compliment to them. Cæsarion, the son of J. Cæsar, by queen Cleopatra, was, at the age of 15, proclaimed by
Antony and his mother, king of Cyprus, Egypt, and Cæsarea. He was put to death five years after by Augustus. Suet. in Aug. 17, 8
Cæsarius,
Cæsennius Petus, a general sent by Nero to Armenia, &c. Tacit. 13, Ann. 6 & 25.
Cæcilius, a Roman who protected his children against Cæsar. Val. Max. 3, c. 7.
Cælia, a surname of Minerva.—A wood in Germany. Tacit. 1, Ann. c. 50.
Cæsius, a Latin poet, whose talents were not of uncommon brilliancy. Catull. — A lyric and heroic poet in the reign of Nero. Persia.
Cæso, a son of Q. Cincinnatus, who revolted to the Volsci.
Cæsonia, a lascivious woman, who married Caligula, and was murdered with her daughter Julia at the same time. Suet. in Calig. c. 59.
Cæsennius Maximus, was banished from Italy by Nero, on account of his friendship with Seneca, &c. Tacit. 15, Ann. c. 71.
Carthulus, a town of Spain. Strab. 2.
Cagaco, a fountain of Lacinia. Paus. 3
Cæcina, a river of Locri. Thucyd. 3, 133.
Calleta, a town, promontory, and harbour of Campania, which receives its name from Calleta, the nurse of Æneas, who was buried there. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 1.
Caius and Caiia, a prænomen very common at Rome to both sexes C, in its natural position, denoted the man's name, and when reversed it implied Caiia. Quintil. 1, c. 7.
Caius, a son of Agrippia by Julia. Vit. Agrippa.
Q. Calaber, wrote a Greek poem in 14 books, as a continuation of Homer's Iliad, about the beginning of the third century. The best editions of this elegant and well written work, are, that of Rhodoman. 12mo. Hanover, 1604, with the notes of Dausqueins, and that of Pauw, 8vo. L. Bret. 1734.
Callabria, a country of Italy in Magna Graecia. It has been called Messapia, Japygia, Salentina, and Peucetia. The poet Sannus was born there. The country was fertile, and produced a variety of fruits, much cattle, and excellent honey. Virg. G. 3, 425. —Horat. 1, od. 31. Epod. 1, v. 27. l. 1, ep. 7, v. 24. —Strab. 6. —Mela. 2, c. 4. —Plin. 8. c. 48. —Calamuritani, a people of Spain who ate their wives and children, rather than to yield to Pompey. Val. Max. 7; c. 6.
Calais and Zethes. Vit. Zethes.
Catagus, a river of Spain. Flor. 3, c. 22.
Calamisia, a place of Samos. Herodot. 9.
Calamos, a town of Asia, near mount Libanus. Plin. 5, c. 30. —A town of Phocnia. —Another of Babylonia.
CALIMEDONI, Vid. Chalcedon

CALCHINIA, a daughter of Leucippus. She had a son by Neptune, who inherited his grandfather's kingdom of Sicyon. Paus. 2, c. 3.

CALDUS CALLIUS, a Roman who killed himself when detained by the Germans. Paterc. 2, c. 120.

CALE, es, CALES, iun, and CALÉNUM, a town of Campania. Horat. 4, od. 12.—Jul. 1, v. 69.—Sil. 8, v. 413.—Virg. En. 7, v. 723.

CALÉDÔNA, a country at the north of Britain, now called Scotland. The reddish hair and lofty stature of its inhabitants seem to denote a German extraction, as Tacit. in vita Agric. mentions. Martial 10, ep. 44.—Sil. 3, v. 598.

CALÉNUS, a famous soothsayer of Etruria, in the age of Tarquin. Plin. 28, c. 2.—A lieutenant of Caesar's army. After Caesar's murder, he concealed some that had been proscribed by the triumvirs, and behaved with great honour to them. Plut in Cas.

CALES, Vid. Cale.—A city of Bithynia on the Euxine. Arrian

CALESIUS, a charioteer of Axylos, killed by Diomedes in the Trojan war. Homer. II. 6, v. 16.

CALÈTE, a people of Belgic Gaul. Ces. bell. G. 2, c. 4. Their town is called Catetum.

CALÈTOR, a Trojan prince, slain by Ajax as he was going to set fire to the ship of Protesilaus. Homer. II. 15, v. 419.

CALEX, a river of Asia Minor, falling into the Euxine sea. Thucyd. 4, c. 75.

CALİADNE, the wife of Aégypius. Apollod. 2, c. 1.

CALİCÊNI, a people of Macedonia.

M. CALIDIUS, an orator and pretorian who died in the civil wars, &c. Ces. bell. Cin. 1, c. 2.—L. Julius, a man remarkable for his riches, the excellency of his character, his learning and poetical abilities. He was proscribed by Volumnius, but delivered by Atticus. C. Nep. in Attic. 12.

C. CALIÇULÀ, the emperor, received this surname from his wearing in the camp the Caliga, a military covering for the leg. He was son of Germanicus by Agrippina, and grandson to Tiberius. During the first eight months of his reign, Rome expected universal prosperity, the exiles were recalled, taxes were remitted, and profligates dismissed; but Caligula soon became proud, wanton, and cruel. He built a temple to himself, and ordered his head to be placed on the images of the gods, while he wished to imitate the thunders and power of Jupiter. The statues of all great men were removed, as if Rome would sooner forget her virtues in their absence; and he appeared in public places in the most indecent manner, encouraged roguery, committed incest with his three sisters, and established public places of prostitution. He often amused himself with putting innocent people to death; he attempted to famish Rome by a monopoly of corn; and as he was pleased with the greatest disasters which befell his subjects, he often wished the Romans had but one head, that he might have the gratification to strike it off; wild beasts were constantly fed in his palace with human victims, and a favourite horse was made high-priest and consul, and kept in marble apartments, and adorned with the most valuable trappings and pearls the Roman empire could furnish. He built a bridge upwards of three miles in the sea; and would perhaps have shown himself more tyrannical, had not Chereas, one of his servants, formed a conspiracy against his life, with others equally tired with the cruelties and the insults that were offered with impunity to the persons and feelings of the Romans. In consequence of this, the tyrant was murdered January 24, in his 29th year, after a reign of three years and ten months, A. D. 41. It has been said, that Caligula wrote a treatise on rhetoric; but his love of learning is better understood from his attempts to destroy the writings of Homer and of Virgil. Dio.—Sueton. in vita.—Tacit. Am.

CALIFUS, a mathematician of Cyzicus, B. C. 330.

CALIS, a man in Alexander's army, tortured for conspiring against the king. Curt. 6, c. 11.

CALLESCRUS, the father of Critias. Plut. in Alcib.

CALLAIČ, a people of Lusitania. Ovid. 6, Fast. v. 461.

CALLAS, a general of Alexander. Diod. 17.

—Of Cassander against Polyperchon. Id. 19.—A river of Euboea.

CALLATÊSU, a town of Caria. Herodot. 7, c. 32.

CALLETERIA, a town of Campania.

CALLÈNI, a people of Campania.

CALLIA, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 27.

CALLIADÊS, a magistrate of Athens when Xerxes invaded Greece. Herodot. 8, c. 51.

CALLIAS, an Athenian appointed to make peace between Artaxerxes and his country. Diod. 12.—A son of Temenus, who murdered his father, with the assistance of his brothers. Apollod. 2, 6.—A Greek poet, son of Lysimachus. His compositions are lost. Athen. 10.

—A partial historian of Syracuse. He wrote an account of the Sicilian wars, and was well rewarded by Agathocles, because he had shown him in a favourable view. Athens. 12.—Dionys. An Athenian greatly revered for his patriotism. Herodot. 6, c. 121.

—A soothsayer.—An Athenian, commandant of a fleet against Philip, whose ships he took, &c.—A rich Athenian, who liberated Cinon from prison, on condition of marrying his sister and wife Elpinice. C. Nep. & Plut. in Cim.—A historian, wrote an explanation of the poems of Alceus and Sappho.

CALLIBUS, a general in the war between Mantinea and Sparta. Xenoph. Hist. G.

CALLICÊROS, a Greek poet, some of whose epigrams are preserved in the Anthologiae.

CALLICHÖRUS, a place of Phocis, where the orgies of Bacchus were yearly celebrated.

CALLICLES, an Athenian, whose house was not searched on account of his recent marriage, when an enquiry was made after the money
given by Harpalus, &c. *Pist. in Demoth.*—A
statuary of Megara.

**Callicola**na, a place of Troy, near the
Samos.

**Callicraste**, an Athenian, who seized
upon the sovereignty of Syracuse, by imposing
upon Dion when he had lost his popularity.
He was expelled by the sons of Dionysius. C.
*Nep. in Dion.*—An officer entrusted with
the care of the treasures of Susa by Alexander.
*Cur. 5*, c. 2.—An artist, who made, with
ivory, ants and other insects, so small that they
could scarcely be seen. It is said that he
graved some of Homer's verses upon a grain of
c. 17.—An Achæan, who, by his perfidy,
constrained the Athenians to submit to Rome.
*Paus. 7*, c. 10.—A Syrian, who wrote an
account of Aurelian's life.—A brave Athenian
killed at the battle of Platea. *Herodot. 9*,
c. 72.

**Callicratidas**, a Spartan, who succeeded
Lyssander in the command of the fleet. He
took Methymna, and routed the Athenian fleet
under Conon. He was defeated and killed near
the Arginusae, in a naval battle, B. C. 406. *Diod.
13.*—Xenoph. *Hist. G.*—One of the four ambas-
dassadors sent by the Lacedaemonians to Darius,
upon the rupture of their alliance with Alex-
ander. *Cur. 3*, c. 13.—A Pythagorean
writer.

**Callidias**, a celebrated Roman orator, con-
temporary with Cicero. *Cic. in Brut.* 274.—
*Petr. 2*, c. 36.

**Calliromus**, a place near Thermopylae.
*Thucyd. 8*, c. 6.

**Calligetus**, a man of Megara, received in
his banishment by Pharnabazus. *Thucyd. 9*,
c. 6.

**Callimachus**, an historian and poet of Cy-
rene, son of Battus and Mesatma. He had,
in the age of Ptolemy Philadelphus, kept a
school at Alexandria, and had Apollonius of
Rhodes among his pupils, whose ingratitude
obliged Callimachus to lash him severely in a
satirical poem, under the name of *Ibis*. The
Ibis of Ovid is an imitation of this piece. He
wrote a work in 120 books on famous men, be-
sides treatises on birds; but of all his nume-
rous compositions, only a few epigrams, an
elegy, and some hymns, are extant; the best
editions of which are that of Ernestus, two vols.
8vo. L. Bat. 1761; and that of Vulcanius,
12mo. Antwerp, 1584. Propertius styled him-
self the Roman Callimachus. *Propert.* 4, cl. 1,
v. 65.—Cic. *Tusc.* 1, c. 84.—Horat. 2, ep. 2,
v. 109.—Quintil. 10, c. 1.—An Athenian ge-
neral, killed in the battle of Marathon. His
body was found in an erect posture, all covered
with wounds. *Plut.*—A Colophonian, who
wrote the life of Homer. *Plut.*

**Callimédon**, a partizan of Phocion, at
Athens.

**Callimèdes**, a youth ordered to be killed
and served up as meat by Apollodorus of Cas-
sandra. *Polyen.* 6, c. 7.

**Callinus**, an orator, who is said to have first
invented elegiac poetry, B. C. 776. Some of
his verses are to be found in *Stobæus. Athen.
—Strab. 13.*

**Calliopen**, one of the muses, daughter of
Jupiter and Mnemosyne, who presided over
elegance and heroic poetry. She is said to be
the mother of Orpheus by Apollo, and Horace
supposes her able to play on any musical
instrument. She was represented with books in
her hand, which signified that her office was
to take notice of the famous actions of heroes,
as Clio was employed in celebrating them; and
she held the three most famous epic poems of
antiquity, and appeared generally crowned with
laurel. She settled the dispute between Ve-
num and Proserpine, concerning Adonis, whose
company these two goddesses wished both per-
petually to enjoy. *Hesiod. Theog.*—*Apollod.
1*, c. 3.—*Horat. od.*

**Callipatira**, daughter of Diagoras, and
wife of Callisthenes the athlete, went disguised in
man's clothes, with her son Pisdorus to the
Olympic games. When Pisdorus was declared
victor, she discovered her sex, through the ex-
cess of joy, and was arrested, as women were
not permitted to appear there. The victory of
her son obtained her release; and a law was
instantly made which forbad any wrestlers to
appear but naked. *Paus. 5*, c. 6. l. 6, c. 7.

**Calliphon**, a painter of Samos, famous for
his historical pieces. *Plin. 10*, c. 26.—A phi-
losopher, who made the *sumnum bonum* consist
in pleasure joined to the love of honesty. This
system was defeated by Cicero, *Quast. Acad.*
c. 131 & 139. *de Off. 3*, c. 119.

**Calliphon**, a celebrated dancing master
who had Epaminondas among his pupils. *C
Nep. in Epan.*

**Callisse**, a people of Scythia. *Herodot.
4*, c. 17.

**Callipolis**, a city of Thrace. *Sil. 11*, v.
250.—A town of Sicily near *Aetna.*—A city of
Calabria on the coast of Tarentum, on a
rocky island, joined by a bridge to the continent.
It is now called Callipoli, and contains 6000
inhabitants, who trade in oil and cotton.

**Callius**, an Athenian, disciple to Plato.
He destroyed Dion, &c. *C. Nep. in Dion.*

A Corinthian, who wrote an history of Orcho-
menos. *Paus. 6*, c. 29.—A philosopher.
*Diog. in Zen.*—A general of the Athenians
when the Gauls invaded Greece by Thermopy-
lae. *Paus. 1*, c. 3.

**Calliphryges**, a surname of Venus.

**Callirhoë**, a daughter of the Scamander
who married Tros, by whom she had Ilus, Ga-
ymede, and Assaracus. —A fountain of At-
tica, where Callirhoe killed herself. *Vid. Co-
resus. Paus. 7*, c. 21.—Stat. 12.—Theb. v. 629.

A daughter of Oceanus and Tethys, mother of
Echidna, Orthos, and Cerberus, by Chryssoor.
*Hesiod.* A daughter of Lycurgus of Tylis, tyrant of
Lyba, who kindly received Diomedes at his return
from Troy. He abandoned her, upon which she
killed herself.—A daughter of the Achelous,
8*, c. 24.—A daughter of Phocus the Bovian,
whose beauty procured her many admirers.
Her father behaved with such coldness to her
...that they murdered him. Callirhoe avenged his death with the assistance of the Brouetians. Plut. Amat. Narr.—A daughter of Pais and Niobe. Hygin. fab. 145.

Calliste, an island of the Ægean sea, called afterwards Thera. Plut. 4, c. 12.—Paus. 3, c. 1.—Its chief town was founded 1150 years before the Christian era, by Theras.

Callistelia, a festival at Lesbos, during which all the women presented themselves in the temple of Juno, and the fairest was rewarded in a public manner. There was also an institution of the same kind among the Parthians, first made by Cypselus, whose wife was honoured with the first prize. The Eleans had one also, in which the fairest man received, as a prize, a complete suit of armour, which he dedicated to Minerva.

Callisthenes, a Greek, who wrote an history of his own country in ten books, beginning from the peace between Artaxerxes and Greece, down to the plundering of the temple of Delphi by Philomelus. Diod. 14.—A man who with others attempted to expel the garrison of Demetrius from Athens. Polygen. 3, c. 17.—A philosopher of Olynthus, intimate with Alexander, whom he accompanied in his oriental expedition in the capacity of a preceptor, and to whom he had been recommended by his friend and master, Aristotle. He refused to pay divine honours to the king, for which he was accused of conspiracy, mutilated, exposed to wild beasts, dragged about in chains, till Lysmachus gave him poison, which ended together his torture and his life. B. C. 323. None of his compositions are extant. Curt. 8, c. 6.—Plut. in Alex.—Arrian. 4.—Justin. 12, c. 6 & 7.—A writer of Sybaris. Curt. 8, c. 6.—He said that he gave poison to his master. Plut. in Lucull.

Callisto and Calisto, called also Helice, was daughter of Lycaon king of Arcadia, and one of Diana's attendants. Jupiter saw her, and seduced her after he had assumed the shape of Diana. Her pregnancy was discovered as she bathed with Diana; and the fruit of her amour with Jupiter, called Arcas, was hid in the woods, and preserved. Juno, who was jealous of Jupiter, changed Calisto into a bear; but the god, apprehensive of her being hurt by the huntsmen, made her a constellation of heaven, with her son Arcas, under the name of the bear. Ovid. Met. 2, fab. 4, &c.—Apollod. 3, c. 8.—Hygin. fab. 176 & 177.—Paus. 8, c. 3.

Callisthenes, a celebrated satyratic at Thebes. Paus. 9, c. 16.

Callisthenes, an Athenian appointed general with Timotheus and Chabrias against Lacedaemon. Diod. 15.—An orator of Aphidna, in the time of Epaminondas, the most eloquent of his age. An Athenian orator, with whom Demosthenes made an intimate acquaintance after he had heard him plead. Xenophon.


A satyratic. Plut. 34, c. 8.—A secretary of Mithridates. Plut. in Lucull. A gram-...
ordered in the civil wars of Marius. Patere. 2 c. 26. — The wife of J. Caesar. Vid. Calphur- 
na.—A favourite of the emperor Claudius, &c. Tacit. Ann. —A woman ruined by Agripp-
ina on account of her beauty, &c. Tacit
Calvia, a female minister of Nero's lusts. 
Tacit. Hist. 1, c. 3.
Calvina, a profligate in Juvenal's age, 3, v. 
135.
Ca
isius, a friend of Augustus. Plut. in 
Anton.—An officer whose wife prostituted 
herself in his camp by night, &c. Tacit. 1, Hist. 
c. 48.
Calumnia and Impudentia, two deities 
worshipped at Athens. Calumnus was inge-
niously represented in a painting by Apelles.
Calusidius, a soldier in the army of 
Germancus. When this general wished to stab 
himself with his sword, Calusidius offered 
his own, observing that it was sharper. Tacit. 
1, Ann. c. 35.
Calusius, a town of Etruria.
Calvus Corn. Licinius, a famous orator, 
equally famous for writing iambics. As he 
was both factious and satirical, he did not fail 
to excite attention by his animadversions upon 
Caesar and Pompey, and, from his eloquence, 
to dispute the palm of eloquence with Cicero. 
Calvbe, a town of Thrace. Strab. 17. —
The mother of Bucolion by Laomedon. Apollo.
c. 3. c. 12.—An old woman, priestess in 
the temple which Juno had at Ardea. Virg. En. 
7, v. 419.
Calycades, a river of Cilicia.
Calych, a daughter of Æolus, son of He-
lenus and Enaretta daughter of Deimachus. 
She had Endymion, king of Elia, by Æthlius 
the son of Jupiter. Apollo. 1, c. 7. — Paus. 5, 
c. 1. — A Grecian girl, who fell in love with 
a youth. As she was unable to gain the object 
of her love, she threw herself from a precipice. 
This tragic story was made into a song by 
Stesichorus, and was still extant in the age of 
Albeus. 14. — A daughter of Hecaton, mother 
Calsidius, a town of the Appian way.
Calydna, an island in the Myroean sea. 
Some suppose it to be near Rhodes, others near 
Tenedos. Ovid. Met. 8, v. 205.
Calydon, a city of Ætolia, where Æneas 
the father of Meleager reigned. The Evenus 
flows through it, and receives its name from 
Calydon the son of Æolus. During the reign of 
Æneas, Diana sent a wild boar to ravage the 
country, on account of the neglect which had 
been shown to her divinity by the king. All 
the princes of the age assembled to hunt this 
boar, which is greatly celebrated by the poets, 
under the name of the chace of Calydon or the 
Calydonian boar. Meleager killed the animal 
with his own hand, and gave the head to 
Atalanta, of whom he was enamoured. The skin 
of the boar was preserved, and was still seen 
in tapestry of Pausanias, in the temple of Minerva 
Alca. The tusks were also preserved by the 
Arcadians in Tegea, and Augustus carried 
them away to Rome, because the people of 
Tegea had followed the party of Antony. 
These tusks were shewn for a long time at 
Rome. One of them was about half an ell 
long, and the other was broken. [Vid. 
Meleager and Atalanta.] Apollo. 1, c. 8. — 
Paus. 8, c. 45. — Strab. 8. — Homer. II. 9, v. 577. 
— Hygin. fab. 174. — Ovid. Met. 8, fab. 4, &c
Calydon, a name of Æolus and Pronoe daughter 
Phoebas. He gave his name to a town of 
Æolia.
Calydonia, a name of Deianira, as living 
in Calydon. Ovid. Met. 9, fab. 4.
Calydonius, a surname of Bacchus.
Calyrne, an island near Lebynths. Ovid. 
Calynida, a name of Caria. Ptol. 5, c. 3.
Calyspo, one of the Oceanides, or one of 
the daughters of Atlas, according to some, 
was goddess of silence, and reigned in the island 
of Ogygus, whose situation and even existence 
is doubted. When Ulysses was shipwrecked 
on her coasts, she received him with great 
hospitality, and offered him immortality if he 
would remain with her as a husband. The 
hero refused, and after seven years' delay, he 
was permitted to depart from the island by 
order of Mercury, the messenger of Jupiter. 
During his stay, Ulysses had two sons by 
Dalys Nausitlous and Nausinous, Calyspo 
was inconsolable at the departure of 
v. 360. — Ovid de Pont. 4, ep. 18. Amor. 2, 
el. 17. — Propert 1, el. 15.
Camantia, a town of Asia Minor.
Camaria, a town of Italy. — A lake of 
Sicily, with a town of the same name, built 
B. C. 552. It was destroyed by the Syra-
cusans, and rebuilt by a certain Hipponus. 
The lake was drained contrary to the advice of 
Apollo, as the ancients supposed, and a 
pestilence was the consequence; but the low-
ness of the lake below the level of the sea 
prevents its being drained. The words 
Camarinam movere are become proverbial 
to express an unsuccessful and dangerous attempt. 
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Cambaules, a general of some Gauls who 
invaded Greece. Paus. 10, c. 19.
Cambres, a prince of Lydia, of such vor-
cious appetite that he ate his own wife, &c. 
Clem. 1, v. II. c. 27.
Cambunii, mountains of Macedonia. Liv. 
42, c. 53.
Cambyse, king of Persia, was son of 
Cyrus the Great. He conquered Egypt and 
was so offended at the superstition of the 
Egyptians, that he killed their god Apis, and 
plundered their temples. When he wished to 
take Pelusium, he placed at the head of his 
army a number of cats and dogs; and the 
Egyptians, refusing to kill their dogs, in at-
ttempting to defend themselves, became an easy 
prey to the enemy. Cambyses afterwards sent 
an army of 50,000 men to destroy Jupit-
Ammon's temple, and resolve to attack the Carthaginians and Ethiopians. He killed his brother Mergus from mere suspicion, and fleed alive a partial judge, whose skin he nailed on the judgment-seat, and appointed his son to succeed him, telling him to remember where he sat. He died of a small wound he had given himself with his sword as he mounted on horseback; and the Egyptians observed, that it was the same place on which he had wounded their god Apis, and that therefore he was visited by the hand of the gods. His death happened 521 years before Christ. He left no issue to succeed him and his throne was usurped by the magi, and ascended by Darius soon after. Herodot. 2, 3, &c.—Justin. 1, c. 9.—Val. Max. 6, c. 3.—A Persian of obscure origin, to whom king Astyages gave his daughter Mandane in marriage. The king, who had been terrified by dreams which threatened the loss of his crown by the hand of his daughter's son, had taken this step in hope that the children of so ignoble a bed would ever remain in obscurity. He was disappointed. Cyrus, Mandane's son, dethroned him when grown to manhood. Herodot. 1, c. 46, 107, &c.—Justin. 1, c. 4.—A river of Asia, which flows from mount Caucasus into the Euxine. Meis, 3, c. 5.

CAMELIA, a people of Italy.

CAMELIAE, a people of Mesopotamia.


CAMERINUM and CAMERTIUM, a town of Umbria, very faithful to Rome. Liv. 9, c. 36.

CAMIUM, a town of Italy near Rome, taken by Romulus. Plut. in Rom.

CAMERINUS, a Latin poet, who wrote a poem on the taking of Troy by Hercules. Ov. 4, ex Pent. el. 15, v. 19. Some of the family of the Camerini were distinguished for their zeal as citizens, as well as for their abilities as scholars, among whom was Sulpicius, commissioned by the Roman senate to go to Athens, to collect the best of Solon's laws. Jun. 7, v. 90.

CAMERTES, a friend of Turnus, killed by Æneas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 562.

CAMILLA, queen of the Volsci, was daughter of Metabclus and Casimilla. She was educated in the woods, inured to the labours of hunting, and fed upon the milk of mares. Her father dedicated her, when young, to the service of Diana. When she was declared queen, she marched to assist Turnus against Æneas, where she signalized herself by the numbers that perished by her hand. She was so swift that she could run, or rather fly, over a field of corn without bending the blades, and make her way over the sea without wetting her feet. She died by a wound she received from Aruns. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 803. L. 11, v. 435.

CAMILLI and CAMILLÆ, the priests instituted by Romulus for the service of the gods.

CAMILLUS, (L. Furius) a celebrated Roman, called a second Romulus, from his services to his country. He was banished by the people for distributing, contrary to his vow, the spoils he had obtained at Veii. During his exile Rome was besieged by the Gauls under Brennus. In the midst of their misfortunes, the besieged Romans elected him dictator, and he forgot their ingratitude, and marched to the relief of his country, which he delivered, after it had been for some time in the possession of the enemy. He died in the 80th year of his age, B. C. 365, after he had been five times dictator, once censor, three times interrex, twice a military tribune, and obtained four triumphs. He conquered the Hernici, Volsci, Latini, and Etrurians, and dissuaded his countrymen from their intentions of leaving Rome to reside at Veii. When he besieged Falisci, he rejected with proper indignation the offers of a schoolmaster, who had betrayed into his hands the sons of the most worthy citizens. Plut. in Vita.—Liv. 5.—Flor. 1, c. 13.—Dist. 14.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 825.—A name of Mercury. An intimate friend of Cicero.

CAMIS and CLYTA, two daughters of Pandarus of Crete. When their parents were dead, they were left to the care of Venus; who, with the other goddesses, brought them up with tenderness, and asked Jupiter to grant them kind husbands. Jupiter, to punish upon them the crime of their father, who was accessory to the impiety of Tantalus, ordered the harpies to carry them away and deliver them to the furies. Paus. 10, c. 50.—Homer. Od. 20.

CAMIRUS and CAMIRA, a town of Rhodes, which receives its name from Camirus, a son of Hercules and Jole. Homer, II. 2, v. 163.

CAMISARES, a governor of part of Cilicia, father to Datames. C. Nep. in Dat.

CAMMA, a woman of Galatia, who avenged the death of her husband Sinetus upon his murderer Sinbri, by making him drink a cup, of which the liquor was poisoned, on pretence of marrying him, according to the custom of their country, which required that the bridegroom and his bride should drink out of the same vessel. She escaped by refusing to drink, on pretence of illness. Polyb. 8, 4.

CAMPNO, a name given to the muses, from the sweetness and melody of their songs, a cantu amore, or, according to Varro, from carmen. Varro de I. L. 5, c. 7.

CAMPANALEX, or Julian agrarian law, was enacted by J. Cesar, A. U. C. 691, to divide some lands among the people.

CAMPANIA, a country of Italy, of which Capua was the capital, bounded by Latium, Samnium, Picenum, and part of the Mediterranean sea. It is celebrated for its delightful views, and for its fertility. Capua is often called Campana urbs. Strab. 5.—Cic. de leg. Agr. c. 35.—Justin. 20, c. 1. l. 92, c. 1.—Plin. 6, c. 5.—Mela, 2, c. 4.—Flor. 1, c. 16.

CAMPE, kept the 100-handed monsters confined in Tartarus. Jupiter killed her, because she refused to give them their liberty to come to his assistance against the Titans. Hist. Theog. 500.—Apollod. 1, c. 9.

CAMPARO and PANCASO, a beautiful concubine of Alexander, whom the king gave to
Apelles, who had fallen in love with her, as he drew her picture in her naked charms. Plin. 39. c. 10.

**Campi Diomedis**, a plain situate in Apulia. Mart. 13. ep. 93.

**Campsa**, a town near Pallene. Herodot. 7. c. 125.

**Campus Martius**, a large plain at Rome, without the walls of the city, where the Roman youth performed their exercises, and learnt to wrestle and box, to throw the discus, hurl the javelin, ride a horse, drive a chariot, &c. The public assemblies were held there, and the officers of state chosen, and audience given to foreign ambassadors. It was adorned with statues, columns, arches, and porticoes, and its pleasant situation made it very frequented. It was called Martius, because dedicated to Mars. It was sometimes called Tiberinus, from its closeness to the Tiber. It was given to the Roman people by a vestal virgin; but they were deprived of it by Tarquin the Proud, who made it a private field, and sowed corn in it. When Tarquin was driven from Rome, the people recovered it, and threw away into the Tiber the corn which had grown there, deeming it unlawful for any man to eat of the produce of that land. The sheaves which were thrown into the river stopped in a shallow ford, and by the accumulated collection of mud became firm ground, and formed an island, which was called the Holy Island, or the island of Eeclusaplius. Dead carcases were generally burnt in the Campus Martius. Strab. 5. —Liv. 2. c. 5. 1. 6. c. 20.

**Camulogines**, a Gaul, raised to great honours by Cesar, for his military abilities. Cas. beli. G. 7. c. 57.

**Cana**, a city and promontory of Eoia. Mel. 1. c. 15.

**Canae**, a daughter of Eolus and Enaretta, who became enamoured of her brother Macarceus, by whom she had a child, whom she exposed. The cries of the child discovered his mother's incest; and Eolus sent his daughter a sword, and obliged her to kill herself. Macarceus fled, and became a priest of Apollo, at Delphi. Some say that Canace was ravished by Neptune, by whom she had many children, among whom were Epopeus, Triops, and Alous. Apollod. 1. —Hygin. fab. 238 & 242. —Ov. d. H. 1. Trist. 2. v. 384.

**Canache**, one of Actaeon's dogs.

**Canachus**, a statuary of Sicyon. Paus. 6. c. 25.

**Cana**, a city of Locria, —of Eoia.

**Canaari**, a people near mount Atlas in Africa, who received this name because they fed in common with their dogs. The islands which they inhabited were called Fortunati by the ancients, and are now known by the name of Canaries. Plin. 5. c. 1.

**Canarius**, a fountain of Nauplia, where Juno yearly washed herself to receive her infant purity. Paus. 2. c. 35.

**Candace**, a queen of Ethiopia, in the age of Augustus, so prudent and meritorious that her successors always bore her name. She was blind of one eye. Plin. 6. c. 39. —Diss. 44. —Strab. 17.

**Candavia**, a mountain of Epirus, which separates Illyria from Macedonia. Lucan. 6. v. 331.

**Candules, or Myrsilus, son of Myrus**, was the last of the Heraclides who sat on the throne of Lydia. He shewed his wife naked to Gyges, one of his ministers; and the queen was incensed, that she ordered Gyges to murder her husband, 719 years before the Christian era. After this murder, Gyges married the queen, and ascended the throne. Justin. 1. c. 7. —Herodot. 1. c. 7. &c. —Plut. Simp.

**Candei**, a people of Arabia who fed on serpents.

**Candiope**, a daughter of Oneopion, ravished by her brother.

**Candysa**, a town of Lycia.

**Canens**, a nymph, wife to Picus king of the Laurentes. When Circe had changed her husband into a bird, she lamented him so much, that she pined away, and was changed into a voice. She was reckoned as a deity by the inhabitants. Ovid. Met. 14. fab. 9.

**Canephoria**, festivals at Athens in honour of Bacchus, or, according to others, of Diana, in which all marriageable women offered small baskets to the deity. Cic. in. Ver. 4.

**Canethum**, a place of Eubea.—A mountain of Beotia.

**Caniculares dieis**, certain days in the summer, in which the star Canis is said to influence the season, and to make the days more warm during its appearance. Mantilus.

**Candia**, a certain woman of Neapolis, against whom Horace inveighed as a sorceress. Horat. epod.

**Candidus**, a tribune who proposed a law to empower Pompey to go only with two lieutenants to reconcile Ptolemy and the Alexandrians. Plut. in. Pomp.

**Caninfrates**, a people near the Batari. Tacit. Hist. 4. c. 15.

C. Caninus Aemilius, a consul with J. Caesar, after the death of Trebonius. He was consul only for seven hours, because his predecessor died the last day of the year, and he was chosen only for the remaining part of the day; whence Cicero observed, that Rome was greatly indebted to him for his vigilance, as he had not slept during the whole time of his consulsip. Cic. 7. ad. Fam. ep. 33. —Plut. in. C.


**Canestius**, a Lacedaemonian courier, who ran 1200 stadia in one day. Plin. 7. c. 20.

**Canius**, a poet of Gades, contemporary with Martial. He was so naturally merry that he always laughed. Mart. 1. ep. 62. —A Roman knight who went to Sicily for his amusement, where he bought gardens well stocked with fish, which disappeared on the morrow. Cic. 3. de. Offic. 14.

**Canne**, a small village of Apulia near the
Aulus, where Hannibal conquered the Roman consul, P. Emilius and Terentius Varro, and slaughtered 40,000 Romans, on the 21st of May, B. C. 216. Liv. 22, c. 44.—Flor. 2, c. 6.—Plut. in Anhib.

Canopicum Ostium, one of the mouths of the Nile, 12 miles from Alexandria. Paus. 5, c. 24.

Canopus, a city of Egypt, 12 miles from Alexandria, celebrated for the temple of Serapis. It receives its name from Canopus the pilot of the vessel of Menelaus, who was buried in this place. The inhabitants are dissolute in their manners. Virgil bestows upon it the epithet of Peléeus, because Alexander, who was born at Edea, built Alexandria in the neighbourhood. Ital. 11, v. 433.—Mela, 1, c. 9.—Strab. 17.—Plin. 5, c. 32.—Verg. G. 4, v. 287.—The pilot of the ship of Menelaus, who was buried in this place of Egypt, by the bite of serpent. Mela, 2, c. 7.

Cantabria, a river falling into the Indus. Plin. 6, c. 30.

Cantabrì, a ferocious people of Spain, who rebelled against Augustus, by whom they were conquered; their country is now called Biscay. Liv. 3, v. 329.—Horat. 2, od. 6 & 11.

Cantabrique Lacus, a lake in Spain, where a thunder-bolt fell, and in which 12 axes were found. Suet. in Calb. 8.

Cantharos, a famous sculptor of Sicyon. Diod. 6, c. 17.—A comic poet of Athens.

Canthus, a son of Abas, one of the Argonauts.

Cantium, a country in the eastern parts of Britain. Cat. bell. G. 5.

Canuleia, one of the four first vestal virgins chosen by Numa. Plut.—A law. Vid. Canuleius.

Canuleius, a tribune of the people of Rome, A. U. C. 310, who made a law to render it constitutional for the patricians and plebeians to intermarry. It ordained also, that one of the consuls should be yearly chosen from the plebeians. Liv. 4, c. 3, &c.—Flor. 1, c. 7.

Canulla, a Roman virgin, who became pregnant by her brother, and killed herself by order of her father. Plut. in Parall.

Canusium, a town of Apulia whither the Romans fled after the battle of Canne. It was built by Diomedes, and its inhabitants have been called bilingues, because they retained the language of their founder, and likewise adopted that of their neighbours. Horat. 1, Sat. 10, v. 30.—Mela, 2, c. 4.—Plin. 8, c. 11.

Canusius, a Greek historian under Ptolemy Auletes. Plut.

Canusius Tiberinus, a tribune of the people, who, like Cicero, furiously attacked Antony when declared an enemy to the state. His satire cost him his life. Paterc. 2, c. 64.—A Roman actor. Plut. in Brut.

Capaneus, a noble Argive, son of Hippocoon and Astinoe, and husband to Evadne. He was so impious, that when he went to the Theban war, he declared that he would take Thebes even in spite of Jupiter. Such contempt provoked the god, who struck him dead with a thunder-bolt. His body was burnt separately from the others, and his wife threw herself on the burning pile to mingle her ashes with his. It is said that Escolus restored him to life. Ovid. Met. 9, v. 404.—Stat. Theb. 5, &c.—Hygin. fab. 68 & 70.—Eurip. in Phænis. Suppl. 2, 15.—Escol. Sept. Ante. Theb.


Capeni, a people of Etruria, in whose territory Feronia had a grove and a temple. Verg. Aen. 7, v. 697.—Liv. 22, &c.

Caper, a river of Asia Minor.

Capetus, a king of Alba, who reigned 96 years. Dionys.—A suitor of Hippodamia. Paus. 6, c. 21.

Caprææus, a lofty mountain and promontory of Eubea, where Nauplius king of this country, to revenge the death of his son Palaomedes, slain by Ulysses, set a burning torch in the darkness of the night, which caused the Greeks to be shipwrecked on the coast. Verg. Aen. 11, v. 260.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 418.—Prop. 4, el. 1, n. 115.

Caprya, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 23.

Caprio, a Roman, famous for his friendship with Cato. Plut. de Patr. Am.

Capito, the uncle of Paterculus, who joined Agrippa against Cassius. Paterc. 2, c. 69.

Fonteus, a man sent by Antony to settle his disputes with Augustus. Horat. 1, Sat. 5, v. 32.—A man accused of extortion in Cilicia, and severely punished by the senate. Jun. 6, v. 93.—An epic poet of Alexandria, who wrote on love.—An historian of Lycia, who wrote an account of Isauria in eight books.

A poet who wrote on illustrious men.

Caprotinie Luda, games yearly celebrated at Rome in honour of Jupiter, who preserved the capital from the Gauls.

Capitolinus, a surname of Jupiter, from his temple on mount Capitolinus. A surname of M. Manlius, who for his ambition was thrown down from the Tarpeian rock which he had so nobly defended. A mountain at Rome, called also Mons Tarpeius, and Mons Saturnius. The capital was built upon it. A man of lascivious morals, consul with Marcellus. Plut. in Marcell. 1, n. 11—Julius, an author in Dioclesian’s reign, who wrote an account of the life of Verus, Antonius Pius, the Gordians, &c.—most of which are now lost.

Capitolium, a celebrated temple and citadel at Rome on the Tarpeian rock, the plan of which was made by Tarquin Priscus. It was begun by Servius Tullius, finished by Tarquin Superbus, and consecrated by the consul Horatius after the expulsion of the Tarquins from Rome. It was built upon four acres of ground;
the front was adorned with three rows of pil-
ars, and the other sides with two. The ascent
to it from the ground was by an hundred steps.
The magnificence and richness of this temple
are almost incredible. All the consuls suc-
cessively made donations to the capitol, and
Augustus bestowed upon it at one time 2000
sounds weight of gold. Its thresholds were
made of brass, and its roof was gold. It was
adorned with vessels and shields of solid silver,
with golden chariots, &c. It was burnt during
the civil wars of Marius, and Sylla rebuilt it,
and died before the dedication, which was per-
formed by Q. Catullus. It was again destroyed
in the troubles under Vitellius; and Vespas-
ian, who endeavoured to repair it, saw it again
in ruins at his death. Domitian raised it again,
for the last time, and made it more grand and
magnificent than any of his predecessors, and
spent 12,000 talents in gilding it. When they
first dug for the foundations, they found a man's
head, called Tolius, some years before, interred
in the ground, and from thence drew an omen of
the future greatness of the Roman empire. The
hill was from that circumstance called Capitoli-
xum, a copite Toli. The consuls and magis-
tiates offerred sacrifices there, when they first
entered upon their offices, and the procession in
triumphs was always conducted to the capitol.
Virg. Aene. 6. v. 136. l. 8. v. 347.—Tacit. 3.
Hist. c. 75.—Plut. in Poplic. —Liv. i. 10. &c.—
Plut. 38. &c.—Sueton. in Aug. c. 30.
CAPADOCIA, a country of Asia Minor, be-
 tween the Halys, the Euphrates, and the
Euine. It receives its name from the river
Cappadox, which separates it from Galatia.
The inhabitants were called Syrians and Leuco-
Syrians by the Greeks. They were of a dull
and submissive disposition, and addicted to
every vice, according to the ancients, who wrote
this virulent epigram against them:
Vipsa Cappadocem noctura mornrit; at illa
Gustata peritiis sanguine Cappadocis.
When they were offered their freedom and in-
dependence by the Romains, they refused it,
and begged of them a king, and they received
Ariobarzanes. It was some time after governed
by a Roman proconsul. Though the ancients
have ridiculed this country for the unfruitful-
ness of its soil, and the manners of its inhab-
itants, yet it can boast of the birth of the illus-
triographer Strabo, among other illustrious char-
acters. The horses of this country were in
general esteem, and with these they paid their
tributes to the king of Persia, while under his
power, for want of money.—The kings of
Cappadocia mostly bore the name of Ariarathes.
Horat. 1. ep. 6. v. 39.—Plin. 6. c. 3.—Curt. 3
& 4.—Strab. 11 & 16.—Herodot. 1. c. 73. l. 5,
c. 49.—Mela. 1. c. 2. l. 3. c. 8
CAPEDAOX, a river of Cappadocia. Plin. 6.
c. 3.
CAPRÀIA, a mountainous island on the coast
of Italy, famous for its goats. Plin. 3. c. 6.
CAPPRE, an island on the coast of Campa-
nia, famous for quails. Ovid. Met. 15. v. 709.
CAPREE PALUS, a place near Rome, where
Romulus disappeared. Plut. in Rom.—Ovid.
Fast. 2. v. 491.
CAPRIGORNUS, a sign of the Zodiac, in
which appear 28 stars in the form of a goat,
supposed by the ancients to be the goat Amal-
thea, which fed Jupiter with her milk. Some
maintain that it is Pan, who changed himself
into a goat when frightened at the approach of
Typhon. When the sun enters this sign, it is
the winter solstice, or the longest night in the
year. Eustil. 2 & 4.—Horat. 2. od. 17. v. 19.—
CAPRIFICIACIS, a day sacred to Vulcan, on
which the Athenians offered him money. Plin.
11. c. 15.
CARPEMA, a town of Caria.
CAPRIPETES, a surname of Pan, the Fauni,
and the Satyrs, from their having goats
feet.
CAPRIUS, a great informer in Horace's age.
Horat. 1. sat. 4. v. 66.
CAPROTIUM, a festival celebrated at Rome
in honour of Juno, at which women only offi-
ciated. Varro de L. L. 5.
CAPRUS, a harbour near mount Athos.
CAPSA, a town of Lybia, surrounded by vast
deserts full of snakes. Flor. 3. c. 1.—Sull. bell.
Jug.
CAPSAE, a town of Syria. Curt. 10.
CAPUT, the chief city of Campania in Italy,
supposed to have been founded by Capys, the
father or rather the companion of Anchises.
This city was very ancient, and so opulent that
it even rivalled Rome, and was called altera
Roma. Here the soldiers of Annibal were en-
craved by pleasures and indulgences after the
battle of Cannae. Virg. Aen. 10. v. 145.—
Liv. 4. 7. 8. &c.—Paterc. 1. c. 7. l. 2. c. 44.—
Flor. 4. c. 10.—Cic. in Philip. 12. c. 3.—Plut.
in Ann.
CAPYS, a Trojan who came with Æneas into
Italy, and founded Capua. He was one of those
who, against the advice of Thymothes, wished
to destroy the wooden horse, which proved the
destruction of Troy.—Virg. Aen. 10. v. 145.—
A son of Assaracus by a daughter of Si-
mois. He was father of Anchises by Themis.
Ovid. Fast. 4. v. 33.
CAPYS SYLVIUS, a king of Alba, who
v. 768.
CARA BA, a place in India.
CARABIS, a town of Spain.
CAR, a son of Phoroneus, king of Megara.
Paus. 1. c. 39 & 40.—A son of Manes
who married Callirhoe, daughter of the Ma-
ander. Caria received its name from him.
Herodot. 1. c. 171.
CARACALLA, . Vid. Antoninus.
CARACATES, a people of Germany.
CARACTACUS, a king of the Britons, con-
quered by an officer of Claudius Caesar, A. D.
CARE, certain places between Susa and the
Tigris, where Alexander pitched his camp.
CAREUS, a surname of Jupiter in Buotia,—in
Caria.
CARALIS, the chief city of Sardinia. Paus. 19, c. 17.
CARAMBRIS, now Kerempi, a promontory of Paphlagonia.
CARANUS, one of the Heracids, the first who laid the foundation of the Macedonian empire, B. C. 814. He took Edessa, and reigned 28 years, which he spent in establishing his newly founded kingdom. He was succeeded by Perdiccas. Justin. 7, c. 1.—P. tere, 1, c. 6. —A general of Alexander. Curt. 7.—An harbour of Phoenicia.
CARATUS, a tyrant of Britain for seven years, A. D. 293.
CARBO, a Roman orator who killed himself because he could not curb the licentious manners of his countrymen. Cic. in Brut.—Cneus, a son of the orator Carbo, who embraced the party of Marius, and after the death of Cinna succeeded to the government. He was killed in Spain, in his third consilium, by order of Pompey. Val. Mar. 9, c. 13.—An orator, son of Carbo the orator, killed by the army when desirous of re-establishing the ancient military discipline. Cic. in Brut.
CARCHARDON, the Greek name of Carthage.
CARCINUS, a tragic poet of Agrigentum, in the age of Philip of Macedon. He wrote on the rape of Proserpine. Dio. 5.—Another of Athens.—Another of Naupactum.—A man of Rhegium, who exposed his son Agathocles on account of some uncommon dreams during his wife's pregnancy. Agathocles was preserved. Dio. 19.—An Athenian general, who laid waste Peloponnesus in the time of Pericles. Id. 12.
CARCINUS, a constellation, the same as the Cancer. Lucan. 9, v. 536.
CARDACKS, a people of Asia Minor. Strab. 15.
CARDAMYLÈ, a town of Argos.
CARDIA, a town in the Thracian Chersonesus. Plin. 4, c. 11.
CARES, a nation which inhabited Caria, and thought themselves the original possessors of the country. They became so powerful that their country was not sufficiently extensive to contain them all, upon which they seized the neighbouring islands of the Ægean sea. These islands were conquered by Minos king of Crete. Nodus sun of Codrus, invaded their country, and slaughtered many of the inhabitants. In this calamity the Carians, surrounded on every side by enemies, fortified themselves in the mountainous parts of the country, and, soon after, made themselves terrible by sea. They were anciently called Leleges. Herodot. 1, c. 146 & 171.—Paus. 1, c. 40.—Strab. 13.—Curt. 6, c. 3.—Justin. 13, c. 4.—Virg. Æn. 8, v. 725.
CARESA, an island of the Ægean sea, opposite Attica.
CARESSUS, a river of Traüs.
CARFINIA, an immodest woman mentioned Juv. 2, v. 69.
CARIA, a country of Asia Minor, whose boundaries have been different in different ages. Generally speaking, it was at the south of Ionia, at the east and north of the Æcarian sea, and at the west of Phrygia Major and Lycia. It has been called Phoenicia, because a Phænician colony first settled there; and afterwards it received the name of Caria, from Car, a king who first invented the auguries of birds. The chief town was called Halicarnassus, where Jupiter was the chief deity. [Vid. Carea].—A port of Thrace. Melo, 2, c. 2.—A general Vid. Laches.
CARIAS, a town of Peloponnesus.
CARIATE, a town of Bactriana, where Alexander imprisoned Callisthenes.
CARINA, a virgin of Caria, &c. Polyb. 8.
CARINE, certain edifices at Rome, built in the manner of ships, which were in the temple of Tellus. Some suppose that it was a street in which Pompey's house was built. Virg. En. 8, v. 361.—Horat. 1, ep. 7.
CARINE, a town near the Caicus in Asia Minor. Herodot. 7, c. 42.
CARINUS, (M. Aurelius) a Roman who attempted to succeed his father Carus as emperor. He was famous for his debaucheries and cruelties. Diocletian defeated him at Dalmatia. He was killed by a soldier whose wife he had debauched, A. D. 268.
CARISIACUM, a town of ancient Gaul, now Cressy in Picardy.
CARISSANUM, a place of Italy near which Milo was killed. Plin. 2, c. 56.
CARISTUM, a town of Liguria.
CARMANIA, a country of Asia between Persia and India. Arrian.—Plin. 6, c. 23.
CARMANOR, a Cretan who purified Apollo of slaughter. Paus. 2, c. 30.
CARME, a nymph, daughter of Eubulus and mother of Bortomartis by Jupiter. She was one of Diana's attendants. Paus. 2, c. 30.
CARMELUS, a god among the inhabitants of mount Carmel, situate between Syria and Judea. Tacit. Hist. 2, c. 78.—Sueton. Vep. 5.
CARMENTA and CARMENTEIS, a prophetess of Arcadia, mother of Evander, with whom she came to Italy, and was received by king Faunus, about 60 years before the Trojan war. Her name was Nicostrata, and she received that of Carmentis from the wildness of her looks when giving oracles, as if cernens mentias. She was the oracle of the people of Italy during her life, and after death she received divine honours. She had a temple at Rome, and the Greeks offered her sacrifices under the name of Themis. Ovid. Fast. 1, v. 467. 1, v. 533.—Plut. in Romul.—Virg. Æn. 8, v. 339.—Liv. 5, c. 47.
CARMENALTHES, festivals at Rome in honour of Carmenta, celebrated the 11th of January near the Porta Carmentalis, below the Capitol. This goddess was entrusted to render the Roman matrons prolific, and their labours easy. Liv. 1, c. 7.
CARMENALIS PORTA, one of the gates of Rome in the neighbourhood of the capitol. It was afterwards called Scelerata, because the Fabii passed through it on going to that fatal
expedition where they perished. 


**Carna and Cardine;** a goddess at Rome who presided over hedges, as also over the entrails of the human body. She was originally a nymph called Grane, whom Janus ravished, and, for the injury, he gave her the power of presiding over houses, and of removing all noxious birds from the doors. The Romans offered her beans, bacon, and vegetables, to represent the simplicity of their ancestors. *Ovid.* Fast. 6, v. 101, &c.  

**Carnius;** a village of Messenia in Peloponnesus. *Paus.* 4, c. 33.  

**Carnædes,** a philosopher of Cyrene in Africa, founder of a sect called the third or new academy. The Athenians sent him with Diosgenes the Stoic and Critolaus the peripatetic, as ambassador to Rome, B. C. 135. The Roman youth were extremely fond of the company of these learned philosophers; and when Carneades, in a speech, had given an accurate and judicious dissertation upon justice, and in another speech confuted all the arguments he had advanced, and apparently given no existence to the virtue he had so much commended, a report prevailed all over Rome, that a Grecian was come, who had so captivated by his words the rising generation, that they forgot their usual amusements, and ran mad after philosophy. When this reached the ears of Cato the censor, he gave immediate audience to the Athenian ambassadors in the senate, and dismissed them in haste, expressing his apprehension of their corrupting the opinions of the Roman people, whose only profession, he sternly observed, was arms and war. Carneades denied that anything could be perceived or understood in the world, and he was the first who introduced an universal suspension of assent. He died in the 90th year of his age, B. C. 126. *Cic.* ad Attic. 12, ep. 23. de Orat. 1 & 2.  


**Val. Max.** 6, c. 6.  

**Carnella,** a festival observed in most of the Greek cities, but more particularly at Sparta, where it was first instituted, about 675 B.C., in honour of Apollo surnamed Carneaus. It lasted nine days, and was an imitation of the manner of living in camps among the ancients.  

**Carnion,** a town of Laconia.—*A river of Arcadia.* *Paus.* 8, c. 34.  

**Carnus,** a prophet of Acarnania, from whom Apollo was called Carneus. *Paus.* 3, c. 13.  

**Carnutes,** a people of Celtic Gaul. *Cas. bell.* G. 6, c. 4.  

**Carpasia and Carpasium,** a town of Cyprus.  

**Carpatus,** an island in the Mediterranean between Rhodes and Crete, now called Scapanto. It has given its name to a part of the neighbouring sea, then called the Carpathian sea, between Rhodes and Crete. Carpathus was at first inhabited by some Cretan soldiers of Minos. It was 20 miles in circumference, and was sometimes called Tetrapolis, from its four capital cities. *Ptol. 4, c. 12. Herodot.* 3, c. 45.  

**Diod.* 5, Strob. 10.  

**Carpi,** an ancient name of Tarentus. *Paus.* 6, c. 19.  

**Carpi,** a river of Mysia. *Herodot.*  

**Carpo,** a daughter of Zephyrus, and one of the Seasons. She was loved by Calamus, the son of Meander, whom she equally admired. She was drowned in the Meander, and was changed by Jupiter into all sorts of fruit. *Paus.* 9, c. 35.  

**Carophóra,** a name of Ceres and Proserpine in Tegae. *Paus.* 8, c. 53.  

**Carpophórus,** an actor greatly esteemed by Domitian. *Martial.*  6, v. 198.  

**Carre and Carrick,** a town of Mesopotamia, near which Crassus was killed. *Lucan.* 1, v. 105.  

**Carriàtes Secundus,** a poor but ingenious rhetorician, who came from Athens to Rome, where the boldness of his expressions, especially against tyrannical power, exposed him to Caligula's resentment, who banished him. *Juv.* 7, v. 205.  


**Carbóei,** a town of the *Æquii.* *Ovid.* Fast. 4, v. 683.  

**Cartalas,** a town of Spain.  

**Cartelia,** a town of Spain, near the sea of Gadès, supposed to be the same as Calpe.  

**Cartheia,** a town in the island of Cea whence the epitaph of Cartheius. *Ovid.* Met. 7, v. 366.  

**Carthagineenses,** the inhabitants of Carthage, a rich and commercial nation. *Vid. Carthago.*  

**Carthago,** a celebrated city of Africa, the rival of Rome, and long the capital of the country, and mistress of Spain, Sicily, and Sardinia. The precise time of its foundation is unknown, yet writers seem to agree that it was first built by Dido, about 869 years before the Christian era, or, according to others, 72 or 93 years before the foundation of Rome. This city and republic flourished for 737 years, and the time of its greatest glory was under Annibal and Amicar. During the first Punic war, it contained no less than 700,000 inhabitants. It maintained three famous wars against Rome, called the Punic wars [Vid. *Punicum Bellum*]; in the 5d of which Carthage was totally destroyed by Scipio the second Africanus, B. C. 147, and only 5000 persons were found within the walls. It was 23 miles in circumference; and when it was set on fire by the Romans, it burnt incessantly during 17 days. After the destruction of Carthage, Utica became powerful, and the Romans thought themselves secure; and as they had no rival to dispute with them in the field, they fell into indolence and inactivity. Caesar planted a small colony on the ruins of Carthage. Augustus sent there 3000 men; and Adrian, after the example of his imperial predecessors, rebuilt part of it, which he called Adrianopolis. Carthage was conquered from the Romans by the arms of Germanic, A. D. 439; and it was for more than
a. century the seat of the Vandal empire in Africa, and fell into the hands of the Saracens in the 7th century. The Carthaginians were governed as a republic, and had two persons yearly chosen among them with regal authority. They were very superstitious, and generally offered human victims to their gods; an unnatural custom, which their allies wished to abolish, but in vain. They bore the character of a faithless and treacherous people, and the proverb Punica fides is well known. Strab. 17.

—Virg. Æn. 1, &c.—Mela, 1, &c.—Pitol. 4.—
Justin.—Liv. 4, &c.—Patere. 1 & 2.—Plut. in Annib. &c.—Cicer.—Nov. a town built in Spain, on the coasts of the Mediterranean, by Asdrubal the Carthaginian general. It was taken by Scipio when Hanno surrendered himself after a heavy loss. It now bears the name of Carthage. Polyb. 10.—Liv. 26, c. 43, &c.—Sis. 15, v. 220, &c.—A daughter of Hercules.

Carthasis &c. a city in the Campania. Curt. 7, c. 7.

Carthaea, a town of Cos. Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 9.

Carvillus, a king of Britain, who attacked Caesar's naval station by order of Cassivelaudus, &c. Cas. l. 1. g. 5, c. 22.—Spurius, a Roman, who made a large image of the breasts plates taken from the Sammites, and placed it in the capitol. Plin. 34, c. 7.—The first Roman who divorced his wife during the space of above 600 years. This was for barrenness, B. C. 231. Dionys. Hal. 2.—Val. Max. 2, c. 1.

Carus, a Roman emperor who succeeded Probus. He was a prudent and active general, conquered the Sarmatians, and continued the Persian war which his predecessor had commenced. He reigned two years, and died on the banks of the Tigris, as he was going in an expedition against Persia, A. D. 283. He made his two sons, Carinas and Numerianus, Caesars; and as his many virtues had promised the Romans happiness, he was made a god after death. Eutrop.—One of those who attempted to scale the rock Aornus, by order of Alexander. Curt. 8, c. 11.

Carva, a country of Arcadia.—A city of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 10. Here a festival was observed in honour of Diana Caryatis. It was then usual for virgins to meet at the celebration, and join in a certain dance, said to have been first instituted by Castor and Pollux. When Greece was invaded by Xerxes, the Laconians did not appear before the enemy, for fear of displeasing the goddess, by not celebrating her festival. At that time the peasants assembled at the usual place, and sang pastoral calls Bouvelepsom, from Bouvelepsos, a notcher. From this circumstance some suppose that Bucolic originated.

Caryate, a people of Arcadia.

Carystius Antigonus, an historian, &c. B. C. 248.

Carystus, a maritime town on the south of Euboea, still in existence, famous for its marble. Mart. 9, ep. 76.—Stat. 2, v. 93.

Caryum, a place of Laconia, where Aristomenes preserved some virgins &c. Paus. 4, c. 16.

Casca, one of Cesar's assassins, who gave him the first blow. Plut. in Cæs.


Casilinum, a town of Campania. When it was besieged by Hannibal, a mouse sold for 200 denarii. The place was defended by 540 or 570 natives of Præneste, who, when half their number had perished either by war or famine, surrendered to the conqueror. Liv. 23, c. 19.—Strab. 5.—Cic. de Inv. 2, c. 5.—Plin. 3, c. 5.


Casius, a mountain near the Euphrates. Another beyond Pelusium, where Pompey's tomb was raised by Adrian. Jupiter, surnamed Casius, had a temple there. Lucan. 8, v. 838. Another in Syria, from whose top the sun can be seen rising, though it be still the darkness of the night at the bottom of the mountain. Plin. 5, c. 22.—Mela, 1 & 3.

Casimena, a town built by the Syracusians in Sicily. Thucyd. 6, c. 5.

Casmilla, the mother of Camilla. Virg. Æn. 91, v. 543.


Caspiensis, a certain passes of Asia, which some place about Caucasus and the Caspian sea, and others between Persia and the Caspian sea, or near mount Taurus, or Armenia, or Cilicia. Diod. 1.—Plin. 5, c. 27, l. 6, c. 13.

Caspiana, a country of Armenia.

Caspi, a Scythian nation near the Caspian sea. Such as had lived beyond their 70th year were starved to death. Their dogs were remarkable for their fierceness. Herodot. 3, c. 92. &c. l. 7, c. 67, &c.—Virg. Æn. 6 v. 798.

Caspium marit. or Hyrcanum, a large sea in the form of a lake, which has no communication with other seas, and lies between the Caspian and Hyrcanian mountains, at the north of Parthia. Its waters are sweet. Ancient authors assure us, that it produced enormous serpents and fishes, different in colour and kind from those of all other waters. A number of rivers discharge themselves into it. It is 800 miles long, and 650 broad. The eastern parts are more particularly called the Hyrcanian sea, and the western the Caspian. It is called the sea of Sala or Baku. Herodot. 1, c. 202, &c.—Curt. 3, c. 2, l. 6, c. 4, l. 7, c. 3.—Strab. 11.—Mela. 1, c. 2, l. 3, c. 5 & 6.—Plin. 6, c. 13.—Dionys. Perig. v. 50.

Cassandane, the mother of Cambyses by Cythus. Herodot. 2, c. 1, l. 3, c. 2.

Cassander, son of Antipater, made himself master of Macedonia after his father's death, where he reigned for 18 years. He married Thessalonica, and sister of Alexander, to strengthen himself on his throne. Olympias, the mother of Alexander, wished to keep the kingdom of Macedonia for Alexander's young
children; and therefore she destroyed the relations of Cassander, who besieged her in the town of Pydna, and put her to death. Roxane, with her son Alexander, and Barsena, the mother of Hercules, both wives of Alexander, shared the fate of Olympias with their children. Antigonus, who had been for some time upon friendly terms with Cassander, declared war against him; and Cassander, to make himself equal with his adversary, made a league with Lysimachus and Seleucus, and obtained a memorable victory at Ipsus, B. C. 301. He died three years after this victory, of a dropsy. His son Antipater killed his mother; and for this unnatural murder, he was put to death by his brother Alexander, who, to strengthen himself, invited Demetrius, the son of Antigonus, from Asia. Demetrius took advantage of the invitation, and put to death Alexander, and ascended the throne of Macedonia. 

\[\text{Died 19. - Justin 12, 13, &c.}\]

**Cassandra**, daughter of Priam and Hecuba, was passionately loved by Apollo, who promised to grant her whatever she might require, if she would gratify his passion. She asked the power of knowing futurity; and as soon as she had received it, she refused to perform her promise, and slighted Apollo. The god, in his disappointment, wetted her lips with his tongue, and by this action effected that no credit or reliance should ever be put upon her predictions, however true or faithful they might be. Some maintain that she received the gift of prophecy with her brother Helenus, by being placed when young one night in the temple of Apollo, where serpents were found wretched round their bodies, and licking their ears, which circumstance gave them the knowledge of futurity. She was looked upon by the Trojans as insane, and she was even confounded, and her predictions were disregarded. She was courted by many princes during the Trojan war. When Troy was taken, she fled for shelter to the temple of Minerva, where Ajax found her, and offered her violence with the greatest cruelty, at the foot of Minerva's statue. In the division of the spoils of Troy, Agamemnon, who was enamoured of her, took her as his wife, and returned with her to Greece. She repeatedly foretold to him the sudden calamities that awaited his return; but he gave no credit to her, and was assassinated by his wife Clytemnestra. Cassandra shared his fate, and saw all her prophecies but too truly fulfilled. [\text{Vid. Agamemnon.}] *Eochyl. in Agam.*


**Cassandra**, a town of Elis, formerly called Potidæa. *Paus. 5, c. 23.

**Cassia lex** was enacted by Cassius Longinus, A. U. C. 649. By it no man condemned or deprived of military power, was permitted to enter the senate-house. Another, enacted by C. Cassius, the pretor, to choose some of the plebeians to be admitted among the patri
cians. Another A. U. C. 616, to make the suffrages of the Roman people free and inde-

pendent. It ordained that they should be received upon tablets. *Cic. in Læt.* Another, A. U. C. 267, to make a division of the territories taken from the Hernici, half to the Roman people, and half to the Latins. Another, enacted A. U. C. 596, to grant a consular power to P. Anicius and Octavius on the day they triumphed over Macedonia. *Liv.*

**Cassidourus**, a statesman in the sixth century. He died A. D. 562, at the age of 100. His works were edited by Chandler, 8vo. London, 1772.

**Cassiope** and **Cassiopea**, married Cepheus, king of Ethiopia, by whom she had Andromeda. She boasted herself to be fairer than the Nereides; upon which Neptune, at the request of these despised nymphs, punished the insolence of Cassiope, and sent a huge sea monster to ravage Ethiopia. The wrath of Neptune could be appeased only by exposing Andromeda, whom Cassiope tenderly loved, to the fury of a sea monster; and just as she was going to be devoured, Perseus delivered her. [\text{Vid. Andromeda.}] Cassiope was made a southern constellation, consisting of 13 stars called Cassiope. *Cic. de Nat D. 2, c. 43. - Apollod. 2, c. 4. - Ovid. Met. 4, v. 738. - Hygin. fab. 64. - Propert. 1, c. 17, v. 3. - Manilius, 1.* A city of Epirus near Thesprotia. Another in the island of Corcyra. *Plin. 4, c. 12.* The wife of Epaphus. *Stat. Silv.*

**Cassiterides**, islands in the western ocean, where tin was found, supposed to be the Scilly islands of the moderns. *Plin. 4, c. 22.*

**Cassivellaunus**, a Briton invested with sovereign authority when J. Caesar made a descent upon Britain. *Ces. bell. G. 5, c. 16, &c.*

C. Cassius, a celebrated Roman, who made himself known by being first questor to Crassus in his expedition against Parthia, from which he extricated himself with uncommon address. He followed the interest of Pompey; and when Caesar had obtained the victory in the plains of Pharsalia, Cassius was one of those who owed their life to the mercy of the conqueror. He married Junia the sister of Brutus, and with him he resolved to murder the man to whom he was indebted for his life, on account of his oppressive ambition; and before he stabbed Ce
car, he addressed himself to the statue of Pom
pey, who had fallen by theavarice of him he was going to assassinate. When the prov
inces were divided among Caesar's mur
derers, Cassius received Africa; and when his party had lost ground at Rome, by the super
ior influence of Augustus and M. Antony, he retired to Philippi, with his friend Brutus and their adherents. In the battle that was fought, the wing which Cassius commanded was defeated, and his camp was plundered. In this unsuccessful moment he suddenly gave up all hopes of recovering from his loss, and concluded that Brutus was conquered and ruined as well as himself. Fearful to fall into the enemy's hands, he ordered one of his freed
men to run him through, and he perished by that very sword which had given a wound to Caesar. His body was honoured with a magnificent fu-
eral by his friend Brutus, who declared over him that he deserved to be called the last of the Romans. If he was brave, he was equally learned. Some of his letters are still extant among Cicero's epistles. He was a strict follower of the doctrine of Epicurus. He was often too rash and too violent, and many of the wrong steps which Brutus took, are to be ascribed to the prevailing advice of Cassius. He is allowed by Paterculus to have been a better commander than Brutus, though a less sincere friend. The day after Caesar's murder, he dined at the house of Antony, who asked him whether he had then a dagger concealed in his bosom; yes, replied he, if you aspire to tyranny. Suet. in Cæs. & Aug.—Plut. in Brut. & Cæs.—Patercul. 2, c. 46.—Dio. 40.

A Roman citizen, who condemned his son to death, on pretence of his raising commotions in the state. Val. Max. 5, c. 9.—A tribute of the people, who made many laws tending to diminish the influence of the Roman nobility. He was competitor with Cicero for the consulship.

One of Pompey's officers, who, during the civil wars, revolted to Caesar with 10 ships.

A poet of Parma, of great genius. He was killed by Varus, by order of Augustus, whom he had offended by his satirical writings. His fragments of Orpheus were found and edited some time after by the poet Statius. Horat. 1, sat. 10, v. 62.—Sparius, a Roman, put to death on suspicion of his aspiring to tyranny, after he had been three times consul, B. C. 493. Died 11.—Val. Max. 6, c. 3.

Brutus, a Roman, who betrayed his country to the Latins, and fled to the temple of Pallas, where his father confined him, and he was starved to death.—Longinus, an officer of Caesar in Spain, much disliked. Cæs. Alex. c. 40.—A consul to whom Tiberius married Drusilla, daughter of Germanicus. Suet. in Cal. c. 57.—A lawyer whom Nero put to death because he bore the name of J. Caesar's murderer. Suet. in Ner. 37.—L. Hemina, the most ancient writer of annals at Rome. He lived A. U. C. 608.—Longinus, a critic. Val. Longinus.—Lucius, a consul with C. Marius, slain with his army by the Gauls Senones. Appian. in Celt. M. Scava, a soldier of uncommon value in Caesar's army, Val. Max. 3, c. 2.—An officer under Aurelius, made emperor by his soldiers, and murdered three months after.—Felix, a physician in the age of Tiberius, who wrote on animals.—Severus, an orator who wrote a severe treatise on illustrious men and women. He died in exile, in his 23d year. Val. Severus.

Cassotis, a nymph and fountain of Phocis. Plin. 10, c. 24.

Castabala, a city of Cilicia, whose inhabitants made war with their dogs. Plin. 6, c. 40.

Castabar, a town of Chersonesus

Castalia, a city near Phocis.—A daughter of the Achelous.

Castalius Pons, of Castalia, a fountain of Parmassus sacred to the Muses. The waters of this fountain were cool and excellent; they had the power of inspiring those that drank of them with the true fire of poetry. The muses have received the surname of Castalides from this fountain. Virg. G. S. v. 293.—Martial 12, ep. 3.

Castanea, a town near the Peneus whence the muses Castaneus received their name. Plin. 4, c. 9.

Castellum Menapiorum, a town in Belgium on the Maese, now Kessel.—Movinorum, now mount Cassel in Flanders.—Cattorum, now Hessie Cassel.

Castania, a mistress of Priam.

Castor and Pollux, were twin brothers, sons of Jupiter, by Leda, the wife of Tyndarus, king of Sparta. The manner of their birth is uncommon. Jupiter, who was enamoured of Leda, changed himself into a beautiful swan, and desired Venus to metamorphose herself into an eagle. After this transformation, the goddess pursued the god with apparent ferocity, and Jupiter fled for refuge into the arms of Leda, who was bathing in the Eurota. Jupiter took advantage of his situation, and nine months after, Leda, who was already pregnant, brought forth two eggs, from one of which came Pollux and Helena; and from the other, Castor and Clytemnestra. The two former were the offspring of Jupiter, and the latter were believed to be the children of Tyndarus. Some suppose that Leda brought forth only one egg, from which Castor and Pollux sprung. Mercury, immediately after their birth, carried them to Pallena, where they were educated; and as soon as they had arrived to years of maturity they embarked with Jason to go in quest of the golden fleece. In this expedition both believed with superior courage: Pollux conquered and slew Amycus, in the combat of the cestus, and was ever after reckoned the god and patron of boxing and wrestling. Castor distinguished himself in the management of horses. The brothers cleared the Hellespont, and the neighbouring seas, from pirates, after their return from Colchis, from which circumstance they have been always deemed the friends of navigation. During the Argonautic expedition, in a violent storm, two flames of fire were seen to play around the heads of the sons of Leda, and immediately the tempest ceased, and the sea was calmed. From this occurrence their power to protect sailors has been more firmly credited, and the two mentioned fires, which are very common in storms, have since been known by the name of Castor and Pollux; and when they both appeared, it was a sign of fair weather; but if only one was seen, it prognosticated storms, and the aid of Castor and Pollux was consequently solicited. They made war against the Athenians to recover their sister Helen, whom Theseus had carried away; and from their clemency to the conquered, they acquired the surname of Anaces, or benefactors. They were initiated in the sacred mysteries of the Cabiri, and in those of Ceres of Eleusis. They were invited to a
Feast when Lynceus and Idas were going to celebrate their marriage with Phoebe and Talaira, the daughters of Leucippus, who was brother to Tyndarius. Their behaviour after this invitation was cruel. They became enamoured of the two women whose nuptials they were to celebrate, and resolved to carry them away and marry them. This violent step provoked Lynceus and Idas: a battle ensued, and Castor killed Lynceus, and was killed by Idas. Pollux averted the death of his brother, by killing Idas; and as he was immortal, and tenderly attached to his brother, he entreated Jupiter to restore him to life, or to deprive himself of immortality. Jupiter permitted Castor to share the immortality of his brother; and consequently, as long as the one was upon earth, so long was the other detained in the infernal regions, and they alternately lived and died every day, or, according to others, every six months. This act of fraternal love Jupiter recorded by making the two brothers constellations in heaven, under the name of Gemini, which never appear together, but when one rises the other sets, and so on alternately. Castor made Talaira mother of Anogon, and Phoebe bore Menesilus by Pollux. They received divine honours after death, and were generally called Dioscuri, sons of Jupiter. White lambs were more particularly offered on their altars, and the ancients were fond of swearing by the divinity of the Dioscuri, by the expressions of Ædeptoi and Ecaster. Among the Romans there prevailed many public reports, at different times, that Castor and Pollux had made their appearance to the Roman armies; and, mounted on white steeds, had marched at the head of their troops, and furiously attacked the enemy. Their surnames were many, and they were generally represented mounted on two white horses, armed with spears, and riding side by side, with their head covered with a bonnet, on whose top glittered a star. Ovid. Met. 6, v. 109. Fast. 5, v. 701. Am. 3, el. 2, v. 54.—Hygin. fab. 77 & 78.—Hom. Hymn. in Jov. poss.—Eurip. in Helen.—Plut. in Theseus.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 121.—Manil. Arg. 2.—Liv. 2.—Dionys. Hal. 6.—Justin. 20, c. 3.—Horat. 2, Sat. 1, v. 27.—Flor. 2, c. 12.—Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 2.—Apollon. 1.—Apollod. 1, c. 8, 9, 1, c. 4, l. 3, c. 11.—Paus. 3, c. 24.—4, c. 3 & 27.—An ancient physician.—A swift runner.—A friend of Æneas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 124.—An orator of Rhodes, related to king Deiotarus. He wrote two books on Babylon, and one on the Nile. —A gladiator. Horat. 1, ep. 18, v. 19.

Castri ALEXANDRI, a place of Egypt about Pelusium. Curt. 4, c. 7.—Cornelia, a maritime town of Africa, between Carthage and Utica. Mela. 1, c. 7.—Cyris, a country of Cilicia, where Cyrus encamped when he marched against Cressus. Curt. 3, c. 4.—Julia, a town of Spain.—Posthumiana, a place of Spain. Hist. Hisp. 8.

CASTRATUS, a governor of Placentia during the civil Wars of Marius. Val. Max. 6, c. 2.

CASTRUM NOVUM, a place on the coast of Fœmia. Liv. 36, c. 3.—Truentinum, a town of Picenum. Cic. de Attic. 8, ep. 12.—Inu, a town on the shores of the Tyrrhenian sea. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 775.

CASTULO, a town of Spain, where Annibale married one of the natives. Plut. in Sert.—Liv.

CATADŪPA, the name of the large cataracts of the Nile, whose immense noise stuns the ears for a short space of time. Cic. de Somn. Scip. 5.

CATAMENIÆ, a king of the Sequani, in alliance with Rome, &c. Cæs. bel. G. 1, c. 3.

CATANIA, a town of Sicily, at the foot of Mount Ætna, founded by a colony from Chalcis, 753 years before the Christian era. Ceres had there a temple in which none but women were permitted to appear. It was large and opulent, and it is rendered remarkable for the dreadful overthrows to which it has been subjected from its vicinity to Ætna, which has discharged in some of its eruptions, a stream of lava 4 miles broad and 30 feet deep, and advancing at the rate of 7 miles in a day. Catania now contains about 30,000 inhabitants. Ca in Vitr. 4, c. 53.—Diod. 11 & 14.—Strab. 6.—Thues. 6, c. 3.

CATADNIA, a country above Cicilia, near Capadocia. C. Nep. in Dat. 4.

CATARACTA, a city of the Samnites.

CATENES, a Persian, by whose means Bassus was seized. Curt. 7, c. 43.

CATHERA, a country of India.

CATHARI, certain gods of the Arcadian.

—An Indian nation, where the wives of company their husbands to the burning pile, and ants burn with them. Diod. 17.

CATI, an immodest woman, married Horat. 1, Sat. 2, v. 95.


Catiénus, an actor at Rome in Horace's age, 2, Sat. 3, v. 61.

L. SERGIUS CATILINA, a celebrated Roman, descended of a noble family. When he had squandered away his fortune by his debaucheries and extravagance, and been refused the consulship, he secretly meditated the ruin of his country, and conspired with many of the most illustrious of the Romans, as dissolve as himself, to extirpate the senate, plunder the treasures, and set Rome on fire. This conspiracy was timely discovered by the consul Cæsaro, whom he had resolved to murder; and Catiline, after he had declared his intentions in the full senate, and attempted to vindicate himself, on seeing five of his accomplices arrested, retired to Gaul, where his partizans were assembling an army; while Cicero, at Rome, punished the condemned conspirators. Petreius, the other consul's lieutenant, attacked Catilina's ill disciplined troops, and routed them. Catiline was killed in the engagement, bravely fighting, about the middle of December, B. C. 63. His character has been deservedly branded with the foulest infamy; and to the violence he offered to a vestal, he added the more atrocious murder of his own brother, for which he would have suffered death, had not friends and bribes prevailed over justice. It has been reported.
that Catiline and the other conspirators drank human blood, to make their oaths more firm and inviolable. Salutis has written an account of the conspiracy. Cic. in Catil.—Virg. Æn. B, v. 668.

Catillius, a people near the river Anio. Sil. 4, v. 225.

Catillius of Catillus, a son of Amphiarus, who came to Italy with his brothers Coras and Tiburtus, where he built Tibur, and assisted Turnus against Æneas. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 672. —Horat. 1, od. 18. v. 2.

catina, a town of Sicily. [Vid. Catania.]

—Another of Arcadia.

M. Catius, an Epicurean philosopher of Insubria, who wrote a treatise, in four books, on the nature of things, and the summum bonum, and an account of the doctrine and tenets of Epicurus. But as he was not a sound or faithful follower of the Epicurean philosophy, he has been ridiculed by Horat. 2, Sat. 4. —Quintili. 10, c. 1.

Catizzi, a people of the Pygmæans, supposed to have been driven from their country by cranes. Plin. 4, c. 11.

Cato, a surname of the Porcian family, rendered illustrious by M. Porcius Cato, a celebrated Roman, afterwards called Censorius, from his having exercised the office of censor. He rose to all the honours of the state, and the first battle he ever saw was against Annibal, at the age of seventeen, where he behaved with uncommon valour. In his questorship, under Africanus, against Carthage, and in his expedition in Spain, against the Celtiberians, and in Greece, he displayed equal proofs of his courage and prudence. He was remarkable for his love of temperance; he never drank but water, and was always satisfied with whatever meats were laid upon his table by his servants, whom he never reproved with an angry word. During his censorship, which he obtained, though he had made many declarations of his future severity, if ever in office, he behaved with the greatest rigour and impartiality, shewed himself an enemy to all luxury and dissipation, and even accused his colleague of embezzezing the public money. He is famous for the great opposition which he made against the introduction of the finer arts of Greece into Italy, and his treatment of Carneades is well known. This prejudice arose from an apprehension that the learning and luxury of Athens would destroy the valour and simplicity of the Roman people; and he often observed to his son that the Romans would be certainly ruined whenever they began to be infected with Greek. It appears, however, that he changed his opinion, and made himself remarkable for the knowledge of Greek, which he acquired in his old age. He himself educated his son, and instructed him in writing and grammar. He taught him dexterously to throw a javelin, and inured him to the labours of the field, and to bear cold and heat with the same indifference, and to swim across the most rapid rivers with ease and boldness. He was universally deemed so strict in his morals, that Virgil makes him one of the judges of hell. He repeated only of three things during his life; to have gone by sea when he could go by land, to have passed a day inactive, and to have told a secret to his wife. A statue was raised to his memory, and he distinguished himself so much for his knowledge of agriculture as his political life. In Cicero's age there were 150 orations of his, besides letters, and a celebrated work called Origines, of which the first book gave an history of the Roman monarchy; the second and third an account of the neighbouring cities of Italy; the fourth a detail of the first, and the fifth of the second Punic war; and in the others the Roman history was brought down to the war of the Lusitanians, carried on by Sert. Galba. Some fragments of the Origines remain, supposed, by some, to be supposititious. Cato's treatise, De re rustica, was edited by Auson. Pompon, 8to. Ant. Plant. 1590; but the best edition of Cato, &c. seems to be Gesner's, 2 vols. Lpis. 1735. Cato died in an extreme old age, about 150 B.C.; and Cicero, to shew his respect for him, has introduced him in his treatise on an old age, as the principal character. Plutarch and C. Nepos have written an account of his life. Cic. Acad. & de Senect. &c.—Marcus, the son of the censor, married the daughter of P. Æmylius. He lost his sword in a battle, and, though wounded and tired, he went to his friends, and with their assistance, renewed the battle, and recovered his sword. Plut. in Cat.—A courageous Roman, grandfather to Cato the censor. He had five horses killed under him in battles. Plut. in Cat.—Valerius, a grammarian in the time of Sulla, who instructed at Rome many noble pupils, and wrote some poems. Ovid. 2, Trist. 1, v. 436.—Marcus, surnamed Uticensis, from his death at Utica, was great grandson to the censor of the same name. The early virtues that appeared in his childhood, seemed to promise a great man; and at the age of fourteen, he earnestly asked his preceptor for a sword, to stab the tyrant Sulla. He was austere in his morals, and a strict follower of the tenets of the stoics: he was careless of his dress, often appeared barefooted in public, and never travelled but on foot. He was such a lover of discipline, that in whatever office he was employed, he always reformed its abuses, and restored the ancient regulations. When he was set over the troops, in the capacity of a commander, his removal was universally lamented, and deemed almost a public loss by his affectionate soldiers. His fondness for candour was so great, that the veracity of Cato became proverbial. In his visits to his friends, he wished to give as little molestation as possible; and the importuning civilities of king Dejotaros so displeased him, when he was at his court that he hastened to retire from him. He was very jealous of the safety and liberty of the republic, and watched carefully over the conduct of Pompey, whose power and influence was great. He often expressed his dislike to serve the office of tribune; but when he saw
a man of corrupted principles apply for it, he offered himself a candidate to oppose him, and obtained the tribuneship. In the conspiracy of Catiline, he supported Cicero, and was the chief cause that the conspirators were capitally punished. When the provinces of Gaul were voted for five years to Caesar, Cato observed to the senators, that they had introduced a tyrant to the capital. He was sent to Cyprus against Ptolemy, who had rebelled, by his enemies, who hoped that the difficulty of the expedition would injure his reputation. But his prudence extricated him from every danger. Ptolemy submitted, and after a successful campaign, Cato was received at Rome with the most distinguishing honours, which he, however, modestly declined. When the first triumvirate was formed between Caesar, Pompey, and Crassus, Cato opposed them with all his might, and with independent spirit foretold to the Roman people all the misfortunes which soon after followed. After repeated applications he was made pr tot, but he seemed rather to disgrace the dignity of that office by the meaness of his dress. He applied for the consulship, but could never obtain it. When Caesar had passed the Rubicon, Cato advised the Roman senate to deliver the care of the republic into the hands of Pompey; and when his advice had been complied with, he followed him with his son to Dyrrachium, where, after a small victory there, he was entrusted with the care of the ammunitions and of 15 cohorts. After the battle of Pharsalia, Cato took the command of the Corcyran fleet; and when he heard of Pompey's death, on the coast of Africa, he traversed the deserts of Libya, to join himself to Scipio. He refused to take the command of the army in Africa, a circumstance of which he afterwards repented. When Scipio had been defeated, partly for not paying regard to Cato's advice, Cato fortified himself in Ulica, but, however, not with the intention of supporting a siege. When Caesar approached near the city, Cato dissembled to fly, and, rather than fall alive into the conqueror's hands, he stabbed himself, after he read Plato's treatise on the immortality of the soul, B. C. 46, in the 59th year of his age. He had first married Attilia, a woman whose licentious conduct obliged him to divorce her. Afterwards he united himself to Martia, daughter of Philip. Hortensus, his friend, wished to raise children by Martia, and therefore obtained her from Cato. After the death of Hortensus, Cato took her again. This conduct was ridiculed by the Romans, who observed that Martia had entered the house of Hortensus very poor, but returned to the bed of Cato loaded with treasures. It was observed that Cato always appeared in mourning, and never laid himself down at his meals since the defeat of Pompey, but always sat down, contrary to the custom of the Romans, as if depressed with the recollection that the supporters of republican liberty were decaying. Plutarch has written an account of his life. Lucan, 1. v. 138, &c.—Val. Mar. 2, c. 10.—Horat. 3, od. 21.—Virg. Æn. 147

6 v. 841. l. 8, v. 670.—A son of Cato of Utica, who was killed in a battle after he had acquired much honour. Plut. in Cat. Min. Catres, a king of Crete, killed by his son at Rhodes, unknown. Dion. 5.

Catta, a woman who had the gift of prophecy. Suet. in Vitel. 14.


Catulliana, a surname of Minerva, from L. Catulus, who dedicated a standard to her. Plut. 34, c. 8.

Catullus, C. or Q. Valerius, a poet of Verona, whose compositions, elegant and simple, are the offspring of a luxuriant imagination. He was acquainted with the most distinguished people of his age, and directed his satire against Caesar, whose only revenge was to invite the poet to a good supper. Catullus was the first Roman who imitated with success the Greek writers, and introduced their numbers among the Latins. Though the pages of the poet are occasionally disfigured with licentious expressions, the whole is written with great purity of style. Catullus died in the 40th year of his age, B. C. 40. The best editions of his works, which consist only of epigrams, are that of Vulpian, 4to. Patavii, 1737, and that of Barbou, 12mo. Paris, 1754. Martial 1, ep. 62.—Ovid. Trist. 2, v. 427.—A man named Urbicarius, was a mimographer. Jun. 13, v. 111.

Q. Luctatius Catulus, went with 300 ships during the first Punic war against the Carthaginians, and destroyed 600 of their ships under Hamilcar, near the Ægeates. This celebrated victory put an end to the war.—An orator, consul with Marius 4. He was, by his colleague's order, suffocated in a room filled with the smoke of burning coals. Lucan, 2, v. 174.—Plut. in Mario.—A Roman sent by his countrymen to carry a present to the god of Delphi, from the spoils taken from Asdrubal. Liv. 27.

Cavarillus, a commander of some troops of the Ædui in Caesar's army. Cas. bell. G. 7, c. 67.

Cavarinus, a Gaul, made king of the Semones by Caesar, and banished by his subjects. Cas. bell. G. 5, c. 54.

Caucasus, a celebrated mountain between the Euxine and Caspian seas, which may be considered as the continuation of the ridge of mount Taurus. Its height is immense. It was inhabited anciently by various savage nations who lived upon the wild fruits of the earth. It was covered with snow in some parts, and in others it was variegated with fruitful orchards and plantations. The inhabitants formerly were supposed to gather gold both from the shores of their rivers in sheep skins, but now they live without making use of money. Prometheus was tied on the top of Caucasus by Jupiter, and continually denounced by vultures, according to ancient authors. The passes near this mountain, called Caucasus portae, bear now the name of Derbent. Herodot. 4, c. 203, &c. Virg. Ecl. 6, G. 2, v. 440.—Placc. 3, v. 155. L 2
Cauc, a son of Clinus, who first introduced the orgies into Messenia from Eleusis. Paus. 4, c. 1.

Caucones, a people of Paphlagonia, originally inhabitants of Arcadia, or of Scythia, according to some accounts. Some of them made a settlement near Dyme in Elis. Herodot. 1, &c.—Strab. 8, &c.

Caudi and Caudivum, a town of the Samnites, near which, in a place called Caudium Fureulae, the Roman army under T. Veturius Calvins and Sp. Posthumius was obliged to surrender to the Samnites, and pass under the yoke with the greatest disgrace.—Liv. 2, c. 1, &c.—Lucan. 2, v. 138.

Cavi, a people of Illyricum. Liv. 44, c. 30.

Caulonia, or Caulon, a town of Italy near the country of the Bruttii, founded by a colony of Achaeans, and destroyed in the wars between Pyrrhus and the Romans. Paus. 6, c. 3.—Virg. Æn. 3, v. 553.

Causius, a man raised to affluence from poverty by Artaxerxes. Plut. in Artax.

Causius, a son of Miletus and Cyane. He was passionately fond of, or according to others he was tenderly loved by, his sister Byblis, and to avoid an incestuous commerce, he retired to Caria, where he built a city called by his own name. [Vid. Byblis.] Ovid. Met. 9, fab. 11.—A city of Caria, opposite Rhodes, which Protogenes was born. Strab. 14.—Herodot. 1, c. 176.

Caurios, an island with a small town, formerly called Andros, in the Ægean sea. Plin. 4 c. 12.


Caus, a village of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 25.

Cautia, a nation of Germany. Lucan. 1, v. 463.

Cayclus, a river of Mycia.

Cavster, a rapid river of Asia, rising in Lydia, and after a meandering course, falling into the Ægean sea near Ephesus. According to the poets, the banks and neighbourhood of this river were generally frequented by swans. Ovid. Met. 2, v. 253.—Mart. 1, ep. 54.—Homcr. II. 2, v. 461.—Virg. G. 1, v. 394.

Cea or Cesus, an island near Euboea, called also Cos.

Cædes, a Thracian, whose son Euphemus was concerned in the Trojan war. Homer. I. 2.

Ceballinum, a man who gave information of the smears laid against Alexander. Died. 17.—Curt. 6, c. 7.

Cebrenses, a people of Gaul. Paus. 1, c. 36.

Cebes, a Thessalian philosopher, one of the disciples of Socrates, B. C. 405. He attended his learned preceptor in his last moments, and distinguished himself by three dialogues that he wrote; but more particularly by his tables, which contain a beautiful and affecting picture of human life, delineated with accuracy of judgment, and great splendour of sentiment. The best editions of Cebes are those of Gronovius, 8vo. 1689, and Glasgow, 12mo. 1747.

Cebren, the father of Asterope. Apollod. 3; c. 12.

Cebrenia, a country of Troas, with a town of the same name, called after the river Cebrenus, which is in the neighbourhood. (Eone, the daughter of the Cebrenus, receives the parthomonic of Cebrenia. Ovid. Met. 11, v. 769.—Stat. 1, Silv. 5, v. 21.

Cebriones, one of the giants conquered by Venus.—An illegitimate son of Priam, killed with a stone by Patroclus. Homer. Il.

Cebrus, now Zebris, a river falling into the Danube.

Cecida, an ancient dithyrambic poet.

Cecilius. Vid. Cecilius.

Cecina, a river near Volaterra, in Etruria. Melo. 2, c. 4.

A. Cercina, a Roman knight in the interest of Pompey, who used to breed up young swallows, and send them to carry news to his friends as messengers. He was a particular friend of Cicero, with whom he corresponded. Some of his letters are still extant in Cicero. Plin. 10, c. 24.—Cic. 13, ep. 66. Orat. 29.—A scribe of Octavius Caesar. Cic. 16, ad Attic. ep. 8.

A consular man suspected of conspiracy, and murdered by Titus, after an invitation to supper. Suet. in Tact. c. 6.

Cecropia, the original name of Athens, in honour of Cecrops, its first founder. The ancients often use this word for Attica, and the Athenians are often called Cecropides. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 21.—Ovid. Met. 7, v. 671.—Lucan. 3, v. 306.

Cecropides, an ancient name of the Athenians, more particularly applied to those who were descended from Cecrops the founder of Athens. The honourable name of Cecropides was often conferred as a reward for some virtuous action in the field of battle. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 21.—Ovid. 7, Met. v. 671.

Cecrops, a native of Sais in Egypt, who led a colony to Attica about 1556 years before the Christian era, and reigned over part of the country, which was called from him Cecropia. He softened and polished the rude and uncultivated manners of the inhabitants, and drew them from the country to inhabit 12 small villages which he had founded. He gave them laws and regulations, and introduced among them the worship of those deities which were held in adoration in Egypt. He married the daughter of Actaeus, a Grecian prince, and was deemed the first founder of Athens. He taught his subjects to cultivate the olive, and instructed them to look upon Minerva as the watchful patroness of their city. It is said he was the first who raised an altar to Jupiter in Greece, and offered him sacrifices. After a reign of 30 years, spent in regulating his newly-formed kingdom, and in polishing the minds of his subjects, Cecrops died, leaving three daughters, Aglauros, Hesera, and Pandrosus. He was succeeded by Cranus, a native of the country. Some time after, Theseus, one of his successors on the throne, formed the twelve villages which he had established into one city, to which the name of Athens was given. [Vid. Athens.] Some authors have described Ce-

Cecrops as monster, half a man and half a ser-
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They made strong head against the Romans and Carthaginians when they invaded their country. Their country is called Celtiberia. *Flor.* 2, c. 17.—Strab. 4.—Lucan. 4, v. 10.

Celtica, a well populated part of Gaul, inhabited by the Celts. Celtici, a people of Spain. Cenillus, the father of Verginegerix among the Avern. *Cat.* Bell. G. 7, c. 4.

Celtori, a people of Gaul, near the Severes. *Plut.*

Celtoscithes, a northern nation of Scythians. Strab. 10.

Commenes, a lofty mountain of Gaul. Strab.

Cemphi, a people of Spain at the bottom of the Pyrenean mountains. *Dionys. Perig.* v. 353.

Cenaum, a promontory of Euboea, where Jupiter Ceneus had an altar raised by Hercules, *Ovid.* Met. 9, v. 136.—*Theog.* 3, c. 92.


Cenchreis, the wife of Clinyras king of Cyprus, or, as others say, of Assyria. *Hygin.* fab. 53.

Cenchreus, a son of Neptune and Salamis, or, as some say, of Pyrene. He killed a large serpent at Salamis. *Plut.* 2, c. 2.—*Diod.* 4.

Cenchmus, a river of Ionia near Ephesus, where some suppose that Latona was washed after she had brought forth.

Censespolis, a town of Spain, the same as Carthago Nova. *Poll.*

Cenetus, a town of Peloponnese. Strab.

Cenus, Vid. Cenis, Cenimagni, a people on the western parts of Britain. *Cenina.* Vid. Cenima.

Cenon, a town of Italy. *Liv.* 2, c. 63.

Censoribus, two magistrates of great authority at Rome, first created B. C. 443. Their office was to number the people, estimate the possessions of every citizen, and watch over the manners of the people, and regulate the taxes. Their power was also extended over private families; they punished irregularity, and inspected the management and education of the Roman youth. They could inquire into the expenses of every citizen, and degrade a senator from all his privileges and honours, if guilty of any extravagance. This punishment was generally executed in passing over the offender's name in calling the list of the senators. The office of public censor was originally exercised by the kings. Servius Tullius, the sixth king of Rome, first established a census, by which every man was obliged to come to be registered, and give in writing the place of his residence, his name, his quality, the number of his children, of his tenants, estates, and domestics, &c. The ends of the census were very salutary to the Roman republic. They knew their own strength, their ability to support a war, or to make a levy of troops, or raise a tribute. It was required that every knight should be possessed of 400,000 sestertes, to enjoy the rights and privileges of his order; and a senator was entitled to sit in the senate, if he was really worth 800,000 sestertes. This laborious task of numbering and reviewing the people, was, after the expulsion of the Tarquins, one of the duties and privileges of the consuls. But when the republic was become more powerful, and when the number of its citizens was increased, the consuls were found unable to make the census, on account of the multiplicity of business. After it had been neglected for 16 years, two new magistrates called censors were elected. They remained in office for five years, and every fifth year they made a census of all the citizens in the Campus Martius, and offered a solemn sacrifice, and made a lustration in the name of all the Roman people. This space of time was called a lustrum, and ten or twenty years were commonly expressed by two or four lustra. After the office of the censors had remained for some time unaltered, the Romans, jealous of their power, abridged the time of their existence, and a law was made, A. U. C. 420, by M. Mercurius Xemilius, to limit the time of the censorship to 18 months. After the second Junic war, they were always chosen from such persons as had been consuls; their office was more honourable, though less powerful, than that of the consuls; the badges of their office were the same, but the censors were not allowed to have lictors to walk before them as the consuls. When one of the censors died, no one was elected in his room till the five years were expired, and his colleague immediately resigned. This circumstance originated from the death of a censor before the sack of Rome by Brennus, and was ever after deemed an unfortunate event to the republic. The emperors abolished the censors, and took upon themselves to execute the office.

Censorinus, Ap. Cl. was compelled, after many years service to the state, to assume the imperial purple by the soldiers, by whom he was murdered some days after, A. D. 270.—Martius, a consul, to whom as a particular friend, *Horace* addressed his *Od.* 8.—A grammarian of the third century, whose book, De die natali, is extant, best edited in 8vo. by Harverkamp, L. Bat. 1767. It treats of the birth of man, of years, months, and days.

Census, the numbering of the people at Rome, performed by the censors; a census, to value. Vid. Censorius.—A god worshipped at Rome, the same as Census.

Centaretus, a Galatian, who, when Antiochus was killed, mounted his horse in the greatest exultation. The horse, as if conscious of disgrace, immediately leaped down a precipice, and killed himself and his rider. *Plut.* 8, c. 42.

Centauri, a people of Thessaly, half men and half horses. They were the offspring of Centaurus, son of Apollo, by Stilbia, daughter of the Peneus. According to some, the Centaurs were the fruit of Ixion's adventure with the cloud in the shape of Juno, or, as others assert, of his union of Centaurs with the
mares of Magnesia. This fable of the existence of the Centaurs, monsters supported upon the four legs of a horse, arises from the ancient people of Thessaly having tamed horses, and having appeared to their neighbours mounted on horseback, a sight very uncommon at that time, and which, when at a distance, seems only one body, and consequently one creature. Some derive the name ατη του κυτεων ταυρων, goading bulls, because they went on horseback after their bulls which had strayed, or because they hunted wild bulls, with horses. Some of the ancients have maintained, that monsters like the Centaurs can have existed in the natural course of things. Plutarch in Sympos. mentions one seen by Periander tyrant of Corinth; and Pliny, 7. c. 3, says, that he saw one embalmed in honey, which had been brought to Rome from Egypt in the reign of Claudius. The battle of the Centaurs with the Lapithæ is famous in history. Ovid has elegantly described it, and it has also employed the pen of Hesiod, Valerius Flaccus, &c. and Pausanias in Eliac. says, it was represented in the temple of Jupiter at Olympia, and also at Athens by Phidias and Parrhasius, according to Pliny, 36. c. 5. The origin of this battle was a quarrel at the marriage of Hippodamia with Pirithous, where the Centaurs, intoxicated with wine, behaved with rudeness, and even offered violence to the women that were present. Such an insult irritated Hercules, Theseus, and the rest of the Lapithæ, who defended the women, wounded and defeated the Centaurs, and obliged them to leave their country, and retire to Arcadia. Here their insolence was a second time punished by Hercules, who, when he was going to hunt the boar of Erymanthus, was kindly entertained by the Centaur Pholus, who gave him wine which belonged to the rest of the Centaurs, but had been given them on condition of their treating Hercules with it, whenever he passed through their territory. They resented the liberty which Hercules took with their wine, and attacked him with uncommon fury. The hero defended himself with his arrows, and defeated his adversaries, who fled for safety to the Centaur Chiron. Chiron had been the preceptor of Hercules, and therefore they hoped that he would desist in his presence. Hercules, though awed at the sight of Chiron, did not desist, but, in the midst of the engagement, he wounded his preceptor in the knee, who, in the excessive pain he suffered, exchanged immortality for death. The death of Chiron irritated Hercules the more, and the Centaurs that were present, were all extirpated by his hand, and indeed few escaped the common destruction. Dioch. 4.—Hesod. in Scut. Hercul. —Homer. H. & Od.—Ovid. Met. 12.—Strab. 9.—Paus. 5. c. 10, &c.—Ælian. V. H. 11, c. 2.—Apollod. 2. c. 5, l. 5.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 286.—Hygin. fab. 33 & 62.—Pindar. Pyth. 2.

CENTAURUS, a ship in the fleet of Æneas, which had the figure of a Centaur. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 122.
They were to be worth 11,000 asses, or about 18l. The sixth class contained only one centuria, comprising the whole body of the poorest citizens, who were called Proletaris, as their only service to the state was procreating children. They were also called capite centis, as the censors took notice of their person, not of their estate. In the public assemblies in the Campus Martius, at the election of public magistrates, or at trial of capital crimes, the people gave their vote by centuries, whence the assembly was called comitia centuriata. In these public assemblies, which were never convened only by the consuls at the permission of the senate, or by the dictator in the absence of the consuls, some of the people appeared under arms, for fear of an attack from some foreign enemy. When a law was proposed in the public assemblies, its necessity was explained, and the advantages it would produce to the state were argued upon in a harangue; after which, it was exposed in the most conspicuous parts of the city three market days, that the people might see and consider. Exposing it to public view was called propenere legem, and explaining it promulgare legem. He who merely proposed it was called later legis; and he who dwelt upon its importance and utility, and wished it to be enforced, was called auctor legis. When the assembly was to be held, the augurs were consulted by the consul, who, after haranguing the people, and reminding them to have in view the good of the republic, dismissed them to their respective centuries, that their votes might be gathered. They gave their votes viva voce, till the year of Rome A. U. C. 615, when they changed the custom, and gave their approbation or disapprobation by ballots thrown into an urn. If the first class was unanimous, the others were not consulted, as the first was superior to all the others in number; but if they were not unanimous, they proceeded to consult the rest, and the majority decided the question. This advantage of the first class gave offence to the rest; and it was afterwards settled, that one class of the six should be drawn by lot, to give its votes first, without regard to rank or priority. After all the votes had been gathered, the consul declared aloud, that the law which had been proposed was duly and constitutionally approved. The same ceremonies were observed in the election of consuls, pretors, &c. The word Centuria is also applied to a subdivision of one of the Roman legions; it consisted of an hundred men, and was the half of a manipulus, the sixth part of a cohort, and the sixtyieth part of a legion. The commander of a centuria was called centurio, and he was distinguished from the rest by the branch of a vine, which he carried in his hand.

Centuripa, a town of Sicily. Cic. in Verr. 4, c. 23.—Ital. 14, v. 205.

Cepos and Cea, an island. Vid. Cos.

Cephalas, a lofty promontory of Africa, near the Syrtis Major.

Cephalédion, a town of Sicily, near the river Himera. Plin. 3, c. 8.—Cic. in Ver. 2, c. 27.

Cephalen, a noble musician. Paus. 10, c. 47.

Cephaléna and Cephaléllan, an island in the Ionian sea, below Corcyra, whose inhabitants went with Ulysses to the Trojan war. It abounds in oil and excellent wines. It was anciently divided into four different districts. Homer, II. 2.—Thucyd. 2, c. 30.—Paus. 6, c. 15.


Cephalon, a Greek of Ionia, who wrote an history of Troy, besides an epitome of universal history from the age of Ninus to Alexander, which he divided into nine books, inscribed with the name of the nine muses. He affected not to know the place of his birth, expecting it would be disputed like Homer's. He had lived in the reign of Adrian.

Cephalus, son of Deioneus, king of Tene- saly, by Diomede, daughter of Xuthus; married Procris, daughter of Erechtheus, king of Athens. Aurora fell in love with him, and carried him away; but he refused to listen to her addresses, and was impatient to return to Procris. The goddess sent him back; and to try the fidelity of his wife, she made him put on a different form, and he arrived at the house of Procris in the habit of a merchant. Procris was deaf to every offer; but she suffered herself to be seduced by the gold of this stranger, who discovered himself the very moment that Procris had yielded up her virtue. This circumstance so ashamed Procris, that she fled from her husband, and devoted herself to hunting in the island of Eubaea, where she was admitted among the attendants of Diana, who presented her with a dog always sure of his prey, and a dart which never missed its aim, and always returned to the hands of its mistress of its own accord. Some say that the dog was a present from Minos, because Procris had cured his wounds. After this, Procris returned in disguise to Cephalus, who was willing to disgrace himself by some unnatural concessions to obtain the dog and the dart of Procris. Procris discovered herself at the moment that Cephalus shewed himself faithless, and a reconciliation was easily made between them. They loved one another with more tenderness than before, and Cephalus received from his wife the presents of Diana. As he was particularly fond of hunting, he every morning early repaired to the woods, and after much toll and fatigue, laid himself down in the cool shade, and earnestly called for Aura, or the refreshing breeze. This ambiguous word was mistaken for a mistress; and some informer reported to the jealous Procris, that Cephalus daily paid a visit to a mistress, whose name was Aura. Procris too readily believed the information, and secretly followed her husband into the woods. According to his daily custom, Cephalus retired to the cool, and called after Aura. At the name of Aura,
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Procris eagerly lifted up her head to see her expected rival; her motion occasioned a rustling among the leaves of the bush that concealed her, Cephalus listened, and thinking it to be a wild beast, he let fly his unerring dart. Procris was struck to the heart, and instantly expired in the arms of her husband, confessing that ill-grounded jealousy was the cause of her death. According to Apollodorus, there were two persons of the name of Cephalus; one, son of Mercury and Herse, carried away by Aurora, with whom he dwelt in Syria, and by whom he had a son called Tithonus. The other married Procris, and was the cause of the tragic events mentioned above. Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 26. — Hygin. fab. 189. — Apollod. 3, c. 15. — A Corinthian lawyer, who assisted Timoleon in regulating the republic of Syracuse. Diod. 16. — Plut. in Tim. — A king of Epirus. Liv. 43, c. 18. — An orator frequently mentioned by Demosthenes.

Cephèis, a name given to Andromeda as daughter of Cepheus. Ovid. A. A. 1, v. 193.

Céphèus, a king of Æthiopia, father of Andromeda, by Cassiope. He was one of the Argonauts, and was changed into a constellation after his death. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 669. l. 5, v. 12. — Paus. 4, c. 35. l. 8, c. 4. — Apollod. 1, c. 9. l. 2, c. 1, 4 & 7. l. 13, c. 9, mentions one, son of Alectus, and another, son of Belus. The former he makes king of Tegea, and father of Sterope; and says, that he, with his twelve sons, assisted Hercules in a war against Hippocoön, where they were killed. The latter he calls king of Æthiopia, and father of Andromeda. — A son of Lycurgus, present at the chase of the Calydonian boar. Apollod. 1, c. 8.

Céphènes, an ancient name of the Persians. Herodot. 7, c. 61. — A name of the Æthiopians, from Cepheus, one of their kings. Ovid. Met. 5, v. 1.

Céphsilis, a part of Attica, through which the Cephissus flows. Plin. 4, c. 7.

Céphsilides, a patronymic of Eteocles, son of Andreus and Eriphne, from the supposition of his being the son of the Cepheus. Paus. 9, c. 34.

Céphsidóðus, a tragic poet of Athens, in the age of Æschylus. — An historian who wrote an account of the Phocian war.

Céphision, the commander of some troops sent by the Thebans to assist Megalopolis, &c.

Céphsiódotos, a disciple of Isocrates, and a great reviler of Aristotle, who wrote a book of proverbs. Athen. 2.

Céphisu and Céphsius, a celebrated river of Greece, that rises at Ilissus in Phocis, and after passing at the north of Delphi and mount Parnassus, enters Bocota, where it flows into the inke Copais. The Graces were particularly fond of this river, whence they are called the goddesses of the Cephissus. There was a river of the same name in Attica, and another in Argolis. Strab. 9. — Plin. 4, c. 7. — Lucan. 3, v. 175. — A man changed into a sea monster by Apollo, when lamenting the death of his grandson. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 388.

Céphren, a king of Egypt, who built one of the pyramids. Diod. 1.

Cépio, a man who by a quarrel with Drusus, caused a civil war at Rome, &c. — Servilius, a Roman consul, who put an end to the war in Spain. He took gold from a temple, and for that sacrilege the rest of his life was always unfortunate. He was conquered by the Cimbrians, his goods were publicly confiscated, and he died at last in prison.

Cépion, a musician. Plut. de Mus.

Ceraca, a town of Macedonia. Polyb. 5.

Ceracates, a people of Germany. Tacit. 4, Hist. c. 70.

Ceramus, a man changed into a beetle, or, according to others, into a bird, on mount Par-nassus, by the nymphs, before the deluge. Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 9.

Ceramicus, a bay of Caria, near Halicarnassus. Plin. 5, c. 29. — Mela, 1, c. 16. — A public walk, and a place to bury those that were killed in defence of their country, at Athens.

Ceramium, a place of Rome, where Cicero’s house was built. Cic. ad Attic.

Ceramus, a town at the west of Asia Minor.

Ceras, a people of Cyprus metamorphosed into bulls.

Cerasus, (unus) a maritime city of Cappadocia, from which cherries were first brought to Rome by Lucullus. Mela, 1, c. 19. — Plin. — Another built by a Greek colony from Sinope. Diod. 14.

CERATA, a place near Megara.

Ceraüts, a river of Crete.

Cerateria, a town of Achaia.

Cerunia and Ceranini, large mountains of Epirus, extending far into the sea, and forming a promontory which divides the Ionian and Adriatic seas. They are the same as the Acroceraunia. Vid. Acroceraunium. Mount Taurus is called Ceranini. Plin. 3, c. 27.

Ceranini, mountains of Asia opposite the Caspian sea. Met. 1, c. 19.

Ceranus, a river of Cappadocia. — A surname of Ptolemy the 2d, from his boldness. C. Nep. Reg. c. 3.

Cerusius, a mountain of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 41.

Cerbalus, a river of Apulia. Plin. 3, c. 11.

Cerdeón, a town of the Cimmerian Bosporus. Plib. 6, c. 6.

Cerberus, a dog of Pluto, the fruit of Echidna’s union with Typhon. He had 50 heads according to Hesiod, and three according to other mythologists. He was stationed at the entrance of hell, as a watchful keeper, to prevent the living from entering the infernal regions, and the dead from escaping from their confinement. It was usual for those heroes, who in their life-time visited Pluto’s kingdom, to appease the barking mouths of Cerberus with a cake. Orpheus lulled him to sleep with his lyre; and Hercules dragged him from hell when he went to redeem Alcestis. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 134. l. 6, v. 417. — Homer. Od. 11, v. 622. — Paus. 2, c. 31. l. 3, c. 23. — Hesiod. Thag. 312. — Tibull. 1, el. 10, v. 35.
Cercides, a son of Æolus.—A son of Sol, of great power at Rhodes. Diod. 5.


Cercis, a one of the Oceanides. Hesiod. Theog. v. 355.

Cercëne, a country of Africa. Diod. 3.

Cercites, a son of Egyptus and Phrenissa. Apollod. 2, c. 1.

Cercides, a native of Megalopolis, who wrote iambics. Athen. 40. —Élian. V. H. 13.

Cercit, a people of Italy.

Cercina and Cercinna, a small island of the Mediterranean. Plin. v. c. 7. —A mountain of Thrace, towards Macedonia. Thucyd. 2, c. 98.

Cercinian, a town of Macedonia. Liv. 31, c. 41.

Cercius and Rhettius, charioteers of Castor and Pollux.

Cerocyces, a people of Ephesus, made prisoners by Hercules. Apollod. 2, c. 6. —The inhabitants of the island Pithecussa, changed into monkeys on account of their dishonesty. Ovid. Met. 14, v. 91.

Cercofs, a Milesian, a author of a fabulous history.—A pythagorean philosopher.

Cercyon and Cercoynes, a king of Eileusis, son of Neptune, or according to others of Vulcan. He obliged all strangers to wrestle with him; and as he was a dexterous wrestler, they were easily conquered and put to death. After many cruelties, he challenged Theseus in wrestling, and he was conquered and put to death by his antagonist. His daughter, Alope, was loved by Neptune, by whom she had a child. Cercyon exposed the child, called Hippothocon; but he was preserved, and placed upon his grandfather's throne by Theseus. Ovid. Met. 7, c. 439. —Hygin. fab. 187. —Plut. in Thes. —Paus. 1, c. 5 & 39.

Cercyra and Corcyra, an island in the Ionian sea, which receives its name from Cer- cyra, a daughter of the Asopus. Diod. 4.

Cerdylum, a place near Amphipolis. Thucy- dy. 5, c. 6.

Ceréalia, festivals in honour of Ceres; first instituted at Rome by Memmius the edile, and celebrated on the 19th of April. Persons in mourning were not permitted to appear at the celebration; therefore they were not observed after the battle of Cannae. They are the same as the Thesmophoria of the Greeks. Vind. Thesmophoria.

Ceres, the goddess of corn and of harvests, was daughter of Saturn and Vesta. She had a daughter by Jupiter, whom she called Pher- phata, fruit-bearing, and afterwards Proserpine. This daughter was carried away by Pluto, as she was gathering flowers in the plains near Emma. The rape of Proserpine was grievous to Ceres, who sought her all over Sicily; and when night came, she lighted two torches in the flames of mount Ætna, to continue her search by night all over the world. She at last found her veil near the mountain Cyane; but no intelligence could be received of the place of her concealment, till at last the nymph Arethusa informed her that her daughter had been carried away by Pluto. No sooner had Ceres heard this, than she flies to heaven with her chariot drawn by two dragons, and demands of Jupiter the restoration of her daughter. The endeavours of Jupiter to soften her by representing Pluto as a powerful god, to become her son-in-law, proved fruitless, and the restoration was granted, provided Proserpine had not eaten any thing in the kingdom of Pluto. Ceres upon this repairs to Pluto, but Proserpine had eaten the grains of a pomegranate which she had gathered as she walked over the Elysian fields, and Ascalaphus, the only one who had seen her, discovered it to make his court to Pluto. The return of Proserpine upon earth was therefore impracticable; but Ascalaphus, for his unsolicited information, was changed into an owl. [Vid. Ascalaphus.] The grief of Ceres for the loss of her daughter was so great, that Jupiter granted Proserpine to pass six months with her mother, and the rest of the year with Pluto. During the inquiries of Ceres for her daughter, the cultivation of the earth was neglected, and the ground became barren; therefore, to repair the loss which mankind had suffered by her absence, the goddess went to Attica, which was become the most desolate country in the world, and instructed Triptolemus of Eleusis in every thing which concerned agriculture. She taught him how to plough the ground, to sow and reap the corn, to make bread, and to take particular care of fruit trees. After these instructions, she gave him her chariot, and commanded him to travel all over the world, and communicate his knowledge of agriculture to the rude inhabitants, who hitherto lived upon acorns and the roots of the earth. [Vid. Triptolemus.] Her beneficence to mankind made Ceres respected. Sicily was supposed to be the favourite retreat of the goddess, and Diodorus says, that she and her daughter made their first appearance to mankind in Sicily, which Pluto received as a nuptial dowry from Jupiter when he married Proserpine. The Sicilians made a yearly sacrifice to Ceres, every man according to his abilities, and the fountain of Cyane, through which Pluto opened himself a passage with his trident, when carrying away Proserpine, was publicly honoured with an offering of bulls, and the blood of the victims was shed in the waters of the fountain. Besides these, other ceremonies were observed in honour of the goddesses who had so peculiarly favoured the island. The commemoration of the rape was celebrated about the beginning of the harvest, and the search of Ceres at the time that corn is sown in the earth. The latter festival continued six successive days; and during the celebration, the votaries of Ceres made use of some free and wanton expressions, as that language had made the goddess smile while melancholy for the loss of her daughter. Attica, which had been so eminently distinguished by the goddess, gratefully remembered her favours in the celebration of the Eleusinian mysteries. [Vid.
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Eleusinia.] Ceres also performed the duties of a legislator, and the Sicilians found the advantages of her salutary laws; hence her surname of Themisphora. She is the same as the Isis of the Egyptians, and her worship, it is said, was first brought into Greece by Erechtheus. She met with different adventures when she travelled over the earth, and the impudence of Stellio was severely punished. To avoid the importunities of Neptune, she changed herself into a mare; but the god took the advantage of the metamorphosis, and from their union arose the horse Arion. [Vid. Arion.] The birth of this monster so offended Ceres, that she withdrew herself from the sight of mankind; and the earth would have perished for the want of her assistance, had not Pan discovered her in Arcadia, and given information of it to Jupiter. The Parcae were sent by the god to comfort her, and at their persuasion she returned to Sicily, where her statues represented her veiled in black, with the head of a horse, and holding a dove in one hand, and in the other a dolphin. In their sacrifices, the ancients offered Ceres a pregnant sow, as that animal often injures and destroys the productions of the earth. While the corn was yet in grass, they offered her a ram, after the victim had been led three times round the field. Ceres was represented with a garland of ears of corn on her head, holding in one hand a lighted torch, and in the other a poppy, which was sacred to her. She appears as a countrywoman mounted on the back of an ox, and carrying a basket on her left arm, and holding a hoe; and sometimes she rides in a chariot drawn by winged dragons. She was supposed to be the same as Rhea, Tellus, Cybele, Bona Dea, Berecynthia, &c. The Romans paid her great adoration, and her festivals were yearly celebrated by the Roman matrons in the month of April during eight days. These matrons abstained during several days from the use of wine, or any carnal enjoyments. They always bore lighted torches in commemoration of the goddess; and whoever came to these festivals without a previous intimation, were punished with death. Ceres is metaphorically called bread and corn, as the word Bacchus is sometimes used to signify wine. Apollod. 1, c. 5. l. 2, c. 1. l. 3, c. 12 & 14.—Paus. 1, c. 31. l. 2, c. 34. l. 3, c. 23. l. 8, c. 25, &c.—Died. l. &c.—Hesiod. Theog.—Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 417.—Met. fab. 7, 8, &c.—Claudian. de Rapt. Pros.—Cic. in Ver.—Callimach. in Cer.—Liv. 29 & 31.—Stat. Theb. 12.—Dionys. Hal. 1, c. 33.—Hygin. P. A. 2.

CERES, a place of Boeotia. Paus. 9, c. 14.

CERES, a people of Crete.

CERIALIS, ANICIUS, a consul elect, who wished a temple to be raised to Nero, as to a god, after the discovery of the Pisonian conspiracy, &c. Tacit. Ann. 15, c. 74.

CERILLI OR CARILE, now Cirèla, a town of the Brutii near the Laos. Strab. 6.

CERI, a people of Etruria.

CERILLUM, a place of Lucania.

CERINTHUS, a town of Euboea.—A beautiful youth, long the favourite of the Roman ladies, and especially of Sulpitia, &c. Huet. 1, Sat. 2, v. 81.—One of the early heretics from Christianity.

CERMATUS, a place where Romulus was exposed by one of the servants of Amulius. Plut. in Romul.

CERNI, an island without the pillars of Hercules on the African coast. Strab. 1.—Plin. 5 & 8.

CERNES, a priest of Cybele.

CERON, a fountain of Histisoeus, whose waters make black all the sheep that drink them. Plin. 3, c. 2.

CEROPASADAS, a son of Phraates king of Persia, given as a hostage to Augustus.

CERESSUS, a place of the Ionian sea

CERFEES, a king of Egypt, who is supposed to have built the smallest pyramid.

CERHELI, a people of Greece, who profaned the temple of Delphi. Plut. in Sol.

CERFETANI, a people of Spain that inhabited the modern district of Cerdana in Catalonia. Plin. 3, c. 3.

CERSOBLEPTES, a king of Thrace, conquered by Philip king of Macedonia. Polyen. 7, c. 31.

CERTIMA, a town of Calabria. Liv. 40, c. 47.

CERTONIUM, a town of Asia Minor.

CERVARUS, a Roman knight who conspired with Piso against Nero. Tacit. Ann. 15, c. 50.

P. CERVUS, an officer under Verres. Cic. in Ver. 5, c. 44.

CERYCES, a sacerdotal family at Athens. Thucyd. 8, c. 53.

CERYCIUS, a mountain of Boocia. Paus. 9, c. 20.

CERYMICA, a town of Cyurs. Diod.

CERNEA, a town of Achaea, and mountai of Arcadia. Paus. 7, c. 25.

CERYNITES, a river of Arcadia. Paus. 7, c. 25.

CESELLIUS BALSIUS, a turbulent Carthagian, who dreamt of money, and persuaded Nero that immense treasures had been deposited by Dido in a certain place which he described. Inquiry was made, and when no money was found, Cessellius destroyed himself. Tacit. Ann. 16, c. 1, &c.

CESENNIA, an infamous prostitute, born of an illustrious family at Rome. Juv. 6, v. 135.

CESTIUS, an epicurean of Smyrna, who taught rhetoric at Rhodes, in the age of Cicero.

CESTRINA, part of Epirus. Paus. 2, c. 23.

CESTRINUS, son of Helenus and Andromache, after his father's death, settled in Epirus, above the river Thamys, and called the country Cestrina. Paus. 1, c. 11.

CEPHES, a king of Egypt, the same as Proteus. Diod. 1.

CEPHEGUS, a consul in the second Punic war. Cic. in Brut. —A tribunal at Rome of the most corrupted morals, who joined Catiline in his conspiracy against the state, and was commissioned to murder Cicero. He was apprehen-
CHERESTRA, the mother of Epictetus, descended from a noble family.
CHERINTHUS, a beautiful youth, &c. Horat. 1.—Serm. 2, v. 81.
CHERKO, the founder of Charonia. Plut in Syll.
CHERONIA, CHERONEA, and CHERONEA, a city of Boeotia, on the Cephissus, celebrated for a defeat of the Athenians, by the Boeotians, B. C. 447, and for the victory which Philip of Macedonia obtained there with 32,000 men, over the confederate army of the Thebans and Athenians, consisting of 30,000 men, the 2d of August, B. C. 338. Plutarch was born there. The town was anciently called Arne. Paus. 9, c. 40.—Plut. in Polyp. &c.
CHALEON, a city of Locris.—A port of Boeotia.
CHALAE, a herald of Busiris, put to death by Hercules. Apollod. 2, c. 5.
CHALCEA, a town of Caria,—of Phœnicia.
CHALCEA, an island with a town near Rhodes. Plin. 5, c. 3.—A festival at Athens Vid. Panathenæa.
CHALCEDON, and CHALCEDONIA, an ancient city of Bithynia, opposite Byzantium, built by a colony from Megara. Its situation was so improperly chosen, that it was called the city of blind men, intimidating the inconsiderate plan of the founders. Strab. 7.—Plin. 5, c. 32.—Mela. 1, c. 19.
CHALCIDENSES, the inhabitants of the isthmus between Teos and Erythrae,—A people near the Phasis.
CHALCIDUS, a commander of the Lacedaemonian fleet, killed by the Athenians, &c. Thucyd. 8, c. 8.
CHALCIDICA, a country of Thrace,—of Syria.
CHALCIDICUS, (of Chalcidia), an epitaph applied to Cumæ in Italy, as built by a colony from Chalcis. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 17.
CHALCIUS, a surname of Minerva, because she had a temple at Chalcis in Eubœa. She was called Chalciotis and Chalcidica.
CHALCIOPE, a daughter of Æetes king of Colchis, who married Phryxus son of Athamas, who had fled to her father's court for protection. She had some children by Phryxus, and she preserved their life from the avarice and cruelty of her father, who had murdered her husband to obtain the golden fleece. [Vid. Phryxus.] Ovid. Heroid. 17, v. 252.—Hygin. fab. 14, &c.—The mother of Thessalus by Hercules. Apollod. 2, c. 7.—The daughter of Rhenexor, who married Ægeus. Id. 3, c. 1.
CHALCITIS, a country of Ionia. Paus. 7, c. 2.
CHALCIS, the chief city of Eubœa, in that part which is nearest to Boeotia. It was founded by an Athenian colony. The island was said to be joined to the continent in the neighbourhood of Chalcis. There were three other towns of the same name in Thrace.
ACRAMANIA, and Sicily, all belonging to the Corinthians. Plin. 4, c. 12.—Strab. 10.—

PAUS. 5, c. 23.

CHALCÔDON, a son of Ægyptus, by Araxa. Apollod. 2, c. 1.—A man of Cos, who wounded Hercules. Id. 2, c. 7.—The father of Elephnor, one of the Grecian chiefs in the Trojan war. PAUS. 8, c. 15.—A man who assisted Hercules in his war against Aegias. PAUS. 8, c. 15.

CHALCON, a Messenian, who reminded Antilochus, son of Nestor, to beware of the Æthiopians, by whom he was to perish.

CHALCUS, a man made governor of Cyzicus by Alexander. Polyæn.

CHALDEA, a country of Asia, between the Euphrates and Tigris. Its capital is Babylou, whose inhabitants were famous for their knowledge of astrology. Cíc. de Div. 1, c. 1.—Diod. 2.—Strab. 2.

CHALDÆI, the inhabitants of Chaldæa.

CHALESTRA, a town of Macedonia. Herodot. 7, c. 123.

CHALONITIS, a country of Media.

CHALYBS and CALYBS, a people of Asia Minor, near Pontus, once very powerful, and possessed of a great extent of country, abounding in iron mines, where the inhabitants worked naked. The Calybs attacked the ten thousand in their retreat, and behaved with much spirit and courage. They were partly conquered by Crœsus, king of Lydia. Some authors imagine that the Calybs are a nation of Spain. Virg. Æn. 8, v. 421.—Strab. 12, &c.—Apollon. 2, v. 375.—Xenoph. Anab. 4, &c. Herodot. 1, c. 28.

CHALYBON, now supposed to be Aleppo, a town of Syria, which gave the name of Chalylimitis to the surrounding country.

CHALYBONITIS, a country of Syria, so famous for its wines that the kings of Persia drank no others.

CHALYS, a river of Spain, where Justin. 44, c. 3, places the people called Calybes.

CHAMANI and CHAMAVIRI, a people of Germany. Tacit. in Germ.

CHANE, a river between Armenia and Albaia, falling into the Caspian sea.

CHAON, a mountain of Peloponnesus.—

A son of Priam.

CHÂONES, a people of Epirus.

CHÂONIA, a mountainous part of Epirus, which receives its name from Chaon, a son of Priam, inadvertently killed by his brother Helenus. There was a wood near, where doves (Chamaém Avesw were said to deliver oracles. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 335.—Propert. 1, el. 9.

CHÂONITIS, a country of Assyria.

CHAOS, a rude and shapeless mass of matter, and confused assemblage of inactive elements, which, as the poets suppose, pre-existed the formation of the world, and from which the universe was formed by the hand and power of a superior being. This doctrine was first established by Hesiod, from whom the succeeding poets have copied it. Chaos was deemed, by some, as one of the oldest of the gods, and invoked as one of the infernal deities. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 510.—Ovid. Met. 1, fab. 1.

CHARÂDR, a town of Phociis. Herodot. 8, c. 33.

CHARÂROS, a river of Phociis, falling into the Cephissus. Stat. Theb. 4, v. 46.

CHARÂRUS, a place of Argos, where military causes were tried. Thucyd. 5, c. 60.

CHARÂDAS, an Athenian general, sent with 20 ships to Sicily during the Peloponnesian war. He died 426 B.C. &c. Thucyd. 3, c. 86.

CHRÂNDÔN, a people near Pontus.

CHARÂX, a town of Armenia.—A philosopher of Pergamus, who wrote an history of Greece in 40 books.

CHARÂXES and CHARÂXUS, a Mitylenean, brother to Sappho, who became passionately fond of the courteous Rhodope, upon whom he squandered all his possessions, and reduced himself to poverty, and the necessity of piratical excursions. Ovid. Heroid. 13, v. 117.—Herodot. 2, c. 133, &c.

CHARÂXUS, one of the centaurs. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 272.

CHARÂS, an Athenian general.—A statue who was 12 years employed in making the famous Colossus at Rhodes. Plin. 34, c. 7.—A man who wounded Cyrus when fighting against his brother Artaxerxes.—An historian of Mitylene, who wrote the life of Alexander.—An Athenian who fought with Darius against Alexander. Curt. 4, c. 5.—A river of Peloponnesus. Plut. in Arat.

CHARÂLÈS, one of the 30 tyrants set over Athens by the Lacedæmonians. Xenoph. Memor. 1.—Arat. 5, Polit. c. 6.—A famous physician under Tiberius. Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 50.

CHARÂLÈOS, the mother of Tiresias, greatly favoured by Minerva. Apollod. 3, c. 6.—A daughter of Apollo, who married the centaur Chiron. Ovid. Met. 2, v. 653.

CHARÂLÈS, an officer of Dionysius the younger, whom Dion gained to dethrone the tyrant. Diod. 16.

CHRÂDIEMUS, a Roman exposed to wild beasts. Martial. 1, ep. 44.—An Athenian, banished by Alexander, and killed by Darius, &c.

CHÂRÂLA, a festival observed once in nine years by the Delphians. It owes its origin to this circumstance: In a great famine the people of Delphi assembled and applied to their king to relieve their wants. He accordingly distributed the little corn he had among the noblest; but as a poor little girl, called Charila, begged the king with more than common earnestness, he beat her with his shoe, and the girl, unable to bear his treatment, hanged herself in her girdle. The famine increased; and the oracle told the king, that to relieve his people, he must atone for the murder of Charila. Upon this a festival was instituted, with expiatory rites. The king presided over this institution, and distributed pulse and corn to such as attended. Charila's image was brought before the king, who struck it with his shoe; after which it was carried to a desolate place,
CHARILUS and CHARILLUS, a son of Polydectes king of Sparta, educated and protected by his uncle Lycurgus. He made war against Argos, and attacked Tegea. He was taken prisoner, and released on promising that he would cease from war, an engagement he soon broke. He died in the 64th year of his age. *Plut. 2*, 36, 1, 6, c. 46. —A Spartan, who changed the tyranny into aristocracy. *Aristot. Polit.* 5, c. 12.

CHARILUS, one of the ancestors of Leucityches. *Herodot.* 8, c. 131.


CHARIS, a goddess among the Greeks, surrounded with pleasures, graces, and delight. She was the mistress of Vulcan. *Homer.* II. 18.

CHARISIA, a town of Arcadia. *Plut.* 8, c. 3.—A festival in honour of the Graces, with dances which continued all night. He who continued awake the longest, was rewarded with a cake.

CHARISIUS, an orator at Athens. *Cic.* in B. 83.

CHARISTIA, festivals at Rome celebrated on the 20th of February, by distribution of mutual presents, with the intention of reconciling friends and relations. *Val.* Max. 2, c. 1. — *Ovid. Fast.* 2.

CHARITES and GRATIE, the Graces, daughters of Venus by Jupiter or Bacchus, are three in number, Aglaia, Thalia, and Euphrosyne. They were the constant attendants of Venus, and they were represented as three young, beautiful, and modest virgins, all holding one another by the hand. They presided over kindness and all good offices, and their worship was the same as that of the nine Muses, with whom they had a temple in common. They were generally represented naked, because kindnesses ought to be done with sincerity and candour. The moderns explain the allegory of their holding their hands joined, by observing, that there ought to be a perpetual and never-ceasing intercourse of kindness and benevolence among friends. Their youth denotes the constant remembrance that we ought ever to have of kindnesses received; and their virgin purity and innocence teaches us, that acts of benevolence ought to be done without any expectations of restoration, and that we ought never to suffer others or ourselves to be guilty of base or impure favours.

CHARITON, a writer of Aphrodiasium, at the latter end of the fourth century. He composed a Greek romance, called *The Loves of Chareus and Callirhoe*, which has been much admired for its elegance, and the originality of the characters it describes. There is a very learned edition of Chariton by Reiske, with D'Orville's notes, 2 vols. 4to. Amst. 1750.


CHARME and CARME, the mother of Britomartis by Jupiter.
against Philip the king of Macedonia. Plut. in Flarn.—The first decennial anchor at Athens. Paterc. 1, c. 8.

Charybdis, a dangerous whirlpool on the coast of Sicily, opposite another whirlpool called Scylla, on the coast of Italy. It was very dangerous to sailors, and it proved fatal to part of the fleet of Ulysses. The words, Incidit in Scyllam qui vult vitare Charybdin, became a proverb, to shew that in our eagerness to avoid an evil, we fall into a greater. The name of Charybdis was properly bestowed on mistresses who repay affection and tenderness with ingratitude. It is supposed that Charybdis was an avaricious woman, who stole the oxen of Hercules, for which theft she was struck with thunder by Jupiter, and changed into a whirlpool. Lygoph. in Cas.-Homer. Od. 12.—Propert. 3, el. 11.—Ital. 14.—Ovid. in lib. de Ponto, 4, el. 10. Amor. 2, el. 16.—Virg. An. v. 420.

Chauci and Chauci, a people of Germany, who inhabit the country now called Friesland.

Chaula, a village of Egypt.

Chaurus and Choreus, a cold wind blowing from the north-west.

Chile, a Greek word, (χιλιοι), signifying claus, which is applied to the Scorpion, one of the signs of the zodiac, and lies, according to the ancients, contiguous to Virgo. Virg. G. 1, v. 33.

Chilex, a satin of Seleucus, &c.

Chilenon, a mistress of Verres. Cic. in Ver. 1, c. 40.

Chilenon, a festival at Rhodes, in which it was customary for boys to go begging from door to door, and singing certain songs, &c. Athen.

Chilenonis, small islands opposite the promontory of Taurus, very dangerous to sailors. Dionys. Perieg. v. 506.

Chilenonis, a daughter of king Leotychides, who married Cleonymus, and committed adultery with Acrotatus. Plut. in Pyrrh.

Chilenionium, a promontory of mount Taurus, projecting into the Pamphylian sea.

Chilenion, a myth which changed into a tortoise by Mercury, for not being present at the nuptials of Jupiter and Juno, and condemned to perpetual silence for having ridiculed these deities.

Cheloni, a daughter of L海外as king of Sparta, who married Cleombrotus. She accompanied her father, whom her husband had expelled, and soon after went into banishment with her husband, who had in his turn been expelled by Leonidas. Plut. in Agis. & Cleom.

Chelonomphagi, a people of Carmania, who feed upon turtle, and cover their habitations with the shells. Plin. 6, c. 24.

Chelydorea, a mountain of Arcadia.

Chermnis, an island in a deep lake of Egypt. Herodot. 2, c. 156.

Chena, a town of Laconia.

Chene, a village on mount Etia. Paus. 10, c. 24.

Chenion, a mountain in Asia Minor, from which the 10,000 Greeks first saw the sea. Diad. 14.

Chenius, a mountain near Colchus.

Cheops and Cheops, a king of Egypt after Rhamspinutis, who built famous pyramids, upon which 1000 talents were expended only in supplying the workmen with leeks, parsley, garlic, and other vegetables. Herodot. 2, c. 124.

Chephren, a brother of Cheops, who also built a pyramid. The Egyptians so inveterately hated these two royal brothers, that they publicly reported, that the pyramids which they had built had been erected by a shepherd. Herodot. 2, c. 127.

Chermocrates, an artist who built Diana's temple at Ephesus, &c.

Cherisophus, a commander of 800 Spartans, in the expedition which Cyrus undertook against his brother Artaxerxes. Diad. 14.

Chersona. Vid. Chersonea.

Cherophon, a tragic writer of Athens in the age of Philip. Philostr. in vita.


Chersias, an Orchomenian, reconciled to Periander by Chilo. Pausanias praises some of his poetry, 9, c. 38.

Cherdamus, a Trojan, killed by Ulysses in the Trojan war. Ovid. Met. 13, v. 259.

Chersipho, an architect, &c.

Chersonesus, a Greek word, rendered by the Latins Peninsula. There were many of these among the ancients, of which these five are the most celebrated; one called Peloponnesus; one called Thracean; the other, the Mount Euphorion, which was celebrated by Athenians. From its isthmus to its further shores, it measured 420 stadia. The third, called Taurica, now Crik Tartary, was situate near the Palus Maotis. The fourth, called Cimbrica, now Jutland, is in the northern parts of Germany; and the fifth, surnamed Aurea, lies in India, beyond the Ganges.

Chersici, a people of Germany, who long maintained a war against Rome. Taci.

Cherseis, a people near Pontus.

Chidonus, a river of Macedonia near Thesalonica, not sufficiently large to supply the army of Xerxes with water. Herodot. 7, c. 127.

Chilarchus, a great officer of state at the court of Persia. C. Nep. in Coss.

Chilius and Chileus, an Arcadian who advised the Lacedaemonians, when Xerxes was in Greece, not to desert the common cause of their country. Herodot. 9, c. 9.

Chilo, a Spartan philosopher, who has been called one of the seven wise men of Greece. He died through excess of joy in the arms of his son, who had obtained a victory at Olympia, B. C. 597. Plin. 7, c. 33.—Laert.—One of the Ephori at Sparta, B. C. 556.

Chilonis, the wife of Theopompus king of Sparta. Polygen. 2.

Chimera, a celebrated monster, sprung from Echidna and Typhon, which had three heads, that of a lion, a goat, and a dragon,
and continually vomited flames. The foreparts of its body were those of a lion, the middle was that of a goat, and the hinder parts were those of a dragon. It generally lived in Lycia, about the reign of Jobates, by whose orders Bellerophon, mounted on the horse Pegasus, overcame it. This fabulous tradition is explained by the recollection that there was a burning mountain in Lycia, whose top was the resort of lions, on account of its desolate wildness; the middle, which was fruitful, was covered with goats; and at the bottom the marshy ground abounded with serpents. Bellerophon is said to have conquered the Chimera, because he first made his habitation on that mountain. Plutarch says, that it is the captain of some pirates, who adorned their ship with the images of a lion, a goat, and a dragon. *Hesiod. Theog. v. 322.—Apollod. 1, c. 9 l. 2, c. 3.—Lucret. 5, v. 903.—Ovid. 9. Met. v. 646.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 288.* One of the ships in the fleet of Eneas. *Virg. Æn. v. 5, 118.*

**Chimæra, a river of Argolis. Paus. 2, c. 36.**

**Chiromancy, a mount of Phthiotis, in Thessaly. Plin. 4, c. 8.**

**Chimonara, a woman who cut off the head of a Roman tribune when she had been taken prisoner, &c. *Plut. de Virt. Mul.***

**Chion, a Greek writer, whose epistles were edited cum notis, Cobergi, 8vo. Lips. 1765.**

**Chionia, a daughter of Daedalon, of whom Apollo and Mercury became enamoured. To enjoy her company, Mercury lured her to sleep with his caduceus, and Apollo, in the night, under the form of an old woman, obtained the same favours as Mercury. From this embrace Chione became mother of Philammon and Autolycus, the former of whom, as being son of Apollo, became an excellent musician; and the latter was equally notorious for his robberies, of which his father Mercury was the patron. Chione grew so proud of her commerce with the gods, that she even preferred her beauty to that of Juno, for which impurity she was killed by the goddess, and changed into a hawk. *Ovid. Met. 11, fab. 8.* A daughter of Boreas and Orithya, who had Eumolpus by Neptune. She threw her son into the sea, but he was preserved by his father. *Apollod. 3, c. 13.—Paus. 1, c. 30.* A famous prostitute. *Mart. 3, ep. 34.*

**Chionides, an Athenian poet, supposed by some to be the inventor of comedy.**

**Chionis, a victor at Olympia. Paus. 6, c. 13.**

**Chios, an island in the Ægean sea, between Lesbos and Samos, on the coast of Asia Minor, which receives its name, as some suppose, from Chione, or from χιός, snow, which was very frequent there. It was well inhabited, and could once equip a hundred ships; and its chief town, called Chios, had a beautiful harbour, which could contain eighty ships. The wine of this island, so much celebrated by the ancients, is still held in general esteem. Chios was anciently called Æthalia, Macris, and Pitaya. There was no adultery committed there for the space of 700 years. *Plut de Virt. Mul.* **Horat. 1, sat. 10, v. 24.—Paus. 7, c. 4.—Mela, 2, v. 2.—Strab. 2.**

**Chiron, a centaur, half a man and half a horse, son of Philyra and Saturn, who had changed himself into a horse, to escape the inquiries of his wife Rhea. Chiron was famous for his knowledge of music, medicine, and shooting. He taught mankind the use of plants and medicinal herbs; and he instructed in all the polite arts, the greatest heroes of his age, such as Achilles, Æsculapius, Hercules, &c. He was wounded in the knee by a poisoned arrow, by Hercules, in his pursuit of the centaurs. Hercules flew to his assistance; but as the wound was incurable, and the cause of the most excruciating pains, Chiron begged Jupiter to deprive him of immortality. His prayers were heard, and he was placed by the god among the constellations, under the name of Sagittarius. *Hesiod. in Scut.* **Homer. II. 11.—Paus. 3, c. 18. l. 5, c. 19. l. 9, c. 31.—Ovid. Met. 2, v. 676.—Apollod. 2, c. 5. l. 3, c. 13.—Horat. epod. 13.**

**Chloe, a surname of Ceres at Athens. Her yearly festivals, called Chloeia, were celebrated with much mirth and rejoicing, and a ram was always sacrificed to her. The name of Chloe is supposed to bear the same signification as Flavo, so often applied to the goddess of corn. The name, from its signification, *χλωρ, herba virens* has generally been applied to women possessed of beauty and of simplicity.**

**Chloërus, a priest of Cybele, who came with Eneas into Italy, and was killed by Turnus. *Virg. Æn. 11, v. 768.* Another, &c.**

**Chloris, the goddess of flowers, who was married Zephyrus. She is the same as Flora.**

A daughter of Amphion, son of Jupas and Persianphone, who married Neleus king of Pylos, by whom she had one daughter and twelve sons, who all except Nestor, were killed by Hercules. *Homer. Od. 11.—Paus. 2, c. 21. l. 9, c. 36.* A prostitute, &c. *Horat. 3, Od. 13.*

**Chlorus, a river of Cilicia. Plin. 5, c. 27.**

Constantine, one of the Caesars in Dioclesian's age, who reigned two years after the emperor's abdication, and died July 25, A. D. 306.

**Chorænas, a country near India, reduced by Craterus, &c.**

**Chorases, a son of Phasis, &c. *Flacc. 5, v. 985.* An Indian river. *Curt. 5, c. 2.* A river of Media, flowing into the Tigris. Its waters were so sweet, that the kings of Persia drank no other, and in their expeditions they always had some with them, which had been previously boiled. *Herodot. 1, c. 198.—Elian. V. H. 13, c. 40.—Tobull. 4, ch. 1, v. 141.*

**Chorus, a river of Colchis. *Arran.***

CHERSILUS, a tragic poet of Athens, who wrote 150 tragedies, of which 13 obtained the prize. — A historian of Samos. — Two other poets, one of whom was very intimate with Herodotus. He wrote a poem on the victory which the Athenians had obtained over Xerxes, and on account of the excellence of the composition, he received a piece of gold for each verse from the Athenians, and was publicly ranked with Homer as a poet. The other was one of Alexander's flatterers and friends. It is said the prince promised him as many pieces of gold as there should be good verses in his poetry, and as many slaps on the forehead as there were bad; and in consequence of this, scarce six of his verses in each poem were entitled to gold, while the rest were rewarded with the castigation. Plut. in Alex.


CHEREE, a place of Buxia.

CHONDIDAS, a man made preceptor to Theseus, by his grandfather Pithius' king of Troezen. The Athenians instituted sacrifices to sum for the good precepts he had inculcated in his pupil. Plut. in These.

CHONUPHIS, an Egyptian prophet. Plut. de Socrat. gen.

CHORASMI, a people of Asia near the Oxus. Herodot. 3, c. 93.

CHORINEUS, a man killed in the Rutulian war. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 571. — Another. Id. 12, v. 298. — A priest with Æneas. Id.

CHORIPUS, a man of Elis, who obtained a prize the first Olympiad. Vid. Corcusus. — A youth of Mygdonia, who was enamoured of Cassandra. Virg. Æn. 2, v. 341.

CHOROMNAX, a people subdued by Ninus. Diod. 1.

CHOROINES, a king of Persia, in Justinian's reign.

CHREMA, a sordid old man mentioned in Terence's Andria. Horat. in Arc. v. 94.

CHREMETES, a river of Libya.


CHRYSPONTES, a son of Aristocamus. Vid. Aristodemus.

CHRESTUS, an approved writer of Athens, &c. Colum. 1, de P. R. c. 1.

CHROMIA, a daughter of Itonus. Paus. 5, c. 1.

CHROMOS, a son of Neleus and Chloris, who, with ten brothers, was killed in a battle by Hercules. A son of Priam, killed by Diomedes. Apollod. 3, c. 12.


CHROMUS, a son of Pterilus. Apollod. 2, c. 4. — An Argive, who, alone with Alcenor, survived a battle between 300 of his countrymen and 300 Spartans. Herodot. 1, c. 82.

CHRONIUS, a man who built a temple of Diana Orchomenos. Paus. 8, c. 48.

CHRONOS, the Greek name of Saturn, or Time.

CHRYSAUS, a king of Arcos, descended from Inachus.


CHRYSASTE, a Thessalian, priestess of Diana Trivia. She fed a bull with poison, which she sent to the enemies of her country, who eat the flesh, and became delirous, and were an easy conquest. Polyen.

CHRYSTANTHUS, a philosopher in the age of Julian, known for the great number of volumes he wrote.

CHRYSTANS, a nymph who told Ceres that her daughter had been carried away. Paus. 1.

CHYSAOR, a son of Medusa by Neptune. Some report that he sprung from the blood of Medusa, armed with a golden sword, whence his name χωρασα γοπ. He married Callirhoe, one of the Oceanides, by whom he had Geryon, Echidna, and the Chimæra. Herod. Thesp. v. 295. — A rich king of Iberia. Diod. 4.

A son of Glaucus. Paus. 5, c. 21.

CHYSARIS, a town of Cilicia. Paus. 5, c. 21.

CHYSA, a river of Sicily, worshipped as a deity.

CHYSEIS, the daughter of Chryses. Vid. Chryses.

CHYSERMUS, a Corinthian, who wrote an history of Peloponnesus and of India, besides a treatise on rivers. Plut. in Parall.

CHYSES, the priest of Apollo, father of Astynome, called from him Chryses. When Lynnessus was taken, and the spoils divided among the conquerors, Chryses fell to the share of Agamemnon. Chryses, upon this, went to the Grecian camp to solicit his daughter's restoration; and when his prayers were fruitless, he implored the aid of Apollo, who visited the Greeks with a plague, and obliged them to restore Chryses. Homer. Il. 1, v. 11, &c. — A daughter of Minos. Apollod. 3, c. 1.

CHYSPIFE, a daughter of Danaus. Apollod. 2, c. 1.

CHYSPIPPUS, a natural son of Pelops, highly favoured by his father, for which Hippodamia, his step-mother, ordered her own sons, Atreus and Thyestes, to kill him; on account of which they were banished. Some say that Hippodamia's sons refused to murder Chryssippus, and that she did it herself. They farther say, that Chryssippus had been carried away by Lainus, king of Thebes, to gratify his unnatural lusts, and that he was in his arms when Hippodamia killed him. Hygin. fab. 85. — Pluteo de Leg. 6. — Apollod. 3, c. 5. — Paus. 6, c. 29. — A stoic philosopher of Tarsus, who wrote about 311 treatises. Among his curious opinions
was his approbation of a parent's marriage with his child, and his wish that dead bodies should be eaten rather than buried. He died through excess of wine, or, as others say, from laughing too much on seeing an ass eating figs on a silver plate, 207 B.C. in the 80th year of his age. *Vol. Max. 8, c. 7.* — *Dinog.* *Horat. 2,* Sat. 3, v. 40. There were also others of the same name. *Laert.*

**Chrysis, a mistress of Demetrius. Plut. in Demet.** — A priestess of Juno at Mycena. The temple of the goddess was burnt by the negligence of Chrysis, who fled to Teges, to the altar of Mineyes. *Paus. 2,* c. 17.

**Chrysaspides, soldiers in the armies of Persia, whose arms were all covered with silver, to display the opulence of the prince whom they served. *Justin. 12,* c. 7.*

**Chrysoodonus, a freed-man of Sylla. Cic. pro Rts.** — A celebrated singer in Domitian's reign. *Jun. 6,* v. 74.

**Chryso Laus, a tyrant of Methymna, &c. Curt. 4, c. 8.*

**Chrysoleium, a town of Macedonia. Polyl. 5.*

**Chrysfopolis, a promontory of Asia, opposite Byzantium.*

**Chrysochorus, a people in whose country are golden streams.**

**Chrysochoras, a river of Peloponnesus. Paus. 2,* c. 31.*

**Chrysostom, a bishop of Constantinople, who died A.D. 407, in his 53rd year. He was a great disciplinarian, and by severely lashing the vices of his age, he procured himself many enemies. He was banished for opposing the raising a statue to the empress, after having displayed his abilities as an elegant preacher, a sound theologian, and a faithful interpreter of scripture. Chrysostom's works were nobly and correctly edited, without a Latin version, by Saville, 8 vols. fol. *Etonas,* 1613. They have appeared, with a translation, at Paris, edit. Benedict.* Montfaucun, 13 vols. fol. 1718.

**Chrysothemis, a daughter of Agamemnon and Clytemnestra.** — A Cretan, who first obtained the poetical prize at the Pythian games. *Paus. 10,* c. 7.*

**Chryssus, a leader of the Boi, grandson to Brennus, who took Rome. *Sil. 4,* v. 143.*

**Cithonia, a daughter of Erechtheus, who married Butes. *Apollod. 3,* c. 15.* A surname of Ceres, from a temple built to her by Cithonia, at Hermione. She had a festival there called by the same name, and celebrated every summer. During the celebration, the priests of the goddess march in procession, accompanied by the magistrates, and a crowd of women and boys in white apparel, with garlands of flowers on their heads. Behind is dragged an untamed heifer, just taken from the herd. When they come to the temple the victim is let loose, and four old women, armed with scythes, sacrifice it nearer, and kill her by cutting her throat. A second, a third, and a fourth victim, is in a like manner dispatched by the old women; and it is observable that they all fall on the same side. *Paus Curt. 4,* c. 31.*

**Chthonius, a centaur, killed by Nes'tor in a battle at the nuptials of Pirithous. *Orat. Met.* 12, v. 441. One of the soldiers who sprang from the dragon's teeth sown by Cadmus. *Hyg. fab.* 178. — *A son of Egyptus and Calaideu. *Apollod. 2,* c. 1.*

**Chthuim, a name given to part of the town of Clazomene.**

**Cibal., now Seville, a town of Panonica, where Licinius was defeated by Constantine. It was the birth place of Gratian. *Eutrop.* 10, c. 4. — *Marcell.* 30, c. 24.*

**Cibartis, a country of Asia, near the Meander.**

**Cibra, now Burun, a town of Phrygia, the inhabitants were famous hunters. *Horat.* 1, ep 6, v. 33. — *Cic. in Ver. 4,* c. 13. — *Attic.* 5, ep. 2.*

M. T. Cicero, born at Arpinum, was son of a Roman knight, and lineally descended from the ancient kings of the Sabines. His mother's name was Helvia. After displaying many promising abilities at school, he was taught philosophy by Philo, and law by Mutius Scaevola. He acquired and perfected a taste for military knowledge under Sylla, in the Marseian war and retired from Rome, which was divided into factions, to indulge his philosophic propensities. He was naturally of a weak and delicate constitution, and he visited Greece or account of his health; but, perhaps, the true cause of his absence from Rome might be attributed to his fear of Sylla. His friends, who were well acquainted with his superior abilities were anxious for his return; and when at last he obeyed their solicitations, he applied himself with uncommon diligence to oratory, and was soon distinguished above all the speakers of his age in the Roman forum. When he went to Sicily as quaestor, he behaved with great justice and moderation; and the Sicilian remembered with gratitude the eloquence of Cicero, their common patron, who had delivered them from the tyranny and avarice of Verres. After he had passed through the offices of edile and pretor, he stood a candidate for the consulship, A. U. C. 689; and the patricians and the plebeians were equally anxious to raise him to that dignity, against the efforts and bribery of Catiline. His new situation was critical, and required circumspection. Catiline, with many dissolve and desperate Romans, had contrived against their country, and combined to murder Cicero himself. In this dilemma, Cicero, in full senate, accused Catiline of treason against the state; but as his evidence was not clear, his efforts were unavailing. He, however, stood upon his guard, and by the information of his friends, and the discovery of Fulvia, his life was saved from the dagger of Marcus and Cæcatus, whom Catiline had sent to assassinate him. After this, Cicero commanded Catiline, in the senate, to leave the city; and this desperate conspirator marched out in triumph to meet the 20,000 men who were assembled to support his cause. The lieutenant of C. Antony, the other consul, defeated them in Gaul; and Cicero, at Rome, punished the rest of the conspirators with...
death. This capital punishment, though in-
weighed against by J. Caesar as too severe, was
supported by the opinion of Lutatius Catulus
and Cato, and confirmed by the whole senate.
After this memorable deliverance, Cicero re-
ceived the thanks of all the people, and was
styled, The Father of his Country, and a second
Founder of Rome. The vehemence with which
he had attacked Clodius, proved injurious to
him; and when his enemy was made tribune,
Cicero was banished from Rome, though 20,000
young men were supporters of his innocence.
He was not, however, deserted in his banish-
ment. Wherever he went, he was received with
uncommon favour; and when the faction
had subsided at Rome, all the senate and
people were unanimous for his return. After
sixteen months' absence, he entered Rome
with universal satisfaction; and when he was
sent, with the power of proconsul, to Cilicia,
his integrity and prudence made him successful
against the enemy, and, at his return, he was
honoured with a triumph which the factions
prevented him to have. After much hesitation,
during the civil commotions between Caesar
and Pompey, he joined himself to the latter,
and followed him to Greece. When victory
had declared in favour of Caesar, at the battle
of Pharsalia, Cicero went to Brundusium, and
was reconciled to the conqueror, who treated
him with great humanity. From this time
Cicero retired into the country, and seldom
visited Rome. When Caesar had been stabbed
in the senate, Cicero recommended a general
amnesty, and was the most earnest to decry
the provinces to Brutus and Cassius. But
when he saw the interest of Caesar's mur-
derers decreased, and Antony came into power,
he retired to Athens. He soon after returned,
but lived in perpetual fear of assassination.
Augustus courted the approbation of Cicero
and expressed his wish to be his colleague in
the consulship. But his wish was not sincere;
he soon rejected him; and when the two cons-
suls had been killed at Mutina, Augustus
joined his interest to that of Antony, and the
triumvirate was soon after formed. The great
enmity which Cicero bore to Antony, was fatal
to him; and Augustus, Antony, and Lepidus,
the triumvirs, to destroy all cause of quarrel,
and each to dispatch his enemies, produced
their list of proscription. About two hundred
were doomed to death, and Cicero was among
them, upon the list of Antony. Augustus
yielded a man to whom he partly owed his
greatness, and Cicero was pursued by the emis-
saries of Antony, among whom was Popilius,
whom he had defended upon an accusation of
parricide. He had fled in a litter towards the
sea of Caieta; and when the assassins came
up to him, he put his head out of the litter,
and it was severed from the body by Herennius.
This memorable event happened in December,
43 B. C. after the enjoyment of life for 63
years, 11 months, and five days. The head and
right hand were carried to Rome, and hung up in
the Roman forum; and so inveterate was An-
tony's hatred against the unhappy man, that even

Paula, the triumvir's wife, wreaked her ven-
gence upon his head, and drew the tongue out of
his mouth, and bored it through repeatedly with
a gold bodkin, verifying, in this act of inhu-
manity, what Cicero had once observed, that
no animal is more revengeful than a woman.
Cicero has acquired more real fame by his lite-
rary compositions, than by his spirited exertions
as a Roman senator. The learning and the
abilities which he possessed, have been the adm-
iration of every age and country, and his style has always been accounted as the true
standard of pure latency. The words nescitur
poeta have been verified in his attempts to write
poetry; and the satire of Martial, Carmina quod
scribit musis et Apolline nullo, though severe, is
true. He once formed a design to write the
history of his country, but he was disappointed.
He translated many of the Greek writers, poets
as well as historians, for his own improvement.
When he travelled into Asia, he was attended
by most of the learned men of his age; and
his stay at Rhodes, in the school of the famous
Molo, conducted not a little to perfect his judg-
ment. Like his countrymen, he was not desti-
tute of ambition, and the arrogant expectations
with which he returned from his quaestorship in
Sicily are well known. He was of a timid dis-
position; and he who shone as the father of
Roman eloquence, never ascended the pulpit to
harangue without feeling a secret emotion of
dread. His conduct, during the civil wars, is
far from that of a patriot; and when we view
him, dubious and irresolute, sorry not to follow
Pompey, and yet afraid to oppose Caesar, the
judgment would almost give him the name of
coward. In his private character, however,
Cicero was of an amiable disposition; and
though he was too elated with prosperity, and
debased by adversity, the affability of the friend
conciliated the good graces of all. He mar-
ned Terentia, whom he afterwards divorced,
and by whom he had a son and daughter. He
afterwards married a young woman, to whom
he was guardian; and because she seemed
elated at the death of his daughter Tullia, he
repudiated her. The works of this celebrated
man, of which, according to some, the tenth
part is scarce extant, have been edited by the
best scholars in every country. The most va-
luable editions of the works complete, are that
of Verburgius, 2 vols. fol. Amst. 1724—that of
Olivet, 9 vols. 4to. Geneva, 1758—the Oxford
edition in 10 vols. 4to. 1782—and that of Lalen-
demand, 12mo. 14 vols. Paris apud Barond
1769. Plutarch. in vita.—Quintil. —Dio. Cas-
Appian.—Florus.—C. Nep. in Attic.—Eutrop.
—Cic. &c.—Marcus, the son of Cicero, was
taken by Augustus as his colleague in the con-
sulsip. He revenged his father's death, by
throwing public disfavour on the memory of
Antony. He disgraced his father's virtues, and
was so fond of drinking, that Pliny observes,
he wished to deprive Antony of the honour of
being the greatest drunkard in the Roman em-
pire. Plut. in Cis.—Quintus, the brother of the
orator, was Caesar's lieutenant in Gaul, and
proconsul of Asia, for three years. He was
proscribed with his son at the same time as his brother Tully. *Plut. in Cæs.*—Appian. Cicero, a town near Puteoli in Campania. *Plin. 31, c. 2.*

Cicero, a town of Epirus. Ciceros, a people of Thrace near the Hebrus. Ulysses, at his return from Troy, conquered them, and plundered their chief city, Smaros. They tore to pieces Orpheus, for his obscure indulgences. *Ovid. Met. 10, v. 83.* 1, l. 15, v. 313.—*Virg. G. 4, v. 590, &c.—Mela, 2, c. 2.*


Cilicia, a country of Asia Minor, on the seacoast, at the north of Cyprus, the south of mount Taurus, and the west of the Euphrates. The inhabitants enriched themselves by piratical excursions, till they were conquered by Pompey. The country was opulent, and was governed by kings, under some of the Roman emperors; but reduced into a province by Vespasian. Cicero presided over it as proconsul. *It*. receives its name from Cilius, the son of Agenor. *Apollod. 3, c. 1.—Sueton. in Vesp. 8.—Herodot. 2, c. 17, 34.—Justin. 11, c. 11.—Curt. 3, c. 4.—*Plin. 5, c. 27.* Part of the country between Æolia and Troas, is called Cilicia. *Strab. 13,* calls it Trojan, to distinguish it from the other Cilicia.

Cilles, a town of Phrygia. Cilix, a son of Phenix, or, according to Herodotus, of Agenor, who gave his name to Cilicia. *Apollod. 3, c. 1.—Herodot. 7, c. 91.*

Cilla, a town of Africa Propr. *Did. 20.*

—A town of Æolia. *Herodot. 3, c. 149.* Of Troas, which received its name, according to Theopompos, from a certain Cillus, who was one of Hippodamia’s suitors, and killed by Enomaus. *Homer. Il. 1,* v. 38.—*Ovid. Met.* 1, v. 174.

Cilles, a general of Ptolemy, conquered by Demetrius. *Did. 19.*

Cillus, a charioteer of Pelops, in whose honour a city was built. *Strab. 13.*

Cillus, the surname of Meecenas.

Cilo, Jun. an oppressive governor of Bithynia and Pontus. The provinces carried their complaints against him to Rome; but such was the noise of the Heraetes that attended the emperor Claudius, that he was unable to hear them; and when he asked what they had said, he was told by one of Cilo’s friends, that they returned thanks for his good administration; upon which the emperor said, let Cilo be continued two years longer in his province. *Did. 60.—Tactit. Ann. 12,* c. 21.

Cimmer, Tull., one of Caesar’s murderers. He laid hold of the dictator’s robe, which was a signal for the rest to strike. *Plut. in Cæs.*

Cimmerius, a chief of the Suevi.

Cimbrei, a people of Germany, who invaded the Roman empire with a large army, and were conquered by Marius. *Flor. 3, c. 3.*

Cimmericum Belium, was begun by the Cimbrei and Teutones, by an invasion of the Roman territories, B. C. 105. These barbarians were so courageous, and even desperate, that they fastened their first ranks, each to the other, with cords. In the first battle they destroyed 80,000 Romans, under the consuls Manlius and Servilius Capio. But Marius, in his second consulship was chosen to carry on the war against them; he met the Teutones at Aquæ Sextiae, where, after a bloody engagement, he left dead on the field of battle 20,000, and took 90,000 prisoners, B. C. 102. The Cimbrei, who had formed another army, had already penetrated into Italy, where they were met at the river Athenis, by Marius and his colleague Catulus, a year after. An engagement ensued, and 140,000 of them were slain. This last battle put an end to this dreadful war, and the two consuls entered Rome in triumph. *Flor. 3, c. 3.—Plin. 7, c. 22, l. 17, c. 1.—Mela. 3, c. 3.—Paterec. 2, c. 12.—*Plut. in Mario.*

Cimnus, a lake and mountain of Italy. *Virg. Æn. 7,* v. 697.—*Liv. 9,* c. 36.

Cimmeri, a people near the Palus Meritis, who invaded Asia Minor, and seized upon the kingdom of Cyzaraes. After they had been masters of the country for 28 years, they were driven back by Alyattes king of Lydia. *Herodot. 1,* c. 6, &c. l. 4, c. 1, &c.—Another nation on the western coast of Italy. The country which they inhabited was supposed to be so gloomy, that, to mention a great obscurity, the expressions of Cimmerian darkness has proverbially been used; and Homer, according to Plutarch, drew his expressions of hell and Pluto from the gloomy and dismal country where they dwelt. *Homer. Od. 13.—Virg. Æn. 6.—Ovid. Met. 11, v. 594, &c.*

Cimmerius, a town of Troas, formerly called Edonis. *Plin. 5, c. 30.*

Cimmerium, a town of Taurica Chersones, whose inhabitants are called Cimmeri.

Cimolis and Cinois, a town of Paphlagonia.

Cimolus, an island in the Cretan sea. *Ovid. Met. 7,* v. 463.

Cimon, an Athenian, son of Miltiades and Hegesipyle, famous for his debaucheries in his youth, and the reformation of his morals when he arrived to years of discretion. *When his father died, he was imprisoned, because unable to pay the fine laid upon him by the Athenians; but he was released from confinement by his sister and wife Elpinice. (Vid. Elpinice.) He behaved with great courage at the battle of Salamis, and rendered himself popular by his munificence and valour. He defeated the Persian fleet, and took 200 ships, and totally routed their land army, the very same day. The money that he obtained by his victories, was not applied to his own private use; but with it he fortified and embellished the city. He some time after lost all his popularity, and was banished by the Athenians, who declared war against the Lacedaemonians. He was recalled from his exile, and at his return he made a reconciliation between Lacedaemon and his countrymen. He was afterwards appointed to carry on the war against Persia, in Egypt and
Cynesias, a Greek poet of Thebes in Boeotia, who composed some dithyrambic verses. Athen.

Cinethon, a Spartan, who wrote genealogical poems, in one of which he asserted that Medea had a son by Jason, called Medus, and a daughter called Eriopis. Paus. 2, c. 18.

Cinga, a river of Spain, flowing from the Pyrenean mountains into the Iberus. Lucan. 4, v. 21.

Cingetorix, a prince of Gaul, in alliance with Rome. C. bell. G. 5, c. 3.—A prince of Britain, who attacked Caesar's camp, by order of Cassivaleanuus. Id. ib. c. 22.

Cingulum, a town of Picenum, whose inhabitants are called Cingulani. Plin. 3, c. 13.

—C. bell. Cit. 1, c. 15.

Ciniāta, a place of Galatia.

Cinhithi, a people of Africa.

L. Corn. Cina, a Roman who oppressed the republic with his cruelties, and was banished by Octavius, for attempting to make the fugitive slaves free. He joined himself with Marius; and with him, at the head of 30 legions, he filled Rome with blood, defeated his enemies, and made himself consul even to a fourth time. He massacred so many citizens at Rome, that his name became odious; and one of his officers assassinated him at Ancona, as he was preparing war against Sylla. Plut. in Mor. Pomp. & Sylla. Lucan. 4, v. 342.—Appian. bell. Cit. 1—Flor. 3, c. 21.—Paterc. 2, c. 20, &c.—Plut. in Cesa.—One of Caesar's murderers.—C. Helvius Cina, a poet intimate with Caesar.

He went to attend the obsequies of Caesar, and being mistaken by the populace for the other Cina, he was torn to pieces. He had been eight years in composing an obscure poem called Smyrna, in which he made mention of the incest of Cinyras. Plut. in Cesa.—A grandson of Pompey. He conspired against Augustus, who pardoned him, and made one of his most intimate friends. He was consul, and made Augustus his heir. Dio.—Seneca, de Ciem. c. 9.—A town of Italy taken by the Romans from the Samnites.

Cinnadon, a Lacedaemonian youth, who resolved to put to death the Ephori, and seize upon the sovereign power. His conspiracy was discovered, and he was put to death. Aristot.

Cinnamus, a hair-dresser at Rome, ridiculed by Martial, 7, ep. 63.

Cinniana, a town of Lusitania, famous for the value of its citizens. Val. Mar. 6, c. 4.

Cinxia, a surname of Juno, who presided over marriages, and was supposed to unite the girdle of new brides.


Cinyras, a king of Cyprus, son of Paphus, who married Cenchreis, by whom he had a daughter called Myrrha. Myrrha fell in love with her father; and in the absence of her

Cyprus, with a fleet of 300 ships; and on the coast of Asia, he gave battle to the enemy, and totally ruined their fleet. He died as he was besieging the town of Citium in Cyprus, B. C. 449, in the 51st year of his age. He may be called the last of the Greeks, whose spirit and boldness defeated the armies of the barbarians. He was such an inveterate enemy to the Persian power, that he formed a plan of totally destroying it; and in his wars he had so reduced the Persians, that they promised 'in a treaty, not to pass the Chelidonian islands with their fleet, or to approach within a day's journey of the Grecian seas. The munificence of Cimon has been highly extolled by his biographers, and he has been praised for leaving his gardens open to the public. Thucyd. 1, c. 100 & 112.—Justin. 2, c. 13.—Diod. 11.—Plut. & C. Nep. in vita.—An Athenian, father of Miltiades. Herodot. 6, c. 34.—A Roman, supported in prison by the milk of his daughter.—An Athenian, who wrote an account of the war of the Amazons against his country.

Cinethon, an ancient poet of Lacedaemon, &c.

Cinaradas, one of the descendants of Cinyras, who presided over the ceremonies of Venus at Paphos. Tact. 2, Hist. c. 3.

Cincia lex, was enacted by M. Cincius, tribune of the people, A. U. C. 549. By it no man was permitted to take any money as a gift or a fee in judging a cause. Liv. 34, c. 4.

L. Q. Cincinnatvs, a celebrated Roman, who was informed, as he ploughed his field, that the senate had chosen him dictator. Upon this he left his ploughed land with regret, and repaired to the field of battle, where his countrymen were closely besieged by the Volsci and Equi. He conquered the enemy, and returned to Rome in triumph; and 16 days after his appointment, he laid down his office, and retired back to plough his fields. In his 80th year, he was again summoned against Preneste as dictator; and after a successful campaign, he resigned the absolute power he had enjoyed only 21 days, disregarding the rewards that were offered him by the senate. He flourished about 460 years before Christ. Liv. 3, c. 35.—Flor. 1, c. 11.—Cic. de Finib. 4.

L. Cincius Alimentus, a praetor of Sicily in the second Punic war, who wrote annals in Greek. Dionys. Hal. 1.—Marcus, a tribune of the people, A. U. C. 549.

Cineas, a Thessalian, minister and friend to Pyrrhus king of Epirus. He was sent to Rome by his master to sue for a peace, which he, however, could not obtain. He told Pyrrhus, that the Roman senate was a venerable assembly of kings; and observed, that to fight with them, was to fight against another Hydra. He was of such a retentive memory, that the day after his arrival at Rome, he could call every senator and knight by his name. Plin. r. c. 24.—Cic. ad Fam. 9, ep. 25.—A king of Thessaly. Herodot. 5, c. 62.—An Athenian &c. Polyen. 2, c. 32.
mother, she introduced herself into his bed by means of her nurse. Cinyras had by her a son called Adonis; and when he knew the incest he had committed, he attempted to stab his daughter, who escaped his pursuit and fled to Arabia, where, after she had brought forth, she was changed into a tree. which still bears her name. Cinyras, according to some, was himself.

"Ovid. Met. 10, fab. 9.—Plut. in Parall.—Hygin. fab. 242, 248, &c. —A son of Laodice. Apollod. 3, c. 9.—A man who bought a colony from Syria to Cyprus. Id. 3, c. 14.—A Ligurian, who assisted Aeneas against Turnus. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 186."

Ciro, a river of Thrace. Plin. 5, c. 32.—A commercial place of Phrygia. —The name of three cities in Bithynia.

Ciprus, a noble Roman, who, as he returned home victorious, was told that if he entered the city he must reign there. Unwilling to enslave his country, he assembled the senate without the walls, and banished himself for ever from the city, and retired to live upon a single acre of ground. Ovid. 15. Met. v. 565.

Circe, a daughter of Sol and Perseis, celebrated for her knowledge of magic and venomous herbs. She was sister to Æetes king of Colchis, and Pasiphae, the wife of Minos. She married a Sarmatian prince of Colchis, whom she murdered to obtain the kingdom. She was expelled by her subjects, and carried by her father upon the coasts of Italy, in an island called Æaea. Ulysses, at his return from the Trojan war, visited her coasts; and all his companions, who ran headlong into pleasure and voluptuousness, were changed by Circe's potions into filthy swine. Ulysses, who was fortified against all enchantments by an herb called moly, which he had received from Mercury, went to Circe, and demanded, sword in hand, the restoration of his companions to their former state. She complied, and loaded the hero with pleasures and honours. In this voluptuous retreat, Ulysses had by Circe one son called Telegonus, or two, according to Hesiod, called Agrius and Latius. For one whole year, Ulysses forgot his glory in Circe's arms. At his departure, the nymph advised him to descend to hell, and consult the manes of Tiresias concerning the fates that attended him. Circe showed herself cruel to Scylla her rival, and to Picus. [Vid. Scylla, and Picus.] Ovid. Met. 14, fab. 1 & 5.—Horat. 1, ep. 2. 1, od. 17.—Virg. Eccl. 8, v. 9. Æn. 7, v. 10, &c.—Hygin. fab. 125.—Apollon. 4, Arg.—Homer. Od. 10, v. 136, &c. Apollod. 1, c. 9.

Circenses Ludi, games performed in the circus at Rome. They were dedicated to the god Consus, and were first established by Romulus at the rape of the Sabines. They were in imitation of the Olympic games among the Greeks, and, by way of eminence, were often called the great games. Their original name was Consaulia, and they were first called Circenses by Tarquin the elder, after he had built the circus. They were not appropriated to one particular exhibition, but were equally celebrated for leaping, wrestling, throwing the quoit and javelin, races on foot as well as in chariots, and boxing. Like the Greeks, they gave the name of Pentathlon or Quiquiatrum to these five exercises. The celebration continued five days, beginning on the 15th of September. All games in general that were exhibited in the circus, were soon after called Circensian games. Some sea-fights and skirmishes, called by the Romans Naumachiae, were afterwards exhibited in the Circus. Virg. Æn. 8, v. 656.

Circius, a part of mount Taurus. Plin. 5, c. 27.—A rapid and tempestuous wind frequent in Gallia Narbonensis, and unknown in any other country. Lucan. 1, v. 408.

Circius, a large and elegant building at Rome, where plays and shows were exhibited. There were about eight at Rome; the first, called Maximus Circus, was the grandest, raised and embellished by Tarquin Priscus. Its figure was oblong, and it was filled all round with benches, and could contain, as some report, about 300,000 spectators. It was about 2137 feet long, and 960 broad. All the emperors vied in beautifying it, and J. Caesar introduced in it large canals of water, which, on a sudden, could be covered with an infinite number of vessels, and represent a sea-fight.

Ciris, the name of Scylla, a daughter of Nisos, who was changed into a bird of the same name. Ovid. Met. 8, v. 151.

Cirræatum, a place near Arpinum, where C. Marius lived when young.—Plut. in Mar.

Cirrha and Cyrrha, a town of Phocis, at the foot of Parnassus, where Apollo was worshipped. Lucan. 3, v. 172.

Cirtha and Cirta, a town of Numidia Strab. 7.

Cisalpina Gallia a part of Gaul, called also Citerior and Togata. Its farthest boundary lies near the Rubicon, and it touches the Alps on the Italian side.

Cispadana Gallia, part of ancient Gaul, south of the Po.

Cisrenanni, a part of the Germans who lived on the west of the Rhine.

Cissa, a river of Pontius.—An island near Istria.

Cissae, a patronymic given to Hecuba as daughter of Cisseus.


Cissea, a country near Armenia. Herodot. 5, c. 49.

Cissix, some gates in Babylon. Id. 3, c. 155.

Cissides, a general of Dionysius, sent with nine galley's, to assist the Spartans, &c. Dio. 15.

Cissoeus, a fountain of Bretia. Plut.

Cissus, a mountain of Macedonia.—A city of Thrace.—A man who acquainted
Alexander with the flight of Harpalus. Plut. in Alc.

Cissusa, a fountain where Bacchus was washed when young. Plut. in Lyg.

Cistena, a town of Aetolia.—A town of Lydia. Mela, 1, c. 18.

Citharon, a king who gave his name to a mountain of Boetia. This mountain was at the south of the river Asopus. It was sacred to Jupiter and the Muses. Acteon was torn to pieces by his own dogs on this mountain. Hercules killed there an immense lion. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 303.—Apollod. 2, c. 4.—Mela, 2, c. 3.—Strab. 9.—Paus. 9, c. 1, &c.—Plin. 4, c. 7.

Citharista, a promontory of Gaul.

Citium, a town of Cyprus, where Cimon died in his expedition against Egypt. Plut. in Cim.—Thucyd. 1, c. 112.

Cius, a town of Mysia. Apollod. 1, c. 9.

J. Civilis, a powerful Batavian, who raised a sedition against Galba, &c. Tacit. Hist. 1, c. 59.

Cizycum, a city of Asia, in the Propontis, the same as Cizicus.

Cladeus, a river of Elis. Paus. 5, c. 7.

Clanes, a river flowing into the Ister.

Clanis, a centaur killed by Theseus. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 379.


Clarus, a town of Ionia, famous for an oracle of Apollo. It was built by Manto daughter of Tiresias, who fled from Thebes, after it had been destroyed by the Epigoni. She was so afflicted with her misfortunes, that a lake was formed with her tears, where she first founded the oracle. Apollo was from thence surnamed Clarus. Strab. 14.—Paus. 7, c. 3.—Mela, 1, c. 87.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 516.

An island of the Ægean, between Tenedos and Scios. Thucyd. 3, c. 33.—One of the companions of Æneas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 126.

Clastidium, a town of Italy. Strab. 5.

—A village of Gaul. Plut. in Marcel. 5.

Claudia, a patrician family at Rome, descended from Clavius, a king of the Sabines. It gave birth to many illustrious patriots.

Claudia, a vestal virgin accused of incontinence. To shew her innocence, she offered to remove a ship which had brought the image of Vesta to Rome, and had stuck in one of the shallow places of the river. This had already baffled the efforts of a number of men; and Claudia, after addressing her prayers to the goddess, untied her girdle, and with it easily dragged after her the ship to shore, and by this action was honourably acquitted. Val. Max. 5, c. 4.—Propert. 4, el. 12, v. 52.—Ital. 17, v. 34.—Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 313, el Pontus, 1, ep. 2, v. 144.—A stepdaughter of M. Antony, whom Augustus married. He dismissed her unfledged, immediately after the contract of marriage, on account of a sudden quarrel with her mother Fulvia. Sueton. in Aug. 62.

—The wife of the poet Statius. Stat. 3, Sylv. 5.—A daughter of Appius Claudius, betrothed to Tib. Gracchus.—An inconsiderable town of Noricum. Plin. 3, c. 14.—A bridge to the Flaminian way. Ovid. 1, el Pont. el 8, v. 44.—A tribe which received its name from Appius Claudius, who came to settle at Rome with a large body of attendants. Liv. 2, c. 16.—Halic. 5.—Quinta, a daughter of Appius Cæcus, whose statue in the vestibule of Cybele’s temple was unhurt when that edifice was reduced to ashes. Val. Max. 1, c. 8.—Tacit. 4. Ann. c. 64.—Pulcra, a cousin of Agrippina, accused of adultery and criminal designs against Tiberius. She was condemned. Tacit. Ann. 4, c. 52.—Antonia, a daughter of the emperor Claudius, married Cn. Pompey, whom Messalina caused to be put to death. Her second husband, Sylia Faustus, by whom she had a son, was killed by Nero, and she shared his fate, when she refused to marry his murderer.

Claudia lex, de comitia, was enacted by M. Cl. Marcellus, A. U. C. 702. It ordained, that at public elections of magistrates, no notice should be taken of the votes of such as were absent.—Another, de usura, which forbade people to lend money to minors on condition of payment after the decease of their parents.—Another, de negotiis, by Q. Claudius the tribune, A. U. C. 533. It forbade any senator, or father of a senator, to have any vessel containing above 300 amphoræ, for fear of their engaging themselves in commercial schemes. The same law also forbade the same thing to the scribes and the attendants of the quaestors, as it was naturally supposed that people who had any commercial connexions, could not be faithful to their trust, nor promote the interest of the state.—Another, A. U. C. 576, to permit the allies to return to their respective cities, after their names were enrolled, Liv. 41, c. 9.—Another, to take away the freedom of the city of Rome from the colonists, which Caesar had carried to Novicolum. Sueton. in Jul. 28.

Claudius aquæ, two fountains at Rome.

Claudianus, a celebrated poet in the age of Honorius and Arcadius, who seems to possess all the majesty of Virgil, without being a slave to the corrupted style which prevailed in his age. Scaliger observes, that he has supplied the poverty of his matter, by the purity of his language, the happiness of his expressions, and the melody of his numbers. As he was the favourite of Stilicho, he retired when his patron was disgraced, and passed the rest of his life in retirement and learned ease. His poems on Rufinus and Eutropius seem to be the best of his compositions. The best editions of his works are that of Burman, 4to. 2 vols. Amst. 1760; and that of Gesner, 2 vols. 8vo. Lips. 1758.


Claudius I. (Tiber Drusus Nero) son of Drusus, Livia’s second son, succeeded as emperor of Rome, after the murder of Caligula, whose memory he endeavoured to annihilate.
He made himself popular for a while, by taking particular care of the city, and by adorning and beautifying it with buildings. He passed over into Britain, and obtained a triumph for victories which his generals had obtained, and suffered himself to be governed by favourites, whose licentiousness and avarice plundered the state, and distracted the provinces. He married four wives, one of whom, called Messalina, he put to death on account of her lust and debauchery. He was at last poisoned by another called Agrippina, who wished to raise her son Nero to the throne. The poison was conveyed in mushrooms; but as it did not operate fast enough, his physician, by order of the empress, made him swallow a poisoned feather. He died in the 63d year of his age, 13 October, A.D. 54, after a reign of 13 years; distinguished neither by humanity nor courage, but debased by weakness and irresolution. He was succeeded by Nero. Tacit. Ann. 11, &c.—Dio. 60.—Juv. 6, v. 619.—Suet. in vitâ. —The second emperor of that name was a Dalmatian, who succeeded Gallicius. He conquered the Goths, Scythians, and Heruli, and killed no less than 300,000 in a battle; and after a reign of about two years, died of the plague in Pannonia. The excellence of his character, marked with bravery, and tempered with justice and benevolence, is well known by these words of the senate, addressed to him: Claudii Augusti, tu frater, tu pater, tu amicus, tu bonus senator, tu vere princeps.—Nero, a consul, with Liv. Salinator, who defeated and killed Asdrubal, near the river Metaurus, as he was passing from Spain into Italy, to go to the assistance of his brother Annibal. Liv. 27, &c.—Horat. 4, od. 4, v. 37.—Sueton. in Tib. —The father of the emperor Tiberius, a questor to Caesar in the wars of Alexandria.—Pollus, an historian. Plin. 7, ep. 51.—Pontius, a general of the Sammites, who conquered the Romans at Futa Curnine, and made them pass under the yoke. Liv. 9, c. 1, &c.—Petullius, a dictator, A. U. C. 442.—Appius, an orator, Cic. in Brut. Vid. Appius.—App. Caesar, a Roman censor, who built an aqueduct A. U. C. 441, which brought water to Rome from Tusculum, at the distance of seven or eight miles. The water was called Appia, and it was the first that was brought to the city from the country. Before his age, the Romans were satisfied with the waters of the Tiber, or of the fountains and wells in the city. [Vid. Appius.]—A praetor of Sicily.—Publius, a great enemy to Cicero. Vid. Clodius. Marcellus. Vid. Marcellus.—Pulcher, a consul, who, when consulting the sacred chickens, ordered them to be dipped in water, because they would not eat, Liv. ep. 19. He was unsuccessful in his expedition against the Carthaginians in Sicily, and disgraced on his return to Rome.—Tiberius Nero, was elder brother of Drusus, and son of Livia Drusilla, who married Augustus, after his divorce of Scribonia. He married Liva, the emperor's daughter by Scribonia, and succeeded in the empire by the name of Tiberius. Vid. Tiberius. Horat. 1, ep. 3, v. 2.—The name of Claudius is common to many Roman consuls, and other officers of state; but nothing is recorded of them, and their name is but barely mentioned. Liv. Claudius, an obscure poet in Juvenal's age. 1, v. 8. Claudiger, a surname of Janus, from his being represented with a key. Hercules received also that surname, as he was armed with a club. Ovid. Met. 15, v. 284. Claudius, or Claudius, a king of the Sabines, who assisted Turnus against Aeneas. He was the progenitor of that Ap. Claudius, who migrated to Rome, and became the founder of the Claudian family. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 707. i. 10, v. 345. Clazomene and Clazomena, a city of Ionia, on the coasts of the Ægean sea, between Smyrna and Chios. It was founded A. U. C. 98, by the Ionians, and gave birth to Anaxagoras and other illustrious men. Mela. 1, c. 17.—Plin. 3, c. 29.—Strab. 14. Cleadas, a man of Plato's, who raised tombs over those who had been killed in the battle against Mardonius. Herodot. 9, c. 85. Cleander, one of Alexander's officers, who killed Parmenio by the king's command. He was punished with death, for offering violence to a noble virgin, and giving her as a prostitute to his servants. Curt. 7, c. 2. i. 10, c. 1.—The first tyrant of Gela. Aristot. 5, Polit. c. 12.—A soothsayer of Arcadia. Herodot. 6, c. 83.—A favourite of the emperor Commodus, who was put to death, A.D. 190, after abusing public justice, and his master's confidence. Cleandrides, a Spartan general, &c., A man punished with death, for bribing two of the Ephori. Cleantus, a stoic philosopher, successor of Zeno. He was so poor, that to maintain himself, he used to draw out water for a gardener in the night, and study in the day time. Cicero calls him the father of the stoics; and in respect to his virtues, the Roman senate raised a statute to him in Assos. It is said that he starved himself in his 90th year, B.C. 240. Strab. 13.—Cic. de finam. 2, c. 69. i. 4, c. 7. Clearchus, a tyrant of Heraclea in Pontus, who was killed by Chion and Leonidas, Plato's pupils, during the celebration of the festivals of Bacchus, after the enjoyment of the sovereign power during twelve years, 353 B. C. Justin. 16, c. 4.—Diod. 15.—The second tyrant of Heraclea of that name, died B. C. 268.—A Lacedaemonian sent to quiet the Byzantines. He was recalled, but refused to obey, and fled to Cyrus the younger, who made him captain of 15,000 Greek soldiers. He obtained a victory over Artaxerxes, who was so enraged at the defeat, that when Clearchus fell into his hands, by the treachery of Tissaphernes, he put him immediately to death. Diod. 14.—A disciple of Aristotle, who wrote a treatise on tactics, &c. Xenoph.
CLEAIDES, a son of Cleonymus, governor of Amphipolis. Thucyd. 4, c. 132. 1, 5, c. 10.

Clemens Romanus, one of the fathers of the church, said to be contemporary with St. Paul. Several spurious compositions are ascribed to him, but the only thing extant is his epistle to the Corinthians, to quiet the disturbances that had arisen there. It has been much admired. The best edition is that of Wotton, 8vo. Cantab. 1718. — Another of Alexandria, called from thence Alexandrinus, who flourished 206 A. D. His works are various, elegant, and full of erudition; the best edition of which is Potter's, 2 vols. folio, Oxon. 1715. — A senator who favoured the party of Niger against Severus.

Cleo, a Sicilian among Alexander's flatterers. Curt. 8, c. 5.

Cleobis and Biton, two youths, sons of Cydippe, the priestess of Juno at Argos. When oxen could not be procured to draw their mother's chariot to the temple of Juno, they put themselves under the yoke, and drew it 45 stadia to the temple, amidst the acclamations of the multitude, who congratulated the mother on account of the piety of her sons. Cydippe entreated the goddess to reward the piety of her sons with the best gift that could be granted to a mortal. They went to rest, and awoke no more; and by this the goddess shewed, that death is the only true happy event that can happen to a man. The Argives raised them statues at Delphi. Cz. Thuc. 1, c. 47.— Pat. Mar. 5, c. 4.— Herodot. 1, c. 51.— Plut. de cons. ad Apol.

CLEOBAULA, the wife of Amyntor, by whom she had Phoenix. — A daughter of Boreas and Orthia, called also Cleopatra. She married Phineus son of Agenor, by whom she had Plexippus and Pandion. Phineus repudiated her to marry a daughter of Dardanus. Apol. 3, c. 15. — A woman, mother of a son called Euripides, by Apollon. — Another, who bore Cepheus and Amphidamas to Aegus.


CLEOBULINA, a daughter of Cleobulus, remarkable for her genius, learning, judgment, and courage. She composed epigrams, some of which have been preserved. One of them runs thus: A father had 12 children, and these 12 children had each 30 white sons, and 30 black daughters, who are immortal, though they die every day. In this there is no need of an Oedipus to discover that there are 12 months in the year, and that every month consists of 30 days, and of the same number of nights. Laert.

Cleobulus, one of the seven wise men of Greece, son of Evagoras of Lindos, famous for the beautiful shape of his body. He wrote some few verses, and died in the 70th year of his age, B. C. 564. Disp. in vita.— Plut. in Symp.— An historian. Plin. 5, c. 31.— One of the Ephyri. Thucyd.

Cleochares, a man sent by Alexander to demand Porus to surrender. Curt. 8, c. 13.

CLEOCHARIS, the mother of Euvotus by Lelex. Apolod. 3, c. 10.

CLEODES, a son of Hyllus. Hecat. 6, c. 52. l. 7, c. 204. l. 8, c. 131. He endeavoured to recover Peloponnesus after his father's death, but to no purpose.

CLEODAMUS, a Roman general under Galienus.

CLEODEMUS, a physician. Plut. de Symp.

CLEODORA, a nymph, mother of Parnassus. Paus. 2, c. 6.— One of the Danaides. Apolod. 2, c. 1.

CLEODONIA, a daughter of Niobe and Amphion, changed into a stone as a punishment for her mother's pride. Apolod. 3, c. 5.

CLEOPHÈNE, a son of Silenus, &c. Paus. 6, c. 1.

CLEOÎLAUS, a son of Hercules by the servant-maid of Jardanus.

CLEOMACHUS, a bozer of Magnesia.

CLEOMANTES, a Lacedaemonian soothsayer. Plut. in Aler.

CLEOMBRÔTUS, son of Pausanias, king of Sparta, after his brother Agesipolis 1st. He made war against the Boeotians; and lest he should be suspected of trescherous communications with Epaminondas, he gave that general battle at Leuctra, in a very disadvantageous place. He was killed in the engagement, and his army destroyed, B. C. 371. Dis. 15.— Paus. 9, c. 13.— Xenoph. — A son-in-law of Leonidas king of Sparta, who, for a while, usurped the kingdom, after the expulsion of his father-in-law. When Leonidas was recalled, Cleombrotus was banished; and his wife, Chelonis, who had accompanied her father, now accompanied her husband in his exile. Paus. 3, c. 6.— Plut. in Ager. & Cleom.

A youth of Ambracia, who killed himself after reading Plato's treatise upon the immortality of the soul. Cz. in Thuc. 1, c. 34. — Ovid. Met. 1, 493.

CLEOMÈDES, a famous athlete of Astypalæa, above Crete. In a combat at Olympia, he killed one of his antagonists by a blow with his fist. On account of this accidental murder, he was deprived of the victory, and he became delirious. In his return to Astypalæa, he entered a school, and pulled down the pillars which supported the roof, and crushed to death 60 boys. He was pursued with stones, and he fled for shelter into a tomb, whose doors he so strongly secured, that his pursuers were obliged to break them for access. When the tomb was opened, Cleomedes could not be found, either dead or alive. The oracle of Delphi was consulted, and gave this answer, Ultima & heroum Cleomedes Astypalæus. Upon this they offered sacrifices to him as a god. Paus. 6, c. 5.— Plut. in Rom.

CLEOMÈNES 1st, king of Sparta, conquered the Argives, and burnt 5000 of them by setting fire to a grove where they had fled, and freed Athens from the tyranny of the Pisistratids. By bribing the orators, he pronounced Demaratus, his colleague on the throne, illegitimate, because he refused to punish the people of Ægina, who had deserted the Greeks. He
killed himself in a fit of madness, 491 B.C. Herodot. 5, 6, & 7.—Paus. 8, c. 3, &c.—The 2d, succeeded his brother Ageipolis 2d. He reigned 61 years in the greatest tranquillity, and was father to Acrotatus and Cleonymus, and was succeeded by Areus 1st, son of Acrotatus. Paus. 3, c. 6.—The 3d, succeeded his father Leonidas. He was of an enterprising spirit, and resolved to restore the ancient discipline of Lycurgus in its full force, by banishing luxury and intemperance. He killed the Ephor, and removed by poison his royal colleague, Evrydamides, and made his own brother, Euclidas, king, against the laws of the state, which forbade more than one of the same family to sit on the throne. He made war against the Achaeans, and attempted to destroy their league. Aratus, the general of the Achaeans, who supposed himself inferior to his enemy, called Antigonus to his assistance; and Cleomenes, when he had fought the unfortunate battle of Sellasia, B.C. 222, retired to Egypt, to the court of Ptolemy Evergetes, where his wife and children had gone before him. Ptolemy received him with great cordiality; but his successor, weak and suspicious, soon expressed his jealousy of this noble stranger, and imprisoned him. Cleomenes killed himself, and his body was flayed and exposed on a cross, B.C. 219. Polyb. 6.—Plut. in vita.—Justin. 29, c. 4.—A man appointed by Alexander to receive the tributes of Egypt and Africa. Curt. 4, c. 8.—A man placed as arbitrator between the Athenians and the people of Megara. An historian.—A dithyrambic poet of Rhegium. A Sicilian, contemporary with Verres, whose licentiousness and avarice he was fond of gratifying. Cie. in Verr. 4, c. 12.—A Lacedaemonian general.

Cleon, an Athenian, who, though originally a tanner, became general of the armies of the state, by his intrigues and eloquence. He took Theron in Thrace, and was killed at Amphipolis, in a battle with Brasidas the Spartan general, 342 B.C. Thucyd. 3, 4, &c.—Diod. 12.—A general of Messenia, who disputed with Aristodemus for the sovereignty. A sratuary. Paus. 2, c. 8.—A poet who wrote a poem on the Argonauts. An orator of Haliarnassus, who composed an oration for Lyander, in which he intimated the propriety of making the kingdom of Sparta elective. C. Nep. et Plut. in Lyg.—A Magnusian, who wrote some commentaries, in which he speaks of portentous events, &c. Paus. 10, c. 4.—A Sicilian, one of Alexander's fattlers. Curt. 8, c. 5.—A tyrant of Sicyon. A friend of Phocio.

Clome and Cleona, a village of Peloponnese, between Corinth and Argos. Hercules killed the lion of Nemea in its neighbourhood. Oid. Met. 6, v. 417.—Sil. 3, v. 32.—Paus. 2, c. 15.—A town of Phocis.

Cleone, a daughter of Asopus. Diod. 4.

Cleonica, a young virgin of Byzantium, whom Pausanias, king of Sparta, invited to his bed. She was introduced into his room when he was asleep, and unluckily overturned a burning lamp which was by the side of the bed; Pausanias was awakened at the sudden noise, and thinking it to be some assassin, he seized his sword, and killed Cleonica, before he knew who it was. Cleonica often appeared to him, and he was anxious to make a proper expiation. Paus. 7, c. 11.—Plut. in Cim. &c.

Cleontius, a freedman of Seneca, &c. cit. 15, Ann. c. 43.

Cleonnis, a Messenian, who disputed with Aristodemus for the sovereign power of his country. Paus. 4, c. 10.

Cleonymus, a son of Cleomenes 2d, who called Pyrrhus to his assistance, because Areus, his brother's son, had been preferred to him in the succession; but the measure was unpopular, and even the women united to repel the foreign prince. His wife was unfaithful, to his bed, and committed adultery with Acrotatus. Plut. in Pyrrh.—Paus. 1, c. 3.—A general who assisted the Tarentines, and was conquered by Amylus the Roman consul. Strab. 6.

Cleopatra, an officer of Aratus.

Cleopatra, the grand-daughter of Attalus betrothed to Philip of Macedon, after he had divorced Olympias. When Philip was murdered by Pausanias, Cleopatra was seized by order of Olympias, and put to death. Diod. 16.—Justin. 9, c. 7.—Plut. in Pyrrh.—A sister of Alexander the Great, who married Perdiccas, and was killed by Antigonus, as she attempted to fly to Ptolemy in Egypt. Diod. 16 & 20.—Justin. 9, c. 6. l. 13, c. 6.—A harlot of Claudius Caesar.—A daughter of Boreas. [Vid. Cleobula.].—A daughter of Idas and Marpessa, daughter of Euenus, king of Aetolia. She married Meleager, son of king Ceneus. Homer. Il. 9, v. 532.—Paus. 4, c. 2.—One of the Danaides. Apol. 3, c. 2.—A daughter of Amyntas of Ephesus. Paus. 1, c. 44.—A wife of Tigranes, king of Atina, niece of Mithridates. Justin. 38, v. 2.—A daughter of Tros and Callirhoe. Apol. 3, c. 12.—A daughter of Ptolemy Philometor, who married Alexander Bala, and afterwards Nicander. She killed Seleucus, Nicander's son, because he ascended the throne without her consent. She was suspected of preparing poison for Antiochus her son, and compelled to drink it herself, B.C. 120.—A wife and sister of Ptolemy Evergetes, who raised her son Alexander, a minor, to the throne of Egypt, in preference to his elder brother, Ptolemy Lathurus, whose interest the people favoured. As Alexander was odious, Cleopatra suffered Lathurus to ascend the throne, on condition, however, that he should repudiate his sister and wife, called Cleopatra, and marry Seleucus, his younger sister. She afterwards raised her favourite, Alexander, to the throne; but her cruelties were so odious, that he fled to avoid her tyranny. Cleopatra laid snares for him, and when Alexander heard it, he put her to death. Justin. 39, c. 3 & 4.—A queen of Egypt, daughter of Ptolemy As-olute, and sister and wife to Ptolemy Diony-
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CLOEPHYLUS, a man whose postherry saved the poems of Homer. Plut.

CLOEPOMBUS, an Athenian, who took Thronium, and conquered the Lecrians, &c. Thucyd. 3. c. 26 & 58.—A man who married the nymph Cleodora, by whom he had Parnassus. As Cleodora was beloved by Neptune, some have supposed that she had two husbands. Paus. 10, c. 6.

CLOEPOTOLEMUS, a man of Chalcis, whose daughter was given in marriage to Antiochus. Litt. 36, c. 11.

CLOEPUS, a son of Codrus. Paus. 7, c. 3.

CLOERA, the wife of Agesilaus. Plut. in Ages.

CLOEOSTRATUS, a youth devoted to be sacrificed to a serpent, among the Thespians, &c. Paus. 9, c. 26.—An ancient philosopher and astronomer of Tenedos, about 536 years before Christ. He first found the constellations of the zodiac, and reformed the Greek calendar.

CLOEORENUS, wrote an history of Persia.

CLEPSYDRA, a fountain of Messenia. Paus. 4, c. 31.

CLESIUS, a people of Attica.

CLEDONES, a Greek painter, about 276 years before Christ, who revenged the injuries he had received from queen Statonice, by representing her in the arms of a fisherman. However indecent the painter might represent the queen, she was drawn with such person beauty, that she preserved the piece, and liberally rewarded the artist.

CLETA and PHAIRNNA, two of the Graces, according to some. Paus. 5, c. 18.

CLIDEMUS, a Greek, who wrote the history of Attica.

CLIMENUS, a son of Arcas, descended from Hercules.

CLINAS, a musician and Pythagorean philosopher. Athen. V. II. 14, c. 23.

CLINIAS, a Pythagorean philosopher, 52C years before the Christian era. Plut. Symp. —A son of Alcibiades, the bravest man in the Grecian fleet that fought against Xerxes. Herodot. 8, c. 17.—The father of Alcibiades killed at the battle of Coronea. Plut. in Alc. —The father of Aratus, killed by Abantidas.

B. C. 263. Plut. in Arat. —A friend of Solon. Id. in Sol.

CLINYPIDES, an Athenian general in Lesbos. Diod. 12.

CLINUS of Cos, was general of 7000 Greeks, in the pay of king Nectanebus. He was killed, with some of his troops, by Nicostratus and the Argives, as he passed the Nile. Diod. 16.

CLEIO, the first of the Muses, daughter of Jupiter and Meutosyne. She presided over history. She is represented and crowned with laurels, holding in one hand a trumpet and a book in the other. Sometimes she holds a plectrum or quill with a lute. Her name signifies honour and reputation, (Chlor, gloria; and it was her office faithfully to record the actions of brave and illustrious heroes. She had Hyacintha by Piers son of Magnes. Herod. Theog. v. 75.—Apollod. 1, c. 3.—Strab.
CLISTHERA, a daughter of Idomeneus, promised in marriage to Leucus, by whom she was murdered.

CLISTHENES, the last tyrant of Sicyon. Aristot.—An Athenian, of the family of Alcmeon. It is said, that he first established ostracism, and that he was the first who was banished by that institution. He banished Isagoras, and was himself soon after restored. Plut. in Arist.—Herodot. 5, c. 66, &c.—A person censured as effeminate and incontinent. Aristot.—An orator. Cic. in Brut. c. 7.

CLIT, a people of Cilicia. Tacit. Ann. 12, c. 55.—A place near mount Athos. Liv. 48, c. 11.

CLITARCHUS, a man who made himself absolute at Ecretis, by means of Philip of Macedonia. He was ejected by Phocion. An historian, who accompanied Alexander the Great, of whose life he wrote the history. Curt. 9, c. 5.

CLITE, the wife of Cyzicus, who hung herself when she saw her husband dead. Apollon. 1.—Orpheus.

CLITERNIA, a town of Italy. Mela, 2, c. 4. Clitodemus, an ancient writer. Paus. 10, c. 15.

CLITOMACHUS, a Carthaginian philosopher of the third academy, who was pupil and successor to Carneades at Athens. B. C. 129. Digg. in vita.—An athlete of a modest countenance and behaviour. Eflan. V. H. 3, c. 30.

CLITONYMUS, wrote a treatise on Sybaris and Italy.

CLITOPHON, a man of Rhodes, who wrote an history of India, &c.

CLIT, a son of Lycon.—A son of Azas, who founded a city in Arcadia called after his name. Paus. 8, c. 4.—Apollopt. 3, c. 8. Ceres, Æsculapius, and other deities, had temples in that city. There was also in the town a fountain, whose waters gave a dislike for wine. Ovid. Met. 15, v. 322.—A river of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 42.

CLITORIA, the wife of Cimon the Athenian.


CLITUS, a familiar friend and foster-brother of Alexander. He had saved the king's life in a bloody battle. Alexander killed him with a javelin, in a fit of anger, when he was intoxicated; because, at a feast, he preferred the actions of Philip to those of his son. Alexander was inconsolable for the loss of a friend, whom he had sacrificed in the hour of drunkenness and dissipation. Justin. 12, c. 6.—Plut. in Alc.—Curt. 4, &c.—A commander of Polyperchon's ships, defeated by Antigonus. Diod. 16.—An officer sent by Antipater, with 240 ships, against the Athenians, whom he conquered near the Echinades. Diod. 18.—A Trojan prince killed by Teucer.—A disciple of Aristotle, who wrote a book on Miletus.

CLOACINA, a goddess at Rome, who presided over the Cloaca. Some suppose her to be Venus. The Cloaca were large receptacles for the filth and dung of the whole city, begun by Tarquin the elder, and finished by Tarquin the Proud. They were built all under the city; so that, according to an expression of Pliny, Rome seemed to be suspended between heaven and earth. The building was strong, and the stones so large, that though they were continually washed by impetuous torrents, they remained unhurt during above 700 years. There were public officers chosen to take care of the Cloaca, called Curatores Cloarum urbis.

CLOANTHUS, one of the companions of Æneas, from whom the family of the Cluentii at Rome are descended. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 122.

CLODIVA, the wife of Lucillus, repudiated for her lasciviousness. Plut. in Lucill.—An opulent matron at Rome, mother of D. Brutus. Cic. in Attic.

CLODII LEX de Cypro, was enacted by the tribune Clodius, A. U. C. 693, to reduce Cyprus into a Roman province, and expose Ptolemy king of Egypt to sale in his regal ornaments. It empowered Cato to go with the praetorian power, and see the auction of the king's goods, and commissioned him to return the money to Rome.—Another, de Magistratus, A. U. C. 693, by Clodius the tribune. It forbade the censors to put a stigma or mark, of infamy upon any person who had not been actually accused and condemned by both the censors. Another, de Religione, by the same, A. U. C. 696, to deprive the priest of Cybele, a native of Pescinum, of his office, and confer the priesthood upon Brutigonius, a Gallo- grecian.—Another, de Provinciis, A. U. C. 695, which nominated the provinces of Syria, Babylon, and Persia, to the consul Gabinus; and Achaia, Thessaly, Macedonia, and Greece, to his colleague Piso, with proconsular power. I empowered them to defray the expenses of their march from the public treasury.—Another, A. U. C. 695, which required the same distribution of corn among the people gratis, as had been given them before at six asses and a triens the bushel.—Another, A. U. C. 693, by the same, de Judicibus. It called to an account, such as had executed a Roman citizen without a judgment of the people, and all the formalities of a trial.—Another, by the same, to pay no attention to the appearances of the heavens, while any affair was before the people. Another, to make the power of the tribunes free, in making and proposing laws.—Another, to re-establish the companies of artists, which had been instituted by Numa; but since his time abolished.

CLODIUS FORUM, a town of Italy. Plin. 3, c. 15.

Ps. Clodius, a Roman, descended of an illustrious family. He made himself famous for his licentiousness, avarice, and ambition. He committed incest with his three sisters, and introduced himself in
women’s clothes in the house of J. Cæsar, whilst Pompeia, Cæsar’s wife, of whom he was enamoured, was celebrating the mysteries of Ceres, where no man was permitted to appear. He was accused for this violation of human and divine laws; but he corrupted his judges, and by that means screened himself from justice. He descended from a patrician into a plebeian family to become a tribune. He was such an enemy to Cato, that he made him go with pre- torian power, in an expedition against Ptolemy king of Cypros, that, by the difficulty of the campaign, he might ruin his reputation, and destroy his interest at Rome during his absence. Cato, however, by his uncommon success, frustrated the views of Clodius. He was also an inveterate enemy to Cicero; and, by his influence, he banished him from Rome, partly on pretence that he had punished with death, and without trial, the adherents of Catiline. He wreaked his vengeance upon Cicero’s house, which he burnt, and set all his goods to sale; which, however, to his great mortification, no one offered to buy. In spite of Clodius, Cicero was recalled, and all his goods restored to him. Clodius was some time after murdered by Milo, whose defence Cicero took upon himself. Plut. in Cic.—Appian. de Civ. 2.—Cic. pro Milon & pro domo.—Dio.—A certain author, quoted by Plut.—Licinius, wrote an history of Rome. Liv. 29, c. 22.—Quirinalis, a rhetorician in Nero’s age. Tacit. 1, Hist. c. 7.—Sexust, a rhetorician of Sicily, intimate with M. Antony, whose preceptor he was. Suet. de Clar. Orat.—Cic. in Philip.

**Clelia**, a Roman virgin, given with other maidens, as hostages to Porsenna king of Etruria. She escaped from her confinement, and swam across the Tiber to Rome. Her unprecedented virtue was rewarded by her countrymen, with an equestrian statue in the Via Sacra. Liv. 2, c. 13.—Verg. Aen. 8, v. 651.—Dionys. Hal. 5.—Juv. 8, v. 265.—A patrician family descended from Clelius, one of the companions of Aeneas. Dionys.

**Clelia Fosse**, a place near Rome. Plut. in Curiol.

**Clelius Gracchus**, a general of the Volsci and Sabines against Rome, conquered by Q. Cincinnatus the dictator.

**Clonas**, a musician. Plut. de Musica.

**Clonía**, the mother of Nyeceas. Apollod. 3, c. 10.

**Clonius**, a Boetian, who went with 50 ships to the Trojan war. Homer. II. 2.—A Trojan, killed by Messapus in Italy. Verg. Aen. 10, v. 749.—Another, killed by Turnus. Id. 9, v. 574.

**Clotho**, the youngest of the three Parcae, daughters of Jupiter and Themis, was supposed to preside over the moment that we are born. She held the distaff in her hand, and spun the thread of life, wherein her name (κλωτίην τοια) was represented wearing a crown with seven stars, and covered with a variegated robe. Vir. Parce. Hesiod. Theog. v. 218.—Apollod. 1, c. 3.

**C vocina**, a name of Venus, whose statue was erected in that place where peace was made between the Romans and Sabines, after the rape of the virgins.

**Cluentius**, a Roman citizen, accused by his mother of having murdered his father, 54 years before Christ. He was ably defended by Cicero, in an oration still extant. The family of the Cluentii was descended from Cluentius, one of the companions of Aeneas. Verg. Aen. 5, v. 122.—Cic. pro Cluent.

**Cluilia Fossa**, a place five miles distant from Rome. Liv. 1, c. 25, l. 2, c. 39.

**Clupea** and **Clupea**, a town of Africa Propria, which receives its name from its exact resemblance to a shield, clupeus. Lucan. 4, v. 586.—Strab. 17, l. 27, c. 29.

**Clydia**, a daughter of an Etrurian king, of whom V. Torquatustus the Roman general became enamoured. He asked her of her father, who slighted his addresses; upon which he besieged and destroyed his town. Clydia threw herself down from a high tower, and came to the ground unhurt. Plut. in Parall.


**Clusium**, a town of Etruria, taken by the Gauls under Brennus. Porsenna was buried there. At the north of Clusium there was a lake called Clusina lacus, which extended northward as far as Arretium, and had a communication with the Armus, which falls into the sea at Pisa. Dio. 14.—Verg. Aen. 10, v. 167 & 655.

**Clusius**, a river of Cisalpine Gaul. Polyb. 2.—The surname of Janus, when his temple was shut. Ovid. Fast. 1, v. 130.

**Cluvia**, a noted debauchee, &c. Juv. 2, v. 49.


**Clymene**, a daughter of Oceanus and Tethys, who married Japetus, by whom she had Atlas, Prometheus, Memecius, and Epimetheus. Hesiod. Theog.—One of the Nereides, mother of Nemojson of Jupiter. Hygin.—The mother of Theissenus by Parthenopæus. Id. fab. 71.—A daughter of Myrnias, mother of Atalanta by Jassus. Apollod. 3.—A daughter of Craetus, who married Nauplius. Id. 2.—The mother of Phaeton by Apollo. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 756.—A Trojan woman. Paus. 10, c. 26.—The mother of Homer. Id. 10, c. 24.—A female servant of Helen, who accompanied her mistress to Troy, when she eloped with Paris. Ovid. Heroid. 17, v. 267.—Homer. II. 3, v. 144.

**Clymêneides**, a patronymic given to Phæton’s sisters, who were daughters of Clymene.

**Clymeneus**, a king of Orchomenos, son of Presbon. He received a wound from a stone thrown by a Theban, of which he died. His son Erginus, who succeeded him, made war against the Thebans, to revenge his death. Paus. 9, c. 37.—One of the descendants of Hercules who built a temple to Minerva of Cydonia. Id. 6, c. 21.—A son of Phoroneus.
—A concubine of Amynthor, son of Phineus.

CLYTUS, a son of Laomedon. Homer. II. 10

—A youth in the army of Turnus, killed by Cydon. Virg. En. 10, v. 325.—A giant, killed by Vulcan. Apollod. 1, c. 6. —The father of Pyrene, who faithfully attended Telemachus Homer. Od. 15, v. 251.—A son of Xolus, who followed Æneas into Italy, where he was killed by Turnus. Virg. En. 9, v. 774.

—A son of ALCMENON, the son of Amphimachus.

PAUL. 6, c. 17.

CLYTUS, a Greek in the Trojan war, killed by Hector. Homer. II. 11, v. 304.

CNACIUM, a mountain of Laconia. PAUL. 3, c. 24.

CNACILIS, a mountain of Arcadia, where festivals were celebrated in honour of Diana.

Id. 8, c. 23

CNAIGA, a surname of Diana.

CNEUS, a Macedonian general. —Successful in an expedition against the Arcarnianis. Dio. 12. —Thucyd. c. 6, v. 66, &c.

CNEUS or CNÆUS, a praenomen common to many Romans.

CNIDIS, a name given to a monument near Ephesus.

CNIDUS and GNIDES, a town and promontory of Doris in Caria. Venus was the chief deity of the place, and had there a famous statue made by Praxiteles. Horat. Horat. 1, od. 30.—Plin. 36, c. 15.

CNPUS, one of the descendants of Codrus, who went to settle a colony, &c. Polyia. 8.

CNOSSIA, a mistress of Menelaus. Apollod. 3, c. 11.

CNOUS, a town of Crete, about 25 stadia from the sea. It was built by Minos, and had a famous labyrinth. PAUL. 1, c. 27.

Co, CoG, and Cas, one of the Cyclopes, situate near the coast of Asia, about 15 miles from Halicarnassus. Its chief town is called Cos, and anciently bore the name of Aestypalae. It gave birth to Hippocrates and Apelles, and was famous for its fertility, and the wine and silk worms which it produced. The women of the island always dressed in white; and their garments were so clear and thin, that their body could be seen through, according to Ovid, Met. 7, fab. 9. The women of Cos were changed into cowa by Venus or Juno; whom they reproached for suffering Hercules to lead Geryon’s flocks through their territories. Tibull. 2, el. 4, v. 29.—Horat. 1, Sat. 2, c. 101.—Strab. 14.—Plin. 11, c. 23.—Propert. 1, el. 2, v. 2. l. 2, el. 1, v. 5. l. 4, el. 2, v. 23.—Ovid. A. A. 2, v. 298.

COAMANS, a people of Asia. Mela, 1, c. 2.

COAST and COACTIS, a people between Assyria and Media. Lucan, 3, v. 246.

COBARES, a celebrated magician of Media in the age of Alexander. Curt. 7, c. 4.

COCALUS, a king of Sicily, who hospitably received Dædalus, when he fled before Minos. When Minos arrived in Sicily, the daughter of Cocalus destroyed him. Ovid. Met. 5, v. 361.

—Diod. 4.

COCCEIIUS NERVA, a friend of Horace and
Mecenas, and grandfather to the emperor Nero. He was one of those who settled the disputes between Augustus and Antony. Horat. 1, Sat. 5, v. 27.—An architect of Rome, one of whose buildings is still in being, the present cathedral of Naples.—A lawyer and consul, who resolved to starve himself to death. Tacit. 4, Ann.—A nephew of Otho. Plut.—A man to whom Nero granted a triumph, after the discovery of the Pisonian conspiracy. Tacit. 15, Ann. c. 72.

Coccynus, a mountain of Peloponnesus. Paus. 2, c. 36.

Cognitum, a promontory of the Bruti, now Cape Stilo.

Cocles, Pub. Horat. a celebrated Roman, who, alone, opposed the whole army of Por- senna at the head of a bridge, while his companions behind him were cutting off the communication with the other shore. When the bridge was destroyed, Cocles, though wounded by the darts of the enemy, leapt into the Tiber, and swam across it with his arms. A brazen statue was raised to him in the temple of Vul- can, by the consul Publicola, for his eminent services. Liv. 2, c. 10.—Val. Max. 3, c. 2.—Virg. En. 8, v. 650.

Cocytus and Cottius, certain parts of the Alps, called after Cocytus, the conqueror of the Gauls, who was in alliance with Augustus. Tacit. Hist.

Cocytus, a river of Epirus. The word is derived from κοκύτως, to weep and to lament. Its etymology, the unwholesomeness of its water, and above all, its vicinity to the Acheron, have made the poets call it one of the rivers of hell. Virg. Aen. 6, v. 297.—Paus. 1, c. 17.—A river of Campania, flowing into the Lucrine lake.

Conomanus, a surname of Darius the third king of Persia.

Codale, the descendants of Codrus, who went from Athens at the head of several colonists. Paus. 7, c. 2.

Codorpolis, a town of Illyricum.

Codrus, the 17th, and last king of Athens, son of Melenthus. When the Heraclidæ made war against Athens, the oracle declared, that the victory would be granted to that nation whose king was killed in battle. The Heraclidæ upon this gave strict orders to spare the life of Codrus; but the patriotic king disguised himself, and attacked one of the enemy, by whom he was killed. The Athenians obtained the victory, and Codrus was deservedly called the father of his country. He reigned 21 years, and was killed 1070 years before the Christian era. To pay greater honour to his memory, the Athenians made a resolution that no man after Codrus should reign in Athens under the name of king, and therefore the government was put into the hands of perpetual archons. Petrec. 1, c. 2.—Justin. 2, c. 6 & 7.—Paus. 1, c. 19. 1. 7, c. 25.—Val. Max. 5, c. 6.—A man who, with his brothers, killed Hesegias, tyrant of Ephesus, &c. Polyen. 6, c. 49.—A Latin poet contemporary with Virgil. Virg. Eccl. 7. Another, in the reign of Domitian, whose poverty became a proverb. Jun. 3, v. 203.


Cela, a place in the bay of Eubœa. Liv. 1, c. 47.—A people of Thrace.

Celebria & Colesbria, a country of Syria, between mount Libanus and Antilbanus, where the Orontes takes its rise. Its capital was Damascus. Antiochus Cynicenus gave this name to that part of Syria which he obtained as his share, when he divided his father's dominions with Grypus, B. C. 112. Dionys. Periegr.

Celia, the wife of Sylla. Plut. in Syll. The Celian family, which was plebeian, but honoured with the consulship was descended from Vici- benna Cæles, an Etrurian, who came to settle at Rome in the age of Romulus.

Celius, a Roman, defended by Cicero. Two brothers of Tarracina, accused of having murdered their father in his bed. They were acquitted when it was proved that they were bo- nesleep at the time of the murder. Val. Max. 8, c. 1.—Plut. in Cic.—A general of Carbo.

An orator. Id. in Pomp.—A lieutenant of Antony's. —Cursor, a Roman knight in the age of Tiberius.—A man who, after spending his all in dissipation and luxury, became a public robber with his friend Birillus. Horat. 1, Sat. 4, v. 69.—A Roman historian, who flourished B. C. 121.—A bill of Roma- Vat. Celius.

Celius or Uranius, an ancient deity, supposed to be the father of Saturn, Oceanus, Hy- perion, &c. He was son of Terra, whom he afterwards married. The number of his children, according to some, amounted to forty-five. They were called Titans, and were so closely confined by their father, that they conspired against him and were supported by their mother, who provided them with a scythe. Saturn armed himself with this scythe, and deprived his father of the organs of generation, as he was going to unite himself to Terra. From the blood which issued from the wound, sprang the giants, furies, and nymphs. The mutilated parts were thrown into the sea, and from them, and the foam which they occasioned, arose Ve- nus, the goddess of beauty. Hesiod. &c.

Cenus, an officer of Alexander, son-in-law to Parmenio. He died of a distemper, in his return from India. Curt. 9, c. 3.—Dict. 17.


Coes, a man of Mitylene, made sovereign master of his country, by Darius. His coun- Trymen stoned him to death. Herod. 5, c. 11 & 36.


Cocamæus, a river of Lydia. Plut. 5, c. 29.

CORINTH a river of Asia, near Pontus.

COROM, a division in the Roman armies, consisting of about 600 men. It was the sixth part of a legion, and consequently its number was under the same fluctuation as that of the legions being sometimes more, and sometimes less.

COLENS, a king of Attica, before the age of Cecrops, according to some accounts. Paus. 1, c. 31.

COLAXES, a son of Jupiter and Ora. Place. 6, v. 48.

COLAXIAS, one of the remote ancestors of the Scythians. Herodot. 4, c. 5, &c.

COLCHI, the inhabitants of Colchis.

COLCHIS and COLCHOS, a country of Asia, at the south of Asiatic Sarmatia, east of the Euxine sea, north of Armenia, and west of Iberia, now called Mingrelia. It is famous for the expedition of the Argonauts, and as the birth-place of Medea. It was fruitful in poisonous herbs, and produced excellent flax. The inhabitants were originally Egyptians, who settled there when Sesostris king of Egypt extended his conquests in the north. From the country arose the epithets Cólchus, Colchicus, Colchiaeus, and Medea receives the name of Colchis. Liv. 6, v. 640.—Placc. 5, v. 418.—Horat. 2, ed. 13, v. 8.—Strab. 11.—Ptol. 5, c. 10.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 24.—Amor. 2, cl. 14, v. 28.—Mela, 1, c. 19. l. 2, c. 3.

COLENSA, a town of Spain.

COLIAS, now Agio Nicoio, a promontory of Attica, in the form of a man's foot, where Venus had a temple. Herodot. 8, c. 96.

COLLATIA, a town on the Anio, built by the people of Alba. It was there that Sext. Tarquin offered violence to Lucretia. Liv. 1, 37, &c.—Strab. 3.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 774.

L. TARQUINIIUS COLLATINUS, a nephew of Tarquin the Proud, who married Lucretia, to whom Sext. Tarquin offered violence. He, with Brutus, drove the Tarquins from Rome, and were made first consuls. As he was one of the Tarquins, so much abominated by all the Roman people, he laid down his office of consul, and retired to Alba in voluntary banishment. Liv. 1, c. 57. l. 2, c. 2.—Flor. 1, c. 9.—One of the seven hills of Rome.

COLLINA, one of the gates of Rome, on mount Quirinalis. Ovid. 4, Fast. v. 871.—A goddess at Rome, who presided over hills. —One of the original tribes established by Romulus.

COLLUCIA, a lascivious woman, &c. Juv. 6, v. 306.

JUV. COLO, a governor of Pontus, who brought Mithridates to the emperor Claudius. Tacit. 12, Ann. c. 21.

COLO, a place of Troas. Nép. 4, c. 3.

COLONE, a city of Phociæ, of Erythraea, of Thessaly, of Messenia. —A rock of Asia, on the Thracian Bosphorus.

COLONIA AGrippina, a city of Germany on the Rhine, now Cologne. —Equestris, a town on the lake of Geneva, now Neuy. —Morinorum, a town of Gaul, now Tarouen, in Artois.—Norbenis, a town of Spain. now

Alcantara.—Trajan, or Ulpia, a town of Germany, now Kellen, near Cleves.—Valentia, a town of Spain, which now bears the same name.

COLOMOS, an eminence near Athens, where Edipus retired during his banishment. From which circumstance Sophocles has given the title of Edipus Colonos to one of his plays.

COLOPHON, a town of Ionia, at a small distance from the sea, first built by Mopsus the son of Manto, and colonized by the sons of Codrus. It was the native country of Mimmerus, Nicander, and Xenophanes, and one of the cities which disputed for the honour of having given birth to Homer. Apollo had a temple there. Strab. 14.—Plin. 14, c. 20.—Pons. 7, c. 3.—Tacit. Ann. 2, c. 54.—Cic. pro Arch. Post. 8.—Ovid. Met. 6, v. 8.

COLOPHONUS, one of the giants.

COLOSSAE and COLOSSIS, a large town of Phrygia, near Laodicæa, of which the government was democratical, and the first ruler called Archon. One of the first Christian churches was established there, and one of St. Paul's epistles was addressed to it. Plin. 21, c. 9.

COLOSSUS, a celebrated brazen image at Rhodes, which passed for one of the seven wonders of the world. Its feet were upon the two moles, which formed the entrance of the harbour, and ships passed full sail between its legs. It was 70 cubits, or 105 feet high, and everything in equal proportion, and few could claspe round its thumb. It was the work of Chares, the disciple of Lysippus, and the artist was 12 years in making it. It was begun 300 years before Christ; and after it had remained unhurt during 56 or 88 years, it was partly demolished by an earthquake, 224 B. C. A winding staircase ran to the top, from which could easily be discerned the shores of Syria, and the ships that sailed on the coast of Egypt, by the help of glasses, which were hung on the neck of the statue. It remained in ruins for the space of 894 years; and the Rhodians, who had received several large contributions to repair it, divided the money among themselves, and frustrated the expectations of the donors, by saying that the oracle of Delphi forbade them to raise it up again from its ruins. In the year 672 of the Christian era, it was sold by the Saracens, who were masters of the island, to a Jewish merchant, who loaded 900 camels with the brass, whose value has been estimated at 36,000 pounds, English money.

COLOTES, a Teian painter, disciple of Phidias. Plin. 35, c. 8.—A disciple of Epicetetus.—A follower of Epicurus, accused of ignorance by Plut.—A sculptor, who made a statue of Escaulapius. Strab. 38.

COLPE, a city of Ionia. Plin. 5, c. 29.

COLLUABRIA, now Monte Colobre, a small island at the east of Spain, supposed to be the same as Ophiussa. Plin. 3, c. 5.

COLUMBA, a dove, the symbol of Venus among the poets. This bird was sacred to Venus, and received divine honours in Syria. Doves disappeared once every year at Eryx.
where Venus had a temple, and they were said to accompany the goddess to Lybia, whither she went to pass nine days, after which they returned. Doves were supposed to give oracles in the oak of the forest of Dodona.

**Columella**, (L. Jun. Moderatus), a native of Gadès, who wrote among other works, 12 books on agriculture, of which the tenth, on gardening, is in verse. The style is elegant, and the work displays the genius of a naturalist, and the labours of an accurate observer. The best edition of Columella is that of Gesner, 2 vols. 4to. Lips. 1735, and reprinted there 1772.

**Columnae Herculis**, a name given to two mountains on the extremest parts of Spain and Africa, at the entrance into the Mediterranean. They were called Calpe and Abyla, the former on the coast of Spain, and the latter on the side of Africa, at the distance of only 18 miles. They are reckoned the boundaries of the labours of Hercules, and they were supposed to have been joined, till the hero separated them, and opened a communication between the Mediterranean and Atlantic seas.

Protei, the boundaries of Egypt, or the extent of the kingdom of Proteus. Alexandria was supposed to be built near them, though Homer places them in the island Pharos. *Odys.* 4, v. 351.—*Virg. En.* 11, v. 262.

**Coluthus**, a native of Lycopolis in Egypt, who wrote a short poem on the rape of Helen, in imitation of Homer. The composition remained long unknown, till it was discovered at Lycopolis in the 15th century, by the learned cardinal Bessarion. Coluthus was, as some suppose, a contemporary of Tryphiodorus.

**Colytus**, a tribe of Athens.

**Comaena**, a part of Syria above Cilicia, on the east, extending as far as the Euphrates. *Strab.* 11 & 17.

**Comana**, (orum), a city of Cappadocia, famous for a temple of Beltina, where there were above 6000 ministe's of both sexes. The chief priest among them was very powerful, and knew no superior but the king of the country. This high office was generally conferred upon one of the royal family. *Placc.* 7, v. 636.—*Strab.* 12.

**Comania**, a country of Asia.

**Comari**, a people of Asia. *Mela* 1, c. 2.

**Comaros**, a port in the bay of Ambraia near Nicopolis.

**Comastus**, a place of Persia.

**Comarchus**, a favourite of Stratonic, wife of Antiochus.

**Combe**, a daughter of Ophius, who first invented a brazen suit of armour. She was changed into a bird, and escaped from her children, who had conspired to murder her. *Ovid. Met.* 7, v. 382.

**Combe and Obri**, a city of Egypt on the Nile. *Iuv.* 15, v. 35.

**Combræa**, a town near Pailene. *Herod.* 7, c. 123.

**Combutis**, a general nader Brennus. *Paul.* 10, c. 22.

**Cometes**, the father of Asterion, and one of the Argonauts. *Placc.* 1, v. 356.

**Comitium**, the place where they were convened, *qua si cum eum audere.* The Comitium was a large hall, which was left uncovered at the top, in the first ages of the republic; so that the assembly was often dissolving in rainy weather. The Comitia were called, some *consularia*, for the election of the consuls; others *praetoria*, for the election of pretors, &c. These assemblies were more generally known by the name of Comitia, Curtiata, Centuriata, and Tributa. The Curtiata was when the people gave their votes by curiae. The Curtiata were not convened in later times. [Vid Centurias.] Another assembly was called Comitio tributo, where the votes were received from the whole tribes together. At first the Roman people were divided only into three tribes; but as their numbers increased, the tribes were at last swelled to 35. The object of these assemblies was the electing of magistrates, and all the public officers of state. They could be dissolved by one of the tribunes, if he differed in opinion from the rest of his colleagues. If one among the people was taken with the falling sickness the whole assembly was immediately dissolved, whence that disease is called *morbus comitialis*. After the custom of giving their votes *viva voce* had been abolished, every one of the assembly in enacting of a law, was presented with two ballots, on one of which were the letters U. R. that is, *ut rogas, be it as it is required*; on the other was an A. that is antiquo, which bears the same meaning as *antiquam volo*, I forbid it, the old law is more preferable. If the number of ballots with U. R. was superior to the A's, the law was *approved* constitutionally; if not it was rejected. Only the chief magistrates, and sometimes the pontifices, had the privilege of convening these assemblies. There were only these eight of the magistrates who had the power of proposing a law, the consuls, the dictator, the praetor, the interrex, the decemvirs, the military tribunes, the kings, and the triumvirs. They were called *majores magistratus*; to whom one of the *mi- nores magistratus* was added, the tribune of the people.

**Comius**, a man appointed king over the Atrebates, by J. Caesar, for his services. *Cass. bell.* G. 4, c. 21.
COMMÔUS, (L. Aurelius Antoninus) son of M. Antoninus, succeeded his father in the Roman empire. He was naturally cruel, and fond of indulging his licentious propensities; and regardless of the instructions of philosophers, and of the decencies of nature, he corrupted his own sisters, and kept 300 women, and as many boys, for his illicit pleasures.

Desirous to be called Hercules, like that hero he adorned his shoulders with a lion’s skin, and armed his hand with a knotted club. He showed himself naked in public, and fought with the gladiators, and boasted of his dexterity in killing the wild beasts in the amphitheatre. He required divine honours from the senate, and they were granted. He was wont to put such an immense quantity of gold dust in his hair, that when he appeared bare-headed in the sun-shine, his head glittered as if surrounded with sun-beams. Martia, one of his concubines, whose death he had prepared to poison him; but as the poison did not quickly operate, he was strangled by a wrestler.

He died in the 31st year of his age, and the 13th of his reign, A. D. 192. It has been observed, that he never trusted himself to a barber, but always burnt his beard, in imitation of the tyrant Dionysius. Herodian.

COMMÒRIS, a village of Cilicia. C. iam. 15, ep. 4.

COMON, a general of Messenia. Paus. 4, c. 26.

COMPITALIA, festivals celebrated by the Romans the 12th of January and the 6th of March, in the cross ways, in honour of the household gods called Lares. Tarquin the Proud first instituted them; on account of an oracle which ordered him to offer heads to the Lares. He sacrificed to them human victims; but J. Brutus, after the expulsion of the Tarquins, thought sufficient to offer them poppy heads, and men of straw. The slaves were generally the ministers, and during the celebration they enjoyed their freedom. Varro de L. L. 5, c. 13.—Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 140.—Diog. Iat. 4.

COMPSA, now Conès, a town of the Hirpini, in Italy, at the east of Vesuvius.

COMPSATTUS, a river of Thrace, falling into the lake Bitonis. Herodot. 7, c. 109.

COMPUSA, a town of Bithymia.

COMNU, now Como, a town at the north of Insibria, at the bottom of the lake Como, in the modern duchy of Milan. It was afterwards called Novo Comum by J. Caesar, who transplanted a colony there, though it resumed its ancient name. It was the birthplace of the younger Pliny. Plin. 3, 2. 18.—Lit. 34, c. 36 & 37 & Suet. in Jul. 28.—Plin. 1, ep. 3.—Cic. Fam. 13, ep. 35.

Comus, the god of revelry, feasting, and nocturnal entertainments. During his festivals men and women exchanged each others’ dress. He was represented as a young and drunken man, with a garland of flowers on his head, and a torch in his hand, which seemed falling. He is more generally seen sleeping upon his legs, and turning himself when the heat of the filling torch scorched his side. Philostrat. 2. Ion.—Plut. Quest. Rom.

CONCAI, a people of Spain, who lived chiefly on milk mixed with horses’ blood. Horat. 3, od. 4, v. 34.

CONCERDA, a town belonging to Venice in Italy.

CONCORDIA, the goddess of peace and concord at Rome, to whom Camillus first raised a temple in the capitol, where the magistrates often assembled for the transaction of public business. She had, besides this, other temples and statues, and was addressed to promote the peace and union of families, and citizens. Plut. in Camill.—Plin. 33, c. 1.—Cic. pro Dom.

CONDATI, a town of Gaul, now Rennes.


CONDIVCNUM, a town of Gaul, now Nantes.

CONDOLHÈS, a river of India, flowing into the Ganges.

CONDURÔI, a people of Belgium. Ces. bell. G. 4, c. 6.

CONDYLIÀ, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 23.

Cone, a small island at the mouth of the Ister. Lucan. 3, v. 200.

CONETÒDNUS and COTUATVS, two desparate Gauls who raised their countrymen against Rome, &c. Ces. bell. G. 7, c. 3.

CONFLUENTISS, a town at the confluence of the Moselle and Rhine.

CONPUCIUS, a Chinese philosopher, as much honoured among his countrymen as a monarch. He died about 479 years B. C.

CONGÉDVUS, a river of Spain. Martial. 1, ep. 50, v. 9.

CONI, a people of Spain.

CONISATVS, a god worshipped at Athens, with the same ceremonies as Priapus at Lampus.

CONIVLIÀ, a general of Athens, son of Timotheus. He was made governor of all the islands of the Athenians, and was defeated in a naval battle by Lysander, near the Ægospatamos. He retired into voluntary banishment to Evagoras king of Cyprus, and afterwards to Artaxerxes king of Persia, by whose assistance he freed his country from slavery. He defeated the Spartans near Cnidos, in an engagement where Pisander, the enemy’s ad miral, was killed. By his means the Athenians fortified their city with a strong wall, and attempted to recover Ionia and Æolia. He was treacherously betrayed by a Persian, and died in prison, B. C. 393. C. Nep. in via.—Plut. in Lyg. & Artax.—Isocrates.—A Greek astronomer of Samos, who, to gain the favour of Ptolemy Evergetes, publicly declared that the queen’s locks, which had been dedicated in the temple of Venus, and had since disappeared, were become a constellation.
He was intimate with Archimedes, and flourished 247 B.C. Catull. 67.—Virg. Ecl. 3, v. 40.—A Grecian mythologist, in the age 7. Julius Caesar, who wrote a book which contained 40 fables, still extant.—There was a treatise written on Italy by a man of the same name.

Consentes, the name which the Romans gave to the twelve superior gods, the Dii invorum genitum. The word signifies as much as consentientes, that is, who consented to the deliberations of Jupiters council. They were twelve in number, whose names Ennius has briefly expressed in these lines:

| Juno, Vesta, Minerva, Ceres, Diana, Venus, Mars, Mercurius, Jovi, Neptunus, Vulcanus, Apollo, Varro de R.R. |


Considius Aequus, a Roman knight, &c. Tacit.—Caius, one of Pompey's adherents, &c. Cas. bell. Civ. 2, c. 23.

Consilinum, a town of Italy. Mela; 2, c. 4.

Constant, a son of Constantina. Vid. Constantinus.

Constantia, a grand-daughter of the great Constantine, who married the emperor Gratian.

Constantia, a princess, wife of the emperor Gallus.—Another.

Constantinopolis, formerly Byzantium, the capital of Thrace, a noble and magnificent city, built by Constantine the Great, and solemnly dedicated A.D. 330. It was the capital of the eastern Roman empire, and was called, after its foundation, Roma nova, on account of its greatness, which seemed to rival Rome. The beauty of its situation, with all its conveniences, have been the admiration of every age. Constantinople fell into the hands of Mahomet the 2d, the 28th of May, 1453.

Constantius, surnamed the Great, from the greatness of his exploits, was son of Constantius. As soon as he became independent, he assumed the title of Augustus, and made war against Licinius, his brother-in-law, and colleague on the throne, because he was cruel and ambitious. He conquered him, and obliged him to lay aside the imperial power. It is said, that as he was going to fight against Maxentius, one of his rivals, he saw a cross in the sky, with this inscription, ev touto vike, in hoc vince. From this circumstance he became a convert to Christianity, and obtained an easy victory, ever after adopting a cross, or chi-rho, as his standard. After the death of Diocletian, Maximian, Maxentius, Maximinus, and Licinius, who had reigned together in a subordinate manner, Constantine became sole emperor, and began to reform the state. He founded a city in a most eligible situation, where old Byzantium formerly stood, and called it by his own name, Constantinople. Thither he transported part of the Roman

nate; and, by keeping his court there, he made it the rival of Rome, in population and magnificence. From that time the two imperial cities began to look upon each other with an eye of envy; and soon after the age of Constantine, a separation was made of the two empires, and Rome was called the capital of the western, and Constantinopolis was called the capital of the eastern dominions of Rome. The emperor has been distinguished for personal courage, and praised for the protection he extended to the Christians. He at first persecuted the Arians, but afterwards inclined to their opinions; and his murder of his son Crispus has been deservedly censured. By removing the Roman legions from the garrisons on the rivers, he opened an easy passage to the barbarians, and rendered his soldiers unwarlike. He defeated 100,000 Goths, and received into his territories 300,000 Sarma-
tians, who had been banished by their slaves, and gave them ground to cultivate. Constantine was learned, and preached, as well as composed many sermons, one of which remains. He died A.D. 337, after a reign of 31 years, of the greatest glory and success. He left three sons, Constantius, Constans, and Constantius, among whom he divided his empire. The first, who had Gaul, Spain, and Britain for his portion, was conquered by the armies of his brother Constans, and killed in the 25th year of his age, A.D. 340. Magnentius, the governor of the provinces of Rhaeta, murdered Constans in his bed, after a reign of 13 years, over Italy, Africa, and Illyricum; and Constantius, the only surviving brother, now became the sole emperor, A.D. 335, punished his brother's murderer, and gave way to cruelty and oppression. He visited Rome, where he displayed a triumph, and died in his march against Julian, who had been proclaimed independent emperor by his soldiers. The name of Constantine was very common to the emperors of the east, at a later period.—A private soldier in Britain, raised, on account of his name, to the imperial dignity. A general of Belisarius.

Constantius Chlorus, son of Eutropius, and father of the great Constantine, merited the title of Caesar, which he obtained, by his victories in Britain and Germany. He became the colleague of Galerius, on the abdication of Diocletian; and after bearing the character of a humane and benevolent prince, he died at York, and made his son his successor, A.D. 306. The second son of Constantine the Great, Vid. Constantinus.—The father of Julian and Gallus, was son of Constantius by Theodora, and died A.D. 337. A Roman general of Nyssa, who married Placidia, the sister of Honorius, and was proclaimed emperor, an honour he enjoyed only seven months. He died universally regretted, 421 A.D. and was succeeded by his son Valentinian in the west.—One of the servants of Attila.

Consularia Ludi, Consularia, festivals at Rome in honour of Consus, the god of counsel, whose altar Romulus discovered
under the ground. This altar was always covered, except at the festival, when a mule was sacrificed, and games and horse- races exhibited in honour of Neptune. It was during these festivals that Romulus carried away the Sabine women who had assembled to be spectators of the games. They were first instituted by Romulus. Some say that Romulus only regulated and re-instituted them after they had been before established by Evander. During the celebration, which happened about the middle of August, the horses were exempted from all labours, and were led through the streets adorned with garlands and flowers.

Consul, a magistrate in Rome, with regal authority for the space of one year. There were two consuls, a consulendo, and annually chosen in the Campus Martius. The two first consuls were L. Jun. Brutus, and L. Tarquinius Collatinus, chosen A. U. C. 244, after the expulsion of the Tarquins. In the first times of the republic, the two consuls were always chosen from patrician families, or noblemen; but the people obtained the privilege, A. U. C. 398, of electing one of the consuls from their own body; and sometimes both were plebeians. The first consul among the plebeians was L. Sextius. It was required that every candidate for the consulship should be 43 years of age, called legittimum tempus. He was always to appear at the election as a private man, without a retinue; and it was requisite, before he canvassed for the office, to have discharged the functions of questor, edile, and praetor. Sometimes these qualifications were disregarded. Val. Corvinus was made a consul in his 23d year, and Scipio in his 24th. Young Marius, Pompey, and Augustus, were also under the proper age when they were invested with the office, and Pompey had never been questor or praetor. The power of the consuls was unbounded, and they knew no superior but the gods and the laws; but after the expiration of their office, their conduct was minutely scrutinized by the people, and misbehaviour was often punished by the laws. The badge of their office was the pretexula, a robe fringed with purple, afterwards exchanged for the toga picta or palma. They were preceded by 12 lictors, carrying the fasces or bundle of sticks, in the middle of which appeared an axe. The axe, as being the characteristic rather of tyranny than of freedom was taken away from the fasces by Valerius Poplicola, but it was restored by his successor. They took it by turns, monthly, to be preceded by the lictors while at Rome, lest the appearance of two persons with the badges of royal authority, should raise apprehensions in the multitude. While they appeared publicly in state, only a crier walked before the other, and the lictors followed behind without the fasces. Their authority was equal; yet the Valerian law gave the right of priority to the older, and the Julian law to him who had the most children, and he was generally called consul major or prae. As their power was absolute, they presided over the senate, and could convene and dismiss it at pleasure. The senators were their counsellors; and among the Romans, the manner of reckoning their years was by the name of the consuls, and by M. Tull. Cicero and L. Antonio Consulibus for instance, the year of Rome 689 was always understood. This custom lasted from the year of Rome 244 till the year 1294, or 541st year of the Christian era, when the consular office was totally suppressed by Justinian. In public assemblies the consuls sat in ivory chairs, and held in their hands an ivory wand, called spicu chur- nus, which had an eagle on its top, as a sign of dignity and power. When they had drawn by lot the provinces over which they were to preside during their consulship, they went to the capitol to offer their prayers to the gods, and entreat them to protect the republic: after this they departed from the city, arrayed in their military dress, and preceded by the lictors. Sometimes the provinces were assigned them, without drawing by lot, by the will and appointment of the senators. At their departure, they were provided by the state with whatever was requisite during their expedition. In their provinces they were both attended by the 12 lictors, and equally invested with regal authority. They were not permitted to return to Rome without the special command of the senate; and they always remained in the province till they arrived of their successor. At their return they harangued the people, and solemnly protested that they had done nothing against the laws or interest of their country, but had faithfully and diligently endeavoured to promote the greatness and welfare of the state. No man could be consul two following years; yet this institution was sometimes broken, and we find Marius re-elected consul, after the expiration of his office, during the Cimbrian war. The office of consul, so dignified during the times of the commonwealth, became a mere title under the emperors, and retained nothing of its authority but the useless ensigns of original dignity. Even the office of consul, which was originally annual, was reduced to two or three months by J. Caesar; but they who were admitted on the first of January denominated the year, and were called ordinarii. Their successors, during the year, were distinguished by the name of suffecti. Tiberius and Claudius abridged the time of the consulship, and the emperor Commodus made no less than 25 consuls in one year. Constantine the Great renewed the original institution, and permitted them to be a whole year in office.——Here is annexed a list of the consuls from the establishment of the consular power to the battle of Actium, in which it may be said that the authority of the consuls was totally extinguished. The two first consuls, chosen about the middle of June, A. U. C. 244, were L. Jun. Brutus, and L. Tarq. Collatinus. Collatinus retired from Rome as being of the family of the Tarquins, and Pub. Valerius was chosen in his room. When Brutus was killed in battle
Sp. Lucretius was elected to succeed him; and after the death of Lucretius, Marcus Horatius was chosen for the rest of the year with Valerius Publicola. The first consulship lasted about 16 months, during which the Romans fought against the Tarquins, and the capitol was dedicated.


247. P. Lucretius, or M. Horatius; P. Valer. Publicola 3. The vain efforts of Porsenna continued.


Victories over the Sabines.

249. M. Valerius; P. Postumius.

Wars with the Sabines continued.

250. P. Valerius 4; T. Lucretius 2.

251. Agrippa Menenius; P. Postumius 2. The death of Publicola.


254. Serv. Sulpicius; Manius Tullius.

255. P. Veturius Geminius; T. Aebutius Elva.

256. T. Larzius 2; L. Clœlius.

War with the Latins.

257. A. Sempronius Attratius; M. Minucius.

258. Aulus Postumius; Tit. Virginius. The battle of Regillae.


War with the Volsci.

260. A. Virginius; T. Veturius; The dissatisfied people retire to Mons Sacer.

261. Postumius Cominius 2; Sp. Cassius 2. A reconciliation between the senate and people, and the election of the tribunes.


263. M. Minucius 2; Aus. Sempronius 2. The haughty behaviour of Coriolanus to the populace.


265. C. Julius; P. Fainarius.

The Volsci make declarations of war.

266. Sp. Nautius; Sex. Furius. Coriolanus forms the siege of Rome, He retires at the entreaties of his mother and wife, and dies.

267. T. Sicinius; C. Aquilius.

The Volsci defeated.


269. Serv. Cornelius; Q. Fabius. Cassius is condemned, and thrown down the Tarpeian rock.

270. L. Æmilius; Cæso Fabius. The Æqui and Volsci defeated.

271. M. Fabius; L. Valerius.
A. U. C. 297. Q. Minucius; C Horatius. War with the Equi and Sabines. Ten tribunes elected instead of five.

298. M. Valerius; Sp. Virginius.

299. T. Romilius; C. Veturius.

300. Sp. Tarpeius; A. Aterius.

301. P. Curtius; Sex. Quintilius.

302. C. Menenius; P. Cestius Capitolinus. The Decemvirs reduce the laws into twelve tables.


306. Valerius Pottius; M. Horatius Barbatus. Appius is summoned to take his trial. He dies in prison, and the rest of the Decemvirs are banished.


308. M. Geganrius Macerinus; C. Julius. Domestic troubles.

309. T. Q. Cincinnatus; T. Quintius Capitoilinus 4; Agrippa Furris. The Equi and Volsci come near to the gates of Rome, and are defeated.

310. M. Genuavius; C. Curtius. A law passed to permit the patrician and plebeian families to intermarry.

311. Military tribunes are chosen instead of consuls. The plebeians admitted among them. The first were A. Sempronius; L. Atius; T. Clelius. They abdicated three months after their election, and consuls were again chosen, L. Papirius Mugilanus; L. Sempronius Atratinus.

312. M. Geganrius Macerinus 2; T. Quintius Capitolinus 5. The censorship instituted.

313. M. Fabius Vibulanus; Posthumius Æbutius Corucien.

314. C. Furris Pacilus; M. Papirius Crassus.


316. T. Q. Cincinnatus; T. Quintius Capitolinus 6; Agrippa Menenius Lanatus.

317. Mamerius Æmilius; T. Quintius; L. Julius, military tribunes.

318. M. Geganrius Macerinus; Sergius Fidenas. Tolumnius, king of the Veientes, killed by Cossus, who takes the second royal spoil called Opimia.

319. M. Cornelius Maluginensis; L. Papirius Crassus.

320. C. Julius; L. Virginianus.

321. C. Julius 2; L. Virginianus.

2. The duration of the censorship limited to 10 months.

322. M. Fabius Vibulanus; M. Fossius; L. Sergius Fidenas, military tribunes.

323. L. Pinerius Mamercus; L. Furris Medullinus; Sp. Postumius Albis, military tribunes.

324. T. Quintius Cincinnatus; C. Julius Mento; consuls. A victory over the Veientes and Fidenates by the dictator Posthumius.

325. C. Papirius Crassus; L. Julius.

326. L. Sergius Fidenas 2; Host. Lucret. Tricipitinus.

327. A. Cornelius Cossus; T. Quintius Pennus 2.

328. Servilius Ahala; L. Papirius Mugilanus 2.

329. T. Quintius Pennus; C. Furris; M. Posthumius; A. Corn. Cossus; military tribunes, all of Patrician families. Victory over the Veientes.


331. A. Claudius Crassus, &c. military tribunes.

332. C. Sempronius Atratus; Q. Fabius Vibulanus; consuls, who gave much dissatisfaction to the people.

333. L. Manlius Capitolinus, &c. military tribunes.


335. L. Q. Cincinnatus 3; L. Furris Medullinus 2; M. Manlius; A. Sempronius Atratus; military tribunes.

336. A. Menenius Lanatus, &c. military tribunes.

337. L. Sergius Fidenas, M. Papirius Mugilanus; C. Servilius.

338. A. Menenius Lanatus, 2, &c.

339. A. Sempronius Atratus 3, &c.

340. I. Cornelius Cossus, &c.

341. Cn. Corn. Cossus, &c. One of the military tribunes stoned to death by the army.


343. Q. Fabius Ambustus; C Furris Pacilus.

344. M. Papirius Atratus; C. Nautius Rutilius.

345. Mamerius Æmilius; C. Valerius Potitus.


347. C. Julius, &c. military tribunes.

348. L. Furris Medullinus, &c. military tribunes.

349. P. and Cn. Cornelii Cossi, &c. military tribunes. This year the Roman soldiers first received pay.


351. C. Valerius Potitus, &c. military tribunes.

353. C. Servilius Alala, &c. A defeat at Veii, occasioned by a quarrel between the two military tribunes.

354. L. Valerius Potitus 4; M. Furius Camillus 2, &c. A military tribune chosen from among the plebeians.

355. P. Licinius Calvus, &c.

356. M. Veturius, &c.

357. L. Valerius Potitus 5; M. Furius Camillus 3, &c.

358. L. Julius Julus, &c.


360. P. Corn. Cossus, &c. The people wished to remove to Veii.

361. M. Furius Camillus, &c. "Falisci surrendered to the Romans."

362. L. Lucret. Flaccus; Servius Sulpicius Camerinus, consuls, after Rome had been governed by military tribunes for 15 successive years. Camillus strongly opposes the removing to Veii, and it is rejected.

363. L. Valerius Potitus; M. Manlius. One of the censors dies.

364. L. Lucretius, &c. military tribunes. A strange voice heard, which foretold the approach of the Gauls. Camillus goes to banishment to Ardea. The Gauls besiege Clusium, and soon after march towards Rome.

365. Three Fabii military tribunes. The Romans defeated at Alia by the Gauls. The Gauls enter Rome and set it on fire. Camillus declared dictator by the senate, who had retired into the Capitol. The govee save the capitol, Camillus suddenly comes and defeats the Gauls.

366. L. Valerius Poplicola 3; L. Virginius, &c. Camillus declared dictator, defeats the Volsci, Æqui, and Tuscan.

367. T. Q. Cincinnatus; Q. Servius Fides; L. Julius Julus.

368. L. Papirius; Cn. Sergius; L. Æmilius, &c.

369. M. Furius Camillus, &c.

370. A. Manlius; P. Cornelius, &c. The Volsci defeated. Manlius aims at royalty.


372. L. Valerius; A. Manlius; Ser. Sulpicius, &c.


374. M. Furius Camillus; L. Furius, &c.

375. L. and P. Valerii.

376. C. Manlius, &c.


378. L. Æmilius, &c.

379. L. Papirius; L. Merenius; Ser. Sulpicius, &c.

A. U. C. 380. For four years anarchy at Rome. No consuls or military tribunes elected, but only for that time, L. Sextius; C. Licinius Calvus Stolo, tribunes of the people.

384. L. Furius, &c.

383. Q. Servilius; C. Veturius, &c. Ten magistrates are chosen to take care of the Sibylline books.

386. M. Fabius, &c.

387. T. Quintius; Ser. Cornelius, &c.

388. A. and M. Cornelius, &c. The Gauls defeated by Camillus. One of the consuls for the future to be elected from among the plebeians.

389. M. Æmilius; L. Sextius, consuls. The offices of pretor and curule edile, granted to the senate by the people.


391. Sulpitius Peticus; C. Licinius Stolo.


393. Q. Serv. Alala 2; L. Genucius 2. Curtius devotes himself to the Divi manes.

394. C. Sulpicius 2; C. Licinius. Manlius conquers a Gaul in single battle.

395. C. Petilus Balbus; M. Fabius Ambustus.

396. M. Popilius Lænas; C. Manlius 2.

397. C. Fabius; C. Plautius. Gauls defeated.

398. C. Marcius; Cn. Manlius 2.

399. M. Fabius Ambustus 2. A dictator elected from the plebeians for the first time.

400. C. Sulpicius Peticus 3; M. Valerius Poplicola 2, both of patrician families.

401. M. Fabius Ambustus 3; T. Quintius.

402. C. Sulpicius Peticus 4; M. Valerius Poplicola 3.

403. M. Valerius Poplicola 4; C. Marcius Rutius.

404. Q. Sulpicius Peticus 5; T. Q. Pennus. A censor elected for the first time from the plebeians.

405. M. Popilius Lænas 3; L. Corn. Scipio.


407. M. Valer. Corvinus; M. Popilius Lænas 4. Corvus was elected at 23 years of age, against the standing law. A treaty of amity concluded with Carthage.

408. T. Manlius Torquatus; C. Plautius.

409. M. Valerius Corvus 2; C. Petilus.


411. C. Marcus Rutius; T. Manlius Torquatus.
The Romans begin to make war against the Samnites, at the request of the Campanians. They obtain a victory.

--- 413. C. Marcus Rutilius 4; Q. Servilius.

--- 414. C. Plautius; L. Æmilius Mamercinus.

--- 415. T. Manlius Torquatus 3; P. Decius Mus. The victories of Alexander the Great in Asia. Manlius put his son to death for fighting against his order. Decius devotes himself for the army, which obtains a great victory over the Latins.

--- 416. T. Æmilius Mamercinus; Q. Publilius Philo.

--- 417. L. Furius Camillus; C. Manlius. The Latins conquered.

--- 418. C. Sulpicius Longus; P. Ælius Paetus. The pretorship granted to a plebeian.

--- 419. L. Papirius Crassus; Caso Dulius.

--- 420. M. Valerius Corvus; M. Atlius Regulus.

--- 421. T. Veturius; Sp. Posthumius.

--- 422. A. Cornelius 2; Cn. Domitius.

--- 423. M. Claudius Marcellus; C. Valerius Potitus.

--- 424. L. Papirius Cursor; C. Petilius Libo.

--- 425. L. Papirius Crassus; C. Plautius Venno.

--- 426. L. Æmilius Mamercinus 2; C. Plautius.


--- 429. C. Petilius; L. Papirius Muginianus.

--- 430. L. Furius Camillus 2; D. Jun. Brutus Scæva. The dictator Papirius Cursor is for putting to death Fabius, his master of horse, because he fought in his absence, and obtained a famous victory. He pardons him.

--- 431. C. Sulpicius Longus 1; Q. Aulus Ceretanus.

--- 432. Q. Fabius; L. Fulvius.

--- 433. T. Veturius Calvinus 2; Sp. Posthumius Albinus 2. C. Pontius, the Samnite, takes the Roman consul in an ambuscade at Claudium.

--- 434. L. Papirius Cursor 2; Q. Publilius Philo.

--- 435. L. Papirius Cursor 3; Q. Aulus Ceretanus 2.

--- 436. M. Fossius Flaccinator; L. Plautius Venno.


--- 439. L. Papirius 4; Q. Publilius.

--- 440. M. Petilius; C. Sulpicius.
which is refused by the Roman senate. The census was made, and 272,222 citizens were found.


476. Q. Fabius Maximus Gurges 2; C. Genucius Clepsina. Pyrrhus returns from Sicily to Italy.

477. M. Curio Dentatus 2; L. Corn. Lentulus; Pyrrhus finally defeated by Curius.


479. C. Fabius Dorso; C. Claudius Cæinia 2. An embassy from Philadelphia, to conclude an alliance with the Romans.

480. L. Papirius Cursor 2; Sp. Carvilius 2. Tarentum surrenders.

481 L. Genucius; C. Quintius.

482. C. Genucius; Cn. Cornelius.

483. Q. Oguilinus Gallus; C. Fabius Pictor. Silver money coined at Rome for the first time.


485. M. Attillus Regulus; L. Julius Libo. Italy enjoys peace universally.

486. Numerius Fabius; D. Junius.

487. Q. Fabius Gurges 3; L. Mamilius Vitulus. The number of the quaters doubled to eight.


490. L. Postumius Gemellus; Q. Mamilius Vitulus. The siege and taking of Agrigentum. The total defeat of the Carthaginians.

491. L. Valerius Flaccus; T. Otaciulus Crassus.

492. Cn. Corn. Scipio Asin; C. Duilius. In two months the Romans build and equip a fleet of 120 galleys. The naval victory and triumph of Duilius.

493. L. Corn. Scipio; C. Aquilus Florus. Expedition against Sardinia and Corsica.

494. A. Attillus Calatinus; C. Sulpicius Paterculus. The Carthaginians defeated in a naval battle.

495. C. Attillus Regulus; Cn. Cæs. Blasio.

496. L. Manlius Vulso; Q. Caecinus. At the death of Cadieus, M. Attilius Regulus 2, was elected for the rest of the year. The famous battle of Ecnoma. The victorious consul's land in Africa.

A. U. C. 497. Serv. Fulvius Patinus Nobilior; M. Æmilius Paulus. Regulus, after many victories in Africa, is defeated, and taken prisoner by Xanthippus. Agrigentum retaken by the Carthaginians.


499. Cn. Servilius Capio; C. Sempronius Blesus. The Romans, discouraged by shipwrecks, renounce the sovereignty of the seas.

500. C. Aurelius Cotta; P. Servilius Geminus. Citizens capable to bear arms, amounted to 297,797.

501. L. Caecilius Metellus 2; C. Furrius Paullus. The Romans begin to recover their power by sea.

502. C. Attilius Regulus 2; L. Mauilius Volso 2. The Carthaginians defeated near Panormus in Sicily. One hundred and forty-two elephants taken and sent to Rome. Regulus advises the Romans not to exchange prisoners. He is put to death in the most excruciating torments.


504. C. Aurelius Cotta 2; P. Servilius Germinus 2.

505. L. Caecilius Metellus 3; Num. Fabius Buteo. The number of the citizens 252,222.

506. M. Otaciulus Crassus; M. Fabius Licinius.

507. M. Fabius Buteo; C. Attilius Balbus.

508. A. Manlius Torquatus 2; C. Sempronius Blascus.

509. C. Fundanius Fundulus; C. Sulpicius Gallus. A fleet built by individuals at Rome.


511 Q. Lutatius Cercio; A. Manlius Atticus. Sicily is made a Roman province. The 5th census taken. The citizens amount to 260,000.

512. C. Claudia Centho; M. Sempronius Tuditanus.

513. C. Mamilius Turinus; Q. Valerius Falto.

514. T. Sempronius Gracchus; P. Valerius Falto. The Carthaginians give up Sardinia to Rome.

515. L. Corn. Lentulus Caudinus; Q. Fulvius Flaccus. The Romans offer Ptolemy Evergetes assistance against Antiochus Theos.

516. P. Corn. Lentulus Caudinus; Licinius Varus. Revolt of Corsica and Sardinia.

517. C. Attilius Bulbus 2; T. Manlius Torquatus. The temple of Janus
shut for the first time since the reign of Numa, about 440 years. An universal peace at Rome.


—— 519. Q. Fabius Maximus Verrucosus; M. Pomponius Matho. Differences and jealousy between Rome and Carthage.

—— 520. M. Æmilius Lepidus; M. Publicius Malleolus.

—— 521. M. Pomponius Matho 2; C. Papirius Maso. The first divorce known at Rome.

—— 522. M. Æmilius Barbula; M. Junius Pera. War with the Illyrians.

—— 523. L. Postumius Albinus 2; Cn. Fulvius Centumalus. The building of new Carthage.

—— 524. Sp. Carvilius Maximus 2; Q. Fabius Maximus.

—— 525. P. Valerius Flaccus; M. Attilius Regulus. Two new praetors added to the other praetors.

—— 526. M. Valerius Messala; L. Apullius Fullo. Italy invaded by the Gauls. The Romans could now lead into the field battle 770,000 men.

—— 527. L. Æmilius Papus; C. Attilius Regulus. The Gauls defeat the Romans near Clusium. The Romans obtain a victory near Telamon.

—— 528. T. Manlius Torquatus 2; Q. Fulvius Flaccus 2. The Boïi, part of the Gauls, surrender.

—— 529. C. Flaminius; P. Furius Philus.


—— 531. P. Cornelius; M. Minucius Rufus. Annibal takes the command of the Carthaginian Armies in Spain.

—— 532. L. Veturius; C. Lutatius. The Via Flaminia built.

—— 533. M. Livius Salinator; L. Æmilius Paulus. War with Illyricum.

—— 534. P. Corn. Scipio; T. Sempronius Longus. Siege of Saguntum, by Annibal, the cause of the Punic war. Annibal marches towards Italy, and crosses the Alps. The Carthaginian fleet defeated near Sicily. Sempronius defeated near Trebia, by Annibal.


—— 536. C. Terentius Varro; L. Æmilius Paulus 2. The famous battle of Caunea. Annibal marches to Capua. Marcellus beats Annibal near Nola. Asdrubal begins his march towards Italy, and his army is totally defeated by the Scipios.

Greece proclaimed by Flamininus, at the Isthmian games.


558. P. Corn. Scipio Africanus 2; T. Sempronius Longus. Annibal flies to Antiochus.

559. L. Cornelius Merula; Q. Minucius Thermus. Antiochus prepares to make war against Rome, and Annibal endeavour in vain to stir up the Carthaginians to take up arms.

560. Q. Quintius Flamininus; Cn. Domitius. The Greeks call Antiochus to deliver them.

561. P. Corn. Scipio Nasica; Manus Acilius Glabrio. The success of Acilius in Greece against Antiochus.


563. M. Fulvius Nobilior; Cn. Manlius Vulo. War with the Gallogrecians.


565. M. Æmilius Lepidus; C. Flaminius. The Ligurians reduced.


568. P. Claudius Pulcher; L. Porcius Licinius. Philip of Macedon sends his son Demetrius to Rome.


570. M. Bæbius Tampilbus; L. Æmilius Paulus. Death of Philip.

571. P. Cornelius Cethegus; M Bæbius Tampilbus. Expeditions against Liguria. The first gilt statue raised at Rome.


573. Q. Fulvius Flaccus; L. Manlius Acidinus. Alliance renewed with Persens the son of Philip.

574. M. Junius Brutus; A. Manlius Vulo.

575. C. Claudius Pulcher; T. Sempronius Gracchus. The Istrians defeated.


577. P. Mucius; M. Æmilius Lepidus 2.


579. L. Postumius Albinus; M. Popilius Lænas.

580. C. Popilius Lænas; P. Ælius Ligur. War declared against Persens.


582. A. Hostilius Mancinus; A. Atilius Serranus.

583. Q. Marcus Philippus 2. Cn. Servilius Cæpio. The campaign in Macedonia.

584. L. Æmilius Paulus 2; P. Licinius Crassus. Persens is defeated and taken prisoner by Paulus.

585. Q. Ælius Petus; M. Junius Pennus.

586. M. Claudius Marcellus; C Sulpicius Galba.

587. Cn. Octavius Nepos; T Manlius Torquatus.

588. Aulus Manlius Torquatus.

589. Ti. Sempronius Gracca.

590. P. Corn. Scipio Nasica; Marcus Figulus. Demetrius flies from Rome, and is made king of Syria.

591. M. Valerius Messala; C. Fannius Strabo.

592. L. Anicius Gallus; M. Corn. Cethegus.

593. C. Cornelius Dolabella; M Fulvius Nobilior.

594. M. Æmilius Lepidus; C. Popilius Lænas.


596. L. Corn. Lentulus Lupus; C. Marcus Figulus 2.

597. P. Corn. Scipio Nasica 2; M. Claudius Marcellus 2.

598. Q. Optimus Nepos; L. Postumius Albinus.

599. Q. Fulvius Nobilior; T. Annius Luscus. The false Philip. Wars in Spain.

600. M. Claudius Marcellus 3; L. Valerius Flaccus.

601. L. Licinius Lucullus; A. Postumius Albinus.

602. T. Quintius Flamininus; M. Acilius Balbus. War between the Carthaginians and Masinissa.

603. L. Marcus Censorinus; M. Manlius Nepos. The Romans declare war against Carthage. The Carthaginians wish to accept the hard conditions which are imposed upon them; but the Romans say, that Carthage must be destroyed.


605. P. Corn. Scipio; C. Livius Drusus. The siege of Carthage continued with vigour by Scipio.


607. Q. Fabius Æmilianus; L Hostilius Mancinus.

608. Ser. Sulpicius Galba; L Aurelius Cotta.

- 610. L. Metellus Calvus; Q. Fabius Maximus Servilianus.
- 611. Q. Pompeius; C. Servilius Caepio.
- 612. L. Lælius Sapiens; Q. Servilius Caepio. The wars with Viriathus.
- 613. M. Popilius Laenas; Cn. Calpurnius Piso.
- 614. P. Corn. Scipio Nasica; D. Junius Brutus. The two consuls imprisoned by the tribunes.
- 615. M. Æmilius Lepidus; C. Hostilius Mancinus. Wars against Numantia.
- 616. P. Furius Philus; Sex. Attilius Serranus.
- 618. P. Corn. Scipio 2; C. Fulvius Flaccus.
- 621. P. Licinius Crassus; L. Valerius Flaccus.
- 622. C. Claudius Pulcher; M. Perpenna. In the census are found 513,823 citizens.
- 623. C. Sempronius Tuditanus; M. Aquilius Nepos.
- 626. L. Æmilius Lepidus; L. Aurelius Orestes.
- 627. M. Plautius Hypsæus; M. Fulvius Flaccus.
- 628. C. Cassius Longinlus; L. Sexius Calvinus.
- 629. Q. Caecilius Metellus; T. Quintius Flamininus.
- 630. C. Fannius Strabo; Cn. Domitius Ahenobarbus. The seditions of Caicus Gracchus.
- 632. P. Manlius Nepos; C. Papirius Carbo.
- 633. L. Caecilius Metellus Calvus; L. Aurelius Cotta.
- 634. M. Portius Cato; Q. M(arcus) Rex.
- 635. L. Caecilius Metellus; Q. Matius Scævola.
- 636. C. Licinius Geta; Q. Fabius Maximus Eburnus.
- 637. M. Caecilius Metellus; M. Æmilius Scaurus.
- 638. M. Acilius Balbus; C. Portius Cato.

A. U. C. 639. L. Aurelius Cotta; Cn. Papirius Carbo.

- 642. M. Minucius Rufus; Sp Postumius Albinus.
- 643. Q. Caecilius Metellus; M. Junius Silanus. Success of Metellus against Jugurtha.
- 644. Servius Sulpicius Galba; M. Aurelius Scaurus. Metellus continues the war.

- 645. C. Marius; L. Caius. The war against Jugurtha continued with vigour by Marius.
- 646. C. Attilius Serranus; Q. Servilius Caepio. Jugurtha betrayed by Bocchus into the hands of Sylla, the lieutenant of Marius.
- 647. P. Rutulius Rufus; Corn. Mallius Maximus. Marius triumphs over Jugurtha. Two Roman armies defeated by the Cimbri and Teutones.
- 648. C. Marius 2; C. Flavius Fimbria. The Cimbri march towards Spain.

- 651. C. Marius 5; M. Aquilius. The Cimbri enter Italy, and are defeated by Marius and Catulus.
- 652. C. Marius 6; L. Valerius Flaccus. Factions against Metellus.
- 654. L. Caecilius Metellus Nepos; T. Didius.
- 656. Cn. Domitius Ahenobarbus; C. Cassius Longinus. The kingdom of Cyrene left by will to the Roman people.
- 658. C. Ceius Caldus; L. Domitius Ahenobarbus.
- 659. C. Valerius Flaccus; M. Herennius. Sylla exhibited a combat of 100 lions with men in the circus.
- 660. C. Claudius Pulcher; M. Perpenna. The allies wish to be admitted citizens of Rome.
- 661. L. Marcius Philippus; Sex. Julius Caesar. The allies prepare to revolt.
- 662. L. Julius Caesar; P. Rutulius Rufus. Wars with the Marsi.
- 664. L. Cornelius Sylla; Q. Pompeius Rufus. Sylla appointed in the
Mithridatic war. Marius is empowered to succeed him; upon which Sylla returns to Rome with his army, and takes it, and has Marius and his adherents judged as enemies.


666. C. Marius 7; L. Cornelius Cinna 2. Marius died, and L. Valerius Flaccus was chosen in his room. The Mithridatic war.

667. L. Cornelius Cinna 3; Cn. Papirius Carbo. The Mithridatic war continued by Sylla.

668. L. Cornelius Cinna 4; Cn. Papirius Carbo 2. Peace with Mithridates.


672. L. Corn. Sylla Felix 2; Q. Cæcilius Metellus Pius. War against Mithridates.


677. L. Octavius; C. Aurelius Cotta. Mithridates and Sertorius make a treaty of alliance together. Sertorius murdered by Perpenna.

678. L. Licianus Lucullus; M. Aurelius Cotta. Lucullus conducts the Mithridatic war.


680. L. Gallius Poplicola; Cn. Corn. Lentulus Clodianus. Victories of Spartacus over three Roman generals.


682. M. Licius Crassus; Cn. Pompeius Magnus. Successes of Lucullus against Mithridates. The census amounts to above 900,000.

683. Q. Hortensius 2; Q. Cæcilius Metellus. Lucullus defeats Tigranes king of Armenia, and meditates the invasion of Partia.
Pompey flies from Rome. Caesar made dictator.


The wars of Caesar in Egypt.

106. O. Fusius Calenus; P. Vatinius. Power and influence of Caesar at Rome. He reduces Pontus.

706. C. Julius Caesar 3; M. Æmilius Lepidus. Caesar defeats Pompey's partisans in Africa, and takes Utica.

707. C. Julius Caesar 4; consul alone. He conquered the partisans of Pompey in Spain, and was declared perpetual dictator and imperator, &c.

708. C. Julius Caesar 5; M. Antonius. Caesar meditates a war against Parthia. Above 60 Romans conspire against Caesar, and murder him in the senate-house. Antony raises himself to power. The rise of Octavius.


710. L. Minatius Planus; M. Æmilius Lepidus 2. Great honours paid to the memory of J. Caesar. Brutus and Cassius join their forces against Augustus and Antony.


713. L. Marcus Censorinus; C. Calvisius Sabinus. Antony marries Octavia, the sister of Augustus, to strengthen their mutual alliance.

714. Ar. Claudius Pulcher; C. Norbanus Flaccus. To whom were substituted C. Octavianus and Q. Pedius. Sext. Pompey, the son of Pompey the Great, makes himself powerful by sea, to oppose Augustus.

715. M. Agrippa; L. Caninius Gallus. Agrippa is appointed by Augustus to oppose Sext. Pompey with a fleet. He builds the famous harbour of Misenum.

716. L. Gellius Poplicola; M. Cocceius Nerva. Agrippa obtains a naval victory over Pompey, who delivers himself to Antony, by whom he is put to death.

717. L. Cornicius Nepos; Sex. Pompeius Nepos. Lentulus removed from power by Augustus.

718. L. Scribonius Libo; M. Antonius 2. Augustus and Antony being sole masters of the Roman empire, make another division of the provinces. Caesar obtains the west, and Antony the east.

719. C. Caesar Octavianus 2; L. Volusius Tullius. Octavia divorced by Antony, who marries Cleopatra.


A. U. C. 721. C. Caesar Octavianus 3; M. Valer. Messala Corvinus. The battle of Actium, which, according to some authors happened not till the year of Rome 724. The end of the commonwealth.

Consuva, a deity at Rome, who presided over counsels. His temple was covered in the Maximi circus, to show that counsels ought to be secret and inviolable. Some suppose that it is the same as Neptunus Equestris. Romulus instituted festivals to his honour, called Consualia, during the celebration of which the Romans carried away the Sabine women. Dionys. Hal. 1.—Liv. 1, c. 9.

Consuva, the wife of Nicomedes king of Bithynia, torn in pieces by dogs for her lascivious deportment. Plin. 8, c. 40.

Contes, a river of Thrace. Herodot. 4, c. 90.

Conturia, a town in Spain. Flor. 2, c. 17

Coon, the eldest son of Antenor, killed by Agamemnon. Homer. Il.

Coos, Cos, Crea, and Co, an island of the Egyptian sea. Vid. Co.

Copes, a place of Greece near the Cephissus. Plin. 4, c. 7.

Copias laco, a lake of Bœotia, into which the Cophis and other rivers empty themselves. It is famous for its excellent eels. Paus. 9, c. 24.

Cophontis, a burning mountain of Bactriana. Plin. 2, c. 106.

Cophas, a son of Artabazus. Curt. 7, c. 11.—A river of India. Dimys. Perieg.

Copia, the goddess of plenty, among the Romans, represented as bearing a horn filled with grapes, fruit, &c.

Copillus, a general of the Tectosages, taken by the Romans. Plat. in Syll.

C. Coponius, a commander of the fleet of Rhodes, at Dyrachium, in the interest of Pompey. Cic. 1. de Div. c. 36.—Fater. 2, c. 63.

Coprates, a river of Asia, falling into the Tigris. Diod. 19.

Cophinus, a son of Pelops, who fled to Mycenae at the death of Iphitus. Apollod. 2, c. 5.

Copius and Kopis, a town of Egypt, near the Red sea, about 100 leagues from Alexandria, on a canal which communicates with the Nile. Plin. 5, c. 9. 1. 6. c. 23.—Strab. 16.—Jan. 15, v. 26.

Cor, a town of Latium, on the confines of the Volsci, built by a colony of Dardaniens before the foundation of Rome. Lucan. 7, v. 392. —Virg. Aen. 6, v. 775.

Coraceum and Coracensium, a maritime town of Pamphylia. Lit. 33, c. 20.

Coraconus, a town of Arcadia, where the Ladon falls into the Alpheus. Paus. 8, c. 25.

Coralete, a people of Scythia. Paus. 6, v. 81.

Corallis, a savage people of Pontus. Ovid. ex Pont. 4, el. 2, v. 57.

Coranus, a miser. Vid. Nasica.
Corax, a brother of Catillus and Tyburus, who fought against Aeneas. Virg. Aen. 7, v. 672.

Corax, an ancient rhetorician of Sikyonia, who first demanded salary of his pupils. Cic. in Brut. — Quin. 3, c. 1. — A king of Sikyonia.

— A mountain of Ætolia. Liv. 36, c. 50.

Corex, a people of Colchis. Plin. 6, c. 5.

Coreus, a Gaul, &c. Cas. bell. G. 8, c. 6.

Coris and Orsua, two brothers, who fought for the dominion of a city, in the presence of Scipio in Spain. Liv. 28, c. 21. — Val. Max. 9, c. 11.

Coribio (Domiitus) a prefect of Belgium, who routed the Parthians, destroyed Attagaia, and made Tigrases king of Armenia. Nero, jealous of his virtues, ordered him to be murdered; and Coribulo hearing this, fell up his sword, excluding, "I have well deserved this!" A. D. 66. Tacit. Ann. 11, c. 13.

Corica, an island in the Ionian sea, about 12 miles from Butromot, on the coast of Epirus; famous for the shipwreck of Ulysses, and the gardens of Alcinous. It has been successively called Drepane, Scheria, and Phaeacia, and now bears the name of Corfu. Some Corinthians, with Chersicrates at their head, came to settle there, when banished from their country, 703 years before the Christian era. A colony of Colchis had settled there 1349 years before Christ. The war which was carried on by Hermistocles, against the Corecyreans, and was called Corecyrean, became but a preparation for the Peloponnesian war. Homer. Od. 5, &c. — Lucan. 9, v. 32. — Mela. 2, c. 7. — Plin. 4, c. 12. — Strab. 6.


Cordula, a port of Pontus, supposed to give its name to a peculiar sort of fishes caught there (Cordylæa). Plin. 9, c. 15. — Martial. 13, ep. 1.

Core, a daughter of Ceres, the same as Proserpine. Festivals, called Coreia, were instituted to her honour in Greece.

Corebus, a bill near Ephasis. Herodot. 5, c. 100.

Coreus, a priest of Bacchus at Calydon in Boeotia, who was deeply enamoured of the nymph Callirhoe, who treated him with disdain. He complained to Bacchus, who visited the country with a pestilence. The Calydonians were directed by the oracle, to appease the god by sacrificing Callirhoe on his altar. The nymph was led to the altar, and Coreus, who was to sacrifice her, forgot his resentment, and stabbed himself. Callirhoe, conscious of her ingratitude to the love of Coreus, killed herself on the brink of a fountain, which afterwards bore her name. Paus. 7, c. 21.

Coretas, a man who first gave oracles at Delphi. Plut. de orac. def.

Corvinum, the capital of the Peligni, three miles from the Aternum, which falls into the Adriatic. Cat. Civ. 1, c. 16. — Lucan. 2 v. 478. — Sil. 5, v. 522.


Corinna, a celebrated woman of Thebes, disciple to Myriss. Her father's name was Archeladorus. It is said, that she obtained five times a poetical prize, in which Pindar was her competitor; but it must be acknowledged, that her beauty greatly contributed to defeat her rivals. Some few of her verses remain. Propert. 2, el. 3. — Paus. 9, c. 22. — A woman of Thespis celebrated for her beauty. — Ovid's mistress was also called Corinna. Amor. 2, el. 6.

Corinnes, an ancient poet in the time of the Trojan war, on which he wrote a poem. Homer, as some suppose, took his subject from the poem of Corinna.

Corinthiacus Sinus, is now called the gulf of Lepanto.

Corinth, an ancient city of Greece, now called Corito, situated on the middle of the isthmus of Corinth, at the distance of about 60 stadia on either side from the sea. It was first founded by Sisyphus son of Eolus, A. M. 2616, and receive its name from Corinthus the son of Pelops. Its original name was Ephyræ; and it is called Birma, because situate between the Saronic Sinus and Criseus Sinus. The inhabitants were once very powerful, and had great influence among the Grecian states. They colonized Syracuse in Sicily, and delivered it from the tyranny of its oppressors, by the means of Timoleon. Corinth was totally destroyed by L. Mummius, the Roman consul, and burnt to the ground, 146 B. C. The riches which the Romans found there, were immense. During the conflagration, all the metals which were in the city, melted and mixed together, and formed that valuable composition of metals, which has since been known by the name of Corinthian Æs. There was there a famous temple of Venus, where many lascivious women resorted, and sold their pleasures so dear, that many of their lovers were reduced to poverty; whence the proverb of—

Non culcis homini contignit adire Corinthum, to shew that all voluptuous indulgences are attended with much expense. J. Cæsar plantèd a colony at Corinth, and endeavoured to restore it to its former grandeur. The government of Corinth was monarchical till 779 years B. C. when officers called Prytanes were instituted. The war which has received the name of Corinthian war, because the battles were fought in the neighbourhood of Corinth, was begun B. C. 395, by the combination of the Athenians, Thebans, Corinthians, and Argives, against Lacedæmon. Pisander and Agesilaus distinguished themselves in that war; the former, on the first year of hostilities, was defeated with the Lacedæmonian fleet, by Conon, near nidus; while a few days after, Agesilaus slaughtered 10,000 of the enemy. The most famous battles.
were fought at Coronea and Leuctra; but Agisælius refused to besiege Corinth, lamenting one another that the Greeks, instead of destroying one another, did not turn their arms against the Persian power. 


Coriolæus, the surname of C. Martius, from his victory over Corioli, where, from a private soldier, he gained the amphest honours. When master of the place, he accepted as the only reward, the surname of Coriolanus, a horse, and prisoners, his ancient host, to whom he immediately gave his liberty. After a number of military exploits, and many services for his country, he was refused the consulship by the people, when his scars had for awhile influenced them in his favour. This raised his resentment; and when the Romans had received a present of corn from Gelo king of Sicily, Coriolanus insisted that it should be sold for money, and not be given gratis. Upon this, the tribunes raised the people against him for his imprudent advice, and even wished him to be put to death. This rigorous sentence was stopped by the influence of the senators, and Coriolanus submitted to a trial. He was banished by a majority of three tribes, and he immediately retired among the Volsci, to Tullus Aufidius, his greatest enemy, from whom he met a most tendre reception. He advised him to make war against Rome, and he marched at the head of the Volsci as general. The approach of Coriolanus greatly alarmed the Romans, who sent him several embassies, to reconcile him to his country, and to solicit his return. He was deaf to all proposals, and bad them prepare for war. He pitched his camp only at the distance of five miles from the city; and his enmity against his country would have been fatal, had not his mother Volumnia, and his wife Vergilia, been prevailed upon by the Roman matrons, to go and appease his resentment. The meeting of Coriolanus with his family was tender and affecting. He remained long inexorable; but at last the tears and entreaties of a mother and a wife prevailed over the stern and obstinate resolutions of an enemy, and Coriolanus marched the Volsci from the neighbourhood of Rome. To shew their sense of Volumnia's merit and patriotism, the Romans dedicated a temple to Female Fortune. The behaviour of Coriolanus displeased the Volsci. He was summoned to appear before the people of Antium; but the clamours which his enemies raised, were so prevalent, that he was murdered on the place appointed for his trial, B.C. 488. His body was honoured with a magnificent funeral by the Volsci, and the Roman matrons, put on mourning for his loss. Some historians say that he died in exile, in an advanced old age. Plut. in vitæ.—Flor. 2, c. 22.

Corioli and Coriolla, a town of Latium, on the borders of the Volsci, taken by the Romans under Coriolanus. Plut. 3, c. 5.—Plut.—Liv. 2, c. 33.


Corinna, a town of Pamphylia. Liv. 38, c. 15.

Cornelia, de Civitate, was enacted A. U. C. 670, by L. Corn. Sylla. It confirmed the Sulpician law, and required that the citizens of the eight newly-elected tribes should be divided among the 35 ancient trittas.

Another, de Judicis, A. U. C. 673, by the same. It ordained that the praetor should always observe the same invariable method in judicial proceedings, and that the process should not depend upon his will.

Another, de Sumptibus, by the same. It limited the expences which generally attended funerals.

Another, de Religione, by the same, A. U. C. 677. It restored to the college of priests, the privilege of choosing the priests which, by the Domitian law, had been lodged in the hands of the people.

Another, de Municipiis, by the same; which revoked all the privileges which had been some time before granted to the several towns that had assisted Marius and Cinna in the civil war.

Another, de Magistratibus, by the same; which gave the power of bearing honours and being promoted before the legal age, to those who had followed the interest of Sylla, while the sons and partizans of his enemies, who had been proscribed, were deprived of the privilege of standing for any office in the state.

Another, de Magistratibus, by the same, A. U. C. 673. It ordained that no person should exercise the same office within ten years distance, or be invested with two different magistracies in one year.

Another, de Magistratibus, by the same, A. U. C. 673. It divested the tribunes of the privilege of making laws, interfering, holding assemblies, and receiving appeals. All such as had been tribunes were incapable of holding any other office, in the state by that law.

Another, de Magistrate, by the same, A. U. C. 670. It made it treason to lend an army out of a province, or engage in a war without orders, to influence the soldiers to spare or ransom a captive general of the enemy, to pardon the leaders of robbers, or pirates, or for the absence of a Roman citizen to a foreign court, without previous leave. The punishment was, aquæ et ignis interdictio.

Another by the same, which gave the power to a man accused of murder, either by poison, weapons, or false accusations, and that the setting fire to buildings, to choose whether the jury that tried him should give their verdict clam or palam, viva voce or by ballots. Another by the same, which made it aquæ et ignis interdictio to such as were guilty of forgery, concealing and altering of wills, corruption, false accusations, and the debasing or counterfeiting of the public coin; all such as were accessory to this offence, were deemed as guilty as the offender.
CORNELIA, a daughter of Cinna, who was the first wife of J. Caesar. She became mother of Julia, Pompey's wife, and was so affectionately loved by her husband, that, at her death, he pronounced a funeral oration over her body. Plut. in Cæs. — A daughter of Metellus Scipio, who married Pompey, after the death of her husband P. Crassus. She has been praised for her great virtues. When her husband left her in the bay of Alexandria, to go to shore in a small boat, she saw him stabbed by Achilles, and heard his dying groans without the possibility of aiding him. She attributed all his misfortunes to his connection with her. Plut. in Pomp. — A daughter of Scipio Africanus, who was the mother of Tiberius and Caius Gracchus. She was courted by a king; but she preferred being the wife of a Roman citizen to that of a monarch. Her virtues have been deservedly commended, as well as the wholesome principles she inculcated in her two sons. When a Campanian lady made once a shew of her jewels at Cornelia's house, and entreated her to favour her with a sight of her own. Cornelia produced her two sons, saying, "These are the only jewels of which I can boast." In her lifetime, a statue was raised to her, with this inscription, Cornelia mater Gracchorum. Some of her epistles are preserved. Plut. in Gracch. — Juw. 6, v. 167. — Val. Max. 4, c. 4. — Cic. in Brut. 38. — A vestal virgin, buried alive in Domitian's age, as guilty of incontinence. Sueton. in Dom. Cornetli, an illustrious family at Rome, of whom the most distinguished were, Caius Cornelia, a soothsayer of Padua, who foretold the beginning and issue of the battle of Pharsalia. — Dolabella, a friend and admirer of Cicopatra. He told her that Augustus intended to remove her from the monument, where she had retired. — An officer of Sulla, whom J. Caesar orbed to escape the proscription which threatened his life. — Cethegus, a priest, degraded from his office for want of attention. — Cn. a man chosen by Marcellus to be his colleague in the consulship. — Balbus a man who hindered J. Caesar from rising up at the arrival of the senators. — Cassus, a military tribune during the time that there were no consuls in the republic. He offered to Jupiter, the spoils called opima. — Balbus, a man of Gades, intimate with Cicero, by whom he was ably defended when accused. — A freedman of Sylla the dictator. — Scipio, a man appointed master of the horse, by Catullus, when dictator. — Gallus, an elegiac poet. — Vid. Gallus. — Merula, was made consul by Augustus, in the room of Cinna. — Marcellus, a man killed in Spain, by Galba. — C. Nepos, an historian. — Vid. Nepos. — Merula, a consul sent against the Boii in Gaul. He killed 1400 of them. His grandson followed the interest of Sylla; and when Marius entered the city, he killed himself, by opening his veins. — Gallus, a man who died in the act of copulation. — Val. Max. 4, c. 12. — Severus, an epic poet in the age of Augustus, of great genius. He wrote a poem on mount Ætna, and on the death of Cicero. — Thusseus, a mischievous person. — Lentulus Cethegus, a consul. — Aur. Celsius, wrote eight books on medicine, still extant. — Cn. and Publ. Scipio. — Vid. Scipio. — Lentulus, a high priest, &c. — Liv. — Plut. — Val. Max. — Tacit. — Suet. — Polyb. — C. Nep. &c.

CORNICULUM, a town of Latium. — Dionys. Hal.
Coroña, a town of Messenia. Plin. 4, c. 5.
Coronea, a town of Beeotia, where, in the first year of the Corinthian war, Agesilaus defeated the allied forces of Athens, Thebes, Corinth, and Argos, B. C. 394. C. Nep. in Ages.—Diod. 12.—A town of Peloponnesus—of Corinth—of Cyprus—of Ambracia—of Phthisioi.

Corinnis, a daughter of Phlegias, loved by Apollo. She became pregnant by her lover, who killed her on account of her criminal partiality to Ischyra the Thessalian. According to some, Diana killed her, for her infidelity to her brother; and Mercury saved the child from her womb, as she was on the burning pile. Others say, that she brought forth her son, and exposed him near Epidauros, to avoid her father's resentment; and they further mention, that Apollo had set a crow to watch her behaviour. The child was preserved, and called Æsculapius; and the mother, after death, received divine honours, and had a statue at Sicyon, in her son's temple, which was never exposed to public view. Paus. 2, c. 26.—The daughter of Coroneus, king of Phocis, changed into a crow by Minerva, when flying before Neptune. Ovid. Met. 2, v. 543.—One of the daughters of Atlas and Pleione.

Coronta, a town of Acarnania. Thucyd. 2, c. 102.
Coronus, a son of Apollo. Paus. 2, c. 5.
A son of Phoroneus, king of the Lapithæ. Diod. 4.
Corribium, a town of Macedonia. Liv. 31, c. 27.

Corsis, a people of Sardinia, descended from the Corsicans.

Coris, a town of Boeotia. Paus. 9, c. 24.
Corisca, a mountainous island in the Mediterranean, on the coast of Italy. Its inhabitants were savage, and bore the character of robbers, liars, and atheists, according to Seneca, who was exiled among them. They lived to a great age and fed on honey, which was produced there in great abundance. Corisca was in the possession of the Carthaginians, and conquered by the Romans, B. C. 231. The Greeks called it Cynos. Strab.—Martial. 9, ep. 27.—Plin. 3, c. 6.—Ovid. Amor. el. 12, v. 10.—Virg. Eccl. 9, v. 30.

Corisot, a town of Armenia.
Corisura, an island in the bay of Carthage.
Corit.Montanus, an ancient town of Etruria, called Corytum by Virgil. It was at the north of the Thrasyrene lake. Dionys. H. 1, c. 20 & 26.—Liv. 9, c. 37.

Corvinus, a name given to M. Valerius, from a crow, which assisted him when he was fighting against a Gaul.—An orator. Patern. 2, c. 36.—Messala, an eloquent orator, in the Augustan age, distinguished for integrity and patriotism, yet ridiculed for his frequent quotations of Greek in his actions. In his old age, he became so forgetful as not even to remember his name. One of this family became so poor, that he was obliged, to maintain himself, to be a mercenary shepherd. Jun. 1, v. 108.

T. Coruscanus, the first plebeian who was made high-priest at Rome.—The family of the Coruscans was famous for the number of great men which it supplied, for the service and honour of the Roman republic. Cic. pont. domus.

Corus, a river of Arabia, falling into the Red sea. Herodot. 3, c. 9.

Corvantes, the priests of Cybele, called also Galli. In the celebration of their festivals, they beat their cymbals and behaved as if delirious. They first inhabited mount Ida, and from thence passed into Crete, and secretly brought up Jupiter. Some suppose that they received their name from Corybas son of Jlasus and Cybele, who first introduced the rites of his mother into Phrygia. There was a festival at Cnosus in Crete, called Corybantica, in commemoration of the Corybantes, who there educated Jupiter. Paus. 6, c. 37.—Diod. 5.—Horat. 1, od. 16.—Virg. Æn. 9, v. 617. l. 10, v. 230.

Corybas, a son of Jlasus and Cybele. Diod. 5.—A painter, disciple to Nicomachus. Plin. 35, c. 11.

Corybassa, a city of Mysia.
Corybus, a promontory of Crete.
Corycia, a nymph, mother of Lycorus, by Apollo. Paus. 10, c. 6.

Corycides, the nymphs who inhabited the foot of Parnassus. This name is often applied to the Muses. Ovid. Met. v. 320.

Corycus, an old man of Tarentum, whose time was happily employed in taking care of his bees. He is represented by Virgil. G. 4, 127, &c. as a contented old man, whose assiduity and diligence are exemplary. Some suppose that the word Corycus, implies not a person of that name, but a native of Corycus, who had settled in Italy.

Corycus, a lofty mountain of Cilicia, with a town of the same name. Strab. 14.—Another of Ionia, long the famous retreat of robbers.—Another at the foot of Parnassus, sacred to the Muses.

Corydon, a fictitious name of a shepherd, often occurring in the pastorals of Theocritus and Virgil.

Coryla and Coryleum, a village of Paphlagonia.

Coryna, a town of Ionia. Mela, i, c. 17.
Corymbifer, a surname of Bacchus, from his wearing a crown of corymbi, certain berries that grow on the ivy. Ovid. v. Fast. v. 393.

Coryneta and Corynetes, a famous robber, son of Vulcan. Plut. in Thes.

Coryphasium, a promontory of Peloponnesus. Paus. 4, c. 36.

Coryphe, a daughter of Oceanus. Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 23.

Corythenses, a place of Tegea. Paus. 8, c. 45.

Corythus, a king of Corinth. Diod. 4.
Corythus, a king of Etruria, father to Jlasus, whom Dardanus is said to have put to death, to obtain the kingdom. It is also a town and mountain of Etruria, near which Dardanus was born. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 170. l. 7, v. 209, &c.

Cos, an island. Vid. Co.
Cosa and Cossa, a town of Etruria. Virg. En. 10, v. 168.—Liv. 23, 2. 11.—Cic. A. N. 6.—Cæs. B. C. 1, c. 34.


Cosingas, a Thracian priest of Juno, &c. Plaut. 7, c. 22.

Cosis, a brother to a king of Albania, killed by Pompey. Plut. in Pomp.

Cosmus, an effeminate Roman. Juv. 6.

Cossea, a part of Persia. Diod. 17.

Cossus, a surname given to the family of the Cornelli.—A Roman, who killed Vo Jumnus, king of Veii, and obtained Spotis Optima, A U C. 328. Virg. En. 6, v. 841.

Cossuvii, a family at Rome, of which Cosssia, Caesar's wife, was descended. Suet. in Cæs.—One of the family was distinguished as an architect about 200 B. C. He first introduced into Italy the more perfect models of Greece.

Costobeli, robbers in Galatia. Paus. 10, c. 34.


Costes and Cottes, a promontory of Mauritanit.

Cothon, a port of Carthage. Diod. 3.

Cothonea, the mother of Triptolemus. Hyg. fab. 147.

Cottiso, a king of the Daci, whose army invaded Pannonia, and was defeated by Corn. Lentulus, the lieutenant of Augustus. It is said that Augustus solicited his daughter in marriage. Suet. in Aug. 63.—Horat. 3, od. 8, v. 15.

Cotonis, an island near the Echinades. Plin. 4, c. 12.

Cotta, (M. Aurelius) a Roman, who opposed Marius. He was consul with Lucullus; and when in Asia he was defeated by sea and land, by Mithridates. He was surnamed Ponticus, because he took Heracles of Pontus by treachery. Plut. in Lucull. An orator greatly commended by Cicero, de Orat.—A governor of Paphlagonia, very faithful to Sardanapalus. Diod. 2.—A spendthrift, in the age of Nero, &c. Tacit.—An officer of Cesar, in Gaul. A port mentioned by Ovid in ep. de Pont.

Cottius Alpes, a certain part of the Alps, by which Ireland is separated from Gaul.

Cottus, a giant, son of Cæsus and Terra, who had 100 hands and 50 heads. Hesiod. Thog. v. 147.—A man among the Xedu, &c. Cæs. bell.

Cottius, a town of Galatia. Plin. 5, c. 22.—Of Phrygia.

Cottora, a city of Asia Minor, founded by a colony from Sinope. Diod. 14.

Cottulus, a surname of Ascalopius, worshipped on the borders of the Eurotas. His temple was raised by Hercules. Paus. 3, c. 19.

Cottylus, a mountain of Arcadia. Paus. 8, 41.

Cotis, the father Asia. Herodot. 4, c. 45. A son of Manes by Callirhoe, who succeeded his father on the throne of Macedonia. —A king of Thrace. C. Nep. in Iphic. —Another, who favoured the interest of Pompey. He was of an irascible temper. Lucan. 5, v. 54.—At other, king of Thrace, who divided the kingdom with his uncle, by whom he was killed. It is the same to whom Ovid writes from his banishment. Tacit. 2. Ann. 64.—Ovid. 2, de Pont. ep. 9.—A king of the Odrys. Liv. 22, c. 29.—A king of Armenia Minor, who fought against Mithridates, in the age of Claudius. Tacit. Ann. 11 & 13.—Another, who imagined he should marry Minerva, &c. Athen. 12.

Cotyto, the goddess of all debauchery, whose festivals, called Cotytria, were celebrated by the Athenians, Corintians, Thracians, &c. during the night. Her priests were called Baptes, and nothing but debauchery and wantonness prevailed at the celebration. A festiva. of the same name was observed in Sicily, where the votaries of the goddess carried about boughs hung with cakes and fruit, which it was lawful for any person to pluck off. It was a capital punishment to reveal whatever was seen or done at these festivals, and it cost Eupolis his life for an unseasonable reflection upon them. The goddess Cotyto is supposed to be the same as Proserpine. Horat. epod. 17, v. 51.—Juv. 2, v. 91.

Craagus, a mountain of Cilicia, part of mount Taurus. Ovid. Met. 9, v. 643.—Horat. 1, od 21.

Crambus, a town of Lycia.

Cranai, a surname of the Athenians, from their king Cranus. Herod. 8, c. 44.

Cranapae, a Persian, &c. Herodot.

Cranaus, the second king of Athens, who succeeded Cecrops, and reigned nine years B. C. 1497. Paus. 1, c. 2.—A city of Caria. Plin. 5, c. 29.

Crane, a nymph. Vid. Carna.—A town of Arcadia.

Craneum, a gymnastic school at Corinth.

Crannius, a town of Cephallenia. Thucyd. 2, c. 30.

Crannus, and Crannion, a town of Thessaly, on the borders of Macedonia, where Antipa. ter and Craterus defeated the Athenians after Alexander's death. Liv. 42, c. 64.

Crantor, a philosopher of Soli, among the pupils of Plato, B. C. 310. Diog.—An armou-r-bearer of Pelus, killed by Demoleon. Ovid. Met. 15, v. 361.

L. Crassitius, a man who opened a school at Rome. Suet. de Gram. 18.

Crassus, the grandfather of Crassus the Rich, who never laughed. Plin. 7, c. 19.—Publ. Licinius, a Roman high-priest, about 151 years B. C, who went into Asia with an army against Aristonicus, where he was killed, and burned at Smyrna.—M. Licinius, a celebrated Roman, surnamed Rich, on account of his opulence. At first he was very circumscribed in his circumstances; but, by educating slaves, and selling them at a high price, he soon enriched himself. The cruelties of Cinna obliged him to leave Rome; and he retired to Spain.
where he remained concealed for eight months. After Cinna’s death he passed into Africa, and thence to Italy, where he served Sylla, and ingratiated himself in his favour. When the gladiators, with Spartacus at their head, had spread an universal alarm in Italy, and defeated some of the Roman generals, Crassus was sent against them. A battle was fought, in which Crassus slaughtered 12,000 of the slaves, and, by this decisive blow, soon put an end to the war, and was honoured with an oratie at his return. He was soon after made consul with Pompey; and in this high office he displayed his opulence, by entertaining the populace at 10,000 tables. He was afterwards censor, and formed the first triumvirate with Pompey and Caesar. As his love of riches was more predominant than that of glory, Crassus never imitated the ambitious conduct of his colleagues, but was satisfied with the province of Syria, which seemed to promise an inexhaustible source of wealth. With hopes of enlarging his possessions, he set off from Rome, though the omens proved unfavourable, and every thing seemed to threaten his ruin. He crossed the Euphrates, and, forgetful of the rich cities of Babylon and Seleucia, he hastened to make himself master of Parthia. He was betrayed in his march by the delay of Artavasdes king of Armenia, and the perfidy of Ariamnes. He was met in a large plain by Surena, the general of the forces of Orodes, king of Parthia; and a battle was fought, in which 20,000 Romans were killed, and 10,000 taken prisoners. The darkness of the night favoured the escape of the rest, and Crassus, forced by the mutiny and turbulence of his soldiers, and the treachery of his guides, trusted himself to the general of the enemy, on pretence of proposing terms of accommodation, and he was put to death, B. C. 53. His head was cut off, and sent to Orodes, who poured melted lead down his throat, and insulted his misfortunes. The firmness with which Crassus received the news of his son’s death, who perished in that expedition, has been deservedly commended; and the words that he uttered when he surrendered himself into the hands of Surena, equally claim our admiration. He was wont often to say, that no man ought to be accounted rich, if he could not maintain an army. Though he has been called avaricious, yet he showed himself always ready to lend money to his friends without interest. He was fond of philosophy, and his knowledge of history was great and extensive. Plutarch has written his life. Flor. 3. c. 11. —Publius, the son of the rich Crassus, went into Parthia with his father. When he saw himself surrounded by the enemy, and without any hope of escape, he ordered one of his men to run him through. His head was cut off, and showed with insolence to his father by the Parthians. Plut. in Crass. —L. Licinius, a celebrated Roman orator, commended by Cicero. —A son of Crassus the rich, killed in the civil wars, after Caesar’s death.

CRASTINUS, a man in Caesar’s army, killed in the battle of Pharsalia. Cas. bell. C. 5. c. 99. CRATAS, the mother of Scylla. CRATEREUS conspired against Archelaus, &c. —Aristot. CRATER, a bay of Campania, near Misenum. CRATEROS, one of Alexander’s generals. He rendered himself conspicuous by his literary fame, as well as by his valour in the field, and wrote the history of Alexander’s life. He was greatly respected and loved by the Macedonian soldiers, and Alexander always trusted him with much confidence. After Alexander’s death, he subdued Greece with Antipater, and passed with his colleague into Asia, where he was killed in a battle against Eumenes, B. C. 321. He had received for his share of Alexander’s kingdoms, Greece and Epirus. Nep. in Eumen. 2. —Justin. 12 & 13. —Curt. 3. —Arrian. —Plut. in Alex. —A physician of Atticus, mentioned by Cic. 12, ad Attic. ep. 13. —Horat. Sat. 2, v. 161. —A painter. Plin. 35, c. 11. —An Athenian, who collected into one body all the decrees which had passed in the public assemblies at Athens.

CRATES, a philosopher of Bcroitia, son of Ascondus, and disciple of Diogenes the cynic, B. C. 324. He sold his estates, and gave the money to his fellow-citizens. He was naturally deformed, and he rendered himself more hideous, by sewing sheep’s skins to his mantle, and by the singularity of his manners. He clothed himself as warm as possible in the summer: but in the winter, his garments were uncommonly thin, and incapable to resist the coldness of the season. Hipparchia, the sister of a philosopher became enamoured of him; and as he could not cool his passion by representing himself as poor and deformed, he married her. He had by her two daughters, whom he gave in marriage to his disciples, after he had permitted them their company for 30 days, by way of trial. Some of his letters are extant. Dogn. in vita. —A stoic, son of Timocrates, who opened a school at Rome, where he taught grammar. Sueton. —A native of Pergamus, who wrote an account of the most striking events of every age, B. C. 165. £èlan. de Anim. 7, c. 9. —A philosopher of Athens, who succeeded in the school of his master Polemon. —An Athenian comic poet.

CRATISCLEA, the mother of Cleomenes, who went to Egypt in hopes of serving her country, &c. Plut. in Cleom.

CRATIPOLIS, a queen of Sicyon, who severely punished some of her subjects, who had revolted at the death of Alexander, her husband, &c. Polygen. 8, c. 58.

CRATESIPPIDAS, a commander of the Lae daemonian fleet, against the Athenians, &c. Diod. 13.

CRATEVAS, a general of Cassander. Diod. 19.

CRATEUS, a son of Minos.

CRATHIS, a river of Achaia, falling into the bay of Corinth. Strab. 8. —Another in
Magna Graecia, whose waters give a yellow colour to the hair and beard of those that drink them. Ovid. 14, Met. v. 315—Paus. 7, c. 25.—Plin. 31, c. 2.

Cratinus, a native of Athens, celebrated for his comic writings, and his fondness for drinking. He died at the age of 97, B. C. 431 years. Quintilian greatly commends his comedies, which the little remains of his poetry do not seem fully to justify. Horat. 1, Sat. 4.—Quintil. A wrestler of an uncommon beauty. Paus. 6, c. 3.—A river of Asia. Plin. 37, c. 2.

Cratippus, a philosopher of Mitylene, who taught Cicero's son at Athens among others. After the battle of Pharsalia, Pompey visited the house of Cratippus, where his discourse was chiefly turned upon Providence which the warrior blamed, and the philosopher defended. Plut. in Pomp.—Cic. in Offic. 1.—An historian, contemporary with Thucydides. Dionys. Hal.

Cratylos, a philosopher, the preceptor to Plato after Socrates.

Crausele, two islands on the coast of Peloponnesus.

Crausias, the father of Philoparmen.

Crauxidus, a man who obtained an olympic crown at a horse-race. Paus. 5, c. 8.

Chremes, a small river of Tuscany, falling into the Tiber, famous for the death of the 300 Fabii, who were killed there in a battle against the Veientes, A. U. C. 277. Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 205—Juven. 2, v. 155.

Cremaa, a town of Lycia.

Cremonson and Crommyon, a town near Corinth, where Theseus killed a sow of uncommon bigness. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 435.

Cremonia and Cremonos, a commercial place on the Palus Mecotis. Herodot. 4, c. 2.

Cremona, a town of Cisalpine Gaul, on the Po, near Mantua. It was a Roman colony, and suffered much when Annibal first passed into Italy. Liv. 21, c. 56.—Tacit. Hist. 3, c. 4.

Cremonis jugum, a part of the Alps over which, as some suppose, Annibal passed to enter Italy. Liv. 21, c. 38.

Cremidores, a place of Bithynia. Diod. 14.

Cremutius Cordus, an historian who wrote an account of Augustus, and of the civil wars and starved himself for fear of the resentment of Tiberius, whom he had offended, by calling Cassius the last of the Romans. Tacit. Ann. 55, c. 34, 35.—Suet. in Aug. 35, in Tib. 60, in Calig. 16.

Creon, king of Corinth, was son of Sy SIPhus. He promised his daughter Glauce to Jason, who repudiated Medea. To revenge the success of her rival, Medea sent her for a present, a gown covered with poison. Glauce put it on, and was seized with sudden pains. Her body took fire, and she expired in the greatest tortures. The house also was consumed by the fire, and Creon and his family shared Glauce's fate. Apollod. 1, c. 9, l. 3, c. 197—Evrip. in Med.—Hygin. fab. 25.—Diod. 4.

A son of Menctus, father to Jocasta, the wife and mother of Oedipus. At the death of Laius, who had married Jocasta, Creon ascended the vacant throne of Thebes. As the ravages of the Sphinx [Vid. Sphinx] were in tolerable, Creon offered his crown and daughter in marriage to him, who could explain the enigmas which the monster proposed. Oedipus was happy in his explanations, and he ascended the throne of Thebes, and married Jocasta without knowing that she was his mother, and by her he had two sons, Poly- nices and Eteocles. These two sons mutually agreed, after their father's death, to reign in the kingdom each alternately. Eteocles first ascended the throne, by right of seniority; but when he was once in power, he refused to resign at the appointed time, and his brother led against him an army of Argives to support his right. The war was decided by a single combat between the two brothers. They both killed one another, and Creon ascended the throne, till Leodamas the son of Eteocles should be of a sufficient age to assume the reins of government. In his regal capacity, Creon commanded that the Argives, and more particularly Polynices, who was the cause of all the bloodshed, should remain unburied. This was in any manner disobeyed, the offenders were to be buried alive. Antigone, the sister of Polynices, transgressed, and was accordingly punished. Hemon, the son of Creon, who was passionately fond of Antigone, killed himself on her grave, when his father refused to grant her pardon. Creon was afterwards killed by Theseus, who had made war with him, because he refused burial to the Argives. [Vid. Eteocles, Polynices, Adrastus, Oedipus. ]—Apollod. 3, c. 56, xc.—Paus. 1, c. 39. 1, 9, 5, xc.—Stat. in Theb.—Sophoc, in Antig.—Eus. Sept. ante Theb.—Hygin. fab. 67 & 76.—Diod. 1 & 4.—The first annual archon at Athens, 684 B. C. Pater. 1, c. 8.

Croniates, a son of Hercules by Me-gara, daughter of Creon, killed by his father, because he had slain Lycus.

Crophilus, a Samian, who hospitably entertained Homer, from whom he received a poem in return. Some say that he was that poet's master, xc. Strab. 14.—An historian. Athen. 8.

Crepelius Pollio, a Roman, who spent his all in the most extravagant debauchery. Jun. 9, v. 6.

Cres, an inhabitant of Crete.—The first king of Crete. Paus. 8, c. 53.

Cresa & Cressa, a town of Caria.

Cresius, a hill of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 44.

Cresphontes, a son of Aristocles, who with his brothers Temenus and Aristodemus, attempted to recover the Peloponnesus. Paus. 4, c. 3, xc.


Creston, a town of Thrace, capital of a part of the country called Cretonia. The inhabitants had each many wives; and when the husband died, she who had received the
greatest share of his affection, was cheerfully slain on his grave. Herodot. 5, c. 5.

CREONUS and Ephesus, two men who built the temple of Diana at Ephesus. Paus. 7, c. 2.

Creta, one of the largest islands of the Mediterranean sea, at the south of all the Cyclades. It was once famous for its hundred cities. The inhabitants have been detected for their unnatural love, and their falsehood. Jupiter, as some authors report, was educated in that island by the Corybantes, and the Cretans boasted that they could show his tomb. There were different colonies from Phrygia, Doris, Achaia, &c. that established themselves there. The island was made a Roman province, B. C. 66, after a war of three years, in which the inhabitants were so distressed, that they were even compelled to drink the water of their cattle. Val. Mar. 7, c. 6.—Strab. 10.—Lucret. 3, v. 181.—Virg. Æn. 3, v. 104.—Horat. epod. 9.—Mela, 2, c. 7.—Plin. 4, c. 12.

CRETE, a poet, mentioned by Propertius, 2, el. 34, v. 29.

CRETE, the wife of Minos. Apollod. 3, c. 1. —A daughter of Deucalion. Id. 3, c. 3.

CRETE, a country of Arcadia, where Jupiter was educated, according to some traditions. Paus. 8, c. 38.

CRETES, inhabitants of Crete. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 146.

CRETES, a Trojan, distinguished as a poet and musician. He followed Æneas, and was killed by Turnus. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 774.—Another, killed by Turnus. Id. 12, v. 538.

CRES, the wife of Acastus, king of Iolchos, who fell in love with Peleus, son of Æneas, and accused him of attempts upon her virtue, because he refused to comply with her wishes, &c. Pindar. Nem. 4.

CRETHEUS, a son of Æolus, father of Æson, by Tyro his brother’s daughter. Apollod. 1, c. 7, &c.

CRETONA, a son of Diocles, killed in the Trojan war by Æneas. Homer, Il. 5.

CRETICUS, a certain orator. Juv. 2, v. 67.—A surname of M. Antony’s father.

CRESSAS, a famous boxer. Paus. 2.

CREUS, a daughter of Creon, king of Corinth. As she was going to marry Jason, who had divorced Medea, she put on a poisoned garment, which immediately set her body on fire, and she expired in the most excruciating torments. She had received this gown as a gift from Medea, who wished to take that revenge upon the infidelity of Jason. Some call her Glauce. Ovid. de Art. Am. 1, v. 335.—A daughter of Priam, king of Troy, by Hecuba. She married Æneas, by whom she had some children, among whom was Ascanius. When Troy was taken, she fled in the night, with her husband; but they were separated in the midst of the confusion and tumult, and Æneas could not recover her, nor hear where she was. Cybele saved her, and carried her to her temple, of which she became priestess; according to the relation of Virgil, who makes Creusa appear to her husband in a vision, while he was seeking her in the tumult of war. She predicted to Æneas the calamities that attended him, the fame he should acquire when he came to Italy, and his consequent marriage with a princess of the country. Paus. 10, c. 16.—Virg. Æn. 2, v. 562, &c.—A daughter of Erechtheus king of Athens. She was mother of Janus by Apollo. —A town of Boeotia. Strab. 9.—Paus. 9, c. 32.

CREUSIS, a naval station of the Thespians. Paus. 9, c. 32.

CRIASSUS, a son of Argos, king in Peloponnesus. Apollod. 2, c. 1.

CRIMES, a general of Dionysius the elder.

CRINIS, a stoic philosopher. Laert.—A priest of Apollo.

CRINUS and CRISIMUS, a river on the western parts of Sicily near Segesta, where Timoleon defeated the Carthaginian forces. C. Nep. in Tim.—Virg. Æn. 5, v. 38.—The word in the various editions of Virgil, is spelled Cremissus, Crinissus, Crimusus, Crimesus, Crinissus.

CRINUS, a Trojan prince, who exposed his daughter on the sea, rather than suffer her to be devoured by the sea-monster which Neptune sent to punish the infidelity of Laomedon. [Vid. Laomedon.] The daughter came safe to the shores of Sicily. Crinus some time after went in quest of his daughter, and was so disconsolate for her loss, that the gods changed him into a river in Sicily, and granted him the power of metamorphosing himself into whatever shape he pleased. He made use of this privilege to seduce the neighbouring nymphs. CRIANO, a daughter of Antenor. Paus. 10, c. 27.—One of the Danaides. Apollod.

CRISSEUS SINUS, a bay on the coasts of Peloponnesus, near Corinth.

CRISON, a man of Himera, who obtained prize at Olympia, &c. Paus. 5, c. 23.

CRISZNA, a Roman matron, &c. Tacit. 1, Hist. 47.

CRISPUS, a pretorian, who, though originally a slave in Egypt, was, after the acquisition of riches, raised to the honours of Roman knighthood by Domitian. Juv. 1, v. 26.—A stoic philosopher, as remarkable for his loquacity as for the foolish and tefious poem he wrote, to explain the tenets of his own sect, to which Horace alludes in the last verses of 1, Sat. 1.

CRISPUS SALLUSTIUS. Vid. Sallustius.

—Virgo, a famous orator. Quintil. 10, c. 1.

The second husband of Agrippina.—Flav. Jul. a son of the great Constantine, made Caesar by his father, and distinguished for valour and extensive knowledge. Fausta, his step-mother, wished to seduce him; and when he refused, she accused him before Constantine, who believed the crime, and caused his son to be poisoned, A. D. 326.

Crithēs, a daughter of Melanippus, who became pregnant by an unknown person, and afterwards married Phemicis of Smyrna, and brought forth the poet Homer, according to Herodot. in Vita.

Crithote, a town of the Thracians Chersonesus. C. Nep.

Crītias, one of the 30 tyrants set over Athens by the Spartans. He was eloquent and well-bred, but of dangerous principles, and cruelly persecuted his enemies, and put them to death. He was killed in a battle against those citizens whom his oppression had banished. He had been among the disciples of Socrates, and had written elegies and other compositions, of which some fragments remain. Cic. 2, de Orat.—A philosopher.

A man who wrote on republics.—Another who addressed an elegy to Alcibiades.

Crito, one of the disciples of Socrates, who attended his learned preceptor in his last moments, and composed some dialogues now lost. Diog.—A physician in the age of Artaxerxes Longimanus.—An historian of Naxus, who wrote an account of all that had happened during eight particular years of his life.—A Macedonian historian, who wrote an account of Pallene, of Persia, of the foundation of Syracuse, of the Getae, &c.

Crĭtobŭlus, a general of Phocis, at the battle of Thermopylae, between Antiochus and the Romans. Paus. 10, c. 20.—A physician in the age of Philip, king of Macedonia. Plin. 7, c. 37.—A son of Crito, disciple to Socrates. Diog. in Crit.

Crītōdēmus, an ancient historian. Plin. 5, c. 76.

Crĭtōnatus, a celebrated warrior of Alasia, when Cesar was in Gaul. Cas. bell. Gall.

Crītŏlāus, a citizen of Tegea in Arcadia, who, with two brothers, fought against the two sons of Demostratus of Pheneus, to put an end to a long war between their respective nations. The brothers of Critolus were both killed, and he alone remained to withstand his three bold antagonists. He conquered them; and when, at his return, his sister deplored the death of one of his antagonists, to whom she was betrothed, he killed her in a fit of resentment. The offence deserved capital punishment; but he was pardoned, on account of the services he had rendered his country. He was afterwards general of the Achaean, and it is said that he poisoned himself, because he had been conquered at Thermopylae by the Romans. Cic. 3, de Nat. D.—A peripatetic philosopher of Athens, sent ambassador to Rome, &c. 140 B. C. Cic. 2, de Orat.—An historian who wrote about Ephesus.

Cruus, a soothsayer, son of Theocles. Paus. 3, c. 13.—A man of Ægina, &c. Herodot. 6, c. 50.—A river of Achaia, called after a giant of the same name. Paus. 7, c. 27.

Croblalos, a town of Paphlagonia.

Crobyzi, a people of Thrace.

Crocula, one of Diana's attendants. Ovid. Vét. 3.


Crocodilopolis, a town of Egypt, near the Nile, above Memphis. The crocodiles were held there in the greatest veneration; and they were so tame, that they came to take food from the hand of their feeders. It was afterwards called Arsinoe. Herodot. 2, c. 69.—Strab. 17.

Croesus, a beautiful youth, enamoured of the nymph Smilax. He was changed into a flower of the same name, on account of the impatience of his love, and Smilax was metamorphosed into a yew-tree. Ovid. 4, Met. v. 283.

Crēsus, the fifth and last of the Mermnade, who reigned in Lydia, was son of Alyattes, and passed for the richest of mankind. He was the first who made the Greeks of Asia tributary to the Lydians. His court was the asylum of learning; and Esop, the famous fabler, writer, among others, lived under his patronage. In a conversation with Solon, he wished to be thought the happiest of mankind; but the philosopher apprized him of his mistake, and gave the preference to poverty and domestic virtue. Croesus undertook a war against Cyrus the king of Persia, and marched to meet him with an army of 420,000 men, and 60,000 horse. After a reign of 14 years, he was defeated, B. C. 548; his capital was besieged, and he fell into the conqueror's hands, who ordered him to be burnt alive. The pile was already on fire, when Cyrus heard the conquered monarch three times exclaim, "Solon!" with uncommon energy. He asked him the reason of his exclamation, and Croesus repeated the conversation he had once had with Solon on human happiness. Cyrus was moved at the recital, and at the recollection of the inconstancy of human affairs, he ordered Croesus to be taken from the burning pile, and he became one of his most intimate friends. The kingdom of Lydia was extinguished in him, and the power was transferred to Persia. Croesus survived Cyrus. The manner of his death is unknown. He is celebrated for the immensely rich presents which he made to the temple of Delphi, from which he received an obscure and ambiguous oracle, which he interpreted in his favour, and which was fulfilled in the destruction of his empire. Herodot. 1, c. 26, &c.—Plut. in Solon. 8, c. 24. —Justin. 1, c. 7.

Cromi, a people of Arcadia.

Crōmītis, a country of Arcadia.

Crōmyon and Cromyon, a place of Attica, where Hercules killed a large sow that laid waste the neighbouring country. Ovid. Met. 7.—Xen.—A town near Corinth. Paus. 2, c. 1.

Cromnā, a town of Bithynia.

Cromus, a son of Neptune. Paus. 2, c. 1. —A son of Lycaon. Id. 8, c. 3.

Cronia, a festival at Athens, in honour of Saturn. The Rhodians observed the same festival, and generally sacrificed to the god a condemned malefactor.
Cronium, a town of Elis—of Sicily.

Crophi, a mountain of Egypt, near which were the sources of the Nile; according to some traditions, in the city of Sais. Herodot. 2, c. 28.

Crossa, a country situate partly in Thrace, and partly in Macedonia. Herodot. 7, c. 123.

Crotalus, a navigable river of Italy. Plin. 3, c. 10.

Croton, a man killed by Hercules, by whom he was afterwards greatly honoured. Dial. 4.

Crotona, a town of Italy, still known by the same name, in the bay of Tarentum, founded 759 years before the Augustan age, by a colony from Achaia. The inhabitants were excellent warriors, and great wrestlers. Democedes, Alcmæon, Milo, &c. were natives of this place. It was surrounded with a wall twelve miles in circumference, before the arrival of Pyrrhus in Italy. Herodot. 3, c. 47—Strab. 6.—Plin. 2, c. 96.—Liv. 1, c. 18. l. 24, c. 3.—Justin. 20, c. 2.

Crotoniata, the inhabitants of Crotona. Cic. de Inv. 2, c. 1.

Crotoniatis, a country near Crotona. Thucyd. 7, c. 35.

Crotopias, the patronymic of Linus, grandson of Crot lupus. Ovid. in lb. 480. Crotopus, a king of Argos, son of Agenor, and father to Phæmathe, the mother of Linus by Apollo. Ovid. In lb. 480.

Croton, a son of Eumene, the nurse of the muses. He devoted his life to the labours of the chase, and after death Jupiter placed him among the constellations under the name of Sagittarius. Paus. 9, c. 29.

Crunon, a town of Peloponnesus. Mela. 2, c. 2.

Cruis, a place near Olynthos.


Crustumimum, a town of Etruria, near Veii, famous for pears; whence the adjective Crustumian. Virg. G. 2, v. 88.


Crynis, a river of Bithynia.

Cretus, one of the Grecian chiefs before Troy. Paus. 5, c. 4.

Creméné, a town of Thessaly.

Ctenos, a harbour of Chersonesus Taurica.

Ctesias, a Greek historian and physician of Cnidos, taken prisoner by Artaxerxes Meneon at the battle of Cunaxa. He cured the king's wounds, and was his physician for 17 years. He wrote an history of the Assyrians and Persians, which Justin and Diodorus have partially preferred to that of Herodotus. Some fragments of his compositions have been preserved by Photius, and are to be found in Wesseling's edition of Herodotus. Strab. 1.—Athen. 12.—Plut. in Artax.—A sycophant of Athens.—An historian of Ephesus.

Ctesibius, a mathematician of Alexandria, who flourished 155 years B.C. He was the inventor of the pump, and other hydraulic instruments. He also invented a clepsydra, or a water clock. This invention of measuring time by water was wonderful and ingenious. Water was let drop upon wheels, which it turned. The wheels communicated their regular motion to a small wooden image, which, by a gradual rise, pointed with a stick to the proper hours and months, which were engraved on a column near the machine. This artful invention gave rise to many improvements; and the modern manner of measuring time with an hour-glass is in imitation of this clepsydra of Ctesibius. Vitruv. de Archit. 9 c. 9.—A cynic philosopher.—An historian, who flourished 254 years B.C. and died in his 104th year. Plut. in Dem.

Ctesicles, a general of Zacynthos, &c.

Ctesilocheus, a noble painter who represented Jupiter as bringing forth Bacchus. Plin. 33, c. 11.

Ctesiphon, an Athenian, who advised his fellow-citizens publicly to present Demosthenes with a golden crown for his probity and virtue. This was opposed by the orator Æschines, the rival of Demosthenes, who accused Ctesiphon of seditious views. Demosthenes undertook the defence of his friend, in a celebrated oration, still extant, and Æschines was banished.—A Greek architect, who made the plan of Diana's temple at Ephesus. An elegiac poet, whom king Attalus set over his possessions in Æolia. Athen. 13.—A Greek historian, who wrote an history of Bocotia, besides a treatise on trees and plants. Plut. in Thea.—A large village of Assyria, on the banks of the Tigris, where the kings of Parthia generally resided in winter, on account of the mildness of the climate. Strab. 15.—Plin. 5, c. 26.

Ctesippus, a son of Chabrias. After his father's death, he was received into the house of Phocion, the friend of Chabrias. Phocion attempted in vain to correct his natural foibles and extravagances. Plut. in Phoc.—A man who wrote an history of Scythia.—One of the descendants of Hercules.

Ctimene, the youngest daughter of Laertes by Anticlea. Homer. Od. 15, v. 334.

Cularo, a town of the Allobroges in Gaul. Cic. ep.

Cumae and Cumæ, a town of Æolia, in Asia Minor. The inhabitants have been accused of stupidity for not laying a tax upon all the goods which entered their harbour during 300 years. They were called Cumani. Strab. 13.—Paterc. 1, c. 4.—A city of Campania, near Puteoli, founded by a colony from Chalcis and Cumæ, of Æolia, before the Trojan war. The inhabitants were called Cumaei. There was one of the Sibyls that fixed her residence in a cave in the neighbourhood, and was called the Cumæan Sibyl. [Vid. Sibyllae.] Paterc. 1, c. 4.—Ptol. 3. v. 441.—Liv. 4.—Ptol. 3.—Criab. 5.

Cumæum, a country-house of Pompey,
and we find him in the Envid putting on, as the request of his mother, the form of Ascans, and going to Didò's court, where he inspired the queen with love. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 593. &c.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3.—Ovid, Met. fab. 10.—Hesiod. Theog. v. 121. &c.—Oppian. Hali. 4. Cyneg. 2.—Bim. Idyll. 3.—Moschus—Eurip. in Hipp. —Theocr. Idyll. 3, 11, &c.

Cupinus, a friend of Augustus, who made himself ridiculous for the nicety and effeminacy of his dress. Horat. 1. Sat. 2. v. 36.

Cures, a town of the Sabines, of which Tatius was king. The inhabitants, called Quirites, were carried to Rome, of which they became citizens. Virg. Æn. 8. v. 638.—Liv. 1, c. 13.

Curetes, a people of Crete, called also Corybantes, who, according to Ovid, were produced from rain. Their knowledge of all the arts was extensive, and they communicated it to many parts of ancient Greece. They were entrusted with the education of Jupiter; and to prevent his being discovered by his father, they invented a kind of dance, and drowned his cries in the harsh sounds of their shields and cymbals. Virg. G. 4, v. 151.—Strab. 1. 4. c. 33.

Curetis, a name given to Crete, as being the residence of the Curetes. Ovid, Met. 8. v. 136.

Curia, a division of the Roman tribes. Romulus originally divided the people into three tribes, and each tribe into ten Curiae. Over each Curia was appointed a priest, who officiated at the sacrifices of his respective assembly. The sacrifices were called Cureiis, and the priest Curia. He was to be above the age of fifty. His morals were to be pure and unexceptionable, and his body free from all defects. The Curiioms were elected by their respective Curia, and above them was a superior priest called Curio maximus, chosen by all the Curiae in a public assembly. The word Curia was also applied to public edifices among the Romans. These were generally of two sorts, divine and civil. In the former were held the assemblies of the priests, and of every religious order, for the regulation of religious sacrifices and ceremonies. The other was appointed for the senate, where they assembled for the dispatch of public business. The Curia was solemnly consecrated by the augurs, before a lawful assembly could be convened there. There were three at Rome, which more particularly claim our attention: Curia Hostilia built by king Tullius Hostilius; Curia Pompeii, where Julius Caesar was murdered; and Curia Augusti, the palace and court of the emperor Augustus.

Curati, a family of Alba, which was carried to Rome by Tullius Hostilius, and entered among the patricians. The three Curiiati, who engaged the Horatii, and lost the victory, were of this family. Flor. 1, c. 3.—Dumina. Hol. 3.—Liv. 1, c. 24.

Curia lex, de Comitiis, was enacted by M. Curius Dentatus the tribune. It forbade the convening of the Comitia, for the election of
Magistrates, without a previous permission from the senate.

Q. Curio, an excellent orator, who called Caesar in full senate, Omnium mulierrum virum, et omnium virorum mulierrum. Tacit. 21, Ann. c. 7.—Suet. in Ces. 49.—Cic. in Brut.—His son, C. Scribonius, was tribune of the people, and an intimate friend of Caesar. He saved Caesar's life, as he returned from the senate-house, after the debates concerning the punishments which ought to be inflicted on the adherents of Caligula. He killed himself in Africa. Flor. 4, c. 2.—Plut. in Pomp. & Ces. 49.—Val. Mar. 9, c. 1.—Lucan. v. 263.

Curiosolite, a people among the Celtae. Ces. bell. G. 3, c. 11.

Curium, a town of Cyprus. Herodot. 5, c. 113.

Curius Dentatus Marcus Annius, a Roman, celebrated for his fortitude and frugality. He was three times consul, and was twice honored with a triumph. He obtained decisive victories over the Samnites, the Sabines, and the Lucanians, and defeated Pyrrhus near Tarrentum. The ambassadors of the Samnites visited his cottage while he was boiling some vegetables in an earthen pot, and they attempted to bribe him by the offer of large presents. He refused their offers with contempt, and said, I prefer my earthen pot to all your vessels of gold and silver, and it is my wish to command those who are in possession of money, while I am deprived of it, and live in poverty. Plut. in Cat. Cens.—Horat. 1, od. 12, v. 41.—Flor. 1, c. 15.—A lieutenant of Caesar's cavalry, to whom six cohorts of Pompey revolted, &c. Ces. 1, bell. Civ. 24.

Curitia, a patrician family, which migrated with Tatius to Rome.

Curtilius, a celebrated epicure, &c. Horat. 2, Sat. 8, v. 52.

M. Curitius, a Roman youth who devoted himself to the gods Manes for the safety of his country, about 360 years B.C. A wide gap had suddenly opened in the forum, and the oracle had said that it never would close before Rome threw in to whatever it had most precious. Curtius immediately perceived that no less than a human sacrifice was required. He armed himself, mounted his horse, and solemnly threw himself into the gulf, which instantly closed over his head. Liv. 7, c. 6.—Val. Max. 5, c. 6.—Q. Rufus. Vid. Quintus.—A grammarian intimate with Pompey, &c. Suet. de Gr.—Montanus, an orator and poet under Vespasian. Tacit. 4, Ann.

Curulis Magistratus, a state officer at Rome, who had the privilege of sitting in an ivory chair in public assemblies. The dictator, the consuls, the censors, the praetors, and ediles, claimed that privilege, and therefore were called curules magistratus. The senators who had passed through the abovementioned offices were generally carried to the senate-house in ivory chairs, as all generals in their triumphant procession to the capitol. When names of distinction began to be known among the Romans, the descendants of curule magis-
king of Media. He added seven provinces to his father's dominions, and made war against the Assyrians, whom Cyrus favoured. Xen. Cyrop. 1.

CYBELE, a name of Cybele, from κυβήλας, because in the celebration of her festivals men were driven to madness.

CYBELE, a goddess, daughter of Celeus and Terra, and wife of Saturn. She is supposed to be the same as Ceres, Rhea, Ops, Vesta, Bonamater, Magna Mater, Bercynthia, Dindymene, &c. According to Diodorus, she was the daughter of a Lydian prince; and as soon as she was born, she was exposed on a mountain. She was preserved and suckled by some of the wild beasts of the forest, and received the name of Cybele from the mountain where her life had been preserved. When she returned to her father's court, she had an intrigue with Ays, a beautiful youth, whom her father mutilated, &c. All the mythologists are unanimous in mentioning the amours of Ays and Cybele. The partiality of the goddess for Ays seems to arise from his having first introduced her worship in Phrygia. She enjoined him perpetual celibacy, and the violation of his promise was expiated by voluntary mutilation. In Phrygia the festivals of Cybele were observed with the greatest solemnity. Her priests, called Corybantes, Galli, &c. were not admitted in the service of the goddess without a previous mutilation. In the celebration of the festivals, they imitated the manners of madmen, and filled the air with dreadful shrieks and howlings, mixed with the confused noise of drums, tabrets, bucklers, and spears. This was in commemoration of the sorrow of Cybele for the loss of her favourite Ays. Cybele was generally represented as a robust woman, far advanced in her pregnancy, to intimate the fecundity of the earth. She held keys in her hand, and her head was crowned with rising turrets, and sometimes with the leaves of an oak. She sometimes appears riding in a chariot drawn by two tame lions; Ays follows by her side, carrying a ball in his hand, and supporting himself upon a fir-tree, which is sacred to the goddess. Sometimes Cybele is represented with a sceptre in her hand, with her head covered with a tower. She is also seen with many breasts, to shew that the earth gives aliment to all living creatures; and she generally carries two lions under her arms. From Phrygia the worship of Cybele passed into Greece, and was solemnly established at Eleusis, under the name of the Eleusinian mysteries of Ceres. The Romans, by order of the Sibylline books, brought the statue of the goddess from Pessinus into Italy; and when the ship which carried it had run on a shallow bank of the Tiber, the virtue and innocence of Claudia were vindicated in removing it with her girdle. It is supposed that the mysteries of Cybele were first known about 1580 years B.C. The Romans were particularly superstitious in washing every year, on the 6th of the calends of April, the shrine of this goddess, in the waters of the river Almon. There prevailed many obscenities in the observation of the festivals, and the priests themselves were the most eager to use indecent expressions, and to shew their unbounded licentiousness by the impurity of their actions. Vid. Ays. Elys, Rhea, Corybantes, Galli, &c. Augustin. de Civis. D. &c. Lactant. —Lucian, in Dea Syr. —Diod. 3. —Verg. Æn. 9, v. 617. L. 10, v. 252. —Lucan. 1, v. 566. —Ovid. Trist. 4. v. 210 & 361. —Plut. de Loquac. —Cic. ad Attic. —Cec. Rhod. 8. c. 17, &c.

CYBELE AND CYBELA, a town of Phrygia.

Cybelus, a mountain of Phrygia, where Cybele was worshipped.

Cybara, a town of Phrygia, whence Cybi-ratnica. Horat. 1, ep. 6, v. 35.


Cycesium, a town of Peloponnesus, near Pisa.

Cychristus, a son of Neptune and Salamis. After death he was honoured as a god in Salamis and Attica. Plut. in Thea. —Apollod. 3, c. 12.

Cyclades, a name given to certain islands of the Ægean sea, those particularly that surround Delos as with a circle; whence the name of κυκλος, cirrus, They were about 53 in number, the principal of which were Ceos, Naxos, Andros, Paros, Melos, Seriphos, Gyarus, Tenedos, &c. The Cyclades were reduced under the power of Athens by Miltiades; but during the invasion of Greece by the Persians, they revolted from their ancient and natural allies. C. Nep. in Mil. 2. —Plin. 4, c. 12. —Mela, 2, c. 7. —Strab. 10. —Dionys. Perieg. —Ovid. Met. 2. v. 64. —Verg. Æn. 8, v. 692.

Cyclopes, a certain race of men of gigantic stature, supposed to be the sons of Celas and Terra. They had but one eye in the middle of the forehead; whence their name, κυκλος cirrus υ μου κυκλος, They were three in number, according to Hesiod, called Arges, Brontes, and Steropes. Their number was greater according to other mythologists, and in the age of Ulysses, Polyphemus was their king. [Vid. Polyphemus.] They inhabited the western parts of the island of Sicily; and because they were uncivilized in their manners, the poets speak of them as men-eaters. The tradition of their having only one eye, originates from their custom of wearing small bucklers of steel which covered their faces, and had a small aperture in the middle, which corresponded exactly to the eye. From their vicinity to Mount Ætna, they have been supposed to be the workmen of Vulcan, and to have fabricated the thunderbolts of Jupiter. The most solid walls and impregnable fortresses were said, among the ancients, to be the work of the Cyclops, to render them more respectable; and we find that Jupiter was armed with what they had fabricated, and that the shield of Pluto, and the trident of Neptune, were the produce of their labour. The Cyclops were
reckoned among the gods, and we find a temple dedicated to their service at Corinth, where sacrifices were solemnly offered. Apollo destroyed them all, because they had made the thunderbolts of Jupiter, with which his son Esculapius had been killed. From the different accounts given of the Cyclops by the ancients, it may be concluded that they were all the same people, to whom various functions have been attributed, which cannot be reconciled one to the other, without drawing the pencil of fiction or mythology. *Apollod.* 1, c. 1 & 2.—*Homer. Od.* 1 & 9.—*Hesiod. Theog.* v. 140.—*Theor. Id.* 1, &c.—Strab. 8.—*Virg. G.* 4, v. 170.—*En.* 6, v. 630. l. 8, v. 413, &c. l. 11, v. 263.—*Ovid. Met.* 13, v. 780. l. 14, v. 249.—A people of Asia.

Cycnus, a son of Mars, killed by Hercules. The manner of his death provoked Mars to such a degree, that he resolved severely to punish his murderer, but he was prevented by the thunderbolts of Jupiter. *Hygin.* fab.—*Hesiod. in Scut. Her.*—A son of Neptune, invulnerable in every part of his body. Achilles fought against him; but when he saw that his darts were of no effect, he threw him on the ground, and smothered him. He stripped him of his armour, and saw him suddenly changed into a bird of the same name. *Ovid. Met.* 12, fab. 3.—A son of Hyrie, changed into a swan.—A son of Sthenelus, king of Liguria. He was deeply afflicted at the death of his friend and relation Phaeton, and in the midst of his lamentations he was metamorphosed into a swan. *Ovid. Met.* 2, v. 367.—*Virg. En.* 10, v. 189.—*Paus.* 1, c. 30.—A horse's name. *Stat.* 6, *Theb.* v. 524.

Cyda, a profligate Cretan, made judge at Rome by Antony. *Cic.* in *Phil.* 5 & 8.

Cydius, an Athenian of great value, &c. *Paus.* 10, c. 21.—A painter who made a painting of the Argonauts. This celebrated piece was bought by the orator Hertensius for 164 talents. *Plin.* 34.


Cydnus, a river of Cilicia, near Tarsus, where Alexander bathed when covered with sweat. He almost died of the consequences. *Curt.* 3, c. 4.—*Justin.* 11, c. 8.


Cydon and Cydonia, a town of Crete, built by a colony from Samos. It was supposed that Minos generally resided there. Hence Cycloneus. *Ovid. Met.* 8, v. 22.—*Virg.* *En.* 12, v. 858.


Cydara, a city of Phrygia. *Herodot.* 7, c. 50.

Cydroloüs, a man who led a colony to Samos. *Diod.* 5.

CyONUS. *Vid.* *Cynus.*

Cylabus, a place near Argos in Peloponnesus. *Plut. in Pyrrh.*

Cyllices, a people among the Illyrians. There was in their country a monument in honour of Cadmus. *Athen.*

Cylinthus, a son of Phryxus and Calliope. *Cylinbarus,* a gallant of the wife of Diomedes, &c.

Cyllarus, one of the Centaurs, passionately fond of Hylonome. They perished both at the same time. *Ovid.* 12, Met. v. 408.—A celebrated horse of Pollux, or of Castor, according to Seneca. *Virg.* G. 3 v. 90.

Cyllen, a son of Eletus. *Paus.* 8, c. 4.

Cyllène, the mother of Lycaon, by Pelasgus. *Apollod.* 3, c. 8.—A naval station of Elia in Peloponnesus. *Paus.* 4, c. 23.—A mountain of Arcadia, which received its name from Cyllen. Mercury was born there; hence his surname of Cylleneus. *Paus.* 8, c. 17.—*Virg.* *En.* 8, v. 139.—*Ovid. Met.* 13, v. 146.

Cyllênèius, a surname of Mercury, from his being born on the mountain Cyllene.

Cyllirius, certain slaves at Syracuse. *Herodot.* 7, c. 155.

Cy lon, an Athenian, who aspired to tyranny. *Herodot.* 5, c. 71.

Cyma or Cyne, the largest and most beautiful town of Æolia, called also Phriconas and Phricontis. *Herodot.* 1, c. 149.


Cymolus and Cimòlus, an island of the Cretan sea. *Ovid.* 7, Met. v. 463.

Cymothoe, one of the Nereides, represented by *Virg.* *En.* 1, v. 148, as assisting the Trojans with Triton after the storm with which Æolus, at the request of Juno, had afflicted the fleet.

Cynara, one of Horace's favourites, 4 Od 1, v. 4.

Cynègirius, an Athenian, celebrated for his extraordinary courage. He was brother to the poet Æsoplius. After the battle of Marathon, he pursued the flying Persians to their ships, and seized one of their vessels with his right hand, which was immediately severed by the enemy. Upon this he seized the vessel with his left hand, and when he had lost that also, he kept his hold with his teeth. *Herodot.* 6, c. 114.—*Justin.* 2, c. 9.

Cynèthium, a town of Arcadia, founded by one of the companions of Æneas. *Dionys.* Hal.

Cynâne, a daughter of Philip, king of Macedonia, who married Amyntas, son of Perdiccas, by whom she had Eurydice. *Polyæm.* 8.

Cynâpes, a river falling into the Euxina. *Ovid.* 4.—*Pont. el.* 10, v. 49.

Cynaxa. *Vid.* *Cynaxa.*

Cyneas. *Vid.* *Cynes.*

Cynesi and CyneKH, a nation of the remotest shores of Europe, towards the ocean. *Herodot.* 2, c. 33.
CYNTHAUSIA, an island in the Ægean sea. Plin. 4. c. 12.

CYNIA, a lake of Acarnania. Strab. 16.

CYNICI, a sect of philosophers founded by Antisthenes the Athenian. They received this name a canina murdaeate, from their canine propensity to criticise the lives and actions of men, or because, like dogs, they were not ashamed to gratify their criminal desires publicly. They were famous for their contempt of riches, for the negligence of their dress, and the length of their beards. Diogenes was one of their sect. They generally slept on the ground.

CYNISCA, a daughter of Archidamus king of Sparta, who obtained the first prize in the chariot races at the Olympic games. Paus. 3. c. 8.

CYNOCŒPHALES a town of Thessaly, where the proconul Quintus conquered Philip of Macedon and put an end to the first Macedonian war. B. C. 197. Liv. 33. c. 7.

CYNOCŒPHALI, a nation in India, who have the head of a dog, according to some traditions. Plin. 7. c. 2.

CYNOPHONTIS, a festival at Argos, observed during the dog-days. It received its name ἀντὶ τοῦ κυνᾶς φονεύω, killing dogs, because they used to kill all the dogs they met.

CYNORTES, one of the ancient kings of Sparta, son of Amyclas and Diomede. Paus. 3. c. 1.

CYNORTION, a mountain of Peloponnesus Paus. 2. c. 27.

CYNO, a town of Locria.—Another in Thessaly, where Pyrrha, Deucalion’s wife, was buried.

CYNOSARGES, a surname of Hercules. —A small village of Attica of the same name, where the Cynic philosophers had established their school. Herodot. 5 & 6.

CYNOSSEMA, a promontory of the Thracian Chersonesus, where Hecuba was changed into a dog, and buried. Ovid. 13. Met. 309.

CYNOSŪRA, a nymph of Idia in Crete. She nursed Jupiter, who changed her into a star which bears the same name. It is the same as the Ursa Minor. Ovid. Fast. 3. v. 107.

CYNTHIA, a beautiful woman, who was mistress to Propertius.—A surname of L. Iana, from mount Cythus, where she was born.

CYNTIUS, a surname of Apollo.

CYNTIUS, a mountain of Delos, so high that it is said to overshadow the whole island, Apollo was surnamed Cyntius, and Diana Cyntia, as the mountain was sacred to them. Verg. G. 3. v. 36.—Ovid. Met. 6. v. 504.

CYNŪRENES, a people of Arcadia. Paus. 8. c. 27.

CYNUS, a naval station of Opuns. Id. 10. c. 1.

CYPARISSI and CYPARISSIA, a town of Peloponnesus, near Messenia.

CYPARISSUS, a youth, son of Telephus of Cea, beloved by Apollo. He killed a favourite stag of Apollo’s, for which he was so sorry that he pined away, and was changed by the goddess into a cypress tree. Ovid. Met. 10. v. 121.—A town near Delphi. Mel. 2. c. 3.

CYPHARA, a fortified place of Thessaly. Liv. 32. c. 13.

CYPRYANUS, a native of Carthage, who, though born of heathen parents, became a convert to christianity, and the bishop of his country. To be more devoted to purity and study, he abandoned his wife; and as proof of his charity, he distributed his goods to the poor. He wrote 81 letters, besides several treatises, de Dei gratia, de virginum habita, &c. and rendered his compositions valuable by the information he conveys of the discipline of the ancient church, and by the soundness and purity of his theology. He died a martyr A.D. 238. The best editions of Cyprian are, that of Fell, fol. Oxon. 1682, and that reprinted Amst. 1700.

CYPRUS, a daughter of Antony and Cleopatra, who married Agrippa.—A large island in the Mediterranean sea, at the south of Cilicia, and at the west of Syria, formerly joined to the continent near Syria, according to Pliny. It has been anciently called Acamantis, Amathusia, Aspelia, Cerasitis, Colonia, or Colinia, Macaria, and Specinia. It has been celebrated for giving birth to Venus, who was the chief deity of the place, and to whose service many places and temples were consecrated. It was anciently divided into nine kingdoms, and was for some time under the power of Egypt, and afterwards of the Persians. The Greeks made themselves masters of it, and it was taken from them by the Romans. Its length, according to Strabo, is 1400 stadia. There were three celebrated temples there, two sacred to Venus, and the other to Jupiter. The inhabitants were given much to pleasure and dissipation. Strab. 15.—Flor. 3. c. 9.—Justin. 18. c. 5.—Plin. 12. c. 24.—Mel. 2. c. 7.

CYPSELIDES, the name of three princes as descendants of Cypselus, who reigned at Corinth during 73 years. Cypselus was succeeded by his son Periander, who left his kingdom, after a reign of 40 years, to Cypselus II.

CYPSELLUS, a king of Arcadia, who married the daughter of Ctesiphon, to strengthen himself against the Heracleids. Paus. 4. c. 3.—A man of Corinth, son of Ectoon, and father of Periander. He destroyed the Bacchiadæ, and seized upon the sovereign power, about 659 years before Christ. He reigned 30 years, and was succeeded by his son. Periander had two sons, Lycothron, and Cypselus who was insane. Cypselus received his name from the Greek word κυψέλος a caffer, because, when the Bacchiadæ attempted to kill him, his mother saved his life by concealing him in a caffer. Paus. 5. c. 17.—Cic. Tusc. 5. c. 37.—Herodot. 1. c. 114. 1. 5. c. 92, &c.—Aristot. Politi.—The father of Miltiades. Herodot. 6. c. 33.

CYRANUS, an island of Libya. Id. 4. c. 193.

CYRBIA, a province of the Elymæans.
CYRE, a fountain near Cyrene. CYRENAICA, a country of Africa, of which Cyrene is the capital.

CYRENCI, a sect of philosophers who followed the doctrine of Aristippus. They placed their *sumnum bonus* in pleasure, and said that virtue ought to be commended because it gave pleasure. *Laert. in Arist.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3.*

CYRENE, the daughter of the river Peneus, of whom Apollo became enamoured. He carried her to that part of Africa which is called Cyrenaica, where she brought forth Aristæus. *Virg. G. 4, v. 321.—Justin. 13, c. 7.—Pindar. Pyth. 9.*—A celebrated city of Libya, built by a Grecian colony. Aristæus, who was the chief of the colonists, gave it his mother's name, situate in a beautiful and fertile plain, about eleven miles from the Mediterranean sea; it became the capital of the country, and was called Pentapolis, on account of the five cities which it contained. It gave birth to many great men, among whom were Callimachus, Eratothenes, Carneades, Aristippus, &c. The town of Cyrene was built by Battus, B. C. 630, and the kingdom was bequeathed to the Romans, B. C. 97, by king Ptolemy Appion. *Herodot. 3 & 4.—Paus. 10, c. 13.—Strab. 17.—Mela, 1, c. 8.—Plin. 5, c. 5.*

CYRIADES, one of the 30 tyrants who harassed the Roman empire in the reign of Gallienus. He died A. D. 259.

CYRILLUS, a bishop of Jerusalem, who died A. D. 386. Of his writings, composed in Greek, there remain 23 *cathecases*, and a letter to the emperor Constantine, the best edition of which is, Milles, fol. Oxon. 1703.—A bishop of Alexandria, who died A. D. 444. The best edition of his writings, which are mostly controversial, in Greek, is that of Paris, fol. 7 vols. 1638.

CYRNE, an ancient name of Corsica.—A place of Eubea.

CYRUS, a driver in the games which Scipio exhibited in Africa, &c. *Ital. 16, v. 342.* A man of Argos, who founded a city in Chersonesus. *Diod. 5.*—A river that falls into the Caspian sea. *Plut. in Pomp.*—An island on the coast of Liguria. It is the same as Corsica; it is called after Cyrus, the son of Hercules. *Virg. Eccl. 9, v. 30.—Paus. 10, c. 17.*

CYRE, a people of Ethiopia.

CYPHADES, an Indian nation.

CYRHERES, a people of Macedonia, near Pella. CYRHERSTICA, a country of Syria near Cilicia, of which the capital was called Cyrhun. *Plin. 5, c. 23.—Cic. Att. 5, ep. 18.*

CYRHUS and CYRUS, a river of Iberia, in Asia.

CYRISILUS, an Athenian, stoned to death for his ill advice to the state. *Cic. 3, de offic. c. 11.*

CYRUS, a king of Persia, son of Cambyses and Mandane, daughter of Astages, king of Media. His father was of an ignoble family, whose marriage with Mandane had been consummated on account of the apprehensions of
field with an army of 100,000 barbarians, and 13,000 Greeks under the command of Clearchus. Artaxerxes met him with 900,000 men near Cunaxa. The battle was long and bloody, and Cyrus might have perhaps obtained the victory, had not his uncommon rashness proved his ruin. It is said that the two royal brothers met in person, and engaged with the most inveterate fury, and their engagement ended in the death of Cyrus, 401 years B.C. Artaxerxes was so anxious of its being universally reported that his brother had fallen by his hand, that he put to death two of his subjects for boasting that they had killed Cyrus. The Greeks who were engaged in the expedition, obtained much glory in the battle; and after the death of Cyrus, they remained victorious in the field without a commander. They were not, however, discouraged, though at a great distance from their country, and surrounded on every side by a powerful enemy. They unanimously united in the election of commanders, and traversed all Asia, in spite of the continual attacks of the Persians; and nothing is more truly celebrated in ancient history than the bold retreat of the ten thousand. The journey that they made from the place of their first embarkation, till their return, has been calculated at 1155 leagues, performed in the space of 15 months, including all the time which was devoted to rest and refreshment. This retreat has been celebrated by Xenophon, who was one of their leaders, and among the friends and supporters of Cyrus. It is said, that in the letter he wrote to Lacedaemon, to solicit auxiliaries, Cyrus boasted his philosophy, his royal blood, and his ability to drink more wine than his brother, without being intoxicated. *Plut. in Artax.* — *Diod. 14.* — *Justin. 3, c. 11.* — A rival of Horace in the affections of one of his mistresses, 1, od. 17, v. 24. — A poet of Panopolis, in the age of Theodosius.

**C Y R U S and C Y R O P O L I S, a city of Syria.**

**C Y T A,** a town of Colchis, famous for the poisonous herbs which it produces. *Flacc. 6, v. 693.*

**C Y T E I S,** a surname of Medea, from her being an inhabitant of Cyta. *Propert. 2, el. 4, v. 7.*

**C Y T H E R A,** an island on the coast of Laconia in Peloponnesus. It was particularly sacred to the goddess Venus, who was from thence surnamed Cytherea, and who rose, as some suppose, from the sea, near its coasts. It was under the power of the Argives. The Phocians had built there a famous temple to Venus. *Virg. Æn. 10, v. 5.* — *Paus. 3, c. 33.* — *Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 15.* — *Herodot. 1, c. 29.*

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**C Y T H E R A, a surname of Venus.**

**C Y T H E R I S,** a certain courtezan much respected by the poet Gallus.

**C Y T H E R O N,** Vir. Citheron.

**C Y T H E R U N, a place of Attica.**

**C Y T H E R U S,** a river of Elysia. *Paus. 6, c. 22.*

**C Y T H N O S,** an island near Attica, famous for its cheese. It has been called Ophioussa and Dryopis. *Ovid. Met. 5, v. 252.*

**C Y T I N E U M,** one of the four cities called Tetrapolis in Doris. *Strab. 9.* — Thucyd. 1, c. 107.

**C Y T I S S O R U S, a son of Phryxus, &c. *Herodot. 7, c. 197.*


**C Y Z I C U M,** an island of the Propontis, about 530 stadia in circumference, with a town called Cyzicus. Alexander joined it to the continent by two bridges, and from that time it was called a peninsula. It had two harbours called Panormus and Chytus, the first natural, and the other artificial. It became one of the most considerable cities of Asia. It was besieged by Mithridates, and relieved by Lucullus. *Flor. 3, c. 5.* — *Plin. 5, c. 32.* — *Diod. 18.*

**C Y Z I C U S,** a son of Æneas and Stilba, who reigned in Cyzicus. He hospitably received the Argonauts in their expedition against Colchis. After their departure from the court of Cyzicus, they were driven back in the night by a storm upon the coast; and the inhabitants seeing such an unexpected number of men, furiously attacked them, supposing them to be the Pelasgi, their enemies. In this nocturnal engagement, many were killed on both sides, and Cyzicus perished by the hand of Jason himself, who honoured him with a splendid funeral, and raised a stately monument over his grave. *Apollod. 1, c. 9.* — *Flacc.* — *Apollon.* — *Orpheus.*

**C Y Z I C U S,** the chief town of the island of Cyzicum, built where the island is joined by the bridges to the continent. It has two excellent harbours called Panormus and Chytus. The former is naturally large and beautiful, and the other owes all its conveniences to the hand of art. The town is situated partly on a mountain, and partly in a plain. The Argonauts built temple to Cybele in the neighbourhood. It derives its name from Cyzicus, who was killed there by Jason. The Athenians defeated near this place, their enemies of Lacedaemon, assisted by Pharnabazus, B. C. 410. *Flor. 3, c. 5, &c.* — *Strab.* — *Apollon. 1.* — *Propert. 3, el. 42.* — *Flacc. 2, v. 636.*

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DAE, DAIN, or DAI, a people of Scythia, who dwelt on the borders of the Caspian Sea. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 728.

Dacia and Dacia, a warlike nation of Germany, beyond the Danube, whose country, called Dacia, was conquered by the Romans under Trajan, after a war of 15 years, A. D. 103. Dacia is now the modern Moldavia. Lucan. 2, v. 53.

Dactyls, a name given to the priests of Cybele, which some derive from δακτυλος a finger, because they were ten, the same number as the fingers of the hand. Paus. 1, c. 8.

Dadie, a people of Asiatic Scythia. Herodot. 3, c. 91.

Dedalus a mountain and city of Lycia, where Daedalus was buried, according to Pliny, 5, c. 27.—A name given to Circe, from her being cunning (δακτυλος), and like Daedalus addicted to deceit and artifice. Verg. Æn. 7, v. 282.—Two festivals in Boeotia. One of these was observed at Alalcomeneos by the Plataeans, in a large grove, where they exposed in the open air pieces of boiled flesh, and carefully observed whether the crows that came to prey upon them directed their flight. All the trees, upon which any of these birds alighted, were immediately cut down, and with them statues were made, called Dedala, in honour of Daedalus. The other festival was of a more solemn kind. It was celebrated every sixty years by all the cities of Boeotia, as a compensation for the intermission of the smaller festivals, for that number of years, during the exile of the Plataeans. Fourteen of the statues, called Dedala, were distributed by lot among the Plataeans, Lebadeans, Coroneans, Orchomenians, Thespianes, Thebans, Tanagræans, and Cheronæans, because they had affected a reconciliation among the Plataeans, and caused them to be recalled from exile, about the time that Theseus was restored by Cassander, the son of Antipater. During this festival, a woman in the habit of a bride-maid accompanied a statue, which was dressed in female garments, on the banks of the Eurotas. This procession was attended to the top of mount Cithæron by many of the Boeotians, who had places assigned them by lot. Here an altar of square pieces of wood, cemented together like stones, was erected, and upon it were thrown large quantities of combustible materials. Afterwards a bull was sacrificed to Jupiter, and an ox or heifer to Juno, by every one of the cities of Boeotia, and by the most opulent that attended. The poorest citizens offered small cattle; and all these oblations, together with the Dedala, were thrown in the common heap and set on fire, and totally reduced to ashes. They originated in this: When Juno, after a quarrel with Jupiter, had retired to Eubea, and refused to return to his bed, the god, anxious for her return, went to consult Cithæron king of Platae, to find some effectual measure to break her obstinacy. Cithæron advised him to dress a statue in woman's apparel, and carry it in a chariot, and publicly to report it was Platae, the daughter of Asopus, whom he was going to marry. The advice was followed, and Juno, informed of her husband's future marriage, repaired in haste to meet the chariot, and was easily united to him, when she discovered the artful measure he had made use of to effect a reconciliation. Pausan. & Phut.

Dedalion, a son of Lucifer, brother to Ceyx, and father of Philomus. He was so afflicited at the death of Philomus, whom Diana had put to death, that he threw himself down from the top of mount Parmassus, and was changed into a falcon by Apollo. Ovid. Met. 11, v. 295.

Dedalus, an Athenian, son of Eupalamus, descended from Erechtheus, king of Athens. He was the most ingenious artist of his age, and to him we are indebted for the invention of the wedge, and many other mechanical instruments, and the sails of ships. He made statues, which moved of themselves, and seemed to be endowed with life. Talus, his sister's son, promised to be as great as himself, by the ingenuity of his inventions; and therefore, from envy, he threw him down from a window and killed him. After the murder of this youth, Daedalus with his son Icarus, fled from Athens to Crete, where Minos, king of the country, gave him a cordial reception. Daedalus made a famous labyrinth for Minos, and assisted Pasiphae, the queen, to gratify her unnatural passion for a bull. For this action, Daedalus incurred the displeasure of Minos, who ordered him to be confined in the labyrinth which he had constructed. Here he made himself wings with feathers and wax and carefully fitted them to his body, and that of his son, who was the companion of his confinement. They took their flight in the air from Crete; but the heat of the sun melted the wax on the wings of Icarus, whose flight was too high, and he fell into that part of the ocean which from him has been called the Icarian sea. The father, by a proper management of his wings, alighted at Cume, where he built a temple to Apollo, and thence directed his course to Sicily, where he was kindly received by Cocalus, who reigned over part of the country. He left many monuments of his ingenuity in Sicily, which still existed in the age of Diodorus Siculus. He was dispatched by Cocalus, who was afraid of the power of Minos, who had declared war against him, because he had given an asylum to Daedalus. The flight of Daedalus from Crete, with wings, is explained by observing that he was the inventor of sails, which in his age might pass at a distance for wings. Paus. 1, 7, & 9.—Diod. 4.—Ovid. Met. 8, fab. 3.—Herod. 4.—De Art. Am. 2.—Thist. 3, el. 4.—Hygin. fab. 40.—Verg. Æn. 6, v. 14.—Apollod. 3, c. 1, &c.—Herodot. 7, c. 170.—There were two statuaries of the same name, one of Sicyon, son of Patroclus, the other a native of Bithynia. Paus. 7, c. 14.—Arrian.

Demon, a kind of spirit which, as the ancients supposed, presided over the actions of mankind, gave them their private councils, and
DAMASCHUS, a stoic of Damascus, who wrote a philosophical history the life of Isidorus, and four books on extraordinary events, in the age of Justinian. His works, which are now lost, were greatly esteemed, according to Photius.

DAMASCUS, a rich and ancient city of Syria, where Demetrius Nicanor was defeated by Alexander Zeliana. It is the modern Damas or Sham. Lucan. 3.—Justin. 36, c. 2.

DAMAPPUS, a captain in Philip's army.

DAMASICHTHON, a king of Thes. Paus. 9, c. 5.

DAMASISTRATUS, a king of Platea, who buried Laisus. Apollod. 3, c. 5.

DAMASTHYNUS, a son of Candaules, general in the army of Xerxes. Herodot. 7, c. 98. A king of Calyndse, sunk in his sloth by Artemisia. Id. 8, c. 87.


DAMIA, a surname of Cybele. —A woman to whom the Epidaurians raised a statue. Herodot. 5, c. 82.

DAMIPPUS, a Spartan taken by Marcellus as he sailed out of the port of Syracuse. He discovered to the enemy that a certain part of the city was but negligently guarded. From this discovery Syracuse was taken. Polygen.

DAMIS, a man who disputed with Aristodemus the right of reigning over the Messenians. Paus. 4, c. 10.

DAMNONII, a people of Britain, now supposed Devonshire.

DAMNIX, a celebrated Gaul, in the interest of Julius Caesar, &c.

DAMO, a daughter of Pythagoras, who, by order of her father, devoted her life to perpetual celibacy, and induced others to follow her example. Pythagoras at his death entrusted her with all the secrets of his philosophy, and gave her the unlimited care of his compositions, order the promise that she never would part with them. She faithfully obeyed his injunctions; and though in the extremest poverty, she refused to obtain money by the violation of her father's commands. Leert in Pythag.

DAMOCLES, one of the flatterers of Dionysius the elder, of Sicily. He alarmed the tyrant's wealth, and pronounced him the happiest man on earth. Dionysius prevailed upon him to undertake for a while the charge of royalty, and be convinced of the happiness which a sovereign enjoyed. Damocles ascended the throne, and while he gazed upon the wealth and splendour that surrounded him, he perceived a sword hanging over his head.
by a horse-hair. This so terrified him that all his imaginary felicity vanished at once, and he begged Dionysius to remove him from a situation which exposed his life to such fears and dangers. Cic. in Tuscul. 5, c. 21. Damocrates, a hero, &c. Plut. in Arist.

Damostrata, a Spartan matron, wife of 4licippus, who severely punished her enemies who had banished her husband, &c. Plut. in Eurrall.

Damoecitus, a timid general of the Achæans, &c. Paus. 7, c. 13. — A Greek writer, who composed two treatises, one upon the art of drawing an army in battle array, and the other concerning the Jews. — A man who wrote a poetical treatise upon medicine.

Damon, a victor at Olympia, Olym. 102. Paus. 4, c. 27. — A poet and musician at Athens, intimate with Pericles, and distinguished for his knowledge of government and fondness of discipline. He was banished for his intrigues about 430 years before Christ. C. Nep. 13, c. 2. — Plut. in Pericl. — A Pythagorean philosopher, very intimate with Pythias. When he had been condemned to death by Dionysius, he obtained from the tyrant leave to go and settle his domestic affairs, on promise of returning at a stated hour to the place of execution. Pythias pleaded himself to undergo the punishment which was to be inflicted on Damon, should he not return in time, and he consequently delivered himself into the hands of the tyrant. Damon returned at the appointed moment, and Dionysius was so struck with the fidelity of these two friends, that he remitted the punishment, and entreated them to permit him to share their friendship, and enjoy their confidence. Val. Max. 4, c. 7. — A man of Chersonæa, who killed a Roman officer, and was murdered by his fellow-citizens. Plut. in Cim. — A Cyrenean, who wrote an history of philosophy. Laert.

Damophantus, a general of Elis, in the age of Philopomen. Plut. in Phil.

Damophaïs, a poetess of Lesbos, wife of Paphilus. She was intimate with Sappho, and not only wrote hymns in honour of Diana and of the gods, but opened a school where the younger persons of her sex were taught the various powers of music and poetry. Philostr.

Damophilus, an historian. Diod. — A Thodian general against the fleet of Demetrius. J. D. 20.

Damophon, a sculptor of Messenia. Paus. 7, c. 23.

Damosthæus, a philosopher who wrote a treatise concerning fishes. Ælian. V. H. 13, c. 21.

Damoxyrnus, a comic writer of Athens. Athen. 3. — A boxer of Syracuse, banished for killing his adversary. Paus. 8, c. 40.

Damyrias, a river of Sicily. Plut. in Timol.

Dana, the daughter of Acrisius king of Argos, by Eurydice. She was confined in a brazen tower by her father, who had been told by an oracle, that his daughter's son would put him to death. His endeavours to prevent Danaë from becoming a mother proved fruitless; and Jupiter, who was enamoured of her, introduced himself to her bed, by changing himself into a golden shower. From his embraces Danaë had a son, with whom she was exposed on the sea by her father. The wind drove the bark which carried her to the coasts of the island of Seriphos, where she was saved by some fishermen, and carried to Polydeuces king of the place, whose brother, called Dictys, educated the child called Perseus, and tenderly treated the mother. Polydeuces fell in love with her; but as he was afraid of her son, he sent him to conquer the Gorgons, pretending that he wished Medusa's head to adorn the nuptials which he was going to celebrate with Hippodamia, the daughter of Æchæus. When Perseus had victoriously finished his expedition, he retired to Argos with Danaë, to the house of Acrisius, whom he inadvertently killed. Some suppose that it was Proetus the brother of Acrisius, who introduced himself to Danaë in the brazen tower; and instead of a golden shower, it was maintained, that the keepers of Danaë were bribed by the gold of her seducer. Virgil mentions that Danaë came to Italy with some fugitives of Argos, and that she founded a city called Ardea. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 611. — Art. Am. 3, v. 413. — Amor. 2, el. 19, v. 27. — Horat. 3, od. 16. — Apollod. 2, c. 2 & 4. Stat. Theb. 1, v. 255. — Virg. Æn. 7, v. 410. — A daughter of Leontium, mistress to Sophron, governor of Ephesus. — A daughter of Danaus, to whom Neptune offered violence. Danaïs, a name given to the people of Argos, and promiscuously to all the Greeks, from Danaus their king.

Danaïdes, the fifty daughters of Danaus, king of Argos. When their uncle Ægyptus came from Egypt, with his fifty sons, they were promised in marriage to their cousins; and before the celebration of their nuptials, Danaus, who had been informed by an oracle that he was to be killed by the hands of one of his sons-in-law, made his daughters solemnly promise that they would destroy their husbands. They were provided with daggers by their father, and all, except Hypermessara, stained their hands with the blood of their cousins the first night of their nuptials; and, as a pledge of their obedience to their father's injunctions, they presented him each with the head of the murdered sons of Ægyptus. Hypermessara was summoned to appear before her father, and answer for her disobedience in suffering her husband, Lyceus, to escape; but the unanimous voice of the people declared her innocent, and she dedicated a temple to the goddess of Persuasion. The sisters were purified of this murder by Mercury and Minerva, by order of Jupiter; but, according to the more received opinion, they were condemned to severe punishment in hell and were compelled to fill with water a vessel full of holes, so that the water ran out as soon as poured into it, and therefore their labour was infinite, and their punishment
eternal. The names of the Danais and
their husbands were as follows, according to
Apollodorus. Amymone married Enceladus;
Automate, Busiris; Agave, Lycurgus; Scea,
Dayphron; Hippodamia, Ister; Rhedia,
Chalcidon; Calycé, another Lynceus; Gorgo-
phon, Proteus; Cleopatra, Agenor; Ast-
ergia, Chetus; Glauce, Aleis; Hippodamia,
Diacorytes; Hippomedusa, Alcmene; Gorge,
Hippothous; Iphmumedusa, Enuconor; Rhode,
Hippolitus; Pirea, Aegopolemus; Cerescis,
Dorion; Pharte, Farystamus; Mnestra,
Chelus, Elphine, Arigus, Anaxitès, Ar-
chelaus; Nicelo, Melachus; Clit, Citus,
Steanele, Steneclus; Chryspitip, Chrysippus;
Antonoe, Eurylochus; Theane, Phantes,
Electra, Peristenes; Euridyce, Dryas; Glau-
cipe, Potamon; Autho ca, Cissus; Cleo-
dora, Lixus; Evippe, Imbrus; Era, Bro-
mius; Stygnea, Polycot; Bryce, Chtonius;
Actea, Periphas; Podarce, Cenex; Dioxippe,
Ægyptus; Adyte, Menalces; Ocieptæ;
Lampus, Pilarge, Idmon; Hippodice, Idas;
Adiantæ, Leuphon; Calilida, Pandion; Æme,
Arbelus; Celenæ, Hixbæs; Hyperia, Hip-
poristes. The heads of the sons of Ægyptus
were buried at Argos; but their bodies were
left at Lerna, where the murders had been
committed. Apollod. 2, c. 1.—Horat. 3, od.
11.—Strab. 8.—Paus. 2, c. 16.—Hygin. fab.
168, &c.

DANÁIA, a castle of Galatia.

DANAUS, a son of Belus and Anchinoe,
who, after his father's death, reigned con-
jointly with his brother Ægyptus on the throne
of Ægypt. Some time after, a difference arose
between the brothers, and Danaus set sail
with his fifty daughters in quest of a settle-
ment. He visited Rhodes, where he conse-
crated a statue to Minerva, and arrived safe
on the coast of Peloponnesus, where he was hos-
pitably received by Gelanor, king of Argos.
Gelanor had lately ascended the throne, and
the first years of his reign were marked with
dissensions with his subjects. Danaus took
advantage of Gelanor's unpopularitv, and
obliged him to leave the crown. In Gelanor
the race of the Inachides was extinguished, and
the Belides began to reign at Argos in Danaus.'
Some authors say, that Gelanor voluntarily
reigned the crown to Danaus, on account of
the wrath of Neptune, who had dried up all the
waters of Argolis, to punish the impiety of
Inachus. The success of Danaus invited the
fifty sons of Ægyptus to embark for Greece.
They were kindly received by their uncle,
who, either apprehensive of their number, or
terrified by an oracle which threatened his
ruin by one of his sons—in-law, caused his
daughters, to whom they were promised in
marriage, to murder them the first night of
their nuptials. His orders were executed.
Hypermnestra alone spared the life of Lyn-
cean. [Vit. Danais.] Danaus at first per-
secuted Lynceus with unremitted fury, but he
was afterwards reconciled to him, and he ac-
knowledged him for his son—in-law and suc-
cessor, after a reign of 50 years. He died
about 1425 years before the Christian era, and
after death he was honoured with a splendid
monument in the town of Argos, which still
exists in the age of Pausanias. According to
Eschylus, Danaus left Ægypt, not to be
present at the marriage of his daughters with
the sons of his brother, a connection which he
deemed unlawful and impious. The ship in
which Danaus came to Greece was called Ar-
nais, and was the first that had ever appeared
there. It is said that the use of pumps was
first introduced into Greece by Danaus. Apo-
lo. 2, c. 1.—Paus. 2, c. 19.—Hygin. fab. 168,
&c.—Herodot. 2, c. 91, &c. c. 94.

DANÁÍDAI and DANÁÍDÌDE, certain inha-
bitants near mount Caucasus. Tacit. 12, Ann.
c. 10.

DANDON, a man of Illyricum, who, as Pliny,
7, 409, reports, lived 500 years.

DANUBIUS, a celebrated river, the greatest
in Europe, which rises, according to Heredo-
tus, near the town of Pyrene, in the country
of the Celtæ, and after flowing through the
greatest part of Europe, falls into the Euxine
sea. The Greeks called it Ister; but the Ro-
mans distinguished it by the appellation of
the Danube, from its source to the middle
of its course, and from thence to its mouth
called it Ister, like the Greeks. It falls into
the Euxine through seven mouths, or six,
according to others. Herodotus mentions five,
and modern travellers discover only two. The
Danube was generally supposed to be the
northern boundary of the Roman empire in
Europe; and therefore several castles were
erected on its banks, to check the incursions
of the barbarians. It was worshipped as a deity
by the Scythians. Dions. Perig. —Herodot. 2,
c. 33. 1, &c. c. 46, &c.—Strab. 4.—Plin. 4, c. 12.

DANOCUS, an officer of Philip, &c. Plut. in
Demosth.

DAPHNÉ, a town of Egypt, on one of the
mouths of the Nile, 16 miles from Pelusium.
Herodot. 2, c. 30.

DAPHNEUS, a general of Syracuse, against
Carthage. Polyban. 5.

DAPHNE, a daughter of the river Peneus, or
of the Ladon, by the goddess Terra, of whom
Apollo became enamoured. This passion had
been raised by Cupid, with whom Apollo,
proud of his late conquest over the serpent
Python, had disputed the power of his darts.
Daphne heard with horror the addresses of
the god, and endeavoured to remove herself
from his importunities by flight. Apollo pur-
sued her; and Daphne, fearful of being caught,
entreated the assistance of the gods, who
changed her into a laurel. Apollo crowned her
head with the leaves of the laurel, and for ever
ordered that that tree should be sacred to his
divinity. Some say that Daphne was ad-
mired by Leucippus, son of Cenomus, king of
Pisa, who, to be in her company, disguised his
sex, and attended her in the woods, in the
habit of a huntress. Leucippus gained Daph-
ne's esteem and love; but Apollo, who was
his powerful rival, discovered his sex, and

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Lenaeus was killed by the companions of Diana. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 452, &c.—Parthen. Erotic. c. 15.—A daughter of tiresias, priestess in the temple of Delphi. She was consecrated to the service of Apollo by the Epigoni, or, according to other accounts, by the goddess Tellus. She was called Sibyl, on account of the wildness of her looks and expressions, when she delivered oracles. Her oracles were generally in verse, and Homer, according to some accounts, has introduced much of her poetry in his compositions. Diod. 4.—Paus. 10, c. 5.—A grove near Antioch.

Daphnerphia, a festival in honour of Apollo, celebrated every ninth year by the Boeotians. It was then usual to adorn an olive bough with garlands of laurel and other flowers, and place on the top a bronze globe, on which were suspended smaller ones. In the middle was placed a number of crowns, and a globe of inferior size, and the bottom was adorned with a saffron-coloured garment. The globe on the top represented the sun, or Apollo; that in the middle was an emblem of the moon, and the others of the stars. The crowns, which were 65 in number, represented the sun’s annual revolutions. This bough was carried in solemn procession by a beautiful youth of an illustrious family, and whose parents were both living. The youth was dressed in rich garments which reached to the ground, his hair hung loose and dishevelled, his head was covered with a golden crown, and he wore on his feet shoes called Iphiratida, from Iphocrates, an Athenian, who first invented them. He was called Δαφνηφόρος, laurel-bearer, and at that time he executed the office of priest of Apollo. He was preceded by one of his nearest relations, bearing a rod adorned with garlands, and behind him followed a train of virgins with branches in their hands. In this order the procession advanced as far as the temple of Apollo, surnamed Λεμενις, where supplicatory hymns were sung to the god.—This festival owes its origin to the following circumstance. When an oracle advised the Ετολians, who inhabited Arne and the adjacent country, to abandon their ancient possessions, and go in quest of a settlement, they invaded the Thbean territories, which at that time were pillaged by an army of Pelasgians. As the celebration of Apollo’s festivals was near, both nations, who religiously observed it, laid aside all hostilities, and, according to custom, cut down laurel boughs from mount Helicon, and in the neighbourhood of the river Melas, and walked in procession in honour of the divinity. The day that this solemnity was observed, Polemates, the general of the Boeotian army, saw a youth in a dream that presented him with a complete suit of armour, and commanded the Boeotians to offer solemn prayers to Apollo, and walk in procession with laurel boughs in their hands every ninth year. Three days after this dream, the Boeotian general made a sally, and cut off the greatest part of the besiegers, who were compelled by this blow to relinquish their enterprise. Polemates immediately instituted a novennial festival to the god; who seemed to be the patron of the Boeotians. Paus. Boeot. &c.

Daphnis, a shepherd of Sicily, son of Mercury by a Sicilian nymph. He was educated by the nymphs. Pan taught him to sing and play upon the pipe, and the muses inspired him with the love of poetry. It is supposed he was the first who wrote pastoral poetry, in which his successor Theocritus so happily excelled. He was extremely fond of hunting; and at his death, five of his dogs, from their attachment to him, refused all aliments, and pined away. Ælian. V, H. 10, c. 18.—Diod. 4.—There was another shepherd on mount Ida of the same name changed into a rock, according to Ovid. Met. 4, v. 275.—A servant of Nicocrates, tyrant of Cyrene, &c. Polyan. 8.—A grammarian. Suev. de Gr.—A son of Paris and Æone.

Daphnis, a river of Locris, into which the body of Hesiod was thrown after his murder. Plut. de Symp.—A physician who preferred a supper to a dinner, &c. Athen. 7.

Darba, a town of Arabia.

Daraps, a king of the Gangaridæ, &c. Place. 6, c. 67.

Dardani, the inhabitants of Dardania.

Dardani, a town or country of Tros, from which the Trojans were called Dardani and Dardanides. There is also a country of the same name near Illyricum. Strab. 7.

Dardanides, a name given to Æneas, as descended from Dardanus. Virg. Æn.

Dardanum, a promontory of India, called from the small town of Dardanus, about seven miles from Abydos. The two castles built on each side of the strait by the emperor Mahomet IV. A.D. 1659, gave the name of Dardanelles to the place. Strab. 13.

Dardanus, a son of Jupiter and Electra, who killed his brother Jason to obtain the kingdom of Etruria after the death of his reputed father Corythus, and fled to Samothrace, and thence to Asia Minor, where he married Batia, the daughter of Teucer, king of Teucria. After the death of his father-in-law, he ascended the throne, and reigned 62 years. He built the city of Dardania, and was reckoned the founder of the kingdom of Troy. He was succeeded by Erichthonius. According to some, Corybas, his nephew, accompanied him to Teucria, where he introduced the worship of Cybele. Dardanus taught his subjects to worship Minerva; and he gave them two statues of the goddess, one of which is well known by the name of Palladius. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 167.—Paus. 7, c. 4.—Hygin. fab. 155 & 275.—Apollod. 5.—Homer. Il. 20.—A Trojan killed by Achilles. Homer. Il. 20, v. 460.

Dardaris, a nation near the Palus Maotis. Plut. in Lucull. 19.

Dare, a Phrygian, who lived during the Trojan war, in which he was engaged, and of which he wrote the history in Greek. This history was extant in the age of Ælian: the
Latin translation, now extant, is universally believed to be spurious, though it is attributed by some to Cornelius Nepos. The best edition is that of Smids, cum not. var. 4to. & svo. Amst 1702. Homer. II. 5, v. 10 & 27. — One of the companions of Artaxerxes, celebrated as a pejulist, and descended from Anyucus, he was killed by Turnus in Italy. Verg. Æn. 5, v. 369. l. 12, v. 363.

Darëtis, a country of Macedonia.
Daría, a town of Mesopotamia.
Daríaves, the name of Darius in Persian.

Strab. 16.

Dariosbrigum, a town of Gaul.
Darítex, a people of Persia. Herodot. 3. c. 92.

Darius, a noble satrap of Persia, son of Hystaspes, who conspired with six other noblemen to destroy Smerdis, who usurped the crown of Persia after the death of Cambyses. On the murder of the usurper, the seven conspirators universally agreed, that he whose horse neighed first should be appointed king. The grooms of Darius previously led his master's horse to a mare, at a place near which the seven noblemen were to pass. On the morrow before sun-rise, when they proceeded all together, the horse recollecting the mare, suddenly neighed; and at the same time a clap of thunder was heard, as if in approbation of the choice. The noblemen dismounted from their horses, and saluted Darius king; and a resolution was made among them, that the king's wives and concubines should be taken from no other family but that of the conspirators, and that they should for ever enjoy the unlimited privilege of being admitted into the king's presence without previous introduction. Darius was 29 years old when he ascended the throne, and he soon distinguished himself by his activity and military accomplishments. He besieged Babylon; which he took, after a siege of 20 months, by the artifice of Zopyrus. From thence he marched against the Scythians, and in his way conquered Thrace. This expedition was unsuccessful; and the king, after several losses and disasters in the wilds of Scythia, retired with shame, and turned his arms against the Indians, whom he subdues. The burning of Sardis, which was a Grecian colony, incensed the Athenians, and a war was kindled between Greece and Persia. Darius was so exasperated against the Greeks, that a servant every evening, by his order, repeated these words: "Remember, O king, to punish the Athenians." Mardonius, the king's son-in-law, was entrusted with the care of the war, but his army was destroyed by the Thracians; and Darius, more animated by his loss, sent a more considerable force, under the command of Datis and Artaphernes. They were conquered at the celebrated battle of Marathon by 10,000 Athenians, and the Persians lost in that expedition no less than 206,000 men. Darius was not disheartened by this severe blow, but he resolved to carry on the war in person, and immediately ordered a still larger army to be levied. He died in the midst of his preparations, B. C. 405, after a reign of 36 years, in the 65th year of his age. Herodot. 1. 2, &c.—Diod. 1.—Justin. 1. c. 92.—Plut. in Arist.—C. Nep. in Militiæ.—The second king of Persia, of that name, was also called Ochus, or Nothus, because he was the illegitimate son of Artaxerxes by a concubine. Soon after the murder of Xerxes he ascended the throne of Persia, and married Parysatis his sister, a cruel and ambitious woman, by whom he had Artaxerxes Memnon, Amestris, and Cyrus the younger. He carried on many wars with success, under the conduct of his generals and of his son Cyrus. He died B. C. 404, after a reign of 19 years, and was succeeded by his son Artaxerxes, who asked him on his death-bed, what had been the guide of his conduct in the management of the empire, that he might imitate him! The dictates of justice and of religion, replied the aspiring monarch. Justin, 3. c. 11.—Diod. 12.—The third of that name was the last king of Persia, surnamed Codom anus. He was son of Arsaces and Sysigambis, and descended from Darius Nothus. The eunuch Bagas raised him to the throne, though not nearly allied to the royal family, in hopes that he would be subservient to his will; but he prepared to poison him, when he saw him despise his advice, and aim at independence. Darius discovered his perfidy, and made him drink the poison which he had prepared against his life. The peace of Darius was early disturbed, and Alexander invaded Persia to avenge the injuries which the Greeks had suffered from the predecessors of Darius. The king of Persia met his adversary in person, at the head of 600,000 men. This army was remarkable more for its opulence and luxury, than for the military courage of its soldiers; and Athenæus mentions, that the camp of Darius was crowded with 277 cooks, 29 waiters, 87 cup-bearers, 40 servants to perfume the king, and 66 to prepare garlands and flowers to deck the dishes and meats which appeared on the royal table. With these forces Darius met Alexander. A battle was fought near the Granicus, in which the Persians were easily defeated. Another was soon after fought near Issus; and Alexander left 110,000 of the enemy dead in the field of battle, and took among the prisoners of war, the mother, wife, and children of Darius. The darkness of the night favoured the retreat of Darius, and he saved himself by flying in disguise on the horse of his arm-bearer. These losses weakened, but discouraged not Darius: he assembled another more powerful army, and the last decisive battle was fought at Arbela. The victory was long doubtful; but the intrepidity of Alexander, and the superior valour of the Macedonians, prevailed over the effeminate Persians; and Darius, sensible of his disgrace and ruin, fled towards Media. His misfortunes were now increased. Bessus, the governor of Bactria, took away his life, in hopes of succeeding him on the throne; and Darius was found by the Macedonians in his chariot, covered with wounds,
and almost expiring, B. C. 331. He asked for water, and exclaimed, when he received it from the hand of a Macedonian, "It is the greatest of my misfortunes that I cannot reward thy humanity. Beg Alexander to accept my warmest thanks, for the tenderness with which he has treated my wretched family, whilst I am doomed to perish by the hand of a man whom I have loaded with kindness."

These words of the dying monarch were reported to Alexander, who covered the dead body with his own mantle, and honoured it with a most magnificent funeral. The traitor Bessus met with a due punishment from the conqueror, who continued his kindness to the unfortunate family of Darius. Darius has been accused of imprudence, for the imperious and arrogant manner in which he wrote his letters to Alexander, in the midst of his misfortunes. In him the empire of Persia was extinguished 228 years after it had been founded by Cyrus the Great. Diod. 17. — Plut. in Alex.—Justin. 10, 11, &c.—Curtius.—A son of Xerxes, who married Artyanta, and was killed by Artabanus. Herodot. 9, c. 108. —Diod. 11.—A son of Artaxerxes, declared successor to the throne, as being the eldest prince. He conspired against his father's life, and was capitaly punished. Plut. in Artar.

DASCON, a man who founded Camarina. Thucyd. 6, c. 5.

DASCYLTIS, a province of Persia. Id. 1, c. 129.

DASCYLUS, the father of Gyges. Herodot. 1, c. 8.

DASEA, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 27.

DASSEUS, a chief of Salapia, who favoured Annibal. Liv. 26, c. 38.

DASSARITI, DASSARITI, DASSARINI, or DASSARITI, a people of Illyricum, or Macedonia. Plut. in Flum.

DATAMES, a son of Camissares, governor of Caria, and general of the armies of Artaxerxes. The influence of his enemies at court obliged him to fly for safety, after he had greatly signalized himself by his military exploits. He took up arms in his own defence, and the king made war against him. He was treacherously killed by Mithridates, who had invited him under pretence of entering into the most inviolable connection and friendship, 362 B. C. C. Nep. in Datam.

DATAPHERNES, one of the friends of Bessus. After the murder of Darius, he betrayed Bessus into Alexander's hands. He also revolted from the conqueror, and was delivered up by the Daes. Curt. 7, c. 5 & 8.

DASIS, a general of Darius 1st, sent with an army of 200,000 foot and 10,000 horse, against the Greeks, in conjunction with Artaphernes. He was defeated at the celebrated battle of Marathon, by Miltiades, and some time after put to death by the Spartans. C. Nep. in Mill.

DATOS, or DATON, a town of Thrace, on a small eminence, near the Strymon. There is in the neighbourhood a fruitful plain, from which Proserpine, according to some, was carried away by Pluto. That city was so rich, that the ancients generally made use of the word Dato's to express abundance. When the king of Macedonia conquered it, he called it Philipps, after his own name. Appian. de Civ. DAVARA, a hill near mount Taurus, in Asia Minor.

DAVIS, a comic character in the Andria of Terence. Horat. 1, Sat. 10, v. 40.

DAULIS, a nymph, from whom the city of Daulis in Phocis, anciently called Anacris, received its name. It was there that Philomela and Proche made Tereus eat the flesh of his son. Strab. 9.—Paus. 10, c. 4.—Ptol. 3, c. 15.

DAUNI, a people on the eastern part of Italy, conquered by Daunus, from whom they received their name.

DAUNIA, a country of Apulia, on the coast of the Adriatic. It receives its name from Daunus, who settled there. Virg. En. 8, v. 146.

DAUNUS, a son of Pilumnus and Danae. He came from Illyricum into Apulia, where he reigned over part of the country, which from him was called Daunia. Mela, 2, c. 4.—Strab. 5.—A river of Apulia. Horat. 3, od. 30.

DAURIFER and DAURISKES, a brave general of Darius, treacherously killed by the Carians. Herodot. 5, c. 116, &c.

DEBRE, a nation of Arabia. Diod. 3.

DECEBALUS, a warriorlike king of the Daci, who made a successful war against Domitian. He was conquered by Trajan, Domitian's successor, and he obtained peace. His active spirit again kindled rebellion, and the Roman emperor marched against him, and defeated him. He destroyed himself, and his head was brought to Rome, and Dacia became a Roman province, A. D. 103.—Dio. 68.

DECELIUM, a small village of Attica, north of Athens; which, when in the hands of the Spartans, proved a very galling garrison to the Athenians. Some time the Peloponneshian war has been called Decisiun, because for some time hostilities were carried on in its neighbourhood.

DECULUS, a man who informed Castor and Pollux, that their sister, whom Theseus had carried away, was concealed at Aphidnes. Herodot. 9, c. 73.

DECHEMIRI, ten magistrates of absolute authority among the Romans. The privileges of the patricians raised dissatisfaction among the plebeians; who, though freed from the power of the Tarquins, still saw that the administration of justice depended upon the will and caprice of their superiors, without any written statute to direct them, and convince them that they were governed with equity and impartiality. The tribunes complained to the senate, and demanded that a code of laws might be framed for the use and benefit of the Roman people. This petition was complied with, and
three ambassadors were sent to Athens, and all other Grecian states, to collect the laws of Solon, and of all the other celebrated legislators of Greece. Upon the return of the commissioners, it was universally agreed, that ten new magistrates, called Decemviri, should be elected from the senate, to put the project into execution. Their power was absolute; all other offices ceased after their election, and they presided over the city with regal authority. They were invested with the badges of the consul, in the enjoyment of which they succeeded by turns, and only one was preceded by the fasces, and had the power of assembling the senate, and confirming decrees. The first decemvirs were Appius Claudius, T. Genitius, P. Sextius, Sp. Veturius, C. Julius, A. Manlius, Ser. Sulpius Fluriatus, T. Romulus, Sp. Posthumius, A. U. C. 303. Under them, the laws, which had been exposed to public view, that every citizen might speak his sentiments, were publicly approved of as constitutional, and ratified by the priests and augurs, in the most solemn and religious manner. They were ten in number, and were engraved on tables of brass; two were afterwards added, and they were called the laws of the twelve tables, leges duodecin tabularum, and leges decemvirales. The decemviral power, which was beheld by all ranks of the people with the greatest satisfaction was continued; but in the third year after their creation, the decemvirs became odious, on account of their tyranny; and the attempt of Ap. Claudius to ravish Virginia totally abolished the office. The people were so exasperated against them, that they demanded them from the senate to burn them alive. Consuls were again appointed, and tranquillity re-established in the state.

There were other officers in Rome, called decemvirs, who were originally appointed, in the absence of the prator, to administer justice. Their appointment became afterwards necessary, and they generally assisted at sales called subhastationes, because a spear, hasta, was fixed at the door of the place where the goods were exposed to sale. They were called decemvirititius judicandis. The officers whom Tarquin appointed to guard the Sibylline books, were also called decemviri. They were originally two in number, called duumviri, till the year of Rome 388, when their number was increased to ten, five of which were chosen from the plebeians, and five from the patricians. Sylla increased their number to fifteen, called quindecemvirs.

Decetia, a town of Gaul. Cas.

Decia lex, was enacted by M. Decius the tribune, A. U. C. 442, to empower the people to appoint two proper persons to fit and repair the fleets.


Decius, a celebrated soothsayer. Strab. 16.

Decius Mus, a celebrated Roman consul, who, after many glorious exploits, &c. devoted himself to the gods. Manes for the safety of his country, in a battle against the Latins, 338 years B. C. His son Decius imitated his example, and devoted himself in like manner in his fourth consulship, when fighting against the Gauls and Samnites, B. C. 296. His grandson also did the same in the war against Pyrrhus and the Tarentines, B. C. 269. This action of devoting oneself, was of infinite service to the state. The soldiers were animated by the example, and induced to follow with intrepidity, a commander who, arrayed in an unusual dress, and addressing himself to the gods with solemn invocation, rushed into the thickest part of the enemy to meet his fate.

Liv. 8, 9, &c.—Val. Max. 5, c. 6.—Polyb. 2.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 824.—Brutus conducted Caesar to the senate-house the day that he was murdered.—(Cn. Metius, Q. Trajanus) a native of Pannonia, sent by the emperor Philip to appease a sedition in Moesia. Instead of obeying his master's command, he assumed the imperial purple, and soon after marched against him, and at his death became the only emperor. He signalized himself against the Persians; and when he marched against the Goths, he pushed his horse into a deep marsh, from which he could not extricate himself, and he perished with all his army by the darts of the barbarians, A. D. 231, after a reign of two years. This monarch enjoyed the character of a brave man, and of a great disciplinarian; and by his justice and exemplary life, merited the title of Optimus, which a servile senate lavished upon him.

Decurio, a subaltern officer in the Roman armies. He commanded a decurio, which consisted of ten men, and was the third part of a turma, or the 30th part of a legio of horse, which was composed of 300 men. The badge of the Centurions was a vine-rod or sapling, and each had a deputy called opilio. There were certain magistrates in the provinces, called decemvires municipales, who formed a body to represent the Roman senate in free and corporate towns. They consisted of ten, whence the name; and their duty extended to watch over the interests of their fellow-citizens, and to increase the revenues of the commonwealth. Their court was called curia decurionum, and minor senatus; and their decrees, called decrea decurionum, were marked with two D. D. at the top. They generally styled themselves civitatum patres et curiales, and honorati municipiorum senatores. They were elected with the same ceremonies as the Roman senators; they were to be at least 25 years of age, and to be possessed of a certain sum of money. The election happened on the calenders of March.

Deditames, a friend of Alexander, made governor of Babylonia. Curt. 8, c. 3.

Dregis, a brother of Deceleus, king of the DaCi. He came as ambassador to the court of Domitian. Mart. 5, ep. 3.

Dejanira, a daughter of Enea, king of Ilion. Her beauty procured her many admirers, and her father promised to give her in marriage to him only who proved to be the strongest of all his competitors. Hercules co-
tained the prize, and married Dejanira, by whom he had three children, the most known of whom is Hyllus. As Dejanira was once travelling with her husband, they were stopped by the swollen streams of the Evenus, and the centaur Nessus offered Hercules to convey her safe to the opposite shore. The hero consented; but no sooner had Nessus gained the bank, than he attempted to offer violence to Dejanira, and to carry her away in the sight of her husband. Hercules, upon this, aimed, from the other shore, a poisoned arrow at the seducer, and mortally wounded him. Nesaea, as he expired, wished to avenge his death upon his murderer; and he gave Dejanira his tunic which was covered with blood, poisoned and infected by the arrow, observing, that it had the power of reclaiming a husband from unlawful loves. Dejanira accepted the present; and when Hercules proved faithless to her bed, she sent him the centaur’s tunic, which instantly caused his death. [Vid. Hercules.] Dejanira was so disconsolate at the death of her husband, which she had ignorantly occasioned, that she destroyed herself. Ovid. Met. 8 & 9.—Daw. 4.—Senec. in Hercul. Hygin. fab. 34.

DEICON, a Trojan prince, intimate with Αἰνεας. He was killed by Agamemnon. Homer. II. 5, v. 534.—A son of Hercules and Megara. Apollod. 2, c. 7.

DEÍDAMIA, a daughter of Lycomedes, king of Scyros. She bore a son called Pyrrhus, or Neoptolemus, to Achilles, who was disguised at her father’s court in women’s clothes, under the name of Pyrrha. Propert. 2, c. 9.—Apollod. 3, c. 13.—A daughter of Pyrrhus, killed by the Epirots. Polyen.—A daughter of Adrastus, king of Argos, called also Hippodamia.

DEILOÉNIAS, a companion of Hercules in his expedition against the Amazons. Place. 5, v. 115.

DEILOCHUS, a son of Hercules.

DEIMACUS, a son of Neleus and Chloris, killed by Hercules. Apollod. 1, c. 9.—The father of Enarette. Id. 1, c. 7.

DEÍROΣ, a son of Phraortes, by whose means the Medes delivered themselves from the yoke of the Assyrians. He presided as judge among his countrymen, and his great popularity and love of equity raised him to the throne, and he made himself absolute, B.C. 700. He was succeeded by his son Phraortes, after a reign of 53 years. He built Echatana according to Herodotus, and surrounded it with seven different walls, in the middle of which was the royal palace. Herodot. 1, c. 96, &c. Polyen.

DEÍROΣ, a Greek captain, killed by Paris in the Trojan war. Homer. II. 15, v. 341.

DEÍNPHA, the mother of Miletus by Apollo. Miletus is often called Deiondes, on account of his mother. Ovid. Met. 9, v. 442.

DEÍNOΣ, a king of Phoicus, who married Diomedes, daughter of Xuthus, by whom he had Dia. He gave his daughter Dia in mar-

riage to Ixion, who promised to make a present to his father-in-law. Deioeus accordingly visited the house of Ixion, and was thrown into a large hole filled with burning coals by his son-in-law. Hygin. fab. 48 & 241. Apollod. 1, c. 7 & 9. 1, c. 4.

DEÍNOPHÉIA, a nymph, the fairest of all the fourteen nymphs that attended upon Juno. The goddess promised her in marriage to Αἰνεας the god of the winds, if he would destroy the fleet of Αἰνεας, which was sailing for Italy. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 76.—One of the attendant nymphs of Cyrene. Virg. G. 4, v. 343.

DEÌOTAURUS, a governor of Galatia, made king of that province by the Roman people. In the civil wars of Pompey and Caesar, Deiotarus followed the interest of the former. After the battle of Pharsalia, Caesar severely reprimanded Deiotarus for his attachment to Pompey, deprived him of part of his kingdom, and left him only the bare title of royalty. When he was accused by his grandson of attempts upon Caesar’s life, Cicero ably defended him in the Roman senate. He joined Brutus with a large army, and faithfully supported the republican cause. His wife was barren; but fearing that her husband might die without issue, she presented him with a beautiful slave, and tenderly educated, as her own, the children of this union. Deiotarus died in an advanced old age. Strab. 12.—Lucan. 5, v. 55.

DEÍFOLE, Vid. Deiople.

DEÍPHÔN, a sibyl of Cumæ, daughter of Glauco. It is supposed that she led Αἰνεας to the infernal regions. (Vid. Sibylla.)—Verg. Æn. 6, v. 361.

DEÍPHÔNUS, a son of Priam and Hecuba, who, after the death of his brother Paris, married Helen. His wife unworthily betrayed him, and introduced into his chamber her old husband Menelaus, to whom she wished to reconcile herself. He was shamefully mutilated and killed by Menelaus. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 495.—Homer. II. 13.—A son of Hippolytus, who purified Hercules after the murder of Iphitus. Apollod. 2, c. 6.

DEÍPHÔNUS, a brother of Trioptolemus, son of Celeus and Metanira. When Ceres travelled over the world, she stopped at his father’s court, and undertook to nurse him and bring him up. To reward the hospitality of Celeus, the goddess began to make his son immortal; and every evening she placed him on burning coals, to purify him from whatever mortal particles he still possessed. The uncommon growth of Deiphon astonished Metanira, who wished to see what Ceres did to make him so vigorous. She was frightened to see her son on burning coals, and the shrieks that she uttered disturbed the mysterious operations of the goddess, and Deiphon perished in the flames. Apollod. 1, c. 5.—The husband of Hymnetho, daughter of Temenus, king of Argos. Id. 2, c. 7.

DEÍPHONTES, a general of Temenus, who took Epidauria, &c. Paus. 2, c. 12.—A general of the Doriens, &c. Polyen.
DEPFYLÈ, a daughter of Adrastus, who married Tydeus, by whom she had Diomedes. _Apollod._ 1. c. 3.

DEPFYLUS, a son of Sthenelus, in the Trojan war. _Homer._ II. 5.

DEPFYRUS, a Grecian chief, during the Trojan war. _Homer._ II. 8.

DELDON, a king of Mycia, defeated by Crassus.

DELLA, a festival celebrated every fifth year in the island of Delos, in honour of Apollo. It was first instituted by Theseus, who, at his return from Crete, placed a statue there, which he had received from Ariadne. At the celebration, they crowned the statue of the goddess with garlands, appointed a choir of music, and exhibited horse-races. They afterwards led a dance, in which they imitated, by their motions, the various windings of the Cretan labyrinth, from which Theseus had extricated himself by Ariadne's assistance. — There was also another festival of the same name, yearly celebrated by the Athenians in Delos. It was also instituted by Theseus, who, when he was going to Crete, made a vow, that if he returned victorious, he would yearly visit in a solemn manner the temple of Delos. The persons employed in this annual procession, were called Delleste and Théori. The ship, the same which carried Theseus, and had been carefully preserved by the Athenians, was called Théoria and Délia. When the ship was ready for the voyage, the priest of Apollo solemnly adorned the stern with garlands, and an universal lustration was made all over the city. The Théori were crowned with laurels, and before them proceeded men armed with axes, in commemoration of Theseus, who had cleared the way from Trezene to Athens, and delivered the country from robbers. When the ship arrived at Delos, they offered solemn sacrifices to the god of the island, and celebrated a festival in his honour. After this, they retired to their ship, and sailed back to Athens, where all the people of the city ran in crowds to meet them. Every appearance of festivity prevailed at their approach, and the citizens opened their doors, and prostrated themselves before the Délia, as they walked in procession. During this festival, it was unlawful to put to death any malefactor, and on that account the life of Socrates was prolonged for thirty days. _Xenoph._ Memor. & c._Conv._ — Plut. in Pheid._Senec. ep. 70.

DELLA, a surname of Diana, because she was born in Delos. _Virg._ Ecl. 3.

DELLADES, a son of Glaucus, killed by his brother Bellerophon. _Apollod._ 2. c. 3.

The priestesses in Apollo's temple. _Homer._ Hymn. ad Ap.

DELIUM, a temple of Apollo. — A town of Boeotia opposite Chalcis, famous for a battle fought there, B. C. 424, &c.

DELIU, a surname of Apollo, because he was born in Delos. — Quint. an officer of Antony, who, when he was sent to cite Cleopatra before his master, advised her to make her appearance in the most captivating attire: the plan succeeded. He afterwards abandoned his friend, and fled to Augustus, who received him with great kindness. Horace has addressed 2, od. 3. to him. _Plut._ in Anton.

DELMATIUS, Fl. Jul. a nephew of Constantine the great, honoured with the title of Caesar, and put in possession of Thrace, Macedonia and Achaia. His great virtues were unable to save him from a violent death; he was assassinated by his own soldiers, &c.

DELOS, one of the Cyclades at the north of Naxos, was severally called Latia, Ortygia, Asteria, Chalcidia, Pelasgia, Pyrrha, Cythius, and Cynethus, and now bears the name of Sialles. It was called Delos from δηλος, because it suddenly made its appearances on the surface of the sea, by the power of Neptune, according to the mythologists, who permitted Latona to bring forth there, when she was persecuted all over the earth, and could find no safe asylum. [Vid. Apollo.] The island is celebrated for the nativity of Apollo and Diana; and the solemnity with which the festivals of these deities were celebrated there, by the inhabitants of the neighbouring islands, and of the continent, is well known. One of the altars of Apollo, in the island, was reckoned among the seven wonders of the world. It had been erected by Apollo when only four years old, and made with the horns of goats, killed by Diana on mount Cynthus. It was unlawful to sacrifice any living creature upon that altar, which was religiously kept pure from blood and every pollution. The whole island of Delos was held in such veneration, that the Persians, who had pillaged and profaned all the temples of Greece, never offered violence to the temple of Apollo, but looked upon it with the most awful reverence. Apollo, whose image was in the shape of a dragon, delivered there oracles during the summer, in a plain manner, without any ambiguity or obscure meaning. No dogs, as Thucydides mentions, were permitted to enter the island. It was unlawful for a man to die, or for a child to be born there; and when the Athenians were ordered to purify the place, they dug up all the dead bodies that had been interred there, and transported them to the neighbouring islands. An edict was also issued, which commanded all persons labouring under any mortal or dangerous disease to be instantly removed to the adjacent island called Rhane. Some mythologists suppose that Asteria, who changed herself into a quail, to avoid the importuning addresses of Jupiter, was metamorphosed into this island, originally called Ortygia, ά ορτυγ, a quail. _Strab._ 8. & 10._Ovid._ Met. 5. v. 329. _Meta._ 2. c. 7._Plin._ 4. c. 12._Plut. de Solert. Anim._ 8c._Thucyd._ 3. 4._Virg._ Enn._ 3. v. 73._Callim._ ad Del._Claudian._ de 4. Cons. Hon._

DELMINIUM, a town of Dalmatia. _Flor._ 4. c. 12.

DELPHII, a town of Phocis, situate in a valley at the south-west side of mount Parnassus. It was also called Pytho, because the serpent Python was killed there; and it received the
name of Delphi, from Delphus, the son of Apollo. Some have also called it Parnassia Nape, the valley of Parnassus. It was famous for a temple of Apollo, and for an oracle celebrated in every age and country. The origin of the oracle, though fabulous, is described as something wonderful. A number of goats that were feeding on mount Parnassus, came near a place which had a deep and long perforation. The steam which issued from the hole, seemed to inspire the goats, and they played and frisked about in such an uncommon manner, that the goat-herd was tempted to lean on the hole, and see what mysteries the place contained. He was immediately seized with a fit of enthusiasm, his expressions were wild and extravagant, and passed for prophecies. This circumstance was soon known about the country, and many experienced the same enthusiastic inspiration. The place was revered, and a temple was soon after erected in honour of Apollo, and a city built. According to some accounts, Apollo was not the first who gave oracles there; but Terra, Neptune, Thenis, and Phoebus, were in possession of the place before the son of Latona. The oracles were generally given in verse; but when it had been sarcastically observed, that the god and patron of poetry was the most imperfect poet in the world, the priestess delivered her answers in prose. The oracles were always delivered by a priestess called Pythia. [Vid. Pythia.] The temple was built and destroyed several times. It was customary for those who consulted the oracle to make rich presents to the god of Delphi; and no monarch distinguished himself more by his donations than Croesus. This sacred repository of opulence was often the object of plunder; and Nero carried from it no less than 500 statues of brass, partly of the gods, and partly of the most illustrious heroes. And in another age, Constantine the Great removed its most splendid ornaments to his new capital. It was universally believed and supported by the ancients, that Delphi was in the middle of the earth, and on that account it was called terra umbilicus. This, according to mythology, was first found out by two doves, which Jupiter had let loose from the two extremities of the earth, and which met at the place where the temple of Delphi was built. Apollon. 2, v. 706. —Diod. 16.—Plut. de defect. orac. &c.—Paus. 10, c. 6, &c.—Ovid. Met. 10, v. 168. Delphicus, a surname of Apollo, from the worship paid to his divinity at Delphi. Delphinia, festivals at Eginia, in honour of Apollo of Delphi. Delphinium, a place in Boeotia, opposite Euboea. Delphus, a son of Apollo and Celeno, who built Delphi, and consecrated it to his father. The name of his mother is differently mentioned. She is called by some Celeno, by others Melene daughter of Cephus, and by others Thyasia, daughter of Castalius, the first who was priestess of Bacchus. Hygin. 161.—Paus. 8, c. 6.

Delphynē, a serpent which watched over Jupiter. Apollod. 1, c. 6. Delta, a part of Egypt which received that name from its resemblance to the form of the fourth letter of the Greek alphabet. It lies between the Canopian and Pelusian mouths of the Nile, and begins to be formed where the river divides itself into several streams. It has been formed totally by the mud and sand, which is washed down from the upper parts of Egypt by the Nile, according to ancient tradition. Strab. 15 & 17.—Herodot. 2, c. 13, &c. —Plin. 3, c. 16. Demades, an Athenian, who, from a sailor became an eloquent orator, and obtained much influence in the state. He was taken prisoner at the battle of Cheronæa by Philip, and ingratiated himself into the favour of that prince, by whom he was greatly esteemed. He was put to death, with his son, on suspicion of treason. B. C. 322. One of his orations is extant. Diod. 16 & 17.—Plut. in Dem. Demænetus, a rhetorician of Syracuse, enemy to Timoleon. C. Nep. in Tim. 5. Demagoræs, one of Alexander's flatterers. —An historian who wrote concerning the foundation of Rome. Dionys. Hal. 1. Demarata, a daughter of Hiero, &c. Liv. 44, c. 22. Demaratus, the son and successor of Ariston on the throne of Sparta, B. C. 526. He was banished by the intrigues of Cleomenes, his royal colleague, as being illegitimate. He retired into Asia, and was kindly received by Darius son of Hystaspes king of Persia. When the Persian monarch made preparations to invade Greece, Demaratus, though persecuted by the Lacedæmonians, informed them of the hostilities which hung over their head. Herodot. 5, c. 75, &c. 1, c. 50, &c. —A rich citizen of Corinth, of the family of the Bacchiadæ. When Cypselus had usurped the sovereign power of Corinth, Demaratus, with all his family, migrated to Italy, and settled at Tarquinii, 658 years before Christ. His son, Lucumon, was king of Rome, under the name of Tarquinius Priscus. Dionys. Hal. —A Corinthian exile at the court of Philip, king of Macedonia. Plut. in Alex. Demarchus, a Syracusan, put to death by Dionysius. Demarēta, the wife of Gelon. Diod. 15. Demariste, the mother of Timoleon. Demat'ria, a Spartan mother, who killed her son, because he returned from a battle without glory. Plut. Loc. Inst. Demetria, a festival in honour of Ceres, called by the Greeks Demeter. It was then customary for the rotaries of the goddess to lash themselves with whips made with the bark of trees. The Athenians had a solemnity of the same name, in honour of Demetrius Poliorcetes. Demétrius, a town of Thessaly. Demétrius, a son of Antigonus and Strato-nice, surnamed Poliorcetes, destroyer of towns. At the age of 22, he was sent by his father
against Ptolemy, who invaded Syria. He was defeated near Gaza; but he soon repaired his loss, by a victory over one of the generals of the enemy. He afterwards sailed with a fleet of 250 ships to Athens, and restored the Athenians to liberty, by freeing them from the power of Cassander and Ptolemy, and expelling the garrison, which was stationed there under Demetrius Phalerus. After this successful expedition, he besieged and took Munychia, and defeated Cassander at Thermopylae. His reception at Athens, after these victories, was attended with the greatest servility; and the Athenians were not ashamed to raise altars to him as to a god, and consult his oracles. This uncommon success raised the jealousy of the successors of Alexander; and Seleucus, Cassander, and Lysimachus, united to destroy Antigonus and his son. Their hostile armies met at Ipsus, B. C. 301. Antigonus was killed in the battle; and Demetrius, after a severe loss, retired to Ephesus. His ill success raised him many enemies; and the Athenians, who had lately adored him as a god, refused to admit him into their city. He soon after ravaged the territory of Lysimachus, and reconciled himself to Seleucus, to whom he gave his daughter Stratonice in marriage. Athens now laboured under tyranny; and Demetrius relieved it, and pardoned the inhabitants. The loss of his possessions in Asia recalled him from Greece, and he established himself on the throne of Macedonia, by the murder of Alexander the son of Cassander. Here he was continually at war with the neighbouring states; and the superior power of his adversaries obliged him to leave Macedonia, after he had sat on the throne for seven years. He passed into Asia, and attacked some of the provinces of Lysimachus with various success; but famine and pestilence destroyed the greatest part of his army, and he retired to the court of Seleucus for support and assistance. He met with a kind reception, but hostilities were soon begun; and after he had gained some advantages over his son-in-law, Demetrius was totally forsaken by his troops in the field of battle, and became an easy prey to the enemy. Though he was kept in confinement by his son-in-law, yet he maintained himself like a prince, and passed his time in hunting and in every laborious exercise. His son Antigonus offered Seleucus all his possessions, and even his person, to procure his father’s liberty; but all proved unavailing, and Demetrius died in the 54th year of his age, after a confinement of three years, 286 B.C. His remains were given to Antigonus, and honoured with a splendid funeral pomp at Corinth, and thence conveyed to Demetrias. His posterity remained in possession of the Macedonian throne till the age of Perseus, who was conquered by the Romans. Demetrius has rendered himself famous for his fondness of dissipation when among the dissipate, and his love of virtue and military glory in the field of battle. He has been commended as a great warrior; and his ingenious inventions, his warlike engines, and stupendous machines in his war with the Rhodians, justify his claims to that perfect character. He has been blamed for his voluptuous indulgencies; and his biographer observes, that no Grecian prince had more wives and concubines than Poliorcetes. His obduracy and reverence to his father have been justly admired; and it has been observed, that Antigonus ordered the ambassadors of a foreign prince, particularly to remark the cordiality and friendship which subsisted between him and his son. Plut. in vitâ.—Diod. 17.—Justin. 1, c. 17, &c.—A prince who succeeded his father Antigonus on the throne of Macedonia. He reigned 11 years, and was succeeded by Antigonus Doson. Justin. 26, c. 2.—Polyb. 2.—A son of Philip king of Macedonia, delivered as a hostage to the Romans. His modesty delivered his father from a heavy accusation laid before the Roman senate. When he returned to Macedonia, he was falsely accused by his brother Perseus, who was jealous of his popularity, and his father too credulously consented to his death, B. C. 180. Liv. 40, c. 20.—Justin. 32, c. 2.—A Magnesian.—A servant of Cassius.—A son of Demetrius of Cyrene.—A freed man of Pompey.—A son of Demetrius, surnamed Slender.—A prince, surnamed Soter, was son of Seleucus Philopater, the son of Antiochus the Great, king of Syria. His father gave him as a hostage to the Romans. After the death of Seleucus, Antiochus Epiphanes, the deceased monarch’s brother, usurped the kingdom of Syria, and was succeeded by his son Antiochus Eupator. This usurpation displeased Demetrius, who was detained at Rome; he procured his liberty on pretence of going to hunt, and fled to Syria, where the troops received him as their lawful sovereign, B. C. 162. He put to death Eupator and Lysias, and established himself on his throne by cruelty and oppression. Alexander Bala, the son of Antiochus Epiphanes, laid claims upon the crown of Syria, and defeated Demetrius in a battle, in the 12th year of his reign. Strab. 16..—Appian.—Justin. 34, c. 3.—The 2d, surnamed Nicanor, or Conqueror, was son of Soter, to whom he succeeded by the assistance of Ptolemy Philomter, after he had driven out the usurper Alexander Bala, B. C. 146. He married Cleopatra, the daughter of Ptolemy; who was, before, the wife of the expelled monarch. Demetrius gave himself up to luxury and voluptuousness, and suffered his kingdom to be governed by his favourites. At that time a pretended son of Bala, called Diodorus Tryphon, seized a part of Syria; and Demetrius, to oppose his antagonist, made an alliance with the Jews, and marched into the east, where he was taken by the Parthians. Phraates, king of Parthia, gave him his daughter Rhodogine in marriage; and Cleopatra was so incensed at this new connection, that she gave herself up to Antiochus Sidetes, her brother-in-law, and married him. Sidetes was killed in a battle against the Parthians, and Demetrius regained the possession of his kingdom. His pride and oppression rendered him odious. 219
and his subjects asked a king of the house of Seleucus, from Ptolemy Physcon, king of Egypt; and Demetrius, unable to resist the power of his enemies, fled to Ptolemais, which was then in the hands of his wife Cleopatra. The gates were shut up against his approach by Cleopatra; and he was killed by order of the governor of Tyre, whither he had fled for protection. He was succeeded by Alexander Zebna, whom Ptolemy had raised to the throne, B. C. 127. Justin. 36, &c.—Appian. de bell. Syr.—Joseph.—The 3d, surnamed Eucerus, was son of Antiochus Gryphus. After the example of his brother Philip, who had seized Syria, he made himself master of Damascus, B. C. 93, and soon after obtained a victory over his brother. He was taken in a battle against the Parthians, and died in captivity. Joseph. 1.—Phalereus, a disciple of Theophrastus, who gained such an influence over the Athenians, by his eloquence, and the purity of his manners, that he was elected decennial archon, B. C. 317. He so embellished the city, and rendered himself so popular by his munificence, that the Athenians raised 360 brazen statues to his honour. Yet in the midst of all this popularity, his enemies raised a sedition against him, and he was condemned to death, and all his statues thrown down, after retaining the sovereign power for 10 years. He fled without concern or mortification to the court of Ptolemy Lagus, where he met with kindness and cordiality. The Egyptian monarch consulted him concerning the succession of his children; and Demetrius advised him to raise to the throne the children of Eurydice, in preference to the offspring of Berenice. This counsel so irritated Philadelphus, the son of Berenice, that after his father's death he sent the philosopher into upper Egypt, and there detained him in strict confinement. Demetrius, tired with his situation, put an end to his life by the bite of an asp, 214 B. C. According to some, Demetrius enjoyed the confidence of Philadelphus, and enriched his library at Alexandria with 200,000 volumes. All the works of Demetrius, on rhetoric, history and eloquence are lost; and the treatise on rhetoric, falsely attributed to him, is by some supposed to be the composition of Halcarnassus. The last edition of this treatise is that of Glasgow, 8vo. 1743. The last edition of this treatise is that of Glasgow, 8vo. 1743.

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DEMOCLES, a man accused of disaffection towards Dionysius, &c. Polyb. 5.—A beautiful youth, passionately loved by Demetrius Poliorketes. He threw himself into a cauldron of boiling water, rather than submit to the unnatural lusts of the tyrant. Plut. in Dem.


DEMO, a Sibyl of Cumae.

DEMOAENAS, the mother of Egielaeus.

DEMOCHARES, a celebrated physician of Crotona, son of Calliphon, and intimate with Poly- krates. He was called as a prisoner from Samos to Darius king of Persia, where he acquired great riches and much reputation by curing the king's foot, and the breast of Atossa. He was sent to Greece as a spy by the king, and fled away to Crotona, where he married the daughter of the wrestler Milo. Elian. V. I. 8, c. 18.—Herodot. 3, c. 124, &c.

DEMOCICHÆS, an Athenian sent with some of his countrymen with an embassy to Philip king of Macedonia. The monarch gave them audience: and when he asked them what he could do to please the people of Athens? Demochares replied, "Hang yourself." This impudence raised the indignation of all the hearers; but Philip mildly dismissed them, and bade them ask their countrymen, which deserved most the appellation of wise and moderate, either they who gave such ill language, or he who received it without any signs of resentment? Senec. de Ira. 3.—Elian. V. H. 3, 8, 12.—Cic. in Brut. 3. c. 317. B. C. 306.—A poet of Soli, who composed a comedy on Demetrius Poliorketes. Plut. in Dem.—A statue, which wished to make a statue of mount Athos. Vitruv.—A general of Pompey the younger, who died B. C. 36.

DEMÔCOON, a natural son of Pism, killed by Ulysses. He came from his residence at Abydos to protect his country against the Greeks. Homer. H. II. 4.

DEMOCRATÆS, an architect of Alexandria. Cic. in Brut. 4, c. 15.—An Athenian who fought on the side of Darius, against the Macedonians. Curv. 6, c. 5.

DEMOCRITO, a celebrated philosopher of Abdera, disciple to Leucippus. He travelled over the greatest part of Europe, Asia, and Africa, in quest of knowledge, and returned home in the greatest poverty. There was a law at Abdera, which deprived of the honour of a funeral the man who had reduced himself to indigence; and Democritus, to avoid ignominy, repeated before his countrymen one of his compositions called Diacomas. It was received with such uncommon applause, that he was presented with 500 talents; statues were erected in his honour; and a decree passed, that the ex-
A man of Mantinea, sent to settle the government of Cyrene. *Herodot. 4. c. 161.*

Demônica, a woman who betrayed Ephesus to Brennus. *Plut. in Parall.*

Demóphantes, a general, killed by Antigonus, &c. *Paus. 8, c. 49.*

Demóphilus, an Athenian archon. — An officer of Agathocles. *Did. 19.*

Demóphon, son of Theseus and Phedra, was king of Athens, B. C. 1182, and reigned 33 years. At his return from the Trojan war, he visited Thrace, where he was tenderly received and treated by Phyllis. He retired to Athens, and forgot the kindness and love of Phyllis, who hanged herself in despair. *Ovid. Herod. 2.—Paus. 10, c. 25.—A friend of Æneas, killed by Camilla. *Virg. En. 11, v. 675.*

Demôrion, an Athenian, who assisted the Thebans in recovering Cadmea, &c. *Did. 15.*

Demôrôsis, a son of Themistocles. *Plut. in Them.*

Demos, a place of Ithaca.

Demôsthénes, a celebrated Athenian, son of a rich blacksmith, called Demosthenes, and of Cleobule. He was but seven years of age when his father died. His guardians negligently managed his affairs, and embezzled the greatest part of his possessions. His education was totally neglected; and for whatever advances he made in learning, he was indebted to his industry and application. He became the pupil of Isæus and Plato, and applied himself to study the orations of Isocrates. At the age of 17, he gave an early proof of his eloquence and abilities against his guardians, from whom he obtained the retribution of the greatest part of his estate. His rising talents were, however, impeded by weak lungs, and a difficulty of pronunciation, especially of the letter ρ, but these obstacles were soon conquered by unwearied application. To correct the stammering of his voice, he spoke with pebbles in his mouth; and removed the distortion of his features, which accompanied his utterance, by watching the motions of his countenance in a looking-glass. That his pronunciation might be loud and full of emphasis, he frequently ran up the steepest and most uneven walks, where his voice acquired force and energy; and on the sea-shore, when the waves were uncommonly agitated, he declared aloud, to accustom himself to the noise and tumults of a public assembly. He also confined himself in a subterraneous cave, to devote himself more closely to studious pursuits; and to eradicate all curiosity of appearing in public, he shaved one half of his head. In this solitary confinement, by the help of a glistening lamp, he composed the greatest part of his orations, which have ever been the admiration of every age, though his contemporaries and rivals severely inveighed against them, and observed that they smelt of oil. His abilities, as an orator, raised him to consequence at Athens, and he was soon at the head of the government. In this public capaci-
ty he roused his countrymen from their indolence, and animated them against the encroachments of Philip of Macedonia. In the battle of Cheronaea, Demosthenes betrayed his pusillanimity, and saved his life by flight. After the death of Philip, he declared himself warmly against his son and successor, Alexander, whom he branded with the appellation of boy; and when the Macedonians demanded of the Athenians their orators, Demosthenes reminded his countrymen of the fable of the sheep which delivered their dogs to the wolves. Though he had boasted that all the gold of Macedonia could not tempt him; yet he suffered himself to be bribed by a small golden cup from Harpalus. The tumults which this occasioned, forced him to retire from Athens; and in his banishment, which he passed at Trozene and Aegina, he lived with more effeminacy than true heroism. When Antipater made war against Greece, after the death of Alexander, Demosthenes was publicly recalled from his exile, and a galley was sent to fetch him from Aegina. His return was attended with much splendour, and all the citizens crowded at the Piræus to see him land. His triumph and popularity were short. Antipater and Cratæus were near Athens, and demanded all the orators to be delivered up into their hands. Demosthenes with all his adherents fled to the temple of Neptune in Calauria; and when he saw that all hopes of safety were vanished, he took a dose of poison, which he always carried in a quill, and expired on the day that the Thesmophoria were celebrated, in the 60th year of his age, B.C. 322, the Athenians raised a brazen statue to his honour, with an inscription translated into this distich:

Si tibi par menti robur, Vir magne, fuisset Graecia non Macede succubisset hero.

Demosthenes has been deservedly called the prince of orators; and Cicero, his successful rival among the Romans, calls him a perfect model, and such as he wished to be. These two great princes of eloquence have often been compared together; but the judgment hesitates to which to give the preference. They both arrived at perfection; but the measures by which they obtained it, were diametrically opposite. Demosthenes has been compared, and with propriety, by his rival Äschines, to a Siren, from the melody of his expressions. No orator can be said to have expressed the various passions of hatred, resentment, or indignation, with more energy than he; and as a proof of his uncommon application, it need only be mentioned, that he transcribed eight or even ten times the history of Thucydides, that he might not only imitate, but possess the force and energy of the great historian. The best editions of his works are that of Wolfusc, fol. Frank. of 1604, that left unfinished by Taylor, Cantab. 4to. and that published in 12 vols. 8vo. 1720, &c. Lips. by Reiske and his widow. Many of the orations of Demosthenes have been published separately. Plut. in vita. —Diod. 16.—Cic. in Orat. &c.—Paus. 1, c. 8. 222
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DIAXEMENI, one of the Nerides. Homer II. 18.

DIACTORIDES, one of Agaristus' suitors. Herodot. 6, c. 127.

DIAXHDEMIA, the wife of Minos. Apollod. 3, c. 1.

DEXIMUS, a man killed by Glaucus in the Trojan war, &c. Homer II. 7.

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DIADEMUS, a man of Thessaly, who killed himself when his affairs became desperate. PAUL. 7, c. 16.

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DERCTHIA, now Tortosa, a town of Llyria, between Genoa and Placentia, where a Roman colony was settled. Cæc. Div. 11.

DERTOSE, now Tortosa, a town of Spain near the Ebro.

DERS, a town of Britain now Chester, on the Dee.

DERSUKELI, a people of Persia.


DEUCALION, a son of Prometheus, who married Pyrrha the daughter of Epimetheus. He reigned over part of Thessaly, and in his age the whole earth was covered with a deluge. The impity of mankind had irritated Jupiter, who resolved to destroy mankind, and immediately the earth exhibited a boundless scene of waters. The highest mountains were climbed up by the frightened inhabitants of the country; but this seeming place of security was soon overtopped by the rising waters, and no hope was left of escaping the universal calamity. Prometheus advised his son to make himself a ship, and by this means he saved himself and his wife Pyrrha. The vessel was tossed about during nine successive days, and at last stopped on the top of mount Parnasus, where Deucalion remained till the waters had subsided. Pindar and Ovid make no mention of a vessel built by the advice of Prometheus; but, according to their relation, Deucalion saved his life by taking refuge on the top of Parnassus or, according to Hyginus, of Ætna in Sicily. As soon as the waters had retired from the surface of the earth, Deucalion and his wife went to consult the oracle of Themis, and were directed to repair the loss of mankind, by throwing behind them the bones of their grandmother. This was no other than the stones of the earth; and after some hesitation about the meaning of the oracle, they obeyed. The stones thrown by Deucalion became men, and those of Pyrrha women. According to Justin, Deucalion was not the only one who escaped from the universal calamity. Many saved their lives by ascending the highest mountains, or trusting themselves in small vessels to the mercy of the waters. This deluge, which chiefly happened in Thessaly, according to the relation of some writers, was produced by the inundation of the waters of the river Peneus, whose regular course was stopped by an earthquake near mount Ossa and Olympus. According to Xenophon, there were no less than five deluges. The first happened under Ogyges, and lasted three months. The second, which was in the age of Hercules and Prometheus, continued but one month. During the third, which happened in the reign of another Ogyges, all Attica was laid waste by the waters. Thessaly was totally covered by the waters during the fourth, which happened in the age of Deucalion. The last was during the Trojan war, and its effects were severely felt by the inhabitants of Egypt. There prevailed a re-

port in Athens, that the waters of Deucalion's deluge had disappeared through a small aperture about a cubit wide, near Jupiter Olympius's temple; and Pausanias, who saw it, further adds, that a yearly offering of flour and honey was thrown into it with religious ceremony. The deluge of Deucalion, so much celebrated in ancient history, is supposed to have happened 1503 years B. C. Ovid. Met. 1, fab. 8. Heroid. 43, v. 167.—Apollod. 1, c. 7,—Paus. 1, c. 10, l. 5, c. 8,—Juvi. 1, v. 81.

Hygin. fab. 153.—Justin. 2, c. 6.—Diod. 3.—Lucian. de dea Syria.—Verg. G. 1, v. 62.—One of the Argonauts. — A son of Minos. Apollod. 3, c. 1.—A son of Abas.

DECUETIUS, a Sicilian general. Diod. 11.

DEUDORIX, one of the Chersi, led in triumph by Germanicus.

DEAXMÈNE, one of the Nerides. Homer II. 18.

DEXAMÈNUS, a man delivered by Hercules from the hands of his daughter's suitors. Apollod. 2, c. 5.—A king of Olenus in Achaia, whose two daughters married the sons of Actor. Paus. 5, c. 3.

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still extant, which was written in golden letters in a temple of Minerva. He saw his three sons crowned the same day at Olympia, and died through excess of joy. Cic. Tuscul. 5.

—Plut. in Pet.—Paus. 6, c. 7.

Dialis, a priest of Jupiter at Rome, first instituted by Numa. Dionys. 2.—Liv. 1, c. 20.

Diallus, an Athenian, who wrote an history of all the memorable occurrences of his age.

Diastigmaticus, a festival at Sparta in honour of Diana Orthia, which received that name απο του μαγγου, from whipping, because boys were whipped before the altar of the goddess. These boys, called Bomenice, were originally free-born Spartans; but, in the more delicate ages, they were of mean birth, and generally of a slavish origin. This operation was performed by an officer in a severe and unfeeling manner; and that no compassion should be raised, the priest stood near the altar with a small light statue of the goddess, which suddenly became heavy and insupportable if the lash of the whip was more lenient or less rigorous. The parents of the children attended the solemnity, and exhorted them not to commit any thing, either by fear or groans, that might be unworthy of Laconian education. These flagellations were so severe, that the blood gushed in profuse torrents, and many expired under the lash of the whip without uttering a groan, or betraying any marks of fear. Such a death was reckoned very honourable, and the corpse was buried with much solemnity, with a garland of flowers on its head. The origin of this festival is unknown. Some suppose, that Lycurgus first instituted it to inure the youths of Lacedaemon to bear labour and fatigue, and render th-m insensible to pain and wounds. Others maintain, that it is a mitigation of an oracle, which ordered that human blood should be shed on Diana's altar; and, according to their opinion, Orestes first introduced that barbarous custom, after he had brought the statue of Diana Taurica into Greece. There is another tradition which mentions, that Pausanias, as he was offering prayers and sacrifices to the gods, before he engaged with Mardonius, was suddenly attacked by a number of Lydians, who disturbed the sacrifice, and were at last repelled with staves and stones, the only weapons with which the Lacedaemonians were provided at that moment. In commemoration of this, therefore, that whipping of boys was instituted at Sparta, and after that the Lydian procession.

Diana, the goddess of hunting. According to Cicero, there were three of this name: a daughter of Jupiter and Proserpine, who became mother of Cupid; a daughter of Jupiter and Latona, and a daughter of UPis and Glauc. The second is the most celebrated, and to her all the ancients allude. She was born at the same birth as Apollo; and the pains which she saw her mother suffer during her labour, gave her such an aversion to murder, that she obtained of her father to live in perpetual celibacy, and to preside over the travails of women. To shun the society of men, she devoted herself to hunting, and was always accompanied by a number of chosen virgins, who, like herself, abjured the use of marriage. She is represented with a quiver, and attended with dogs, and sometimes drawn in a chariot by two white stags. Sometimes she appears with wings, holding a lion in one hand, and a panther in the other, with a chariot drawn by two heifers, or two horses of different colours. She is represented taller by the head than her attendant nymphs, her face has something manly, her legs are bare, well shaped, and strong, and her feet are covered with a buskin, worn by huntresses among the ancients. She received many surnames, particularly from the places where her worship was established, and from the functions over which she presided. She was called Lucina, Nythia, or Juno Pronuba, when invoked by women in child-bed, and Trivia when worshiped in the cross-ways, where her statues were generally erected. She was supposed to be the same as the moon, and Proserpine or Hecate, and from that circumstance she was called Triformis; and some of her statues-represented her with three heads, that of a horse, a dog, and a boar. Her power and functions, under these three characters, have been beautifully expressed in these two verses:

Terret, lustrat, agit, Proserpina, Luna, Diana,
Luna, suprema, feras, sectra, fulgere, sagittat.

She was also called Agrotera, Orthia, Tau-rica, Delia, Cynthia, Aricia, &c. She was supposed to be the same as the Isis of the Egyptians, whose worship was introduced into Greece with that of Osiris under the name of Apollo. When Typhon waged war against the gods Diana, metamorphosed herself into a cat, to avoid his fury. She is generally known in the figures that represent her, by the crescent on her head, by the dogs which attend her, and by her hunting habit. The most famous of her temples was that of Ephesus, which was one of the seven wonders of the world. [Vid. Ephemus.] She was there represented with a great number of breasts, and other symbols which signified the earth or Cybele. Though she was the patroness of chastity, yet she forgot her dignity to enjoy the company of Endymion, and the very familiar favours which she granted to Pan and Orion are well known. [Vid. En-dymion, Pan, Orion.] The inhabitants of Taurica were particularly attached to the worship of this goddess, and they cruelly offered on her altar all the strangers that were shipwrecked on their coasts. Her temple in Aricia was served by a priest who had always murdered his predecessor, and the Lacedaemonians yearly offered her human victims till the age of Lycurgus, who changed this barbarous custom for the sacrifice of flagellation. The Athenians generally offered her goats, and others a white aid, and some-
times a boar plq, or an ox. Among plants the poppy and the ditamy were sacred to her. She, as well as her brother Apollo, had some oracles, among which those of Egypt, Cilicia, and Ephesus, are the most known. Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 155. Met. 3, v. 156. l. 7, v. 94 & 194, &c.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3.—Horat. 3, od. 22.—Virg. G. 3, v. 392. En. 1, v. 505.—Homer. od. 5.—Paus. 8, c. 31 & 37.—Catull. Stat. 3.—Sibyll. 1, v. 57.—Apollod. 1, c. 4, &c. l. 3, c. 5, &c.

DIANA, the mother of Lycurgus. Plut. in Lyco.

DIANA, festivals in honour of Jupiter at Athens. They received their name απο του Δικευα τυς αυτης, from Jupiter and misfortune, because, by making application to Jupiter, men obtained relief from their misfortunes, and were delivered from dangers. During this festival, things of all kinds were exposed to sale.

DICCA & DICKARCHS, a town of Italy. Iul. 13, v. 385.

DICKAR, an Athenian, who was supernaturally apprised of the defeat of the Persians in Greece. Herodot. 8, c. 65.

DICE, one of the Horse, daughters of Jupiter. Apollod. 1, c. 3.

DICKARCHS, a Messenian famous for his knowledge of philosophy, history, and mathematics. He was one of Aristotle's disciples. Nothing remains of his numerous compositions. He had composed an history of the Spartan republic, which was publicly read over every year by order of the magistrates, for the improvement and instruction of youth.

DICNEUS, an Egyptian philosopher in the age of Augustus, who travelled into Scythia, where he ingratiated himself with the king of the country, and by his instructions softened the wildness and rusticity of his manners. He also gained such an influence over the multitude, that they all destroyed the vines which grew in their country, to prevent the riot of dissipation, which the wine occasioned among them. He wrote all his maxims and his laws in a book, that they might not lose the benefit of them after his death.

DICOMAS, a king of the Getae. Plut. in Anton.

DICTE & DICTEUS MONS, a mountain of Crete. The island is often known by the name of Dictaeum arva. Virg. Ec. 6. En. 3, v. 171. Jupiter was called Dictaeus, because worshipped there.

DICTAMNUS and DICYNNUS, a town of Crete, where the herb called dictamus chiefly grows. Virg. En. 12, v. 412.—Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 50.

DICTATOR, a magistrate at Rome invested with regal authority. This officer, whose magistracy seems to have been borrowed from the customs of the Albas and Latins, was first chosen during the Roman wars against the Latins. The consuls being unable to raise forces for the defence of the state, because the plebeians refused to enlist, if they were not discharged from all the duties they had contracted with the patricians, the senate found it necessary to elect a new magistrate with absolute and incontrollable power to take care of the state. The dictator remained in office for six months, after which he was again elected, if the affairs of the state seemed to be desperate; but if tranquillity was re-established he generally laid down his power before the time was expired. He knew no superior in the republic, and even the laws were subjected to him. He was called dictator, because dictus named by the consul, or quomun actis, ejus populi populus, because the people implicitly obeyed his command. He was named by the consul in the night, viva voce, and his election was confirmed by the auguries, though sometimes he was nominated or recommended by the people. As his power was absolute, he could proclaim war, levy forces, conduct them against an enemy, and disband them at pleasure. He punished as he pleased; and from his decision there was no appeal, at least till later times. He was, preceded by 24 lictors, with the fasces; during his administration, all other officers, except the tribunes of the people, were suspended, and he was made the master of the republic. But amidst all this independence, he was not permitted to go beyond the borders of Italy, and he was always obliged to march on foot in his expeditions; and he never could ride in difficult and arduous marches, without previously obtaining a formal leave from the people. He was chosen only when the state was in imminent dangers from foreign enemies or inward seditions. In the time of a pestilence, a dictator was sometimes elected, as also to hold the comitia, or to celebrate the public festivals, to hold trials, to choose senators, or drive a nail in the capitol, by which superstitious ceremony, the Romans believed that a plague could be averted, or the progress of an enemy stopped. This office, so respectable and illustrious in the first ages of the republic, became odious by the perpetual usurpations of Sylla and J. Caesar; and after the death of the latter, the Roman senate, on the motion of the consul Antony passed a decree, which for ever after forbid a dictator to exist in Rome. The dictator, as soon as elected, chose a subordinate officer, called his master of horse, magister equitum. This officer was respectable, but he was totally subservient to the will of the dictator, and could do nothing without his express order, though he enjoyed the privilege of using a horse, and had the same insignia as the praetors. This subordination, however, was sometime after removed; and during the second Punic war, the master of the horse was invested with a power equal to that of the dictator. A second dictator was also chosen for the election of magistrates at Rome after the battle of Cannæ. The dictatorship was originally confined to the patricians, but the plebeians were afterwards admitted to share it. Titius Lartius Flavius was the first dictator.
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DICTYDENSES, certain inhabitants of mount Athos. Thucyd. 5, c. 82.

DICTYNA, a nymph of Crete, who first in-
vented hunting nets. She was one of Diana's attendants, and for that reason the goddess is often called Dictyna. Some have supposed that Minos pursued her, and to that to avoid his importunities, she threw herself into the sea, and was caught in fishermen's nets, diktyva, whence her name. There was a festival at Sparta in honour of Diana, called Dictynnia. Pauf. 2, c. 30. 1. 3, c. 12. — A city of Crete.

DICTYS, a Cretan, who went with Idome-
neus to the Trojan war. It is supposed that he wrote an history of this celebrated war, and that at his death he ordered it to be laid in his tomb, where it remained till a violent earth-
quake in the reign of Nero opened the monu-
ment where he had been buried. This con-
vulsion of the earth threw out his history of the Trojan war, which was found by some shepherds, and afterwards carried to Rome. This mysterious tradition is deservedly deemed fabulous; and the history of the Trojan war, which is now extant, was composed in the
15th century; according to others, in the age of Constantine, and falsely attributed to one of the followers of Idomeeneus. The edition of Dicky is by Masellus Venia, 4to. Mediol. 1477. — A king of the island of Seriphus, son of Magnes and Nays. He was made king of Seriphus by Perseus, who deposed Poly-
dectes, because he behaved with wantonness to Danae. [Vid. Polydeectis.] Apollod. 1, c. 9. 1, c. 4. — A centaur, killed at the nup-

DIDIA LEX, de Sumptibus, by Didius, A. U. C. 606, to restrain the expenses that attended public festivals and entertainments, and limit the number of guests which generally attended them, not only at Rome, but in all the pro-
vinces of Italy. By it, not only those who re-
ceived guests in these festival meetings, but the guests themselves, were liable to be fined. It was an extension of the Oppian and Fannian laws.

DIDIUS, a governor of Spain, conquered by Sertorius. Plut. in Sert. — A man who brought Caesar the head of Pompey's eldest son. Plut. — A governor of Britain, under Claudius. — Julianus, a rich Roman, who, after the murder of Pertinax, bought the empire, which the pretorians had exposed to sale, A. D. 192. His great luxury and extra-
vagance rendered him odious, and when he refused to pay the money which he had pro-
mised for the imperial purple, the soldiers re-
volted against him, and put him to death, after a short reign. Severus was made emperor after him.

Dido, called also Elisa, a daughter of Belus
king of Tyr, who married Sicheus, or Sichar-
bas, her uncle, who was priest of Hercules. Pygmialon, who succeeded to the throne of Tyre after Belus, murdered Sicheus, to get possession of the immense riches which he had; and Dido, disconsolate for the loss of her husband whom she tenderly loved, and by whom she was equally esteemed, set sail in quest of a settlement, with a number of Ty-
rians, to whom the cruelty of the tyrant be-
came odious. According to some accounts, she threw into the sea the riches of her hus-
bond, which Pygmialon so greatly desired; and by that artifice compelled the ships to fly
with her, that had come by order of the ty-
rant to obtain the riches of Sicheus. During
her voyage, Dido visited the coast of Cyprus, where she carried away 50 women, who pro-
stituted themselves on the sea-shore, and gave them as wives to her Tyrian followers. A storm drove her fleet on the African coast, and she bought of the inhabitants as much land as could be covered by a bull's hide cut into thongs. Upon this piece of land she built a citadel, called Byrsa [Vid. Byrsa]; and the increase of population, and the rising com-
merce among her subjects, soon obliged her to
enlarge her city, and the boundaries of her dominions. Her beauty, as well as the fame
of her enterprize gained her many admirers;
and her subjects wished to compel her to
marry Jarbas, king of Mauritania, who threaten
ed them with a dreadful war. Dido begged three months to give her decisive an-
swer; and during that time she erected a fu-
neral pile, as if wishing, by a solemn sacrifice, to appease the manes of Sicheus, to which she had promised eternal fidelity. When all was prepared, she stabbed herself on the
pile in the presence of her people, and by this uncommon action obtained the name of Dido, valiant woman, instead of Elisa. According to Virgil and Ovid, the death of Dido was
caused by the sudden departure of Æneas, of whom she was deeply enamoured, and whom she could not obtain as a husband. This poetical fiction represents Æneas as living in the age of Dido, and introduces an anachro-

nism of near 300 years. Dido left Phenicia
247 years after the Trojan war, or the age of Æneas, that is, about 953 years B.C. This chronological error proceeds not from the igno-

rance of the poet, but it is supported by the authority of Horace:

"Aut famam sequere, aut sili convenientiae finge."

While Virgil describes, in a beautiful episode, the desperate love of Dido, and the submit-

sion of Æneas to the will of the gods; he at the same time gives an explanation of the ha-
tred which existed between the republics of Rome and Carthage, and informs his readers
that their mutual enmity originated in their
very first foundation, and was apparently
kindled by a more remote cause than the jea-

lousy and rivalry of two flourishing empires.
Dido, after her death, was honoured as a deity by her subjects. Justin. 18, c. 4, &c. — Paterc.
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Appian. Alex.—Oros. 4. — Herodian.—Dionys.
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Diýma, a place of Miletus. Paus. 2, c. 9.—An island in the Sicilian sea. Paus. 40, c. 11.

Diýmeus, a surname of Apollo.

Diýmón, an excellent artist, famous for making suits of armour. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 359.

Diýmé, one of the Cyclades. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 469.—A city of Sicily. Id. Fast. 4, v. 475.—A place near Miletus, where the Branchidae had their famous oracle.

Diýmmu a mountain of Asia Minor.

Diýmyus, a freed man of Tiberius, &c. Tac. Ann. 6, c. 24.—A scholiast on Homer, surnamed Χαλκηστρος, flourishing B.C. 40. He wrote a number of books, which are now lost. The editions of his commentaries are, in that 2 vols. 8vo. Venet. apud Ald. 1528, and that of Paris, 8vo. 1530.

Díenes, a Spartan, who upon hearing before the battle of Thermopylae, that the Persians were so numerous that their arrows would darken the light of the sun, observed, that it would be a great convenience, for they then should fight in the shade. Herodot. 7, c. 226.

Díepitér, a surname of Jupiter, as being the father of light.

Dígentia, a small river which watered Horace's farm, in the country of the Sabines. Horat. 1, ep. 18, v. 104.

Díoma, a part of the Piraeus at Athens.

Díi, the divinities of the ancient inhabitants of the earth, were very numerous. Every object which caused terror, inspired gratitude, or bestowed affluence, received the tribute of veneration. Man saw a superior agent in the stars, the elements, or the trees, and supposed that the waters which communicated fertility to his fields and possessions, were under the influence and direction of some invisible power, inclined to favour and to benefit mankind. Thus arose a train of divinities, which imagination arrayed in different forms, and armed with different powers. They were endowed with understanding, and actuated by the same passions which daily afflict the human race, and those children of superstition were上诉ed or provoked as the imperfect being which gave them birth. Their wrath was mitigated by sacrifices and incense, and sometimes human victims bled to expiate a crime which superstition alone supposed to exist. The sun, from his powerful influence and animating nature, first attracted the notice, and aimed the adoration of the uncivilized inhabitants of the earth. The moon, also, was honoured with sacrifices, and addressed in prayers; and after immortality had been liberally bestowed on all the heavenly bodies, mankind classed among their deities the brute creation, and the cat and the sow shared equally with Jupiter himself, the father of gods and men, the devout veneration of their votaries. This immense number of deities has been divided into different classes, according to the will and pleasure of the mythologists. The Romans, generally speaking, reckoned two classes of the gods, the díi majorum gentium, or díi consulentes, and the díi minorum gentium. The former were twelve in number, six males, and six females. [Vid. Consentes.] In the class of the latter, were ranked all the gods which were worshipped in different parts of the earth. Besides these, there were some called díi selecti, sometimes classed with the twelve greater gods; these were Janus, Saturn, the Genius, the Moon, Pluto, and Bacchus. There were also some called demi-gods, that is, who deserved immortality by the greatness of their exploits, and for their uncommon services to mankind. Among these were Priapus, Vertumnus, Hercules, and those whose parents were some of the immortal gods. Besides these, all the passions, and the moral virtues, were reckoned as powerful deities, and temples were raised to a goddess of concord, peace, &c. According to the authority of Hesiod there were no less than 30,000 gods that inhabited the earth, and were guards of men, all subservient to the power of Jupiter. To these, succeeding ages have added an almost equal number; and, indeed, they were so numerous, and their functions so various, that we find temples erected, and sacrifices offered, to unknown gods. It is observable, that all the gods of the ancients have lived upon the earth as mere mortals; and even Jupiter, who was the ruler of heaven, is represented by the mythologists as a helpless child; and we are acquainted with all the particulars that attended the birth and education of Juno. In process of time, not only good and virtuous men, who had been the patrons of learning and the supporters of liberty, but also thieves and pirates, were admitted among the gods; and the Roman senate courteously granted immortality to the most cruel and abandoned of their emperors.

Díi, a people of Thrace, on mount Rhodope.

Dímassus, an island near Rhodes. Plin. 5, c. 31.

Dinaríchus, a Greek orator, son of Sostatus, and disciple to Theophratus, at Athens. He acquired much money by his compositions, and suffered himself to be bribed by the enemies of the Athenians, 807 B.C. Of 64 of his orations, only three remain. Cic. de Orat. 2, c. 53.—A Corinthian ambassador, put to death by Polyperchon. Plut. in Phoc. A native of Delos, who collected some fables in Crete, &c. Dionys. Hal.

Díndóichus, a Syracusan, who composed 14 comedies. Athian. de Anim. 6, c. 52.

Díndymus, or Ó (orum) a mountain of Phrygia, near a town of the same name, in the neighbourhood of Cyzicus. It was from this place that Cybele was called Dindymene, as her worship was established there by Jason. Strab. 12.—Stat. 1, Syriq. 1, v. 9.—Hortat. 1, od. 16, v. 5.—Virg. Æn. 9, v. 617.

Dínis, a town of Phrygia. Liv. 38, c. 5.

—A town of Gaul, now Digne.

Dínis, a general of Cassander. Dia. 19.

Díniche, the wife of Archidamus. Paus. 5, c. 10.
A man of Pharsa, who seized the supreme power at Craton. Polyen. 2. — A man who wrote an history of Argos. Plut. in Arat.

Diocreas, an architect, who finished the temple of Diana at Ephesus, after it had been burnt by Erostratus.

Diocresetes, an architect of Macedonia, who proposed to Alexander, to cut mount Athos in the form of a statue, holding a city in one hand, and in the other a bason, into which all the waters of the mountain should empty themselves. This project Alexander rejected as too chimerical, but he employed the talents of the artist in building and beautifying Alexandria. He began to build a temple in honour of Arisinoe, by order of Ptolemy Philadelpheus, in which he intended to suspend a statue of the queen by means of loadstones. His death, and that of his royal patron, prevented the execution of a work which would have been the admiration of every age. Plin. 7, c. 37. — Marcell. 22, c. 40. — Plut. in Alex.


Diönochus, a swift runner. Paus. 6, c. 1.

Diöménès, a tyrant of Syracuse. Paus. 8, c. 42.

Dion, a governor of Damascus, under Ptolemy, &c. Polyen. 4. — The father of Cliarchus, who wrote an history of Persia, in Alexander's age. He is esteemed a very authentic historian by C. Nep. in Comom. — Plut. in Alex. — Diog.

Diôsthênes, a man who made himself a statue of an Olympian victor. Paus. 6, c. 16.

Dinôstratôs, a celebrated geometer, in the age of Plato.

Diôkleas, festivals in the spring at Megara, in honour of Diocles, who died in the defence of a certain youth, to whom he was tenderly attached. There was a contention on his tomb, and the youth who gave the sweetest kiss, was publicly rewarded with a garland. Theocritus has described them in his 12 Idyll. v. 27.


Diocletiánopolis, a town of Thessaly, called so in honour of Diocletian.

Diocletianus, (Caïus Valerius Jovius) a celebrated Roman emperor, born of an obscure family in Dalmatia. He was first a common soldier, and by merit and success he gradually rose to the office of a general, and at the death of Numerian he was invested with imperial power. In this high station, he rewarded the virtues and fidelity of Maximian, who had shared with him all the subordinate offices in the army, by making him his colleague on the throne. He created two subordinate emperors, Constantius and Galerius, whom he called Caesars, whilst he claimed for himself and his colleague the superior title of Augustus. Diocletian has been celebrated for his military virtues; and though he was naturally unpolished by education and study, yet he was the friend and patron of learning and true genius. He was bold and resolute, active and diligent, and well acquainted with the arts which will endear a sovereign to his people, and make him respectable even in the eyes of his enemies. His cruelty, however, against the followers of Christianity, has been deservedly branded with the appellation of unbounded tyranny and insolent wantonness. After he had reigned 21 years in the greatest prosperity, he publicly abdicated the crown at Nicomedia, on the first of May, A. D. 304, and retired to a private station at Salona. Maximian, his colleague, followed his example, but not from voluntary choice; and when he sometime after endeavoured to rouse the ambition of Diocletian, and persuade him to reassert the imperial purple, he received for answer, that Diocletian now took more delight in cultivating his little garden, than he formerly enjoyed in a palace, when his power was extended over all the earth. He lived nine years after his abdication, in the greatest security and enjoyment at Salona, and died in the 68th year of his age. Diocletian is the first sovereign who voluntarily resigned his power: a philosophical resolution, which, in later years, was imitated by the emperor Charles the fifth of Germany.

Diôdôrus, an historian, surnamed Siculus, because he was born at Argyra in Sicily. He wrote an history of Egypt, Persia, Syria, Media, Greece, Rome, and Carthage, which was divided into 40 books, of which only 15 are extant, with some few fragments. This valuable composition was the work of an accurate enquirer, and it is said that he visited all the places of which he has made mention in his history. It was the labour of 30 years, though the greater part may be described as a judicious compilation from Berosus, Timæus, Theopompos, Callisthenes, and others. He is, however, too credulous in some of his narrations, and often wanders far from the truth. His style is neither elegant, nor too laboured; but it contains great simplicity, and unaffected correctness. He often dwells too long upon fabulous reports and trifling incidents, while events of the greatest importance to history are treated with brevity, and sometimes passed over in silence. His manner of reckoning, by the Olympiads and the Roman consuls, will be found very erroneous. This historian flourished about 44 years B. C. He spent much time at Rome, to procure information, and authenticate his historical narrations. The best edition of his works is that of Wesseling, 2 vols. fol. Amst. 1746. — A disciple of Euclid, in the age of Plato. Diog. in vit. — A comic poet. — A son of Pheznas, who with his
brothers Codrus and Anaxagoras, murdered Hegesias the tyrant of Ephesus, &c. Polygen. 6.—An Ephesian, who wrote an account of the life of Anaximander. Diog.—An orator of Sardeis, in the time of the Mithridatic war.

—A stoic philosopher, preceptor to Cicero. He lived and died in the house of his pupil, whom he instructed in the various branches of Greek literature. Cic. in Brut.—A general of Demetrius. —A writer surnamed Periagetes, who wrote a description of the earth. Plut. in Them.—An African, &c. Plut.

DIOETAS, a general of Achaia, &c. Polygen. 2.

DIOGENES, a celebrated Cynic philosopher of Sinope, banished from his country for coin- ing false money. From Sinope he retired to Athens, where he became the disciple of Antisthenes, who was at the head of the Cynics. Antisthenes at first refused to admit him into his house, and even struck him with a stick. Diogenes calmly bore the rebuke, and said, Strike me, Antisthenes, but never shall you find a stick sufficiently hard to remove me from your presence, whilst there is any thing to be learnt, any information to be gained, from your conversation and acquaintance. Such firmness recommended him to Antisthenes, and he became his most devoted pupil. He dressed himself in the garment which distinguished the Cynics, and walked about the streets with a tub on his head, which served him as a house and a place of repose. Such singularity, joined to the greatest contempt for riches, soon gained him reputation, and Alexander the Great condescended to visit the philosopher in his tub. He asked Diogenes if there was any thing in which he could gratify or oblige him. Get out of my sunshine, was the only answer which the philosopher gave. Such an independence of mind so pleased the monarch, that he turned to his courtiers, and said, I am not Alexander, I would wish to be Diogenes. He was once sold as a slave, but his magnanimity so pleased his master, that he made him the preceptor of his children, and the guardian of his estates. After a life spent in the greatest misery and indigence, he died B. C. 324, in the 90th year of his age. He ordered his body to be carelessly thrown into a ditch, and some dust to be sprinkled over it. His orders were, however, disobeyed in this particular, and his friends honoured his remains with a magnificent funeral at Corinth. The inhabitants of Sinope raised statues to his memory, and the marble figure of a dog was placed on a high column erected on his tomb. His biographer has transmitted to posterity a number of sayings remarkable for their simplicity and moral tendency. The life of Iogenes, however, shrinks from the eye of a strict examination; he boasted of his poverty, and was so arrogant, that many have observed, that the virtues of Diogenes arose from pride and vanity, not from wisdom or sound philosophy. His morals were corrupt, and he gave way to the most vicious indulgences, and his unbounded wantonness has given occasion to some to observe, that the bottom of his tub would not bear too close an examination. Diog. in vita.—Plut. in Apoph.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 36, &c.—A stoic of Babylon, disciple of Chrysippus. He went to Athens, and was sent as ambassador to Rome, with Carneades and Critolaus, 155 years before Christ. He died in the 88th year of his age, after a life of the most exemplary virtue. Cic. de offic.—A native of Apollonia, celebrated for his knowledge of philosophy and physic. He lived in the age of Anaxagoras. Diog. in vita.—Laertius, an Epicurean philosopher, born in Cilicia. He wrote the lives of the philosophers in ten books, still extant. This work contains an accurate account of the ancient philosophers, and is replete with all their anecdotes and particular opinions. It is compiled, however, without any plan, method, or precision, though much neatness and conciseness are observable through the whole. In this multifarious biography, the author does not seem particularly partial to any sect, except perhaps it be that of Pota-mon of Alexandria. Diogenes died A. D. 222. The best editions of his works are that of Meibomius, 2 vols. 4to. Amst. 1692, and that of Lips. 8vo. 1759.—A Macedonian, who betrayed Salamis to Aratus. Paus. 2, c. 8.

DIOGENIA, a daughter of Celes. Paus. 1, c. 38.—A daughter of the Cephisus, who married Erecrethus. Apoll.

DIOGENUS, a man who conspired with Dymys against Alexander. Curt. 6, c. 7.

DIOGENETUS, a philosopher, who instructed Marcus Aurelius in philosophy, and in writing dialogues.

DIOMEDES, a daughter of Phorbas, whom Achilles brought from Lemnos, to be his mistress after the loss of Briseis. Homer. II. 1.—The wife of Deion of Amycas.

DIOMEDES, a son of Tydeus and Deiphyle, was king of Aetolia, and one of the bravest of the Grecian chiefs in the Trojan war. He often engaged Hector and Æneas, and wounded Venus in the arm, and obtained much military glory. He went with Ulysses to steel the Palladium from the temple of Minerva in Troy, and assisted in murdering Rhesus, king of Thrace, and carrying away his horses. At his return from the siege of Troy, he lost his way in the midst of night, and landed in Attica, where his companions plundered the country, and lost the Trojan Palladium. During his long absence, his wife Ægiale forgot her marriage vows, and prostituted herself to Cometes, one of her servants. This lasciviousness of the queen was attributed by some to the resentment of Venus, whom Diomedes had severely wounded in a battle before Troy. The infidelity of Ægiale was highly displeasing to Diomedes. He resolved to abandon his native country which was the seat of his disgrace, and the attempts of his wife to take away his life, according to some accounts, did not a little contribute to hasten his departure. He came to that part of Italy which has been
called Magna Graecia, where he built a city, which he called Argyrrippa, and married the daughter of Daunus, the king of the country. He died there in extreme old age, or, according to a certain tradition, he perished by the hand of his father-in-law. His death was greatly lamented by his companions, who, in the excess of their grief were changed into birds resembling swans. These birds took flight into a neighbouring island in the Adriatic, and became remarkable for the tameness with which they approached the Greeks, and for the horror with which they shunnéd all other nations. They are called the birds of Diomedes. Altars were raised to Diomedes, as to a god, one of which Strabo mentions at Timavus. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 243, &c.—Ovid. Met. 14, fab. 10.—Apollod. 1, c. 8. 1, s. 7.—Hugin. fab. 97, 112, c. 113.—Paus. 2, c. 30.—A king of Tirache, son of Mars and Cyrene, who fed his horses with human flesh. It was one of the labours of Hercules to destroy them, and accordingly the hero, attended with some of his friends, attacked Diomedes, and gave him to be devoured to his own horses, which he had fed so barbarously, Diod. 4.—Paus. 3, c. 18.—Apollod. 2, c. 5.—A friend of Alcibiades. Plut. in Aleib.—A grammarian.

Dionæon, an Athenian general, &c. Thucyd. 8, c. 19.—A man of Cyzicus, in the interest of Artaxerxes. C. Nep. in Ep.

Dion, a Syracusan, son of Hipparimus, famous for his power and abilities. He was related to Dionysius, and often advised him together with the philosopher Plato, who at his request had come to reside at the tyrant's court, to lay aside the supreme power. His great popularity rendered him odious in the eyes of the tyrant, who banished him to Greece. There he collected a numerous force, and resolved to free his country from tyranny. This he easily effected on account of his uncommon popularity. He entered the port of Syracuse only in two ships, and in three days reduced under his power an empire, which had already subsisted for 50 years, and which was guarded by 500 ships of war, and 100,000 foot, and 10,000 horse. The tyrant fled to Corinth, and Dion kept the power in his own hands, fearful of the aspiring ambition of some of the friends of Dionysius. He was shamefully betrayed and murdered by one of his familiar friends, called Callicrates, or Callipus, 354 years before the Christian era, in the 55th year of his age, and four years after his return from Peloponnesus. His death was universally lamented by the Syracusans, and a monument raised to his memory, Diol. 16.—C. Nep. in vitæ.—A town of Macedonia, Paus. 9, c. 36.—Cassius, a native of Nicea in Bithynia. His father's name was Apponi- anus. He was raised to the greatest offices of state in the Roman empire by Pertinax, and his three successors. He was naturally fond of study, and he improved himself by unwearied application. He was ten years in collecting materials for an history of Rome, which he made public in 80 books, after a laborious employment of 12 years in composing it. This valuable history began with the arrival of the Greeks in Italy, down to the reign of the emperor Alexander Severus. The 34 first books are totally lost, the 20 following are mutilated, and fragments are all that we possess of the last 20. In the compilation of his extensive history, Dion proposed to himself Thucydides for a model; but he is not perfectly happy in his imitation. His style is pure and elegant, and his narrations are judiciously managed, and his reflections learned; but upon the whole he is credulous, and the bigoted slave of partiality, satire, and flattery. He inveighs against the republican principles of Brutus and Cicero, and extols the cause of Caesar. Seneca is the object of his satire, and he represents him as debauched and licentious in his morals. Dion flourished about the 250th year of the Christian era. The best edition of his works is that of Reimarus, 2 vol. fol. Hamb. 1740.—A famous Christian writer, surnamed Chrysostom, &c.

Drône, a surname of Venus, supposed to be the daughter of Jupiter and Dione. Dione, a nymph, daughter of Dereum and Doris. She was mother of Venus, by Jupiter, according to Homer and others. Hesiod, however, gives Venus a different origin. [Vid. Venus.] Virg. 3.—Æn. v. 19.—Homer. Il. 5, v. 361.—Stat. 1.—Sylv. 1, v. 86.

Dionysia, festivals in honour of Bacchus among the Greeks. Their form and solemnity were first introduced into Greece from Egypt by a certain Melampus, and it is admitted that Bacchus is the same as Isis, the Dionysia of the Greeks are the same as festivals celebrated by the Egyptians in honour of Isis. They were observed at Athens with more splendour and ceremonious superstition than in any other part of Greece. The years were numbered by their celebration, the Archon assisted at the solemnity, and the priests that officiated were honoured with the most dignified seats at the public games. At first they were celebrated with great simplicity, and the time was consecrated to mirth. It was then usual to bring a vessel of wine adorned with a vine branch, after which followed a goat, basket of figs, and the φαλαξα. The worshippers imitated in their dress and actions the poetical fictions concerning Bacchus. They clothed themselves in fawns' skins, fine linen, and mitres; they carried thyrsi, drums, pipes, and flutes, and crowned themselves with garlands of ivy, vine, &c. Some imitated Silenus, Pan, and the Satyrs, by the uncouth manner of their dress and their fantastical motions. Some rode upon asses, and others drove the goats to slaughter for the sacrifice. In this manner both sexes joined in the solemnity, and ran about the hills and country, nodding their heads, dancing in ridiculous postures, and filling the air with hideous shrieks and shouts, and crying aloud, 'Evoc Bacche! Io! Io! Evoc! Iacche! Io Bacche! Evo! With such solemnities were the festivals of Bacchus celebrated by the
Greeks, particularly the Athenians. In one of these there followed a number of persons carrying sacred vessels, one of which contained water. After these came a select number of noble virgins carrying little baskets of gold filled with all sorts of fruit. This was the most mysterious part of the solemnity. Serpents were sometimes put in the baskets, and by their wreathing and crawling out they amused and astonished the beholders. After the virgins followed a company of men carrying poles, at the end of which were fastened φαλάκροι. The heads of these men, who were called φαλλοφόροι, were crowned with ivy and violets, and their faces covered with other herbs. They marched singing songs upon the occasion of the festivals called φαλαίκα αράματα. Next to the φαλλοφόροι followed the ὑψιβάλλοι in women's apparel, with white striped garments reaching to the ground; their heads were decked with garlands, and on their hands they wore gloves composed of flowers. Their gestures and actions were like those of a drunken man. Besides these, there were a number of persons called λεικοφόροι, who carried the λεικόν or mystical vin of Bacchus; without their attendance none of the festivals of Bacchus were celebrated with due solemnity, and on that account the god is often called λεικωτής. The festivals of Bacchus were almost innumerable. The name of the most celebrated was the Dionysia ἄρχαωτερα at Limnae in Attica. The chief persons that officiated were fourteen women called γεραστέραι venerable. They were appointed by one of the archons, and before their appointment they solemnly took an oath before the archon or his wife, that their body was free from all pollution. The greater Dionysia, sometimes called αἴτια τα κατ’ αὐν, as being celebrated within the city, were the most famous. They were supposed to be the same as the preceding. The less Dionysia, sometimes called τα κατ’ αγροὺς, because celebrated in the country, or ληραία from ληρός a wine press, were to all appearance a preparation for the greater festivals. They were celebrated in autumn. The Dionysia βασιλικόν observed at Brauron in Attica were a scene of lewdness, extravagance, and debauchery. The Dionysia νυκτήλα were observed by the Athenians in honour of Bacchus Nycteius. It was unlawful to reveal whatever was seen or done during the celebration. The Dionysia called ωμοφαγία, because human victims were offered to the god, or because the priests imitated the eating of raw flesh, were celebrated with much solemnity. The priests put serpents in their hair, and by the wildness of their looks and the oddity of their actions they feigned insanity. The Dionysia ἀρακέων were yearly observed in Arcadia, and the children who had been instructed in the music of Philoxenus and Timotheus were introduced in a theatre, where they celebrated the festivals of Bacchus by entertaining the spectators with songs, dances, and different exhibitions. There were besides these, others of inferior note. There was also one observed every three years, called Dionysia πρωτηγία, and it is said that Bacchus instituted it himself in commemoration of his Indian expedition, in which he spent three years. There is also another, celebrated every fifth year, as mentioned by the scholiast of Aristophanes. All these festivals in honour of the god of wine were celebrated by the Greeks with great licentiousness, and they contributed much to the corruption of morals in all ranks of people. They were also introduced into Tuscany, and from thence to Rome. Among the Romans both sexes promiscuously joined in the celebration during the darkness of night. The drunkenness, the debauchery, and impure actions and indulgences, which soon prevailed at the solemnity, called aloud for the interference of the senate, and the consuls, Sp. Posthumius Albinus and Q. Marcus Philippus, made a strict examination concerning the propriety and superstitious forms of the Bacchanalia. The disorder and pollution, which was practised with impunity by no less than 7,000 votaries of either sex, was beheld with horror and astonishment by the consuls, and the Bacchanalia were for ever banished from Rome by a decree of the senate. They were again re instituted there in length of time, but not with such licentiousness as before.


DIONYSIA, a fountain. Paus. 4, c. 36.

DIONYSIDES, a tragic poet of Tarsus.


DIONYSIUS, a temple of Bacchus in Attica. Paus. 1, c. 43.

DIONYSIUS, or the elder, son of Hermocrates. He signalized himself in the wars which the Syracusans carried on against the Carthaginians, and taking advantage of the power lodged in his hands, he made himself absolute at Syracuse. To strengthen himself in his usurpation and acquire popularity, he increased the pay of the soldiers, and recalled those that had been banished. He vowed eternal enmity against Carthage, and experienced various success in his wars against that republic. He was ambitious of being thought a poet, and his brother Theodorus was commissioned to go to Olympia, and repeat there some verses in his name, with other competitors, for the poetical prizes. His expectations were frustrated, and his poetry was received with groans and hisses. He was not, however, so unsuccessful at Athens, where a poetical prize was publicly adjudged to one of his compositions. This victory gave him more pleasure than all the victories he had ever obtained in the field of battle. His tyranny and
The cruelty at home rendered him odious in the eyes of his subjects, and he became so suspicious, that he never admitted his wife or children to his private apartments without a previous examination of their garments. He never trusted his head to a barber, but always burnt his beard. He made a subterraneous cave in a rock, said to be still extant, in the form of a human ear, which measured 80 feet in height, and 250 in length. It was called the ear of Dionysius. The sounds of this subterraneous cave were all necessarily directed to one common tympanum, which had a communication with an adjoining room, where Dionysius spent the greatest part of his time, to hear whatever was said by those whom his suspicion and cruelty had confined in the apartments above. The artists that had been employed in making this cave were all put to death by order of the tyrant, for fear of their revealing to what purposes a work of such uncommon construction was to be appropriated. His impious and sacrilegious were as conspicuous as his sanguinary credulity. He took a golden mantle from the statue of Jupiter, observing that the son of Saturn had too warm a covering for the summer, and too cold for the winter, and he placed one of wool instead. He also robbed Aesculapius of his golden beard, and plundered the temple of Proserpine. He died of an indigestion in the 63rd year of his age, B. C. 368, after a reign of 38 years. Authors are divided about the manner of his death, and some are of opinion that he died a violent death. Some suppose that this tyrant invented the catapult, an engine which proved of infinite service for the discharging of showers of darts and stones in the time of a siege. *Diod. 13, 14, &c.—Justin. 20, c. 1, &c.—Xenoph. Hist. Græc.—C. Nep. Timol.—Plut. in Dion.*—The second of that name, surnamed the younger, was son of Dionysius the 1st, by Doris. He succeeded his father as tyrant of Sicily, and by the advice of Dion his brother-in-law, he invited the philosopher Plato to his court, under whom he studied for a while. The philosopher advised him to lay aside the supreme power, and in his admonitions he was warmly seconded by Dion. Dionysius refused to consent, and soon after Plato was seized, and Dion, on an account of his great popularity, was severely abused, and his wife given in marriage to another. Such a violent behaviour was highly resented. Dion, who was banished, collected some forces in Greece, and in three days rendered himself master of Syracuse, and expelled the tyrant B. C. 357. [Vid. Dom.] Dionysius retired to Locri, where he behaved with the greatest oppression, and was ejected by the citizens. He recovered Syracuse ten years after his expulsion, but his triumph was short, and the Corinthians, under the conduct of Timoleon, obliged him to retire from the city. He fled to Corinth, where to support himself he kept a school, as Cicero observes, that he might still continue to be a tyrant; and as he could not command over men he might still exercise his power over boys. It is said that he died from an excess of joy when he heard that a tragedy of his own composition had been rewarded with a poetical prize. Dionysius was as cruel as his father, but he did not, like him, possess the art of retaining his power. This was seen and remarked by the old man, who, when he saw his son attempting to debauch the wives of some of his subjects asked him with the greatest indignation, whether he had ever heard of his having used so brutal a part in his younger days? No, answered the son, because you were not the son of a king. Well, my son, replied the old man, never shalt thou be the father of a king. *Justin. 21, c. 1, 2, &c.—Diod. 13, &c.—Elian. V. H. 9, c. 8.—Quint. 8, c. 6.—C. Nep. in Dion.—Cic. Tusc. 3, c. 5.*—An historian of Halicarnassus, who left his country, and came to reside at Rome, that he might carefully study all the Greek and Latin writers, whose compositions treated of the Roman history. He made acquaintance with all the learned of the age, and derived much information from their company and conversation. After an unremitting application during 24 years, he gave to the world his Roman antiquities in 20 books, of which only the 11 first are now extant, nearly containing the account of 312 years. His composition has been greatly valued by the ancients as well as the moderns, for the easiness of his style, the fidelity of his chronology, and the judiciousness of his remarks and criticisms. Like a faithful historian, he never mentioned any thing but what was authenticated, and totally disregarded the fabulous traditions which fill and disgrace the pages of both his predecessors and followers. To the character of the elegant historian Dionysius also added that of the eloquent orator, the critic, and the politician, as may be seen in his treatises. He lived during the Augustan age, and came to Rome about 30 years before the Christian era. The best editions of his works are that of Oxford, 2 vol. fol. 1704, and that of Reiske, 6 vols. 8vo. Lips. 1774.—A tyrant of Heraclea in Pontus in the age of Alexander the Great. After the death of the conqueror and of Perdiccas, he married Amestris, the niece of king Daris, and assumed the title of king. He was of such an uncommon corpulence that he never exposed his person in public, and when he gave audience to foreign ambassadors he always placed himself in a chair which was conveniently made to hide his face and person from the eyes of the spectators. When he was asleep, it was impossible to awake him without boring his flesh with pins. He died in the 55th year of his age. As his reign was remarkable for mildness and popularity, his death was severely lamented by his subjects. He left two sons and a daughter, and appointed his widow queen regent. A surname of Bacchus, a disciple of Cheremon.—A native of Chalcis, who wrote a book entitled *τρισος, or the origins of cities.*—A commander of the Ionian fleet against the Persians, who went to plunder Phoenicia. *Herod.


Diorvetus, a place of Arcania. Plin. 4, c. 1.

Dioscoreides, a native of Cilicia, who was physician to Antony and Cleopatra, or lived, as some suppose, in the age of Nero. He was originally a soldier, but afterwards he applied himself to study, and wrote a book upon medicinal herbs, of which the best edition is that of Saracenus, fol. Frankof. 1598. - A man who wrote an account of the republic of Lacedaemon. - A nephew of Antigonus. Diol. 19. - A Cyprian, blind of one eye, in the age of Ptolemy Philadelphus. - A disciple of Isocrates. - An astrologer, sent ambassador by J. Caesar to Achillas, &c. Cass. bell. Civ. 3, c. 109.

Dioscuri, or Sons of Jupiter, a name given to Castor and Pollux. There were festivals in their honour, called Dioscuria, celebrated by the people of Cercyra, and chiefly by the Macedonians. They were observed with much jovial festivity. The people made a free use of the gifts of Bacchus, and diverted themselves with sports, of which wrestling matches always made a part.


Diopolis, or These, a famous city of Egypt, formerly called Hecatompylos. Vid. These.

DioTIME, a woman who gave lectures upon philosophy, which Socrates attended. Plut. in Symph.

Diotimus, an Athenian skilled in maritime affairs, &c. Polyb. 5. - A stoic who flourished 85 B. C.

Diotrephees, an Athenian officer, &c. Thucyd. 3, c. 75.

Diosippes, one of the Dauidides. Apollod. 2, c. 1.


Dipææ, a place of Peloponnesus, where a battle was fought between the Arcadians and Spartans. Herodot. 9, c. 35.

Diphilas, a man sent to Rhodes by the Spartans to destroy the Athenian faction there. Diol. 14. - A governor of Babylon in the interest of Antigonus. Id. 18. - An historian.

Diphilus, an Athenian general, A. U. C. 311. - An architect so slow in finishing his works that Diphilo tardior became a proverb. Cw. ad fros. 3. - A tragic writer.

Diphoridaes, one of the Ephori at Sparta. Plut. in Ages.

Dipene, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 31.

Dipsis, a name given to Lemnos, as having two cities, Hephæstia and Myrina.

Dipsas, a river of Cilia flowing from mount Taurus. Lucan. 8, v. 255. - Dirç, the daughter of Acheron and Nox, who persecuted the souls of the guilty. They are the same as the Furies, and some suppose that they are called Furies in hell, Harpies on earth, and Dirè in heaven. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 473. l. 8, v. 701.

Dirce, a woman whom Lycus, king of Thebes, married after he had divorced Antiope. When Antiope became pregnant by Jupiter, Dirce suspected her husband of infidelity to her bed, and imprisoned Antiope, whom she tormented with the greatest cruelty. Antiope escaped from her confinement, and brought forth Amphin and Zethus on mount Citheron. When these children were informed of the cruelties to which their mother had been exposed, they besieged Thebes, put Lycus to death, and tied the cruel Dirce to the tail of a wild bull, who dragged her over rocks and precipices, and exposed her to the most poignant pains, till the gods pitied her fate, and changed her into a fountain, in the neighbourhood of Thebes. According to some accounts, Antiope was mother to Amphin and Zethus, before she was confined and exposed to the tyranny of Dirce. [Vid. Amphin, Antiope.] Propr. 3, el. 15, v. 37. - Paus. 9, c. 26. - Ælian. V. H. 12, c. 57.
Dircenia, a cold fountain of Spain near Bibilis. Martial, 1, ep. 50.

Dirpia, a surname of Juno.

Dis, a god of the Gauls, the same as Pluto, the god of hell. The inhabitants of Gaul supposed themselves descended from that deity. Cest. bell. G. 6.—Tacit. 4. Hist. c. 84.

Discordia, a malevolent deity, daughter of Nox, and sister to Nemesis, the Parce, and Death. She was driven from heaven by Jupiter, because she sowed dissensions among the gods, and was the cause of continual quarrels. When the nuptials of Peleus and Thetis were celebrated, the goddess of discord was not invited, and this seeming neglect so irritated her that she threw an apple into the midst of the assembly of the gods with the inscription of detur pulcherior. This apple was the cause of the ruin of Troy, and of infinite misfortunes to the Greeks. [Vid. Paris.] She is represented with a pale ghastly look, her garment is torn, her eyes sparkle with fire, and in her bosom she holds a dagger concealed. Her head is generally entwined with serpents, and she is attended by Bellona. She is supposed to be the cause of all the dissensions which arise upon earth, public as well as private. Virg. Æn. 8, v. 702.—Hesiod. Theog. 225.—Petronius.

Dithyrambus, a surname of Bacchus, whence the hymns sung in his honour were called Dithyrambs. Horat. 4, od. 2.

Dittani, a people of Spain.

Divi, a name chiefly appropriated to those who were made gods after death, such as heroes and warriors, or the Lares and Penates, and other domestic gods.

Divitiacus, one of the Ædui, intimate with Caesar. Cic. 1, de div.

Diurn, a town of Eubea, where there are hot baths. Plin. 31, c. 2.

Divus Fidius, a god of the Sabines, worshipped also at Rome. Dionys.

Dyillus, an Athenian historian. Dio. 16.


Doberes, a people of Peonia. Herodot. 5, c. 16.

Docilis, a gladiator at Rome, mentioned by Horat. 1, ep. 18, v. 19.

Docimus, a man of Tarentum, deprived of his military dignity by Philip, son of Amyntas, for indulging himself with hot baths. Polyan. 4.—An officer of Antigonus. Dio. 19.—An officer of Perdiccas, taken by Antigonus. Id. 18.

Dodoa, a town of Theophtria in Epirus, or, according to others, in Thessaly. There was in its neighbourhood a celebrated oracle of Jupiter. The town and temple of the god were first built by Deucalion, after the universal deluge. It was supposed to be the most ancient oracle of all Greece, and, according to the traditions of the Egyptians mentioned by Herodotus, it was founded by a dove. Two black doves, as he relates, took their flight from the city of Thebes, in Egypt, one of which flew to the temple of Jupiter Ammon, and the other to Dodona, where with a human voice they acquainted the inhabitants of the country, that Jupiter had consecrated the ground, which in future would give oracles. The extensive grove which surrounded Jupiter's temple was endowed with the gift of prophecy, and oracles were frequently delivered by the sacred oaks, and the doves which inhabited the place. This fabulous tradition of the oracular power of the doves is explained by Herodotus, who observes that some Phenicians carried away two priestesses from Egypt, one of which went to fix her residence at Dodona, where the oracle was established. It may further be observed that the fable might have been founded upon the double meaning of the word πελεκατη, which signifies doves, in most parts of Greece, while in the dialect of the Epirots it implies old women. In ancient times the oracles were delivered by the murmuring of a neighbouring fountain, but the custom was afterwards changed. Large kettles were suspended in the air near a brazen statue, which held a lash in his hand. When the wind blew strong, the statue was agitated, and struck against one of the kettles, which communicated the motion to all the rest, and raised that clattering and discordant din which continued for a while, and from which the artifice of the priests drew their predictions. Some suppose that the noise was occasioned by the shaking of the leaves and boughs of an old oak, which the superstition of the people frequently consulted, and from which they pretended to receive oracles. It may be observed with more probability that the oracles were delivered by the priests, who, by artfully concealing themselves behind the oaks, gave occasion to the superstitious multitude to believe that the trees were endowed with the power of prophecy. As the ship Argo was built with some of the oaks of Dodona, there were some beams which gave oracles to the Argonants, and warned them against the approach of calamity. Within the forest of Dodona there was a stream and a fountain of cool water, which had the power of lighting a torch as soon as it touched it. This fountain was totally dry at noon day, and was restored to its full course at midnight, from which time till the following noon it began to decrease, and at the usual hour was again deprived of its waters. The oracles of Dodona were generally delivered by women. [Vid. Dodonides.] Plin. 2, c. 103.—Herodot. 2, c. 57.—Mela, 2, c. 3.—Homer. Od. 14. Il.—Paus. 7, c. 21.—Strab. 17.—Plut. in Pyrrh.—Apollod. 1, c. 9.

Dodonèus, a surname of Jupiter, from Dodona.


Dodonèides, the priestesses who gave oracles in the temple of Jupiter in Dodona. According to some traditions, the temple was originally inhabited by seven daughters of Atlas, who nursed Bacchus. Their names were Am-brosia, Eudora, Pasithoe, Pytho, Plexaure, Coronis, Tythe, or Tyche. In the latter ages
oracles were always delivered by three old women, which custom was first established when Jupiter enjoyed the company of Dione, whom he permitted to receive divine honour in his temple at Dodona. The Boeotians were the only people of Greece who received the oracles at Dodona from men, for reasons which Strabo, I. 9, fully explains.

DOIL, a people of Arabia Felix. DOILABELLA, P. CORN. a Roman who married the daughter of Cicero. During the civil wars he warmly espoused the interest of J. Caesar, whom he accompanied at the famous battles at Pharsalia, Africa, and Munda. He was made consul by his patron, though M. Antony, his colleague, opposed it. After the death of J. Caesar, he received the government of Syria, as his province. Cassius opposed his views, and Dolabella, for violence, and for the assassination of Trebonius, one of Caesar's murderers, was declared an enemy to the republic of Rome. He was besieged by Cassius in Laodicea, and when he saw that all was lost, he killed himself, in the 27th year of his age. He was of a small stature, which gave occasion to his father-in-law to ask him once, when he entered his house, who had tied him so cleverly to his sword?—A proconsul of Africa. Another, who conquered the Gauls, Etruscans, and Boi, at the lake Vadimonis, B. C. 283. The family of the Dolabelles distinguished themselves at Rome, and one of them, L. Corn. conquered Lusitania, B. C. 99.

DOLICHON, the father of the Hebrews, &c. Verg. Er. 10, v. 696.


DOLOMENA, a country of Assyria. Strab. 16.

DOLON, a Trojan famous for his swiftness. Being sent by Hector to spy the Grecian camp by night, he was seized by Diomedes and Ulysses, to whom he revealed the situation, schemes, and resolutions of his countrymen, with the hopes of escaping with his life. He was put to death by Diomedes, as a traitor. Homer. Il. 10, v. 314.—Verg. Aen. 12, v. 349, &c.—A poet. Vid. Susarion.

DOLONCI, a people of Thrace. Herodot. 6, c. 34.

DOLOPES, a people of Thessaly, near mount Pindus. Peleus reigned there, and sent them to the Trojan war under Phoënix. They became also masters of Scyros, and, like the rest of the ancient Greeks, were fond of migration. Strab. 9.—Plut. in Cimon.

DOLOPHIA, the country of the Dolopes, near Pindus, through which the Achelous flowed.

DOLOPS, a Trojan, killed by Menelauus. Homer. Il. 15, v. 55.

DOMIBUS, a god who presided over marriage. Iuno also was called Domibus, from the power she was supposed to have in marriages.

DOMICA, a daughter of Petronius, who married the emperor Valens.

DOMITIA LEX de Religione, was enacted by Domitius Ahenobarbus, the tribune, A. U. C. 650. It transferred the right of electing priests from the college to the people.

DOMITIA LONINA, a Roman lady who boasted in her debaucheries. She was the wife of the emperor Domitian.

DOMITIANUS, Titus Flavius, son of Vespasian and Flavia Domitilla, made himself emperor of Rome, at the death of his brother Titus, whom, according to some accounts, he destroyed by poison. The beginning of his reign promised tranquillity to the people, but their expectations were soon frustrated. Domitian became cruel, and gave way to incestuous and unnatural indulgences. He commanded himself to be called God, and Lord in all the papers which were presented to him. He passed the greatest part of the day in catching flies and killing them with a bodkin, so that it was wildly answered by Vibius to a person who asked him who was with the emperor, Nobody, not even a fly. In the latter part of his reign Domitian became suspicious, and his anxieties were increased by the predictions of astrologers, but still more poignantly by the stings of remorse. He was so distrustful, even when alone, that round the terrace where he usually walked, he built a wall with shining stones, that from them he might perceive, as in a looking-glass, whether anybody followed him. All these precautions were unavailing; he perished by the hand of an assassin the 18th of September, A. D. 96, in the 43rd year of his age, and the 15th of his reign. He was the last of the 12 Caesars. He distinguished himself for his love of learning, and in a little treatise which he wrote, upon the great care which ought to be taken of the hair to prevent baldness, he displayed much taste and elegance, according to the observations of his biographers. After his death he was publicly deprived by the senate of all the honours which had been profusely heaped upon him, and even his body was left in the open air, without the honours of a funeral. This disgrace might proceed from the resentment of the senators, whom he had exposed to terror as well as to ridicule. He once assembled that august body to know in what vessel a turbot might be most conveniently dressed. At another time they received a formal invitation to a feast, and when they arrived at the palace, they were introduced into a large gloomy hall hung with black, and lighted with a few glistening tapers. In the middle was placed a number of coffins, on each of which was inscribed the name of some one of the invited senators. On a sudden a number of men burst into the room, clothed in black, with drawn swords and flaming torches; and after they had for some time terrified the guests, they permitted them to retire. Such were the amusements and cruelties of a man, who in the first part of his reign was looked
upon as the father of his people, and the re-

store of learning and liberty. Suet. in vita.—

Evrop. 7.

Domitilla, Flavia, a woman who married

Vespasian, by whom she had Titus a year after

her marriage, and 11 years after Domitian.—

A niece of the emperor Domitian, by whom

she was banished.

Domitianus, a general of Dio-

cletian in Egypt. He assumed the imperial pur-

ple at Alexandria, A. D. 288, and supported

the dignity of emperor for about two years.

He died a violent death. —Lucius. [Vid. 

Ænobarbus.] —Ca. Ænobarbus, a Roman

consul, who conquered Bititius the Gaul, and

left 20,000 of the enemy on the field of battle,

and took 3000 prisoners. —A grammarian in

the reign of Adrian. He was remarkable for his

virtues, and his melancholy disposition. —A Roman

who revolted from Antony to Au-

gustus. He was at the battle of Pharsalia,

and forced Pompey to fight by the mere force

of his ridicule. —The father of Nero, fa-

mous for his cruelties and debaucheries. Suet.

in N®r. —A tribune of the people, who con-

quered the Allobroges. Plut. —A consul,

during whose consulate, peace was concluded

with Alexander king of Epirus. Liv. 8, c. 17.

—A consul under Caligula. He wrote some

few things, now lost. —A Latin poet, called

also Marsus, in the age of Horace. He wrote

epigrams. Ovid. de Pont. 4, el. 16, v. 5.

Afer, an orator, who was preceptor to Quinti-

lian. He disgraced his talents by his adula-

tion, and by practising the arts of an informer,

under Tiberius and his successors. He was

made a consul by Nero and died A. D. 59.

Ælius Donatus, a grammarian who flour-

ished A. D. 353.

Donilus, a prince of Gallogrecia, who

assisted Pompey with 300 horsemen, against

J. Caesar.

Domica, a mountain of Thrace. Liv. 40,

c. 57.

Donyma, an island in the Ægean sea,

where green marble is found. Virg. Æn. 3, v.

125.

Dorcate, an island in the Persian gulf.

Döres, the inhabitants of Doris. Vid. Do-

ris.

Dori and Dorica, a part of Achaia near

Athens.

Doricus, an epithet applied not only to

Doris, but to all the Greeks in general. Virg.

Æn. 2, v. 27.

Dorienses, a people of Crete,—of Cyrene.

Dorius, a son of Anaxandrides, who went

with a colony into Sicily, because he could not

bear to be under his brother at home. Herto-

dot. 5, c. 42, &c.—Paus. 3, c. 3 & 16, &c.—A

son of Diogoras of Rhodes. Paus. 6, c. 7.

Dorilas, a rich Libyan prince, killed in the

court of Cepheus. Ovid. Met. 5, fab. 4.

Dorilas, a general of the great Mithri-

dates.

Dorion, a town of Peloponnesus, where

Thamyris the musician challenged the Muses

to a trial of skill. Stat. Theb. 4, v. 162.—Pro-
pert. 2, el. 22, v. 19.—Lucan. 6, v. 352.

Doris, a country of Greece, between Phocis,

Thebes, and Acrania. It received its name

from Dorus the son of Deucalion, who made a

settlement there. It was called Tetrapolis,

from the four cities of Pindus, or Dryopis,

Erineum, Cythereum, Borium, which it con-

tained. To these four some add Lileum and

Carphia, and therefore call it Hexapolis. The

name of Doris has been common to many parts

of Greece. The Dorians, in the age of Deu-

calion, inhabited Phthiotis, which they ex-

changed for Histisoeis, in the age of Dorus.

From thence they were driven by the Cad-

means, and came to settle near the town of

Pindus. From thence they passed into Dryopis,

and afterwards into Peloponnesus. Hercules

having re-established Ægimius king of Phthisia

or Doris, who had been driven from his country

by the Lapithae, the grateful king appointed

Hyllus, the son of his patron, to be his suc-

cessor, and the Heraclides marched from that

part of the country to go to recover Pelopon-

nesus. The Dorians sent many colonies into

different places, which bore the same name as

their native country. The most famous of these

is Doris in Asia Minor, of which Halicarnassus

was once the capital. This part of Asia Minor

was called Hexapolis, and afterwards Pentapo-

lis, after the exclusion of Halicarnassus. Strab.

9, &c.—Apollod. 2. —Herdot. 8, c. 31.—A

goddess of the sea, daughter of Oceanus and

Tethys. She married her brother Nereus, by

whom she had 50 daughters called Nereides.

Her name is often used to express the sea itself.


Theog. —A woman of Locri, whom Dionysius

the elder, of Sicily, married the same day with

Aristomache. Cic. Tusc. 5.

Doricus, a place of Thrace near the sea,

where Xerxes numbered his forces. Herdot. 7,

c. 59.

Dorum, a town of Peloponnesus. Paus.

4, c. 33.—One of the Danaides. Apollod.

Dorus, a mountain of Asia Minor. Paus.

6, c. 3.

Dorrenus, a comic poet of great merit

in the Augustan age. Plin. 14, c. 13.—Horat.

2, ep. 10, 173.

Dorso, C. Fabius, a Roman, who, when

Rome was in the possession of the Gauls, is-

sued from the capitol, which was then be-
sieged, to go and offer a sacrifice, which was to

be offered on mount Quirinalis. He dressed

himself in scerotal robes, and, carrying on his

shoulders the statues of his country gods,

passed through the guards of the enemy, witho

out betraying the least signs of fear. When he

had finished his sacrifice, he returned to the

capitol unmolested by the enemy, who were as-

tonished at his boldness, and did not obstruct

his passage or molest his sacrifice. Liv. 5, c.

46.

Dorus, a son of Hellen, or, according to

others, of Deucalion, who left Phthiotis, where

his father reigned, and went to make a settle-
ment with some of his companions near mount Ossa. The country was called Doris, and the inhabitants Dorians. *Herodot. 1*, c. 56, &c. —A city of Phocis, whose inhabitants are called Dorienses. *Paus. 10*, c. 24.

Dorýassus, a Spartan, father to Agesilaus.


Dóryléum and Dóryléus, a city of Phrygia. *Plin. 5*, c. 29.

Dóryläus, one of the centaurs killed by Theseus. *Ovid. Met. 12*, v. 180.

Dóryläus, a warlike person, intimate with Mithridates Evergetes, and general of the Cossians, B. C. 123. *Strab. 10*.

Dóryssus, a king of Lacedæmon, killed in a tumult. *Paus. 3*, c. 2.

Dosci, a people near the Euxine.

Doxádes, a Greek, who wrote an history of Crete. *Diod. 5*.

Dossénus. *Vid. Dor森nus. *

Dóthárás, a king of Messenia, &c. *Paus. 4*, c. 3.

Dôto, one of the Nereides. *Virg. Æn. 9*, v. 102.

Dó tus, a general of the Paphlagonians, in the army of Xerxes. *Herodot. 7*, c. 72.

Doxánder, a man mentioned by *Arist. Politi*.

Drácanus, a mountain where Jupiter took Bacchus from his thigh. *Theocrit*.

Draco, a celebrated lawyer of Athens. When he exercised the office of archon, he made a code of laws, B. C. 623, for the use of the citizens, which, on account of their severity, were said to be written in letters of blood. By them idleness was punished with as much severity as murder, and death was denounced against the one as well as the other. Such a code of rigorous laws gave occasion to a certain Athenian to ask of the legislator, why he was so severe in his punishments, and Draco gave for answer, that as the smallest transgression had appeared to him deserving death, he could not find any punishment more rigorous for more atrocious crimes. These laws were at first enforced, but they were often neglected on account of their extreme severity, and Solon totally abolished them, except that one which punished a murderer with death. The popularity of Draco was uncommon, but the gratitude of his admirers proved fatal to him. When once he appeared on the theatre, he was received with repeated applause, and the people, according to the custom of the Athenians, showed their respect to their lawyer, by throwing garments upon him. This was done in such profusion, that Draco was soon hid under them, and smothered by the too great veneration of his citizens. *Plut. in Sol.*—A man who instructed Plato in music. *Ic. de Music*.

Dráontides, a wicked citizen of Athens. *Plut. in Soph.*

Drácus, a general of the Achæans, con- 

Drances, a friend of Latinus, remarkable for his weakness and eloquence. He showed himself an obstinate opponent to the violent measures which Turnus pursued against the Trojans, &c. *Virg. Æn. 11*, v. 122.

Drangina, a province of Persia. *Diod. 17*.


Dréfæna and Dréfænum, a town of Sicily near mount Eryx, in the form of a scythe, whence its name, (δρέφανον, falc.) Anchises died there, in his voyage to Italy with his son Æneas. The Romans under Cl. Pulcher were defeated near the coast, B. C. 249, by the Carthaginian general Adherbal. *Virg. Æn. 3*, v. 707.—*Ovid. Fast. 4*, v. 474.—A promontory of Peloponnesus.

Driilo, a river of Macedonia, which falls into the Adriatic at Lissus.

Drináchus, a famous robber of Chios. When a price was set upon his head, he ordered a young man to cut it off and go and receive the money. Such an uncommon instance of generosity so pleased the Chians, that they raised a temple to his memory, and honoured him as a god, *Athen. 13*.

Drinus, a small river falling into the Save and Danube.

Drôpóides, an Athenian ambassador sent to Darius when the peace with Alexander had been violated. *Curt. 3*, c. 13.

Drios, a mountain of Arcadia.


Dromus, a surname of Apollo in Crete.

Drôpici, a people of Persia. *Herodot. 1*, c. 125.


Druentius and Druentia, a rapid river of Gaul, which falls into the Rhone between Aries and Avignon. *Sil. Ital. 3*, v. 468.—*Strab. 4*.

Druceri, a people of Thrace. *Plin. 4*, c. 11.

Druidé, the ministers of religion among the ancient Gauls and Britons. They were divided into different classes, called the Bardi, Eubages, the Vates, the Semothei, the Sarronides, and the Samothei. They were held in the greatest veneration by the people. Their life was austere and recluse from the world, their dress was peculiar to themselves, and they generally appeared with a tunic which reached a little below the knee. As the chief power was lodged in their hands, they punished as they pleased, and could declare war and make peace at their option. Their power was extended not only over private families, but they could depose magistrates and even kings, if their actions in any manner deviated from the laws of the state. They had the privilege of naming the magistrates which annually presided over the cities, and the kings were created only with their approbation. They were entrusted with the education of youth, and all religious ceremonies, festivals, and sacrifices were under their peculiar care. They taught the doctrine of the metempsychosis and believed the im-
mortality of the soul. They were professionally acquainted with the art of magic, and from their knowledge of astrology they drew omens, and saw futurity revealed before their eyes. In their sacrifices they often inomated human victims to their gods, a barbarous custom which continued long among them, and which the Roman emperors attempted to abolish to little purpose. The power and privileges which they enjoyed were beheld with admiration by their countrymen, and as their office was open to every rank and every station, there were many who daily proposed themselves as candidates to enter upon this important function. The rigour, however, and severity of a long noviciate deterred many, and few were willing to attempt a labour which enjoined them during 15 or 20 years to load their memory with the long and tedious maxims of druidical religion. Their name is derived from the Greek word δρυς, an oak, because the woods and solitary retreats were the places of their residence. Cæs. bell. G. 6, c. 13.—Plin. 16, c. 44.—Died. 5.

Drusilla Livia, a daughter of Germanicus and Agrippina, famous for her debaucheries and licentiousness. She committed incest with her brother Caligula, who was so tenderly attached to her, that in a dangerous illness he made her heiress of all his possessions, and commanded that she should succeed him in the Roman empire. She died A. D. 38, in the 23rd year of her age, and was defied by her brother Caligula, who survived her for some time.—A daughter of Agrippa king of Judea, &c.

Drusus, an unskilful historian and mean usurer, who obliged his debtors, when they could not pay him, to hear him read his compositions, to draw from them praises and flattery. Horat. 1, Sat. 3, v. 86.

Drusus, a son of Tiberius and Vipsania, who made himself famous for his intrepidity and courage in the provinces of Illyricum and Pannonia. He was raised to the greatest honours of the state by his father, but a blow which he gave to Sejanus, an audacious libertine, proved his ruin. Sejanus corrupted Livia the wife of Drusus, and in conjunction with her he caused him to be poisoned by an eunuch, A. D. 23.—A son of Germanicus and Agrippina, who enjoyed offices of the greatest trust under Tiberius. His enemy Sejanus, however, effected his ruin by his insinuations; Drusus was confined by Tiberius and deprived of all aliment. He was found dead nine days after his confinement, A. D. 33.—A son of the emperor Claudius, who died by swallowing a pear thrown in the air.—An ambitious Roman, grandfather to Cato. He was killed for his seditious conduct. Paterc. 1, c. 13.

Livius, father of Julia Augusta, was intimate with Brutus, and killed himself with him after the battle of Philippi. Paterc. 3, c. 71.—M. Livius, a celebrated Roman who renewed the proposals of the Agrarian laws, which had proved fatal to the Gracchi. He was murdered as he entered his house, though he was attended with a number of clients and Latins, to whom he had proposed the privileges of Roman citizens, B. C. 190.—Nero Claudius, a son of Tiberius Nero and Livia, adopted by Augustus. He was brother to Tiberius, who was afterwards made emperor. He greatly signalized himself in his wars in Germany and Gaul against the Rhaeti and Vindelici, and was honoured with a triumph. He died of a fall from his horse in the 30th year of his age, B. C. 9. He left three children, Germanicus Livia, and Claudius, by his wife Antonia. Dion.—M. Livius Salinator, a consul who conquered Asdrubal with his colleague Claudius Nero. Horat. 4, od. 4.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 824.—Caicus, an historian, who being one day missed from his cradle, was found the next on the highest part of the house, with his face turned towards the sun.—The plebeian family of the Drusi produced eight consuls, two censors, and one dictator. The surname of Drusus was given to the family of the Eivii, as some suppose, because one of them killed a Gaulish leader of that name. Virg. in Æn. v. 824, mentions the Drusi among the illustrious Romans, and that perhaps more particularly because the wife of Augustus was of that family.

Dryades, nymphs that presided over the woods. Oblations of milk, oil, and honey, were offered to them, and sometimes the votaries sacrificed a goat. Virg. G. 1, v. 11.

Dryantiades, a patronymic of Lycurgus, king of Thrace, son of Dryas. He cut his legs as he attempted to destroy the vines, that no libations might be made to Bacchus. Ovid. in lb. v. 345.

Dryas, a son of Hippolochus, who was father to Lycurgus. He went with Eteocles to the Theban war, where he perished. Stat. Theb. 8, v. 355.—A son of Mars, who went to the chase of the Calydonian boar. Apollod. 1, c. 8.—A centaur at the nuptials of Pirithous. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 296.—A daughter of Fanus, who so hated the sight of men, that she never appeared in public.—A son of Lycurgus, killed by his own father in a fury. Apollod. 3, c. 5.—A son of Ægyptus, murdered by his wife Eurydice. Id. 2, c. 1.

Dryma, a town of Phocis. Paus. 10, c. 33.

Drymo, a sea-nymph, one of the attendants of Cyrene. Virg. G. 4, v. 536.

Drymus, a town between Attica and Boetia.

Dryope, a woman of Lemnos, whose shape Venus, assumed to persuade all the females of the island to murder the men. Plut. 2, v. 174.—A virgin of Æchalia, whom Andromach married after she had been ravished by Apollo. She was changed into a lotus. Ovid. Met. 10, v. 331.—A nymph, mother of Tarquityus by Faunus. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 531.

Dryopelus, an anniversary day observed at Asine in Argolis, in honour of Dryope, the son of Apollo.

Dryopes, a people of Greece, near mount Eba. They afterwards passed into the Peloponnesus, where they inhabited the towns of Asine and Hermione, in Argolis. When they were driven from Asine, by the people of Argos,
they settled among the Messenians, and called a town by the name of their ancient habitation Asine. Some of their descendants went to make a settlement in Asia Minor together with the Ionians. Herodot. 1. c. 146. l. 8. c. 31.—Pas. 4. c. 34.—Virg. Aen. 4. v. 146.

Dryopis and Dryôfdas, a small country at the foot of mount Æta in Thessaly. Its true situation is not well ascertained. According to Pliny, it bordered on Epirus. It was for some time in the possession of the Hellenes, after they were driven from Histiaiotis by the Caddmeans. Herodot. 1. c. 56.

Dryops, a son of Piam.—A son of Apollo. Pas. 4. c. 34.—A friend of Æneas, killed by Claudius in Italy. Virg. Aen. 10. v. 346.

Dryphësis, the younger daughter of Darius, given in marriage to Hephæston by Alexander. Diod. 18.

Dubis, or Allduabuis, the Deus, a river of Gaul falling into the Saone.

Dubris, a town of Britain, supposed to be Doner.

Ducetius, a Sicilian general, who died B. C. 440.

Duvilla lex, was enacted by M. Duillius, a tribune, A. U. C. 304. It made it a capital crime to leave the Roman people without its tribunes, or to create any new magistrate without a sufficient cause. Liv. 3. c. 55.—Another, A. U. C. 392, to regulate what interest ought to be paid for money lent.

C. Duillius Nepos, a Roman consul, the first who obtained a victory over the naval power of Carthage, B. C. 260. He took 50 of the enemy's ships, and was honoured with a naval triumph, the first that ever appeared at Rome. The senate rewarded his valour by permitting him to have music playing and torches lighted, at the public expense, every day while he was at supper. There were some medals struck in commemoration of this victory, and there exists a column at Rome, which was erected on the occasion. Cic. de Senec. Tact. Ann. 1. c. 12.

Duilchiomon, an island of the Ionian sea, opposite the Achelous. It was part of the kingdom of Ulysses. Ovid. Trist. 1. el. 4. c. 67.—Met. 5. v. 226. R. v. 272.—Martial, 11. ep. 70. v. 8.—Virg. Ecl. 6. v. 76.

Dumbrigix, a powerful chief among the Ædui. Cass. bell. G. 1. c. 9.

Dunax, a mountain of Thrace.


Duris, an historian of Samos, who flourished B. C. 237. Strab. 1.

Duria, a large river of Spain, now called the Duero, which falls into the ocean, near modern Oporto in Portugal, after a course of nearly 300 miles. Sil. 1. v. 234.


Duroxna, a town of the Samnites.

Duvemi, two noble patricians at Rome, first appointed by Tarquin to keep the Sibylline books, which were supposed to contain the fate of the Roman empire. These sacred books were placed in the capitol, and secured in a chest under the ground. They were consulted but seldom, and only by an order of the senate, when the armies had been defeated in war, or when Rome seemed to be threatened by an invasion, or by secret seditions. These priests continued in their original institution till the year U. C. 395, when a law was proposed by the tribunes to increase the number to ten, to be chosen promiscuously from patrician and plebeian families. They were from their number called Decemviri, and some time after Sylla increased them to fifteen, known by the name of Quindecimviri. There were also certain magistrates at Rome, called Duvemiri peruelliones sine capitales. They were first created by Tullius Hostilius, for trying such as were accused of treason. This office was abolished as unnecessary, but Cicero complains of their revival by Labienus the tribune. Ora. pro. Rabir. Some of the commanders of the Roman vessels were also called Duvemviri, especially when there were two together. They were first created A. U. C. 542. There were also in the municipal towns in the provinces, two magistrates called Duvemviri municipales. They were chosen from the centurions, and their office was much the same as that of the two consuls at Rome. They were sometimes replaced by two lectors with the fasces. Their magistracy continued for five years, on which account they have been called Quindecimviri magistratus.

Dvagonadas, a Theban legislator, who abolished all nocturnal sacrifices. Cic. de leg 2. c. 15.

Dyadenses, a river in the extremities of India. Curt. 5. c. 9.

Dymék, a town of Achaia. Pas. 7. c. 17.

Dymæa, a people of Ætolia. Diod. 19.

Dymas, a Trojan who joined himself to Æneas when Troy was taken, and was at last killed by his countrymen, who took him to be an enemy because he had dressed himself in the armour of one of the Greeks he had slain Virg. Aen. 2. v. 340 & 428.—The father of Helenus. Ovid. Met. 11. v. 761.

Dymnus, one of Alexander's officers. He conspired with many of his fellow-soldiers against his master's life. The conspiracy was discovered, and Dymnus stabbed himself before he was brought before the king. Curt. 6. c. 7.

Dynamène, one of the Nereides. Homer. II. 18. v. 43.

Dynaste, a daughter of Thespis. Apollon.

Dymas, a river of Trachinia. It rises at the foot of mount Æta, and falls into the bay of Mali. Herodot. 7. c. 198.

Dystraspis, a river of Scythia. Ovid. Pont. 4. c. 10. v. 53.

Dyris, the name of mount Atlas among the inhabitants of that neighbourhood.

Dyracchium, a large city of Macedonia, bordering on the Adriatic sea. It was founded
by a colony from Corcyra B. C. 623. It was
anciently called Epidamnus. Cicero met with
a favourable reception there during his exile.
Mel. 2, c. 3. — Paus. 6, c. 10. — Plut.
Dysaules, a brother ofCeleus, who in-
stituted the mysteries of Ceres at Celea. Paus.
2, c. 14.

EANES, a man supposed to have killed
Patroclus, and to have fleed to Peleus in
Thessaly. Strab. 9.

Eanus, the name of Janus among the an-
cient Latins.

Earinus, a beautiful boy, cunnuch to Do-

Esium, a town of Achaia in Peloponnesus.
Paus. 7, c. 6.

Eusome, a festival in honour of Apollo at
Athens on the seventh day of every lunar
month. It was usual to sing hymns in honour
of the god and to carry about boughs of laurel.
—There was also another of the same name
celebrated by private families, the seventh day
after the birth of every child.

Eson, a name given to Bacchus by the
people of Nepolis. Macrob. 1, c. 18.

Esora, a town of Portugal, now Evora.

Esoratum, York in England.

Esurokes, a people of Belgium.

Esusus, one of the Baleares, which pro-
duces no hurtful animals. It is near the
coast of Spain in the Mediterranean, and
now bears the name of Ybica. Plin. 3, c. 5.
—A man engaged in the Rutulian war.
Virg. Æn. 12, v. 299.

Ebatana, (orum) the capital of Media,
and the palace of Deioces king of Media. It
was surrounded with seven walls, which rose
in gradual ascent, and were painted in seven
different colours. The most distant was the
lowest, and the innermost, which was the
most celebrated, contained the royal palace.
Parmenio was put to death there by Alex-
ander's orders, and Hephæston died there
also. Herodot. 1, c. 98.—Strab. 11.—Cart.
4, c. 5, i. 5, c. 8. i. 7, c. 10.—Did. 17.—
A town of Syria, where Cambyses gave him-
self a mortal wound when mounting on horse-
back. Herodot. 3.

Echidria, the wife of Iphitus. Paus.
5, c. 10.

Ectrà, a town of the Volsci. Lin. 2, c.
25.1. 3, c. 4.

Echocrates, a Thessalian, who offered
violence to Phægas the priestess of Apollo's
temple of Delphi. From this circumstance
a decree was made, by which no woman was
admitted to the office of priestess before the
age of fifty. Duc. 4.

Echecdamia, a town of Plocias. Paus. 10.
c. 3.

Echelatus, a man who led a colony to
Africa. Strab. 8.

Echelus, a Trojan chief, killed by Patro-
clus. Another, son of Agenor, killed by

Echembrótus, an Arcadian, who obtained
the prize at the Pythian games. Paus. 10.
c. 7.

Echémon, a son of Priam, killed by Dio-
medes. Homer. Il. 5.

Echemus, an Arcadian, who conquered
the Dorians when they endeavoured to recover
Peloponnesus, under Hyllus. Paus. 8, c. 5.
—A king of Arcadia, who joined Aris-
tomenes against the Spartans.

Echeneus, a Thracian. Homer. Od. 7.

Echephoron, one of Nestor's sons. Apollo-
. 1, c. 2.—A son of Priam. Id.—A son of
Hercules. Paus. 8, c. 24.

Echepolus, a Trojan killed by Antilochus.
Homer. Il. 4.

Echestratus, a son of Agis 1st, king of
Sparta, who succeeded his father, B. C. 1038.
Herodot. 7, c. 204.

Echelata, a fortified town in Sicily.

Echevethenses, a people of Tegea, in Ar-
cadia. Paus. 8, c. 43.

Echidna, a celebrated monster sprung from
the union of Chrysaos with Calirhoe, the
daughter of Oceanus. She is represented as a
beautiful woman in the upper parts of the body,
but as a serpent below the waist. She was
mother of Typhon, of Orthos, Cerberus, the Hydra,
&c. According to Herodotus, Hercules had
three children by her, Agathyrus, Gelonus, and
Theog.—Apollo. 2.—Paus. 8, c. 18.—Ovid.
Met. 9, v. 158.

Echidorus, a river of Thrace. Plut. 3.

Echinades, five small islands near Arcas-
nania, at the mouth of the river Achelous.
They have been formed by the inundations of
that river, and by the sand and mud which its
waters carry down, and now bear the name of
Curzolari. Plin. 2, c. 83.—Herodot. 2 c. 10.
Echiomon, a city of Thrace. 

Echinus, an island in the Ægean sea.—A town of Arcamnia,—of Phitioth. 

Echinussa, an island near Euboea, called afterwards Cimolus. Plin. 4, c. 12. 

Echion, one of those men who sprang from the dragon's teeth sown by Cadmus. He survived the fate of some of his brothers, and assisted Cadmus in building the City of Thebes. Cadmus rewarded his services by giving him his daughter Agave in marriage. He was father of Pentheus, by Ayave. He succeeded his father-in-law on the throne of Thebes, as some have imagined, and from that circumstance Thebes has been called Echionidae, and the inhabitants Echionidae. Ovid. Met. 3, v. 311. Trist. 5, el. 5, v. 53.—A son of Mercury and Antianira, who was the herald of the Argonauts. Placc. 1, v. 440.—A man who often obtained a prize in running. Ovid. Met. 8, v. 292.—A musician at Rome in Domitian's age. Jun. 6, v. 76.—A statuary.—A painter. 

Echionides, a patronymic given to Pentheus as descended from Echion. Ovid. Met. 3. 

Echionius, an epithet applied to a person born in Thebes, founded with the assistance of Echion. Virg. Æn. 12, v. 515. 

Echo, a daughter of the Air and Tellus, who chiefly resided in the vicinity of the Cephisus. She was once one of Juno's at tendants, and became the confidant of Jupiter's amours. Her loquacity however displeased Jupiter; and she was deprived of the power of speech by Juno, and only permitted to an swer to the questions which were put to her. Pan had formerly been one of her admirers, but he never enjoyed her favours. Echo, after she had been punished by Juno, fell in love with Narcissus. Ovid. Met. 3, v. 358. 

Ecnomos, a mountain of Sicily, now Licata. 

Edessa, and Edessa, a town of Syria. 

Edissa, and Aëdessa, a town of Macedonia taken by Caranus, and called Aegae, or Ægeas. Vid. Edessa. 

Edon, a mountain of Thrace, called also Edonus. From this mountain Thrace is often called Edonia. Virg. Æn. 12, v. 325.—Plin. 4, c. 11. 

Edoni, a people of Thrace, near the Scyth. Apollod. 3, c. 5. 

Ebylisc, a mountain which Sylla seized to attack the people of Chersonesus. Plut. in Syll. 

Etion, the father of Andromache, was king of Thebes in Cilicia. Hence Etionemus applied to his relations or descendants. Homer. Il. 12.—The commander of the Athenian fleet conquered by the Macedonians under Clitus, near the Echinades. Diod. 18. 

Egeid, a river of Etruria. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 610. 

Egeria, a nymph of Aricia in Italy where Diana was particularly worshipped. Egeria was courted by Numa, and according to Ovid, she became his wife. This prince frequently visited her, and that he might introduce his new laws and regulated into the state, he solemnly declared before the Roman people, that they were previously sanctified and approved by the nymph Egeria. Ovid says that Egeria was so disconsolate at the death of Numa, that she melted into tears, and was changed into a fountain by Diana. She is reckoned by many as a goddess who presided over the propagation of women, and some maintain that she is the same as Lucina or Diana. Liv. 1, c. 19.—Ovid. Met. 15, v. 547.—Virg. Æn. 7, v. 775. 

Ecesaretus, a Thessalian of Larissa, who favoured the interest of Pompey during the civil wars. Cass. 3, Cit. c. 35. 

Egesinos, a philosopher, pupil to Evander. Cit. Acad. 4, c. 6. 

Egesta, a daughter of Hippotes the Trojan. Her father exposed her on the sea, for fear of being devour by a marine monster which had waste the country. She was carried safe to Sicily, where she was ravished by the river Crinius.—A town of Sicily. Vid. Ægesta. 

Eognatia Maxima, a woman who accompanied her husband into banishment under Nero, &c Tacit. Ann. 13, c. 71. 

P. Eognatius, a crafty and perfidious Roman in the reign of Nero, who committed the greatest crimes for the sake of money. Paris Hist. 4, c. 10. 

Eion, a commercial place at the mouth of the Strymon. Paus. 8, c. 8. 

Eiones, a village of Peloponnesus. 

Eionius, a Greek killed by Hector in the Trojan war. Homer. Il. 8.—A Thracian, father to Rhesus. Id. 10. 

Elabontas, a river near Antioch. Strab. 

Elea, a town of Æolia. Paus. 9, c. 5.—An island in the Propontis. 

Eleus, a part of Epirus.—A surname of Jupiter. 

Elagabalus, the surname of the sun at Emessa. 

Elaites, a grove near Canopus in Egypt. 

Elatus, a mountain of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 41. 

Elaphëa, a surname of Diana in Elia, Id. 6, c. 22. 

Elaphus, a river of Arcadia. Id. 8, c. 36. 

Elapherdea, a festival in honour of Diana the huntress. In the celebration a cake was made in the form of a deer, elaphos, and offered to the goddess. It owed its institution to the following circumstance: when the Phocians had been severely beaten by the Thessalians, they resolved, by the persuasion of a certain Deiphantus, to raise a pile of combustible materials, and burn their wives and children, and effects, rather than submit to the enemy. This resolution was unanimously approved by the women, who decreed Deiphantus a crown for his magnanimity. When every thing was prepared, before they fired the pile, they engaged their enemies, and fought with such desperate fury, that
totally roused them, and obtained a complete victory. In commemoration of this unexpected success, this festival was instituted to Diana, and observed with the greatest solemnity.

ELAPTONIUS, a youth who conspired against Alexander. Curt. 8, c. 6.

ELARA, the mother of Tiphys, by Jupiter. Apollod. 1, c. 4.—A daughter of Orchomenus king of Arcadia. Strab. 9.

ELATEA, the largest town of Phocis, near the Cephissus. Paus. 10, c. 34.

ELATUS, one of the first Ephors of Sparta, B. C. 760. Plut. in Lyce.—The father of Ceneus. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 497.—A mountain of Asia.—Of Zacynthus.—The father of Polyphemus the Argonaut, by Hipsea. Apollod. 3, c. 9.—The son of Arcas king of Arcadia, who retired to Phocis. Id. ib.—Paus. 8, c. 4.—A king in the army of Priam, killed by Agamemnon. Homer. Il. 6.—One of Peneleos's suitors, killed by Eumeus. Homer. Od. 22.

ELAYER, a river in Gaul.

ELBA, a town of Lucania,—of Æolia.

ELICTRA, one of the Oceanides, wife of Atlas, and mother of Dardanus, by Jupiter. Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 31.—A daughter of Atlas, and Pleione. She was changed into a constellation. Apollod. 3, c. 10 & 12.—One of the Danaides. Id. 2, c. 1.—A daughter of Agamemnon king of Argos. She first incited her brother Orestes to revenge his father's death by assassinating his mother Clytemnestra. Orestes gave her in marriage to his friend Pylades, and she became mother of two sons, Strophius and Medon. Her adventures and misfortunes form one of the interesting tragedies of the poet Sophocles. Hygin. fab. 122.—Paus. 2, c. 16.—Ælian. V. H. 4, c. 26, &c.—A sister of Cadmus. Paus. 9, c. 8.—A city and river of Messenia in Peloponnesus. Paus. 4, c. 33.—One of Helen's female attendants. Id. 10, c. 25.

ELICORTA, a gate of Thebes. Paus. 9, c. 8.

ELICRIDES, islands in the Adriatic sea, which received their name from the quantity of amber, (electrum) which they produced. They were at the mouth of the Po, according to Apollonius of Rhodes, but some historians doubt of their existence. Plin. 37, c. 2.

ELICRITON, a king of Argos, son of Perseus and Andromeda. He was brother to Alcaeus, and father to Alcmena, &c. He sent his sons against the Teleboans, who had ravaged his country, and they were all killed, except Lycimnius. Upon this Electryon promised his crown and daughter in marriage to him who could undertake to punish the Teleboans for the death of his sons. Amphitryon offered himself and succeeded. Electryon inadvertently perished by the hand of his son-in-law. [Vid. Amphitryon and Alcmena.] Apollod. 2, c. 4.—Paus.

ELI, a people of Elis in Peloponnesus. They were formerly called Epei. In their country was the temple of Jupiter, where also were celebrated the Olympic games, of which they had the superintendence. Their horses were in great repute. Propert. 3, el. 9, v. 18—Paus. 5.—Lucan. 4, v. 293.

ELElus, a surname of Baccus, from the word Æleu, which the Baccalians loudly repeated during his festivals. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 19.

ELION, a village of Boeotia,—another in Phocis.

ELONTUM, a town of the Thracian Chersonesus.

ELPHANTIS, a poetess who wrote lascivious verses. Martial, 12, ep. 43. A princess by whom Danaus had two daughters. Apollod. 2.—An island in the river Nile, in Upper Egypt; with a town of the same name, which is often called Elephantina by some authors. Strab. 17.—Herodot. 209, &c.

ELPHANTOPHAGI, a people of Æthiopia.

ELPHÉNOR, one of Helen's suitors. Homer. Il. 2, v. 47.

ELÉPÔRUS, a river of Magna Gracia.

ELIUS, a city of Thrace.—A river of Media.—A king of Elis.—Paus. 5, c. 3.

ELÉUCHIA, a daughter of Thespus. Apollod.

ELEUSINIA, a great festival observed every fourth year by the Celans, Phliansians, as also by the Pheneates, Lacedaemonians, Parthians, and Cretans; but more particularly by the people of Athens, every fifth year, at Eleusis in Attica, where it was introduced by Eumolpus, B. C. 1356. It was the most celebrated of all the religious ceremonies of Greece, whence it is often called, by way of eminence, μυστηρια, the mysteries. It was so superstitiously observed, that if any one ever revealed it, it was supposed that he had called divine vengeance upon his head, and it was unsafe to live in the same house with him. Such a wretch was publicly put to an ignominious death. This festival was sacred to Ceres and Proserpine; every thing contained a mystery, and Ceres herself was known only by the name of αγνατία from the sorrow and grief (αγνατία) which she suffered for the loss of her daughter. This mysterious secrecy was solemnly observed, and enjoined to all the votaries of the goddess; and if any one ever appeared at the celebration, either intentionally, or through ignorance, without proper introduction, he was immediately punished with death. Persons of both sexes and all ages were initiated at this solemnity, and it was looked upon as so heinous a crime to neglect this sacred part of religion, that it was one of the heaviest accusations which contributed to the condemnation of Socrates. The initiated were under the more particular care of the deities, and therefore their life was supposed to be attended with more happiness and real security than other men. This benefit was not only granted during life, but it extended beyond the grave, and they were honoured with the first places in the Elysian fields, while others were left to wallow in perpetual filth and ignominy. As the benefits of expiation were so extensive, particular care was taken in examining the character of such as
were presented for initiation. Such as were guilty of murder, though against their will, and such as were convicted of witchcraft, or any heinous crime, were not admitted; and tho' the Athenians suffered none to be initiated but such as were members of their city. This regulation, which compelled Hercules, Castor, and Pollux, to become citizens of Athens, was strictly observed in the first ages of the institution; but afterwards all persons, barbarians excepted, were freely initiated. The festivals were divided into great and less mysteries. The less were instituted from the following circumstance. Hercules passed near Eleusis while the Athenians were celebrating the mysteries, and desired to be initiated. As this could not be done because he was a stranger, and as Eumolpus was unwilling to displease him on account of his great power, and the services which he had done to the Athenians, another festival was instituted without violating the laws. It was called μυστά, and Hercules was solemnly admitted to the celebration and initiated. These less mysteries were observed at Agrae near the Illusus. The greater were celebrated at Eleusis, from which place Ceres has been called Eleusinia. In later times the smaller festivals were preparatory to the greater, and no person could be initiated at Eleusis without a previous purification at Agrae. This purification they performed by keeping themselves pure, chaste, and unpolluted during nine days, after which they came and offered sacrifices and prayers, wearing garlands of flowers, called ἵμαρα, or μυστα, and having under their feet διος ἐν ἱερῷ Jupiter's skin, which was the skin of a victim offered to that god. The person who assisted was called υδραγος from υδρα water, which was used at the purification, and they themselves were called μυστα, the initiated. A year after the initiation, at the less mysteries they sacrificed a sow to Ceres, and were admitted in the greater, and the secrets of the festivals were solemnly revealed to them from which they were called υδρατοι and εὐπνητα, inspectors. The initiation was performed in the following manner. The candidates, crowned with myrtle, were admitted by night into a place called μυστικός σημεος, the mystical temple, a vast and stupendous building. As they entered the temple, they purified themselves by washing their hands in holy water, and received for admonition that they were to come with a mind pure and unbesmeared, without which the cleanliness of the body would be unacceptable. After this the holy mysteries were read to them, from a large book called περικομικα, because it was made of two stones, πετραι, suitably cemented together. After this the priest, called ἵμιντος, proposed them certain questions, to which they readily answered. After this, strange and amazing objects presented themselves to their sight; the place often seemed to quake, and to appear suddenly resplendent with fire, and immediately covered with gloomy darkness and horror. Sometimes thunders were heard, and flashes of lightning appeared on every side. At other times hideous noises and howlings were heard and the trembling spectators were alarmed by sudden and dreadful apparitions. This was called αυγομος intimation. After this the initiated were dismissed with the barbarous words of κος, ομπακια. The garments in which they were initiated, were held sacred, and of no less efficacy to avert evils than charms and incantations. From this circumstance therefore they were never left off before they were totally unfit for wear, after which they were appropriated for children, or dedicated to the goddess. The chief person that attended at the initiation was called ισπορατης, the revealer of sacred things. He was a citizen of Athens, and held his office during life, though among the Celts and Phliasians it was limited to the period of four years. He was obliged to devote himself totally to the service of the deities; his life was chaste and simple, and he usually anointed his body with the juice of hemlock, which is said, by its extreme coldness, to extinguish in a great degree the natural heat. The Hierophantes had three attendants; the first was called δαονυχος, torch-bearer, and was permitted to marry. The second was called κυρις, a eunuch. The third administered at the altar, and was called διε θυς ξωμια. The Hierophantes is said to have been a type of the powerful Creator of all things, Δαονυχος of the sun, Κυρις of Mercury, and διε θυς ξωμια of the moon. There were besides these other inferior officers, who took particular care that every thing was performed according to custom. The first of these, called βασιλις, was one of the Archons; he offered prayers and sacrifices, and took care that there was no indecency or irregularity during the celebration. Besides him there were four others called ευμεληται, curators, elected by the people. One of them was chosen from the sacred family of the Eumolpidæ, the other was one of the Ceryces, and the rest were from among the citizens. There were also ten persons who assisted at this and every other festival, called ἵμιντος, because they offered sacrifices. This festival was observed in the month Boedronion, or September, and continued nine days, from the 15th till the 23d. During that time it was unlawful to arrest any man, or present any petition, on pain of forfeiting a thousand drachmas, or, according to others, on pain of death. It was also unlawful for those who were initiated, to sit upon the cover of a well, to eat beans, mullets, or weazels. If any woman rode to Eleusis in a chariot, she was obliged by an edict of Lycurgus to pay 6000 drachmas. The design of this law was to destroy the distinction between the rich and the poorer sort of citizens. The first day of the celebration was called αυγομος, assembly, as it might be said that the worshippers first met together. The second day was called αλα ιε μυστα, to the sea, you that are initiated, because they were commanded to purify themselves by bathing
They carried E'leusis. IO.K.-Diog. perhaps were as wine, Samians of Mercury, in Greece. They were freed to partake of the torch, and chiefly a mullet, were offered; as also barley from a field of Eleusis. On the third day sacrifices, and chiefly a mullet, were offered; as also barley from a field of Eleusis. EUTHO., a country of Peloponnesus at the west of Arcadia, and north of Messenia. It runs through Bceotia, and was regarded as a part of Attica, equally distant from Megara and the Piraeus, celebrated for the festivals of Ceres. After the victory obtained by the Grecians under Pausanias over Mardonius the Persian general in the country of Platea, an altar and statue were erected to Jupiter Eleutherius, who had freed the Greeks from the tyranny of the barbarians. It was further agreed upon in a general assembly, by the advice of Aristides the Athenian, that deputies should be sent every fifth year from the different cities of Greece to celebrate Eleutheria in festivals of liberty. The Plateans celebrated also an anniversary festival in memory of those who had lost their lives in that famous battle. The celebration was thus: At break of day a procession was made with a trumpetet at the head, sounding a signal for battle. After him followed chariots loaded with myrrh, garlands, and a black bull, and certain free young men, as no signs of servility were to appear during the solemnity, because they in whose honour the festival was instituted had died in defence of their country. They carried libations of wine and milk in large-eared vessels, with jars of oil and precious ointments. Last of all appeared the chief magistrate, who, though not permitted at other times, to touch iron, or wear garments of any colour but white, yet appeared clad in purple; and taking a water-pot out of the city chamber, proceeded, through the middle of the town with a sword in his hand towards the sepulchres. There he drew water from a neighbouring spring, and washed and anointed the monuments; after which he sacrificed a bull upon a pile of wood, invoking Jupiter and infernal Mercury, and inviting to the entertainment the souls of those happy heroes who had perished in the defence of their country. After this he filled a bowl with wine, saying, I drink to those who lost their lives in the defence of the liberties of Greece. There was also a festival of the same name observed by the Samians in honour of the god of love. Slaves also, when they obtained their liberty, kept a holiday, which they called Eleutheria.


**ELIENSIS and ELIACA**, a sect of philosophers founded by Phaedon of Elis, who was originally a slave. Diog.—Strab.

**ELIMÉA**, a town of Macedonia. **Elis**, a country of Peloponnesus at the west of Arcadia, and north of Messenia. It runs...
among the coast, and is watered by the river Alpheus. The capital of the country is called Elis. It was originally governed by kings, and received its name from Eleus, one of its monarchs. Elis was famous for the horses it produced, whose celerity was so often known and tried at the Olympic games. Virg. G. 5, v. 59. —Strab. 8.—Plin. 4, c. 5.—Paus. 1.—Ovid. Met. 5, v. 494.

**ELISPHASHI**, a people of Peloponnesus. Polyb. 11.

**ELISSA**, a queen of Tyre, more commonly known by the name of Dido. *Vid. Dido*.

**ELISSUS**, a river of Elis.

**ELLOPIA**, a town of Euboea.—An ancient name of that island.

**ELÖRUS**, a river of Sicily, on the eastern coasts, called after a king of the same name.

**HERODOT.** 7, c. 145.

**ELOS**, a city of Achaia, called after a servant-maid of Athamas of the same name.

**ELOTE.** *Vid. Helote*.

**ELPÉNOR**, one of the companions of Ulysses, changed into a hog by Circe’s potions, and afterwards restored to his former shape. He fell from the top of a house where he was sleeping, and was killed. *Ovid. Met. 14, v. 252.*

—*Homer, Od. 10*.

**ELPINICE**, a daughter of Miltiades, who married a man that promised to release from confinement her brother and husband, whom the laws of Athens had made responsible for the fine imposed on his father. *C. Nep. in Cim.*

**ELÜNA**, a surname of Ceres.

**ELYCES**, a man killed by Perseus. *Ovid. Met. 5, fab. 3.*

**ELYMAIS**, a country of Persia, between the Persian gulf and Media. The capital of the country was called Elymais, and was famous for a rich temple of Lianæ, which Antiochus Epiphanes attempted to plunder. The Elymais assisted Antiochus the Great in his wars against the Romans. None of their kings were named in history. *Strabo*.

**ELYMI**, a nation descended from the Trojans, in alliance with the people of Carthage. *Paus. 10, c. 8.*


**ELYRUS**, a town of Crete. *Id. 10, c. 16.*

**ELYSIUM and ELYSIAN CAMPI**, a place or island in the infernal regions, where, according to the mythology of the ancients, the souls of the virtuous were placed after death. There happiness is complete, the pleasures are innocent and refined. Powers for ever green, delightful meadows with pleasant streams, are the most striking objects. The air is wholesome, serene, and temperate, the birds continually warble in the groves, and the inhabitants are blessed with another sun and other stars. The employment of the heroes who dwell in these regions of bliss is various; the manes of Achilles are represented as waging war with the wild beasts, while the Trojan chiefs are innocently exercising themselves in managing horses, or in handling arms. To these innocent amuse-

mements some poets have added continual feasting and revelry, and they suppose that the Elysian fields were filled with all the incontinence and voluptuousness which could gratify the low desires of the debauchee. The Elysian field were, according to some, in the fortunate islands on the coast of Africa, in the Atlantic. Others place them in the island of Leuce; and, according to the authority of Virgil, they were situate in Italy. According to Lucian, they were near the moon; or in the centre of the earth if we believe Plutarch. *Virg. En. 6, v. 636.—Homer, Od. 3.—Pindar.—Titull. 1, el. 3, v. 57.—Lucian. Plut. de Consol.*

**EMÁTHIA**, a name given anciently, and particularly by the poets, to the countries which formed the empires of Macedonia and Thessaly. *Virg. G. 1, v. 492.—Lucan. 1, v. 1.*

**EMÁTHION**, a son of Titan and Aurora, who reigned in Macedonia. The country was called Emathia from his name. Some suppose that he was a famous robber destroyed by Hercules. *Ovid. Met. 5, v. 513.—Justin. 7, c. 1.*—A man killed at the nuptials of Perseus and Andromeda. *Ovid. Met. 5, v. 100.*

**EMÁTHON**, a man killed in the wars of Turnus. *Virg. En. 9, v. 571.*

**EMÁTUM, a place of Asia, opposite Chios.**

**EMBÓLIMA, a town of India. **

**EMÉRITA, a town of Spain.**

**EMÉSSA and EMÉSSA, a town of Phoenicia.**

**EMÖDA, a mountain of India.**

**EMÉDÓCLES, a philosopher, poet, and historian of Agrigentum in Sicily, who flourished 444 B. C. He was the disciple of Telauges the Pythagorean, and warmly adopted the doctrine of transmigration. He wrote a poem upon the opinions of Pythagoras, very much commended, in which he spoke of the various bodies which nature had given him. He was first a girl, afterwards a boy, a shrub, a bird, a fish, and lastly Empedocles. His poetry was bold and animated, and his verses were so universally esteemed, that they were publicly recited at the Olympic games with those of Homer and Hesiod. He was no less remarkable for his humanity and social virtues than for his learning. He shewed himself an inveterate enemy to tyranny, and refused to become the sovereign of his country. He taught rhetoric in Sicily, and often alleviated the anxieties of his mind as well as the pains of his body with music. It is reported that his curiosity to visit the flames of the crater of Aetna, proved fatal to him. Some maintain that he wished it to be believed that he was a god, and that his death might be unknown, he threw himself into the crater, and perished in the flames. His expectations, however, were frustrated; and the volcano, by throwing up one of his sandals, discovered to the world that Empedocles had perished by fire. Others report that he lived to an extreme old age, and that he was drowned in the sea. *Horat. 1, ep. 12, v. 20.—Cic. de Ort. 1, c. 50, &c.—Diog. in vita.*

**EMÉRÁMUS, a Lacedaemonian general in the second Mess-nian war.**
Empölçus, an historian.

Empória Punicæ, certain places near the Sisæs.

Emporik, a town of Spain in Catalonia, now Amurias. Liv. 34, c. 9, el. 16, l. 26, c. 19.

Enclüdas, a son of Titan and Terra, the most powerful of all the giants who conspired against Jupiter. He was struck with Jupiter's thunders, and overwhelmed under mount Ætna. Some suppose that he is the same as Typhon. According to the poets, the flames of Ætna proceeded from the breach of Enelclus; and as often as he turned his weary side, the whole island of Sicily felt the motion, and shook from its very foundations. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 578, &c.

A son of Ægyptus.

Enchêles, a town of Illyricum, where Cadmus was changed into a serpent. Lucan. 3, 189.

Enîris, a nymph, daughter of Chiron. She married Æacus, king of Ægina, by whom she had Pelus and Telamon. Paus. 2, c. 29.—Apollod. 3, c. 12.

Enêra, a place of Æthiopia.

Enêus, a shepherd, son of Æthlius and Calycê. It is said that he required of Jupiter to grant to him to be always young, and to sleep as much as he would; whence came the proverb of Enêymón somnum dormire, to express a long sleep. Diana saw him naked as he slept on mount Latmos, and was so struck with his beauty, that she came down from heaven every night to enjoy his company. Endymion married Chromia, daughter of Itonus, by whom he had three sons, Piron, Epeus, and Æolus, and a daughter called Eurydice. The fable of Endymion's amours with Diana, or the moon, arises from his knowledge of astronomy; and as he passed the night on some high mountain, to observe the heavenly bodies, it has been reported that he was courted by the moon. Some suppose that there were two of that name, the son of a king of Ælia, and the shepherd or astronomer of Caria. The people of Heraclea maintained that Endymion died on mount Latmos, and the Eleans pretended to show his tomb at Olympia in Peloponnesus. Propert. 2, el. 13.—Cic. T. R. 1.—Jul. 10.—Theocrit. 3.—Paus. 5, c. 1, l. 6, c. 20.

Enêtô, a people near Phâphagônia.

Engêrum, a town of Sicily, freed from tyranny by Timoleon. Ital. 14, v. 230.

Eniêsæs, a people of Greece.

Eniöpeîus, a charioteer of Hector, killed by Diomedes. Homer. II. 8, v. 140.

Enipœus, a river of Thessaly, flowing near Pharsalîa. Lucan. 6, v. 373.—A river of Elis in Peloponnesus, of which Tyro the daughter of Salmoneus became enamoured. Neptune assumed the shape of the river god to enjoy the company of Tyro. Ovid. Am. 3, el. 5.

Strab.

Enisæs, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 3, c. 25.

Ennit, a town in the middle of Sicily, with a beautiful plain, where Proserpine was carried away by Pluto. Met. 2, c. 7.—Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 527.

Ennìa, a wife of Caligula, &c. Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 45.

Q. Ennîus, an ancient poet born at Rudü in Calabria. He obtained the name and privileges of a Roman citizen by his genius and the brilliancy of his learning. His style is rough and unpolished, but his defects, which are more particularly attributed to the age in which he lived, have been fully compensated by the energy of his expressions and the fire of his poetry. Quintilian warmly commends him, and Virgil has shown his merit by introducing many whole lines from the poetry of Ennîus into his own compositions, which he called pearls gathered from the dunghill. Ennîus wrote in heroic verse the annals of the Roman republic, and displayed much knowledge of the world in some dramatical and satirical compositions. He died of the gout, contracted by his frequent intoxication, about 169 years before the Christian era, in the 70th year of his age. Ennîus was intimate with the great men of his age; he accompanied Cato in his quæstorship in Sardinia, and was esteemed by him of greater value than the honours of a triumph; and Scipio on his death bed ordered his body to be buried by the side of his poetical friend. This epitaph was said to be written upon him:

Aspicite, o civis, senis Enniû insigne formâm! 
Hie vestrum pinxit maxima facta patrum.
Nemo me laetâsim decorat, neque funera fletu
Facit: cur solito vites per ora vivum.

Conscious of his merit as the first Epic poet of Rome, Ennîus bestowed on himself the appellation of the Homer of Latin. Of the tragedies, comedies, annals, and satires which he wrote, nothing remains but fragments happily collected from the quotations of ancient authors. The best edition of these is by Hasselius, 4to. Amst. 1707. Oed. 2, Tris. v. 424.—Cic. de Finibus, 1, c. 4, de Offic. 2, c. 18.—Quintil. 10, c. 1.—Laurent. 1, v. 117, &c.—C. Nep. in Cuma.

Ennömûs, a Trojan prince killed by Achilles. Homer. II. 2.

Ennôsiódôês, a surname of Neptune, terra consensu.

Enôpè, a town of Peloponnesus, near Pylos. Paus. 3, c. 25.

Enôps, a shepherd loved by the nymph Neis, by whom he had Satnîus. Homer. II. 14.—The father of Thestor.—A Trojan killed by Patrocus. II. 16.

Enôs, a maritime town of Thrace.

Enôsîchthon, a surname of Neptune.

Enôtocyctê, a nation whose ears hang down to their heels. Strab.


Entellûs, a famous athlete among the friends of Æneas. He was intimate with Eryx, and entered the lists against Dares in the funeral games of Achilîes, in Sicily. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 387, &c.

Enyliûs, a surname of Mars.
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ExyO, a sister of Mars, called by the Latins Bellona.—A daughter of Phoacis.

Eone, a daughter of Theopius. Apollod.

Eos, the name of Aurora among the Greeks, whence the eastern parts of the world are called Eoo.

Edus, one of the horses of the sun. Ovid. Met. 2, v. 153, &c.

Epaphi, one of the Cyclades, called by Aristotle Hydrussa. Plin. 4, c. 12.

Epaminondas, a famous Theban descended from the ancient kings of Boeotia. His father's name was Polyburnus. He has been celebrated for his private virtues and military accomplishments. His love of truth was so great, that he never disgraced himself by a falsehood. He formed a most sacred and inviolable friendship with Pelopidas, whose life he saved in a battle. By his advice Pelopidas delivered Thebes from the power of Lacedemon. This was the signal of war. Epaminondas was set at the head of the Theban armies, and defeated the Spartans, at the celebrated battle of Leuctra, about 371 years B.C. Epaminondas made a proper use of this victorious campaign, and entered the territories of Lacedemon with 50,000 men. Here he gained many friends and partizans; but at his return to Thebes he was seized as a traitor, for violating the laws of his country. While he was making the Theban arms victorious on every side, he neglected the law which forbade any citizen to retain in his hands the supreme power more than one month, and all his eminent services seemed unable to redeem him from death. He paid implicit obedience to the laws of his country, and only begged of his judges that it might be inscribed on his tomb that he had suffered death for saving his country from ruin. This animated reproach was felt: he was pardoned, and invested again with the sovereign power. He was successful in a war in Tessaly, and assisted the Eleans against the Lacedaemonians. The hostile armies met near Mantinea, and while Epaminondas was bravely fighting in the thickest of the enemy, he received a fatal wound in the breast, and expired exclaiming, that he died unconquered, when he heard that the Boeotians obtained the victory, in the 48th year of his age, 363 years before Christ. The Thebans severely lamented his death; in him their power was extinguished, for only during his life they had enjoyed freedom and independence among the Grecian states. Epaminondas was frugal as well as virtuous; he refused with indignation the rich presents which were offered to him by Artaxerxes, the king of Persia. He is represented by his biographer as an elegant dancer and a skilful musician, accomplishments highly esteemed among his countrymen. Plut. in Parall.—C. Nep. in citiv.—Xenoph. Quest. Graec.—Diod. 15.—Polyb. 1.

Erchall, a people of Italy.

Eraphnoktus, a freed man punished with death for assisting Nero to destroy himself. Suevit, in Ner.—A freed man of Augustus sent to spy Cleopatra. Plut.—A name assumed by Sylla.

Epaphus, a son of Jupiter and Io, who founded a city in Egypt, which he called Memphis, in honour of his wife, who was the daughter of the Nile. He had a daughter called Libya. He was worshipped as a god at Memphis. Herodot. 2, c. 153.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 699, &c.

Epsanactus a Gaul in alliance with Rome, &c. Cas. bel. G. B, c. 44.

Eperolus, a soothsayer of Messenia, who prevented Aristodemus from obtaining the sovereignty. Paus. 4, c. 9.

Erst and Elest, a people of Peloponnesus. Plin. 4, c. 5.

Ephys, a son of Endymion, brother to Paeon, who reigned in a part of Peloponnesus. His subjects were called from him Epeist. Paus. 5, c. 1.—A son of Panopeus, who was the fabricator of the famous wooden horse which proved the ruin of Troy. Verg. Aen. 2, v. 264.—Justin. 20, c. 2.—Paus. 10, c. 26.

Epheus, a city of Ionia, built, as Justin mentions, by the Amazons; or by Androclus, son of Codrus, according to Strabo; or by Ephesus, a son of the river Cayster. It is famous for a temple of Diana, which was reckoned one of the seven wonders of the world. This temple was 425 feet long, and 200 feet broad. The roof was supported by 127 columns 60 feet high, which had been placed there by so many kings. Of these columns, 36 were carved in the most beautiful manner; one of which was the work of the famous Scopas. This celebrated building was not totally completed till 290 years after its foundation, Ctesiphon was the chief architect. There was above the entrance a huge stone, which, according to Pliny, had been placed there by Diana herself. The riches which were in the temple were immense, and the goddess who presided over it was worshipped with the most awful solemnity. This celebrated temple was burnt on the night that Alexander was born, [Vid. Eratostratus] and soon after it rose from ruins with more splendour and magnificence. Alexander offered to rebuilt it at his own expense, if the Ephesians would place upon it an inscription which denoted the name of the benefactor. This generous offer was refused by the Ephesians, who observed, in the language of adulation, that it was improper that one deity should have these temples to the other. Lysimachus ordered the town of Ephesus to be called Arsinoe, in honour of his wife; but after his death the new appellation was lost, and the town was again known by its ancient name. Though modern authors are not agreed about the ancient ruins of this once famed city, some have given the barbarous name of Aiasaloue to what they conjecture to be the remains of Ephesus. Strab. 12 & 14.—Mela, 1, c. 17.—Paus. 7, c. 2.—Plut. in Alex.—Justin. 2, c. 4.—Plin. 29 & 36.—Calim in Dian.—Ptol. 5.—Cic. de Nat. D. 2.

Ermetes, a number of magistrates at Athens, 249
first instituted by Demophoon, the son of Theseus. They were reduced to the number of 51 by Draco, who, according to some, first established them. They were superior to the Areopagites, and their privileges were great and numerous. Solon, however, lessened their power, and entrusted them only with the trial of manslaughter and conspiracy against the life of a citizen. They were all more than 50 years old, and it was required that their manners should be pure and innocent, and their behaviour austere and full of gravity.

Ephialtes or Ephialtus, a giant, son of Neptune, who grew nine inches every month. [Vid. Aelous.]. An Athenian famous for his courage and strength. He fought with the Persians against Alexander, and was killed at Halicarnassus. Diod. 17. A Thracian who led a detachment of the army of Xerxes by a secret path to attack the Spartans at Thermopylae. Paus. 1, c. 4. —Hephaestus.

Ephialtes, powerful magistrates at Sparta, who were first created by Lycurgus; or, according to some, by Theopompos, B. C. 760: they were five in number. Like censors in the state, they could check and restrain the authority of the kings, and even imprison them, if guilty of irregularities. They fined Archidamus for marrying a wife of small stature, and imprisoned Agis for his unconstitutional behaviour. They were much the same as the tribunes of the people at Rome, created to watch with a jealous eye over the liberties and rights of the populace. They had the management of the public money, and were the arbiters of peace and war. Their office was annual, and they had the privilege of convening, proroguing, and dissolving the greater and less assemblies of the people. The former was composed of 9000 Spartans, all inhabitants of the city; the latter of 30,000 Lacedaemonians, inhabitants of the inferior towns and villages.

Ephorus, an orator and historian of Cumæ in Æolia, about 352 years before Christ. He was disciple to Isocrates, by whose advice he wrote an history which gave an account of all the actions and battles that had happened between the Greeks and barbarians for 750 years. It was greatly esteemed by the ancients. It is now lost. Quintil. 10, c. 1.


Epictetus, a man of Cyrene, greatly esteemed by the Athenians for his beneficence. Demost.

Epicharis, a woman accused of conspiracy against Nero. She refused to confess the associates of her guilt, though exposed to the greatest torments. Tacit. 15, Ann. c. 51.

Epicharmus, a poet and Pythagorean philosopher of Sicily, who introduced comedy at Syracuse in the reign of Hiero. His compositions were imitated by Plato. He wrote some treatises upon philosophy and medicine, and observed that the gods sold all their necessities for toil and labour. According to Aristotle and Pliny, he added the two letters χαν 9 to the Greek alphabet. He flourished about 440 years before Christ, and died in the 90th year of his age. Horat. 2, ep. 1, v. 58. —Dig. 3 & 8. —Cic. ad Attic. 1, ep. 19.

Epicles, a Trojan prince killed by Ajax. Homer, Il. 12.

Epicles, a Lacedaemonian of the family of the Eurysthenides. He was raised to the throne by his brother Cleomenes 3d, in the place of Agis, against the laws and constitution of Sparta. Paus. 2, c. 9.

Epictæs, a Milesian, servant to J. Caesar. —A poet of Ambracia. —Eliaen.

Epictetus, a Stoic philosopher of Hierapolis in Phrygia, originally the slave of Epaphroditus, the freedman of Nero. Though driven from Rome by Domitian, he returned after the emperor's death, and gained the esteem of Adrian and Marcus Aurelius. Like the Stoics, he supported the doctrine of the immortality of the soul, but he declared himself strongly against suicide, which was so warmly adopted by his sect. He died in a very advanced age. The earthen lamp of which he made use, was sold some time after his death at 3000 drachmas. His Enchiridion is a faithful picture of the Stoic philosophy; and his dissertations, which were delivered to his pupils, were collected by Arrian. His style is concise and devoid of all ornament, full of energy, and useful maxims. The value of this book is well known from the saying of the emperor Antoninus, who thanked the gods he could collect from the writings of Epictetus wherewith to conduct life with honour to himself and advantage to his country. There are several good editions of the works of Epictetus, with those of Cebes and others; the most valuable of which, perhaps, will be found to be that of Reland. Trajet. 4to. 1711; and Arrian's by Upton, 2 vols. 4to. Lond. 1739.

Epictetus, a celebrated philosopher born at Gargetium in Attica of obscure parents. He was early sent to school, where he distinguished himself by the brilliancy of his genius, and at the age of 12, when his preceptor repeated him this verse from Hesiod:


In the beginning of things the Chaos was created.

Epictetus earnestly asked him who created it? To this the teacher answered that he knew not, but only philosophers. "Then," says the youth, "philosophers henceforth shall instruct me." After having improved himself, and enriched his mind by travelling, he visited Athens, which was then crowded by the followers of Plato, the Cynics, the Peripatetics, and the Stoics. Here he established himself, and soon attracted a number of followers by
the sweetness and gravity of his manners, an
by his social virtues. He taught them that
the happiness of mankind consisted in plea-
sure, not such as arises from sensual gratifica-
tion, or from vice, but from the enjoyments of
the mind, and the sweets of virtue. This doc-
trine was warmly attacked by the philosophers
of the different sects, and particularly by the
Stoics. They observed that he disgraced the
gods by representing them as inactive, gave
up to pleasure, and unconcerned with the af-
fairs of mankind. He refuted all the accusa-
tions of his adversaries by the purity of his
morals, and by his frequent attendance on
places of public worship. When Leontium,
one of his female pupils, was accused of pro-
stituting herself to her master and to all his
disciples, the philosopher proved the falsity of
the accusation by silence and an exemplary
life. His health was at last impaired by conti-
nual labour, and he died of a retention of
urine, which long subjected him to the most
excruiating torments, and which he bore with
unparalleled fortitude. His death happened
270 years before Christ, in the 72d year of his
age. His disciples showed their respect for
the memory of their learned preceptor, by the
unanimity which prevailed among them.
While philosophers in every sect were at war
with mankind and among themselves, the fol-
lowers of Epicurus enjoyed perfect peace, and
lived in the most solid friendship. The day of
his birth was observed with universal festivity,
and during a month all his admirers gave
themselves up to mirth and innocent amuse-
ment. Of all the philosophers of antiquity,
Epicurus is the only one whose writings de-
serve attention for their number. He wrote
no less than 300 volumes, according to Dio-
genes Laertius; and Chrysippus was so jea-
losous of the fecundity of his genius, that no
sooner had Epicurus published one of his vo-
lumes, but he immediately composed one, that
he might not be overtake in the number of his
productions. Epicurus, however, ad-
vanced truths and arguments unknown before;
but Chrysippus said what others long ago had
said, without showing any thing which might
be called originality. The followers of Epi-
curus were numerous in every age and country.
This corrupted the virtuous simplicity of the
Romans; and when Cynexes spoke of the doc-
trine of the Epicureans in the Roman senate,
Fabricius entreated the gods that all the ene-
emies of the republic might become his follow-
ers. Lucretius introduced at Rome the do-
ctrines of Epicurus in a poetical composition,
and the smoothness and beauty of the poetry
contributed, with the effeminacy of the Epicu-
reans, to enervate the conquerors of the world.

EPIGENES, a Babylonian astrologer and his-
torian. Plin. 7, c. 56.

EPIGEUS, a Greek killed by Hector.

EPIGÔNI, the sons and descendants of the
Grecian heroes who were killed in the first
Theban war. The war of the Epigoni is fa-
mous in ancient history. It was undertaken
ten years after the first. The sons of those
who had perished in the first war, resolved to
avenge the death of their fathers, and marched
against Thebes, under the command of Ther-
sander; or, according to others, of Alcmæon,
the son of Amphiarus. The Argives were as-
isted by the Corinthians, the people of
Messenia, Arcadia, and Megara. The The-
bans had engaged all their neighbours in their
quarrel, as in one common cause. These twc
hostile armies met and engaged on the banks
of the Glissas. The fight was obstinate and
bloody, but victory declared for the Epigoni,
and some of the Thebans fled to Ilyricum with
Leodamas their general, while others retired
into Thebes, where they were soon besieged
and forced to surrender. In this war Ægia-
leus was the only one who was killed, and his
father Adrastus was the only one who escaped
alive in the first war. This whole war, as
Pausanias observes, was written in verse; and
Callinus, who quotes some of the verses, as-
cribes them to Homer, which opinion has been
adopted by many writers. "For my part,"
continues the geographer, "I own that next to
the Iliad and Odyssey of Homer, I have ne-
ever seen a finer poem." Paus. 9, c. 9 & 25.—Apok.
lot. 1 & 3.—Diod. 4.

EPIGÔNUS, a mathematician of Ambraicia.
Ephi and Eref, a people of Elis.

EPILARIS, a daughter of Theespis. Apoi-
lot.

EPIMELIDÉS, the founder of Corone. Paus
4, c. 34.

EPIMENÉS, a man who conspired against
Alexander's life. Curt. 8, c. 6.

EPIMENIDÉS, an epic poet of Crete, con-
temporary with Solon. His father's name was Agiasarcus. He is reckoned one of the seven wise men by those who exclude Periander from the number. While he was tending his flocks one day, he entered into a cave, where he fell asleep. His sleep continued for 57 years, according to tradition, and when he awoke he found every object so considerably altered, that he scarce knew where he was. His brother apprised him of the length of his sleep, to his great astonishment. It is supposed that he lived 289 years. After death he was revered as a god, and greatly honoured by the Athenians, whom he had delivered from a plague, and to whom he had given many good and useful counsels. He is said to be the first who built temples in the Grecian communities. C. de Div. 1.—Diog. in vitæ. Paus. 1, c. 14. —Plut. in Solon.—Val. Mar. 8, c. 13.—Strab. 10.—Plin. 7, c. 12.

Epimethus, a son of Japetus and Clymene, one of the Oceanides, who inconsolably married Pandora, by whom he had Pyrrha, the wife of Deucalion. He had the curiosity to open the box which Pandora had brought with her, [Vid. Pandora.] and from thence issued a train of evils, which from that moment have never ceased to afflict the human race. Hope was the only one which remained at the bottom of the box, not having sufficient time to escape, and it is she alone which comforts men under misfortunes. Epimetheus was changed into a monkey by the gods, and sent into the island of Pithecus. Apollod. 1, c. 2 & 7.—Hygin. fab.—Hesiad. Theog. [Vid. Prometheus.] Epimethus, a patronymic of Pyrrha, the daughter of Epimetheus. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 390.

Epichus, a son of Lycurus who received divine honours in Arcadia.

Epione, the wife of Æsculapius. Paus. 2, c. 29.


Ephiphanes, illustrius, a surname given to the Antiocuses, kings of Syria.—A surname of one of the Ptolemies, the fifth of the house of the Lagida. Strab. 17.

Ephiphanides, a bishop of Salamis, active to refute the writings of Origen; but his compositions are more valuable for the fragments which they preserve than for their own intrinsic merit. The only edition is by Dionys. Patav. 2 vols. Paris, 1622. The bishop died A. D. 403.

Epipole, a district of Syracuse, on the north side, surrounded by a wall by Dionysius, who to complete the work expeditiously, employed 60,000 men upon it, so that in 30 days he finished a wall four miles and three quarters long, and of great height and thickness. Epirus, a country situate between Macedonia, Achaia, and the Ionian sea. It was formerly governed by kings, of whom Neoptolemus, son of Achilles, was one of the first.

It was afterwards joined to the empire of Macedonia, and at last became a part of the Roman dominions. It is now called Laris. Strab. 7. —Mela. 2, c. 8.—Plut. 3, c. 14.—Plin. 4, c. 4. Epistrophus, a king of Phocis, who went to the Trojan war. Homer. II.

Epitades, a man who first violated a law of Lycurus, which forbade laws to be made. Put. in Apol. 7, c. 2. Epium, a town of Peloponnesus, on the borders of Arcadia.

Epôna, a beautiful girl, the fruit of a man's union with a mare. Epeus, a son of Neptune and Canace, who came from Thessaly to Sicily, and carried away Antiope, daughter of Nysceus king of Thebes. This rape was followed by a war, in which Nysceus and Eppeus were both killed. Paus. 2, c. 6.—Apollod. 1, c. 7, &c. —A son of Aeleus, grandson to Phbeus. He reigned at Corinth. Paus. 2, c. 1 & 3. One of the Tyrrhene sailors, who attempted to abuse Bacchus. Ovid. Met. 3, v. 619.

Epopédorix, a powerful person among the Ædui, who commanded his countrymen in their war against the Sequani. Cas. bell. G. 7, c. 67.

Erfulo, a Rutulian killed by Achates. Virg. Æn. 12, v. 439.

Epytides, a patronymic given to Periphanes, the son of Epbus, and the companion of Ascanius. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 547.

Epytus, a king of Alba. Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 44.—A king of Arcadia.—A king of Messenia, of the family of the Heraclidæ.—The father of Periphus, a herald in the Trojan war. Homer. II. 17.

Equajusta, a town of Thessaly. Equicillus, a Rutulian engaged in the wars of Æneas. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 684.

Equiria, festivals established at Rome by Romulus, in honour of Mars, when horse-races and games were exhibited in the Campus Martius. Varro de L. L. 5, c. 3.—Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 859.

Equotylicum, a little town of Apulia, to which, as some suppose, Horace alludes in this verse, 1, Sat. 5, v. 87.

"Mansuri oppidulo, versus quod dicere non est."

Eracum, an officer of Alexander, imprisoned for his cruelty. Curt.

Eraca, a city of Greece, destroyed in the age of Strabo, 3.

Erana, a small village of Cilicia, on mount Amanus. C. ad Fam. 15, ep. 4.

Erasenus, a river of Peloponnesus, flowing for a little space under the ground in Argolis. Ovid. Met. 15, v. 275.

Erasipus, a son of Hercules and Lysiappæ. Erasistratus, a celebrated physician, grandson to the philosopher Aristotle. He discovered by the motion of the pulse the love which Antiochus had conceived for his mother-in-law Stratonice, and was rewarded by 100
talents for the cure by the father of Antiochus. He was a great enemy to bleeding and violent physic. He died B. C. 257. *Val. Max.* 5, c. 7.—*Plut. in Demetr.*

EaTro, one of the Muses, who presided over lyric and tender poetry. She is represented as crowned with roses and myrtle, holding a lyre in her hand. She appears with a thoughtful and sometimes with a gay and animated look. She was invoked by lovers, especially in the month of April, which, among the Romans, was more particularly devoted to love. *Apollod.* 10.—*Virg. Æn.* 7, v. 37.—*Od. de art. am.* 2.

—One of the Nereides. *Apollod.* 1, c. 2.

—One of the Dryades, wife of Arcas, king of Arcadia. *Paus.* 8, c. 4.—One of the Danaides who married Bromius.—A queen of the Armenians, after the death of Ario-

Eratosthenes, a native of Cyrene, who was the second entrusted with the care of the Alexandria library. He dedicated his time to grammatical criticism and philosophy, but more particularly to poetry and mathematics. He had been called a second Plato, the cosmographer, and the geometer of the world. He first observed the obliquity of the ecliptic, and first found out how to measure the extent and circumference of the globe. He starved himself after he had lived to his 82d year, B. C. 194. Some few fragments remain of his com-

positions. He collected the annals of the Egyptian kings by order of one of the Ptolemies. *Cic. ad Attic.* 2, ep. 6.—*Varro de R. R.* 1, c. 2.

Eratostrus, an Ephesian who burnt the famous temple of Diana, the same night that Alexander the Great was born. This burning, as some writers have observed, was not prevented or seen by the goddess of the place, who was then present at the labours of Olympias, and at the birth of the conqueror of Persia. Eratostrus did this villainy merely to eternize his name by so uncommon an action. *Plut. in Aler.* —*Val. Max.* 8, c. 14.


Eresus, an inland town of Sicily.

Eresia, a small village of Attica, the birth-

place of Xenophon. *Loeret.* 2, c. 48.

Eresus, a deity of hell, son of Chaos and Darkness. He married Night, by whom he had the Light and the Day. The poets often used the word Eresus to signify hell itself, and particularly that part where dwelt the souls of those who had lived a virtuous life, from whence they passed into the Elysian fields. *Cic.de Nat.* D. 3, c. 17.—*Virg. Æn.* 4, v. 26.

Erechtheus, son of Pandion 1st, was the sixth king of Athens. He was father of Cleo-

crene 2d, Metion, Pandorus, and four augh-
ters, Creusa, Orithya, Procris, and Othonia, by Praxithea. In a war against Eleusia he sacri-
fied Othonia, called also Chosthina, to obtain a victory, which the oracle promised for such a sacri-
fice. In that war he killed Eumolpus, Neptune's son, who was the general of the enemy, for which he was struck with thunder by Jupiter at Neptune's request. Some say that he was drowned in the sea. After death he received divine honours at Athens. He reigned 50 years, and died B. C. 1347. According to some accounts, he first introduced the mysteries of Ceres at Eleusis. *Ovid.* 6, v. 877.—*Paus.* 2, c. 25.—*Apollod.* 3, c. 15.—*Cic.* pro Sext. 21.—*Tusc.* 1, c. 48.—*Nat.* D. 3, c. 15.

Erechtheides, a name given to the Athenians from their king Erechtheus. *Ovid. Met.* 7, v. 430.

Eremai, a people of Arabia.

Erenus, a country of Æthiopia.

Erenæa, a village of Megara. *Paus.* 1, c. 44.

Eressa, a town of Æolia.

Eresus, a town of Lesbos, where Theophrastus was born.

Erethia, a city of Eubea on the Eupirus, anciently called Melanes and Artria. It was destroyed by the Persians, and the ruins were hardly visible in the age of Strabo. It received its name from Ererius, a son of Phaeon. *Paus.* 7, c. 8, &c.—*Met.* 2, c. 7.—*Plin.* 4, c. 12.—*C. Nep. in Milit.* 4.

Erethum, a town of the Sabines near the Tiber, whence came the adjective *Eretrius.* *Virg. Æn.* 7, v. 711.

Ereuthalion, a man killed by Nestor in a war between the Pylians and Arcadians. *Homer.* H. 2.


Ergonna, a celebrated soothsayer of Etru-


Ergias, a Rhodian who wrote an history of his country.

Eronius, a king of Orchomenos, son of Clymene. He obliged the Thebans to pay him a yearly tribute of 100 oxen, because his father had been killed by a Theban. Hercules attacked his servants, who came to raise the tribute, and mutilated them; and he afterwards killed Erginus, who attempted to avenge their death by invading Boeotia with an army. *Paus.* 9, c. 17.—A river of Thrace. *Mela.* 2, c. 2.

—A son of Neptune.—One of the four brothers who kept the Acrocorthi, by order of Antigonus. *Polyen.* 6.

Erginnus, a man made master of Argos by the Argonauts, after the death of Typhius.

Erebca, a surname of Juno. *Homer.* H. 11. 5.

—The mother of Ajax Telamon.—*Sophoel.*

Eribotes, a man skilled in medicine, &c.

Erichthôn, a man of Laconia, killed by Messapus in Italy. *Virg.* Æn. 10, v. 749.

Erichtho, a Thessalian woman famous for her knowledge of poisonous herbs and medi-

Erichthonius, the fourth king of Athens, sprung from the seed of Vulcan which fell upon the ground when that god attempted to offer violence to Minerva. He was very de-
formed, and had the tails of serpents instead of legs. Minerva placed him in a basket,
which she gave to the daughters of Cecrops, with strict injunctions not to examine its contents. Aglaurus, one of the siste,s, had the curiosity to open the basket, for which the goddess punished her indiscretion by making her jealous of her sister Herse. [Vid. Herse.] Erichthon was young when he ascended the throne of Athens. He reigned 50 years, and died B. C. 1437. The invention of chariots is attributed to him, and the manner of harnessing horses to draw them. He was made a constellation after death under the name of Bootes. Ovid. Met. 2, v. 553.—Hygin. fab. 166.—Apollod. 3, c. 14.—Paus. 4, c. 2.—Virg. G. 3, v. 113.—A son of Dardanus, who reigned in Troy, and died 1374 B. C. after a long reign of about 75 years. Apollod. 3, c. 10.

ERICINUM, a town of Macedonia.

ERICUS, one of the Æolides.

ERIDANUS, one of the largest rivers of Italy, rising in the Alps and falling into the Adriatic by several mouths; now called the Po. It was in its neighbourhood that the Helidaes, the sisters of Phaeton, were changed into poplars; according to Ovid, Virgil calls it the king of all rivers. Ovid. Met. 2, fab. 3.—Paus. 1, c. 3.—Strab. 5.—Lucan. 2, v. 409.—Virg. G. 1, v. 492.

ERIONE, a daughter of Icarius, who hung herself when she heard that her father had been killed by some shepherds whom he had intoxicated. She was made a constellation, now under the name of Virgo. Bacchus deceived her by changing himself into a beautiful grape. Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 4.—Stat. 11. Theb. v. 448.—Virg. G. 1, v. 333.—Apollod. 3, c. 14.—Hygin. fab. 1 & 24.—A daughter of Ægis-thus and Clytemnestra, who had by her brother Orestes, Penthius, who shared the regal power with Timaeus, the legitimate son of Orestes and Hermione. Paus. 2, c. 18.—Patera. 1, c. 1.

ERIGONUS, a name applied to the dog-star, because looking towards Ergone, &c. Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 723.

ERIGONUS, a river of Thrace.

ERIGUS, a Mitylenean, one of Alexander's officers. Curt. 6, c. 4.

ERILUS, a philosopher of Carthage, contemporary with Zeno. Diog.

ERINDES, a river of Asia, near Parthia. Tacit. Ann. 11, c. 16.

ERINNA, a poetess intimate with Sappho.

ERINNYS, one of the Eumenides. The word signifies the angy of the mind, epus vou. [Vid. Eumenides.] Virg. Æn. 2, v. 337.—A surname of Ceres, on account of her amour with Neptune under the form of a horse. Paus. 8, c. 25.

ERIPPODES, a daughter of Medea. Paus. 2, c. 128.

ERIPHRANIS, a Greek woman famous for her poetical compositions. She was extremely fond of the hunter Melampus, and to enjoy his company, she accustomed herself to live in the woods.

ERIPHRAS, a Lacedemonian, who being sent to suppress a sedition at Heraclea, as-

sembled the people and beheaded 500 of the ringleaders. Dial. 14.

ERIPHYLE, a sister of Adrastus, king of Argos, who married Amphaiaros. She was daughter of Talanus and Lysimache. When her husband concealed himself, that he might not accompany the Argives in their expedition against Thebes, where he knew he was to perish, Eriphyle suffered herself to be bribed by Polyneices with a golden necklace, which had been formerly given to Hermione by the goddess Venus, and she discovered where Amphaiaros was. This treachery of Eriphyle compelled him to go to the war; but before he departed, he charged his son Alcmæon to murder his mother as soon as he was informed of his death. Amphaiaros perished in the expedition, and his death was no sooner known than his injunctures were obeyed, and Eriphyle was murdered by the hands of her son. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 445.—Homer. Od. 11.—Cic. in terr. 4, c. 18.—Apollod. 1, c. 9. l. 3, v. 6 & 7.—Hygin. fab. 73.—Paus. 5, c. 17.

ERAS, the goddess of discord among the Greeks. She is the same as the Discordia of the Latins. Vid. Discordia.

ERISCATHAN, a Thessalian, son of Triops, who derided Ceres and cut down her groves. This impiety irritated the goddess, who afflicted him with continual hunger. He squandered all his possessions to gratify the craving of his appetite, and at last he devoured his own limbs for want of food. His daughter had the power of transforming herself into whatever animal she pleased, and she made use of that artifice to maintain her father, who sold her; after which she assumed another shape and became again his property. Ovid. Met. fab. 18.

ERAS, a son of Acting, killed by Perseus. Ovid. Met. 5.

ERAXO, a Roman knight condemned by the people for having whipped his son to death. Serv. 1, de Clem. 14.

ERACHUS, a town of Phocis. Paus. 10, c. 3.

ERACHUS and EROPS, a king of Macedonia, who when in the cradle succeeded his father Philip 1st, B. C. 602. He made war against the Illyrians, whom he conquered. Justin. 7, c. 2.

EROS, a servant, of whom Antony demanded a sword to kill himself. Eros produced the instrument, but instead of giving it to his master he killed himself in his presence. Plut. in Anton.—A comedian. Cic. pro Rosc. A son of Chronos or Saturn, god of love. Vid. Cupido.

ERASTRATUS, Vid. Eratostratus.

ERATO, a festival in honour of Eros the god of love. It was celebrated by the Thespians every fifth year with sports and games, when musicians and others contended. If any quarrels or seditions had arisen among the people, it was then usual to offer sacrifices and pray to the god, that he would totally remove them.

ERUCOA, a town of the Volsci in Italy.

ERXIAS, a man who wrote an history of Colophon. He is perhaps the same as he who wrote an history of Rhodes.

Eryxium, a town on mount Parnasseus.

Eryxina, a surname of Venus, from mount Eryx, where she had a temple. *Horat. 1, od 2, v. 33.

Erymanthis, a surname of Callisto, as an inhabitant of Erymanthus.

Erymanthus, a mountain, river, and town of Arcadia, where Hercules killed a prodigious boar, which he carried on his shoulders to Eurystheus, who was so terrified at the sight that he hid himself in a brazen vessel. *Paus. 8, c. 24.—*Virg. *En. 6, v. 802.

Erymnes, a town of Thessaly. *Paus. 8, c. 24.—Of Magnesia.

Erymnus, a Peripatetic philosopher who flourished B. C. 126.

Eryxus, a huntsman of Cyprus.


Erythna, a town of Paphlagonia.

Erythre, a town of Asia, opposite Chios, once the residence of a Sibyl. It was built by Neleus, the son of Codrus. *Paus. 10, c. 12.

A town of Bootia. *Id. 6, c. 21.—One in Libya.—Another in Locris.

Erythrum Mare, a part of the ocean on the coast of Arabia. As it communicated with the Persian gulf, and that of Arabia or the Red sea, it has often been visited by ancient writers, who by the word Erhythreus understood indiscriminately either the Red sea or the Persian gulf. It received this name from Erythras, or from the redness (ερυθρός, ruber) of its sand or waters. *Curt. 8, c. 9.—*Plin. 6, c. 23.

Erythras, a son of Hercules. *Apollod. —A son of Persenus and Andromeda, drowned in the Red sea, which from him was called Erythreum. *Arrian. *Ind. 6, c. 19.—*Mela, 3, c. 7.

Erythrian, a son of Athamas and The mistone. *Apollod.

Erythros, a place of Latium.

Eryx, a son of Butes and Venus, who relying upon his strength, challenged all strangers to fight with him in the combat of the cestus. Hercules accepted his challenge after many had yielded to his superior dexterity, and Eryx was killed in the combat, and buried on the mountain, where he had built a temple to Venus. *Virg. *En. 5, v. 402.—An Indian killed by his subjects for opposing Alexander, &c. *Curt. 8, c. 11.—A mountain of Sicily near Drepanum, which received its name from Eryx, who was buried there. This mountain was so steep, that the houses which were built upon it seemed every moment ready to fall. Demus enlarged the top, and enclosed it with a strong wall. He also consecrated there to Venus Erycina a golden heifer, which resembled life so much, that it seemed to exceed the power of art. *Ovid. *Fast. 4, v. 478.—*Hygin. *fab.
Thebes. He was killed by Megareus, the son of Creon, under the walls of Thebes. *Eurip.* — *Apol. 3.* c. 6. — A son of Iphis.

**Eteokles.** An ancient people of Crete.

**Etron, a town of Boeotia on the Asopus. Stat. Theb. 7,* v. 266.**

**Etroneus, an officer of Menelaus. Homer. Od. 4.**

**Eteonikus, a Lacedaemonian general, who upon hearing that Callicratidas was conquered at Arginusae, ordered the messengers of this news to be crowned, and to enter Milanese in triumph. This so terrified Conon, who besieged the town, that he concluded that the enemy had obtained some advantageous victory, and he raised the siege. *Did. 13.* — *Polyen. 1.*

**Etesion, northern winds of a gentle and mild nature, very common in the months of spring and autumn. *Lucret.* 5,* v. 741.**

**Ethalion, one of the Tyrrhene sailors changed into dolphins for carrying away Bacchus. Ovid. Met. 3,* v. 647.**

**Etheleum, a river of Asia, the boundary of *Tissa and Mysia. Str. b.*

**Euthoda, a daughter of Amphion and Niobe.**

**Ethemon, a person killed at the marriage of Andromeda. Ovid. Met. 5,* v. 163.**

**Etis, a daughter of *Aeneas. Paus. 3,* c. 22.**

**Etis, a town of Peloponnesus. Id. Ib.**

**Ethyria. Vid. Heturia.**

**Etylus, the father of Theocles. Id. 6,* c. 19.**

**Evdne, a daughter of Iphis or Iphicles of Argos, who slighted the addresses of Apollo, and married Capaneus, one of the seven chiefs who went against Thebes. When her husband had been struck with thunder by Jupiter for his blasphemies and impiety, and his ashes had been separated from those of the rest of the Argives, she threw herself on his burning pile and perished in the flames. *Virg. En.* 6,* v. 447. — *Propert. 1.* el. 13,* v. 21. — *Stat. Theb.* 12,* v. 800. — A daughter of the Strymon and *Neasa. She married Argus, by whom she had four children. *Apol.* 2.**

**Evagoras, a poet famous for his genius, but not for his learning.**

**Evagoras, a king of Cyprus who retook Salamis, which had been taken from his father by the Persians. He made war against Artaxerxes, the king of Persia, with the assistance of the Egyptians, Arabians, and Tyrians, and obtained some advantages over the fleet of his enemy. The Persians however soon repaired their losses, and Evagoras saw himself defeated by sea and land, and obliged to be tributary to the power of Artaxerxes, and to be stripped of all his dominions except the town of Salamis. He was assassinated soon after this fatal change of fortune by an eunuch, 374 B. C. he left two sons, Nicholas, who succeeded him, Protagoras, who deprived his nephew Evagoras of his possessions. Evagoras deserves to be commended for his sobriety, moderation, and magnanimity; and if he was guilty of any political error in the management of his kingdom, it may be said, that his love of equity was a full compensation. His grandson bore the same name and succeeded his father Nicocles. He showed himself oppressive, and his uncle Protagoras took advantage of his unpopularity to deprive him of his power. Evagoras fled to Artaxerxes Ochus, who gave him a government more extensive than that of Cyprus; but his oppression rendered him odious, and he was accused before his benefactor, and by his orders put to death. *C. Nep.* 12,* c. 2. — *Did. 14.*

**Eurytion, a son of Neleus and Chloris. *Apol.* 1,* c. 9. — A son of *Priam. Id. 3,* c. 12. — A king of Rhodes.**

**Evagore, one of the Nereides. *Apol.*

**Evander, a son of Bacchus, who received from the execution of Evan! Evan! by his priestesses. *Ovid. Met.* 4,* v. 15. — *Virg. En.* 6,* v. 517.**

**Evander, a son of the prophetess Carmenta, king of Arcadia. An accidental murder obliged him to leave his country, and he came to Italy, where he drove the Aborigines from their ancient possessions, and reigned in that part of the country where Rome was afterwards founded. He kindly received Hercules when he returned from the conquest of Gerion; and he was the first who raised him altars. He gave *Aeneas assistance against the Rutuli, and distinguished himself by his hospitality. It is said that he first brought the Greek alphabet into Italy, and introduced there the worship of the Greek deities. He was honoured as a God after death, and his subjects raised an altar on mount Aventine. *Paus.* 8,* c. 43. — *Livy.* 1,* c. 7. — *Ital.* 7,* c. 18. — *Dionys. Hal.* 1,* c. 7. — *Ovid. Fast.* 1,* v. 500. 1,* v. 91. — *Virg. En.* 8,* v. 100, &c. — A philosopher of the second academy, who flourished B. C. 215.**

**Evangelus, a Greek historian. — A comic poet.**

**Evangelides, a man of Elis, who wrote an account of all those who had obtained a prize at Olympia, where he himself had been victorious. *Paus.* 6,* c. 8.**

**Evantes, a man who planted a colony in Lucania, at the head of some Locrians. — A celebrated Greek poet. — An historian of Miletus. — A philosopher of Samos. — A writer of Cyzicus. — A son of *Enopion of Crete, who migrated to live at Chios. *Paus.* 7,* c. 4.**

**Evarcus, a river of Asia Minor, flowing into the Euxine on the confines of Cappadocia. *Placc.* 6,* v. 102.**

**Evat, a native of Phrygia, who accompanied *Aeneas into Italy, where he was killed by Mezentius. *Virg. En.* 10,* v. 702.**

**Evax, an Arabian prince who wrote to Nero concerning jewels, &c. *Plin. 25,* c. 2.**

**Eubages, certain priests held in great veneration among the Gauls and Britons. Vid *Druide.*
EUBATAS, an athlete of Cyrene, whom the courtezan Lais in vain endeavoured to seduce. Paus. Elinc. 1.


EUBOCA, the largest island in the Egean sea after Crete, now called Negropont. It is separated from the continent by the narrow straits of the Euripus, and was anciently known by the different names of Macris, Oche, Ellopia, Chalcis, Abantis, Aposip. It is 150 miles long, and 37 broad in its most extensive parts. The principal town was Chalcis; and it was reported that in the neighbourhood of Chalcis, the island had been formerly joined to the continent. Euboea was subjected to the power of the Greeks; some of its cities, however, remained for some time independent. Plin. 4, c. 12.—Strab. 10.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 155.—One of the three daughters of the river Asterion, who was one of the nurses of Juno. Paus. 2, c. 17.—One of Mercury’s mistresses.—A daughter of Thespian. Apollod. 2.—A town of Sicily near Hybla.

EUBOBOLUS, belonging to Euboea. The epitaph is also applied to the country of Cumae, because the city was built by a colony from Chalcis, a town of Euboea. Virg. En. 6, v. 2, l. 9, v. 710.

EUBOTE, a daughter of Thespus. Apollod. Apobotes, a son of Hercules. Id. 2.

EUBULUS, an Athenian virgin sacrificed with her sisters for the safety of her country, who laboured under a famine. Elian. V. H. 12, c. 18.

EUBULIDES, a philosopher of Miletus, pupil and successor to Euclid. Demothenes was one of his pupils. He severely attacked the doctrines of Aristotle. Diog.—An historian who wrote an account of Socrates and of Diogenes. Laerti. A famous statue of Athens. Paus. 8, c. 14.

EUBULUS, an Athenian orator, rival to Demosthenes. A mathematician.—A comic poet.—A philosopher of Alexandria.

EUCEBUS, a man of Alexandria accused of adultery with Octavia, that Nero might have occasion to divorce her. Tacit. Ann. 14, c. 60.

EUCHEIÖ, a son of Alexandria and Arabia. Apoll.d.

EUCHEIDES, an Athenian who went to Delphi and returned the same day, a journey of about 107 miles. The object of his journey was to obtain some sacred fire.

EUCLOIDES, a native of Megara, disciple of Socrates, B. C. 404. When the Athenians had forbidden all the people of Megara on pain of death to enter their city, Euclides disguised himself in woman’s clothes to introduce himself into the presence of Socrates. Diog. in Socrat.—A mathematician of Alexandria, who flourished 300 B. C. He has written 15 books on the elements of mathematics, which consist of problems and theorems with demonstrations. This work has been greatly mutilated by commentators. Euclid was so respected in his lifetime that king Ptolemy became one of his pupils. Euclid established a school at Alexandria, which became so famous, that from his age to the time of the Saracen conquest no mathematician was found but what had studied at Alexandria. He was so respected, that Plato, himself a mathematician, being asked concerning the building of an altar at Athens, referred his inquirers to the mathematician of Alexandria. The latest edition of Euclid’s writings is that of Gregory, fol. Oxon. 1703. Val. Mar. 8, c. 12.—Cic. de Orat. 3, c. 72.

EUCLOUS, a prophet of Cyprus, who foretold the birth and greatness of the poet Homer, according to some traditions. Paus. 10, c. 12.

EUCRATES, one of the Nereides. Apollod.

EUCRATES, the father of Procles the historian. Paus. 2, c. 21.

EUCRITUS. Vide Eryphenus.

EUCTEMON, a Greek of Cumae, exposed to great barbarities. Curt. 5, c. 5.—An astronomer who flourished B. C. 431.

EUCTRESIUS, a people of Peloponnesus.

EUDEMON, a general of Alexander.

EUDAMIDAS, a son of Archidamus 4th brother to Agis 4th. He succeeded on the Spartan throne, after his brother’s death, B. C. 330. Paus. 3, c. 10.—A son of Archidamus, king of Sparta, who succeeded B. C. 268.—The commander of a garrison stationed at Troezen by Craterus.

EUDAMUS, a son of Agesilas of the Heracleides. He succeeded his father.—A learned naturalist and philosopher.

EUDERMUS, the physician of Livia, the wife of Drusus, &c. Tacit. Ann. 4, c. 3.—An orator of Megalopolis, preceptor to Philopomen. An historian of Naxos.

EUDOCIA, the wife of the emperor Theodosius the younger, who gave the public some compositions.

EUDOCIMUS, a man who appeased a mutiny among some soldiers by telling them that an hostile army was in sight. Pol. 

EUDORA, one of the Nereides.—One of the Atlantes.

EUDORIS, a son of Mercury and Polimela who went to the Trojan war with Achilles Homer, II. 16.

EUDOXI SPECULA, a place in Egypt.

EUDOXIA, the wife of Arcadius, &c.—A daughter of Theodosius the younger, who married the emperor Maximus, and invited Germanic the Vandal over into Italy.

EUDOXUS, a son of Aschines of Cnidus, who distinguished himself by his knowledge of astrology, medicine, and geometry. He was the first who regulated the year among the Greeks, among whom he first brought from Egypt the celestial sphere and regular astronomy. He died in his 534 year, B. C. 352. Lucian. 10. v. 187.—Diog.—A native of Cyzicus, who sailed all round the coast of Africa from the Red sea, and entered the Mediterranean by the columns of Hercules.—A Sicilian, a son of Agathocles.—A physician. Diog.

EVELIHN, a king of Salamis, in Cyprus.

EUERMERIDAS, an historian of Cnidus.
Ephesius, an ancient historian of Messenia, intimate with Cassander. He travelled over Greece and Arabia, and wrote an history of the gods, in which he proved that they all had been upon earth, as mere mortal men. Ennius translated it into Latin. It is now lost.

Eveius, an elegiac poet of Paros.—A river of Αξιωλα, flowing into the Ionian sea. It receives its name from Evenus, son of Mars and Sterope, who was unable to overcome Idas, who had promised him his daughter Marpessa in marriage, if he surpassed him in running, grew so desperate that he threw himself into the river, which afterwards bore his name. Ovid. Met. 9, v. 104.—Strab. 7.—A son of Jason and Hypsipyle, queen of Lemnos. Homer. II. 7.

Evephenus, a Pythagorean philosopher, whom Dionysius condemned to death because he had alienated the people of Metapontum from his power. The philosopher begged leave of the tyrant to go and marry his sister, and promised to return in six months. Dionysius consented by receiving Eucritus, who pledged himself to die if Evephenus did not return in time. Evephenus returned at the appointed moment, to the astonishment of Dionysius, and delivered his friend Eucritus from the death which threatened him. The tyrant was so pleased with these two friends, that he pardoned Evephenus, and begged to share their friendship and confidence. Polyen. 5.

Everes, a son of Peteralus.—of Η-rcules and Parthenope.—The father of Parthenias. Apollod.

Evegetes, a people of Scythia, called also Arimaspis. Curt. 7, c. 3.

Evegetes, a surname, signifying benefactor, given to Philip of Macedon, and to Antigonus Doson, and Ptolemy of Egypt. It was also commonly given to the kings of Syria and Pontus, and we often see among the former an Alexander Evergetes, and among the latter a Mithridates Evergetes. Some of the Roman emperors also claimed that epithet, so expressive of benevolence and humanity.

Evesperides, a people of Africa. Herodot. 4, c. 171.

Euganei, a people of Italy on the borders of the Adriatic, who, upon being expelled by the Trojans, seized upon a part of the Alps. Sil. 8, v. 604.—Liv. 1, c. 1.

Eugenon, an ancient historian before the Peloponnesian war.

Eugenius, an usurer of the imperial title after the death of Valentinian the 2d, A. D. 392.

Eumenes. Vid. Evenus.

Ephyrus, a town of Thessaly. Liv. 32, c. 13.

Euvius and Eveius, a surname of Bacchus, given him in the war of the giants against Jupiter. Horat. 2, Od. 11, v. 17.

Evippe, one of the Danaides who married and murdered Imbras.—Another. Apollod. 2, c. 1.—The mother of the Pierides, who were changed into magpies. Ovid. Met. 5, 236

Eiphphus, a son of Thestius, king of Pleuron, killed by his brother Iphiclus in the chase of the Calydonian boar. Apollod. 1, c. 7.—A Trojan killed by Patroclus. Homer. II. 16.

Euhmenes, one of the Nereides.

Eumachus, a Campanian who wrote an history of Amphil.

Eumelus, a heraldsman and steward of Ulysses, who knew his master at his return home from the Trojan war after 20 years absence, and assisted him in removing Penelope's suitors. He was originally the son of the king of Scyros, and upon being carried away by pirates, he was sold as a slave to Laertes, who rewarded his fidelity and services. Homer. Od. 13, v. 403. 1. 14, v. 3. l. 15, v. 288. l. 16 & 17.

Eumedes, a Trojan, son of Dolon, who came to Italy with Æneas, where he was killed by Turnus. Virg. Æn. 12, v. 346.—Ovid. Trist. 3, el. 4, v. 27.

Eumelis, a famous augur. Stat. 4, Sylv. 8, v. 49.

Eumelus, a son of Admetus, king of Phœba in Thessaly. He went to the Trojan war, and had the fleetest horses in the Grecian army. He distinguished himself in the games made in honour of Patroclus. Homer. II. 2 & 23.—A man whose daughter was changed into a bird. Ovid. Met. 7, c. 390.—A man contemporary with Triptolemus, of whom he learned the art of agriculture. Paus. 7, c. 18.—One of the followers of Æneas, who first informed his friend that his fleet had been set on fire by the Trojan women. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 665.—One of the Bacchiades, who wrote among other things, a poetical history of Corinth, B. C. 750. Paus. 2, c. 1.

Eumelus, a king of the Cimmerian Bosporus, who died B. C. 304.

Eumenes, a Greek officer in the army of Alexander, son of a charioteer. He was the most worthy of all the officers of Alexander to succeed after the death of his master. He conquered Paphlagonia and Cappadocia, of which he obtained the government, till the power and jealousy of Antigonus obliged him to retire. He joined his forces to those of Perdiccas, and defeated Craterus and Neoptolemus. Neoptolemus perished by the hands of Eumenes. When Craterus had been killed during the war, his remains received an honourable funeral from the hand of the conqueror; and Eumenes, after weeping over the ashes of a man who once was his dearest friend, sent his remains to his relations in Macedonia. Eumenes fought against Antipater and conquered him, and after the death of Perdiccas, his ally; his arms were directed against Antigonus, by whom he was conquered, chiefly by the treacherous conduct of his officers. This fatal battle obliged him to disband the greatest part of his army to secure himself a retreat, and he fled only with 700 faithful attendants to a fortified place on the confines of Cappadocia, called Nora, where he was soon besieged by the conqueror. He supported the siege for a year with courage and resolution, but some disadvantageous skirmishes so reduced him, that his soldiers, grown desperate, and...
tribed by the offers of the enemy, had the in-

delity to betray him into the hands of Antigo-

nus. The conqueror, from shame or remorse, 

had not the courage to visit Eumenes; but when 

he was asked by his officers, in what manner 

he wished him to be kept, he answered, Keep 

him as carefully as you would keep a lion. This 

severe command was obeyed; but the asperity 

of Antigonus vanished in a few days, and Eu-

menes, delivered from the weight of chains, was 

permitted to enjoy the company of his friends. 

Even Antigonus hesitated whether he should not 

restore to his liberty a man with whom he had 

lived in the greatest intimacy while both were 

subservient to the command of Alexander, and 

these secret emotions of pity and humanity were 

not a little increased by the petitions of his son 

Demetrius for the release of Eumenes. But 

the calls of ambition prevailed; and when An-

tigonus recollected what an active energy he 

had in his power, he ordered Eumenes to be put 

to death in the prison (though some imagine he 

was murdered without the knowledge of his 

conqueror). His bloody commands were exe-

cutè B.C. 315. Such was the end of a man 

who raised himself to power by merit alone. 

His skill in public exercises first recommended 

him to the notice of Philip, and under Alexan-

der his attachment and fidelity to the royal 

person, and particularly his military accom-

plishments, promoted him to the rank of a 

genel. Even his enemies revered him; and 

Antigonus, by whose orders he perished, ho-

noured his remains with a splendid funeral, and 

conveyed his ashes to his wife and family in 

Cappadocia. It has been observed, that Eu-

menes had such an universal influence over the 

successors of Alexander, that none during his 

life-time dared to assume the title of king; and 

it does not a little reflect to his honour to con-

der that the wars he carried on were not from 

private or interested motives, but for the good 

and welfare of his deceased benefactor’s chil-


iniz. 13. — Curt. 10. — Arrian. — A king of Per-

gamus, who succeeded his uncle Philetaros on 

the throne, B.C. 263. He made war against 

Antiochus the son of Seleucus, and enlarged 

his possessions by seizing upon many of the 

cities of the kings of Syria. He lived in alli-

ance with the Romans, and made war against 

Prusias, king of Bithynia. He was a great pat-

ron of learning, and given much to wine. He 

died of an excess in drinking, after a reign of 

22 years. He was succeeded by Attalus. Strab.

15. — The second of that name succeeded his 

father Attalus on the throne of Asia and Perga-

mus. His kingdom was small and poor, but he 

endered it powerful and opulent, and his alliance 

with the Romans did not a little contribute to 

the increase of his dominions after the victories 

obtained over Antiochus the Great. He carried 

his arms against Prusias and Antigonus, and 

died B. C. 159, after a reign of 38 years, leav-

ing the kingdom to his son Attalus 2d. He 

has been admired for his benevolence and mag-

nanimity, and his love of learning greatly en-

riched the famous library of Pergamus, which 

had been founded by his predecessors in imita-

tion of the Alexandrian collection of the Pto-

lemies. His brothers were so attached to him 

and devoted to his interest, that they enlisted 

among his body guards to show their fraternal 

fidelity.— Strab. 13. — Justin. 31 & 34. — Polyb. 

A celebrated orator of Athens about 

the beginning of the fourth century. Some 

of his harangues and orations are extant. 

An historical writer in Alexander’s 

army. 

EUMENIA, a city of Phrygia, built by Atta-

lus in honour of his brother Eumenes. — A 

city of Thrace,—of Caria,—of Hyrcania. 

EUMENIDES and EUMENES, a man men-

tioned Ovid. 3, Trist. el. 4, v. 27. 

EUMENIDES, a name given to the Furies by 

the ancients. They sprang from the drops of 

blood which flowed from the wound which 

Cales received from his son Saturn. Accord-

ing to others they were daughters of the earth, 

and conceived from the blood of Saturn. Some 

make them daughters of Achiron and Night, or 

Pluto and Proserpine. According to the more 

received opinions, they were three in number, 

Tisiphone, Megara, and Alecto, to which some 

add Nemesis. Plutarch mentions only one, 

called Adrasta, daughter of Jupiter and Necessi-

ty. They were supposed to be the ministers 

of the vengeance of the gods, and therefore 

appeared stern and inexorable; always em-

ployed in punishing the guilty upon earth, as 

well as in the infernal regions. They inflicted 

their vengeance upon earth by wars, pestilence, 

and dissensions, and by the secret stings of 

conscience; and in hell they punished the 

guilty by continual flagellation and tortments. 

They were also called Furiae and Erinnyes. 

Their worship was almost universal, and people 

dared not to mention their names or fix their 

eyes upon their temples. They were honoured 

with sacrifices and libations, and in Achaia 

they had a temple, which when entered by any 

one guilty of crime, suddenly rendered him fu-

rious, and deprived him of the use of his reason. 

In the sacrifices, the votaries used branches of 

cedar and of alder, Hawthorn, saffron, and jun-

iper, and the victims were generally turtle-

doves and sheep, with libations of wine and 

honey. They were generally represented with 

a grim and frightful aspect, with a black and 

bloody garment, and serpents wreathing round 

their head instead of hair. They held a burning 

torch in one hand, and a whip of scorpions in 

the other, and were always attended by terror, 

rage, paleness, and death. In hell they were 

seated around Pluto’s throne, as the ministers 

of his vengeance. — Eschyl. in Eumen.—Sophocl.

in Edip. Col. 

EUMENIDES, festivals in honour of the Eu-

menides, called by the Athenians έυμένεν Ιεάς, 

venerable goddesses. They were celebrated once 

every year with sacrifices of pregnant ewes, 

with offerings of cakes made by the most 

eminent youth, and libations of honey and 

wine. At Athens none but free-born citizens 

were admitted, such as had led a life the most 

virtuous and unsullied. Such only were ac-
cepted by the goddesses, who punished all sorts of wickedness in a severe manner.

EUMÉNIUS, a Trojan killed by Camilla in Italy. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 666.

EUMOLPE, one of the Nereides. Apollod.

EUMOLPIDAE, the priests of Ceres, at the celebration of her festivals of Eleusis. They were descended from Eumolpus, a king of Thrace, who was made priest of Ceres by Erechtheus king of Athens. He became so powerful after his appointment to the priesthood, that he maintained a war against Erechtheus. This war proved fatal to both; Erechtheus and Eumolpus were both killed, and peace was re-established among their descendants, on condition that the priesthood ever remained in the family of Eumolpus, and the regal power in the house of Erechtheus. The priesthood remained in the family of Eumolpus for 1200 years: and this is still more remarkable, because he who was once appointed to the holy office, was obliged to remain in perpetual celibacy. Paus. 2, c. 14.

EUMOLPS, a king of Thrace, son of Neptune and Chione. He was thrown into the sea by his mother, who wished to conceal her shame from her father. Neptune saved his life, and carried him into Æthiopia, where he was brought up by a woman, one of whose daughters he married. An act of violence to his sister-in-law obliged him to leave Æthiopia, and he fled to Thrace with his son Ismarus, where he married the daughter of Tegyrius the king of the country. This connexion to the royal family rendered him ambitious; he conspired against his father-in-law, and fled when the conspiracy was discovered, to Attica, where he was initiated in the mysteries of Ceres of Eleusis, and made Hierophantes or high priest. He was afterwards reconciled to Tegyrius, and inherited his kingdom. He made war against Erechtheus, the king of Athens, who had appointed him to the office of high priest, and perished in battle. His descendants were also invested with the priesthood, which remained for about 1200 years in that family. Vid. Eumolpidæ. Apollod. 2, c. 5, &c.—Hygin. fab. 73.—Diod. 5. Paus. 2, c. 14.

EUMONIDES, a Thesban, &c. Plut.

EUNAUS, a son of Jason by Hypsipyle, daughter of Thoas. Homer. II. 7.

EUNAPUS, a physician, sophist, and historian, born at Sardis. He flourished in the reign of Seleucidus and his successors. He wrote an history of the Caesars, of which few fragments remain. His life of the philosophers of his age is still extant. It is composed with fidelity and elegance, precision and correctness.

EUNOMIA, a daughter of Juno, one of the Horae. Apollod.

EUNOMUS, a son of Prytanæus, who succeeded his father on the throne of Sparta. Paus. 2, c. 36. — A famous musician of Locri, rival to Ariston. Strab. 6. — A man killed by Hercules. Apollod. — A Thracian, who advised Demotheus not to be discouraged by his ill success in his first attempts to speak in public. Plut. in Dem.—The father of Lycurgus, killed by a kitchen knife. Plut. in Lyce.

EUNUS, a Syrian slave who inflamed the minds of the servile multitude by pretended inspiration and enthusiasm. He filled a nut with sulphur in his mouth, and by artfully conveying fire to it, breathed out flames to the astonishment of the people, who believed him to be a god, or something more than human. Oppression and misery compelled 2000 slaves to join his cause, and he soon saw himself at the head of 50,000 men. With such a force he defeated the Roman armies, till Perpenna obliged him to surrender by famine, and exposed on a cross the greatest part of his followers; B. C. 132. Plut. in Sc.

EUNYMOS, one of the Æolides.

EORAS, a grove of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 20.

EUPAOIUM, a town of Peloponnesus.

EUPALAMÓN, one of the hunters of the Calydonian boar. Ovid. Met. 8, v. 360.

EUPALÁMUS, the father of Dædaeus. Apollod. 3, c. 15.

EUPATIÔR, a son of Antiochus.—The surname of Eupator was given to many of the Asiatic princes, such as Mithridates, &c. Strab. 12.

EUPATÒRIA, a town of Paphlagonia, built by Mithridates, and called afterwards Pompeipolis by Pompey. Plin. 6, c. 2.—Another called Magnopolis in Pontus, now Tēhenikē. Strab. 12.

EUPHĒTHES, a prince of Icatia, father to Antinous. He was one of the most importuning lovers of Penelope. Homer. Od. 16.

EUPHAES, succeeded Androcles on the throne of Messenia, and in his reign began the first Messenian war. He died B. C. 730. Paus. 4, c. 5 and 6.

EUPHANTUS, a poet and historian of Olympus, son to Eubulides, and preceptor to Antigonus king of Macedonia. Diog. in Eul.

EUPHÊME, a woman who was nurse to the Muses, and mother of Crocus by Pan. Paus.

EUPHÊMUS, a son of Neptune and Europa, who was among the Argonauts, and the hunters of the Calydonian boar. He was so swift and light that he could run over the sea without scarce wetting his feet. Pindar. Pyth. 4.—Apollod. 1, c. 9.—Paus. 5, c. 17.—One of the Greek captains before Troy. Homer. II. 2.

EUPHORBUS, a famous Trojan, son of Parthacus. He was the first who wounded Patroclus, whom Hector killed. He perished by the hand of Menelaus, who lung his shield in the temple of Juno at Argos. Pythagoras, the founder of the doctrine of the Metempsychosis, or transmigration of souls, affirmed that he had been once Euphorbus, and that his soul recollected many exploits which had been
done while it animated that Trojan's body. As a farther proof of his assertion, he shewed at first sight the shield of Euphorbus in the temple to Juno. Ovid. Met. 13, v. 160.—Paus. 2, c. 17. —Homer. II. 16 and 17.—A physician of Juba, king of Mauritania.

Euphorion, a Greek poet of Chalicia in Dubna in the age of Antiochus the Great. Tibullus took him for his model for correct writing, and was so fond of him that he hung his pictures in all the public libraries. His father's name was Polymetetus. He died in his 56th year, B. C. 220. Cicero de Nat. D. 2, c. 64. calls him Obscurum. The father of Aschylus bore the same name.

Euphranor, a famous painter and sculptor of Corinth. Plin. 34, c. 8.—This name was common to many Greeks.

Euphrates, a disciple of Plato, who governed Macedonia with absolute authority in the reign of Perdicas, and rendered himself odious by his cruelty and pedantry. After the death of Perdicas, he was murdered by Parmenio.—A stoic philosopher in the age of Adrian who destroyed himself, with the emperor's leave, to escape the miseries of old age, A. D. 118. Dio.—A large and celebrated river of Mesopotamia, rising from mount Taurus in Armenia, and discharging itself with the Tigris into the Persian gulf. It is very rapid in its course, and passes through the middle of the city of Babylon.

It inundates the country of Mesopotamia at a certain season of the year, like the Nile in Egypt. Cyrus dried up its ancient channel, and changed the course of the waters when he besieged Babylon. Strab. 11.—Mela, 1, c. 2, l. 3, c. 8.—Plin. 5, c. 24.

Euphrinos, an aspiring man of Sicyon, who enslaved his country by bribery. Diod. 15.

Euphrisyna, one of the Graces, sister to Aglaia and Thalia. Paus. 9, c. 35.


Eupolitus, a comic poet of Athens, who flourished 435 years before the Christian era. He severely lashed the vices and moralities of his age. It is said that he had composed 17 dramatical pieces at the age of 17. He had a dog so attached to him, that at his death he refused all aliments, and starved himself on his tomb. Some suppose that Alcibiades put Eupolus to death because he had ridiculed him in his verses; but Suidas maintains that he perished in a sea-fight between the Athenians and the Lacedaemonians in the Hellespont, and that on that account his countrymen, pitying his fate, decreed that no poet should ever after go to war. Horat. 1, sat. 4, l. 2, sat. 10.—Cic. ad Attic. 6, ep. 1.—Elian.


Euriannessus, a town near Chios. Plin. 5, c. 31.

Euripides, a celebrated tragic poet born at Salamin the day on which the army of Xerxes was defeated by the Greeks. He studied eloquence under Prodicus, ethics under Socrates, and philosophy under Anaxagoras. He applied himself to dramatical composition, and his writings became so much the admiration of his countrymen, that the unfortunate Greeks, who had accompanied Nicias in his expeditious against Syracuse, were freed from slavery, only by repeating some verses from the pieces of Euripides. The poet often retired from the society of mankind, and confined himself in a solitary cave, where he wrote and finished his most excellent tragedies. The talents of Sophocles were looked upon by Euripides with jealousy; and the great enmity which always reigned between the two poets, gave an opportunity to the comic muse of Aristophanes to ridicule them both on the stage with success and humour. During the representation of one of the tragedies of Euripides, the audience, displeased with some lines in the composition, desired the writer to strike them off. Euripides heard this with indignation; he advanced forward on the stage, and told the spectator that he came there to instruct them, and not to be taught by them. Another piece, in which he called riches the sumnum bonum and the admiration of gods and men, gave equal dissatisfaction, but the poet desired the audience to listen with silent attention, for the conclusion of the whole would show them the punishment which attended the lovers of opulence. The ridicule and envy to which he was continually exposed, obliged him at last to remove from Athens. He retired to the court of Archelaus king of Macedonia, where he received the most conspicuous marks of royal munificence and friendship. His end was deplorable as it was uncommon. It is said that the dogs of Archelaus met him in his solitary walks and tore his body to pieces, 407 years before the Christian era, in the 78th year of his age. Euripides wrote 75 tragedies of which only 19 are extant; the most approved of which are his Plenisio, Orestes, Medea Andromache, Electra, Hippolytus, Iphigenia in Aulis, Iphigenia in Tauris, Hercules and the Tragedies. He is peculiarly happy in expressing the passion of love, especially the more tender and animated. To the pathos he has added sublimity, and the most common expressions have received a perfect polish from his pen. In his person, as it is reported, he was noble and majestic, and his deportment was always grave and serious. He was slow in composing, and laboured with difficulty, from which circumstance, a foolish and malevolent poet once observed, that he had written 100 verses in three days, while Euripides had written only three. True, says Euripides, but there is this difference between your poetry and mine, yours will expire in three days, but mine shall live for ages to come. Euripides was such an enemy to the fair sex that some have called him μούσογυνς, woman-hater, and perhaps from this aversion arise the impure and diabolical machinations which appear in his female characters, an observation, however, which he
refuted, by saying he had faithfully copied nature. In spite of all this antipathy he was married twice, but his connexions were so invidious, that he was compelled to divorce both his wives. The best editions of this great poet, are that of Musgrave, 4 vols. 4to. Oxon. 1778; that of Canter apud Comminel, 12mo. 2 vols. 1597; and that of Barnes, fol. Cantab. 1694. There are also several valuable editions of detached plays. Dict. 13.—Val. Max. 3, c. 7.—Cic. In. 1, c. 50. Or. 3, c. 7.—Acad. 1, 4. Office. 5. Fin. 2. Tusc. 1 & 4, &c.

Euripus, a narrow strait which separates the island of Euboea from the coast of Boiotia. Its flux and reflux, which continued regular during 18 or 19 days, and was uncommonly unsettled the rest of the month, was a matter of deep inquiry among the ancients, and it is said that Aristotle threw himself into it, because he was unable to find out the causes of that phenomenon. Liv. 26, c. 6.—Mela, 2, c. 7.—Plin. 2, c. 95.—Strab. 9.


Eurömüs, a city of Caria.

Europa, one of three grand divisions of the earth, known among the ancients. It is superior to the others in the learning, power and abilities of its inhabitants. It is bounded on the east by the Ægean sea, Hellespont, Euxine, Palus Aetos, and the Tanais in a northern direction. The Mediterranean divides it from Africa on the south, and on the west and north it is washed by the Atlantic and northern oceans. It is supposed to receive its name from Europa, who was carried there by Jupiter. Mela, 2, c. 1.—Plin. 3, c. 1—&c.—A daughter of Agenor king of Phcenicia, and Telaphassa. She was so beautiful that Jupiter became enamoured of her, and the better to seduce her he assumed the shape of a bull and mingled with the herds of Agenor, while Europa, with her female attendants, were gathering flowers in the meadows. Europa caressed the beautiful animal, and at last had the courage to sit upon his back. The god took advantage of her situation, and with precipitate steps retired towards the shore and crossed the sea with Europa on his back, and arrived safe in Crete. Here he assumed his original shape and declared his love. The nymph consented, though she had once made vows of perpetual celibacy, and she became mother of Minos, Sarpedon, and Rhadamantus. After this distinguished amours with Jupiter, she married Asterius king of Crete. This monarch seeing himself without children by Europa, adopted the fruit of her amours with Jupiter, and always esteemed Minos, Sarpedon, and Rhadamantus, as his own children. Some suppose that Europa lived about 1552 years before the Christian era. Ovid. Met. 2, fab. 13.—Moeh. Idyl.—Apollod. 2, c. 5. l. 3, c. 1.—One of the Oceanides.—A part of Thrace near mount Hemus. Justin. 7, c. 1.

Európlexus, a patronymic of Minos the son of Europa. Ovid. Met. 8, v. 23.

Europas, a king of Sicyn, son of Ægialeus, who died B. C. 1998. Paus. 2, c. 5.

Europus, a king of Macedonia, &c. Justin. 7, c. 1.—A town of Macedonia on the Axios. Plin. 4, c. 10.—Linv. 33, c. 41.

Eurótas, a son of Lelex, father to Sparta, who married Lacedaemon. He was one of the first kings of Laconia, and gave his name to the river which flows near Sparta. Apollod. 3, c. 16.—Paus. 3, c. 1.—A river of Laconia, flowing by Sparta. It was called, by way of eminence, Basiliapotamos, the king of rivers, and worshipped by the Spartans as a powerful god. Laurels, reeds, myrtles, and olives grew on its banks in great abundance. Strab. 3.—Paus. 3, c. 1.—Virg. Ecl. 6, v. 82.—Iul. 4.—A river in Thessaly near mount Olympus. Strab. 6.—Plin. 4, c. 8.

Euróto, a daughter of Danaus by Polyxno. Apollod.

Eurus, a wind blowing from the eastern parts of the world. The Latins sometimes called it Vulturnus. Ovid. Trist. 1, c. 2. Met. 11, &c.

Eurýalks, a queen of the Amazons, who assisted Ætles, &c. Flacc. 4.—A daughter of Minos, mother of Orion by Neptune.—A daughter of Proetus, king of Argos.—One of the Gorgons, who was immortal. Hesiod. Theog. v. 207.

Eurýalüs, one of the Peloponnesian chiefs who went to the Trojan war with 80 ships. Homer. Ili. 2.—An illegitimate son of Ulysses and Evippe. Sophoc.—A son of Melas, taken prisoner by Hercules, &c. Apollod. 1, c. 8.—A Trojan who came with Æneas into Italy. He rendered himself famous for his immortal friendship with Nisus. Vid. Niusus. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 179.—A pleasant place of Sicily, near Syracuse. Liv. 25, c. 25.—A Lacedemonian general in the second Messenian war.

Eurybates, a herald in the Trojan war who took Brissia from Achilles by order of Agammenon. Homer. Ili. 1, v. 32.—Ovid. Heroid. 3.—A warrior of Argos, often victorious in the Nemean games, &c. Paus. 1, c. 29.—One of the Argonauts.

Eurybia, the mother of Lucifer and all the stars. Hesiod.—A daughter of Pontus and Terra, mother of Astræus, Pallas, and Perse, by Cius.—A daughter of Theispus, Apollod.

EubryÄdes, a Spartan general of the Grecian fleet at the battles of Artemisium and Salamis against Xerxes. He has been charged with want of courage and with ambition. He offered to strike Themistocles when he wished to speak about the matter of attacking the Persian; upon which the Athenian said, Strike me, but hear me. Herod. 8, c. 2, 174, &c.—Plut. in Them. C. Nep. in Them.

Eubrius, a son of Eurytus king of Argos, killed in a war between his countrymen and the Athenians. Apollod. 2, c. 8.—A son of Nereus and Chloris. Id. 1, c. 9.

Euryclea, a beautiful daughter of Ope of Ithaca. Ibertes bought her for 20 oxen, and
gave her son Ulysses to nurse, and treated her with much tenderness and attention. Homo. Od. 19.

Eubulus, an orator of Syracuse, who proposed to put Nicias and Demosthenes to death, and to confine to hard labour all the Athenian soldiers in the quarries. Plut. — A Lacedaemonian at the battle of Actium on the side of Augustus. Id. in Anton. — A soothsayer of Athens.

Eurycrates, a king of Sparta, descended from Hercules. Herodot. 7, c. 204.

EuricaTidas, a son of Anaxander, &c. Herodot. 7, c. 204.

Eurydamas, a Trojan skilled in the interpretation of dreams. His two sons were killed by Diomede during the Trojan war. Homer. II. 5. — One of Penelope's suitors. Od. 22. — A wrestler of Cyrene, who, in a combat, had his teeth dashed to pieces by his antagonist, which he swallowed without showing any signs of pain, or discontinuing the fight. Ilian. V. H. 10, c. 19. — A son of Egyptus. Apollod.

Eurydame, the wife of Leotychides, king of Sparta. Herodot.

Eurydamida, a king of Lacedaemon, of the family of the Proclides. Paus. 3, c. 10.

Eurydice, the wife of Amyntas, king of Macedonia. She had by her husband, Alexander, Perdiccas, and Philip, and one daughter called Euryone. A criminal partiality for her daughter's husband, to whom she offered her hand and the kingdom, made her conspire against Amyntas, who must have fallen a victim to her infidelity, had not Euryone discovered it. Amyntas forgave her. Alexander ascended the throne after his father's death, and perished by the ambition of his mother. Perdiccas, who succeeded him, shared his fate; but Philip, who was the next in succession, secured himself against all attempts from his mother, and ascended the throne with peace and universal satisfaction. Eurydice fled to Iphicrates, the Athenian general, for protection. The manner of his death is unknown. C. Nep. in Iphic. 3. — A daughter of Amyntas, who married her uncle Arideus, the illegitimate son of Philip. After the death of Alexander the Great, Arideus ascended the throne of Macedonia, but he was totally governed by the intrigues of his wife, who called back Cassander, and joined her forces with his to march against Polyperchon and Olympias. Eurydice was forsaken by her troops; Arideus was pierced through with arrows by order of Olympias, who commanded Eurydice to destroy herself either by poison, the sword, or the halter. She chose the latter. — The wife of the poet Orpheus. As she fled before Aristaeus, who wished to offer her violence, she was bit by a serpent in the grass, and died of the wound. Orpheus was so disconsolate that he ventured to go to hell, where, by the melody of his lyre, he obtained from Pluto the restoration of his wife to life, provided he did not look behind before he came upon earth. He violated the conditions; his eagerness to see his wife rendered him forgetful. He looked behind, and Eurydice was for ever taken from him. [Vid. Orpheus.] Virg. G. 4, v. 457, &c. — Paus. 9, c. 30. — Ovid. Met. 10. v. 30, &c. — A daughter of Aderatus. Apollod. 3, c. 12. — One of the Danaides, who married Dyas. Id. 2, c. 1. — The wife of Lycurgus, king of Nemaus in Peloponnesus. Id. 1, c. 9. — A daughter of Actor. Id. — A wife of Aeneas. Paus. 10, c. 26. — A daughter of Amphiarius. Id. 3, c. 17. — A daughter of Antipater, who married one of the Ptolemies. Id. 1, c. 7. — A daughter of king Philip. Id. 5, c. 17. — A daughter of Lacedaemon. Id. 5, c. 13. — A daughter of Clymenus, who married Nestor. Homer. Od. — A wife of Dametrios, descended from Miltiades. Plut. in Demetr.

Eurygania, a wife of Echimus. Apollod.

Euryleos, a king of the Latins, called also Ascanius.

Eurylochos, one of the companions of Ulysses, the only one who did not taste the potions of Circe. Ovid. Met. 14, v. 237. — A man who broke a conduit which conveyed water into Cyrrhus, &c. Polyben. 6. — A man who discovered the conspiracy which was made against Alexander by Hermaeus and others. Curt. 8, c. 6.

Eurymachus, a powerful Theban who seized Platæa by treachery, &c. — One of Penelope's suitors. — A son of Antenor. — A lover of Hippodamia. Paus.

Euryneidea, the wife of Glauclus, king of Ephyra. Apollod.

Eurymedon, the father of Periboea, by whom Neptune had Naustithous. Homer. Od. 7. — A river of Pamphylia, near which the Persians were defeated by the Athenians under Cimon, B. c. 470. — A man who accused Aristotle of propagating profane doctrines in the Lyceum.

Eurymenes, a son of Nелеus and Chlosis. Apollod.


Eurynomos, one of the deities of bell. Paus. 10, c. 28.

Eurynous, a dam publick 28 of Macedonia, by Eurydice. Apollod.

Eurytion, a king of Sparta, son of Eurynome, a daughter of Amyntas king of Macedonia, by Eurydice.

Eurytus, a king of Sparta, son of Ourion. His reign was so glorious that his descendants were called Eurytopides. Paus. 3, c. 7.

Eurykleia, daughter of Theseus.

Euryphæus, a son of Telephus, killed in the Trojan war by Pyrrhus. He made his court to Cassander. Homer. II. 11. — A Grecian at the Trojan war. Homer. II. 2.

A prince of Olenus, who went with Hercules against Laomedon. Paus. 7, c. 19. — A son of

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of Mecisteus who signalized himself in the war of the Epigoni against Thebes. 

**Apollod. 3.**—A son of Temenus king of Messenia, who conspired against his father's life. *Id. 3, c. 6.*—A son of Neptune killed by Hercules. *Id. 2, c. 7.*—One of Penelope's suitors. *Id. 3, c. 10.*—A Thessalian who became delirious for looking into a box which fell to his share after the plunder of Troy. *Paus. 7, c. 19.*—Eurypylus, a soothsayer in the Greek camp before Troy, sent to consult the oracle of Apollo, Low his countrymen could return safe home. The result of his inquiries was the injunction to offer an human sacrifice. *Virg. En. 2, v. 114.*

**Eurystheus**, a son of Aristodemus, who lived in perpetual dissension with his twin-brother Procles, while they both sat on the Spartan throne. It was unknown which of the two was born first, the mother, who wished to see both her sons raised on the throne, refused to declare it, and they were both appointed kings of Sparta by order of the oracle of Delphi, B. C. 1102. After the death of the two brothers, the Lacedaemonians, who knew not to what family the right of seniority and succession belonged, permitted two kings to sit on the throne, one of each family. The descendants of Eurysthenes were called Eurysthenidae, and those of Procles, Proclidæ. It was inconsistent with the laws of Sparta for two kings of the same family to ascend the throne together, yet that law has sometimes been violated by oppression and tyranny. Eurysthenes had a son called Agis, who succeeded him. His descendants were called Agidae. There sat on the throne of Sparta 31 kings of the family of the Eurysthenes, and only 24 of the Proclidæ. The former were the most illustrious. *Herodot. 4, c. 147 l. 6, c. 53.*—*Paus. 3, c. 1.*—C. Nep. in Ages.

**Eurysthenidae.** [Vid. Eurysthenes.]

**Eurystheus**, a king of Argos and Mycenæ, son of Sthenelus, and Nicippe the daughter of Pelope. Juno hastened his birth by two months, that he might come into the world before Hercules the son of Alcmena, as the younger of the two was doomed by order of Jupiter to be subservient to the will of the other. [Vid. Alcmena.] This natural right was cruelly exercised by Eurystheus, who was jealous of the fame of Hercules, and who, to destroy so powerful a relation, imposed upon him the most dangerous and uncommon enterprises, well known by the name of the twelve labours of Hercules. The success of Hercules in achieving those perilous labours alarmed Eurystheus in a greater degree, and he furnished himself with a brazen vessel, where he might secure himself a safe retreat in case of danger. After the death of Hercules, Eurystheus renewed his cruelties against his children, and made war against Ceyx king of Trachinia because he had given him support, and treated them with hospitality. He was killed in the prosecution of this war by Hyllus the son of Hercules. His head was sent to Alcmena the mother of Hercules, who, mindful of the cruelties which her son had suffered, insulted it, and tore out the eyes with the most invertebrate fury. Eurystheus was succeeded on the throne of Argos by Atreus his nephew. *Hygin. fab. 30 & 32.*—**Apollod. 2, c. 4, &c.**—*Paus. 1, c. 33 l. 3, c. 6.*—Ovid. *Met. 9, fab. 6.*—*Virg. En. 8, v. 292.*

**Eurytēs**, a daughter of Hippodamus, who married Parthaon. *Apollod.*—The mother of Halirrhothius, by Neptune. *Id.*

**Eurytēsīa, a town of Achaia. *Paus. 7, c. 18.*

**Eurytēsē, a daughter of Thespius.**—A daughter of Leucippus. *Apollod.*

**Eurythēmēs, the wife of Thesius.**—*Apollod.*

**Eurythion and Eurytyn, a Centaur whose insolence to Hippodamia was the cause of the quarrel between the Lapithæ and Centaurs, at the nuptials of Pirithous. *Ovid. Met. 12.*—*Paus. 5, c. 10.*—Hesiod. *Theog.*—A herdsman of Geryon killed by Hercules. *Apollod. 2.*—A king of Sparta who seized upon Mantinea by stratagem. *Polyb. 2.*—One of the Argonauts. *Ovid. Met. 5, v. 311.*—A son of Lycaon, who signalized himself during the funeral games exhibited in Sicily by Æneas. *Virg. En. 5, v. 495.*—A silversmith. *Id. 10, v. 499.*—A man of Hercules convicted of adultery. His punishment was the cause of the abolition of the oligarchical power there. *Aristot. 5. Polit.*

**Eurytus, a son of Mercury, among the Argonauts. *Placc. 1, v. 439.*—A king of Oechalia, father to Iole. He offered his daughter to him who shot a bow better than himself. Hercules conquered him, and put him to death because he refused him his daughter as the prize of his victory. *Apollod. 2, c. 4 & 7.*—A son of Actor, concerned in the wars between Argus and Hercules. *A son of Augius killed by Hercules as he was going to Corinth to celebrate the Isthmian games. *Apollod.*—A person killed in hunting the Calydonian boar. *A son of Hippocoon. *Id. 3, c. 10.*—A giant killed by Hercules or Bacchus for making war against the gods.**

**Eurytis, (idol) a patronymic of Iole daughter of Eurytus. *Ovid. Met. 9, fab. 11.*

**Eusebia, an empress, wife to Constantius, &c.**

**Eusebius, a bishop of Cesarea in great favour with the emperor Constantine. He was concerned in the theological disputes of Arius and Athanasius, and distinguished himself by his writings, which consisted of an ecclesiastical history, the life of Constantine, Chronicon, evangelical preparations, and numerous other treatises, most of which are now lost. The best edition of his *Preparatio & Demonstratio Evangelica* is by Vigerus, two vols. folio; Rothomagii, 1628; and of his ecclesiastical history by Reading, folio, Cantab. 1729.**

**Eusebius, a surname of Bacchus.**

**Eusepus and Pedassus, the two sons of Bucoleon killed in the Trojan war. *Homer. II. 6.*

**Eustathius, a Greek commentator on the**
works of Homer. The best edition of this very valuable author, is that published at Basil, 3 vols. fol. 1530. It is to be lamented that the design of Alexander Politus, begun at Florence, 1735, and published in the first five books of the Iliad, is not executed, as a Latin translation of these excellent commentaries is among the desiderata of the present day. —

A man who wrote a very foolish romance in Greek, entitled de Ismenie et Ismenes amoribus, edited by Gaumninus, 8vo, 1617.

Eutea, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 27.

Euteledas, a famous statuary of Argos. Id. 6, c. 10.

Euterpe, one of the Muses, daughter of Jupiter and Mnemosyne. She presided over music, and was looked upon as the inventress of the flute. She is represented as crowned with flowers and holding a flute in her hands.

Some mythologists attributed to her the invention of tragedy, more commonly supposed to be the production of Melpomene. — The name of the mother of Themistocles, according to some.

Euthycrates, a sculptor of Sicyon, son of Lysippus. He was particularly happy in the proportions of his statues. Those of Hercules and Alexander were in general esteem, and particularly that of Medea, which was carried on a chariot, by four horses. Plin. 34, c. 8.

— A man who betrayed Olynthus to Philip.

Euthydeme, an orator and rhetorician, who greatly distinguished himself by his eloquence, &c. &c. Strab. 14.

Euthymus, a celebrated boxer of Locri in Italy, &c. Paus. 6, c. 6.

Eutrapelis, a man described as artful and tallious by Horat. 1, ep. 18, v. 31. — A hairdresser. Martial, 7, ep. 82.

Eutrapelis, (Volumn.) a friend of M. Antony, &c.

Eutropius, a Latin historian in the age of Julian, under whom he carried arms in the fatal expedition against the Persians. His origin as well as his dignity are unknown; yet some suppose from the epithet of Clarissimus prefixed to his history, that he was a Roman senator. He wrote an epitome of the history of Rome, from the age of Romulus to the reign of the emperor Valens, to whom the work was dedicated. He wrote a treatise on medicine, without being acquainted with the art. Of all his works the Roman history alone is extant. It is composed with conciseness and precision, but without elegance. The best edition of Eutropius is that of Havercamp, cum notas variarum, 8vo. L. Bat. 1729 & 1762. — A famous eunuch at the court of Arcadius, the son of Theodosius the Great, &c.

Evychide, a woman who was thirty times brought to bed, and carried to the grave by twenty of her children. Plin. 7, c. 3.

Evychides, a learned servant of Atticus, &c. Cic. 15. ad Attic. — A sculptor.

Euxanthius, a daughter of Minos and Dexitheus. Apollod.

Euxenus, a man who wrote a poetical history of the poetical ages of Italy. Dionys. Hal. 1.

Euxenidas, a painter, &c. Plin. 35.

Euxinus Pontus, a sea between Asia and Europe, partly at the north of Asia Minor and at the west of Colchis. It was anciently called αἰνοερ, inhospitable, on account of the savage manners of the inhabitants on its coasts. Commerce with foreign nations, and the plantation of colonies in their neighbourhood, gradually softened their roughness, and the sea was no longer called Aenus, but Euxenus, hospitable. Ovid. Trist. 3, el. 13. 1. 4, el. 4, v. 54. — Strab. 2, &c. — Mela, 1, c. 1. — Plin. 9.

Euphipe, a woman who killed herself because the ambassadors of Sparta had offered violence to her virtue, &c.

Exadius, one of the Lapiathe at the nuptials of Pithous. Homer. Il. 1, v. 264. — Ovid. Met. 12, v. 266.

Exathes, a Parthian who cut off the head of Crassus, &c. Polyen. 7.

Exagonus, the ambassador of a nation in Cyprus, who came to Rome, and talked so much of the power of herds, serpents, &c. that the consuls ordered him to be thrown into a vessel full of serpents. These venomous creatures, far from harming him, caressed him, and harmlessly licked him with their tongues. Plin. 28, c. 3.

Exomathre, a people of Asiatic Sarmatia. Placc. 6, c. 144.

Fabaria, festivals at Rome in honour of Carma wife of Janus, when beans (caba) were presented as an oblation.

Fabaris, a river of Italy in the territories of the Sabines. It was also called Farfarus. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 715.

FABIA. Vid. Fabius Fabricianus.

FABIA LXX. de ambitu, was to circumscribe the number of Sectoria, or attendants, which were allowed to candidates in canvassing for some high office. It was proposed, but did not pass.
FABIA, a tribe at Rome. Horat. 1, ep. 7, v. 52.—A vestal virgin, sister to Terentia, Cicero's wife.

FABIANI, some of the Luperci at Rome, instituted in honour of the Fabian family.

FABIUS, a noble and powerful family at Rome, who derived their name from faba, a bean, because some of their ancestors cultivated this pulse. They were once so numerous that they took upon themselves to wage a war against the Veientes. They came to a general engagement near the Cremera, in which all the family, consisting of 306 men, were totally slain, B. C. 477. There only remained one, whose tender age had detained him at Rome, and from him arose the noble Fabii in the following ages. Dionys. 9. — Liv. 2, c. 46, &c.— Flor. 1, c. 2.— Ovid. Trist. 2, v. 235.— Virg. Æn. 6, v. 845.

FABIUS MAXIMUS RULLIANUS, was the first of the Fabii who obtained the surname of Maximus, for lessening the power of the populace at elections. He was master of horse, and his victory over the Samnites in that capacity, nearly cost him his life, because he engaged the enemy without the command of the dictator. He was five times consul, twice dictator, and once censor. He triumphed over seven different nations in the neighbourhood of Rome, and rendered himself illustrious by his patriotism. — Rusticus, an historian in the age of Claudius and Nero. He was intimate with Seneca, and the encomiums which Tacitus passes upon his style, make us regret the loss of his compositions. — Marcellinus, an historian in the second century. — A Roman lawyer, whom Horat. 1, sat. 2, v. 134, ridicules as having been caught in adultery. — Q. Maximus, a celebrated Roman, who from a dull and inactive childhood was raised to the highest offices of the state. In his first consulship, he obtained a victory over Liguria, and the fatal battle of Thrasymenus occasioned his election to the dictatorship. In this important office he began to oppose Annibal, not by fighting him in the open field, like his predecessors, but he continually harassed his army by countermarches and ambuscades, from which he received the surname of Cunctator, or Delayer. Such operations, for the commander of the Roman armies, gave offence to some, and Fabius was even accused of cowardice. He, however, patiently bore to see his master of horse raised to share the dictatorial dignity with himself, by means of his enemies at home. When he had laid down his office of dictator, his successors, for a while, followed his plan, but the rashness of Varro, and his contempt for the operations of Fabius, occasioned the fatal battle of Canne. Tarentum was obliged to surrender to his arms after the battle of Canne, and on that occasion the Carthaginian enemy observed that Fabius was the Annibil of Rome. When he had made an agreement with Annibal for the ransom of the captives, which was totally disapproved by the Roman senate, he sold all his estates to pay the money, rather than forfeit his word to the enemy. The bold proposal of young Scipio to go and carry the war from Italy to Africa, was rejected by Fabius, as chimerical and dangerous. He did not, however, live to see the success of the Roman arms, under Scipio, and the conquest of Carthage by measures which he had treated with contempt, and heard with indignation. He died in the 100th year of his age, after he had been five times consul, and twice honoured with a triumph. The Romans were so sensible of his great merit and services, that the expenses of his funeral were defrayed from the public treasury. Plut. in vit. — Flor. 2, c. 6.— Liv. Polyb. — His son bore the same name, and showed himself worthy of his noble father's virtues. During his consulship he received a visit from his father on horseback in the camp. The son ordered the father to dismount, and the old man cheerfully obeyed, embracing his son, and saying, I wished to know whether you knew what it is to be consul. He died before his father, and the Cunctator, with the moderation of a philosopher, delivered a funeral oration over the dead body of his son. Plut. in Fabio. — Pictor, the first Roman historian, who flourished B. C. 225. He is the first who wrote an historical account of his country. The work which is now extant, and which is attributed to him, is a spurious composition. — A loquacious person, mentioned by Horat. 1, Sat. 1, v. 14. — A Roman consul, surnamed Ambustus, because he was struck with lightning. — A lieutenant of Cæsar in Gaul. Fabricianus, a Roman, assassinated by his wife Fabia, that she might more freely enjoy the company of a favourite youth. His son was saved from his mother's cruelties, and when he came of age he avenged his father's death by murdering his mother and her adulterer. The senate took cognizance of the action, and patrocinized the parricide. Plut. in Parall. — A chief priest at Rome, when Brennus took the city. Plut. — A Roman, sent to consult the oracle of Delphi, while Annibal was in Italy. — Another, chosen dictator merely to create new senators. — A lieutenant of Lucullus, defeated by Mithridates. — A son of Paulus Emilius, adopted into the family of the Fabi. — A Roman, surnamed Allobrogicus, from his victory over the Allobroges, &c. Flor. 2, c. 17. — Another, chosen general against the Carthaginians in Italy. He lost all his forces in a battle, and fell wounded by the side of Annibal. Plut. in Parall. — A consul with J. Cæsar, who conquered Pompey's adherents in Spain. — A high priest who wrote some annals, and made war against Viraethus in Spain. Liv. 30, c. 26.— Flor. 3, c. 2.

FABRATERIA, a colony and town of the Volsci in Latium. Ital. 8, c. 398.

FABRICIUS, a Latin writer in the reign of Nero, who employed his pen in satirizing and defaming the Senators. His works were burnt by order of Nero. — Caius, a celebrated Roman, who, in his first consulship, obtained se-
v. ral victories over the Samnites and Lucanians, and was honoured with a triumph. The riches which were acquired in those battles were immense, the soldiers were liberally rewarded by the consul, and the treasury was enriched with 400 talents. Two years after, Fabricius went as ambassador to Pyrrhus, and refused with contempt the presents, and heard with indignation the offers, which might have corrupted the fidelity of a less virtuous citizen. Pyrrhus had occasion to admire the magnanimity of Fabricius, but his astonishment was more powerfully awakened when he saw him make a discovery of the perfidious offers of his physician, who pledged himself to the Roman general for a sum of money to poison his royal master. To this greatness of soul was added the most consummate knowledge of military affairs, and the greatest simplicity of manners. Fabricius never used rich plate at his table. A small salt-cellar, whose feet were of horn, was the only silver vessel which appeared in his house. This contempt of luxury and useless ornaments Fabricius wished to inspire among the people; and during his censorship he banished from the senate Cornelius Rufinus, who had been twice consul and dictator, because he kept in his house more than ten pounds weight of silver plate. Such were the manners of the conqueror of Pyrrhus, who observed that he wished rather to command those that had money, than possess it himself. He lived and died in the greatest poverty. His body was buried at the public charge, and the Roman people were obliged to give a dowry to his two daughters, when they had arrived to years of maturity. Val. Mar. 2, c. 9. 1. 4. c. 4.—Flor. 1, c. 18.—Cic. 3, de offic. Plat. in Pyrrh.—Virg. Aen. 6, v. 844.—A bridge at Rome, built by the consul Fabricius. Horat. 2.—Ser. 3. v. 36.


FADUS, a Rutulian killed in the night by Eurynas. Virg. Aen. 9, v. 314.

FESOLS, a town of Etruria, famous for its augurs. Ital. 6, v. 478.

FALCIDIÁLEX, was enacted by the tribune Falciadius, A. U. C. 713, concerning wills and the right of heirs.

FALERNI, a town of Etruria. Liv. 9, c. 20.

FALERNUS, a fertile mountain and plain of Campania, famous for its wine, which the Roman poets have greatly celebrated. Virg. G. 2, v. 96.—Horat. 1, od. 20, v. 10. 2 Sat. 4, v. 15.—Strab. 3.

FALISCJI, a people of Etruria, originally a Macedonian colony. When they were besieged by Camillus, a school-master went out of the gates of the city with his pupils, and betrayed them into the hands of the Roman enemy, that by such a possession he might easily oblige the place to surrender. Camillus heard the proposal with indignation, and ordered the man to be stripped naked and whipped back to the town by those whom his perfidy wished to betray. This instance of generosity operated upon the people so powerfully that they surrendered to the Romans. Plat. in Camil.
rise to the tradition that he was son of Mars. His great popularity, and his fondness for agriculture, made his subjects revere him as one of their country deities after death. He was represented with all the equipage of the satyrs, and was consulted to give oracles. Dionys. 1, c. 7.—Virg. Enn. 7, v. 47. 18. 1. 10, v. 55.—Horat. 1, od. 17.

Favo, a Roman mimic, who at the funeral of Vespasian imitated the manners and gestures of the deceased emperor. Suet. in Vesp. 19.

Favorinus, a philosopher and emuuch under Adrian, &c.

Fausta, a daughter of Sylla, &c. Horat. 1, sat. 2, v. 64.—The wife of the emperor Constantine, disgraced for her cruelties and vices.

Faustina, the wife of the emperor Antoninus, famous for her debaucheries. Her daughter, of the same name, blessed with beauty, liveliness, and wit, became the most abandoned of her sex. She married M. Aurelius.—The third wife of the emperor Helioagabalus bore that name.

Faustitas, a goddess among the Romans supposed to preside over cattle. Horat. 4, od. 5, v. 17.

Faustulus, a shepherd ordered to expose Romulus and Remus. He privately brought them up at home. Liv. 1, c. 4.—Justin. 43, c. 2.—Plut. in Rom.

Faustus, an obscure poet under the first Roman emperors, two of whose dramatic pieces, Theae and Tereus, Juvane mentions, 7, v. 12.

Febula, a goddess at Rome, who presided over purifications.

Ficaius, a number of priests at Rome, employed in declaring war and making peace. When the Romans thought themselves injured, one of the sacerdotal body was empowered to demand redress, and after the allowance of 33 days to consider the matter, war was declared if submissions were not made, and the Fic. ius hurled a bloody spear into the territories of the enemy in proof of intended hostilities. Liv. 1, c. 3. l. 4, c. 50.

Felix, M. Antonius, a freed man of Claudius Caesar, made governor of Judea, Samaria, and Palestine. He is called by Suetonius the husband of three queens, as he married the two Drusille, one grand-daughter of Antony and Cleopatra, and the other a Jewish princess, sister of Agrippa. The name of his third wife is unknown. Suet. in Cl. 18.—Tacit. Ann. 12, c. 14.

Feltria, a town of Italy at the north of Venice.


Fenestella, a Roman historian in the age of Augustus. He died at Cumae.—One of the gates of Rome. Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 378.

Fenni, or Finni, the inhabitants of Finningia or Eningia, now considered as Finland. Tacit. G. 46.—Plin. 4, c. 13.

Ferralia, a festival in honour of the dead, observed at Rome, the 17th or 21st of February. It continued for 11 days, during which time presents were carried to the graves of the deceased, marriages were forbidden; and the temples of the gods were shut. It was universally believed that the names of their departed friends came and hovered over their graves, and feasted upon the provisions that the hand of piety and affection had procured for them. Their punishments in hell were also suspended, and during that time they enjoyed rest and liberty.


Feriarius, a surname of Jupiter, a ferendo, because he had assisted the Romans, or a ferendo, because he had conquered their enemies under Romulus. He had a temple at Rome, built by Romulus. It was there that the spoils called opima, were always carried. Liv. 1, c. 10.—Plut. in Rom.

Feronia, a goddess at Rome, who presided over the woods and groves. The name is derived a ferendo, because she gave assistance to her votaries, or perhaps from the town Feronia, near mount Soracte, where she had a temple. It was usual to make a yearly sacrifice to her, and to wash the face and hands in the waters of the sacred fountain, which flowed near her temple. It is said that those who were filled with the spirit of this goddess could walk barefoot over burning coals without receiving any injury from the flames. Virg. Enn. 7, v. 800.—Varro, de L. L. 4, c. 10.—Ital. 13.—Strab. 5.—A town at the foot of mount Soracte. Horat. 1. Sat. 5, v. 24.

Feriae Latine, festivals at Rome instituted by Tarquin the Proud. The principal magistrates of 47 towns in Latium, usually assembled on a mount near Rome, where they altogether, with the Roman magistrates, offered a bull to Jupiter Latialis, of which they carried home some part after the immolation, after they had sworn mutual friendship and alliance. It continued but one day originally, but in process of time four days were dedicated for its celebration. Dionys. Hal. 4.—Cic. ep. 6.—Liv. 21, &c.

The first among the Romans were certain days set apart to celebrate festivals, and during that time it was unlawful for any person to work. They were either public or private. The public were of four different kinds. The feriae statiae, were certain immovable days always marked in the calendar, and observed, by the whole city, with much festivity and public rejoicing. The feriae concep tiones were movable feasts, and the day appointed for the celebration was always previously fixed by the magistrates or priests. Among these were the feriae Latinae, which were first established by Tarquin, and observed by the consuls regularly, before they set out for the provinces; the Compitalia, &c. The feriae imperiales were appointed only by the command of the consul, dictator, or prator, as a public rejoicing for some important victory gained over the enemy of Rome. The feriae Nundinae, were regular days, in which the people of the country and neighbouring towns assembled together and exposed their respective commodities to sale. They were called Nun-
dian because kept every ninth day. The *feria private*, were observed only in families in commemoration of birth days, marriages, funerals, and the like. The days on which the *feria* were observed were called by the Romans *festi dies*, because dedicated to mirth, relaxation, and festivity.

FESCENNIA, a town of Etruria, where the Fessenean verses were first invented. These verses were a sort of rustic dialogue spoken extempore, in which the actors exposed before their audience the failings and vices of their adversaries, and by a satirical humour and merriment, endeavoured to raise the laughter of the company. They were often repeated at nuptials, and many lascivious expressions were used for the general division, as also at harvest-home, when gestures were made, adapted to the sense of the unpolished verses that were used. They were proscribed by Augustus as of unmoral tendency. *Plin. 3. c. 3.—Virg. En. 7. c. 695.—Horat. 2. ep. 1. v. 145.*

FESULE, or FESULEN, a town of Etruria, where Sylla settled a colony. *Cic. Cat. 3. c. 6.*


FIBRENUS, a river of Italy. *Sil. 8. v. 400.*

FICANA, a town of Latium, at the south of Rome, near Tiber. *Plin. 1. c. 53.*

FICARIA, a small island on the east of Sardinia, now Serpentera. *Plin. 3. c. 7.*

FICULEA, or FICULNEA, a town of Latium beyond mount Sacer, at the north of Rome. Cicero had a villa there, and the road that led to the town was called Ficulneaensis, afterwards *Nomentana Via.*—*Cic. 12. Att. 34.—Liv. 1. c. 36. I. 3. c. 52.*

FIDENA, an inland town of Latium, whose inhabitants are called Fidenates. The place was conquered by the Romans B.C. 435. *Virg. Æn. 6. v. 773.—Juov. 1. v. 44.—Liv. 1. c. 14, 15, &c. 1. 2. v. 19. I. 4. c. 17 & 21.*

FIDENTIA, a town of Italy. *Cic. In. 2. c. 54.*

PIDES, the goddess of faith and honesty, worshipped by the Romans. Numa was the first who paid her divine honours.

FIDICULE, a place of Italy. *Val. Mar. 7. c. 6.*

FIDUSS DIUS, a divinity by whom the Romans generally swore. He was also called Sancus or Sanctus and Semipater, and he was solemnly addressed in prayers the 4th of June, which was yearly consecrated to his service. *Ovid. Fast. 6.—Varro de L. L. 4. c. 10.—Dionys. Hal. 2. & 9.*

FIMBRIA, a Roman officer who besieged Mithridates in Prytane, and failed in his attempts to take him prisoner. He was deserted by his troops for his cruelty, upon which he killed himself. *Plut. in Lucull.*

FIRMUM, now FERMO, a town of Picenum on the Adriatic, the port of which was called Castellum Firmum. *Cic. 3. Att. 12.—Plin. 7. c. 6.—Velleius 1. c. 14.*

M. FIRMUS, a powerful native of Seleusia, who proclaimed himself emperor, and was at last conquered by Aurelian.
Scipio. *Plut. in vita.* Flor. —Lucius, the brother of the preceding, signalised himself in the wars of Greece. He was expelled from the senate for killing a Gaul, by Cato, his brother’s colleague in the censorship, an action which was highly resented by Titus. *Plut. in Flam.* —Calp. Flamma, a tribune, who at the head of 300 men saved the Roman army in Sicily. B. C. 258, by engaging the Carthaginians and cutting them to pieces.


Flavia lex agraria, by L. Flavius, A. U. C. 693, for the distribution of a certain quantity of lands among Pompey’s soldiers, and the commons.

Flaviànum, a town of Etruria, on the Tiber, called also Flavinium. *Virg. Aen.* v. 7, c. 696.

Flavinia, a town of Latium, which assisted Turnus against Æneas. *Virg. Aen.* v. 7, c. 696.


—A schoolmaster at Rome in the age of Horace. *Sat.* v. 6, c. 72.—One of the names of the emperor Domitian. *Jun.* v. 4, c. 37.

Flora, the goddess of flowers and gardens among the Romans. She is the same as the Chloris of the Greeks. Some suppose that she was originally a common courtesan, who left to the Romans the immense riches which she had acquired by prostitution and lasciviousness, in remembrance of which a yearly festival was instituted in her honour. She was worshipped even among the Sabines, long before the foundation of Rome, and Tatius was the first who raised her a temple in the city of Rome. It is said that she married Zephyrus, and that she received from him the privileges of presiding over flowers, and of enjoying perpetual youth. *Vid. Floraria.* —She was represented as crowned with flowers, and holding in her hand the horn of plenty. *Ovid. Fast.* v. 5, c. 195, &c.—*Varro de R. R.* 1.—Lactant. 1.—A celebrated courtesan, passionately loved by Pompey the Great. She was so beautiful, that when the temple of Castor and Cólôx at Rome was adorned with paintings, her picture was drawn, and placed among the rest.—Another courtesan, &c. *Jun.* v. 2, c. 49.

Floralia, games in honour of Flora at Rome. They were instituted about the age of Romulus, but they were not celebrated with regularity and proper attention till the year U. C. 580. They were observed yearly, and exhibited a scene of the most unbounded licentiousness. It is reported that Cato wished once to be present at the celebration, and when he saw that the deference for his presence interrupted the feast, he retired, not choosing to be the spectator of the prostitution of naked women in a public theatre. This behaviour so captivated the Romans that the venerable senator was treated with the most uncommon applause as he retired. *Val. Max.* v. 2, c. 10.—*Varro de L. L.* 1.—*Patr.* c. 1.—Plin. 8.

Flórentia, a town of Italy, on the Arnum, now Florence, the capital of Tuscany. *Tacit.* Ann. v. 1, c. 79.—*Flor.* v. 3, c. 21.—Plin. 5, c. 5.

Flórius, a man who wore the imperial purple at Rome only for two months, A. D. 276.

Flórus, L. Annaeus Julius, a Latin historian of the same family which produced Seneca and Lucan, A. D. 116. He wrote an abridgment of Roman annals in four books, composed in a florid and poetical style, and rather a panegyric on many of the great actions of the Romans, than a faithful and correct recital of their history. He also wrote poetry, and entered the lists against the emperor Adrian, who satirically reproached him with frequenting taverns and places of dissipation. The best editions of Flórus are Duker’s, 2 vols. 8vo. *L. Bat.* 1722 & 1744; and that of J. Fr. Fischer, 8vo. Lips. 1760.—Julius, a friend of Horace, who accompanied Claudius Nero in his military expeditions. The poet has addressed two epistles to him.

Flúonia, a surname of Juno Lucina, who, under that appellation, was invoked by the Roman matrons to stop excessive discharges of blood.

Fólia, a woman of Ariminum, famous for her knowledge of poisonous herbs, and for her petulance. *Horat.* ep. 5, c. 42.

FÓns Solis, a fountain in the province of Cyrene, cool at mid-day, and warm at the rising and setting of the sun. *Herodot.* v. 4, c. 181.

Fontánus, a poet mentioned by *Ovid.* Pont. v. 4, c. 16.

Fontéia, a vestal virgin. *Cie.*

Fontéius Capito, an intimate friend of Horace. *Sat.* v. 5, c. 32.—A Roman who raised commotions in Germany after the death of Nero. *Tacit.* Hist. v. 1, c. 7.—A man who conducted Cleopatra into Syria by order of Antony. *Plut.* in *Ant.*

Forme, a maritime town of Campania, near Caiea. It was anciently the abode of the Lave-trigones, and it became known for its excellent wines, and was called *Mammurram Urbe,* from a family of consequence and opulence who lived there. *Liv.* v. 14, c. 38, c. 36.—*Horat.* 1, od. 20, c. 11, l. 3, od. 17.—*Sat.* v. 5, c. 37.—*Plin.* v. 36, c. 9.


Formio, now *Risano,* a river of Istria, the ancient boundary of Italy eastward, afterwards extended to the Arisia. *Plin.* v. 3, c. 18 & 19.

Fornax, a goddess at Rome, who presided over the baking of bread. Her festivals, called Fornacalia, were first instituted by Numa. *Ovid.* Fast. v. 2, c. 525.

Foró Aépit, a people of Italy. *Plin.* v. 3, c. 5.

Fortuna, a powerful deity among the ancients, daughter of Oceanus according to Homer, or one of the Parcae according to Pindar. She was the goddess of fortune, and from her hand were derived riches and poverty, pleasures and misfortunes, blessings and pains. She was
worshipped in different parts of Greece, and in Achaia her statue held the horn of plenty in one hand, and had a winged Cupid at its feet. In Boeotia she had a statue which represented her as holding Pluto, the god of riches, in her arms to intimate that fortune is the source whence wealth and honours flow. Bupalus was the first who made a statue of Fortune for the people of Smyrna, and he represented her with the polar star upon her head, and the horn of plenty in her hand. The Romans paid particular attention to the goddess of Fortune, and had no less than eight different temples erected to her honour in their city. Tullius Hostilius was the first who built her a temple, and from that circumstance it is easily known when her worship was first introduced among the Romans. Her most famous temple in Italy was at Antium, in Latium, where presents and offerings were regularly sent from every part of the country. Fortune has been called Phereopolis, the protectress of cities, Acrea from her temple at Corinth on an eminence, άκρος. She was called Prænestina at Prænesta in Italy, where she had also a temple. Besides, she was worshipped among the Romans under different names, such as Female Fortune, Virile Fortune, Equestrian, Peaceful, Virgin, &c. On the first of April, which was consecrated to Venus among the Romans, the Italian widows and marriageable virgins assembled in the temple of Virile Fortune, and after burning incense and offering their garments, they entreated the goddess to hide from the eyes of their husbands whatever defects there might be on their bodies. The goddess of Fortune is represented on ancient monuments with a horn of plenty, and sometimes two, in her hands. She is blindfolded, and generally holds a wheel in her hand, as an emblem of her inconstancy. Sometimes she appears with wings, and treads upon the prow of a ship, and holds a rudder in her hands. Dionys. Hal. 4. — Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 369. — Plut. de fort. Rom. & in Cor. — Cic. de Div. 2. — Liv. 10. — Augustina de Cic. D. 4. — Flor. 1. — Val. Max. 1, c. 5. — Lucan. 2, &c.

Fortunata insula, islands at the west of Mauritania in the Atlantic sea. They are supposed to be the Canary isles of the moderns, thought to be only two in number, at a little distance one from the other, and 10,000 stadia from the shores of Libya. They are represented as the seats of the blessed, where the souls of the virtuous were placed after death. The air was wholesome and temperate, the earth produced an immense number of various fruits without the labours of men. When they had been described to Sertorius in the most enchanting colours, that celebrated general expressed a wish to retire thither, and to remove himself from the noise of the world, and the dangers of war. Strab. 1. — Plut. in Sertor. — Horat. 4, od. 8, v. 27. — Epod. 16.

Forulii, a town of the Sabines, built on a rocky place. Strab. 5. — Virg. En. 7, v. 714.

Fulvius Flaccus Censor, a Roman senator, intimated with Augustus. He disclosed the emperor's secrets to his wife, who made it public to all the Roman matrons, for which he received so severe a reprimand from Augustus, that he and his wife hanged themselves in despair.—A friend of C. Gracchus, who was killed in a sedition with his son. His body was thrown into the river, and his widow was forbidden to put on mourning for his death. Plut. in Gracch. V.

Fulvius Flaccus Censor, a Roman who plundered a marble temple to Juno, to finish the building of one which he had erected to Fortune. He was always unhappy after this sacrifice. Liv. 25, c. 2.

Ser. Fulvius Nobilior, a Roman consul who went to Africa after the defeat of Regulus. After he had acquired much glory against the Carthaginians, he was shipwrecked at his return with 200 Roman ships. His grandson Marcus was sent to Spain, where he greatly signalized himself. He was afterwards rewarded with the consulship.

Fundanus, a lake near Fundi in Italy, which discharges itself into the Mediterranean. Tacit. Hist. 3, c. 69.

Fundi, a town of Italy near Caeta, on the Appian road, at the bottom of a small deep bay called Lacus Fundanus. Horat. 1, Sat. 5, v. 34. Liv. 8, c. 14 & 19. I. 38, c. 36.—Plut. 3, 5.—Cic. Rull. 2, c. 25.—Tacit. Ann. 4, c. 59.—Strab. 5.

Furia, the three daughters of Nox and Acheron, or of Pluto and Proserpine, according to some. Vid. Eumenides.

Furis, a family which migrated from Medullia in Latium, and came to settle at Rome under Romulus, and was admitted among the patricians. Camillus was of this family, and it was he who first raised it to distinction. Plut. in Camilk.

Furia lex de Testamentis, by C. Furius the tribune. It forbade any person to live as a legacy more than a thousand asses, except to the relations of the master who manumitted, with a few more exceptions. Cic. 1. Ver. 42.—Liv. 35.

Furina, the goddess of robbers, worshipped at Rome. Some say that she is the same as the Furies. Her festivals were called Fundanea. Cic. de Nat. 3, c. 8.—Varro de L. L. 5, c. 3.

Furina Lucus, a lake near which C. Gracchus was slain.

Furius, a military tribune with Camillus. He was sent against the Tuscans by his colleague.—A Roman slave who obtained his freedom and applied himself with unremitting attention to cultivate a small portion of land which he had purchased. The uncommon fruits which he reaped from his labours, rendered his neighbours jealous of his prosperity. He was accused before a Roman tribunal of witchcraft, but honourably acquitted.

M. Furii Bracchus, a Latin poet of Cremona, who wrote annals in laticine verse, and was universally celebrated for the wit and humour of his expressions. It is said that Virgil imitated his poetry, and even borrowed some of his lines. Horace however has not failed to ridicule her verses. Quintill. 8, c. 6, &c.—Horat. 2, Sat. 5, v. 40.

Furnius, a man accused of adultery with Claudia Pulchra, and condemned, &c. Tacit. Hist. 4, v. 32.—A friend of Horace, who was consul, and distinguished himself by his elegant historical writings. 1 Sat. 10, v. 36.

Arist. Fuscus, a friend of Horace, as conspicuous for the integrity and propriety of his manners, as for his learning and abilities. The
poet addressed his 23 Od. Lib. 1, and 1 Ep. 10, to him.—Corn. a prator, sent by Domitian against the Daet, where he perished. Jun. 4, v. 112.

Fusa lex de Comitiis, A. U. C. 527, forbade any business to be transacted at the public assemblies on certain days, though among the fasti.—Another, A. U. C. 690, which ordained that the votes in a public assembly should be given separately.

Gabales, a people of Aquitain. Plin. 4, c. 19.

Gabaza, a country of Asia, near Sogdiana. Curt. 8, c. 4.

Gabellus, now La Secchia, a river falling in a northern direction into the Po, opposite the Mincus. Plin. 3, c. 16.

Gabenæ and Gabiene, a country of Persia. Diol. 19.

Gabienus, a friend of Augustus, beheaded by order of Pompey. It is maintained that he spoke after death.

Gabi, a city of the Volsci, taken by the artifice of Sextus, the son of Tarquin, who gained the confidence of the inhabitants, by deserting to them, and pretending that his father had ill-treated them. Romulus and Remus were educated there, as it was the custom at that time to send there the young nobility, and Juno was the chief deity of the place. The inhabitants had a peculiar mode of tucking up their dress, whereas Gabinius (ambattus. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 773. 1. 7, v. 612 & 682.—Liv. 5, c. 46. 1. 6, c. 29. 1. 8, c. 9. 1.10, c. 7.—Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 769.—Plut. in Romul.

Gabiæna, the name of Juno, worshipped at Gabii. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 682.

Gabiniæ lex de Comitiis, by A. Gabinius, the tribune, A. U. C. 613. It required that in the public assemblies for electing magistrates, the votes should be given by tablets, and not voces. Another, de Comitiis, which made a capital punishment to convene any clandestine assembly, agreeably to the old law of the 12 tables. Another, de Militia, by A. Gabinius the tribune, A. U. C. 685. It granted Pompey the power of carrying on the war against the pirates, during three years, and of obliging all kings, governors, and states, to supply him with all the necessaries he wanted, over all the Mediterranean sea, and in the maritime provinces, as far as 400 stadia from the sea. Another, de Usuro, by Aul. Gabinius the tribune, A. U. C. 685. It ordained, that no action should be granted for the recovery of any money borrowed upon small interest, to be bent upon larger. This was an usual practice at Rome, which obtained the name of persursum facere.—Another, against fornication.

Gabinius, a rhetorician, in the reign of Vespasian.

Gabinius, a Roman historian.—Aulus, a Roman consul, who made war in Judea, and re-established tranquillity there. He suffered himself to be bribed, and replaced Ptolemy Auletes on the throne of Egypt. He was accused, at his return, of receiving bribes. Cicero, at the request of Pompey, ably defended him. He was banished, and died about 40 years before Christ, at Salons.—A lieutenant of Antony.

A consul, who behaved with uncommon rudeness to Cicero.

Gades and Gadiæ, a small island in the Atlantic, on the Spanish coast, 25 miles from the columns of Hercules. It was sometimes called Tartessus and Erythia, according to Pliny, and is now known by the name of Cadiz. Geryon, whom Hercules killed, fixed his residence there. Hercules, surnamed Gadiتان, had there a celebrated temple, in which all his labours were engraved with excellent workmanship. The inhabitants are called Gadi tani, and their women were known for their agility of body, and their incontinency. Horat. 2, od. 2, v. 11.—Stat. 3.—Sylv. 1, v. 183.—Liv. 21, c. 23.—Strab. 3.—Cic. pro. Gab.—Justin. 44, c. 4.—Paus. 1, c. 2.

Gaditanus, a surname of Hercules, from Gades. Vid. Gades.

Gesate, a people on the Rhone, who assisted the Senones in taking and plundering Rome, under Brennus. Strab. 5.

Gatulia, a country of Libya, near the Garamantes, which formed part of king Masripess a kingdom. The country was the favourite retreat of wild beasts, and is now called Bithulgerid. Sallust. in Jug.—Sil. 3, v. 287.


Galabrii, a nation near Thrace.

Galactophagi, a people of Asiatic Scythia. Homer. Il. 3.


Galanthis, a servant maid of Alcmena,
whose sagacity eased the labours of her mistress. When Juno resolved to retard the birth of Hercules, and hasten the labours of the wife of Sthenelus, she solicited the aid of Lucina, who immediately repaired to the house of Alcmena, and in the form of an old woman, sat near the door with her legs crossed, and her fingers joined. In this posture she uttered some magical words, which served also to prolong the labours of Alcmena, and render her state the more miserable. Alcmena had already passed some days in the most excruciating torments, when Galanthis began to suspect the jealousy of Juno; and concluded that the old woman, who continued at the door always in the same unchanged posture, was the instrument of the anger of the goddess. With such suspicions Galanthis ran out of the house, and with a countenance expressive of joy, she informed the old woman that her mistress had just brought forth. Lucina, at the words, rose from her posture, and at that instant Alcmena was safely delivered. The uncommon laugh which Galanthis raised upon this, made Lucina suspect that she had been deceived. She seized Galanthis by the hair, and threw her on the ground; and while she attempted to resist she was changed into a weasel, and condemned to bring forth her young by the mouth in the most agonizing pains. This transformation alludes to a vulgar notion among the ancients, who believed this of the weasel, because she carries her young in her mouth, and continually shifts from place to place. The Boorians paid great veneration to the weasel, which, as they supposed, facilitated the labours of Alcmena. *Aelian. H. Anim. 2.* Ovid. Met. 9, fab. 6.

**GALATA,** a town of Syria.—An island near Sicily.—A town of Sicily.—A mountain of Phocis.

**GALATIA,** the inhabitants of Galatia. *Vid. Galatia.*

**GALATEA** and **GALATHEA,** a sea-nymph, daughter of Nereus and Doris. She was passionately loved by the Cyclops Polyphemus, whom she treated with coldness and disdain; while Acis, a shepherd of Sicily, enjoyed her unbounded affection. The happiness of these two lovers was disturbed by the jealousy of the Cyclops, who crushed his rival to pieces with a piece of a broken rock, while he sat in the bosom of Galathea. Galatea was inconsolable for the loss of Acis, and as she could not restore him to life, she changed him into a fount-

**GALATIA,** a country of Asia Minor, between Phrygia, the Euxine, Cappadocia, and Bithynia. It received its name from the Gauls, who migrated there under Brennus, some time after the sacking of Rome. *Strab. 12.—Justin. 37.* c. 4.—The name of ancient Gaul among the Greeks.

**GALAXIA,** a festival in which they boiled a mixture of barley, pulse, and milk, called *Galatia* by the Greeks.

**GALBA,** a surname of one of the Sulpitii from the smallness of his stature.—A king among the Gauls, who made war against J. Caesar. *Cat. bell. Gall. 2.*

**GALBA,** the emperor, who killed himself, &c.—A man of Tiberius, *Julv. 5.* v. 4.—Servius, a lawyer at Rome, who defended the cause of adulterers with great warmth, as being one of the fraternity. Horace ridicules him, 1 Sat. 2, v. 46.

**GALBA,** Servius Sulpicius, a Roman who rose gradually to the greatest offices of the state, and exercised his power in the provinces with equity and unremitted diligence. He dedicated the greatest part of his time to solitary pursuits, chiefly to avoid the suspicions of Nero. His disapprobation of the emperor's oppressive command in the provinces, was the cause of new disturbances. Nero ordered him to be put to death, but he escaped from the hands of the executioner and was publicly saluted emperor. When he was seated on the throne, he suffered himself to be governed by favourites, who exposed the goods of the citizens to sale, to gratify their avarice. Exemptions were sold at a high price, and the crime of murder was blotted out, and impunity purchased with a large sum of money. Such irregularities in the emperor's ministers, greatly displeased the people; and when Galba refused to pay the soldiers the money which he had promised them, when he was raised to the throne, they assassinated him in the 73d year of his age, and in the eighth month of his reign, and proclaimed Otho emperor in his room, January 16th, A. D. 69. The virtues which had shone so bright in Galba, when a private man, totally disappeared when he ascended the throne; and he who shewed himself the most impartial judge, forgot the duties of an emperor, and of a father of his people. *Sueton. & Plut. in vita.—Tacit.* A learned man, grandfather to the emperor of the same name. *Suet. in Gall. 4.*—Sergius, a celebrated orator before the age of Cicero. He showed his sons to the Roman people, and implored their protection, by which means he saved himself from the punishment which either his guilt or persuasive eloquence of his adversaries, M. Cato and L. Peribonius, urged as due to him. *Cic. de Orat. 1, c. 53. ad. Her. 4.* c. 5.

**GALÈNUS CLAUDIUS,** a celebrated physician in the age of M. Antoninus and his successors, born at Pergamus, the son of an architect. He applied himself with unremitting labour to the study of philosophy, mathematics, and chiefly of physiology. He visited the most learned seminaries of Greece and Egypt; and at last came to Rome, where he soon rendered himself famous by his profession. Many, astonished at his cures, attributed them to magic, and said that he had received all his knowledge from enchantments. He was very intimate with Marcus Aurelius, the emperor, after whose death he returned to Pergamus, where he died in his 9th year, A. D. 193. He wrote no less than 300 volumes, the greatest part of which were burnt in the temple of Peace at Rome.
where they had been deposited. Galenus confessed himself greatly indebted to the writings of Hippocrates, for his medical knowledge, and bestowed great encomiums upon him. To the diligence, application, and experiments of those two celebrated physicians, the moderns are indebted for many useful discoveries; yet, often their opinions are ill-grounded, their conclusions hasty, and their reasoning false. What remains of the works of Galen, has been published, without a Latin translation, in 5 vols. fol. Basel, 1538. Galen was likewise edited, together with Hippocrates, by Charterius, 13 vols. fol. Paris 1679, but very incorrect.


Gaius Julius, a native of Dacia, made emperor of Rome, by Diocletian. Vid. Maximianus. Gaius Julius, a river of Calabria, flowing into the bay of Tarentum. The poets have celebrated it for the shady groves in its neighbourhood, and the fine sheep which feed on its fertile banks. Virg. G. 4, v. 126.-Horat. 2, od. 6, v. 10.-A rich person of Latium, killed as he attempted to make a reconciliation between the Trojans and Rutulians, when Ascania had killed the favourite stag of Tyrrebus; which was the prelude of all the entanglements between the hostile nations. Virg. Aen. 7, v. 535.

Gallia, a celebrated country of Syria. Gallinithiadi, a festival at Thebes, in honour of Galinthias, a daughter of Prætus. It was celebrated before the festival of Hercules, by whose orders it was first instituted.

Galli, a nation of Europe, naturally fierce, and inclined to war. They were very superstitious; and in their sacrifices they often imitated human victims. In some places, they had large statues made with twigs, which they filled with men, and reduced to ashes. They believed themselves descended from Pluto; and from that circumstance they always reckoned their time, not by the days, as other nations, but by the nights. Their oesqueies were splendid; and not only the most precious things, but even slaves and oxen, were burnt on the funeral piles. Children, among them, never appeared in the presence of their fathers, before they were able to bear arms in the defence of their country. Cas. bel. G.-Strab.-Tacit.-Vid. Gallia.-The priests of Cybele, who received that name from the river Gallus, in Phrygia, where they celebrated the festivals. They mutilated themselves, before they were admitted to the priesthood, in imitation of Atys, the favourite of Cybele. [Vid. Atys.] The chief among them was called Archigallus. Vid. Corcyriantes, Dactylitis, &c.-Diod. 4.-Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 36.-Lucem. 1, v. 466.-Lucian. de Dea Syria.

Gallia, a large country of Europe, called Galatia by the Greeks. The inhabitants were called Galli, Celtæ, Celtiberi, and Celtoscythæ. Ancient Gaul was divided into four different parts by the Romans, called Gallia Belgica, Narbonensis, Aquitanio, and Celtica. Gallia Belgica was the largest province, bounded by Germany, Galia Narbonensis, and the German Ocean; and contained the modern country of Alsace, Lorraine, Picardy, with part of the low countries, and of Champagne, and of the Isle of France. Gallia Narbonensis, which contained the provinces now called Languedoc, Provence, Dauphine, Savoy, was bounded by the Alps and Pyrenean mountains by Aquitania, Belgium, and the Mediterraneum. Aquitania Gallia, now called the provinces of Poitou, Santonge, Guienne, Berry, Limosin, Gascony, Auvergne, &c., was situated between the Garumna, the Pyrenean mountains, and the ocean. Gallia Celtica, or Lug.dunensis, was bounded by Belgium, Gallia Narbonensis, the Alps, and the ocean. It contained the country at present known by the name of Lyons, Touraine, Franche Comte, Senenois, Switzerland, and part of Normandy. Besides these grand divisions, there is often mention made of Galli, Cisalpina, or Citerior; Transalpina or Ulterior, which refers to that part of Italy which was conquered by some of the Gauls, who crossed the Alps. By Gallia Cisalpina, the Romans understood that part of Gaul which lies in Italy; and by Transalpina, that which lies beyond the Alps, in regard only to the inhabitants of Rome. Gallia Cispadana and Transpadana, is applied to a part of Italy, conquered by some of the Gauls, and then it means the country on this side of the Po, or beyond the Po, with respect to Rome. By Gallia Togata, the Romans understood Cisalpine Gaul, where the Roman gowns, toges, were usually worn. Gallia Narbonensis, was called Bracotta, on account of the peculiar covering of the inhabitants for their thighs. The epithet of Comata, is applied to Gallia Celtica, because the people suffered their hair to grow to an uncommon length. The inhabitants were great warriors; and their valor overcame the Roman armies, took the cities of Rome, and invaded Greece, in different ages. They spread themselves over the greatest part of the world. They were very superstitious in their religious ceremonies, and revered the sacerdotal order, as if they had been gods. (Vid. Druidae.) They long maintained a bloody war against the Romans; and Caesar resided ten years in their country before he could totally subdue them. Ces. bel. Gall.-Paus. 7, c. 6.-Strab. 5, &c.

Gallianus Mons, a mountain of Campania.

Gallius Aech, was applied to the country between Picenum and Alumnum, when it was divided among the Roman citizens. Liv. 23, c. 14. l. 39. c. 41.-Cic. Cat. 2.-Ces. Civ. 1. c. 29.-Suess, a part of the Mediterranean on the coast of Gaul, now called the Gulf of Lyons.

Gallienus, Publ. Lucinius, a son of the emperor Valerian. He reigned conjointly with his father for seven years, ascended the throne as sole emperor. A.D. 260. In his youth, he showed his activity and military character.
in an expedition against the Germans and Sarmatae; but when he came to the purple, he delivered himself up to pleasure and indulgence. His time was spent in the greatest debauchery: and he indulged himself in the grossest and most lascivious manner, and his palace displayed a scene, at once of effeminacy and shame, voluptuousness and immorality. He often appeared with his hair powdered with golden dust: and enjoyed tranquillity at home, while his provinces abroad were torn by civil quarrels and seditions. He heard of the loss of a rich province, and of the execution of a malefactor, with the same indifference: and when he was apprized that Egypt had revolted, he only observed, that he could live without the produce of Egypt. He was of a disposition naturally inclined to raillery and the ridicule of others. When his wife had been deceived by a jeweller, Gallienus ordered the malefactor to be placed in the circus, in expectation of being exposed to the ferocity of a lion. While the wretch trembled at the expectation of instant death, the executioner, by order of the emperor, let loose a capon upon him. An uncommon laugh was raised upon this, and the emperor observed, that he who deceived others, should expect to be deceived himself. In the midst of these ridiculous diversions, Gallienus was alarmed by the revolt of two of his officers, who had assumed the imperial purple. This intelligence roused him from his lethargy; he marched against his antagonists, and put all the rebels to the sword, without showing the least favour either to rank, sex, or age. These cruelties irritated the people and the army; emperors were elected, and no less than thirty tyrants aspired to the imperial purple. Gallienus resolved boldly to oppose his adversaries; but in the midst of his preparations, he was assassinated at Milan by some of his officers, in the 50th year of his age, A. D. 263.

Gallinaria Sylvia, a wood near Cumae in Italy, famous as being the retreat of robbers. Juv. 3, v. 307.

Gallipolis, a fortified town of the Salentines, on the Ionian sea.

Gallocræcia, a country of Asia Minor, near Bithynia and Cappadocia. It was inhabited by a colony of Gauls, who assumed the name of Gallograeci, because a number of Greeks had accompanied them in their emigration. Strab. 2.

C. Gallonius, a Roman knight appointed over Gades, &c.

P. Gallonius, a luxurious Roman, who, as was observed, never dined well, because he never was hungry. Cic. de Fin. 2, c. 8 & 23.

Gallus. Vid. Alectryon.—A general of Otho, &c. Plat.—A lieutenant of Sylla.—An officer of M. Antony, &c.—Caius, a friend of the great Africanus, famous for his knowledge of astronomy, and his exact calculations of eclipses. Cic. de Senect. —Elius, the third governor of Egypt in the age of Augustus.—Cornelius, a Roman knight, who rendered himself famous by his poetical as well as military talents. He was passionately fond of the slave Lycoris or Cytheris, and celebrated her beauty in his poetry. She proved ungrateful, and forsook him to follow M. Antony, which gave occasion to Virgil to write his tenth eclogue. Gallus, as well as other poets of his age, was in the favour of Augustus, by whom he was appointed over Egypt. He became forgetful of the favours he received; he pillaged the province, and even conspired against his benefactor, according to some accounts, for which he was banished by the emperor. This disgrace operated so powerfully upon him, that he killed himself in despair, A. D. 26. Some few fragments remain of his poetry, and it seems that he particularly excelled in elegiac composition. It is said, that Virgil wrote an eulogium on his poetical friend, and inserted it at the end of his Georgics; but that he totally suppressed it, for fear of offending his imperial patron, of whose favours Gallus had shown himself so unworthy, and instead of that he substituted the beautiful episode about Aristæus and Eurydice. This eulogium, according to some, was suppressed at the particular desire of Augustus. Quintil. 10, c. 1.—Verg. Ecl. 6 & 10.—Ovid. Amat. 3, c. 15, v. 29.—Vibius Gallus, a celebrated orator of Gaul, in the age of Augustus, of whose orations Seneca has preserved some fragments.—A Roman, who assassinated Decius, the emperor, and raised himself to the throne. He showed himself indolent and cruel, and beheld with the greatest indifference the revolt of his provinces, and the invasion of his empire by the barbarians. He was at last assassinated by his soldiers, A. D. 253.—Flavius Claudius Constantinus, a brother of the emperor Julian, raised to the imperial throne under the title of Caesar, by Constantius his relation. He conspired against his benefactor, and was publicly condemned to be beheaded, A. D. 354.—A small river of Phrygia.

Ganaxus, an Indian prince, brought in chains before Alexander for revolting.

Gamelia, a surname of Juno, as Gamelius was of Jupiter, on account of their presiding over marriages.—A festival privately observed at three different times. The first was the celebration of a marriage, the second was in commemoration of a birth-day, and the third was an anniversary of the death of a person.

Gandarites, an Indian nation.

Gangama, a place near the Palus Mæotis.

Gangariæ, a people near the mouths of the Ganges. They were so powerful that Alexander did not dare to attack them. Some attributed this to the wariness and indolence of his troops. Justin. 12, c. 8.—Curt. 9, c. 2.—Verg. Aen. 3, v. 27.

Ganges, a large river of India, falling into the Indian ocean. It inundates the adjacent country in the summer. Like other rivers it was held in the greatest veneration by the
inhabitants, and this superstition may be said to exist still in some particular instances.

Strab. 5.—Plin. 6, c. 87.—Curt. 8, c. 9.—Mel. 3, c. 7.—Virg. Æn. 9, v. 51.

GANNASCUS, an ally of Rome, put to death by Corbulo, the Roman general, &c. Tacit. Ann. 11, c. 18.

GANYMEDE, a goddess, better known by the name of Hebe. Paus. 2, c. 13.

GANYMÈDES, a beautiful youth of Phrygia, son of Tros, and brother to Ilus and Assaracus. According to Lucian, he was son of Dardanus. He was taken up to heaven by Jupiter, as he was hunting, or rather tending his father's flocks on mount Ida, and he became the cup-bearer of the gods in the place of Hebe. Some say that he was carried away by an eagle, to satisfy the shameful and unnatural desires of Jupiter. He is generally represented sitting on the back of a flying eagle in the air. Paus. 5, c. 24.—Homer, II. 20.—Virg. Æn. 5, v. 252.—Ovid. Met. 10, v. 155.—Horat. 4, od. 4.

GARATICUM, a town of Africa.

GARAMANTES, a people in the interior parts of Africa, now called the deserts of Zaara. They lived in common, and scarce clothed themselves, on account of the warmth of their climate. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 193. l. 6, v. 795.—Lucan. 4, v. 334.—Strab. 2.—Plin. 5, c. 8.


GARASMAS, a king of Libya, whose daughter was mother of Ammon by Jupiter.

GARATAS, a river of Arcadia. Paus. B, c. 45.

GARRÊTE, a people of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 45.

GARRATHYRA, a town of Cappadocia. Strab. 12.

GARGANUS, a lofty mountain of Apulia, which advances in the form of a promontory into the Adriatic sea. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 237.—Lucan. 5, v. 880.

GARGAPHLA, a valley near Platea, with a fountain of the same name, where Acteon was torn to pieces by his dogs. Ovid. Met. 3, v. 156.


GARGARIS, a king of the Curetes, who first found the manner of collecting honey. He had a son by his daughter, whom he attempted in vain to destroy. He made him his successor. Justin. 44, c. 44.

GARGELLUS, a village of Attica, the birth-place of Epicurus. Cic. Fam. 13, ep. 16.

GARILLUS MARTIALIS, an historian.—A celebrated hunter. Horat. 1, ep. 6, v. 57.

GARGITIUS, a dog which kept Geryon's flocks. He was killed by Hercules.

GARITÈS, a people of Aquitain, in Gaul.

GARUMNAS, a river of Gaul, now called Garonne, rising in the Pyrenean mountains, and separating Gallia Celtica from Aquitania.

It falls into the bay of Biscay, and has communication with the Mediterranean by the canal of Languedoc. Mela, 3, c. 2.

GASTRON, a general of Lacedæmon, &c. Polyb. 2.

GATHER, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 34.

GATHRATAS, a river of Arcadia. Id. ib.

GAVET, a village near Arabela, beyond the Tigris where Alexander obtained his third victory over Darius. Curt. 4, c. 9.—Strab. 2 & 16.

GAULUS and GAULION, an island in the Mediterranean sea opposite Libya. It produces no venomous creatures. Plin. 3, c. 8.


GAUS and GAOS, a man who followed the interest of Artaxerxes, from whom he was revoluted, and by whom he was put to death. Died. 15.

GAZA, a famous town of Palestine, which Alexander took after a siege of two months. Diod. 17.


GÉDRÔSIA, a barren province of Persia. Strab. 2.

GEGANIS, a family of Alba, part of which migrated to Rome, under Romulus. One of the daughters called Gegania was the first of the vestals created by Numa. Plut. in Num.

GELA, a town on the southern parts of Sicily, about ten miles from the sea, according to Ptolemy, which received its name from a small river in the neighbourhood, called Gelas. It was built by a Rhodian and Cretan colony, 713 years before the Christian era. After it had continued in existence 404 years, Phintias, tyrant of Agrigentum, carried the inhabitants to Phintias, a town in the neighbourhood, which he had founded, and he employed the stones of Gela to beautify his own city. Phintias was also called Gela. The inhabitants were called Gelenses, Geloi, and Gelauni. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 702.—Paus. 8, c. 46.

GELÂNOR, a king of Argos, who succeeded his father, and was deprived of his kingdom by Danaus the Egyptian. Paus. 2, c. 16. Vid. Danaus.

GELLIA CORNELIA LEX, de Civitate, by L. Gellius and Cn. Cornel. Lentulus, A. U. C. 681. It enacted that all those who had been presented with the privilege of citizens of Rome by Pompey, should remain in the possession of that liberty.

GELLIAS, a native of Agrigentum, famous for his munificence and his hospitality. Diod. 13.—Vat. Max. 4, c. 8.

GELLIUS, a censor, &c. Plut. in Pomp.—A consul who defeated a party of Germans, in the interest of Spartacus. Plut.

AULUS GELLIUS, a Roman grammarian in the age of M. Antonius, about 150 A. D. He published a work which he called Notae Atticae, because he composed it at Athens during the long nights of the winter. It is a
collection of incongruous matter, which contains many fragments from the ancient writers, and often serves to explain antique monuments. It was originally composed for the improvement of his children, and abounds with many grammatical remarks. The best editions of A. Gellius are, that of Gronovius, 4to. L. Bat., 1706, and that of Conrad. 2 vols. 8vo. Lips. 1762.

Gelo and Gelon, a son of Diomenes, who made himself absolute at Syracuse, 491 years before the Christian era. He conquered the Carthaginians and Himera, and made his oppression popular by his great equity and moderation. He reigned seven years and his death was universally lamented at Syracuse. He was called the father of his people, and the patron of liberty, an honoured as a demi-god. His brother Hiero succeeded him. Paus. 8, c. 42.—Herodot. 7, c. 133, &c.—Dio. 11.—A man who attempted to poison Pyrrhus—a governor of Bootic—a son of Hiero the younger. Paus. 6, c. 9.—A general of Ptolemy of Egypt, destroyed with his troops by the Thessalians. Paus. 10, c. 1.


Gelone and Geloni, a people of Scythia, infamed from their youth to labour and fatigue. They paint themselves to appear more terrible in battle. They were descended from Gelonus, a son of Hercules. Virg. G. 2, v. 13. Am. 8, v. 725.—Mela, 1, c. 1.

Gelos, a port of Caria. Mela, 1, c. 16.

Geminus, a Roman, who acquainted M. Antony with the situation of his affairs at Rome, &c.—An inveterate enemy of Marius. He seized the person of Marius, and carried him to Minturnae. Plut. in Mart.—A friend of Pompey, from whom he received a favourite mistress called Flora. Plut.

Germismus, an astronomer and mathematician of Rhodes, B. C. 77.


Genina, an ancient, populous, and well fortified city in the country of the Allobroges.

Genista, a man of Cyzicus, killed by the Argonauts, &c. Plut. 3, v. 42.

Genius, a spirit or daemon, which according to the ancients, presided over the birth and life of every man. vid. Desmond.

Genasio, a famous Vandal prince, who passed from Britain to Africa, where he took Carthage. He laid the foundation of the Vandal kingdom in Africa, and in the course of his military expeditions invaded Italy, and sacked Rome in July 455.

Genius, a king of Illyricum, who imprisoned the Roman ambassadors at the request of Perseus king of Macedonia. This offended was highly resented by the Romans, and Gentius was conquered by Anicius, and led in triumph with his family, B. C. 169. Liv. 43, c. 19. &c.

Genus, a celebrated town of Liguria, which Annibal destroyed. It was rebuilt by the Romans. Liv. 21, c. 32.

Genucius, a tribune of the people.—A consul.

GenuiUs, a river of Macedonia, falling into the Ionian sea, near Apollonia. Lucan. 5, v. 462.

Genutia lex, de magistratibus, by L. Genuius the tribune, A. U. C. 411. It ordained that no person should exercise the same magistracy within ten years, or be invested with two offices in one year.

Georgica, a poem of Virgil in four books. The first treats of ploughing the ground; the second of sowing it; the third speaks of the management of cattle, &c.; and in the fourth, the poet gives an account of bees, and of the manner of keeping them among the Romans. The word is derived from γεωργία, terra, and ἀγρόν, opus, because it particularly treats of husbandry. The work is dedicated to Mecenas, the great patron of poetry, in the age of Virgil. The author was seven years in writing and polishing it, and in that composition he showed how much he excelled all other writers He imitated Hesiod who wrote a poem nearly on the same subject, called Opera et Dies.


Geephyra, one of the cities of the Seleucidae in Syria. Strab. 9.

Geephyroi, a people of Phocicia, who passed with Cadmus into Boeotia, and from thence into Attica. Herodot. 3, v. 57.

Gerania, a mountain between Megara and Corinth.

Geranthre, a town of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 2.

Geratiaca, a harbour of Teissos, in Ionia. Liv. 37, c. 27.


Gerothia, a town of Gaul.

Gerion, an ancient augur.

Germania, an extensive country of Europe, at the east of Gaul. Its inhabitants were warlike, fierce, and uncivilized, and always proved a watchful enemy against the Romans. Caesar first entered their country, but he rather checked their fury than conquered them. His example was followed by his imperial successors or their generals, who sometimes entered the country to chastise the insolence of the inhabitants. The ancient Germans were very superstitious, and, in many instances, their religion was the same as that of their neighbours, the Gauls; whence some have concluded that these two nations were of the same origin. They paid uncommon respect to their women, who, as they believed, were endowed with something more than human. They built no temples to their
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gods, and paid great attention to the heroes and warriors which their country had produced. Their rude institutions gradually gave rise to the laws and manners which still prevail in the countries of Europe, which their arms invaded or conquered. Tacitus, in whose age even letters were unknown among them, observed their customs with nicety, and has delineated them with the genius of an historian, and the reflection of a philosopher. Tacit. de Morib. Germ. Meta, I. c. 3. I. 3. c. 3.—Cest. Bell. G. Germànicus Cesar, a son of Drusus and Antonia, the niece of Augustus. He was adopted by his uncle Tiberius, and raised to the most inportant offices of the state. When his grandfather Augustus died, he was employed in a war in Germany, and the affection of the soldiers unanimously saluted him emperor. He refused the unseasonable honour, and appeared the tumult which his indifference had occasioned. He continued his wars in Germany, and defeated the celebrated Arminius, and was rewarded with a triumph at his return to Rome. Tiberius declared him emperor of the east, and sent him to appease the seditions of the Armenians. But the success of Germanicus in the east, was soon looked upon with an envious eye by Tiberius, and his death was meditated. He was secretly poisoned at Daphne, near Antioch, by Piso, A.D. 19, in the 34th year of his age. The news of his death was received with the greatest grief, and the most bitter lamentations, and Tiberius seemed to be the only one who rejoiced in the fall of Germanicus. He had married Agrippina, by whom he had nine children; one of whom, Caligula, disgraced the name of his illustrious father. Germanicus has been commended, not only for his military accomplishments, but also for his learning, humanity, and extensive benevolence. In the midst of war, he devoted some moments to study; and he favoured the world with two Greek comedies, some epigrams, and a translation of Aratus, in Latin verse. Sueton.—This name was common in the age of the emperors, not only to those who had obtained victories over the Germans, but even to those who had entered the borders of their country at the head of an army.

Germani, a people of Persia. Periost. 1. c. 125.

Gerrhe, a people of Scythia, in whose country the Borysthenes rises. The kings of Scythia were generally buried in their territories. Id. 4. c. 71.

Gerus and Gerrhus, a river of Scythia. Id. 4. c. 56.

Geronthe, a town of Laconia, where a yearly festival, called Geronthea, was observed in honour of Mars. The god had there a temple, with a grove, into which no woman was permitted to enter during the time of the solemnity. Paus. Lacon.

Geryon and Gervones, a celebrated monster, born from the union of Chryssoar with Callirhoe, and represented by the poets as having three bodies and three heads. He lived in the island of Gades, where he kept numerous flocks, which were guarded by a two-headed dog, called Orthos, and by Eurytion. Hercules, by order of Eurytheus, went to Gades, and destroyed Geryon, Orthos, and Eurytion, and carried away all his flocks and herds to Tyrrynus.


Gessobiactum, a town of Gaul, now Boulogne, in Picardy.

Gessus, a river of Ionia.

Gessatre, a people of Gallia Togata. Plut. in Marcell.

Geta, a man who raised seditions at Rome in Nero's reign, &c. Tacit. Hist. 2, c. 72.—Septimus, a son of the emperor Severus, brother to Caracalla. In the eighth year of his age, he was moved with compassion at the fate of some of the partisans of Niger and Albinus, who had been ordered to be executed; and his father, struck with his humanity, retracted his sentence. After his father's death he reigned at Rome, conjointly with his brother; but Caracalla, who envied his virtues, and was jealous of his popularity, ordered him to be poisoned; and when this could not be effected, he murdered him in the arms of his mother Julia, who in the attempt of defending the fatal blows from his body, received a wound in her arm, from the hand of her son, the 28th of March, A.D. 212. Geta had not reached the 23d year of his age, and the Romans had reason to lament the death of so virtuous a prince, while they groaned under the cruelties and oppression of Caracalla.

Gete, a people of European Scythia, near the Daci. Ovid, who was banished in their country, describes them as a savage and warlike nation. Ovid. de Pont. Trist. 5, c. 7, v. 111.—Strab. 7.


Gigantes, the sons of Cacus and Terra, who, according to Hesiod, sprang from the blood of the wound which Cacus received from his son Saturn; whilst Hyginus calls them sons of Tar tarus and Terra. They are represented as men of uncommon stature, with strength proportioned to their gigantic size. Some of them, as Cotrus, Briarcus, and Gyges, had 50 heads and 100 arms, and serpents instead of legs. They were of a terrible aspect, their hair hung loose about their shoulders, and their beard was suffered to grow untouched. Pallene, and its neighbourhood, was the place of their residence. The defeat of the Titans, to whom they were nearly related, incensed them against Jupiter, and they all conspired to dethrone him. The god was alarmed, and called all the deities to assist him against a powerful enemy, who made use of rocks, oaks, and burning woods for their weapons, and who had already heaped mount Ossa upon Pelion, to scale with more facility the walls of heaven. At the sight of such dreadful adversaries, the gods fled with the greatest consternation into Egypt, where they assumed the shape of different animals, to screen themselves from their pursuers. Jupiter, however, remembered that they were not invincible, provided he called a mortal to his assis-
Gladiators were killing machines, their training and combat vicious and brutal. It was a spectacle of violence and human cruelty. They were not just entertainers, but killing machines, their combatants trained to be efficient killers. The gladiators were often criminals, slaves, or prisoners of war. The Roman Senate decided the type and number of combats, and the gladiators were selected accordingly. The Roman people enjoyed watching these gruesome spectacles, and their popularity increased with time. The gladiators were treated as heroes, and their performances were celebrated with public monuments.

The Romans were not just satisfied with the physical brutality of the gladiators, but also with the public display of executions. The worst offenders, such as murderers and adulterers, were often forced to fight to the death. The public also demanded the execution of rulers who were perceived as tyrants.

The gladiators were often killed by their opponents, but there were also cases where they killed each other. The gladiators were often executed after their combat, the victor depriving the defeated of the chance of a merciful death. The Senate also ordered the execution of gladiators who were performing poorly or who were not entertaining the public.

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shouts. The combats of gladiators were some times different, either in weapons or dress, whence they were generally distinguished into the following orders: The secutores were armed with a sword and buckler, to keep off the net of their antagonists, the retiarii. These last endeavoured to throw their net over the head of their antagonist, and in that manner to entangle him, and prevent him from striking. If this did not succeed, they betook themselves to flight. Their dress was a short coat, with a hat tied under the chin with broad ribbon. They bore a trident in their left hand. The Threees, originally Thracians, were armed with a fausticon, and small round shield. The Myrmillones, called also Galli, from their Gallic dress, were much the same as the secutores. They were, like them, armed with a sword, and on the top of their head-piece they wore the figure of a fish embossed, called μορφομορφος, whence their name. The Hoplonomaes were completely armed from head to foot, as their name implies. The Samnites, armed after the manner of the Samnites, wore a large shield, broad at the top, and growing more narrow at the bottom, more conveniently to defend the upper parts of the body. The Essetaritii, generally fought from the essitum, or chariot used by the ancient Gauls and Britons. The Andabatae, ἀναβαται, fought on horseback, with a helmet that covered and defended their faces and eyes. Hence andivata-tarum move pugnare, is to fight blind-folded. The meridiani, engaged in the afternoon. The postulatitii, were men of great skill and experience, and such as were generally produced by the emperors. The fiscales were maintained out of the emperor's treasury, fisca. The dimacheri fought with two swords in their hands, whence their name. After these cruel exhibitions had been continued for the amusement of the Roman populace, they were abolished by Constantine the Great, near 600 years after their first institution. They were, however, revived under the reign of Constantius and his two successors, but Honorius for ever put an end to these cruel barbarities.

GLANIS, a river of Cumæ.—Of Iberia.—Of Italy. Ital. 8, v. 434.

GLAPHYRA and GLAPHÝRA, a daughter of Archelaus, the high priest of Bellona, in Cappadocia, celebrated for her beauty and intrigues. She obtained the kingdom of Cappadocia for her two sons from M. Antony, whom she corrupted by defiling the bed of her husband. This amour of Antony with Glaphyra, highly displeased his wife Fulvia, who wished Augustus to avenge his infidelity, by receiving from her the same favours which Glaphyra received from Antony.—Her grand-daughter bore the same name. She was a daughter of Archelaus, king of Cappadocia, and married Alexander, a son of Herod, by whom she had two sons. After the death of Alexander, she married his brother-in-law Archelaus.

GLAPHÝRA, a famous adulterer. Juv. 6, v. 77.

GLAUCUS, the wife of Acteaus, daughter of Cychraeus. Apollod.—A daughter of Creon, who married Jason. [Vid. Creum.]—One of the Danaides. Apollod.

GLAUCIPES, one of the Danaides. Apollod.

GLAUCIPPUS, a Greek, who wrote a treatise concerning the sacred rites observed at Athens.

GLAUCON, a writer of dialogues at Athens. Diog. in vita.

GLAUCONOME, one of the Nereides.

GLAUCÔPS, a surname of Minerva, from the blueness of her eyes.

GLAUCUS, a son of Hippocochus, the son of Bellerophon. He assisted Priam in the Trojan war, and had the simplicity to exchange his golden suit of armour with Diomedes for an iron one, whence came the proverb of Glui et Diomedis perpetuum, to express a foolish purchase. He behaved with much courage, and was killed by Ajax. Virg. Aeni. 6, v. 483.—Martial. 9, ep. 96.—Homer. Il. 6.—A fisherman of Anthedon in Boeotia, son of Neptune and Nais, or, according to others, of Polybius, the son of Mercury. As he was fishing, he observed that all the fishes which he laid on the grass received fresh vigour as they touched the ground, and immediately escaped from him by leaping into the sea. He attributed the cause of it to the grass; and by tasting it he found himself suddenly moved with a desire of living in the sea. Upon this he leaped into the water, and was made a sea deity by Oceanus and Tethys, at the request of the gods. After this transformation, he became enamoured of the Nereid Scylla, whose ingratitude was severely punished by Circe. [Vid. Scylla.] He is represented, like the other sea deities, with a long beard, dishevelled hair, and shaggy eyebrows, and with the tail of a fish. He received the gift of prophecy from Apollo, and, according to some accounts, he was the interpreter of Nereus. He assisted the Argonauts in their expedition, and foretold them that Hercules and the two sons of Leda, would one day receive immortal honours. The fable of his metamorphosis has been explained by some authors, who observe that he was an excellent diver, who was devoured by fishes as he was swimming in the sea. Ovid. Met. 13, v. 905, &c.—Hygin. fab. 199.—Athen. 7.—Apollon. 1.—Died. 4.—Aristot. de Rep. Del. —Pas. 9, c. 22.—A son of Sisyphus, king of Corinth, by Merope the daughter of Atlas, born at Potnia a village of Boeotia. He prevented his mares from having any commerce with the stallions, in the expectation that they would become swifter in running; upon which Venus inspired the mares with such fury, that they tore his body to pieces, as he returned from the games which Adrastus had celebrated in honour of his father. He was buried near Potnia. Hygin. fab. 250.—Virg. G. 3, v. 367.—Apollon. 1 & 2.—A son of Minos the 2d and Pasiphae, who was smothered in a cask of honey. His father, ignorant of his fate, consulted the oracle to know where he was; and received for answer, that the soothsayer who best described him an ox, which was of three different colours among his
sentsed her countrymen with the painting of Cupid, which Praxiteles had given her.


GLYMPES, a town on the borders of the Lacedaemonians and Messenians. Polyb. 4.

GNATIA, a town of Apulia, about 30 miles from Brundusium. Horat. 1, Sat. 5.

GNIDUS. [Vid. Cnidus.]

GNOSISS and GNOSISS, an epitaph given to Ariadne, because she lived, or was born, at Gnosus. The crown which she received from Bacchus, and which was made a constellation, is called Gnosia Stella. Virg. G. 1, v. 222.

GNOSUS, a famous city of Crete, the residence of king Minos. The name of Gnosia tellus, is often applied to the whole island. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 23.—Strab. 10.—Homer. Od.

GONANTIO, a chief of the Arverni, uncle to Vergintorix. Cæs. bell. G. 7, c. 4.

GONAB, a governor of Mesopotamia, who checked the course of the Euphrates, that it might not run rapidly through Babylon. Plut. 6, c. 26.

GONARES, a Persian governor, who surrendered to Alexander, &c. Curt. 5, c. 31.

GORYIAS, a Persian, one of the seven noblemen who conspired against the usurper Smerdis. Vid. Darius. Herod. 3, c. 70.

GOLCI, (brum) a place of Cyprus, sacred to Venus and Cupid. Paus. 8, c. 5.

GOMPHI, a town of Thessaly.

GONATAS, one of the Antigoni.

GONIÄRES, nymphs in the neighbourhood of the river Cythereus. Strab. 8.

GONIPPIUS and PANORMUS, two youths of Andania, who disturbed the Lacedaemonians, when celebrating the festivals of Polux. Paus. 4, c. 27.

GONNI and GONOCYDYLUS, a town of Thessaly. Liv. 36, c. 10.—Strab. 4.

GONINESSA, a town of Troas. Sene. in Traud.

GONISES, a town of Sicyon. Paus.

GORDIANUS, M. ANTONIUS AFRICANUS, a son of Metius Marcellus, descended from Trajan by his mother's side. In the greatest affluence he cultivated learning, and was an example of piety and virtue. He applied himself to the study of poetry, and composed a poem in 30 books upon the virtues of Titus Antoninus, and M. Aurelius. He was such an advocate for good breeding and politeness, that he never sat down in the presence of his father-in-law, Annius Severus, who paid him daily visits, before he was promoted to the pretorship. He was some time after elected consul, and went to take the government of Africa, in the capacity of proconsul. After he had attained his 80th year, in the greatest splendour and domestic tranquillity, he was roused from his peaceful occupations by the tyrannical reign of the Maximini, and he was proclaimed emperor by the rebellious troops of his province. He long declined to accept the imperial purple, but the threats of immediate death gained his compliance. Maximus
marched against him with the greatest indignation; and Gordian sent his son, with whom he shared the imperial dignity, to oppose the enemy. Young Gordian was killed; and the father, worn out with age, and grown desperate on account of his misfortunes, strangled himself at Carthage, before he had been six weeks at the head of the empire, A. D. 236. He was universally lamented by the army and people.—M. Antonius Africanus, son of Gordianus, was instructed by Serenus Samnoticus, who left him his library, which consisted of 62,000 volumes. His enlightened understanding, and his peaceful disposition, recommended him to the favour of the emperor Hellegabalus. He was made prefect of Rome, and afterwards consul, by the emperor Alexander Severus. He passed into Africa, in the character of lieutenant to his father, who had obtained that province; and seven years after he was elected emperor in conjunction with him. He marched against the partizans of Maximinus, his antagonist in Mauritania, and was killed in a bloody battle on the 25th of June, A. D. 236, after a reign of about six weeks. He was of an amiable disposition, but he has been justly blamed by his biographers, on account of his lascivious propensities, which reduced him to the weakness and infirmities of old age, though he was but in the 46th year at the time of his death.—M. Antonius Pius, grandson of the first Gordian, was but 12 years old when he was honoured with the title of Caesar. He was proclaimed emperor in the 16th year of his age, and his election was attended with universal marks of approbation. In the 18th year of his age, he married Furia Sabina Tranquillina, daughter of Mithraeus, a man celebrated for his eloquence and public virtues. Mithraeus was entrusted with the most important offices of the state by his son-in-law, and his administration proved how deserving he was of the confidence and affection of his imperial master. He corrected the various abuses which prevailed in the state, and restored the ancient discipline among the soldiers. By his prudence and political sagacity, all the chief towns in the empire were stored with provisions, which could maintain the emperor and a large army during 13 days, upon any emergency. Gordian was not less active than his father-in-law; and when Sapor, the king of Persia, had invaded the Roman provinces in the east, he boldly marched to meet him, and in his way defeated a large body of Goths, in Mes sia. He conquered Sapor, and took many flourishing cities in the east from his adversary. On this success the senate decreed him a triumph, and saluted Mithraeus as the guardian of the republic. Gordian was assassinated in the east, A. D. 244, the means of Philip, who had succeeded to the virtuous Mithraeus, and who usurped the sovereign power without any murd ering a warlike and amiable prince. The senate, sensible of his merit, honoured him with a most splendid funeral on the confines of Persia, and ordered that the descend
with impenetrable scales, and their teeth were as long as the tusks of a wild boar, and they turned to stones all those on whom they fixed their eyes. Medusa alone had serpents in her hair, according to Ovid, and this proceeded from the resentment of Minerva, in whose temple Medusa had gratified the passions of Neptune, who was enamoured of the beautiful colour of her locks, which the goddess changed into serpents. Æschylus says, that they had only one tooth and one eye between them, of which they had the use each in her turn; and accordingly it was at the time that they were exchanging the eye, that Perseus attacked them, and cut off Medusa's head. According to some authors, Perseus, when he went to the conquest of the Gorgons, was armed with an instrument like a scythe by Mercury, and provided with a looking-glass by Minerva, besides winged shoes, and a helmet of Pluto, which rendered all objects clearly visible and open to the view, while the person who wore it remained totally invisible. With weapons like these, Perseus obtained an easy victory; and after his conquest, returned his arms to the different deities, whose favours and assistance he had so recently experienced. The head of Medusa remained in his hands; and after he had finished all his laborious expeditions he gave it to Minerva, who placed it on her ægis, with which she turned into stones all such as fixed their eyes upon it. It is said, that after the conquest of the Gorgons, Perseus took his flight in the air towards Ethiopia; and that the drops of blood which fell to the ground from Medusa's head were changed into serpents, which have ever since infested the sandy deserts of Libya. The horse Pegæus also arose from the blood of Medusa, as well as Chrysaor with his golden sword. The residence of the Gorgons was beyond the ocean towards the west, according to Hesiod. Æschylus makes them inhabit the eastern parts of Scythia; and Ovid, as the most received opinion, supports that they lived in the inland parts of Libya, near the lake of Triton, or the gardens of the Hesperides. Diodorus, and others, explain the fable of the Gorgons, by supposing that they were a warlike race of women near the Amazons, whom Perseus, with the help of a large army, totally destroyed. Hesiod. Thog. & Scut.-Apollon. 4._Apollod. 3, c. 1 & 4, &c._Homer. II. 5 & 11._Virg. Æn. 6, &c._Diod. 1 & 4._Paus. 2, c. 20, &c._Eschyl. Prom. Act. 4._Pindar. Pyth. 7 & 12._Olymp. 3._Ovid. Met. 4, v. 618, &c._Paus. 1._Hist. de Floryan.

GORGONIA, a surname of Pallas, because Perseus, armed with her shield, had conquered the Gorgon, who had polluted her temple with Neptune.

GORGONIUS, a man ridiculed by Horace for his ill smell. Horat. 1._Sat. 2, v. 27._

GORGÓPHONÉ, a daughter of Perseus and Andromeda, who married Perieres, king of Messenia, by whom she had Apharesus and Leucippus. After the death of Perieres, she married Æbalus, who made her mother of Icarus and Tyndarus. She is the first whom the mythologists mention as having had a second husband. Paus. 4, c. 2._Apollod. 1, 2, & 3._

GORTYN, a son of Accaeus and Anaxo. Apollod. 2, c. 4._

GORTYN, *Gortys*, a surname of Minerva, from her ægis, on which was the head of the Gorgon Medusa.

GORTYS, the son of Aristomenes the Messenian. He was married when young to a virgin by his father, who had experienced the greatest kindnesses from her humanity, and had been enabled to conquer seven Cretans, who had attempted his life, &c. Paus. 4, c. 19._A son of Theron, tyrant of Agrigentum._—A man, who, by a knowledge of metals proved very servicable to Alexander, &c.

GORTHYTHON, a son of Priam, killed by Teucer. Homer. II. 8._

GORTE, a people of Euoea, who fought with the Medes at the battle of Arbela. Curt. 4, c. 12._

GORION, GORTYS, and GORTYNÁ, an inland town of Crete. It was on the inhabitants of this place, that Amnibal, to save his money, practised an artifice recorded in C. Nep. in Ann. 9._Plin. 4, c. 12._Lucan. 6, c. 214._

GORTYNÁ, a town of Arcadia in Peloponnesus. Paus. 8, c. 28._

GOTHI, a celebrated nation of Germany, called also Gothones, Gutones, Gythones, and Guttones. They were warriors by profession, as well as all their savage neighbours. They extended their power over all parts of the world, and chiefly directed their arms against the Roman empire. Their first attempt against Rome, was on the provinces of Greece, whence they were driven by Constantine. They plundered Rome under Alaric, one of their most celebrated kings, A. D. 410. From becoming the enemies of the Romans, the Goths gradually became their mercenaries; and as they were powerful and united, they soon dictated to their imperial masters, and introduced disorders, anarchy, and revolutions in the west of Europe. Tacit. Ann. 2, el. 2, &c._

GRACCHUS, T. Sempronius, father of Tiberius and Caius Gracchus, was twice consul and once censor. He made war in Gaul, and met with much success in Spain. He married Sempronius, of the family of the Scipios, a woman of great virtue, piety, and learning. Their children, Tiberius and Caius, who had been educated under the watchful eye of their mother, rendered themselves famous for their eloquence, seditions, and an obstinate attachment to the interests of the populace, which at last proved fatal to them. With a winning eloquence, affected moderation, and uncommon popularity, Tiberius began to renew the Agrarian law, which had already caused such dissensions at Rome. [Vid. Agraria.] By the means of violence, his proposition passed into a law, and he was appointed commissioner with his father-in-law, Appius Claudius, and his brother Caius, to make an equal division of the lands among the people. The riches of Attalus, which were left
to the Roman people by will, were distributed without opposition; and Tiberius enjoyed the triumph of his successful enterprise, when he was assassinated in the midst of his adherents by P. Nasica, while the populace were all unanimous to re-elect him to serve the office of tribune the following year. The death of Tiberius checked for a while the friends of the people; but Caius, spurred by ambition and furious zeal, attempted to remove every obstacle which stood in his way by force and violence. He supported the cause of the people with more vehemence, but less moderation, than Tiberius; and his success served only to awaken his ambition, and animate his resentment against the nobles. With the privileges of a tribune, he soon became the arbiter of the republic, and treated the patricians with contempt. This behaviour hastened the ruin of Caius, and in the tumult he fled to the temple of Diana, where his friends prevented him from committing suicide. This increased the sedition, and he was murdered by order of the consul Optimus, B. C. 121, about 13 years after the unfortunate end of Tiberius. His body was thrown into the Tiber, and his wife was forbidden to put on mourning for his death. Caius has been accused with having stained his hands in the blood of Scipio Africanus the younger, who was found murdered in his bed. Punt. in vita.—Cic. in Cat. 1.—Lucan. 6, v. 796.—Flor. 2, c. 17. l. 3, c. 14, &c.—Sempronius, a Roman, banished to the coast of Africa for his adulteries with Julia, the daughter of Augustus. He was assassinated by order of Tiberius, after he had been banished 14 years. Julia also shared his fate. Tacit. Ann. 1, c. 53.—A general of the Sabines, taken by O. Cincinnatus.—A Roman consul defeated by Annius, &c. Cep. in Ann.

GRADIVUS, a surname of Mars among the Romans, perhaps from spequeàtivis, brandishing a spear. His residence was supposed to be among the fierce and savage Thracians and Getæ, over whom he particularly presided. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 35.—Homer. II.—Livy. 1, c. 20.

GRECI, the inhabitants of Greece. Vide Græcia.

GRÆCIA, a celebrated country of Europe, bounded on the west by the Ionian sea, south by the Mediterranean sea, east by the Ægæan, and north by Thrace and Dalmatia. It is generally divided into four large provinces: Macedonia, Epirus, Achaea or Hellas, and Peloponnesus. This country has been reckoned superior to every other part of the earth, on account of the salubrity of the air, the temperature of the climate, the fertility of the soil; and above all, the fame, learning, and arts of its inhabitants. The Greeks have severely been called Achæans, Argians, Danai, Dolopes, Helenians, Ioniens, Myrmidons, and Pelasgians. The most celebrated of their cities were Athens, Sparta, Argos, Corinth, Thebes, Sicyon, Mycene, Delphi, &c. The inhabitants, whose history is darkened in its primitive ages with fabulous accounts and traditions, supported that they were the original inhabitants of the country, and born from the earth where they dwelt; and they heard with contempt the probable conjectures which traced their origin among the first inhabitants of Asia, and the colonies of Egypt. In the first ages, the Greeks were governed by monarchs; and there were as many kings as there were cities. The monarchical power gradually decreased; the love of liberty established the republican government; and no part of Greece, except Macedonia, remained in the hands of an absolute sovereign. The expedition of the Argonauts first rendered the Greeks respectable among their neighbours; and in the succeeding age, the wars of Thebes and of Troy, gave opportunity to their heroes and demigods to display their valour in the field of battle. The simplicity of the ancient Greeks rendered them virtuous; and the establishment of the Olympic games in particular, where the noble reward of the conqueror was a laurel crown, contributed to their agrandizement, and made them ambitious of fame, and not the slaves of riches. The austerity of their laws, and the education of their youth, particularly at Lacedaemon, rendered them brave and active, insensible to bodily pain, fearless and intrepid in the time of danger. The celebrated battles of Marathon, Thermopylae, Salamis, Platea, and Mycale, sufficiently show what superiority the courage of a little army can obtain over millions of undisciplined barbarians. After many signal victories over the Persians, they became elated with their success; and when they found no one able to dispute with them abroad, they turned their arms one against the other, and leagued with foreign states to destroy the most flourishing of their cities. The Messenian and Peloponnesian wars, are examples of the dreadful calamities which arise from civil discord, and long prosperity. The bold retreat of the ten thousand, who had assisted Cyrus against his brother Artaxerxes, reminded the Greeks of their superiority over all other nations; and taught Alexander, that the conquest of the east might be made with a handful of Grecian soldiers. While the Greeks rendered themselves so illustrious by their military exploits, the arts and sciences were assisted by conquest, and received fresh lustre from the application and industry of its professors. The labours of the learned were received with admiration, and the merit of a composition was determined by the applause or disapprobation of a multitude. Their generals were orators; and eloquence seemed to be so nearly connected with the military profession, that he was despoiled by his soldiers, who could not address them upon any emergency with a spirited and well-delivered oration. The learning as well as the virtues of Socrates, procured him a name; and the writings of Aristotle have, perhaps, gained him a more lasting fame, than all the conquests and trophies of his royal pupil. Such were the occupations and accomplishments of the Greeks; their language became almost universal, and their country was the receptacle of the youths of the neighbouring states, where they inculcated the principles of liberty and moral virtue. The
Granius, a senator, put to death by Caligula, because he refused to accuse Sejanus, &c. Senc. de Benef. 2.

Grecus, a man from whom some suppose that Greece received its name. Aristot.

Gratianus, an inhabitant of Greece.

Graecius, a senator, who, being taken by Pompey's generals, refused the life which was tendered to him; observing that Caesar's soldiers received not, but granted life. He killed himself. Plut. in Cest.

Granius Petronius, an officer, who, being taken by Pompey's generals, refused the life which was tendered to him; observing that Caesar's soldiers received not, but granted life. He killed himself. Plut. in Cest.

Gratianus, a questor, whom Sylla had ordered to be strangled only one day before he died a natural death. Plut.—A son of the wife of Marius by a former husband.

Gratiae, three goddesses. Vid. Charites.

Gratiianus, a native of Pamonia, father to the emperor Valentinian 1st. He was raised to the throne though only eight years old; and after he had reigned for some time conjointly with his father, he became sole emperor, in the 16th year of his age. He soon after took, as his imperial college, Theodosius, whom he appointed over the eastern parts of the empire. His courage in the field is as remarkable as his love of learning, and fondness of philosophy. He slaughtered 30,000 Germans in a battle, and supported the tottering state by his prudence and intrepidity. His enmity to the Pagan superstition of his subjects, proved his ruin; and Maximinus, who undertook the defence of the worship of Jupiter and all the gods, was joined by an infinite number of discontented Romans, and met Gratian near Paris in Gaul. Gratian was forsaken by his troops in the field of battle, and was murdered by the rebels, A. D. 383, in the 24th year of his age.—A Roman soldier, invested with the imperial purple by the rebellious army in Britain, in opposition to Honoria. He was assassinated four months after, by those very troops to whom he owed his elevation, A. D. 407.

Gratidia, a woman at Neapolis, called Casmidia by Horace. Epod. 3.

Gratia, a giant killed by Diana.

Gratius Faliscus, a Latin poet contemporary with Ovid. He wrote a poem on courting, called Cynegestion, much commended for its eloquence and perspicuity. It may be compared to the Georgics of Virgil, to which it is nearly equal in the number of verses. The latest edition is of Amst. 4to. 1728.


Gravise, a maritime town of Etruria, which assisted Aeneas against Turnus. The air was unwholesome, on account of the marshes and stagnant waters in its neighbourhood. Virg. Aen. 10, v. 184.

Gravius, a Roman knight of Puteoli, killed at Dyrrachium, &c. Cest. bell. Civ.

Gregorius, Thoed. Thaumaturgus, a disciple of Origen, afterwards bishop of Neronisarea, the place of his birth. He died A. D. 266, and it is said he left only seventeen idolators in his diocese, where he had found only seventeen Christians. Of his works, are extant his gratulatory oration to Origen, a canonical epistle, and other treatises in Greek, the best edition of which is that of Paris, fol. 1622.—Nazianzen, surnamed the Divine, was bishop of Constantinople, which resigned on its being disputed. His writings rival those of the celebrated orators of Greece, in eloquence, sublimity, and variety. His sermons are more for philosophers than common bearers, but replete with seriousness and devotion. Erasmus said, that he was afraid to translate his works, from the apprehension of not transfusing into another language the smartness and acumen of his style, and the stateliness and happy diction of the whole. He died, A. D. 399. The best edition is that of the Benedictins, the first volume of which, in fol. was published at Paris, 1778.—A bishop of Nyssa, author of the Nicene creed. His style is represented as allegorical and affected; and he has been accused of mixing philosophy too much with theology. His writings consist of commentaries on scripture, moral discourses, sermons on mysteries, dogmatical treatises, panegyrics on saints, the best edition of which is that of Morell, 2 vols. fol. Paris, 1615. The bishop died A. D. 396. Another Christian writer, whose works were edited by the Benedictins, in 4 vols. fol. Paris 1705.

Grinnes, a people among the Batavians. Tacit. Hist. 5, c. 20.

Gruphus, a man distinguished as much for his probity as his riches, to whom Horace addressed 2 Od. 16.

Grudi, a people tributary to the Nervii, supposed to have inhabited the country near Tournay or Bruges in Flanders. Cest. G. 5, c. 38.

Grunamentum, now Armento, an inland town of Lucania on the river Actis. Lit. 25, c. 37. 1. 27, c. 41.

Gryllus, a son of Xenophon, who killed Epaminondas, and was himself slain, at the battle of Mantinea, B. C. 363. His father was offering a sacrifice when he received the news of his death, and he threw down the garland which was on his head; but he replaced it when he heard that the enemy's general had fallen by his hands; and he observed, that his
death ought to be celebrated with every demonstration of joy, rather than of lamentation. 

Arisot. — Paus. 8, c. 11, &c. — One of the companions of Ulysses, changed into a swine by Circe.

Gynnem and Gynnium, a town near Clazomenae, where Apollo had a temple with an oracle; on account of which he is called Gymnias. Strab. 13. — Virg. Ecl. 6, v. 72. — En. 4, v. 345.

Gynnes, one of the Centaurs, who fought against the Lapithes, &c. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 260.

Gyarus and Gyares, an island in the Egean sea, near Delos. The Romans were wont to send their culprits there. Ovid. 7. Met. v. 407.

Gyas, one of the companions of Aeneas, who distinguished himself at the games exhibited after the death of Anchises in Sicily. Virg. En. 3, v. 118, &c. — A part of the territories of Syracuse, in the possession of Dionysius.

A Rutulian, son of Melampus, killed by Aeneas in Italy. Virg. En. 10, v. 318.

Gyæus, a lake of Lydia, 40 stadia from Sardis. Propert. 3, el. 11, v. 18.

Gyge, a maid of Parysatis.

Gyges or Gyes, a son of Celas and Terra, represented as having a hundred hands. He, with his brothers, made war against the gods, and was afterwards punished in Tartarus. Ovid. Trist. 4, el. 7, v. 18. — A Lydian, to whom Candaules, king of the country, showed his wife naked. The queen was so incensed at this instance of imprudence and infirmity in her husband, that she ordered Gyges, either to prepare for death himself, or to murder Candaules. He chose the latter, and married the queen, and ascended the vacant throne, about 718 years before the Christian era. He was the first of the Mermnadæ, who reigned in Lydia. He reigned 33 years, and distinguished himself by the immense presents which he made to the oracle of Delphi. Herodot. 1, c. 8. According to Plato, Gyges descended into a chasm of the earth, where he found a brazen horse, whose sides he opened, and saw within the body the carcase of a man of uncommon size, from whose finger he took a brazen ring. This ring, when put on his finger, rendered him invisible; and by means of its virtue, he introduced himself to the queen, murdered her husband and married her, and usurped the crown of Lydia. Cic. Off. 3, 9. — A man killed by Turnus, in his wars with Aeneas. En. 9, v. 762. — A beautiful boy of Cuidus, in the age of Horace. Horat. 2. Od. 5, v. 30.

Gylippus, a Lacedemonian, sent by B. C. 414, by his countrymen to assist Syracuse, against the Athenians. He obtained a celebrated victory over Nicias and Demostrhenes, the enemy's generals, and obliged them to surrender. He accompanied Lysander, in his expedition against Athens, and was present at the taking of that celebrated town. After the fall of Athens, he was entrusted by the conqueror with the money, which had been taken in the plunder, which amounted to 1500 talents. As he conveyed it to Sparta, he had the meanness to unsew the bottom of the bags which contained it, and secreted about three hundred talents. His theft was discovered; and to avoid the punishment which he deserved, he fled from his country, and by this act of meanness tarnished the glory of his victorious actions. Tibull. 4, et. 1, v. 199. — Plut. in Nicoa.


Gymnasium, a large c.tynear Colchis. Diod. 14.

Gymnasia, a place among the Greeks, where all the public exercises were performed, and where not only wrestlers and dancers exhibited, but also philosophers, poets, and rhetoricians repeated their compositions. The room was high and spacious, and could contain many thousands of spectators. The laborious exercises of the Gymnasium were running, leaping, throwing the quoit, wrestling, and boxing, which was called by the Greeks, πεντάθλον, and by the Romans Quintquartius. In riding, the athlete led a horse, on which he sometimes was mounted, conducting another by the bridle, and jumping from the tree upon the other. Whoever came first to the goal, and jumped with the greatest agility, obtained the prize. In running a-foot, the athletes were sometimes armed, and he who came first was declared victorious. Leaping was an useful exercise: its primary object was to teach the soldiers to jump over ditches, and pass over eminences during a siege, or in the field of battle. In throwing the quoit, the prize was adjudged to him who threw it farthest. The quoits were made either with wood, stone, or metal. The wrestlers employed all their dexterity to bring their adversary to the ground, and the boxers had their hands armed with gauntlets, called also cestus. Their blows were dangerous, and often ended in the death of one of the combatants. In wrestling and boxing, the athletes were often naked, whence the word Gymnasia, γυμνος, nudus. They anointed themselves with oil to brace their limbs, and to render their bodies slippery, and more difficult to be grasped.

Gymnesie, two islands near the Iberus in the Mediterranean, called Baleares by the Greeks. Plin. 5, c. 8.—Strab. 2.

Gyne, a town of Colchis. Xenoph. Anab. 4.

Gymnetes, a people of Ethiopia, who live almost naked. Plin. 5, c. 8.

Gymnosophistæ, a certain sect of philosophers in India, who, according to some, placed their summum bonum in pleasure, and their summum malum in pain. They lived naked, as their name implies, and for 37 years they exposed themselves in the open air to the heat of the sun, the inclemency of the seasons, and the coldness of the night. They were often seen in the fields fixing their eyes full upon the disc of the sun from the time of its rising till the hour of its setting. Sometimes they stood whole days upon one foot in burning sand without moving, or shewing any concern for what surrounded them. Alexander was astonished at the sight of a sect of men who seemed to despise bodily pain, and who incurred

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themselves to suffer the greatest tortures without uttering a groan, or expressing any marks of fear. The conqueror condescended to visit them, and his astonishment was increased when he saw one of them ascend a burning pile with firmness and unconcern, to avoid the infirmities of old age, and stand upright on one leg and unmoved, while the flames surrounded him on every side. [Vid. Calanus.] The Brachmans were a branch of the sect of the Gymnosophists. [Vid. Brachmanes.] Strab. 15, &c.—Plin. 6.—Cic. Tusc. 5.—Luean. 3.—Dion.

Gynæceas, a woman said to have been the wife of Faunus, and the mother of Bacchus and of Midaus.

Gynæcothénas, a name of Mars at Teges, on account of a sacrifice offered by the women without the assistance of the men, who were not permitted to appear at this religious ceremony. Paus. 8, c. 48.

Gynèdes, a river of Assyria, falling into the Tigris. When Cyrus marched against Babylon, his army was stopped by this river, in which one of his favourite horses was drowned. This so irritated the monarch that he ordered the river to be conveyed into 360 different channels by his army, so that after this division it hardly reached the knee. Herodot. 1, c. 189 & 202.

Gytheium, a town of Laconia in Peloponesus, built by Hercules and Apollo, who had there desisted from their quarrels. The inhabitants were called Gythætes. Cic. Offic. 3, c. 11.
Atitius, an old man, who foretold to Penelope's suitors, the return of Ulysses and their own destruction. Homer. Od. 1.

Hillius, a son of Alcinous, famous for his skill in hunting.—A Trojan, who came with Aeneas into Italy, where he was killed by Turnus. Virg. Aen. 9, v. 767.


Halmus, a son of Sisyphus, father to Chrysogone. He reigned in Orchomenos. Paus. 9, c. 35.

Halmydessus, a town of Thrace. Mela, 2, c. 2.


Halonnesus, an island in the Egean sea, near Thrace. It was inhabited only by women who had slaughtered all the males. Mela, 2, c. 7.

Halotia, a festival in Tegea. Paus.

Halotus, an eunuch, who used to taste the meat of Claudius. He poisoned the emperor's food by order of Agrippana. Tacit. Ann. 2, c. 66.

Halus, a city of Achaia.—Of Parthia.

Halys, a name of Ovid. Elixir, 4, c. 176.

Hamylas, a man changed into a bird of the same name. Ovid. Met. 3, v. 176.

Hamyntas. [Vid. Alcyonides.]

Halys is a river of Asia Minor, rising in Cappadocia, and falling into the Euxine sea. It received its name από το ρού κλαῦρον, from salt, because its water was a salt and bitter taste from the nature of the soil over which they flow. It is famous for the defeat of Creesus, king of Lydia, who was mistaken by the ambiguous words of this oracle:

Χρονος 'αινίων διαβάς μεγάλαν αρχήν διαλύσω.

If Creesus pusses over the Halys, he shall destroy a great empire.

That empire was his own. Cic. de Div. — Lucan. 3, v. 272.—Heron. 1, c. 29.

Halysia, a town of Epirus, near the Acheous; where the Athenians obtained a naval victory over the Lacedaemonians.

Hamydneos, a nymph who lived in the country, and presided over trees, with which they had lived and died. The word is derived from οὔς συμής, and ἁρπαχ ὑμείς. Virg. Ec. 10.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 647.

Hame, a town of Campania near Cumae. Liv. 23, c. 25.

Hamak, a city of Cilicia.

Hamilcar, the name of a celebrated general of Carthage. [Vid. Amilcar.]


Hammon, the Jupiter of the Africans. [Vid. Ammon.]

Hannibal. [Vid. Anubal.]

Hanno. [Vid. Abro.]

Harcalo, a man famous for his knowledge of poisonous herbs &c. He touched the most venomous serpents and reptiles without receiving the smallest injury. Sil. 1, v. 406.

Harmandelia, a town of the Brachmanes in India, taken by Alexander. Dio. 17.

Harmatris, a town of Æolia.

Harmonia, a friend of Aristogiton, who delivered his country from the tyranny of the Pisistratides. B. C. 510. [Vid. Aristogiton.] The Athenians, to reward the patriotism of these illustrious citizens, made a law that no one should ever bear the name of Aristogiton and Harmodius. Herodot. 5, v. 35.

Harmônia, a daughter of Mars and Venus, who married Cusmus. It is said that Vulcan, to avenge the infidelity of her mother, made her a present of a vestment dyed in all sorts of colours, which, in some measure, inspired all the children of Cusmus with wickedness and impiety. Paus. 9, c. 16, &c.

Harmôndes, a Trojan beloved by Minerva; he built the ships in which Paris carried away Helen. Homer. Il. 5.

Harpagón, a general of Cyrus. He conquered Asia Minor after he had revolted from Astyages, who had cruelly forced him to cast the flesh of his son, because he had disobeyed his orders in not killing the infant Cyrus. Herodot. 1, c. 106.—Justin. 1, c. 5 & 6.—A river near Colchis. Dios. 414.

Harpalice. [Vid. Harpalycus.]

Harpalión, a son of Pylemenes king of Paphlagonia, who assisted Priam during the Trojan war, and was killed by Merion. Homer. II. 13, v. 643.

Harpalus, a man entrusted with the treasures of Babylonia by Alexander. His hopes that Alexander would perish in his expedition, rendered him dissipate, negligent, and vicious. When he heard that the conqueror was returning with great resentment, he fled to Athens, where, with his money, he corrupted the orators, among whom was Demosthenes, when brought to justice. He escaped with impunity, in Crete, where he was at last assassinated by Thibymbus. B. C. 325. Plut. in Phoc. Dio. 17. A robber who scorned the gods. Cic. 3, de Nat. D. A celebrated astronomer of Greece, 480 years B. C.

Harpalyce, the daughter of Harpalycus, king of Thrace. Her mother died when she was but a child, and her father fed her with the milk of cows and mares, and inured her early to sustain the fatigue of hunting. When her father's kingdom was invaded by Neoptolemus, the son of Achilles, she repelled and defeated the enemy with manly courage. The death of her father, which happened soon after in a sedition, rendered her disconsolate, she fled the society of mankind, and lived in the forests upon plunder and rapine. Every attempt to secure her proved fruitless, till her great swiftness was overcome by intercepting her with a net. After her death the people of the country disputed their respective right to the possessions she had acquired by rapines, and they soon after appeased her manes by proper obligations on her tomb. Virg. Aen. 1.
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Harpalyce, one of the companions of Aeneas, killed by Camilla. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 675.—The father of Harpalyce, king of the Amymneans, in Thrace.

HARPASA, a town of Caria. HARPASUS, a river of Caria. Liv. 38, c. 13.
Harpocrates, a divinity supposed to be the same as Oria the son of Isis, among the Egyptians. He is represented as holding one of his fingers on his mouth, and from thence he is called the god of silence, and intimates, that the mysteries of religion and philosophy ought never to be revealed to the people. The Romans placed his statues at the entrance of their temples.

Harpocrature, a Platonic philosopher of Argos, from whom Stobæus compiled his Eclogues.—A sophist, called also Ælius.—Valerius, a rhetorician of Alexandria, author of a lexicon, on ten orators.—Another, sur-
named Caius.

Harpyle, winged monsters, who had the face of a woman, the body of a vulture, and had their feet and fingers armed with sharp claws. They were three in number, Aello, Ocypte, and Celeno, daughters of Neptune and Terra. They were sent by Juno to plun-
der the tables of Phineus, whence they were driven to the islands called Strophades, by Zethes and Calais. They emitted an infectious smell, and spoiled whatever they touched by their filth and excrements. They plundered Aeneas during his voyage towards Italy, and predicted many of the calamities which attended him. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 212. l. 6, v. 289.—Hesiod. Thog. 265.

HARUDES, a people of Germany. Cas. bell. G. 1, c. 31.

HARUSPEX, a soothsayer at Rome, who drew omens by consulting the entrails of beasts that were sacrificed. He received the name of Aruspex, ab aris aspicendis, and that of Estupex,
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Rome under the first emperors. He died in the 90th year of his age. Tacit. Ann. 4, c. 61.

Agrippa, a senator in the age of Tiberius, hated by the tyrant for his independence. Tu-

cit. Ann. 6, c. 4.—Antoninus, a dissipated senator, whose extravagance was supported by Nero. Id. 13, c. 34.

HAUSTANES, a man who conspired with Bes-

saw against Darius, &c. Curt. B, c. 5.

HERODEL. [Fid. Ebdome.]

Here, a daughter of Jupiter and Juno. According to some, she was the daughter of Juno only, who conceived her after eating let-

tuces. As she was fair, and always in the bloom of youth, she was called the goddess of youth, and made by her mother cup-bearer to all the gods. She was dismissed from her of-

cice by Jupiter, because she fell down in an indecent posture as she was pouring nectar to the gods at a grand festival, and Ganymedes, the favourite of Jupiter, succeeded her as cup-

bearer. She was employed by her mother to prepare her chariot, and to harness her pe-

acock whenever requisite. When Hercules was raised to the rank of a god, he was recon-

ciled to Juno by marrying her daughter Hebe, by whom he had two sons, Alexiars and Ani-

cetus. As Hebe had the power of restoring gods and men to the vigour of youth, she, at the instance of her husband, perfumed that kind office to Ioas his friend. Hebe was wor shipped at Sicyon, under the name of Dia, and at Rome under the name of Juventas. She is represented as a young virgin crowned with flowers, and arrayed in a variegated garment. Paus. 1. c. 19. l. 2, c. 12.—Ovid. Met. 9, v. 400.—Apollod. 1. c. 3. l. 2, c. 7.

HERSEUS, a Rutulian, killed in the night by Euryalus. Virg. Aen. 9, v. 544.

HERBES, a river of Thrace, which was sup-

posed to roll its waters upon golden sands. It falls into the Ægean sea. The head of Orpheus was thrown into it, after it had been cut off by the Ciconian women. Mel. 2, c. 2.—Strab. 7—


HECALE, a poor old woman who kindly re-

ceived Theseus as he was going against the bull of Marathon, &c. Plut. in Thes.—A town of Attica.

HECALESTIA, a festival in honour of Jupiter of Hecale, instituted by Theseus, or in com-

memoration of the kindness of Hecale, which Theseus had experienced when he went against the bull of Marathon, &c.

HECAMÈDE, a daughter of Arsinous, who fell to the lot of Nestor after the plunder of Tene-

dos by the Greeks. Homer. Il. 11.

HECAT ANUM, a celebrated temple sacred to Hecate, at Stratonice in Caria. Strab. 14.

HECAT EUS, an historian of Miletus, born 549 years before Christ, in the reign of Darius Hystaspes. Herodot. 2, c. 143.—A Macedon-

dian, intimate with Alexander. Dion. 17.

A Macedonian brought to the army against his will by Amyntas, &c. Curt. 7, c. 1.

HECATE, a daughter of Pernes and Asteria, the same as Proserpine, or Diana. She was called Luna in heaven, Diana on earth, and Hecate or Proserpine in hell, whence her name of Diva tripertis, tergemina, trices. She was supposed to preside over magic and enchant-

ments, and was generally represented like a woman, with the head of a horse, a dog, or a boar, and sometimes she appeared with three different bodies, and three different faces, only with one neck. Dogs, lambs, and honey, were generally offered to her, especially in ways and cross roads, whence she obtained the name of Trivia. Her power was extended over heaven, the earth, sea, and hell, and to her kings and nations supposed themselves indebted for their prosperity. Ovid. 7, Met. v. 94.—Hesiod. Theog.—Horat. 3, od. 22.—Paus. 2, v. 22.—Virg. Aen. 4, v. 511.

HECATOUNDRIA, a yearly festival observed by the Stratomicians in honour of Hecate. The Athenians paid also particular worship to this goddess, who was deemed the patroness of families and of children. From this circumstance the statues of the goddess were erected before the doors of the houses, and upon every new moon a public supper was always provided at the expense of the richest people, and set in the streets, where the poorest of the citizens were permitted to retire and feast upon it, while they reported that Hecate had devoured it. There were also expiatory offerings to supplicate the goddess to remove whatever evils might im-

pend on the head of the public, &c.

HECATOMBOOA, a festival celebrated in ho-

nour of Juno by the Argians and people of Ægina. It receives its name from Ætorn, and Boug, a sacrifice of a hundred bulls, which were always offered to the goddess, and the flesh distributed among the poorest citizens. There were also public games first instituted by Arcinus, a king of Argoth, in which the prize was a shield of brass with a crown of myrtle.

HECATOMPHONIA, a solemn sacrifice offered by the Messenians to Jupiter when any of them had killed an hundred enemies.

HECATOMPOLIS, an epithep given to Crete, from the hundred cities which it once contained.

HECATOMPYLOS, an epithee applied to Thebes, in Egypt, on account of its hundred gates. Ammian. 22, c. 16.—Also the capital of Parthia, in the reign of the Arsacide. Ptol. 6, c. 5—Strab. 11.—Plin. 6, c. 15 & 25.

HECATONNESI, small islands between Lesbos and Asia. Strab. 13.

HECTOR, a son of king Priam and Hecuba, was the most valiant of all the Trojan chiefs, that fought against the Greeks. He married Andromache the daughter of Eetion, by whom he had Astyanax. He was appointed captain of all the Trojan forces when Troy was besieged by the Greeks; and the valour with which he behaved, showed how well qualified he was to discharge that important office. He engaged with the bravest of the Greeks, and according to Hyginus, no less than 31 of the most valiant
of the enemy perished by his hand. When Achilles had driven back the Trojans toward the city, Hector, too great to fly, waited the approach of his enemy near the Scæan gates, though his father and mother, with tears in their eyes, blamed his rashness and entreated him to retire. The sight of Achilles terrified him, and he fled before him in the plain. The Greek pursued, and Hector was killed, and his body was dragged in cruel triumph by the conqueror round the tomb of Patroclus whom Hector had killed. The body, after it had received the grossest insult, was ransomed by old Priam, and the Trojans obtained from the Greeks a truce of some days to pay the last offices to the greatest of their leaders. The Thbeans boasted in the age of the geographer Pausanias that they had the ashes of Hector preserved in an urn, by order of an oracle; which promised them undisturbed felicity if they were in possession of that hero’s remains. The epitaph of Hectorus is applied by the poets to the Trojans, as best expressive of valour and intrepidity. Homer. Iliad. 1, &c.—Virgil. Ennius, 1, &c.—Ovid. Met. 12 & 13. Dictys. Cret. —Dorae. Phryg.—Hygin. fab. 90 & 112.—Paus. 1. 3, & 9, c. 18.—Quintill. Smyrnan 1, & 3.—A son of Parthenio, drowned in the Nile. Curt. 4, c. 8, l. 6, c. 9.

Hecuba, daughter of Dymas, a Phrygian prince, or according to others, of Cissaeis, a Thracian king, was the second wife of Priam, king of Troy, and proved the chassest of women and the most tender and unfortunate of mothers. When she was pregnant of Paris, she dreamed that she had brought into the world a burning torch, which had reduced her husband’s palace and all Troy to ashes. So alarming a dream was explained by the soothsayers, who declared that the son she should bring into the world would prove the ruin of his country. When Paris was born, she exposed him on mount Ida to avert the calamities which threatened her family, but her attempts to destroy him were fruitless, and the prediction of the soothsayers was fulfilled. [Vid. Paris.] During the Trojan war she saw the greatest part of her children perish by the hands of the enemy, and like a mother she confessed her grief by her tears and lamentations, particularly at the death of Hector her eldest son. When Troy was taken, Hecuba, as one of the captives, fell to the lot of Ulysses, a man she hated for his perfidy and avarice, and she embarked with the conquerors for Greece. The Greeks landed in the Thracian Chersonesus to load with fresh honours the grave of Achilles. During their stay the hero’s ghost appeared to them, and demanded, to ensure the safety of their return, the sacrifice of Polyxena, Hecuba’s daughter. They complied, and Polyxena was torn from her mother to be sacrificed. Hecuba was inconsolable, and her grief was still more increased at the sight of the body of her son Polydorus washed on the shore, who had been recommended by his father to the care and humanity of Polyphemus, king of the country. [Vid. Polydorus.] She determined to revenge the death of her son, and with the greatest indignation went to the house of his murderer and tore his eyes and attempted to deprive him of his life. She was hindered from executing her bloody purpose, by the arrival of some Thracians, and she fled with the female companions of her captivity. She was pursued, and when she ran after the stones that were thrown at her she found herself suddenly changed into a bitch, and when she attempted to speak, found that she could only bark. After this metamorphosis she threw herself into the sea, according to Hyginus, and that place was, from that circumstance, called Cynæum. Hecuba had a great number of children by Priam, among whom were Hector, Paris, Deiphobus, Pandion, Helenus, Polites, Antiphon, Hippopus, Polydorus, Troilus, and among the daughters, Creusa, Ilione, Laodice, Polyxena, and Cassandra. Ov. Met. 11, v. 761, l. 13, v. 515.—Hygin. fab. 111.—Virgil. Ennius. 3, v. 44.—Juven. 10, v. 271.—Strab. 10.—Dictys. Cret. 4 & 5. —Apollod. 3, c. 12. —Hecub. Sepulcrum, a promontory of Thrace. Heliac, a poetess of Samos. Hedonacum, a village of Boeotia. Paus. 9, c. 31. Hedui. Vid. Eedu. Hedyneæ, an admired musician in Domitian’s age. The word signifies sweet music. Jun. 6, v. 381.

Hegelochus, a general of 6000 Athenians sent to Mantinea to stop the progress of Epaminondas. Diod. 15.—An Egyptian general who flourished B.C. 128.

Hegemon, a Thasian poet in the age of Alcibiades. He wrote a poem called Giganormachia, besides other works. Aelian. V. H. 4, c. 11.

Hegesinus, a philosopher of Pergamus, of the second academy. He flourished B.C. 193.

Hegesionax, an historian of Alexandria, who wrote an account of the Trojan war.

Hegesias, a tyrant of Ephesus under the patronage of Alexander. Polyaen. 6.—A philosopher who so eloquently convinced his auditors of their fallings and follies, and persuaded them that there were no dangers after death, that many were guilty of suicide. Ptolemy forbid him to continue his doctrines. Ct. Tusc. 1, c. 34.—An historian. —A famous orator of Magnesia. Strab. 9.

Hegesileucus, one of the chief magistrates of Rhodes in the age of Alexander and his father Philip. Another native of Rhodes, 171 years before the Christian era, He engaged his countrymen to prepare a fleet of 40 ships to assist the Romans against Perseus king of Macedonia.

Hecesingus, a man who wrote a poem on Attica. Paus. 2, c. 29.

Hegesippus, an historian who wrote some things upon Paelene, &c.

Hegesipyle, a daughter of Olorus, king of Thrace, who married Midilates and became mother of Cimon. Plut.

Hegesistratus, an Ephesian who consulted the oracle to know in what particular place he should fix his residence. He was directed to settle where he found peasants dancung with crowns of olives. This was in Asia, where he found Eles, &c.
HELENA, the most beautiful woman of her age, sprung from one of the eggs which Leda, the wife of king Tyndarus, brought forth after her amours with Jupiter metamorphosed into a swan. [Vid. Leda.] According to some authors, Helen was daughter of Nemesis by Jupiter, and Leda was only her nurse, and to reconcile this variety of opinions some imagine that Nemesis and Leda are the same persons. Her beauty was so universally admired even in her infancy, that Theseus, with his friend Pirithous, carried her away before she had attained her tenth year, and concealed her at Aplidune, under the care of his mother Ethea. Her brothers, Castor and Pollux, recovered her by force of arms, and she returned safe and unpolluted to Sparta, her native country. There existed, however, a tradition recorded by Pausanias, that Helen was of nubile years when carried away by Theseus, and that she had a daughter by her ravisher, who was entrusted to the care of Clytemnestra. This violence offered to her virtue did not in the least diminish, but rather augmented her fame, and her band was eagerly solicited by the young princes of Greece. The most celebrated of her suitors were Ulysses son of Laertes, Antiochus son of Nestor, Diedelus son of Cepaneus, Diomedes son of Tydus, Amphillochus son of Creatus, Meges son of Phileus, Agapenor son of Aeneus, Thalipus son of Eurytus, Mnestheus son of Petues, Schediun son of Epistrophus, Polyrenus son of Agasthenes, Amphilocho son of Amphiaraus, Ascalaphus and Ialmus, sons of the god Mars, Ajax son of Oileus, Eumelus son of Admetus, Polyxen son of Pirithous, Eiphener son of Chalcodon, Podalyrus and Machaon son of Ascalaphus, Leonides son of Coronus, Philoctetes son of Pan, Protesilus son of Jphichus, Euryalus son of Evemon, Ajax and Teucer sons of Telamon, Patroclus son of Menoeus, Menelaus son of Atreus, Thoas, Idomeneus, and Merion. Tyndarus was rather alarmed than pleased at the sight of such a number of illustrious princes who eagerly solicited each to become his son-in-law. He knew that he could not prefer one without displeasing all the rest, and from this perplexity he was at last drawn by the artifice of Ulysses, who began to be already known in Greece by his prudence and sagacity. This prince, who clearly saw that his pretensions to Helen would not probably meet with success in opposition to so many rivals, proposed to excite Tyndarus from all his difficulties if he would promise him his niece Penelope in marriage. Tyndarus consented, and Ulysses advised the king to bind, by a solemn oath, all the suitors that they would approve or the uninafluenced choice which Helen should make of one among them; and engage to unite together to defend her person and character if ever any attempts were made to ravish her from the arms of her husband. The advice of Ulysses was followed, the princes consented, and Helen fixed her eyes upon Menelaus, and married him. Hermione was the early fruit of this union, which continued for three years with mutual happiness. After this, Paris, son of Priam king of Troy, came to Lacedemon on pretence of sacrificing to Apollo. He was kindly received by Menelaus, but shamefully abused his favours, and in his absence in Crete, he corrupted the fidelity of his wife Helen, and persuaded her to follow him to Troy, B.C. 1198. At his return, Menelaus, highly sensible of the injury he had received, assembled the Grecian princes, and reminded them of their solemn promises. They resolved to make war against the Trojans; but they previously sent ambas- sadors to Priam to demand the restitution of Helen. The influence of Paris at his father's court prevented the restoration, and the Greeks returned home without receiving the satisfaction they required. Soon after their return their combined forces assembled and sailed for the coast of Asia. The behaviour of Helen during the Trojan war is not known for certainty. Some assert that she had willingly followed Paris, and that she warmly supported the cause of the Trojans; while others believe that she always sighed after her husband, and cursed the day in which she had proved faithless to his bed. Homer represents her as in the last instance, and some have added that she often betrayed the schemes and resolutions of the Trojans, and secretly favoured the cause of Greece. When Paris was killed in the ninth year of the war, she voluntarily married Deiphobus, one of Priam's sons, and when Troy was taken she made no scruple to betray him, and to introduce the Greeks into his chamber, to ingratiate herself with Menelaus. She returned to Sparta, and the loving Menelaus forgave the errors which she had committed. Some say that she obtained her life even with difficulty from her husband, whose resentment she had kindled by her infidelity. After she had lived for some years at Sparta, Menelaus died, and she was driven from Pelopennesus by Megapentes and Nicostratus, the illegitimate sons of her husband, and she retired to Rhodes, where at that time, Polyxen, a native of Argos, reigned over the country. Polyxen remembered that her widowhood originated in Helen, and that her husband Tlepolemus had been killed in the Trojan war, which had been caused by the debaucheries of Helen, therefore she meditated revenge. While Helen one day returned to bathe in the river, Polyxen disguised her attendants in the habit of furies, and sent them with orders to murder her enemy. Helen was tied to a tree and strangled, and her misfortunes were afterwards remembered, and the crimes of Polyxen expiated by the temple which the Rhodiens raised to Helen Dendritis, or died to o
There is a tradition mentioned by Herodotus which says that Paris was driven as he returned from Sparta, upon the coast of Egypt, where Proteus, king of the country, expelled him from his dominions for his ingratitude to Menelaus, and confined Helen. From that circumstance, therefore, Priam informed the Greek ambassadors that neither Helen nor her possessions were in Troy, but in the hands of the king of Egypt. In spite of this assertion the Greeks besieged the town, and took it after ten years' siege, and Menelaus by visiting Egypt, as he returned home, recovered Helen at the court of Proteus, and was convinced that the Trojan war had been undertaken upon very unjust and unpardonable ground. Helen was honoured after death as a goddess, and the Spartans built her a temple at Therapne, which had power of giving beauty to all the deformed women that entered. Helen, according to some, was carried into the island of Leuce after death, where she married Achilles, who had been once one of her warmest admirers.—The age of Helen has been a matter of deep enquiry among the chronologists. If she was born of the same eggs as Castor and Pollux, who accompanied the Argonauts in their expedition against Colchis about 35 years before the Trojan war, according to some she was no less than 60 years old when Troy was reduced to ashes, supposing that her brothers were only 15 when they embarked with the Argonauts. But she is represented by Homer so incomparably beautiful during the siege of Troy, that though seen at a distance she influenced the counsellors of Priam by the brightness of her charms; therefore we must suppose with others, that her beauty remained long undiminished, and was extinguished only at her death. Paus. 3, c. 19, &c.—Apoll. 3, c. 10, &c.—Hygin. fab. 77.—Herodot. 2, 112.—Plut. in Thes. &c.—Cin. de orr. 3.—Horat. 3, od. 3.—Dictys. Cre. 1, &c.—Quint. Smyr. 10, 13, &c.—Homer. tt. 2, and Od. 4 & 15.—A young woman of Sparta, often confounded with the daughter of Leda. As she was going to be sacrificed, because the lot had fallen upon her, an eagle came and carried away the knife of the priest; upon which she was released, and the barbarous custom of offering human victims was abolished.—An island on the coast of Attica, where Helen came after the siege of Troy. Plin. 4, c. 12.—A daughter of the emperor Constantine, who married Julian.—The mother of Constantine.

HELENA, a festival in Laconia, in honour of Helen, who received there divine honours. It was celebrated by virgins riding upon mules, and in chariots made of reeds and bullrushes.

HELÉNOS, a Lydian prince who accompanied Æneas to Italy, and was killed by the Rutulians. His mother's name was Lycimnia. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 444, &c.

HELENS, a celebrated soothsayer, son of Priam and Hecuba. He was greatly respected by all the Trojans. When Deiphobus was given in marriage to Helen in preference to himself, he resolved to leave his country, and retired to mount Ida, where Ulysses took him prisoner by the advice of Chalcas. As he was well acquainted with futurity, the Greeks made use of prayers, threats, and promises, to induce him to reveal the secrets of the Trojans; and either the fear of death, or gratification of resentment, seduced him to disclose to the enemies of his country, that Troy could not be taken whilst it was in the possession of the Palladion, nor before Polydectes came from his retreat at Lemnos, and assisted to support the siege. After the ruin of his country, he fell to the share of Pyrrhus, the son of Achilles, and saved his life by warning him to avoid a dangerous tempest, which in reality proved fatal to all those who set sail. This endeared him to Pyrrhus, and he received from his hand Andromache, the widow of his brother Hector, by whom he had a son called Cestrinus. This marriage, according to some, was consummated after the death of Pyrrhus, who lived with Andromache as with a wife. Helenus was the only one of Priam's sons who survived the ruin of his country. After the death of Pyrrhus, he reigned over part of Epirus, which he called Chaonia, in memory of his brother Chacon, whom he had inadventurously killed. Helenus received Æneas as he voyaged towards Italy, and foretold him some of the calamities which attended his fleet. The manner in which he received the gift of prophecy is doubtful. Vid. Casandra. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 295, &c.—Paus. 1, c. 11. l. 2, c. 33.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 99 & 729, l. 15. v. 437.—A Rutulian killed by Pallas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 388.


HELIADES, the daughters of the Sun and Clymene. They were three in number, Lampetia, Phaetusa, and Lampethusa; or seven, according to Hygin, Merope, Helie, Egle, Lampetia, Phæbe, Etheia, and Diosippe. They were so afflicted at the death of their brother Phaecon, [vid. Phaeton] that they were changed by the gods into poplars, and their tears into precious amber, on the banks of the river Po. Ovid. Met. 2, v. 340.—Hygin. fab. 154.—The first inhabitants of Rhodes. This island being covered with mud when the world was first created, was warmed by the cherishing beams of the sun, and from thence sprung seven men, which were called Heliaides, απο του ήλιου, from the sun. The eldest of these, called Ochimus, married Hegetoria, one of the nymphs of the island, and his brothers fled from the country for having put to death, through jealousy, one of their number. Diod. 5.

HELIASTE, a name given to the judges of the most numerous tribunal at Athens. They consisted of 1000, and sometimes of 1500; they were seldom assembled, and only upon matters of the greatest importance. Demost. contr. Tim.

—Diog. in Sol.

HELICANON, a Trojan prince, son of Antenor. He married Laodice, the daughter of Priam, &c. Homer. Il. 2.

HELICUS, a star near the north pole, generally called Ursa Major. It is supposed to receive its name from the town of Helice, of which Calisto, who was changed into the Great Bear.
Heliogabalus, unable to appease the seditions of the soldiers, whom his rapacity and debaucheries had irritated, hid himself in the filth and excrements of the camp, where he was found in the arms of his mother. His head was severed from his body the 10th of March, A. D. 222, in the 18th year of his age, after a reign of three years nine months and four days. He was succeeded by Alexander Severus. His cruelties were as conspicuous as his licentiousness. He burdened his subjects with the most oppressive taxes; his halls were covered with carpets of gold and silver tissue, and his mats were made with the down of hares, and with the soft feathers which were found under the wings of partridges. He was fond of covering his shoes with precious stones, to draw the admiration of the people as he walked along the streets, and he was the first Roman who ever wore a dress of silk. He often invited the most common of the people to share his banquets, and made them sit down on large bellows full of wind, which, by sudden emptying themselves, threw the guests on the ground, and left them a prey to wild beasts. He often tied some of his favourites on a large wheel, and was particularly delighted to see them whirled round like Ixions, and sometimes suspended in the air, or sunk beneath the water.

Heliopolis, a famous city of lower Egypt, in which was a temple sacred to the sun. The inhabitants worshipped a bull called Mnevis, with the same ceremonies as the Apis of Memphis. Apollo had an oracle there. *Strab. 17.*

**Dioc. 1.**—There was a small village of the same name without the Delta, near Babylon.

Heliisson, a town and river of Arcadia. *Paus. 8.* c. 29.

Helius, a celebrated favourite of the emperor Nero, put to death by order of Galba for his cruelties.

Heliux, a river of Cos.

Hellanic, a sister of Clitus, who was nurse to Alexander. *Curt. 8.* c. 1.

Hellanicus, a celebrated Greek historian, born at Mytelene. He wrote an history of the ancient kings of the earth, with an account of the founders of the most famous towns in every kingdom, and died B. C. 411, in the 85th year of his age. *Paus. 2.* c. 3.—A brave officer rewarded by Alexander. *Curt. 5.* c. 2.—An historian of Miletus, who wrote a description of the earth.

Hellanocrates, a man of Larissa. *Aristot. Politi. 5.* c. 10.

Hellas, an ancient name of Thrasy, more generally applied to the territories of Acrarnania, Attica, Aetolia, Doris, Locris, Bœotia, and Phocide, and also to all Greece. It received its name from Deucalion, and now forms a part of Livadia. *Strab. 8.*—*Mela. 2.* c. 3.—*Paus. 2.* c. 20.—A beautiful woman in the age of Hecuba, beloved of Marius; the lover killed her in a fit of passion, and afterwards destroyed himself. *Horat. 2.* sat. 3. *v. 277.*

Hele, a daughter of Athamus and Nephele, sister to Phryxus. She fled from her father's house with her brother, to avoid the cruel op-
nutrition of her mother-in-law, Ins. According to some accounts, she was carried through the air on a golden ram, which her mother had received from Neptune, and in her passage she became giddy, and fell from her seat into that part of the sea which from her received the name of Hellespont. Others say that she was carried on a cloud, or rather upon a ship, from which she fell into the sea, and was drowned. Phryxus, after he had given his sister a burial on the neighbouring coasts, pursued his journey, and arrived safe in Colchis. [Vid. Phryxus.]

Ovid, Heroid. 13, &c.

Hellen, son of Deucalion and Pyrrha, reigned in Phthiotis about 1495 years before the Christian era, and gave the name of Hellenians to his subjects: He had by his wife Orseis, three sons, Aeolus, Dorus, and Xuthus, who gave their names to three different nations known under the names of Aeolians, Dorians, and Ionians. These last derive their name from Ion, son of Xuthus; and from the difference either of expression or pronunciation in their respective languages, arose the different dialects well known in the Greek language. Paus. 3, c. 20. l. 7, c. 1.—Diod. 5.

Hellenes, the inhabitants of Greece. Vid. Hellen.

Hellespontus, a narrow strait between Asia and Europe, near the Propontis, which received its name from Helle, who was drowned there in her voyage to Colchis. [Vid. Helle.] It is about 33 miles long, and in the broadest parts, the Asiatic coasts is about one mile and a half distant from the European, and only half a mile in the narrowest, according to modern investigation; so that people can converse one with the other from the opposite shores. It is celebrated for the love and death of Leander, [Vid. Hero.] and for the bridge of boats which Xerxes built over it when he invaded Greece. The folly of this great prince is well known in beating and fettering the waves of the sea, whose impetuousity destroyed his ships, and rendered all his labours ineffectual. This strait is now called the Dardanelles. Strab. 12.—Plin. 8, c. 32.—Herodot. 7, c. 54.—Polyb.—Melis. 1, c. 1.—Ptol. 5, c. 2.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 407.—Liv. 31, c. 15, l. 33, c. 33.—The country along the Hellespont on the Asiatic coast, bears the same name. Cic. Verr. 1, c. 24.—Fam. 13, ep. 53.—Strab. 12.—Plin. 5, c. 3.

Heliolphia, a small country of Euboea. The people were called Heliopes. The whole island bore the same name, according to Strabo. Plin. 4, c. 12.

Heliotria, two festivals, one of which was observed in Crete, in honour of Europa, whose bones were then carried in solemn procession, with a myrtle garland no less than twenty cubes in circumference, called Elagor. The other festival was celebrated at Corinth with games and races, where young men entered the lists, and generally ran with burning torches in their hands. It was instituted in honour of Minerva. surnamed Elothi, a tov elog, from a certain pond of Marathon, where one of her statues was erected, or a tov elog, tov ephan tov Helian, because by her assistance Bellerophoön took and managed the horse Pegasus, which was the original cause of the institution of the festival. Others derive the name from Helotis, a Corinthian woman, from the following circumstance: When the Dorians and the Heraclidae invaded Peloponnesus, they took and burnt Corinth; the inhabitants, and particularly the women, escaped by flight, except Helotis and her sister Eurytone, who took shelter in Minerva's temple, relying for safety upon the sanctity of the place. When this was known, the Dorians set fire to the temple, and the two sisters perished in the flames. This wanton cruelty was followed by a dreadful plague; and the Dorians, to alleviate the misfortunes which they suffered, were directed by the oracle to appease the manes of the two sisters, and therefore they raised a new temple to the goddess Minerva, and established the festivals, which bore the name of one of the unfortunate women.

Helenes, an ancient king of Arcadia, &c. Polyen. 1.

Helöris, a general of the people of Rhegium, sent to besiege Messena, which Dionsius the tyrant defeated. He fell in battle, and his troops were defeated. Died. 14.


Helos, a place &c. Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 36.—A town of Laconia, taken and destroyed by the Lacedemonians, under Agis the third, on the route of the Heraclidae, because they refused to pay the tribute which was imposed upon them. The Lacedemonians carried their resentment so far, that, not satisfied with the ruin of the city, they reduced the inhabitants to the lowest and most miserable slavery, and made a law which forbid their masters of either giving them their liberty, or selling them in any other country. And to complete their infamy, all the slaves of the state and the prisoners of war, were called by the mean appellation of Helote. Not only the servile offices in which they were employed denoted their misery and slavery, but they were obliged to wear peculiar garments, which exposed them to greater contempt and ridicule. They never were instructed in the liberal arts, and their cruel masters often obliged them to drink to excess, to show the free born citizens of Sparta the beastliness and disgrace of intoxication. They once every year received a number of stripes, that by this wanton flagellation, they might recollect that they were born and died slaves. The Spartans even declared war against them; but Plutarch, who, from interested motives, endeavours to palliate the guilt and cruelty of the people of Lacedaemon, declares that it was because they had assisted the Messenians in their war against Sparta, after it had been overthrown by a violent earthquake. This earthquake was supposed by all the Greeks to be a punishment from heaven for the cruelties which the Lacedaemonians had exercised against the Helots. In the Peloponnesian war,
these miserable slaves behaved with uncommon swaggery, and were rewarded with their liberty by the Lacedaemonians, and appeared in the temples, and at public shows, crowned with garlands, and with every mark of festivity and triumph. This exultation did not continue long; and the sudden disappearance of the two thousand manumitted slaves, was attributed to the inhumanity of the Lacedaemonians. Thucyd. 4.—Polibius 3. c. 8.—Strab. 8. —Plut. in Lyc. &c.—Aristot. Polit. 2.—Paus. Laron, &c.

Hélôxen and Hélôxen, the public slaves of Sparta, &c. Vid. Helos.

Hélivetia, a vestal virgin struck dead with lightning in Trajan’s reign.


Hèlia, the mother of Cicero.

Héllvi, a people of Gaul near the Arverni. Id. Ib.

Helvillum, a town of Umbria, supposed to be the same as Sulligio, now Sigillo. Plin. 3. c. 14.

Hèlvinà, a fountain of Aquinum, where Ceres had a temple. Juv. 3. v. 320.

Hélvici Cinna proposed a law, which, however, was not passed, to permit Caesar to marry whatever woman he chose. Suet. in Cæs. c. 52.

Hélm, a river of Scythia.

HémWilson and Panòpex, two hunters at the court of Acestes in Sicily. Virg. Aen. 5. v. 73, &c.

Hémation, a son of Aurora and Cephalus.

Hémithia, a daughter of Cymnus and Proclea. She was so attached to her brother Tenes, that she refused to abandon him when his father Cynus exposed him on the sea. They were carried by the wind to Tenedos, where Hemithia long enjoyed tranquillity, till Achilles, captivated by her charms, offered her violence. She was rescued from his embrace by her brother Tenes, who was instantly slaughtered by the offended hero. Hemithia could not have been rescued from the attempts of Achilles, had not the earth opened and swallowed her, after she had fervently entreated the assistance of the gods. Vid. Tenes. Paus. 10. c. 14. —Diod. 4.


Henêti, a people of Paphlagonia. Eurip.

Hénôcli, a people of Asiatic Sarmatia, near Colchis. Placc. 6. v. 42.

Hephestia, the capital town of Lemnos.

—A festival in honour of Vulcan Ἡφαστος, at Athens. There was then a race with torches between three young men. Each in his turn run a race with a lighted torch in his hand, and whoever could carry it to the end of the course before it was extinguished, obtained the prize. They delivered it one to the other after they finished their course, and from that circumstance we see many allusions in ancient authors, who compare the vicissitudes of human affairs to this delivering of the torch, particularly in these lines of Lucretius 2.

Inque brevi spatio mutator secula animantum, Et quasi cursum vitae lampada tradunt:

Hephestii, mountains in Lycia, which are set on fire by the lightest turch of a burning torch. Their very stones burn in the middle of water according to Pliny, 6. c. 106.

Hephestio, a Greek grammarian of Alexandria in the age of the emperor Verus. There remains of his compositions a treatise entitled Enchiridon de metricis et poeematibus, the best edition of which is that of Pauw, 4to. Utrej. 1726.

Hephestion, a Macedonian famous for his intimacy with Alexander. He accompanied the conqueror in his Asiatic conquests, and was so faithful and attached to him, that Alexander often observed that Craterus was the friend of the king, but Hephaestion the friend of Alexander. He died at Ecbatana 325 years before the Christian era, according to some from excess of drinking, or eating. Alexander was so inconsolable at the death of this faithful subject, that he shed tears at the intelligence, and ordered the sacred fire to be extinguished, which was never done but at the death of a Persian monarch. The physician, who attended Hephaestion in his illness, was put to death, by the king’s orders, and the games were interrupted. His body was entrusted to the care of Perdiccus, and honoured with the most magnificent funeral at Babylon. He was so like the king in features and stature, that he was often saluted by the name of Alexander. Curt.—Arrian. 7, &c.—Plut. in Alex.—Elian. V. H. 7, c. 8.

Heptaphônos, a portico, which received this name, because the voice was re-echoed seven times in it. Plin. 36. c. 15.

Heptaphôlis, a country of Egypt, which contained seven cities.

Heptapôlos, a surname of Thebes in Boeotia, from its seven gates.

Hêrâ, the name of Juno among the Greeks.

—A daughter of Neptune and Ceres when transformed into a mare. —A town of Æolia and of Arcadia. Paus. 6. c. 7.—A town of Sicily, called also Hybla. Cie. ad Attic. 2, c. 1.

Hêrâclea, an ancient town of Sicily, near Agrigentum. Minos planted a colony there when he pursued Daedalus, and the town anciently known by the name of Macara, was called from him Minos. I was called Heraclia after Hercules, when he obtained a victory over Eryx.—A town of Macedonia.

—Another in Pontus celebrated for its naval power, and its consequence among the Asiatic states. The inhabitants conveyed home in their ships the 10,000 at their return. Another in Crete. —Another in Parthia. —Another in Bithynia. —Another in Phthiotis, near Thermopyla. It was called also Trachine, to distinguish it from others. —Another in Magna Graecia. —Another in Syria.
Another in Chersonesus Taurica.—Another in Thrace, and three in Egypt, &c. There were no less than 40 cities of that name in different parts of the world, all built in honour of Hercules, whence the name is derived.—A daughter of Hiero, tyrant of Sicily, &c.

**Heracleia**, a festival at Athens celebrated every fifth year, in honour of Hercules. The Thissians and Thebans in Boeotia, observed a festival of the same name, in which they offered apples to the god. This custom of offering apples arose from this: It was always usual to offer sheep, but the overflowing of the river Asopus prevented the votaries of the god from observing it with the ancient ceremony; and as the word μηλον signifies both an apple, and a sheep, some youths, acquainted with the ambiguity of the word, offered apples to the god, with much sport and festivity. To represent the sheep, they raised an apple upon four sticks as the legs, and two more were placed at the top to represent the horns of the victim. Hercules was delighted with the ingenuity of the youths, and the festivals were ever continued with the offering of apples. *Pollux* 8, c. 9.—There was also a festival at Sicyon in honour of Hercules. It continued two days, the first was called *ovoparatag*, the second *ηπακήλα*.—At a festival of the same name at Cos, the priest officiated with a mitre on his head, and in women's apparel.—At Lindus a solemnity of the same name was also observed, and at the celebration nothing was heard but excreations and profane words, and whosoever accidentally dropped any other words, was accused of having profaned the sacred rites.

**Heracleum**, a promontory of Cappadocia.—A town of Egypt near Canopus on the western mouth of the Nile to which it gave its name. *Diod. 1.*—*Tacit. Ann.* 2, c. 60.—*Strab.* 2 & 17.—The principal town of Gnossus in Crete.

**Heracleotes**, a surname of Dionysius the philosopher.—A philosopher of Heraclea, who, like his master Zeno, and all the Stoics, firmly believed that pain was not an evil. A severe illness, attended with the most acute pains, obliged him to renounce his principles, and at the same time the philosophy of the Stoics, about 264 years before the Christian era. He became afterwards one of the Cyrenaic sect, which placed the *sumnum bonum* in pleasure. He wrote some poetry, and chiefly treatises on philosophy. *Diog. in vit.*

**Heracleides**, the descendant of Hercules, greatly celebrated in ancient history. Hercules at his death left to his son Hyllus all the rights and claims which he had upon the Peloponnesus, and permitted him to marry Jole, as soon as he came of age. The posterity of Hercules were not more kindly treated by Eurystheus, than their father had been, and they were obliged to retire for protection to the court of Ceyx, king of Trachinia. Eurystheus pursued them thither; and Ceyx, afraid of his resentment, begged the Heracleids to depart from his dominions. From Thrachinia they came to Athens, where Theseus, the king of the country, who had accompanied their father in some of his expeditions, received them with great humanity, and assisted them against their common enemy, Eurystheus. Eurystheus was killed by the hand of Hyllus himself, and his children perished with him, and all the cities of the Peloponnesus became the undisputed property of the Heracleides. Their triumph, however, was short, their numbers were lessened by a pestilence, and the oracle informed them that they had taken possession of the Peloponnesus before the gods permitted their return. Upon this they abandoned Peloponnesus, and came to settle in the territories of the Athenians, where Hyllus, obedient to his father's commands, married Iole the daughter of Eurytus. Soon after he consulted the oracle, anxious to recover the Peloponnesus, and the ambiguity of the answer determined him to make a second attempt. He challenged to single combat Atreus, the successor of Eurystheus on the throne of Mycenae, and it was mutually agreed that the undisturbed possession of the Peloponnesus should be ceded to whosoever defeated his adversary. Echemus accepted the challenge for Atreus, and Hyllus was killed, and the Heracleides a second time departed from Peloponnesus. Cleodæus the son of Hyllus, made a third attempt, and was equally unsuccessful, and his son Aristmachus some time after met with the same unfavourable reception, and perished in the field of battle. Aristodemus, Temenus and Chresphonètes, the three sons of Aristmachus, encouraged by the more express word of an oracle, and desirous to revenge the death of their progenitors, assembled with a numerous force, and with a fleet invaded all Peloponnesus. Their expedition was attended with much success, and after some decisive battles they became masters of all the peninsula, which they divided among themselves 2 years after. The recovery of the Peloponnesus by the descendants of Hercules forms an interesting epoch in ancient history, which is universally believed to have happened 80 years after the Trojan war, or 1104 years before the Christian era. This conquest was totally achieved about 120 years after the first attempt of Hyllus. *Apollod.* 2, c. 7, &c.—*Herodot.* 9, c. 26.—*Paus.* 1, c. 17.—*Polyb.* 1, c. 2.—*Clrmns. Alex. Strom.* 1.—*Thucid.* 1, c. 12, &c.—*Diod.* 1, &c.—*Aristot.* de Rep. 7, c. 16.

**Heracleides**, a philosopher of Heraclea in Pontus, sometime disciple of Sceusippus and Aristotle. He wished it to be believed that he was carried into heaven the very day of his death, and the more firmly to render it credible, he begged one of his friends to put a serpent in his bed. The serpent disappointed him, and the noise which the number of visitors occasioned, frightened him from the bed, before the philosopher had expired. He lived about 532 years before the Christian era.
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Cic. Tusc. 5, ad. Quint. 5.—Diog.—An historian of Pontus surnamed Lembus who flourished B. C. 177.—A man who, after the retreat of Dionysus the Younger from Sicily, raised cabals against Dion, in whose hands the sovereign power was lodged. He was put to death by Dion’s order. C. Nep. in Dion.—A youth of Syracuse, in the battle in which Nicias was defeated.—A son of Agathocles.—A man placed over a garrison at Athens by Demetrius.—A sophist of Lyca, who opened a school at Smyrna in the age of the emperor Severus.—A painter of Macedonia, in the reign of king Perseus. An architect of Tarentum, intimate with Philip, king of Macedonia. He fled to Rhodes on pretence of a quarrel with Philip, and set fire to the Rhodian fleet. Polygen. 5.—A man of Alexandria.

Heraclitus, a celebrated Greek philosopher of Ephesus, who flourished about 500 years before the Christian era. His father’s name was Hyson, or Heracorn. Naturally of a melancholy disposition, he passed his time in a solitary and unsocial manner, and received the appellation of the obscure philosopher, and the mower, from his unconquerable custom of weeping at the follies, frailties, and vices of human affairs. He employed his time in writing different treatises, and one particularly, in which he supported that there was a fatal necessity, and that the world was created from fire, which he deemed a god omnipotent and omniscient. His opinions about the origin of things were adopted by the Stoics, and Hippocrates entertained the same notions of a supreme power. Heraclitus deserves the appellation of man-hater for the rusticity with which he answered the polite invitations of Darius, king of Persia. To remove himself totally from the society of mankind, he retired to the mountains, where for some time he fed on grass in common with the wild inhabitants of the place. Such a diet was soon productive of a dropsical complaint, and the philosopher condescended to revisit the town. The enigmatical manner in which he consulted the physicians made his applications unintelligible, and he was left to depend for cure only upon himself. He fixed his residence in a dunghill, in hopes that the continual warmth which proceeded from it might dissipate the watery accumulation, and restore him to the enjoyment of his former health. Such a remedy proved ineffectual, and the philosopher despairing of a cure by the application of ox-dung, suffered himself to die in the 60th year of his age. Some say that he was torn to pieces by dogs. Diog. in vita.—A Lyric poet.—A writer of Halicarnassus, intimate with Callimachus. He was remarkable for the elegance of his style.—A native of Lesbos, who wrote an history of Macedonia.—A writer of Sicyon, &c. Plut.

Heraclius, a river of Greece. Paus. 10, c. 37.—A brother of Constantine, &c.—A Roman emperor, &c.

Hercules, a town of Arcadia. Festivals at Argos in honour of Juno, who was the patroness of that city. They were also observed by the colonies of the Argives which had been planted at Samos, and Argos. There were always two processions to the temple of the goddess without the city walls. The first was of the men in armour, the second of the women, amongst whom he priestess, a woman of the first quality, was drawn in a chariot by white oxen. The Argives always reckoned their years from her priesthood, as the Athenians from their archons, or the Romans from their consuls. When they came to the temple of the goddess they offered a hecatomb of oxen. Hence the sacrifice is often called έκατομβία and sometimes γερονία, from γερόν a bed, because Juno presided over marriage, births, &c. There was a festival of the same name in Elis, celebrated every fifth year, in which sixteen matrons wore a garment for the goddess. There were also others instituted by Hippodamos, who had received assistance from Juno when she married Pelops. Sixteen matrons, each attended by a maid, presided at the celebration. The contenders were young virgins, who being divided in classes, according to their age, ran races each in their order, beginning with the youngest. The habit of all was exactly the same, their hair was dishevelled, and their right shoulder bare to the breast, with coats reaching no lower than the knee. She who obtained the victory was rewarded with crowns of olives, and obtained a part of the ox that was offered in sacrifice, and was permitted to dedicate her picture to the goddess. There was also a solemn day of mourning at Corinth, which bore the same name, in commemoration of Medea’s children, who were buried in Juno’s temple. They had been slain by the Corinthians; who, as it is reported, to avert the scandal which accompanied so barbarous a murder, presented Euripides with a large sum of money to write a play, in which Medea is represented as the murderer of her children. Another festival of the same name at Pallene, with games in which the victor was rewarded with a garment.

Heracleum, a temple and grove of Juno, situated between Argos and Mycenae. A town of Thrace.

Heraclea, an inland town of Sicily. Cic. Verr. 2, c. 64. l. 3, c. 32.

Heracleum, a town of Sicily, built by a Phoenician or Carthaginian colony. Sil. 14, v. 265.

Heracleum, an epithet given to Jupiter.

Hercoleum, a town of Campania swallowed up by an earthquake, produced from an eruption of Mount Vesuvius, A. D. 79, in the reign of Titus. After being buried under the lava for more than 1600 years, this famous city was discovered in the beginning of the present century, and from the houses and the streets, which in great measure remain still perfect, have been drawn busts, statues,
manuscripts, paintings, and _vulgaris_, which do not a little contribute to enlarge our notions concerning the ancients, and as it were bring us nearer to that time. _Meta_, 2, c. 4.—_Paterc._ 2 c. 16.

**Hercules,** a celebrated hero, who, after death, was ranked among the gods, and received divine honours. According to the ancients there were many persons of the same name. Diodorus mentions three, Cicero six, and some authors extend the number to no less than forty-three. Of all these the son of Jupiter and Alcmea, generally called the Theban, is the most celebrated, and to him, as may easily be imagined, the actions of the others have been attributed. The birth of Hercules was attended with many miraculous and supernatural events; and it is reported that Jupiter, who introduced himself to the bed of Alcmea, was employed for three nights in forming a child whom he intended to be the greatest hero the world ever beheld. [Vid. _Alcmea._] Hercules was brought up at Tirynthus; or, according to Diodorus, at Thebes, and before he had completed his eighth month, the jealousy of Juno, intent upon his destruction, sent two snakes to devour him. The child, not terrified at the sight of the serpents, boldly seized them in both his hands and squeezed them to death, while his brother Iphiclus alarmed the house with his frightful shrieks. [Vid. _Iphiclus._] He was early instructed in the liberal arts, and Castor the son of Tyndarus taught him how to fight. Eurytus how to shoot with a bow and arrows, Autolycus to drive a chariot, Linus to play on the lyre, and Eumolpus to sing. He, like the rest of his illustrious contemporaries, soon after became the pupil of the centaur Chiron, and under him he perfected and rendered himself the most valiant and accomplished of his age. In the eighteenth year of his age he resolved to deliver the neighbourhood of mount Citheron from a huge lion which preyed on the flocks of Amphitrion, his supposed father; and which laid waste the adjacent country. He went to the court of Thespius, king of Thespis, who shared in the general calamity, and he received there a tender treatment, and was entertained during fifty days. The fifty daughters of the king became all mothers by Hercules, during his stay at Thespis, and some say that it was effected in one night. After he had destroyed the lion of mount Citheron, he delivered his country from the annual tribute of an hundred oxen which it paid to Erginus. [Vid. _Erginus._] Such public services became universally known, and Creon, who then sat on the throne of Thebes, rewarded the patriotic deed of Hercules, by giving him his daughter in marriage, and entrusting him with the government of his kingdom. As Hercules by the will of Jupiter was subjected to the power of Eurystheus, [Vid. _Eurystheus._] and obliged to obey him in every respect. Eurystheus acquainted with his successes and rising power, ordered him to appear at Mycenæ and perform the labours which by priority of birth he was impowered to impose upon him. Hercules refused, and Juno to punish his disobedience, rendered him so diliious that he killed his own children by Megara, supposed to be the offspring of Eurystheus. [Vid. _Megara._] When he recovered the use of his senses, he was so struck with the misfortunes which had proceeded from his insanity, that he concealed himself, and retired from the society of men for some time. He afterwards consulted the oracle of Apollo, and was told that he must be subservient for twelve years to the will of Eurystheus, in compliance with the commands of Jupiter; and that after he had achieved the most celebrated labours he should be reckoned in the number of the gods. So plain and expressive an answer determined him to go to Mycenæ, and to bear with fortitude whatever gods or men imposed upon him. Eurystheus seeing so great a man totally subjected to him, and apprehensive of so powerful an enemy, commanded him to achieve a number of enterprises the most difficult and arduous ever known, generally called the 12 labours of Hercules. The favours of the gods had completely armed him when he undertook his labours. He had received a coat of arms and helmet from Minerva, a sword from Mercury, a horse from Neptune, a shield from Jupiter, a bow and arrows from Apollo, and from Vulcan a golden cuirass and brazen buskin, with a celebrated club of brass according to the opinion of some writers.——The first labour imposed upon Hercules by Eurystheus, was to kill the lion of Nemæa, which ravaged the country near Mycenæ. The hero, unable to destroy him with his arrows, boldly attacked him with his club, pursued him to his den, and after a close and sharp engagement he choked him to death. He carried the beast dead on his shoulders to Mycenæ, and ever after clothed himself with the skin. Eurystheus was so astonished at the sight of the beast, and at the courage of Hercules, that he ordered him never to enter the gates of the city when he returned from his expeditions, but to wait for his orders without the walls. He even made himself a brazen vessel into which he retired whenever Hercules returned.——The second labour of Hercules, was to destroy the Lernæan Hydra, which had seven heads according to Apollodorus, fifty according to Simonides, and 100 according to Diodorus. This celebrated monster he attacked with his arrows, and soon after he came to a close engagement, and by means of his heavy club he destroyed the heads of his enemy. But this was productive of no advantage, for as soon as one head was beaten to pieces by the club, immediately two sprang up, and the labour of Hercules would have remained unfinished, had not he commanded his friend Iolas to burn, with a hot iron, the root of the head which he crushed to pieces. This succeeded, [Vid. _Hydra._] and Hercules became victorious, opened the belly of the monster, and dipped his arrows in the gall to render the wounds
which he gave fatal and incurable. — He was ordered in his third labour to bring alive and unhurt into the presence of Eurystheus a stag, famous for its incredible swiftness, its golden horns, and brazen feet. This celebrated animal frequented the neighbourhood of Caeoë and Hercules was employed for a whole year in continually pursuing it, and at last he caught it in a trap, or, when tired, according to others, by slightly wounding it and lessening its swiftness. As he returned victorious, Diana snatched the goat from him, and severely reprimanded him for molesting an animal which was sacred to her. Hercules pleaded necessity, and by representing the commands of Eurystheus, he appeased the goddess and obtained the beast. — The fourth labour was to bring alive to Eurystheus a wild boar which ravaged the neighbourhood of Erymanthus. In this expedition he destroyed the centaur, [Vid. Centauri] and caught the boar by closely pursuing him through the deep snow. Eurystheus was so frightened at the sight of the boar, that, according to Diodorus, he hid himself in his brazen vessel for some days. — In his fifth labour Hercules was ordered to clean the stables of Augustus, where 3000 oxen had been confined for many years. [Vid. Augusis.] — For his sixth labour he was ordered to kill the carnivorous birds which ravaged the country near the lake Stymphalus in Arcadia. [Vid. Stymphalhs.] — In his seventh labour he brought alive to Peloponnesus a prodigious wild bull which laid waste the island of Crete. — In his eight labour he was employed in obtaining the mares of Diomedes which fed upon human flesh. He killed Diomedes and gave him to be eat by his mares which he brought to Eurystheus. They were sent to mount Olympus by the king of Mycena, where they were devoured by the wild beasts; or, according to others, they were consecrated to Jupiter, and their breed still existed in the age of Alexander the great. — For his ninth labour, he was commanded to obtain the girdle of the queen of the Amazons. [Vid. Hippolyte.] — In his tenth labour he killed the monster Geryon, king of Gades, and brought to Argos his numerous flocks which fed upon human flesh. [Vid. Geryon.] — The eleventh labour was to obtain apples from the garden of the Hesperides. [Vid. Hesperides.] — The twelfth and last, and most dangerous of his labours, was to bring upon earth the three-headed dog Cerberus. This was cheerfully undertaken by Hercules, and he descended into hell by a cave on mount Taurus. He was permitted by Pluto to carry away his friends Theseus and Pirithous, who were condemned to punishment in hell, and Cerberus also was granted to his prayers, provided he made use of no arms, but only force to drag him away. Hercules, as some report, carried him back to hell, after he had brought him before Eurystheus. — Besides these arduous labours, which the jealousy of Eurystheus imposed upon him, he also achieved others of his own accord equally great and celebrated. [Vid. Cacus, Antaeus, Busiris, Erid. &c.] He accompanied the Argonauts to Colchis before he delivered himself up to the king of Mycena. He assisted the gods in their wars against the giants, and it was through him alone that Jupi- ter obtained a victory. [Vid. Gigantes.] He conquered Laomedon, and pillaged Troy. [Vid. Laomedon.] When Iole, the daughter of Eurytus, king of Gchalia, of whom he was deeply enamoured, was refused to his entreaties, he became the prey of a second fit of insanity, and he murdered Iphitus, the only one of the sons of Eurytus who favoured his addresses to Iole. [Vid. Iphitus.] He was some time after purified of the murder, and his insanity ceased, but the gods persecuted him more, and he was visited by a disorder which obliged him to apply to the oracle of Delphi for relief. The coldness with which the Pythia received him irritated him, and he resolved to plunder Apollo's temple, and carry away the sacred tripod. Apollo opposed him, and a severe contest was begun, which nothing but the interference of Jupiter with his thunderbolts could have prevented. He was upon this told by the oracle, that he must be sold as a slave, and remain three years in the most abject servitude, to recover from his disorder. He complied, and Mercury, by order of Jupiter, conducted him to Omphale, queen of Lydia, to whom he was sold as a slave. Here he cleared all the country from robbers; and Omphale, who was astonished at the greatness of his exploits, restored him to liberty, and married him. Hercules had Agelaus, and Lamon, according to others, from Omphale, from whom Creusus, king of Lydia, was descended. He became also enamoured of one of Omphale's female servants, by whom he had Alcides. After he had completed the years of his slavery, he returned to Peloponnesus, where he re-established on the throne of Sparta Tindarus, who had been expelled by Hippocoon. He became one of Dejanira's suitors, and married her after he had overcome all his rivals. [Vid. Acheolus.] He was obliged to leave Calydon, his father-in-law's kingdom, because he had inadvertently killed a man with a blow of his fist, and it was on account of this expulsion, that he was not present at the hunting of the Calydonian boar. From Calydon he retired to the court of Ceyx, king of Trachinia. In his way he was stopped by the swollen streams of the Evnus, where the centaur Nessus attempted to offer violence to Dejanira, under the perfidious pretence of conveying her over the river. Hercules perceived the distress of Dejanira, and killed the centaur, who as he expired gave her a tunic, which, as he observed, had the power of recalling a husband from unlawful love. [Vid. Dejanira.] Ceyx, king of Trachinia, received him and his wife with great marks of friendship, and purified him of the murder which he had committed at Calydon. Hercules was still mindful that he had once been refused the hand of Iole, he therefore made war against her father Eurytus, and killed him with three of his sons. Iole fell into the hands of her father's murderer, and found she was loved by Hercules as much as before.
He accompanied him on mount Ceta, where he was going to raise an altar, and offer a solemn sacrifice to Jupiter. As he had not then the tunic in which he arrayed himself to offer a sacrifice, he sent Limach to Dejanira in order to provide himself a proper dress. Dejanira, informed of her husband's tender attachment to Icle, sent him a philter, or more probably the tunic which she had received from Nessus, and Hercules, as soon as he had put it on, fell into a desperate distemper, and found the poison of the Lernæan hydra penetrata through his bones. He attempted to pull off the fatal dress, but it was too late, and in the midst of his pains and tortures, he inveighed in the most bitter imprecations against the credulous Dejanira, the cruelty of Eurytheus, and the jealousy and hatred of Juno. As the distemper was incurable, he implored the protection of Jupiter, and gave his bow and arrows to Philoctetes, and erected a large burning pile on the top of mount Ceta. He spread on the pile the skin of the Nemean lion, and laid himself down upon it as on a bed, leaning his head on his club. Philoctetes, or according to others, Paean or Hyllus, was ordered to set fire to the pile, and the hero saw himself on a sudden surrounded with the flames, without betraying any marks of fear or astonishment. Jupiter saw him from heaven, and told to the surrounding gods, that he would raise to the skies the immortal parts of a hero who had cleared the earth from so many monsters and tyrants. The gods applauded Jupiter's resolution; the burning pile was suddenly surrounded with a dark smoke; and after the mortal parts of Hercules were consumed, he was carried up to heaven in a chariot drawn by four horses, some loud claps of thunder accompanied his elevation; and his friends, unable to find either his bones or ashes, showed their gratitude to his memory, by raising an altar where the burning pile had stood. Menæctus, the son of Acto, offered him a sacrifice of a bull, a wild boar, and a goat, and enjoined the people of Opus yearly to observe the same religious ceremonies. His worship soon became as universal as his fame; and Juno, who had once persecuted him with such invertebrate fury, forgot her resentment, and gave him her daughter Hebe in marriage. Hercules has received many surnames and epithets, either from the place where his worship was established, or from the labours which he achieved. His temples were numerous and magnificent, and his divinity revered. No dogs or flies ever entered his temples at Rome, and that of Gades, according to Strabo, was always forbidden to women and pigs. The Phoenicians offer quails on his altars; and as it was supposed that he presided over dreams, the sick and infirm were sent to sleep in his temples, that they might receive in their dreams the agreeable presages of their approaching recovery. The white poplar was particularly dedicated to his service. Hercules is generally represented naked, with strong and well-proportioned limbs; he is sometimes covered with the skin of the Nemean lion, and holds a knotted club in his hand, on which he often leans. Sometimes he appears crowned with the leaves of the poplar, and holding the corn of plenty under his arm. At other times he is represented standing with Cupid, who insolently breaks to pieces his arrows and his club, to intimate the passion of love in the hero, who suffered himself to be beaten and ridiculed by Omphale, who dressed herself in his armour while he was sitting to spin with her female servants. The children of Hercules are as numerous as the labours and difficulties which he underwent; and indeed they became so powerful soon after his death, that they alone had the courage to invade all Peloponnesus. [Vid. Hesiod.]]

Hercules was father of Deicon and Thiermachus, by Megara; of Ctesippus, by Astydæa; of Palemon, by Autonæ; of Eversæ, by Parthenœ; of Glycisonætes, Gymnes, and Oditæ, by Dejanira; of Thessalus, by Chalciope; of Thiestalus, by Epicaste; of Tlepomenus, by Astyoche; of Agathyrus, Gelon, and Scythra, by Echidna, &c. Such are the most striking characteristics of the life of Hercules, who is said to have supported for a while the weight of the heavens upon his shoulders. [Vid. Atlas.] and to have separated by the force of his arm the celebrated mountains which were afterwards called the boundaries of his labours. [Vid. Abyla.] He is held out by the ancients as a true pattern of virtue and piety, and as his whole life had been employed for the common benefit of mankind, he was deservedly rewarded with immortality. His judicious choice of virtue in preference to pleasure, as described by Xenophon, is well known. Diod. 1 & 4. — Ciec de Nat. D. 1, &c. — Apollod. 1 & 2. — Paus. 1, 3, 5, 9, & 10. — Hesiod. in Scut. Herc. &c. — Hygin. fab. 29, 32, &c. — Ovid. Met. 9, v. 236, &c. — Her. 9. Amor. Trist. &c. — Homer. H. 8, &c. — Theocrit. 24. — Eurip. in Herc. — Virg. Æn. v. 294. — Lucan 3 & 6. — Apollon. 2. — Dionys. Hal. 1. — Sophoc. in Trachin. — Plut. in Amphit. — Senec. in Herc. furent. & Æt. — Plin. 4, c. 6. 11, &c. — Philostr. Icon. 2, c. 5. — Herodot. 2, c. 7. 12, &c. 42, &c. — Quint. Smyrn. 6, v. 207, &c. — Callim. Hymn. in Dion. — Pindar. Olymp. od. 3. — Iul. 1, v. 438, &c. — Stat. 2. Theb. v. 564. — Mela. 2, c. 1. — Lucian. Dial. — Lactant. de fals. Rel. — Sirab. 3, &c. — Horat. Od. Sat. &c. — A son of Alexander the Great. — A surname of the emperor Commodus, &c.

Herculeum, a promontory in the country of the Bruttii. — Fretum, a name given to the strait which forms a communication between the Atlantic and Mediterranean.


Hercules Lacus, a lake of Sicily.

Herculis Cadeum, two lofty mountains, situate one on the most southern extremities of Spain, and the other on the opposite part of Africa. They were called by the ancients Abyla and Calpe. They are reckoned the boundaries of the labours of Hercules; and according to ancient tradition, they were joined together till they were severed by the arm of the hero, and a communication opened between the Mediterranean and Atlantic seas. Dionys. Perieg.

Hercyna, a virgin who accompanied Ceres
as she travelled over the world.—A river of Boscia bore her name. Paus. 9, c. 39.

Hercynia, a celebrated forest of Germany, which, according to Caesar, required nine days' journey to cross it; and which, on some parts, was defended with the greatest boundaries, though travelled over for sixty days successively. It contained the modern countries of Switzerland, Bas, Sire, Transylvania, and a great part of Russia. In length of time, the trees were rooted up; and when population increased, the greatest part of it was made habitable. Cas. Bell. C. 6, c. 39. —Meta. 

Herdonia, a small town of Apulia. Ital. 1, v. 569.

Herdonius, a man put to death by Tarquin, because he had boldly spoken against him in an assembly, &c.

Hera, a town of Arcadia, on an eminence, the bottom of which was watered by the Alpheus. It was built by Hereus, the son of Lycaon, and was said to produce a wine possessed of such unusual properties, as to give fecundity to women, and cause madness in men. Ælian. V. H. 13, c. 6.—Plin. 14, c. 18.—Paus. 8, c. 24. —Ptol. 3, c. 16.

Hersennius Servicio, a Roman historian under Domitian. Tact. Agric. 2, &c.—An officer of Sertorius defeated by Pompey, &c. Plut. — A centurion sent in pursuit of Cicero by Antony. He cut off the orator's head. Plut. in Cæc. — A Samnite general, &c.—Philo, a Phenician who wrote a book on Adrian's reign. He also composed a treatise divided into twelve parts, concerning the choice of books, &c.

Heres, a son of Lycaon, who founded a city in Arcadia, &c. Paus. 8, c. 24.

Hercillus, a philosopher of Chalderon, disciple to Zeno. Dog.

Herilus, a king of Preneeste, son of the nymph Feronia. As he had three lives, he was killed three times by Evander. Verg. En. 8, v. 363.

Hermachus, a native of Mitylene, successor and disciple of Epicurus, B. C. 267.

Hermæ, statues of Mercury in the city of Athens. C. Nep. in Aleib.—Two youths who attended those who consulted the oracle of Trophonius. Paus. 9, c. 39.

Hermæ, a festival in Crete, where the masters waited upon the servants. It was also observed at Athens and Babylon. Paus. 8, c. 14.

Hermæm, a town of Arcadia. —A promontory at the east of Carthage, the most northern point of all Africa, now Cape Bon.

Hermagoras Eolidus, a famous rhetorician, who came to Rome in the age of Augustus. — A philosopher of Amphipolis. — A famous orator and philosopher.

Hermantury, a people of Germany.

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Hermaphroditus, a son of Venus and Mercury, educated on mount Ida by the Naiades. At the age of 13, he began to travel to gratify his curiosity. When he came to Caria, he bathed himself in a fountain, and Salmacis, the nymph

who presided over it, became enamoured of him, and attempted to seduce him. Hermaphroditus continued deaf to all entreaties and offers, and Salmacis, endeavouring to obtain by force what was denied by prayers, closely embraced him, and entreated the gods to make them two but one body. Her prayers were heard, and Salmacis and Hermaphroditus, now two in one body, still preserved the characteristics of both their sexes. Hermaphroditus begged the gods that all who bathed in that fountain might become effeminate. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 347.—Hygin. fab. 271.

Hermathena, a statue which represented Mercury and Minerva in the same body. This statue was generally placed in schools where eloquence and philosophy were taught, because these two deities presided over the arts and sciences.

Hermæa, a tyrant of Mysia who revolted from Artaxerxes Ochus, B. C. 330. — A general of Antiochus, &c.

Hermæias, a native of Myethylma, who wrote an history of Sicily.


Hermelianæ, an elegiac poet of Colophon, son of Agoneus. He was publicly honoured with a statue. Paus. 6, c. 17.—A native of Cyprus, who wrote an history of Phrygia. Plut.

Hermias, a Galatian philosopher in the second century. Ais irriso philosophorum genium, was printed with Justin Martyr's works. fol. Paris 1615 and 1636, and with the Oxford edition of Tatian, 8vo. 1700.

Hermiæus, a general of the Hermanni, &c. — A Roman who defended a bridge with Cocles against the army of Porssena. Liv. 2, c. 10.—A Trojan killed by Catilinus in the Rutulian war. Verg. En. 11, v. 642.

Hermiones, a daughter of Mars and Venus, who married Cadmus. The gods, except Juno, honoured her nuptials with their presence, and she received, as a present, a rich veil and a splendid necklace which had been made by Vulcan. She was changed into a serpent with her husband Cadmus, and placed in the Elysian fields. [Vid. Harmonia.] Apollod. 3.— Ovid. Met. 4, fab. 13.—A daughter of Menelaus and Helen. She was privately promised in marriage to Orestes the son of Agamemnon, but her father, ignorant of this pre-engagement, gave her hand to Pyrrhus the son of Achilles, whose services he had experienced in the Trojan war. Pyrrhus, at his return from Troy, carried home Hermione and married her. Hermione tenderly attached to her cousin Orestes, looked upon Pyrrhus with horror and indignation. According to others, however, Hermione received the addresses of Pyrrhus with pleasure, and even reproached Andromache, his concubine, with stealing his affections from her. Her jealousy for Andromache, according to some, induced her to unite herself to Orestes, and to destroy Pyrrhus. She gave herself to
Orestes after this murder, and received the kingdom of Sparta as a dowry. Homer. Od. 9.—Eurip. in Astr. et Orest.—Ovid. Heroid. 8.—
Propert. 1.—A town of Argolis where Ceres had a famous temple. Strab. 8.—Mela, 2.—
Paul. 2, c. 31.

HERMIONIE, a city near the Riphian mountains. Orph. in Arg.

HERMONICUS SINUS, a bay on the coast of Sicily near Hermione. Strab. 1 & 8.

HERMIPPOS, a freed man, disciple of Philo, in the reign of Adrian, by whom he was greatly esteemed. He wrote five books upon dreams.

A man who accused Aspasias, the mistress of Pericles, of impiety and prostitution. Plat. —A peripatetic philosopher of Smyrna who flourished B. C. 710

HERMICRATES, a general of Syracuse, against Nicias the Athenian. His lenity towards the Athenian prisoners was looked upon as treacherous. He was 'banished from Sicily without even a trial, and he was murdered as he attempted to return back to his country, B. C. 408. Plat. in Nic. &c.—A sophist celebrated for his rising talents. He died in the 26th year of his age, in the reign of the emperor Severus.—The father-in-law of Dionysius, tyrant of Sicily.—A Rhodian employed by Artaxerxes to corrupt the Grecian states, &c.—A sophist, preceptor to Pausanias the murderer of Philip. Dio. 16.

HERMODONUS, a Sicilian, pupil to Plato.—A philosopher of Ephesus, who is said to have assisted, as interpreter, the Roman decemvirs in the composition of the 10 tables of laws, which had been collected in Greece. Cic. Tusc. 5, c. 36.—Plin. 34, c. 5.—A native of Salarymus, contemporary with Philo the Athenian architect.—A poet who wrote a book called Nomia.

HERMOGENES, an architect of Alsaband in Caria, employed in building the temple of Diana at Mægnesia. He wrote a book upon his profession.—A rhetorician in the second century, the best editions of whose rhetorica are that of Sturmius, 3 vols. 12mo. Argent 1571, and Laurentius Genev. 1614. He died A.D. 161, and it is said that his body was opened, and his heart found hairy and of an extraordinary size. At the age of 25, as is reported, he totally lost his memory. A lawyer in the age of Dioclesian.—A musician. Horat. 1, Sat. 3, v. 129.—A sophist of Tarsus, of such brilliant talents, that at the age of 15 he excited the attention and gained the patronage of the emperor M. Antoninus.

HERMOLÆUS, a young Macedonian among the attendants of Alexander. As he was one day hunting with the king, he killed a wild boar which was coming towards him. Alexander, who followed close behind him, was so disappointed because the beast had been killed before he could dart at it, that he ordered Hermolæus to be severely whipped. This treatment irritated Hermolæus, and he contrived to take away the king's life, with others who were displeased with the cruel treatment he had received. The plot was discovered by one of the conspirators, and Alexander seized them and asked what had impelled them to conspire to take his life. Hermolæus answered for the rest, and observed that it was unworthy of Alexander to treat his most faithful and attached friends like slaves, and to shed their blood without the least mercy. Alexander ordered him to be put to death. Curt. 8, c. 6.

HERMOTIUS, a famous prophet of Clazomenæ. It is said that his soul separated itself from his body, and wandered in every part of the earth to explain futurity, after which it returned again and animated his frame. His wife who was acquainted with the frequent absence of his soul, took advantage of it and burnt his body, as if totally dead, and deprived the soul of its natural receptacle. Hermotius received divine honours in a temple at Clazomenæ, into which it was unlawful for women to enter. Plin. 7, c. 38, &c.—Lucian.

HERMUNDURI, a people of Germany, subdued by Aurelius. They were at the north of the Danube, and were considered by Tacitus as a tribe of the Suevi, but called together with the Suevi, Hermiones by Pliny 4, c. 14.—Tactit. Ann. 13.

HEMUS, a river of Asia Minor, whose sands, according to the poets, were covered with gold. It flows near Sardes, and receives the waters of the Pactolus and Hyllus, after which it falls into the Ægean sea. It is now called Sarabat. Virg. G. 2, v. 137.—Marit. 8, ep. 78.

HERNICA, a people of Campania, celebrated for their inveterate enmity to the rising power of Rome. Liv. 1, &c.—Dins. Hal. 6.—Virg. Æn. 7, v. 684.

HERO, a beautiful priestess of Venus at Sestos, greatly enamoured of Leander, a youth of Abydos. These two lovers were so faithful to one another, that Leander in the night escaped from the vigilance of his family, and swam across the Hellespont, while Hero in Sestos directed his course by holding a burning torch on the top of a high tower. After many interviews of mutual affection and tenderness, Leander was drowned in a tempestuous night as he attempted his usual course, and Hero in despair threw herself down from her tower and perished in the sea. Museus de Leand. et Hero.—Ovid. Heroid. 17 & 18.—Virg. G. 3, v. 238.

HERODES, surnamed the Great, followed the interest of Brutus and Cassius, and afterwards that of Antony. He was made king of Judaea by means of Antony, and after the battle of Actium he was continued in his power by his flattery and submission to Augustus. He rendered himself odious by his cruelty, and as he knew that the day of his death would become a day of mirth and festivity, he ordered the most illustrious of his subjects to be confined and murdered at the very moment that he expected, that every eye in the kingdom might seem to shed tears at the death of Herod. He died in the 70th year of his age, after a reign of 40 years. Josephus.—Antipas, a son of Herod the Great, governor of Galilæa, &c.—Agrippa,
a Jew intimate with the emperor Caligula, &c.

This name was common to many of the Jews. Josephus.

HERODIANUS, a Greek historian who flourished A. D. 247. He was born at Alexandria, and he was employed among the officers of the Roman emperors. He wrote a Roman history in eight books, from the death of Marcus Aurelius to Maximinus. His style is peculiarly elegant, but it wants precision, and the work too plainly betrays that the author was not a perfect master of geography. He is accused of being too partial to Maximinus, and too severe upon Alexander Severus. His book comprehends the history of 68 or 70 years, and he asserts that he has been an eye-witness of whatever he has written. The best editions of his history is that of Politian, 4to, Dovon, 1525, who afterwards published a very valuable Latin translation, and that of Oxford, 8vo, 1706.

HERODICUS, a physician surnamed Gymnastic, who flourished B. C. 443.—A grammarian surnamed Crateles, B. C. 123.

HERODOTUS, a celebrated historian of Halicarnassus, whose father's name was Lyzes, and that of his mother's Dryo. He fled to Samos when his country laboured under the oppressive tyranny of Lygdamis, and travelled over Egypt, Italy, and all Greece. He afterwards returned to Halicarnassus, and expelled the tyrant, which patriotic deed, far from gaining the esteem and admiration of the populace, displeased and irritated them, so that Herodotus was obliged to fly into Greece from the public resentment.

To procure a lasting fame he publicly repeated at the Olympic games, the history which he had composed in his 39th year, B. C. 445. It was received with such universal applause, that the name of the nine Muses were unanimously given to the nine books into which it is divided. This celebrated composition, which has procured its author the title of father of history, is written in the Ionic dialect. Herodotus is among the historians what Homer is among the poets, the Demosthenes among the orators. His style abounds with elegance, ease, and sweetness, and if there is any of the fabulous or incredible, the author candidly informs the reader that it is introduced upon the narration of others. The work is an history of the wars of the Persians against the Greeks, from the age of Cyrus to the battle of Mycale in the reign of Xerxes, and besides this it gives an account of the most celebrated nations in the world. Herodotus had written another history of Assyria and Arabia, which is not extant. The life of Homer, generally attributed to him, is supposed by some not to be the production of his pen. Plutarch has accused him of malevolence towards the Greeks: an imputation which can easily be refuted. The two best editions of this great historian are that of Wesseling, fol. Amsterdam 1708, and that of Glasgow, 9 vols. 12mo. 1761. X. de leg. 1. de orat. 2.—Dimyga. Hal. 1. — Quin til. 10, c. 1.—Plut. de mul. Herod. — A man who
HESIODUS, a mountain near Pæonia.

HESIODUS, a celebrated poet, born at Acræa, in Boæotia. His father's name was Dius, and his mother's Pycimede. He lived in the age of Homer, and even obtained a poetical prize in competition with him, according to Varro and Plutarch. Quintilian, Philostratus, and others, maintain, that Hesiod lived before the age of Homer; but Val. Paterculus, &c. support that he flourished about 100 years after him. Hesiod is the first who wrote a poem on agriculture. This composition is called, The Works and the Days; and, besides the instructions which are given to the cultivator of the field, the reader is pleased to find many moral reflections worthy of a refined Socrates or a Plato. His Theogony is a miscellaneous narration executed without art, precision, choice, judgment, or connection, yet it is the more valuable for the faithful account it gives of the gods of antiquity. His Shield of Hercules is but a fragment of a larger poem, in which it is supposed he gave an account of the most celebrated heroines among the ancients. Hesiod, without being master of the fire and sublimity of Homer, is admired for the elegance of his diction, and the sweetness of his poetry. Besides these poems he wrote others, now lost. Pausanias says, that in his age, Hesiod's verses were still written on tablets in the temple of the Muse, of which the poet was a priest. If we believe Clem. Alex., 6. Strom. the poet borrowed much from Musæus. One of Lucan's dialogues bears the name of Hesiod, and in it, the poet is introduced as speaking of himself. Virgil, in his Georgics, has imitated the compositions of Hesiod, and taken his opera and dies for model, as he acknowledges. Cicero strongly commends him, and the Greeks were so partial to his poetry and moral instructions that they ordered their children to learn all by heart. Hesiod was murdered by the sons of Ganyctor of Naupactum, and his body was thrown into the sea. Some dolphins brought back the body to the shore, which was immediately known, and the murderers were discovered by the poet's dogs, and thrown into the sea. If Hesiod

furnished in the age of Homer, he lived 207 B.C. The best editions of this poet are that of Robinson, 4to. Oxon. 1737, that of Loesner, 8vo. Lips. 1783, and that of Parma, 4to. 1785. Cæs. Fam. 6, ep. 18.—Paus. 9, c. 3, &c.—Quintil. 10, c. 1.—Paterc.—Varro.—Plut. de 7, Sep. & de Anim. Sylg.

HESIÔNE, a daughter of Laomedon, king of Troy, by Strymo, the daughter of the Scamander. It having fallen to her lot to be exposed to a sea-monster, to whom the Trojans yearly presented a marrigable virgin, to appease the resentment of Apollo and Neptune, whom Laomedon had offended, Hercules promised to deliver her, provided he received as a reward six beautiful horses. Laomedon consented, and Hercules attacked the monster just as he was going to devour Hesione, and he killed him with his club. Laomedon, however, refused to reward the hero's services, and Hercules, incensed at his treachery, besieged Troy, and put the king and all his family to the sword, except Podarces, or Priam, who had advised his father to give the promised horses to his sister's deliverer. The conqueror gave Hesione in marriage to his friend Telamon, who had assisted him during the war, and he established Priam upon his father's throne. The removal of Hesione to Greece proved at last fatal to the Trojans, and Priam, who remembered with indignation that his sister had been forcibly given to a foreigner, sent his son Paris to Greece to reclaim the possessions of Hesione, or more probably to revenge his injuries upon the Greeks by carrying away Helen, which gave rise, soon after, so the Trojan war. Lycurgus mentions, that Hercules threw himself armed from head to foot, into the mouth of the monster to which Hesione was exposed, and that he tore his belly to pieces, and came out safe, only with the loss of his hair, after a confinement of three days. Homer. Il. 5.—Apollod. 2, c. 5, &c.—Ovid. Met. 11, v. 212.—The wife of Nauplius.

HESPERIA, a large island of Africa, once the residence of the Amazons. Diod. 3.—A name common both to Italy and Spain. It is derived from Hesper or Vesper, the setting sun, or the evening, whence the Greeks called Italy, Hesperia, because it was situated at the setting sun, or in the west. The same name for similar reasons, was applied to Spain by the Latins. Virg. En. 1, v. 634, &c.—Horat. 1, od. 36.—A daughter of the Cebrenus. Ovid. Met. 11, v. 769.

HESPERIDES, three celebrated nymphs, daughters of Hesperus. Apollodorus mentions four, Aegle, Erythia, Vesta, and Arethusa; and Diodorus confounds them with the Atlantides, and supposes that they were the same number. They were appointed to guard the golden apples which Juno gave to Jupiter on the day of their nuptials, and the place of their residence placed beyond the ocean by Hesiod, is more universally believed to be near mount Atlas in Africa, according to Apollodorus. This celebrated place or garden abounded with
fruits of the most delicious kind, and was carefully guarded by a dreadful dragon which never slept. It was one of the labours of Hercules to procure some of the golden apples of the Hesperides. The hero, ignorant of the situation of this celebrated garden, applied to the nympha in the neighbourhood of the Po for information, and was told that Nereus, the god of the sea, if properly managed, would direct him in his pursuits. Hercules seized Nereus as he was asleep, and the sea-god, unable to escape from his grasp, answered all the questions which he proposed. Some say that Nereus sent Hercules to Prometheus, and that from him he received all his information. When Hercules came into Africa, he repaired to Atlas, and demanded of him three of the golden apples. Atlas unloosed himself, and placed the burden of the heavens on the shoulders of Hercules, while he went in quest of the apples. At his return, Hercules expressed his wish to ease his burden by putting something on his head, and, when Atlas assisted him to remove his inconvenience, Hercules artfully left the burden, and seized the apples, which Atlas had thrown on the ground. According to other accounts, Hercules gathered the apples himself, without the assistance of Atlas, and he previously killed the watchful dragon which kept the tree. These apples were brought to Eurytheus, and afterwards carried back by Minerva into the garden of the Hesperides, as they could be preserved in no other place. Hercules is sometimes represented gathering the apples, and the dragon which guarded the tree appears bowing down his head as having received a mortal wound. This monster, as it is supposed, was the offspring of Typhon, and it had a hundred heads and as many voices. This number, however, is reduced by some to only one head. Those that attempt to explain mythology, observe, that the Hesperides were certain persons who had an immense number of flocks, and that the ambiguous word μήλον, which signifies an apple and a sheep, gave rise to the fable of the golden apples of the Hesperides. 

Dioc. 4.—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 637, &c. 1. 9. v. 90.—Hygin. fab. 30.—Apollod. 3, c. 5.—Hesiod. Theog. v. 215, &c. 


Hesperitis, a country of Africa. Dioc. 4.

Hesperus, a son of Japetus, brother to Atlas. He came to Italy, and the country received the name of Hesperia from him, according to some accounts. He had a daughter called Hesperis, who married Atlas, and became mother of seven daughters, called Atlantides or Hesperides. 

Dioc. 4.—The name of Hesperus was also applied to the planet Venus, when it appeared after the setting of the sun. It was called Phosphorus or Lucifer when it preceded the sun. 

Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 2.—Senec. de Hippol. 

Hestia, one of the Hesperides. Apollod.

Hestia, a town of Euboea.

Hesus, a deity among the Gauls, the same as the Mars of the Romans. Lucan. 1, v. 443.

Hesychia, a daughter of Thaspian. Apollod.

Hesychius, the author of a Greek lexicon in the beginning of the 5th century; a valuable work, which has been learnedly edited by Albert, 2 vols. fol. L. Bat. 1746.

Hetricum, a town in the country of the Bruti. Liv. 30, c. 19.

Hetruria & Etruria, a celebrated country of Italy, at the west of the Tyber. It originally contained twelve different nations, which had each their respective monarch. Their names were Veientes, Clusini, Perusini, Cortonenses, Arretini, Vetuloni, Volaterrani, Rusellani, Volcini, Tarquinii, Falisci, and Ceretani. The inhabitants were particularly famous for their superstition, and strict confidence in omens, dreams, auguries, &c. They all proved powerful and resolute enemies to the rising empire of the Romans, and were conquered only after much effusion of blood. Plin. 3, c. 5.—Strab. 5. 

Plut. in Rom.—Mela, 2, c. 4. 

Hespera, a surname of Diana. 

Hexaplym, a certain eminence at Syracuse. Liv. 24, c. 21.

Hibernia & Hybernia, a large island at the west of Britain, now called Ireland. Some of the ancients have called it Ibernia, Juverna, &c. Juv. 2, v. 160.—Strab. 4.—Orpheus. Aristot.

Hibrilides, an Athenian general. Dionys. Hal. 7.

Hicetæon, a son of Laomedon, brother to Priam, &c. Homer. II. 3.—The father of Thymoctes, who came to Italy with Aeneas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 123. 

Hicetas, a philospher of Syracuse, who believed that the earth moved, and that all the heavenly bodies were stationary. Diog. in Phil.—A tyrant of Syracuse. Vid. Ictetas. 

Hempsal, a king of Numidia, &c. Plut. 

Hieræ, a beautiful woman, who married Telephus, king of Mysia.—The mother of Pandarmus and Bidas, by Alcanor. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 673.—One of the Æolian islands. Paus. 10, c. 11. 

Hierapolis, a town of Syria.—Another of Phrygia.—Another of Crete. 

Hierax, a youth who awoke Argos to inform him that Mercury was stealing Io. Mercury killed him, and changed him into a bird of prey. Apollod. 2, c. 1.—Antiochus, king of Syria, and brother to Seleucus, received the surname of Hierax. Justin 37, c. 3.—An Egyptian philosopher in the third century. 

Hierichus, (unia) the name of Jericho in the holy land, called the city of palm-trees, from its abounding in dates. Plin. 5, c. 14.—Tacit. II. 5, c. 6. 

Hiero 1st, a king of Syracuse, after his brother Gelon, who rendered himself odious in the beginning of his reign by his cruelty and avarice. He made war against Theron the tyrant of Agrigentum, and took Himera. He obtained three different crowns at the Olympic games, two in horse-races, and one at a chariot-race. Pindar has celebrated him as being victorious at Olympia. In the latter part of his reign the conversation of Simonides, Epichar-
Pindar, &c. softened in some measure the roughness of his morals, and rendered him the patron of learning, genius, and merit. He died after a reign of 16 years, B.C. 467; leaving the crown to his brother Thrasylus, who disgraced himself by his vices and tyranny. Died. 1f. The second of that name, king of Syracuse, was descended from Gelon. He was unanimously elected king by all the states of the island of Sicily, and appointed to carry on the war against the Carthaginians. He joined his enemies in besieging Messana, which had surrendered to the Romans, but he was beaten by Appius Claudius, the Roman consul, and obliged to retire to Syracuse, where he was soon blocked up. Seeing also hopes of victory lost, he made peace with the Romans, and proved so faithful to his engagements during the fifty-nine years of his reign, that the Romans never had a more firm, or more attached ally. He died in the 94th year of his age, about 225 years before the Christian era. He was universally regretted, and all the Sicilians showed, by their lamentations, that they had lost a common father and friend. He liberally patronized the learned, and employed the talents of Archimedes for the good of his country. He wrote a book on agriculture, now lost. He was succeeded by Hieronymus. El. V. H. 4. 5.—Justin. c. 4. Flor. c. 2.—Lit. 16.—An Athenian, intimate with Nicias the general. Plut. in Nic.—A Parthian, &c. Tact. Hierocles, an island near Paphos in Cyprus.

Hierocrates, a persecutor of the Christians under Dioclesian, who pretended to find inconsistencies in Scripture, and preferred the miracles of Thylaneus to those of Christ. His writings were refuted by Lactantius and Eusebius. A platonick philosopher, who taught at Alexandria, and wrote a book on providence and fate, fragments of which are preserved by Photius; a commentary on the golden verses of Pythagoras; and facetious moral verses. He flourished A. D. 465. The best edition is that of Asheton and Warren, 8vo. London, 1742.—A general in the interest of Demetrius. Polygen. 5.—A governor of Bithynia and Alexandria, under Dioclesian.—An officer. Viz. Heliogabalus.

Hierodulum, a town of Libya.

Hieronica lex, by Hiero, tyrant of Sicily, to settle the quantity of corn, the price and time of receiving it between the farmers of Sicily, and the collectors of the corn tax at Rome. This law, on account of its justice and candour, was continued by the Romans, when they became masters of Sicily.

Hieronymus, a tyrant of Sicily, who succeeded his father or grandfather Hiero, when only fifteen years old. He rendered himself odious by his cruelty, oppression, and debauchery. He abjured the alliance of Rome, which Hiero had enjoyed with so much honour and advantage. He was assassinated, and all his family was overwhelmed in his fall, and totally extirpated, B.C. 214.—An historian of Rhodes, who wrote an account of the actions of Demetrius Poliorcetes, by whom he was appointed over Boeotia, B.C. 254. Plut. in Dein.—An Athenian set over the fleet, while Conon went to the king of Persia.—A Christian writer, commonly called St. Jerome, born in Pannonia, and distinguished for his zeal against heretics. He wrote commentaries on the Prophets, St. Matthew's Gospel, &c. a Latin version, known by the name of Vulgate, polemical treatises, and an account of ecclesiastical writers before him. Of his works, which are replete with lively animation, sublimity, and erudition, the best edition is that of Vallarsi, fol. Rome, 1734 to 1750, 40 vols. Jerome died A.D. 420, in his 80th year.

Hierophilus, a Greek physician. He instructed his daughter Agnodice in the art of midwifery, &c. Viz. Agnodice.

Hierosolyms, a celebrated city of Palestine, the capital of Judea, taken by Pompey, who, on that account is surnamed Hierosolymarius. Titus also took it and destroyed it the 8th of September, A.D. 70. Cis. ad Attic. 2.

Hicratia via, a large road which led from the Ionian sea to the Hellespont, across Macedonia, about 530 miles. Strab. 7.

Hilaria, a daughter of Leucippus and Philodice. As she and her sister Phere were going to marry their cousins Lyceus and Idas, they were carried away by Castor and Pollux, who married them. Hilaria had Anagon by Castor. Paus. 2, c. 22. l. 3. c. 19.—Festivals at Rome in honour of the mother of the gods.

Hilarus, a bishop of Poictiers, in France, who wrote several treatises, the most famous of which is on the Trinity, in twelve books. The only edition is that of the Benedictine monks, fol. Paris, 1693. Hilary died A.D. 372, in his 80th year.

Hilleviones, a people of Scandinavia. Plin. 4. c. 13.

Himella, bow Aia, a small river in the country of the Sabines. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 714.

Himera, a city of Sicily, built by the people of Zancle, and destroyed by the Carthaginians 240 years after. Strab. 6.—There were two rivers of Sicily of the same name. The ancient name of the Eurotas. Strab. 6.—Mela, 2, c. 7.

Polyb.

Himilco, a Carthaginian sent to explore the western parts of Europe. Fest. Attim.—A son of Amilcar, who succeeded his father in the command of the Carthaginian armies in Sicily. He died, with his army, by a plague, B.C. 398. Justin. 19, c. 2.

Hippagoras, a man who wrote an account of the republic of Carthage.

Hippalculus, a son of Pelops and Hippodamia, who was among the Argonauts.

Hippalus, the first who sailed in open sea from Arabia to India. Arrian. in perip.

Hipparchia, a woman in Alexander's age, who became enamoured of Crates, the Cynic philosopher, because she had heard him discourse. She married him, though he at first
disclaimed her addresses, and represented his poverty and meanness. She was so attached to him that she was his constant companion, and was as an ed publicy to gratify his impure desires. She wrote some things, now lost. *Vid. Crates.*

**Hipparchus,** a son of Pisistratus, who succeeded his father as tyrant of Athens, with his brother Hippias. He patronized some of the learned men of the age, and distinguished himself for his fondness for literature. The seduction of a sister of Harmodius raised him many enemies, and he was at last assassinated by a desperate band of conspirators, with Harmodius and Aristogiton at their head, B.C. 513.

- One of Antony's freed men. —The first person who was banished by ostracism at Athens. —The father of Asclepiades. —A mathematician and astronomer of Nicaea, who published different treatises and observations upon the stars, and was the first who, after Thales and Sulpicius Gallus, found out the exact time of eclipses, of which he made a calculation for 600 years. He published an account of the stars, to which he gave a name, and which he numbered and ably divided into different classes; and died B.C. 125. *Plin. 2, c. 26,* &c. —An Athenian who conspired against Heraclides, who kept Athens for Demetrius, &c. *Polyen.*

5. **Hipparkus,** a son of Dionysius, who ejected Calipus from Syracuse, and seized the sovereign power for twenty-seven years. *Polyen.*

5. —The father of Dion.

**Hipparchia,** one of Dion's sons.


**Hippus,** an illegitimate son of Hercules by a daughter of Thestius. *Apollod. 2,* c. 7.

**Hippi,** four small islands near Erythrace.

**Hippia,** a lascivious woman, &c. *Juv.* 6, v. 82.

**Hippia,** a philosopher of Elis, who maintained that virtue consisted in not being in want of the assistance of men. At the Olympic games he boasted that he was master of all the liberal and mechanical arts; and he said that the ring upon his finger, the tunic, cloak, and shoes, which he then wore, were all the work of his own hands. *Cic. de orat. 3.* —A son of Pisistratus, who became tyrant of Athens after the death of his father, with his brother Hipparchus. He was willing to revenge the death of his brother, who had been assassinated, and for this violent measure he was driven from his country. He fled to king Darius in Persia, and was killed at the battle of Marathon, fighting against the Athenians, B.C. 490. He had five children by Myrrhine, the daughter of Callias. *Herodot. 6,* Thucyd. 7.

**Hippis,** an historian and poet of Rhigium, in the reign of Xerxes. *Elian. 8, H. An. c. 35.*

**Hippus,** a surname of Neptune.

**Hippo,** a daughter of Scædus, who, upon

being ravished by the ambassadors of Sparta, killed herself, cursing the city that gave birth to such men. *Paul. 9,* c. 13. —A celebrated town of Africa, on the Mediterranean. *Ital. 3,* v. 232. —*Strabo,* 17, says that there are two of the same name in Africa.

**Hippodotes,** a large meadow near the Caspian sea, where 50,000 horses could graze.

**Hippodotus,** a Greek historian, who composed a treatise on philosophers. *Diog. in Pyth.*


**Hippococon,** a son of Ebalus, brother to Tyndarus. He was put to death by Hercules, because he had driven his brother from the kingdom of Lacedaemon. He was at the chase of the Calydonian boar. *Diog. Apollod. 2,* c. &c. *I. 3,* c. 10. —*Paus. Lactan.* — *Ovid. Met. 8,* v. 314. —A friend of Æneas, son of Hyrtacus, who distinguished himself in the funeral games of Sicily. *Verg. En. 3,* v. 492, &c.

**Hippocorystes,** a son of Ægyptus. —Of Hippocoon. *Apollod.*

**Hippocrates,** a celebrated physician of Cos, one of the Cyclades. He studied physic, in which his grandfather Nebrus was so eminently distinguished; and he improved himself by reading the tables in the temples of the gods, where each individual had written down the diseases under which he had laboured, and the means by which he had recovered. He delivered Athens from a dreadful pestilence in the beginning of the Peloponnesian war, and he was publicly rewarded with a golden crown, the privileges of a citizen of Athens, and the initiation at the grand festivals. Skilful and diligent in his profession, he openly declared the measures which he had taken to cure a disease, and candidly confesses that of 42 patients which were entrusted to his care, only 17 had recovered, and the rest had fallen a prey to the distemper in spite of his medical applications. He devoted all his time for the service of his country; and when Artaxerxes invited him, even by force of arms to come to his court, Hippocrates firmly and modestly answered, that he was born to serve his countrymen, and not a foreigner. He enjoyed the rewards which his well directed labours claimed, and, while he lived in the greatest popularity, he was carefully employed in observing the symptoms and the growth of every disorder, and, from his judicious remarks, succeeding physicians have received the most valuable advantages. The experiments which he had tried upon the human frame increasing his knowledge, and, from his consummate observations, he knew how to moderate his own life as well as to prescribe to others. He died in the 99th year of his age, B.C. 361, free from all disorders of the mind and body; and, after death, he received the same honours which were paid to Hercules. His writings, few of which remain, have procured him the epithet of divine, and show that he was the Homer of his profession. According to Galen, his opinion is as respectable as the voice of an oracle. He wrote in the Ionic dialect, at the advice of Democritus, though he
was a Dorian. His memory is still venerated at Cos, and the present inhabitants of the island still worship a small house, which Hippocrates, as they mention, once inhabited. The best editions of his works are that of Fauscius, Genev. fol. 1657; of Linden, 2 vols. 8vo. Amst. 1665; and that of Mackius, 2 vols. fol. Viennez, 1743. His treatises, especially the Aphorisms, have been published separately. Plut. 7, c. 37.—Cic. de orat. 3.—An Athenian general in the Peloponnesian war. Plut.—A mathematician.


Hippocratis, a festival in honour of Neptune in Arcadia.

Hippocrinis, a fountain of Boeotia, near Mount Helicon, sacred to the Muses. It first rose from the ground, when struck by the feet of the horse Pegasus, whence the name ἵππου κρήνη, the horse's fountain. Ovid. 3, Met. v. 256.

Hippodamas, a son of the Achelous.—Of Priam. Apollod.

Hippodame and Hippodamia, a daughter of Enoeaus, king of Pisae, in Elis, who married Pelops, son of Tantalus. Her father, who was either enamoured of her himself, or afraid lest he should perish by one of his daughter's children, according to an oracle, refused to marry her only to him who could overcome him in a chariot race. As the beauty of Hippodamia was greatly celebrated, many courted her and accepted her father's conditions, though death attended a defeat. Thirteen had already been conquered, and laid down their lives when Pelops came to Lydia. Pelops previously bribed Myrtilus, the charioteer of Enoeaus, and ensured himself the victory. In the race, Enoeaus mounted on a broken chariot, which the corrupted Myrtilus had purposely provided for him, was easily overcome, and was killed to the course; and Pelops married Hippodamia, and avenged the death of Enoeaus, by throwing into the sea the perfidious Myrtilus, who claimed for the reward of his treachery, the favour which Hippodamia could grant only to her husband. Hippodamia became mother of Atreus and Thyestes, and it is said that she died of grief for the death of her father, which her guilty correspondence with Pelops and Myrtilus had occasioned. Virg. G. 3, v. 7.—Hygin. fab. 84.—Paus. 5, c. 14, &c.—Diod. 4.—Ovid. Hervid. 8 & 17.—A daughter of Adrastus, king of Argos. She married Pirithous, the king of the Lapithae. The festivity which prevailed on the day of her marriage, was interrupted by the attempts of Eurytus to offer her violence. [Vid. Pirithous.] Ovid. Met. 12.—P ut. in Thea.—A daughter of Danaus. Apollod.—A priestess of Achilles, daughter of Briaxis. A daughter of Anchises, who married Alcathous. Homer. II. 13.

Hippodamus, a man of Mileitus, who settled a republic without any previous knowledge of government. Aristot. 2. Politi.

Hippocrates, one of the Danaiides. Apollod.
HIPPOMOLAEI, a people of Scythia. Dionys. Perig.

HIPPON and HIPPONIA, a town of Africa.

HIPPONAEA, a goddess who presided over horses. Her statues were placed in horses’ stables. Jun. 8, v. 157.

HIPPONAX, a Greek poet, born at Ephesus, 540 years before the Christian era. He cultivated the same satirical poetry as Archilochus, and was not inferior to him in the beauty of vigour of his lines. His satirical raillery obliged him to fly from Ephesus. As he was naturally deformed, two brothers, Buphalus and Athermus, made a statue of him, which, by the deformity of its features, exposed the poet to universal ridicule. Hippias resolved to revenge the injury, and he wrote such bitter invectives and satirical lamoons against them, that they hanged themselves in despair. Cic. ad fam. 7, ep. 24.

HIPPONIATES, a bay in the country of the Bruti.

HIPPONIUM, a city in the country of the Bruti, where Agathocles built a dock. Strab.

HIPPOCORNUS, the father of Periboea and Panoeus. He was killed by the thunderbolts of Jupiter before the walls of Thebes. Apollod. 1, c. 8. 1, 3. 1. — The first name of Bellerophon. — A son of Priam.

HIPPODORGES, a people of Scythia, who have horses’ feet. Dionys. Perig.

HIPPODATUS, a favourite of Lais.

HIPPODÄTIDES, a patronymic of Æolus, grandson of Hippathas, by Segesta, as also of Amastrus, his son, who was killed in the Rutulian war. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 674. — Ovid. Met. 11, v. 431.

HIPPONAS or HIPOTTES, a Trojan prince, changed into a river. [Vid. Crinisuas.]

HIPPOTHEOS, a daughter of Mestor and Lysidice, carried away to the islands called Echinades by Neptune, by whom she had a son named Taphius. Apollod. 2, c. 4. — One of the Nereides. Id. 1, c. 2. — A daughter of Pelias. Id.

HIPPOTHOON, a son of Neptune and Alope, daughter of Cercyon, exposed in the woods by his mother, that her amours with the god might be concealed from her father. Her shame was discovered, and her father ordered her to be put to death. Neptune changed her into a fountain, and the child was preserved by mares, whence his name. Hygin. fab. 187. — Pan. 1, c. 38.

HIPPOTHÖONTIS, one of the 12 Athenian tribes, which received its name from Hippothoon.


HIPPÖTON, a prince who assisted the Trojans, and was killed by Merion. Homer. Il. 13 & 14.

HIPPÔRUS, one of the Cyclopes. Mel. 2, c. 7.
their newly acquired possessions the name of Histiaetis, or Estiaetis, from Estia, or Histia, a town of Euboea, which they had then |ately destroyed, and whose inhabitants they carried to Thessaly with them. Strab.—Herodot. 4.—A small country of Euboea, of which Histia, or Estia, was the capital.

Histiaeus, a tyrant of Miletus, who exh- |eted the Greeks to take up arms against Persia. Herodot. 5, &c.—An historian of Miletus.

Histria. [Vid. Istria.]

Hodius, a herald in the Trojan war.

Hofchod, a mountain of Macedonia.

Homerus, a celebrated Greek poet, the most ancient of all the prose writers. The age in which he lived is not known, though |some suppose it to be about 168 years after the Trojan war, or, according to others, 160 years before the foundation of Rome. Ac- |cording to Paterculus, he flourished 968 years before the Christian era, or 884, accord- |ing to Herodotus, who supposes him to be con- temporary with Hesiod. The Arundelian mar- bles fix his era 907 years before Christ, and make him also contemporary with Hesiod. This diversity of opinions proves the antiquity of Homer; and the uncertainty prevails also concerning the place of his nativity; no less |than seven illustrious cities disputed the right of having given birth to the greatest of poets, as it is well expressed in these lines:—

Smyrna, Chius, Colophon, Salamin, Rhodos, Argos, Atheus.

Orbis de patria cortat, Homeru, tua.

He was called Malesigones, because supposed to be born on the borders of the river Meles. There prevailed a report that he had established a school at Chios in the latter part of his life; and, indeed, this opinion is favoured by the present inhabitants of the island, who still glory in showing to travellers the seats where the venerable maest and his pupils sat in the hollow of a rock, at the distance of about four miles from the modern capital of the island. These difficulties and doubts have not been removed, though Aristotle, Herodotus, Plutarch, and others have employed their pen in writing his life. In his two celebrated poems called the Iliad and Odyssey, Homer has displayed the most consummate knowledge of human na- ture, and rendered himself immortal by the sublimity, the fire, sweetness, and elegance of his poetry. He deserves a greater share of admiration when we consider that he wrote without a model, and that none of his poetical imitators have been able to surpass, or per- |haps, to equal their great master. If there are any faults found in his poetry, they are to be attributed to the age in which he lived, and not to him; and we must observe, that the world is indebted to Homer for his happy successor Virgil. In his Iliad, Homer has described the resentment of Achilles, and its fatal consequences in the Grecian army before the fall of Troy. In the Odyssey, the poet presents the return of Ulysses into his country, with the many misfortunes which he attended on his voyage after the fall of Troy.

These two poems are divided into 24 books, the same number as the letters of the Greek alphabet, and though the Iliad claims an un- contested superiority over the Odyssey, yet the same force, the same sublimity and elegance, prevail, though divested of its more powerful fire; and Longinus, the most refined of critics, compares the Iliad to the mid-day, and the Odyssey to the setting sun, and observes, that the latter still preserves its original splendour and majesty, though deprived of its meridian heat. The poetry of Homer was so universally admired that, in ancient times, every man of learning could repeat with facility any passage in the Iliad or Odyssey; and, indeed, it was a sufficient authority to settle disputed bound- aries, or to support any argument. The poems of Homer are the compositions of a man who travelled and examined with the most critical accuracy whatever deserved notice and claimed attention. Modern travellers are aston- ished at the different scenes which the pen of Homer described about 3000 years ago, still existing in the same unvaried form, and the sailor who steers his course along the Egean, sees all the promontories and rocks which appeared to Nestor and Menelaus, when they returned victorious from the Trojan war. The ancients had such veneration for Homer, that they not only raised temples and altars to him, but offered sacrifices, and wor- shipped him as a god. The inhabitants of Chios celebrated festivals every fifth year in his honour, and medals were struck, which re- presented him sitting on a throne, holding his Iliad and Odyssey. The inhabitants of Cos, one of the Sporades, boasted that Homer was buried in their island; and the Cyprians claimed the same honour, and said that he was born of Themisto, a female native of Cyprus. Alexander was so fond of Homer, that he generally placed his compositions under his pillow, with his sword; and he carefully deposited the Iliad in one of the richest and most valuable caskets of Darius, observing, that the most perfect work of human genius ought to be preserved in a box the most valuable and precious in the world. It is said, that Pisistratus, tyrant of Athens, was the first who collected and arranged the Iliad and Odyssey in the manner in which they now appear to us, and that it is to the well directed pursuits of Lycurgus that we are indebted for their preservation. Many of the ancients have written the life of Homer, yet their en- quiries and labours have not much contributed to prove the native place, the parentage, and connexions of a man whom some have re- presented as deprived of sight. Besides the Iliad and Odyssey, Homer wrote, according to the opinion of some authors, at least upon Amphius' expedition against Thebes, be- sides the Phoecis, the Ceraunus, the small Iliad, the Epiclides and the Batrachomyomachia, and many hymns to some of the gods. The merit of originality is taken very improperly, perhaps, from Homer, by those, who suppose
Horapollo, a Greek writer, whose age is unknown. His Hieroglyphica, a curious and entertaining book, had been edited by Corn. de Pauw. 4to. Ultraj. 1727.

Horie, three sisters, daughters of Jupiter and Themis, according to Hesiod, called Eunomia, Dice, and Irene. They were the same as the seasons who presided over the spring, summer, and winter, and were represented by the poets as opening the gates of heaven and of Olympus. Homer. II. 5.—Paus. 5.—Hesiod. Thesp.

Horatia, the sister of the Horatii, killed by her brother, for mourning the death of the Curiaii. Cic. de Inv. 2. c. 20.

Horatius Cocles. Vid. Cocles.—Q. Flaccum, a celebrated poet, born at Venusia. His father was a freed-man, and, though poor in his circumstances, he liberally educated his son, and sent him to learn philosophy at Athens; after he had received the lessons of the best masters at Rome. Horace followed Brutus from Athens, and the timidity which he betrayed at the battle of Philippi so effectually discouraged him, that he for ever abandoned the profession of arms, and, at his return to Rome, he applied himself to cultivate poetry. His rising talents claimed the attention of Virgil and Varius, who recommended him to the care of Mecennas and Augustus, the most celebrated patrons of literature. Under the fostering patronage of the emperor and of his minister, Horace gave himself up to indolence and refined pleasure. He was a follower of Epicurus, and while he liberally indulged his appetites, he neglected the calls of ambition, and never suffered himself to be carried away by the tide of popularity of public employments. He even refused to become the secretary of Augustus, and the emperor was not offended at his refusal. He lived at the tables of his illustrious patrons as if he were in his own house, and Augustus, while at his meal, sat with Virgil at his right hand, and Horace at his left, often ridiculed the short breath of the former, and the watery eyes of the latter, by observing that he sat between tears and sighs, Ego sum inter suspiria et lacrymas. Horace was warm in his friendship, and, if ever any ill-judged reflection had caused offence, the poet immediately made every concession which could effect a reconciliation, and not destroy the good purposes of friendly society. Horace died in the 77th year of his age, B. C. 8. His gaiety was suitable to the liveliness and dissipation of a court, and his familiar intimacy with Mecenas has induced some to believe that the death of Horace was violent, and that he hastened himself out of the world to accompany his friend. The 17th ode of his second book, which was written during the last illness of Mecenas, is too serious to be considered as a poetical rhapsody and effusion, and, indeed, the poet survived his patron only three weeks, and ordered his bones to be buried near those of his friend. He left all his possessions to Augustus. The poetry of
Horace, so much commended for its elegance and sweetness, is deservedly censured for the licentious expressions and indelicate thoughts which he too frequently introduces. In his odes he has imitated Pindar and Anacreon; and, if he has confessed himself to be inferior to the former, he has shown that he bears the palm over the latter by his more ingenious and refined sentiments, by the ease and melody of his expressions, and by the pleasing variety of his numbers. In his satires and epistles, Horace displays much wit, and much satirical humour, without much poetry, and his style, simple and unadorned, differs little from prosaic composition. In his art of poetry he has shown much taste and judgment, and has rendered, in Latin hexameters, what Aristotle had, some ages before, delivered to his pupils in Greek prose. The poet gives judicious rules and useful precepts to the most powerful and opulent citizens of Rome, who, in the midst of peace and enjoyment, wished to cultivate poetry and court the muse. The best editions of Horace will be found to be that of Basil, fol. 1580, illustrated by eighty commentators; that of Baxter, edited by Gesner, 8vo. Lips. 1739; and that of Glasgow, 12mo. 1744. **Suet. in Aug.**—**Ovid. Trist.** 4, ed. 10, v. 49. Three brave Romans, born at the same birth, who fought against the three Curiatii, about 667 years before Christ. This celebrated fight was fought between the hostile camps of the people of Alba and Rome, and on their success depended the victory. In the first attack two of the Horatii were killed, and the only surviving one, by joining artifice to valour, obtained an honourable trophy; by pretending to fly from the field of battle, he easily separated his antagonists, and, in attacking them one by one, he was enabled to conquer them all. As he returned victorious to Rome, his sister reproached him with the murder of one of the Curiatii, to whom she was promised in marriage. He was incensed at the rebuke, and killed his sister. This violence raised the indignation of the people; he was tried and capitally condemned. His eminent services, however, pleaded in his favour; the sentence of death was exchanged for a more moderate but more ignominious punishment, and he was only compelled to pass under the yoke. A trophy was raised in the Roman forum, on which he suspended the spoils of the conquered Curiatii. **Liv.** 1, c. 24, s.c.—**Dionys. Hal.** 3, c. 3.—**A Roman consul,** who defeated the Sabines. **A consul,** who dedicated the temple of Jupiter Capitolinus. **Horcas,** the general of 3,000 Macedonians, who revolted from Antigonus in Cappadocia. **Polyen.** 4.

**Horismidas,** a name which some of the Persian kings bore in the reign of the Roman emperors.

**Horesti,** a people of Britain, supposed to be the inhabitants of Eskdale now in Scotland. **Tacit. Agr.** 38.

**Horratus,** a Macedonian soldier, who fought with another private soldier in sight of the whole army of Alexander. **Curt.** 9, c. 7.

**Hortensia,** a celebrated Roman lady, daughter of the orator Hortensius, whose eloquence she had inherited in the most eminent degree. When the triumvirs had obliged 15,000 women to give, upon oath, an account of their possessions, to defray the expenses of the state, Hortensia undertook to plead their cause, and was so successful in her attempt, that 1,000 of her female fellow-sufferers escaped from the avarice of the triumvire. **Val. Mar.** 8, c. 3.

**Hortensia lex,** by Q. Hortensius, the dictator, A. U. C. 867. It ordered the whole body of the Roman people to pay implicit obedience to whatever was enacted by the commons. The nobility, before this law was enacted, had claimed an absolute exemption.

**Horta, or Hortinum,** a town of the Sabines, on the confines of the Par and the Tiber. **Verg. En.** 7, v. 716.

Q. Hortensius, a distinguished orator, who began to distinguish himself by his eloquence, in the Roman forum, at the age of nineteen. His friend and successor Cicero, speaks with great eulogium of his oratorical powers, and mentions the uncommon extent of his memory. The affected actions of Hortensius at the bar, procured him the ridiculous surname of Dionysia, a celebrated stage-dancer at that time. He was praetor and consul, and died fifty years before Christ, in his 63rd year. His orations are not extant. Quintilian mentions them as undeserving the great commendations which Cicero had so liberally bestowed upon them. Hortensius was very rich, and not less than 10,000 casks of Arissian wine were found in his cellars after his death. He had written pieces of amorous poetry, and annals, all lost. **Cic. in Brut. ad Attic. de Orat. &c.**—**Varro de R. R.** 3, c. 5.—Corbico, a grandson of the orator of the same name, famous for his lasciviousness.

—A rich Roman, who asked the elder Cato his wife, to procreate children. Cato gave his wife to his friend, and took her again after his death. This behaviour of Cato was highly censured at Rome; and it was observed, that Cato's wife had entered the house of Hortensius very poor, but that she returned to the bed of Cato in the greatest opulence. **Plut. in Cat.**

—A Roman, slain by Antony on his brother's tomb. **Id.**—**A prætor,** who gave up Macedo- nia to Brutus. **Id.**—One of Syria's lieutenants. **Id.**—A Roman, the first who introduced the eating of peacocks at Rome. This was at the feast he gave when he was created augur.

**Hortôna,** a town of Italy, on the confines of the Æqui. **Liv.** 3, c. 30.

**Horus,** a son of Isis, one of the deities of the Egyptians. **A king of Assyria.**

**Hostilia lex** was enacted A. U. C. 583.

By it, such as were among the enemies of the republic, or absent when the state required their assistance, were guilty of rapine.

**Hostilia,** a large town on the Po. **Teit. Ann.** 2, c. 40.
The ancients supposed that the rising and setting of the Hyades was always attended with much rain. Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 165.—Hygin. fab. 182.—Eurip. in Ia.

Hyænis, a Phrygian, father of Marsyas. He invented the flute. Plut. de Mus.

Hydæa, a city at the mouth of the Indus, where the government is the same as at Sparta.—One of Diana's attendant nymphs. Ovid.

Hyampôlis, a city of Phocis, on the Cephi- sus. Her. abt. 8.

Hyantes, the ancient name of the inhabi- tants of Beeotia, from king Hyas. Cadmus is sometimes called Hyanthus, because he is king of Beeotia. Ovid. Met. 3, v. 177.

Hyantis, an ancient name of Beeotia.

Hyarbita, a man who endeavoured to imitate Timogenes, &c. Horat. 1, ep. 19, v. 15.

Hyas, a son of Atlas, of Mauritania, by Aëthra. His extreme fondness for shooting proved fatal to him; and in his attempt to rob a lioness of her whelps, he was killed by the enraged animal. Some say that he died by the bite of a serpent, and others that he was killed by a wild boar. His sisters mourned his death with such constant lamentations, that Jupiter, in compassion of their sorrow, changed them into stars. [Vid. Hyades.] Hygin. fab. 192.—Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 170.

Hybla, a mountain in Sicily, where thyme and odoriferous flowers of all sorts grew in abundance. It is famous for its honey. There is, at the foot of the mountain, a town of the same name. There is also another near mount Etna, and a third near Catana. Paus. 5, c. 23.

Hybrae, an orator of Caria, &c. Strab. 13.

Hybriances, a people near Thrace.

Hyccara, a town of Sicily, the native place of Lais.

Hyda and Hyde, a town of Lydia, under mount Timolus, which some suppose to be the same as Sardes.

Hidara, a town of Armenia. Strab. 12.

Hydarnes, one of the seven noble Persians who conspired to destroy the usurper Smerdis, &c. Herodot. 3 & 6.—Strab. 11.

Hydaspes, a river of Asia, flowing by Susa.

Another in India, the boundaries of Alex- ander's conquests in the east: it falls into the Indus. Curt. 5, c. 2.—Lucan. 8, v. 227.—Strab. 15.—A friend of Æneas, killed in the Rutu- lian war. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 747.

Hydra, a celebrated monster which infested the neighbourhood of the lake Lernæ, in Peloponnesus. It was the fruit of Echidna's union with Typhon. It had an hundred heads, according to Diodorus; fifty, according to Simonides; and nine, according to the more received opinion of Apollodorus, Hyginus, &c. As soon as one of these heads was cut off, two immediately grew up, if the wound was not stopped by fire. It was one of the labours of Hercules to destroy this dreadful monster, and this he easily effected with the assistance of Iolas, who ap-
plied a burning iron to the wounds as soon as one head was cut off. While Hercules was de-
stroying the hydra, Juno, jealous of his glory, sent a sea crab to bite his foot. This new ene-
my was soon dispatched; and Juno, unable to
Succeed in her attempts to lessen the fame of
Hercules, placed the crab among the constella-
tions, where it is now called the Cancer. The
conqueror dipped his arrows in the gall of the
hydra, and from that circumstance, all the
wounds which he gave proved incurable and
mortal. Hesiod. Theog.—Apollod. 2, c. 5.—Paus.
5, c. 17.—Ovid. Met. 9, v. 69.—Horat. 4, od. 4,
Hymenææ, a river of India, crossed by
Alexander.
Hydorophoria, a festival observed at Athens,
called aro tou òpósew éfoam, from carrying wa-
ter. It was celebrated in commemoration of
those who perished in the deluge.
Hydunum and Hydrus, a city of Cala-
bria, fifty miles south of Brundusium. As the
distance from thence to Greece was only sixty
miles, Pyrrhus, and afterwards Varro, Pomp-
pey’s lieutenant, meditated the building here a
bridge across the Adriatic. Though so favour-
situated, Hydrus, now called Otranto, is
but an insignificant town, scarce containing
3000 inhabitants. Plin. 3, c. 11.—Cic. 15.
Att. 21, l. 16, ep. 5.—Lucian, 5, v. 375.
Hydrus, a town of Attica. Strab. 9.
Hyëlæ, a town of Lucania. Strab. 6.
Hyępseal, a son of Micipas, brother to Ad-
herbal, murdered by Jugurtha, after the death
of his father Sallust. de Jug. Bell.
Hyettus, a town of Boetia. Paus. 9, c.
24.
Hygia, the goddess of Lealch, daughter of
Æsculapius, held in great veneration among the
ancients. Her statues represented her with a
veil, and the matrons usually consecrated
their locks to her. She was also represented on
monuments, like a young woman holding a serpent
in one hand, and in the other a cup, out of
which the serpent sometimes drank. Accord-
ing to some authors, Hygeia is the same as
Minerva, who received that name from Pericles,
who erected her a statue, because in a dream
she had told him the means of curing an archi-
tect, whose assistance he wanted to build a
temple. Plut. in Periél.—Paus. 1, c. 23.
Hygiana, a town of Peloponnesus.
C. Jul. Hyginus, a grammarian, one of the
freedmen of Augustus. He was a native of
Alexandria; or, according to some, he was a
Spaniard, very intimate with Ovid. He was ap-
pointed librarian to the library of mount Pala-
tine, and he was able to maintain himself by the
liberality of C. Licinius. He wrote a mytholo-
gical history, which he called fabulas, and Pe-
<ion Astronomicus, besides treatises on the
cities of Italy, on such Roman families as were
descended from the Trojans, a book on agricul-
ture, commentaries on Virgil, the lives of great
men, &c. now lost. The best edition of Hygi-
<us is that of Munkerus, 2 vols. Svo. Amst. 1681.
These compositions have been greatly mutilat-
ed, and their incorrectness and their bad lati-

nty, have induced some to suppose that they
are spurious. Suet de Gram.
Hyla and Hylas, a river of Mysia, where
Hylas was drowned. Virg. G. 3, v. 6.—A
colony of Phociis.
Hyloctor, one of Acteon’s dogs.
Hyllæus, a name given to some centaurs
killed at the nuptials of Pirithous. Virg. Æn.
3, v. 294.
Hylas, a son of Thiodamus, king of Mysia
and Menodice, stolen away by Hercules, and
carried on board the ship Argo to Colchis. On
the Asiatic coast the Argonauts landed to take
a supply of fresh water; and Hylas, following
the example of his companions, went to the
fountain with a pitcher, and fell into the water,
and was drowned. The poets have embellished
this tragic story by saying, that the nympha
of the river, enamoured of the beautiful Hylas,
carry him away; and that Hercules, discon-
sole at the loss of his favourite youth, filled
the woods and mountains with his complaints,
and at last abandoned the Argonautic expe-
dition to go and seek him. Apollod. 1, c. 9.
Hygin. fab. 14. 271.—Virg. Æl. 6.—Propert. 1.
el. 20.
Hylax, a dog mentioned in Virg. Æl. 8.
Hyle, a small town of Bosotia.
Hylas, a river of Magna Græcia.
Hyliaicus, a part of Peloponnesus near
Messenia.
Hyllus, a son of Hercules and Dejanira,
who, soon after his father’s death, married
Iole. He, as well as his father, was persecuted
by the envy of Eurytheus, and obliged to fly
from the Peloponnesus. The Athenians gave
a kind reception to Hyllus and the rest of the
Heracleides, and marched against Eurytheus.
Hyllus obtained a victory over his enemies, and
killed with his own hand Eurytheus, and sent
his head to Alcmena, his grandmother. Some
time after, he attempted to recover the Pelopon-
nesus with the Heracleides, and was killed in
single combat, by Echemus, king of Arcadia.
[Var. Heracleides, Hercules.—Herodot. 7, v. 204.
&c.—Strab. 9.—Diod. 4.—Ovid. Met. 9, v. 279.
—A river of Lydia flowing into the Hermus.
It is called also Phyrs. Liv. 37, c. 38.—He-
rodot. 1, c. 180.
Hylonomus, the wife of Cyllarus, who killed
herself the moment her husband was murdered
by the Lapithæ. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 403.
Hylophagi, a people of Æthiopia. Diod. 3.
Hymæus and Hymen, the god of marriage
among the Greeks, was son of Bacchus and
Venus, or according to others, of Apollo and
one of the muses. Hymenæus, according to
the more received opinions, was a young Ath-
ennial of extraordinary beauty, but ignoble origin.
He became enamoured of the daughter of one of
the richest and noblest of his countrymen
and as the rank and elevation of his mistress re-
moved him from her presence and conversa-
tion, he contented himself to follow her where-
ever she went. In a certain procession, in
which all the matrons of Athens went to Eleu-
sis, Hymenæus, to accompany his mistress, dis-
guised himself in woman’s clothes, and joined

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the religious troop. His youth, and the fairness of his features, favoured his disguise. A great part of the procession was seized by the sudden arrival of some pirates, and Hymenaeus, who shared the captivity of his mistress, encouraged his female companions, and assassinated their ravishers while they were asleep. Immediately after this, Hymenaeus re-paired to Athens, and promised to restore to liberty the matrons who had been enslaved, provided he was allowed to marry one among them who was the object of his passion. The Athenians consented, and Hymenaeus experienced so much felicity in his marriage state, that the people of Athens instituted festivals in his honour, and solemnly invoked him at their nuptials, as the Latins had their Thallusius.—Hymen was generally represented as crowned with flowers, chiefly with marjoram or roses, and holding a burning torch in one hand, and in the other a vest of a purple colour. It was supposed that he always attended at nuptials; for, if not, matrimonial connexions were fatal, and ended in the most dreadful calamities; and hence people ran about calling aloud Hymen! Hymen! &c. "Ovid. Metam. >12, v. 215.<br>
Verg. Aen. 1, &c.—Catull. ep. 62.<br>
HYMENIUS, a mountain of Attica, about 22 miles in circumference, and about two miles from Athens, still famous for its bees and excellent honey. There was also a quarry of marble there. Jupiter had there a temple, whence he is called Hymettius. Strab. 9.—Ital. 14, v. 200.<br>
HYPERIA, or IEPHHE, a town of Lydia, sacred to Venus, between mount Tmolus and the Caystrus. Strab. 13.—"Ovid. Metam. 11, v. 132.<br>
HYperia, a country of Peloponnesus.<br>
HYPERANIS, a river of European Scythia, now called Bog, which falls into the Borysthenes. Herodot. 4, c. 32, &c.—"Ovid. Metam. 13, v. 285.<br>
—A river of India.—A Trojan who joined himself to Andes, and was killed by his own people, who took him for one of the enemy, in the night that Troy was burned by the Greeks. Verg. Aen. 2, v. 428.<br>
HYPERINUS, a son of Dion, who reigned at Syracuse for two years after his father. The father of Dion.<br>
HYPERATES, a river of Sicily, near Camarina. Ital. 14, v. 231.<br>
HYPERA, a town of Thessaly.<br>
HYPERENOR, a Trojan, killed by Diomedes at Troy. Homer. II. 5.<br>
HYPERIBUS, a son of Egyptus. Apollod.<br>
HYPERBATES, a nation in the northern parts of Europe and Asia. The word signifies people who inhabit beyond the vинд Boreas. Thrace was the residence of Boreas, according to the ancients. Whenever the Hyperboreans made offerings, they always sent them towards the north, and the people of Dodona were the first of the Greeks who received them. The word Hyperboreans is applied in general to all those who inhabit any cold climate. Virg. G. 3, v. 169.—Herodot. 4, c. 13, &c.<br>
HYPEREA and HYPERIA, a fountain of Thessaly, with a town of the same name. Strab. 9.—Another in Messenia, in Peloponnesus. Florr. 1, v. 375.<br>
HYPERIDES, an Athenian orator, disciple to Plato and Socrates, and long the rival of Demosthenes. His father's name was Glaucippus. He distinguished himself by his eloquence, and the active part he took in the management of the Athenian republic. After the unfortunate battle of Cranon, he was taken alive; and that he might not be compelled to betray the secrets of his country, he cut off his tongue. He was put to death by order of Antipater, B. C. 322. Only one of his numerous orations remains, admired for the sweetness and elegance of his style. It is said that Hyperides once defended the courteous Plinyus, who was accused of impiety; and that when he saw his eloquence ineffectual, he unveiled the bosom of his client, upon which the judges, influenced by the sight of her beauty, acquitted her. Plut. in Demost.—"Cic. in Orat. 1, &c.—Quintil. 10, &c.<br>
HYPERION, a son of Cacus and Terra, who married Thea, by whom he had Aurora, the sun and moon. Hyperion is often taken by the poets for the sun itself. Hesiod. Theog. Apollod. 1, c. 1 & 2.—Homer. Hymn ad Ap.—A son of Priam. Apollod. 1, c. 2.<br>
HYPERMENESTRA, one of the fifty daughters of Danaus, who married Lynceus, son of Egyptus. She disobeyed her father's bloody commands, who had ordered her to murder her husband the first night of their nuptials, and suffered Lynceus to escape unhurt from the bridal bed. Her father summoned her to appear before justice for her disobedience, but the people acquitted her, and Danaus was reconciled to her and her husband, to whom he left his kingdom at his death. Some say that Lynceus returned to Argos with an army, and that he conquered and put to death his father-in-law, and usurped his crown. [Tuid. Danaides.] Paus. 2, c. 19.—Apollod. 2, c. 1.—"Ovid. Heroid. 14.—A daughter of Theseus. Apollod.<br>
HYPERBATUS, a prator of the Achaeans, B. C. 244.<br>
HYPERCHUS, a man who wrote a poetic history of Cuma. Paus. 10, c. 12.<br>
HYPEREUS, a mountain of Campania. Plut. in Sull.<br>
HYPERIA, a river of Sicily. Ital. 14, v. 228.<br>
HYPEREA, a Roman matron of the family of the Plautii. She was blind, according to Horace; or perhaps was partial to some lover, who was recommended neither by personal nor mental excellence. Horat. 1. Sat. 2, v. 91.<br>
HYPERENOR, a priest of the Scythians, killed during the Trojan war. Homer. II. 5.<br>
HYPERES, a river of the river Penestus.<br>
HYPSICRATES, the wife of Mithridates, who accompanied her husband in man's clothes when he fled before Pompey. Plut. in Pompe.<br>
HYPSICRATES, a Phoenician, who wrote an history of his country in the Phoenician language. This history was saved from the flames of Carthage when that city was taken by Scipio, and translated into Greek.
HYSSPIDES, a Macedonian in Alexander's army, famous for his friendship for Menedamus, &c. Curt. 7, c. 7.

HYSPYCLE, a queen of Lemnos, daughter of Thoas. During her reign, Venus, whose altars had been universally sighted, punished the Lemnian women, and rendered their mouths and breath so extremely offensive to the smell, that their husbands abandoned them, and gave themselves up to some female slaves, whom they had taken in a war against Thrace. This contempt was highly resented by all the women of Lemnos, and they resolved on revenge, and all unanimously put to death their male relations, Hypsipyle alone excepted, who spared the life of her father Thoas. Soon after this cruel murder, the Argonauts landed at Lemnos, in their expedition to Colchis, and remained for some time in the island. During their stay, the Argonauts rendered the Lemnian women mothers, and Jason, the chief of the Argonautic expedition, left Hypsipyle pregnant at his departure, and promised her eternal fidelity. Hypsipyle brought forth twins, Euneus and Necrophonus, whom some have called Deiphilus, or Thoas. Jason forgot his vows and promises to Hypsipyle, and the unfortunate queen was soon after forced to leave her kingdom by the Lemnian women, who conspired against her life, still mindful that Thoas had been preserved by means of his daughter. Hypsipyle, in her flight, was seized by pirates, and sold to Lycurgus, king of Nemea. She was entrusted with the care of Archemorus, the son of Lycurgus; and when the Argives marched against Thebes, they met Hypsipyle, and obliged her to shew them a fountain, where they might quench their thirst. To do this more expeditiously, she laid down the child on the grass, and in her absence, he was killed by a serpent. Lycurgus attempted to revenge the death of his son, but Hypsipyle was screened from his resentment by Adrastus, the leader of the Argives. Ovid. Herod. 6. — Apollon. 1. — Stat. 5. — Theb. Flacc. 2. — Apollod. 1, c. 9. 1, 3, c. 6. — Hygin. fab. 15, 74, &c. Vid. Archemorus.

HYCRANIA, a large country of Asia, at the north of Parthia, and at the west of Media, abounding in serpents, wild beasts, &c. It is very mountainous, and unfit for drawing a cavalry in order of battle. Verg. Æn. 4, v. 367. — Strab. 2 & 11. — A town of Asia, destroyed by a violent earthquake in the age of Tiberius.

HYCRANUM MARE, a large sea. [Vid. Caspium mare.]

HYCRANUS, a name common to some of the high priests of Judea. Josephus.

HYRIA, a country of Boeotia, near Aulis, with a lake, river, and town of the same name, It is more probably situated near Tempe. It received its name from Hyrie, a woman who

wept so much for the loss of her son, that she was changed into a fountain. Ovid. Met. 7. — Herodot. 7, c. 170.— A town of Issoria, on the Calycadnus.

HYRITES and HYRUS, a peasant, or, as some say, a prince of Tanagra, who kindly entertained Jupiter, Neptune, and Mercury, when travelling over Boeotia. Being childless, he asked of the gods to give him a son without his marrying, as he had promised his wife, who was lately dead, and whom he tenderly loved, that he never would marry again. The gods, to reward the hospitality of Hyreus, made water in the hide of a bull, which had been sacrificed the day before to their divinity, and they ordered him to wrap it up and bury it in the ground for nine months. At the expiration of the nine months, Hyreus opened the earth, and found a beautiful child in the bull's hide, whom he called Orion. [Vid. Orion.]

HYRMINA, a town of Elis, in Peloponnesus. Strab. 8.

HYRNETO and HYRNETHO, a daughter of Temenus, king of Argos, who married Deiphon, son of Celeus. She was the favourite of her father, who greatly enriched her husband. Apollod. 2, c. 6. — Paus. 2, c. 19.

HYRNITHEM, a plain of Argos, fertile in olives.

HYRACUS, a Trojan of mount Ida, father to Nisos, one of the companions of Æneas. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 177 & 406. Hence the patronymic of Hymetides is applied to Nisos. It is also applied to Hippocoon. Id. 5, v. 492.


HYSSUS and HYSSIT, a port and river of Capadocia, on the Euxine sea.

HYSTASPES, a noble Persian, of the family of the Achemenides. His father's name was Arsames. His son Darius reigned in Persia after the murder of the usurper Smerdis. It is said, by Ctesias, that he wished to be carried to see the royal monument which his son had built between two mountains. The priests who carried him, as reported, slipped the cord with which he was suspended in ascending the mountain, and he died of the fall. Hystaspes was the first who introduced the learning and mysteries of the Indian Brahmins into Persia, and to his researches in India the sciences were greatly indebted, particularly in Persia. Darius is called Hystaspes, or son of Hystaspes, to distinguish him from his royal successors of the same name. Herodot. 1, c. 209. L. 5, c. 83. — Ctesias Fragm. Hystaspes. [Vid. Hystaspes.]
I A, the daughter of Midas, who married Atys, &c.

IACCHUS, a surname of Bacchus, ab Iatry, from the noise and shouts which the Bacchanals raised at the festivals of this deity. Virg. Eccl. 6, G. 1, v. 166. — Ovid. Met. 4, 15. — Some suppose him to be a son of Ceres; because, in the celebration of the Eleusinian mysteries, the word Iacchus, was frequently repeated. Hero. N. 8, c. 65. — Paus. 1, c. 2.

IADER, a river of Dalmatia.

IAELMUS, a wretched singer, son of the muse Calliope.

IAMENUS, a son of Mars and Astyche, who went to the Trojan war, with 30 ships, with his brother Ascalaphus. Homer. Iliad, 2.

IALYSUS, a town of Rhodes, built by Ialyson, of whom Protagenes was making a beautiful painting when Demetrius Poliorcetes took Rhodes. The Telchines were born there. Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 9. — Plin. 35, c. 6. — Cic. 2, ad Attic. ep. 21. — Plut. in Dem. — Etiam. 12, c. 5.

IAMB, a servant maid of Metanira, wife of Celenus, king of Eleusis, who tried to exharilurate Ceres, when she travelled over Attica in quest of her daughter Proserpine. From the jokes and stories which she made use of, free and satirical verses have been called Iambics. Apollod. 1, c. 3.

IAMBICUS, a Greek author, who wrote the life of Pythagoras, and the history of his followers, an exhortation to philosophy, a treatise against Porphyry's letter on the mysteries of the Egyptians, &c. He was a great favourite with the emperor Julian, and died A. D. 363.

IAMENUS, a Trojan, killed by the Greeks. Homer.

IAMIDE, certain prophets among the Greeks, descended from Iamnas, a son of Apollo, who received the gift of prophecy from his father, which remained among his posterity. Paus. 6, c. 2.

IANICULUM and IANICULARIUS MONS, one of the seven hills at Rome, joined to the city by Aucus Martius, and made a kind of citadel to protect the place against an invasion. This hill, which was on the opposite shore of the Tiber, was joined to the city by the bridge Sublicius, the first ever built across that river, and perhaps in Italy. It was less inhabited than the other parts of the city, on account of the grossness of the air, though, from its top, the eye could have a commanding view of the whole city. It is famous for the burial of king Numis and the poet Italicus. Persenna, king of Eturia, pitched his camp on mount Ianiculam, and the senators took refuge there in the civil wars, to avoid the resentment of Octavianus. Liv. 1, c. 53, &c. — Dio. 47. — Ovid. 1, Fast. v. 246. — Virg. 6, v. 538. — Mart. 4, ep. 64, l. 7, ep. 16.

IANIRA, one of the Nereides.

IANTHA, a girl of Crete, who married Iphis. [Vid. Iphs.] Ovid. Met. 9, v. 714, &c.

IANTHEA, one of the Oceanides. — One of the Nereides. Paus. 4, c. 30. — Homer. II. 8.

JANUS, the most ancient king who reigned in Italy. He was a native of Thessaly, and son of Apollo, according to some. He came to Italy, where he planted a colony, and built a small town on the river Tiber, which he called Janiculum. Some authors make him son of Celenus and Hecate; and others make him a native of Athens. During his reign, Saturn, driven from heaven by his son Jupiter, came to Italy, where Janus received him with much hospitality, and made him his colleague on the throne. Janus is represented with two faces, because he was acquainted with the past and the future; or, according to others, because he was taken for the sun, who opens the day at his rising, and shuts it at his setting. Some statues represented Janus with four heads. He sometimes appeared with a beard, and sometimes without. In religious ceremonies, his name was always invoked the first, because he presides over all gates and avenues, and it is through him only that prayers can reach the immortal gods. From that circumstance, he often appears with a key in his right hand, and a rod in his left. Sometimes he holds the number 300 in one hand, and in the other 65, to shew that he presides over the year, of which the first month bears his name. Some suppose that he is the same as the world, or Celenus; and from that circumstance they call him Eanu, ab eundo, because of the revolution of the heavens. He was called by different names, such as Consistus a Conserendo, because he presided over generation; Quirinus or Marialis, because he presided over war. He is also called Patulius and Claudius, because the gates of his temples were opened during the time of war, and shut in time of peace. He was chiefly worshipped among the Romans, where he had many temples, some erected to Janus Bifrons, others to Janus Quadrifrons. The temples of Quadrifrons were built with four equal sides, with a door and three windows on each side. The four doors were the emblems of the four seasons in the year, and the three windows in each of the sides, the three months of each season, and, all together, the twelve months of the year. Janus was generally represented in statues as a young man. After death he was ranked among the gods, for his popularity, and the civilization which he had introduced among the wild inhabitants of Italy. His temple, which was always open in times of war, was shut only three times during above 700 years, under Numa, 234 B.C. and under Augustus, and during that long period of time, the Romans were continually employed in war. Ovid. Fast. 1, v. 65, &c. — Virg. Aen. 7, v. 607. — Varro de L. L. 1. — Macrob. Sat. 1. — A street at Rome, near the temple of Janus. It was generally frequented by usurers.

JAPETUS, a son of Celenus or Titan, by Terra, who married Asia, or, according to others, Clymene, by whom he had Atlas, Menestheus, Prometheus, and Epimetheus. The Greeks looked upon him as the Father of all mankind.
His sons received the patronymic of Iapetidæ. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 631.—Hesiod. Theog. —Apollod., 1, c. 1.

Iâpis, an Æolian, who founded a city upon the banks of the Timavus. Virg. G. 3, v. 475.—A Trojan favourite of Apollo, from whom he received the knowledge of the power of medicinal herbs. Id. Æn. 12, v. 391.

Iâpygia, a country on the confines of Italy, in the form of the peninsula, between Tarentum and Brundusium. It is called by some Mesapia, Peucetia, and Salentinum. Plin. 3, c. 11.—Strab. 6.

Iâpyx, a son of Daedalus, who conquered a part of Italy, which he called Iapygia. Ovid. Met. 14, v. 438.—A wind which blows from Apulia, and is favourable to such as sailed from Italy towards Greece. It was nearly the same as the Caurus of the Greeks. Horat. 1, od. 3, v. 4.

Iarbas, a son of Jupiter and Garamantis, king of Getulia, from whom Dido bought land to build Carthage. He courted Dido, but the rivalry of Æneas prevented his success, and the queen, rather than marry Iarbas, destroyed herself. [Vid. Dido.] Virg. Æn. 4, v. 36, &cc.—Justin. 18, c. 6.—Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 552.

Iarchas and Jarchas, a celebrated Iapidian philosopher. His seven rings are famous; they could restore old men to the bloom and vigour of youth, according to the traditions of Philostr. in Apoll.

Iardanus, a Lydian, father of Omphale, the mistress of Hercules. Herodot. 1, c. 7.—A river of Arcadia.—Another in Crete. Homer. II. 7.

Iasides, a patronymic given to Palmarus, as descended from a person of the name of Iasius. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 843.—Also of Jasis. Id. 12, v. 392.

Iasion and Iasius, a son of Jupiter and Electra, one of the Attalids, who reigned over part of Arcadia, where he diligently applied himself to agriculture. He married the goddess Cybele or Ceres, and all the gods were present at the celebration of his nuptials. He had by Ceres two sons, Philemulus and Platus, to whom some have added a third, Corybæus, who introduced the worship and mysteries of his mother in Phrygia. He had also a daughter, whom he exposed as soon as born, saying that he would raise only male children. The child, who was suckled by a she-bear, and preserved, rendered herself famous afterwards under the name of Atalanta. Iasion was killed with a thunderbolt of Jupiter, and ranked among the gods after death by the inhabitants of Arcadia. Hesiod. Theog.—Virg. Æn. 3, v. 168.—Hygin. Poet. 2, c. 4.

Iasius, a son of Abs, king of Argos.—A son of Jupiter. [Vid. Iasion.]

Jason, a celebrated hero, son of Acmides, daughter of Phylacus by Äson the son of Cretheus, by Tyro the daughter of Salomeus. Tyro, before her connexion with Cretheus the son of Æolus, had two sons, Pelias and Neleus by Neptune. Äson was king of Iolchos, and at his death the throne was usurped by Pelias, on account of the tender youth of Jason, the lawful successor. The education of young Jason was entrusted to the care of the Centaur Chiron, and he was removed from the presence of the usurper who had been informed by an oracle that one of the descendants of Æolus would dethrone him. After he had made the most rapid progress in every branch of science, Jason left the Centaur, and by his advice went to consult the oracle. He was ordered to go to Iolchos dius uatu a country, covered with the spoils of a leopard, and dressed in the garments of a Magnesian. In his journey he was stopped by the inundation of the river Evenus or Enipeus, over which he was carried by Juno, who had changed herself into an old woman. In crossing the streams, he lost one of his sandals, and at his arrival at Iolchos, the singularity of his dress, and the fairness of his complexion attracted the notice of the people, and drew a crowd around him in the market-place. Pelias came to see him with the rest, and as he had been warned by the oracle to beware of a man who should appear at Iolchos with one foot bare, and the other shod, the appearance of Jason, who had lost one of his sandals alarmed him. His fears were soon after augmented, Jason, accompanied by his friends, repaired to the palace of Pelias, and boldly demanded the kingdom, which he had unjustly usurped. The boldness and popularity of Jason intimidated Pelias, he was unwilling to abdicate the crown, and yet he feared the resentment of his adversary. As Jason was young and ambitious of glory Pelias, at once to remove his immediate claims to the crown, reminded him, that Ætes king of Colchis had severely treated, and inhumanly murdered their common relation Phryxus. He observed that such a treatment called aloud for punishment, and that the undertaking would be accompanied with much glory and fame. He farther added, that his old age had prevented him from avenging the death of Phryxus, and that if Jason would undertake the expedition, he would resign to him the crown of Iolchos when he returned victorious from Colchis. Jason readily accepted a proposal which seemed to promise such military fame. His intended expedition was made known in every part of Greece, and the youngest and bravest of the Greeks assembled to accompany him; and share his toils and glory. They embarked on board a ship called Argo, and after a series of adventures they arrived at Colchis. [Vid. Argonautæ.] Æetes promised to restore the golden fleece, which was the cause of the death of Phryxus, and of the voyage of the Argonauts, provided they submitted to his conditions. Jason was to tame bulls who breathed flames, and who had the feet and horns of brass, and to plough with them a field sacred to Mars. After this he was to sow in the ground the teeth of a serpent from which armed men would arise, whose fury would be converted against him who.
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He was also to kill a monstrous dragon who watched night and day at the foot of the tree, on which the golden fleece was suspended. All were concerned for the fate of the Argonauts, but Juno, who watched with an anxious eye over the safety of Jason, extricated them from all these difficulties. Medea, the king's daughter, fell in love with Jason, and as her knowledge of herbs, enchantments, and incantations was uncommon, she pledged herself to deliver her lover from all his dangers if he promised her eternal fidelity. Jason, not insensible to her charms and to her promises, vowed eternal fidelity in the temple of Hecate, and received from Medea whatever instruments and herbs could protect him against the approaching dangers. He appeared in the form of Mars, he tamed the fury of the oxen, ploughed the plain, and sowed the dragon's teeth. Immediately an army of men sprang from the field, and ran towards Jason. He threw a stone among them, and they fell one upon the other till all were totally destroyed. The vigilance of the dragon was lulled to sleep by the power of herbs, and Jason took from the tree the celebrated golden fleece, which was the sole object of his voyage. These actions were all performed in the presence of Æetes and his people, who were all equally astonished at the boldness and success of Jason. After this celebrated conquest, Jason immediately set sail for Europe with Medea, who had been so instrumental in his preservation. Upon this, Æetes, desirous to revenge the perfidy of his daughter Medea, sent his son Absyrtus to pursue the fugitives. Medea killed her brother, and strewed his limbs in her father's way, that she might more easily escape, while he was employed in collecting the mangled members of his son. [Vid. Absyrtus.] The return of the Argonauts in Thessaly was celebrated with universal festivity, but Aeson, Jason's father, was unable to attend on account of the infirmities of old age. This obstruction was removed, and Medea, at the request of her husband, restored Aeson to the vigour and sprightliness of youth. [Vid. Aeson.] Pelias the usurper of the crown of Iolchos, wished also to see himself restored to the flower of youth, and his daughters, persuaded by Medea, who wished to avenge her husband's wrongs, cut his body to pieces, and placed his limbs in a cauldron of boiling water. Their credulity was severely punished. Medea suffered the flesh to be consumed to the bones, and Pelias was never restored to life. This inhuman action drew the resentment of the populace upon Medea, and she fled to Corinth with her husband Jason, where they lived in perfect union and love during ten successive years. Jason's partiality for Glaucus, the daughter of the king of the country, afterwards disturbed their matrimonial happiness, and Medea was divorced, that Jason might more freely indulge his amorous propensities. This infidelity was severely revenged by Medea, [Vid. Glaucus] who destroyed her children in the presence of their father. [Vid. Medea.] After his separation from Medea, Jason lived an unsettled and melancholy life. As he was one day reposing himself by the side of the ship which had carried him to Colchis, a beam fell upon his head, and he was crushed to death. This tragical event had been predicted to him before by Medea, according to the relation of some authors. Some say that he afterwards returned to Colchis, where he seized the kingdom, and reigned in great security. Eurip. in Med.—Ovid. Met. 7. fab. 2, 3, &c.—Died. 4.—Paus. 2 & 3.—Apollo. Pol. 1. c. 9.—Cic. de Nat. 3.—Ovid. Trist. 3. el. 9.—Strab. 7.—Apoll. Flacc.—Hygin. 5. &c.—Pindar. 3 Nem.—Justin. 42, c. 2, &c.—Senec. in Med.—Tzetts ad Loophor. 175, &c.—Athen. 13.—A native of Argos, who wrote an history of Greece in four books, which ended at the death of Alexander. He lived in the age of Adrian.—A tyrant of Thessaly, who made an alliance with the Spartans, and cultivated the friendship of Timotheus.—Trallianus, a man who wrote tragedies, and gained the esteem of the kings of Parthia. Polygan. 7.

JASUS, a king of Argos, who succeeded his father Triopas. Paus. 2, c. 16.—A son of Argus father of Agenor.—A son of Argus and Ismena.—A son of Lycurgus of Arcadia. IBERIA, a country of Asia, between Colchis on the west, and Albania on the east, governed by kings. Pompey invaded it, made great slaughter of the inhabitants, and obliged them to surrender by setting fire to the woods where they had fled for safety. It is now called Georgia. Plut. in Luc. Anton. &c.—Dio 36.—Flor. 3.—Appian. Parthia.—An ancient name of Spain, derived from the river Iberus. Lucan. 6, v. 258.—Horat. 4, od. 14, v. 50. IBERUS, a river of Spain, now called Ebro, which formerly separated the Roman from the Carthaginian possessions in that country. Lucan. 4, v. 353.—A river of Iberia in Asia, flowing from mount Caucasus into the Cyrus. Strab. 3.—A fabulous king of Spain. IBI, an Indian nation. IBIS, a poem of the poet Callimachus, in which he bitterly satirizes the ingratitude of his pupil the poet Apollonius. Ovid has also written a poem which is of the same nature, and which bears the same name. IBYCUS, a lyric poet of Rhegium, about 540 years before Christ. He was murdered by robbers, and at the moment of death he implored the assistance of some cranes which at that moment flew over his head. Some time after as the murderers were in the market-place, one of them observed some cranes in the air, and said to his companions, at I]ēkou e[kou pαπεριν, there are the birds that are conscious of the death of Ibycus. These words and the recent murder of Ibycus raised suspicions in the people; the assassins were seized and tortured, and they confessed their guilt. Elian V. H.—The husband of Chloris, whom Horace ridicules, 3, od. 15. ICARIA, a small island in the Ægean sea, near Samos. Strab. 10 & 14. ICARIUM MAKE, a part of the Ægean sea near the islands of Mycone and Gyaros. Vid. Icarus.
Icarius, an Athenian, father of Erigone. He gave wine to some peasants, who drank it with the greatest avidity, ignorant of its intoxicating nature. They were soon deprived of their reason, and the fury and resentment of their friends and neighbours were immediately turned upon Icarius, who perished by their hands. After death he was honoured with public festivals, and his daughter was led to discover the place of his burial by means of his faithful dog Moera. Erigone hung herself in despair, and was changed into a constellation called Virgo. Icarius was changed into the star Bootes, and the dog Moera into the star Canis.

Hygin. fab. 130.—Apothec. 3, c. 14.—A son of Æbalus of Lacedæmon. He gave his daughter Penelope in marriage to Ulysses, king of Ithaca, but he was so tenderly attached to her, that he wished her husband to settle at Lacedæmon. Ulysses refused, and when he saw the earnest petitions of Icarius, he told Penelope as they were going to embark, that she might choose freely, either to follow him to Ithaca, or to remain with her father. Penelope blushed in the deepest silence, and covered her head with her veil. Icarius upon this permitted his daughter to go to Ithaca, and immediately erected a temple to the goddess of modesty, on the spot where Penelope had covered her blushes with her veil. Homer Od.

Icarius, a son of Daedalus, who, with his father, fled with wings from Crete to escape the resentment of Minos. His flight being too high proved fatal to him, and the sun melted the wax which cemented his wings, and he fell into that part of the Ægean sea which was called after his name. [Vid. Daedalus.] Ovid. Met. 8, v. 178, &c.—A mountain of Attica.

Icarius, a lieutenant of Agrippa in Sicily. Horace writes to him, 1, od. 29, and ridicules him for abandoning the pursuits of philosophy and the muses, for military employments.

Iclos, one of the sons of Somnus, who changed himself into all sorts of animals. Ovid. Met. 11, v. 640.

Iceni, a people of Britain who submitted to the Roman power.

Icetas, a man who obtained the supreme power at Syracuse after the death of Dion. He attempted to assassinate Timoleon, for which he was conquered, &c. B. C. 340. C. Nep. in Tim.

Ichne, a town of Macedonia, whence Themis and Nemesis are called Ichneu.

Ichnusa, an ancient name of Sardinia, which it received from its likeness to a human foot. Paus. 10, c. 17.—Ital. 12, v. 358.

Ichonarchis, a priest of Heliopolis, at whose house Eudoxus resided when he visited Egypt with Plato. Diog.

Ichthyophiaci, a people of Ethiopia, who received this name from their eating fishes. There was also an Indian nation of the same name who made their houses with the bones of fishes. Diod. 3.—Strab. 2, &c.

Ichthyus, a promontory of Elia in Achaia. Strab. 11.

Id., a tribune of the people who made a law A. U. C. 397, by which mount Aventius was given to the Roman people to build houses upon. Liv. 3, c. 54.—A tribune who made a law A. U. C. 261, that forbid any man to oppose or interrupt a tribune while he was speaking in an assembly. Liv. 2, c. 58.—A tribune who signalized himself by his inveterate enmity against the Roman senate. He took an active part in the management of affairs after the murder of Virginius, &c.

Icious, a harbour in Gaul from which Caesar crossed into Britain.

Ichos, a small island near Euboea. Strab. 9.

Ictinus, a celebrated architect, 431 before Christ. He built a famous temple to Minerva at Athens, &c.

Ictumulorum vicus, a place at the foot of the Alps abounding in gold mines.

Ida, a nymph of Crete who went into Phrygia, where she gave her name to a mountain of that country. Virg. Æn. 8, v. 177.—The mother of Minos 2d.—A celebrated mountain, or more properly a ridge of mountains in Troas, chiefly in the neighbourhood of Troy. The abundance of its waters became the source of many rivers, and particularly of the Saimoa, Scamander, Æsopus, Granicus, &c. It was on mount Ida that the shepherd Paris adjudged the prize of beauty to the goddess Venus. It was covered with green wood, and the elevation of its top opened a fine extensive view of the Hellespont and the adjacent countries, from which reason the poets say that it was frequent ed by the gods during the Trojan war. Strab. 13.—Nela, 1, c. 18.—Hom. Il. 14.—Virg. Æn. 3, 5, &c.—Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 79.—Horat. 3, od. 11.—A mountain of Crete, the highest in the island, where it is reported that Jupiter was educated by the Corybantes, who, on that account, were called Idasi. Strab. 10.

Ida, the surname of Cybele, because she was worshipped on mount Ida. Lucret. 2, v. 611.

Idas, a surname of Jupiter.—An arbiter and charioteer of king Priam, killed during the Trojan war. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 487.—One of the attendants of Ascarius. Id. 9, v. 500.

Idas, a mountain of Cyprus, at the foot of which is Idaia, a town sacred to Venus, who was called Idalva. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 685.—Catull. 37 & 62.—Propert. 2, cl. 13.

Idanthrusus, a powerful king of Scythia, who refused to give his daughter in marriage to Darius the 1st, king of Persia. Thus refusal was the cause of a war between the two nations, and Darius marched against Idanthrusus at the head of 700,000 men. He was defeated, and retired to Persia after an inglorious campaign. Strab. 13.

Idarne, an officer of Darius, by whose negligence the Macedonians took Miletus. Curt. 4, c. 5.

Idas, a son of Aphares and Arane, famous for his valour and military glory. He was among the Argonauts, and married Marpessa, the daughter of E venus, king of Ætolia. Marpessa was carried away by Apollo; and Idas pursued...
his wife's ravisher with bows and arrows, and obliged him to restore her. [Vid. Marpessa.]
According to Apollodorus, Idas, with his brother Lynceus, associated with Pollux and Castor to carry away some flocks; but when they had obtained a sufficient quantity of plunder, they refused to divide it into equal shares. This provoked the sons of Leda. Lynceus was killed by Castor, and Idas, to revenge his brother's death, immediately killed Castor, and in his turn perished by the hand of Pollux. According to Ovid and Pausanias, the quarrel between the sons of Leda and those of Aphaereus, arose from a more tender cause: Idas and Lynceus, as they say, were going to celebrate their nuptials with Phoebe and Hilaia, the two daughters of Leucippus; but Castor and Pollux, who had been invited to partake the common festivity, offered violence to the brides, and carried them away. Idas and Lynceus fell in the attempt to recover their wives. Homer. Il. 9.

.Apollod. 1 & 3 — Paus. 4, c. 2, & 1, c. 18.
— A son of Egyptus. — A Trojan killed by Tundus. Virg. Æn. 9 v. 575.

Idæa, a daughter of Dardanus, who became the second wife of Phineus, king of Bithynia.
— The mother of Teucer by the Scamander.

Apollod.

Idessa, a town of Iberia, on the confines of Colchis.

Iditarisus, a plain in Germany, &c. Tacit. Ann. 2, c. 16.

Idmon, son of Apollo and Asteria, was the prophet of the Argonauts. He was killed in hunting a wild boar in Bithynia, where his body received a magnificent funeral. He had predicted the time and manner of his death. Apollod. 1, c. 9. — Orpheus. — A dyer of Colophon, father to Arachne. Ovid. Met. 6, v. 8. — A son of Cyzicus, killed by Hercules, &c. Placc. 3. — A son of Egyptus, killed by his wife. Vid. Danaisides.

Idomene, a daughter of Pheres, who married Amythron. Apollod. 1, c. 9.

Idomeneus, succeeded his father Deucalion on the throne of Crete, and accompanied the Greeks to the Trojan war with a fleet of ninety ships. During this celebrated war, he rendered himself famous by his valor, and slaughtered many of the enemy. At his return, he made a vow to Neptune in a dangerous tempest, that if he escaped from the fury of the seas and storms, he would offer to the god whatever living creature first presented itself to his eye on the Cretan shore. This was no other than his son, who came to congratulate his father upon his safe return. Idomeneus performed his promise to the god; and the inhumanity and rashness of this sacrifice, rendered him so odious in the eyes of his subjects, that he left Crete, and migrated in quest of a settlement. He came to Italy, and founded a city on the coast of Calabria, which he called Salentum. He died in an extreme old age, after he had had the satisfaction of seeing his new kingdom flourish, and his subjects happy. According to the Greek scholar of Lycochon, v. 1217, Idomeneus during his absence in the Trojan war, entrusted the management of his kingdom to Leucus, to whom he promised his daughter Clisithere in marriage at his return. Leucos at first governed with moderation; but he was persuaded by Nautilus, king of Euboea, to put to death Medea, the wife of his master, with her daughter Clisithere, and to seize the kingdom. After these violent measures, he strengthened himself on the throne of Crete; and Idomeneus, a his return, found it impossible to expel the usurper. Ovid. Met. 13, v. 358. — Hygin. 92. — Homer. Il. 11, &c. Od. 19. — Paus. 5, c. 25. — Virg. Æn. 3, v. 122. — A son of Priam. — A Greek historian of Lampscus, in the age of Epicurus. He wrote an history of Samothrace.

Idôthra, a daughter of Prætus, king of Argo. She was restored to her senses, with her sisters, by Melampus. [Vid. Prætides.] Homer. Od. 11. — A daughter of Protheus, the god who told Menelaus how he could return to his country in safety. Homer. Od. 4. — One of the nymphs who educated Jupiter.

Idríus, the son of Euromus of Caria, brother to Artemisia, who succeeded to Mau-
solus, and invaded Cyprus. Dioct. 16. — Pto-
ylon. 7.

Idubèda, a river and mountain of Spain.

Idúmæ and Ídúmëa, a country of Syria. Ga-
za is its capital, where Cambyses deposited his riches as he was going to Egypt. Luskan. 3, v. 216.

Idyia, one of the Oceanides, who married Æetes, king of Colchis, by whom she had Me-

Jenius, a town of Syria. Herodot. 3, c. 5

Jera, one of the Nereides. Homer. Il. 18.

Jearcho, a city of Palestine, besieged and taken by the Romans, under Vespasian and Ti-

Jérômus and Jeronýmus, a Greek of Card-
da, who wrote an history of Alexander. — A native of Rhodes, a disciple of Aristotle, of whose compositions some few historical frag-
ments remain. Diomy. Hal. 1.

Jerusalem, the capital of Judæa.


Igéni, a people of Britain. Tacit. 12, &c.

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Ignatius, an officer of Crassus in his Parthi-
ian expedition. — A bishop of Antioch, torn to pieces in the amphitheatre at Rome by lions during a persecution, A. D. 107. His writings were letters to the Ephesians, Romans, &c.; and he supported the divinity of Christ, and the propriety of the episcopal order, as superior to priests and deacons. The best edition of his works is that of Oxon. in 8vo. 1708.

Igivium, a town of Umbria, on the Via Flaminia, now Gubbio. Cic. ad Att. 7, ep. 13. — Stil.

8, v. 460.

Iliaë, a daughter of Leucippus, carried away, with her sister Phoebe, by the sons of Leda, as she was going to be married, &c.

Ilba, an island of the Tyrrhene sea, two miles from the continent. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 173.
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ILLEGA"ES and ILECA"ENSES, a people of Spain. Liv. 22, c. 21.
ILERDA, a town of Spain. Lucan. 4, v. 13.

ILIA, or RHEA, a daughter of Nu'mitor, king of Alba, consecrated by her uncle Amulius to the service of Vesta, which required perpetual chastity, that she might not become a mother to dispossess him of his crown. He was, however, disappointed; violence was offered to Ilia, and she brought forth Romulus and Remus, who drove the usurper from his throne, and restored the crown to their grandfather Nu'mitor, its lawful possessor. Ilia was buried alive by Amulius, for violating the laws of Vesta; and because her tomb was near the Tiber, some suppose that she married the god of that river. Horat. 1, od. 2.—Virg. En. 1, v. 277.—Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 598.—A wife of Sylla.

ILLACI LUDI, games instituted by Augustus, in commemoration of the victory he had obtained over Antony and Cleopatra. They are supposed to be the same as the Trojani ludi and the Actia; and Virgil says, they were celebrated by Æneas, not only because they were instituted at the time when he wrote his poem, but because he wished to compliment Augustus, by making the founder of Lavinium solemnize games on the very spot which was, many centuries after, to be sacred by the trophies of his patron. During these games were exhibited horse-races and gymnastic exercises. Virg. En. 3, v. 280.

ILLACUS, an epitath applied to such as belong to Troy. Virg. En. 1, v. 101.

ILIÆDES, a surname given to Romulus, as son of Ilia. Ovid. A name given to the Trojan women. Virg. En. 1, v. 484.

ILLAS, a celebrated poem composed by Homer, upon the Trojan war. It delineates the wrath of Achilles, and all the calamities which fell upon the Greeks, from the refusal of that hero to appear in the field of battle. It finishes at the death of Hector, whom Achilles had sacrificed to the shades of his friend Patroclus. It is divided into 24 books. Vid. Homerus.—A name given to Minerva.

ILLIENSES, a people of Sardinia. Liv. 43, c. 19. l. 41, c. 6 x 12.

ILI0N. Vid. Ilium.

ILLIÖNE, the eldest daughter of Priam, who married Polyneices, king of Thrace. Virg. En. 1, v. 637.


One of Niobe’s sons. Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 6.

ILLIPA, a town of Bactia. Liv. 33, c. 1.

ILLISSUS, a small river of Attica, falling into the sea, near the Pireus. There was a temple on its banks sacred to the Muses. Stat. Theb. 4, v. 52.

ILLITIYNA, a goddess, called also Juno Lucina. Some suppose her to be the same as Diana. She presided over the traffails of women; and in her temple at Rome, it was usual to carry a small piece of money as an offering. This custom was first established by Servius Tullius, who, by enforcing it was enabled to know the exact number of the Roman people. Hesiod.—Homer. I. 11, Od. 19.—Apollod. 1 & 2.—Horat. carm. sacr.—Ovid. Met. 9, v. 283.

ILLIUM, or ILION, a citadel of Troy, built by Ilus, one of the Trojan kings, from whom it received its name. It is generally taken for Troy itself; and some have supposed that the town was called Illium, and the adjacent country Troja. [Vid. Troja.] Virg. En. 1, &c.—Strab. 13.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 503.—Horat. 3, od. 3.—Justin. 11, c. 5 l. 31, c. 8.

ILLIHERIS, a town of Gaul, through which Hannibal passed as he marched into Italy.

ILIC®E, now ELCHE, a town of Spain, with a harbour and bay, Sinus and Portus Illicitanus, now Alcaicant. Plin. 3, c. 3.

ILLIPULA, two towns of Spain, one of which is called Major, and the other Minor.

ILLIURGIS, ILIURGIS, or ILIRIJA, a city of Spain, on the river Baetis, destroyed by Scipio, for having revolted to the Carthaginians. Liv. 24, c. 49.

ILLICRUM, ILIYRIS, and ILLYRIA, a country bordering on the Adriatic sea, opposite Italy, whose boundaries have been different at different times. It became a Roman province after Gentius, its king, had been conquered by the prætor Anicius; and it now forms part of Croatia, Bosnia, and Slavonia. Strab. 2 & 7.—Paus. 4, c. 35.—Mela. 2, c. 2, &c.—Flor. 1, 2, &c.

ILLIYRUS SINUS, that part of the Adriatic which is on the coast of Illiricum.

ILLIYUS, a son of Cadmus and Hermione, from whom Illiricum received its name. Apollod.


ILLURO, now Oleron, a town of Gascony, in France.

ILLUS, the 4th king of Troy, was son of Tros by Calirrhoë. He married Eurydice, the daughter of Adrastus by whom he had Themis, who married Capps, and Laomedon, the father of Priam. He built, or rather embellished, the city of Illium, called also Troy, from his father Tros. Jupiter gave him the Palladium, a celebrated statue of Minerva, and promised that, as long as it remained in Troy, so long would the town remain impregnable. When the temple of Minerva was in flames, Ilus rushed into the middle of the fire to save the Palladium, for which action he was deprived of his sight by the goddess; though he recovered it some time after. Homer. II.—Strab. 13.—Apollod. 3, c. 12.—Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 33. l. 6, v. 419.—A name of Ascanius, while he was at Troy. Virg. En. 1, v. 272.—A friend of Turnus, killed by Palas. Virg. En. 10, v. 400.


ITRACES, a large mountain of Scythia, which is part of mount Taurus. It divides Scythia, which is generally called intra Imaum, and extra Imaum.
It extends, according to some, as far as the boundaries of the eastern ocean. *Plin. 5, &c.*

IMBAKUS, a part of Mount Taurus, in Armenia.

IMBACIDES, a patronymic given to Asius, as son of Imbracus. *Vrg. Æn. 10, v. 125.*

IMBACIDES, a patronymic given to Glaucus and Lades, as sons of Imbrus. *Vrg. Æn. 12, v. 343.*

IMBRUS, or PARTHENIUS, a river of Samos, Judo, who was worshipped on the banks, received the surname of Imbrisia. *Paus. 7, c. 4.*—The father of Pirus, the leader of the Thracians during the Trojan war. *Vrg. Æn. 10 & 12.—Homer. II. 4.*

IMBROS, one of the Centaurs, killed by Dryas at the nuptials of Pirithous. *Ovid. Met. 12, v. 510.*

IMBRIUS, a Trojan, sired by Teucer, son of Mentor. He had married Medesicaste, Priam’s daughter. *Homer. II. 13.*

IMBRIVIM, a place of Samnium.

IMBROS, an island of the Ægean sea, near Thrace, 32 miles from Samothrace, with a small river and town of the same name. Imbros was governed for some time by its own laws, but afterwards subjected to the power of Persis, Athens, Macedonia, and the kings of Pergamus. It afterwards became a Roman province. *Thucyd. 8.—Plin. 4, c. 12.—Homer. II. 13.—Strab. 2.—Mela, 2, c. 7.*

INACIUS, a name given to the Greeks, particularly the Argives, from king Inachus.

INACHIA, a name given to Peloponnesus, from the river Inachus.—A festival in Crete, in honour of Inachus; or, according to others, of Ino’s misfortunes.—A courtesan in the age of Horace. *Epod. 12.*

INACHIDIUS, the name of the first successors of Inachus, on the throne of Argos.

INACHIDES, a patronymic of Epaphus, as grandson of Inachus. *Ovid. Met. 1, v. 704.*—And of Perseus, descended from Inachus. *Id. 4, fab. 11.*

INACHIUIM, a town of Peloponnesus.

INACHIVIUS, a son of Oceanus and Tethys, who founded the kingdom of Argos, and was succeeded by his son Phoronius, B. C. 1807, and gave his name to a river of Argos, of which he became the tutelar deity. He reigned 60 years. *Apollod. 2, c. 3.—Paus.*—A river of Argos.—Another in Epirus.

INAMAMES, a river in the east, as far as which Semiramis extended her empire. *Polybaen. 8.*

INARIME, an island near Campania, with a mountain, under which Jupiter confined the giant Typhon. *Vrg. Æn. 9, v. 716.*

INARUS, a town of Egypt, in whose neighbourhood the town of Naukratis was built, by the Milesians.—A tyrant of Egypt, who died B. C. 456.

INCITATUS, a horse of the emperor Caligula, made high priest.

INDATHYSUS. *Vid. Idanthysus.*

INDIA, the most celebrated and opulent of all the countries of Asia, bounded on one side by the Indus, from which it derives its name. It is situate at the south of the kingdoms of Persia, Parthia, &c. along the maritime coasts. It has always been reckoned favous for the riches it contains; and so reward ed were the ancients of its wealth, that it opposed that its very sands were gold. It contained 9000 different nations, and had remarkable cities, according to geographers. Bacchus was the first who conquered it. In more recent ages, part of it was tributary to the power of Persia. Alexander invaded it; but his conquest was checked by the valour of Porus, one of the kings of the country, and the Macedonian warrior was unwilling or afraid to engage another. Semiramis also extended her empire far in India. The Romans knew little of the country, yet their power was so universally dreaded, that the Indians paid homage by their ambassadors to the emperors Antoninus, Trajan, &c. India is divided into several provinces. There is an India extra Gangem, an India intra Gangem, and an India propria; but these divisions are not particularly noticed by the ancients. *Diod. 1.—Strab. 1, &c.—Mela, 3, c. 7.—Plin. 5, c. 28.—Curt. 8, c. 10.—Justin. 1, c. 2, c. 12, c. 7.*

INDIALES, a princess of Spain, betrothed to Albusius.

INDIGETES, a name given to those deities who were worshipped only in some particular places, or who were become gods from men as Hercules, Bacchus, &c. Some derive the word from inde and genet, born at the same place where they received their worship. *Vrg. G. 1, v. 498.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 606.*

INDIGET, a people of Spain.

INDUS, a large river of Asia, from which the adjacent country has received the name of India. It falls into the Indian ocean by two mouths. According to Plato, it was larger than the Nile; and Pliny says, that 19 rivers discharge themselves into it, before it falls into the sea. *Strab. 15.—Curt. 8, c. 9.—Diod. 2.—Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 720.—Plin. 6, c. 20.*

INDIOMARIUS, a Gaul conquered by Cesar, &c. *Ces. B. G.*

INO, a daughter of Cadmus and Harmonia, who nursed Bacchus. She married Athamas, king of Thebes, after he had divorced Nephele, by whom he had two children, Phryxus, and Helle. Ino became mother of Melicerta and Learchus, and soon conceived an implacable hatred against the children of Nephele, because they were to ascend the throne in preference to her own. Phryxus and Helle were informed of Ino’s machinations, and they escaped to Colchis on a golden ram. *Vid. Phryxus.* Juno, jealous of Ino’s prosperity, resolved to disturb her peace; and more particularly, because she was of the descendants of her greatest enemy, Venus. Tisiphone was sent, by order of the goddess, to the house of Athamas; and she filled the whole palace with such fury, that Athamas, taking Ino to be a lioness, and her children whelps, pursued and dashed her son Learchus against a...
INOA, festivals in memory of Ino, celebrated yearly with sports and sacrifices at Corinth. An anniversary sacrifice was also offered to Ino at Megara, where she was first worshipped under the name of Leucothoe. Another Ino, in honour of the same JEn. It was usual, at the celebration, to throw cakes of flour into a pond, which, if they sunk, were presages of prosperity; but if they swam on the surface of the waters, they were inauspicious and very unlucky.

INOUS, a patronymic given to the god Palamon as son of Ino. 

INOPUS, a river of Delos, which the inhabitants suppose to be the Nile, coming from Egypt under the sea. It was near its banks that Apollo and Diana were born. 

INUBRES, the inhabitants of Insubria, a country near the Po, supposed to be of Gallic origin. They were conquered by the Romans and their country became a province.

INTAPHERNES, one of the seven Persian noblemen, who conspired against Smerdis, who usurped the crown of Persia. He was so disappointed for not obtaining the crown, that he fomented seditions against Darius who had been raised to the throne after the death of the usurper. When the king had ordered him and all his family to be put to death, his wife, by frequently visiting the palace, excited the compassion of Darius, who pardoned her, and permitted her to redeem from death any one of her relations whom she pleased. She obtained her brother; and when the king expressed his astonishment, because she preferred him to her husband and children, she replied, that she could procure another husband, and children likewise; but that she could never have another brother, as her father and mother were dead. Intaphernes was put to death. Herodot. 3.

INTEMELIUM, a town at the west of Liguria, on the sea shore. 

INTERRANNA, an ancient city of Umbria. 

INTERCATIA, a town of Spain.

INTEREX, a supreme magistrate at Rome, who was entrusted with the care of the government after the death of a king, till the election of another. This office was exercised by the senators alone, and one continued in power no longer than five days, or, according to Plutarch, only 12 hours. The first interrex mentioned in Roman history, is after the death of Romulus, when the Romans quarrelled with the Sabines concerning the choice of a king. 

There was sometimes an interrex during the consulship; but this happened only to hold assemblies in the absence of the magistrates, or when the election of any of the acting officers was disputed. Liv. 1, c. 17. — Dionys. 2.

INUICASTRUM. Vid. Castrum Inui. It received its name from Inuus, a divinity supposed to be the same as the Faunus of the Latins, and worshipped in this city.

INYCES, a city of Sicily. 

I0, a daughter of Inachus, or, according to others, of Jusap or Pirene, was priestess of Juno at Argos. Jupiter became enamoured of her; but Juno, jealous of his intrigues, discovered the object of his affections, and surprised him in the company of Io. Jupiter changed his mistresses into a beautiful heifer; and the goddess, who well knew the fraud obtained from her husband the animal, whose beauty she had condescended to commend. Juno commanded the hundred-eyed Argus to watch the heifer; but Jupiter, anxious for the situation of Io, sent Mercury to destroy Argus, and to restore her to liberty. [Vid. Argus.] Io, freed from the vigilance of Argus, was now persecuted by Juno; who sent one of the furies, or rather a malicious insect, to torment her. She wandered over the greatest part of the earth, and crossed over the sea, till at last she stopped on the banks of the Nile, still exposed to the unceasing torments of Juno's insect. Here she intreated Jupiter to restore her to her ancient form; and when the god had changed her from a heifer into a woman, she brought forth Epaphus. Afterwards she married Telegonus king of Egypt or Osiris, according to others, and she treated her subjects with such mildness and humanity, that, after death, she received divine honours, and was worshipped under the name of Isis. According to Herodotus, Io was carried away by Phoenician merchants, who wished to make reprisals for Europa, who had been stolen from them by the Greeks. Some suppose that Io never came to Egypt. She is sometimes called Phoronis from her brother Phoroneus. 

IOBATES and JOBATES, a king of Lycia, father of Stenebsea, the wife of Preus, king of Argos. He was succeeded on the throne by Bellerophon, to whom he had given one of his daughters called Philome, in marriage. [Vid. Bellerophon.] Apollod. 2, c. 1.—Virg. Æn. 7, v. 798.—Hygin. fab. 145.

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IOBES, a son of Hercules by a daughter of Theophrus. He died in his youth. Apollod. 2, c. 7.

JOCASTA, a daughter of Meneceus, who married Laius king of Thebes, by whom she had Eteocles. She afterwards married her son Eteocles, without knowing who he was, and had by him Eteocles, Polyneices, &c. [Vid. Laius, Eteocles.] When she discovered
that she had married her own son, and had been guilty of incest, she hanged herself in despair. She is called Epicasta by some mythologists. Stat. Theb. 6, v. 42.—Senec. & Sophoc. in Edip. Apollod. 3, c. 5.—Hygin. fab. 66, &c.—Homer. Od. 11.

Iolas, a festival at Thebes, the same as that called Heracleia. It was instituted in honour of Hercules and his friend Iolas, who assisted him in conquering the Hydra. It continued during several days, on the first of which were offered solemn sacrifices. The next day horse-races and athletic exercises were exhibited. The following day was set apart for wrestling; the victors were crowned with garlands of myrtle, generally used at funeral solemnities. They were sometimes rewarded with tripods of brass. The place where the exercises were exhibited was called Iolasion, where there was to be seen the monument of Amybitron, and the cenotaph of Iolas, who was buried in Sardinia. These monuments were strewed with garlands and flowers on the day of the festival.

Iolas or Iolau, a son of Iphicles, king of Thessaly, who assisted Hercules in conquering the Hydra, and burnt with a hot iron the place where the heads had been cut off, to prevent the growth of others. He was restored to his youth and vigour by Hebe, at the request of his friend Hercules. Some time afterwards, Iolas assisted the Heracleidae against Eurytheus, and killed the tyrant with his own hand. According to Plutarch, Iolas had a monument in Bocotia and Phocis, where lovers used to go and bind themselves by the most solemn oaths of fidelity, considering the place as sacred to love and friendship. According to Diodorus and Pausanius, Iolas died and was buried in Sardinia, where he had gone to make a settlement at the head of the sons of Hercules by the fifty daughters of Thecpius. Ovid. Met. 9, v. 399.—Apollod. 2, c. 4.—Paus. 10, c. 217.—A compiler of a Phoenician history. A friend of Exesius, killed by Catillus in the Rutulian wars. Virg. En. v. 640.

Iolau, a son of Antipater, cup-bearer to Alexander. Plut.

Iolcho, a town of Magnesia, above Demetrias, where Jason was born. It was founded by Crethus, son of Eolus and Enaretta. Apollod. 1, c. 9.—Strab. 8.—Mela, 2, c. 8.—Lucan. 3, v. 192.

Iole, a daughter of Eurytus, king of Thessalia. Her father promised her in marriage to Hercules, but he refused to perform his engagements, and Iole was carried away by force. [Vid. Eurytus.] It was to extinguish the love of Hercules for Iole, that Dejanira sent him the poisoned nudus, which caused his death. [Vid. Hercules, and Deianira.] After the death of Hercules, Iole married his son Hyllus, by Dejanira. Apollod. 2, c. 7.—Ovid. Met. 9, v. 279.

Iom, a son of Xuthus and Creusa, daughter of Erechtheus, who married Helice, the daughter of Scilinus, king of Aegeae. He suc-

ceeded on the throne of his father-in-law, and built a city, which he called Helice, on account of his wife. His subjects from him received the name of Ionians, and the country that of Ionia. [Vid. Iones and Ionia.] Apollod. 1, c. 4.—Paus. 7, c. 1.—Strab. 7.—Herodot. 7, c. 94, &c.—A tragic poet of Chios, whose tragedies, when represented at Athens, met with universal applause. He is mentioned, and greatly commended by Aristophanes and Athenaeus, &c. Athen. 10, &c.—A native of Ephesus, introduced in Plato’s dialogues as reasoning with Socrates.

Ione, one of the Nereides. Iones, a name originally given to the subjects of Ion, who dwelt at Helice. In the age of Ion the Athenians made a war against the people of Elesia, and implored his aid against their enemies. Ion conquered the Elesians, and Eumolpus, who was at their head; and the Athenians, sensible of his services, invited him to come and settle among them; and the more strongly to shew their affection, they assumed the name of Ionians. Some suppose that, after this victory, Ion passed into Asia Minor, at the head of a colony. When the Achaeans were driven from Peloponnesus by the Heracleidae, 30 years after the Trojan war, they came to settle among the Ionians, who were then masters of Aegeae. They were soon dispossessed of their territories by the Achaeans, and went to Attica, where they made a cordial reception. Their migration from Greece to Asia Minor was about 60 years after the return of the Heracleidae, B. C. 1044, and 80 years after the departure of the Eolians; and they therefore finally settled themselves, after a wandering life of about 30 years.

Ionia, a country of Asia Minor, bounded on the north by Eolia, on the west by the Aegae, and Icarian sea, on the south by Caria, and on the east by Lydia and part of Caria. It was founded by colonies from Greece, and particularly Attica, by the Ionians, or subjects of Ion. Ionia was divided into twelve small states, which formed a celebrated confederacy, often mentioned by the ancients. These twelve states were Prieno, Miletus, Colophon, Clazomenae, Ephesus, Lebedos, Teos, Phocaea, Erythrae, Smyrna, and the capitals of Samos and Chios. The inhabitants of Ionia built a temple, which they called Pan Ioumion, from the concourse of people that flocked there from every part of Ionia. After they had enjoyed for some time their freedom and independence, they were made tributary to the power of Lydia, by Cressus. The Athenians assisted them to shake off the slavery of the Asiatic monarchs; but they soon forgot their duty and relation to their mother country, and joined Xerxes when he invaded Greece. They were delivered from the Persian yoke by Alexander, and restored to their original independence. They were reduced by the Romans under the dictator Sylla. Ionia has been always celebrated for the salubrity of the climate, the fruitfulness of the ground, and the genius of its
inhabitants. Herodot. 1, &c.—Strab. 14.—Mela. 1, c. 2, &c.—Paus. 7, c. 1.—An ancient name given to Hellas, or Achaia, because it was for some time the residence of the Ionians.

IONIUM MARE, a part of the Mediterranean sea, at the bottom of the Adriatic, lying between Sicily and Greece. That part of the Egean sea which lies on the coast of Ionia, in Asia, is called the sea of Ionia, and not the Ionian sea. According to some authors, the Ionian sea receives its name from Io, who swam across there, after she had been metamorphosed into a heifer. Strab. 7, &c.—Die- ny. Perig.

IOPAS, a king of Africa, among the suitors of Dido. He was an excellent musician, poet, and philosopher. Virg. En. 1, v. 744.

IOPE and JOPPA, a famous town of Phoe- nicia, more ancient than the deluge, according to some traditions. It was about 40 miles from the capital of Judaea, and was remarkable for a sea-port much frequented, though very dangerous, on account of the great rocks that lie before it. Strab. 16, &c.—Propert. 2, el. 28, v. 31.—A daughter of Iphicles, who married Theseus. Plut.

IOPHRON, a son of Sophocles, who accused his father of imprudence in the management of his affairs, &c.—A poet of Unossus in Crete. Paus. 1, c. 54.

JORDANES, a river of Judaea. Strab. 16.

JORNANDER, an historian, who wrote on the Gods. He died A.D. 532.

IOT, an island in the Myrtoan sea, cele- brated, as some say, for the tomb of Homer, and the birth of his mother. Plin. 4, c. 12.

JOSSEPHUS FLAVIUS, a celebrated Jew, born in Jerusalem, who signalized his military abili- ties in supporting a siege of 47 days against Vespasian and Titus, in a small town of Judaea. When the city surrendered, there were found not less than 40,000 Jews slain, and the number of captives amounted to 1,200. Josephus saved his life by flying into a cave where 40 of his countrymen had also taken refuge. He dis- suaded them from committing suicide, and, when they had all drawn lots to kill one anoth- er, Josephus fortunately remained the last, and surrendered himself to Vespasian. He gained the conqueror's esteem, by foretelling that he would become one day the master of the Roman empire. Josephus was present at the siege of Jerusalem by Titus, and received all the sacred books which it contained from the conqueror's hands. He came to Rome with Titus, where he was honoured with the name and privileges of a Roman citizen. Here he made himself esteemed by the emperors Vespasian and Titus, and dedicated his time to study. He wrote the history of the wars of the Jews, first in Syrian, and afterwards trans- lated it into Greek. This composition so pleased Titus, that he authenticated it by placing his signature upon it, and by preserving it in one of the public libraries. He finished another work, which he divided into 20 books, containing the history of the Jewish antiqui-
though son of a shoemaker, rose from the west station to the highest offices in the state. He made war against the Thracians, obtained some victories over the Spartans, and assisted the Persian king against Egypt. He changed the dress and arms of his soldiers, and rendered them more alert and expeditious in using their weapons. He married a daughter of Cotys, king of Thrace, and died 380 B.C. When he was once reproached of the meanness of his origin, he observed, that he would be the first of his family, but that his detractor would be the last of his own. C. Nep. in Iphic.—A sculptor of Athens.—An Athenian, sent to Darius the Third, king of Persia, &c. Curt. 3, c. 13.

IPHIDAMUS, a son of Antenor, killed by Agamemnon. Homer. II. 11.

IPHIDEMIA, a Thessalian woman, ravished by the Naxians, &c.

IPHIGENIA, a daughter of Agamemnon and Clytemnestra. When the Greeks going to the Trojan war were detained by contrary winds at Aulis, they were informed by one of the soothsayers, that, to appease the gods, they must sacrifice Iphigenia, Agamemnon's daughter, to Diana. [Vid. Agamemnon.] The father, who had provoked the goddess by killing her favourite stag, heard this with the greatest horror and indignation, and rather than to shed the blood of his daughter, he commanded one of his heralds, as chief of the Grecian forces, to order all the assembly to depart each to his respective home. Ulysses and the other generals interfered, and Agamemnon consented to immolate his daughter for the common cause of Greece. As Iphigenia was tenderly loved by her mother, the Greeks sent for her on promise of giving her in marriage to Achilles. Clytemnestra gladly permitted her departure, and Iphigenia came to Aulis: here she saw the bloody preparations for the sacrifice; she implored the forgiveness and protection of her father, but tears and entreaties were unavailing. Calchas took the knife in his hand, and, as he was going to strike the fatal blow, Iphigenia suddenly disappeared, and a goat of uncommon size and beauty was found in her place for the sacrifice. This supernatural change animated the Greeks, the wind suddenly became favourable, and the combined fleet set sail from Aulis. Iphigenia's innocence had raised the compassion of the goddess on whose altar she was going to be sacrificed, and she carried her to Taurica, where she entrusted her with the care of her temple. In this sacred office Iphigenia was obliged, by the command of Diana, to sacrifice all the strangers which came into that country. Many had already been offered as victims on the blood-altar, when Oracles and Pylades came to Taurica. Their mutual and unparalleled friendship [Vid. Pylades and Orastes] disclosed the Iphigenia, that one of the strangers whom she was going to sacrifice was her brother; and upon this, she conspired with the two friends to fly from the barbarous country, and carry away the statue of the goddess. They successfully effected their enter-

prise, and murdered Thoas, who enforced the human sacrifices. According to some authors, the Iphigenia who was sacrificed at Aulis was not a daughter of Agamemnon, but a daughter of Helen by Theseus. Homer does not speak of the sacrifice of Iphigenia, though very minute in his description of the Grecian forces, adventures, &c. 

IPHIMEDA, a daughter of Triopas, who married the giant Alcous. She fled from her husband, and had two sons, Otus and Ephialtes, by Neptune, her father's father. Homer. Od. 11. —Paus. 9, c. 22. —Apollod. 1, c. 7.

IPHIMDON, a son of Eurystheus, killed in a war against the Athenians and Heraclidae. Apollod. 

IPHRIGUSA, one of the daughters of Danaus, who married Euchenor. VId. Danaides.

IPHINOR, one of the principal women of Lemnos, who conspired to destroy all the males of the island after their return from a Thracian expedition. Plact. 2, v. 163. —One of the daughters of Procris. She died of a disease while under the care of Melampus. VId. Procris.

IPNOMUS, one of the Centaurs. Ovid.

IPHIS, son of Alector, succeeded his father on the throne of Argos. He advised Polyinces, who wished to engage Amphiarasus in the Theban war, to bribe his wife Eriphyle, by giving her the golden collar of Harmonia. This succeeded, and Eriphyle betrayed her husband. Apollod. 3. —Plact. 1, 3, & 7.

A beautiful youth of Salamis, of ignoble birth. He became enamoured of Anaxarete, and the coldness and contempt he met with rendered him so desperate that he hung himself. Anaxarete saw him carried to his grave without emotion, and was instantly changed into a stone. Ovid. Met. 14, v. 703. —A daughter of Theseus. Apollod. —A mistress of Patroclus, given him by Achilles. Homer. II. 9.

—A daughter of Medus and Telethusa, of Crete. When Telethusa was pregnant, Ligous ordered her to destroy her child if it proved a daughter, because his poverty could not afford to maintain an useless charge. The severe orders of her husband alarmed Telethusa, and she would have obeyed, had not Isis commanded her in a dream to spare the life of her child. Telethusa brought forth a daughter which was given to a nurse and passed for a boy, under the name of Iphis. Ligous continued ignorant of the decent, and, when Iphis was come to the years of puberty, her father resolved to give her in marriage to Ianthe, the beautiful daughter of Telestes. A day to celebrate the nuptials was appointed, but Telethusa and her daughter were equally anxious to put off the marriage, and, while it was unavailing, they implored the assistance of Isis, by whose advice the life of Iphis had been preserved. The goddess was moved, she changed the sex of Iphis, and, on the morrow, the nuptials were consummated with the greatest rejoicings. Ovid. Met. 9, v. 606, &c.

IPITTION, an ally of the Trojans, killed by Achilles. Homer. II. 20.
ILNITUS, a son of Eurytus, king of Oechalia. When his father had promised his daughter Iole to him who could overcome him or his sons in drawing the bow, Hercules accepted the challenge and came off victorious. Eurytus refused his daughter to the conqueror, observing, that Hercules had killed one of his wives in a fury, and that Iole might perhaps share the same fate. Some time after, Autolycus stole away the oxen of Eurytus, and Hercules was suspected of the theft. Iphitus was sent in quest of the oxen, and in his search he met with Hercules, whose good favours he had gained by advising Eurytus to give Iole to the conqueror. Hercules assisted Iphitus in seeking the lost animals; but when he recollected the ingratitude of Eurytus, he killed Iphitus by throwing him down from the walls of Tyrrhinius. *Hom. Od. 21.—Apollod. 2, c. 6.* A Trojan, who survived the ruin of his country, and fled with Aeneas to Italy. *Virg. En. 2, v. 340, &c.*

A king of Elis, son of Fraxinoxides, in the age of Lycurgus. He re-established the Olympic games 336 years after their institution by Her- cules, or about 884 years before the Christian era. This epoch is famous for chronological history, as every thing previous to it seems involved in fabulous obscurity. *Patera. 1, c. 8.—Paus. 5 c. 4.*

IPHTHIMM, a sister of Penelope, who married Eumelus. She appeared to her sister in a dream, to comfort her in the absence of her son Telemachus. *Hom. Od. 4.*


IPUS, a place of Phrygia, celebrated for a battle which was fought there about 301 years before the Christian era, between Antigonus and his son, and Seleucus, Ptolemy, Lysimachus, and Cassander. The former led into the field an army of about 70,000 foot and 10,000 horse, with 75 elephants. The latter’s forces consisted of 64,000 infantry, besides 10,500 horse, 400 elephants, and 120 armed chariots. Antigonus and his son were defeated. *Plut. in Demet.*

IRA, a city of Messenia, which Agamemnon promised to Achilles, if he would resume his arms to fight against the Trojans. This place is famous in history as having supported a siege of eleven years against the Lacedaemonians, and with its capture, B. C. 761, put an end to the second Messenian war. *Hom. II. 9.—Strab. 7.*

IRENE, a daughter of Cratinus the painter. *Plin. 35, c. 11.* One of the seasons among the Greeks, called by the moderns Hora. Her two sisters were Dia and Eunomia, all daughters of Jupiter and Themis. *Apollod. 1, c. 3.*

IRENEUS, a native of Greece, disciple of Polycarp and bishop of Lyons in France. He wrote on different subjects, but, as what remains is in Latin, some suppose he composed in that language, and not in Greek. Fragments of his works in Greek are however preserved, which prove that his style was simple, though clear and often animated. His opinions concerning the soul are curious. He suffered martyrdom A. D. 202. The best edition of his works is that of Grabe, Oxon. fol. 1702.

IREUS, a delightful spot in Libya, near Cyrene, where Eurus fixed his residence. The Egyptians were once beaten there by the inhabitants of Cyrene. *Herodot. 4, c. 136.*

IRIS, a daughter of Thaumas and Electra, one of the Oceanides, messenger of the gods, and more particularly of Juno. Her office was to cut the thread which seemed to delute the soul in the body of those that were expiring. She is the same as the rainbow, and from that circumstance, she is represented with all the variegated and beautiful colours of the rainbow, and appears sitting behind Juno ready to execute her commands. She is likewise described as supplying the clouds with water to deluge the world, in *Ovid. Met. 1, v. 271.—Hesiod. Theog.—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 400. l. 11, v. 563.—Virg. En. 4, v. 694.* A river of Asia Minor, rising in Cappadocia and falling into the Euxine sea. *Placc. 5, v. 121.* A river of Pontus.

IRUS, a beggar of Ithaca, who executed the commissions of Penelope’s suitors. When Ulysses returned home, disguised in a beggar’s dress, Iris hindered him from entering the gates, and even challenged him. Ulysses brought him to the ground with a ‘baw,’ and dragged him out of the house. *Hom. Od. 8.—Ovid. Trist. 3, el. 7, v. 42.* A mountain of India.

Is, a small river falling into the Euphrates. Its waters abound with bitumen. *Herodot. 1, c. 96.* A small town on this river of the same name. *Id. 10.*

ISADAS, a Spartan, who, upon seeing the Thebans entering the city, stripped himself naked, and, with a spear and sword, engaged the enemy. He was rewarded with a crown for his valor. *Plut.*

ISA, one of the Nereides.

ISKUS, an orator of Chalcis, in Euboea, who came to Athens, and became there the pupil of Lysias, and soon after the master of Demosthenes. Some supposed that he reformed the dissipation and imprudence of his early years by frugality and temperance. Demosthenes imitated him in preference to Isocrates, because he studied force and energy of expression rather than floridity of style. Ten of his sixty-four orations are extant. *Juv. 3, v. 74.—Plut. de 10 Orat. Dem.—Another Greek orator, who came to Rome A. D. 17. He is greatly recommended by Pliny the younger, who observes that he always spoke extempore, and wrote with elegance, unlaboured ease, and great correctness.

ISAMUS, a river of India.

ISANDER, a son of Bellerophon, killed in the war which his father made against the Solymins. *Homer. II. 6.*


ISARE, and ISARA, a river of Gaul, where
Isab and Isarus, a river of Vindelicia. Strab. 4.

Isarchus, an Athenian archon, B. C. 424.

Isauria, a country of Asia Minor, near mount Taurus, whose inhabitants were bold and warlike. The Roman emperors, particularly Probus and Gallus, made war against them and conquered them. Flor. 3, c. 6.—Strab.

Isauricus, a surname of P. Servilius, from his conquests over the Isaurians.

Isaurus, a river of Umbria, falling into the Adriatic.—Another in Magna Gracia. Lucan. 2, v. 406.

Ischienia, an annual festival at Olympia, in honour of Ischenus, the grandson of Mercury and Hieera, who, in a time of famine, devoted himself to his country, and was honoured with a monument near Olympia.

Ischomachus, a brave and prudent general of Sparta, &c. Polybem.

Ischopolis, a town of Pontus.

Isia, certain festivals observed in honour of Isis, which continued nine days. It was usual to carry vessels full of wheat and barley, as the goddess was supposed to be the first who taught mankind the use of corn. These festivals were adopted by the Romans, where they soon degenerated into licentiousness. They were abolished by a decree of the senate, A. U. C. 696. They were introduced again, about 200 years after, by Commodus.

Isicertes, a king of Persia, appointed, by the will of Arcadius, guardian to Theodosius the Second. He died in his 31st year, A. D. 408.

Isigorum Pontus, a harbour on the shore of the Euxine, near Dacil.

Isidorus, a native of Charax, in the age of Ptolemy Lagus, who wrote some historical treatises, besides a description of Parthis.

A disciple of Chrysostom, called Pelusiota, from his living in Egypt. Of his epistles 2012 remain, written in Greek, with conciseness and elegance. The best edition is that of Paris, fol. 1638.—A Christian Greek writer, who flourished in the 7th century. He is surnamed Hisovalensis. His works have been edited, fol. de Breciul. Paris, 1601.

Isis, a celebrated deity of the Egyptians, daughter of Saturn and Rhea, according to Diodorus of Sicily. Some suppose her to be the same as Io, who was changed into a cow, and restored to her human form in Egypt, where she taught agriculture, and governed the people with mildness and equity, for which reasons she received divine honours after death. According to some traditions mentioned by Plutarch, Isis married her brother Osiris, and was pregnant by him even before she had left her mother's womb. These two ancient deities, as some authors observe, comprehended all nature and all the gods of the heathens. Isis was the Venus of Cyprus, the Minerva of Athens, the Cybele of the Phrygians, the Ceres of Eleusis, the Proserpine of Sicily, the Diana of Crete, the Bellona of the Romans, &c.

Osiris and Isis reigned conjointly in Egypt; but the rebellion of Typhon, the brother of Osiris, proved fatal to this sovereign. [Vid. Osiris & Typhon.] The ox and cow were the symbols of Osiris and Isis, because these deities, while on earth, had diligently applied themselves in cultivating the earth. [Vid. Apis.] As Isis was supposed to be the moon as Osiris the sun, she was represented as holding a globe in her hand, with a vessel full of ears of corn. The Egyptians believed that the yearly and regular inundations of the Nile proceeded from the abundant tears which Isis shed for the loss of Osiris, whom Typhon had basely murdered. The word Isis, according to some, signifies ancient, and on that account, the inscriptions on the statues of the goddess were often in these words: I am all that has been, that shall be, and none among mortals has hitherto taken off my veil. The worship of Isis was universal in Egypt; the priests were obliged to observe perpetual chastity, their head was closely shaved, and they always walked barefooted, and clothed themselves in linen garments. They never eat onions, they abstained from salt with their meat, and were forbidden to eat the flesh of sheep and of hogs. During the night they were employed in continual devotion near the statue of the goddess. Cleopatra, the beautiful queen of Egypt, was wont to dress herself like this goddess, and affected to be called a second Isis. Cic. de Div. 1.—Plut. de Isid. & Osir. Dios. 1.—Dionys. Hal. 1.—Herodot. 2, c. 39.—Lucan. 1, v. 631.


Ismenes, a daughter of Cephus and Jocasta, who, when her sister Antigone had been condemned to be buried alive by Creon, for giving burial to her brother Polyneices, against the tyrant's positive orders, declared herself as guilty as her sister, and insisted upon being equally punished with her. This instance of generosity was strongly opposed by Antigone, who wished not to see her sister involved in her calamities. Sophoc. in Antig.—Apollod. 3, c. 3.—A daughter of the river Asopus, who married the hundred-eyed Argus, by whom she had Jason. Apollod. 2, c. 1.

Ismenias, a celebrated musician of Thebes. When he was taken prisoner by the Scythians, Athens, the king of the country, observed, that he liked the music of Ismenias better than the braying of an ass. Paus. 3, c. 9.—A Athenian, bribed by Timocrates of Rhodes, &c. Athens, 3, c. 9.—A Theban general, sent to Persia with an embassy by his countrymen. As none were admitted into the king's presence without prostrating themselves at his feet, Isemianias had recourse to artifice to avoid doing an action which would prove disgraceful to his
country. When he was introduced he dropped his ring, and the motion he made to recover it from the ground was mistaken for the most submissive homage, and Ismenius had a satisfactory audience of the monarch. A river of Boetia, falling into the Euripus, where Apollo had a temple, from which he was called Ismenius. A youth was yearly chosen by the Boeotians to be the priest of the god, an office to which Hercules was once appointed. Paus. 9, c. 10.—Ovid. Met. 2.—Strab. 9.

Ismenides, an epithet applied to the Theban women, as being near the Ismenus, a river of Boetia. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 31.

Ismenus, a son of Apollo and Melia, one of the Nereides, who gave his name to a river of Boetia. Paus. 9, c. 10.—A son of Asopus and Metope. Apollod. 3, c. 12.—A son of Amphion and Niobe, killed by Apollo. Id. 3, c. 5.—Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 6.

Isocrates, a celebrated orator, son of a rich musical instrument-maker at Athens. He was taught in the schools of Gorgias and Prodicus, but his oratorical abilities were never displayed in public; and Isocrates was prevented by an unconquerable timidity from speaking in the popular assemblies. He opened a school of eloquence at Athens, where he distinguished himself by number, character, and fame, of his pupils, and by the immense riches which he amassed. He was intimate with Philip of Macedon, and regularly corresponded with him; and to his familiarity with that monarch the Athenians were indebted for the few peaceful years which they passed. The aspiring ambition of Philip, however, displeased Isocrates, and the defeat of the Athenians at Cheronea had such an effect upon his spirits, that he did not survive the disgrace of his country, but died, after he had been four days without taking any aliment, in the 99th year of his age, about 338 years before Christ. Isocrates has always been much admired for the sweetness and graceful simplicity of his style, for the harmony of his expressions, and the dignity of his language. The remains of his orations extant inspire the world with the highest veneration for his abilities, as a moralist, an orator, and, above all, as a man. His merit, however, is lessened by those who accuse him of plagiarism from the works of Thucydidès, Lyssias, and others, seen particularly in his panegyric. He was so studious of correctness that his lines are sometimes poetry. The severe conduct of the Athenians against Socrates highly displeased him, and, in spite of all the undeserved unpopularity of that great philosopher, he put on mourning the day of his death. About 31 of his orations are extant. Isocrates was honoured after death with a brazen statue by Timothecus, one of his pupils, and Euphærus, his adopted son. The best editions of Isocrates are that of Bättic, 2 vols. 8vo. Cantab. 1729, and that of Auger, 3 vols. 8vo. Paris, 1782. Plut. de 10 Orat. &c.—Cic. Orat. 20, de Inv. 2, c. 12, 6, in Brut. c. 15, de Orat. 2, c. 6.—Quintil. 3, &c.—Patro. 1, c. 16.—One of the officers of the Peloponnesian fleet, &c. Thucyd.
Isthmius, a king of Messenia, &c. Paus. 4, c. 5.

Isthmus, a small neck of land which joins a country to another, and prevents the sea from making them separate, such as the isthmus of Corinth, which joins Peloponnesus to Greece. Nero attempted to cut it across, and make a communication between the two seas, but in vain. Strab. 1.—Mela, 2, c. 2.—Plin. 4, c. 4.

Isthméis, a country of Greece, near Ossa. Vid. Histioeotis.

Istria, a province at the west of Illyricum, at the top of the Adriatic sea, whose inhabitants were originally pirates, and lived on plunder. They were not subjected to Rome till six centuries after the foundation of that city. Strab. 1.—Mela, 2, c. 3.—Liv. 10, &c.—Plin. 3, c. 19.

Istropolis, a city of Thrace near the mouth of the Ister, founded by a Milesian colony. Plin. 4, c. 11.

Isus and Antiphus, sons of Priam, the latter by Hecuba, and the former by a concubine. They were seized by Achilles, as they fed their father's flocks on mount Ida: they were redeemed by Priam, and fought against the Greeks. They were both killed by Agamemnon. Homer. Il. 11.—A city of Beotia. Strab. 9.

Italia, a celebrated country of Europe, bounded on the east by the Adriatic and Tyrrhenian seas, and by the Alps. It has been compared, and with some similitude, to a man's leg. It has borne, at different periods, the different names of Saturnia, Cenotria, Hesperia, Ausonia, and Tyrrhenia, and it received the name of Italy either from Italus, a king of the country, or from Italos, a Greek word, which signifies an or, an animal very common in that part of Europe. The boundaries of Italy appeared to have been formed by nature itself, which seems to have been particularly careful in supplying this country with whatever may contribute not only to the support, but also to the pleasures and luxuries of life. It has been called the garden of Europe; and the panegyric which Pliny bestows upon it seems not in any degree exaggerated. The ancient inhabitants called themselves Aborigines, off-spring of the soil, and the country was soon after peopled by colonies from Greece. The Pelasgi and the Arcadians made settlements there, and the whole country was divided into as many different governments as there were towns, till the rapid increase of the Roman power [Vid. Roma] changed the face of Italy, and united all its states in support of one common cause. Italy has been the mother of arts as well as of arms, and the immortal monuments which remain of the eloquence and poetical abilities of the inhabitants of Italy are well known. It was divided into eleven small provinces or regions by Augustus. Proloc. 3, c. 1.

—Dionys. Hal.—Diod. 4.—Justin. 4, &c.—C. Nep. in Dion.—Aetcb. &c.—Liv. 1, c. 2, &c.—Varro de R. R. 2, c. 4 & 5.—Virg. Æn. 1, &c.

—Polyb. 2.—Flor. 2.—Élian. V. H. 1, c. 16.


Italica, a town of Italy, called also Corinium.

Italicus, a poet. Vid. Silius.

Italus, a son of Teleogonus. Hygin. fab. 127.—An Arcadian prince, who came to Italy, where he established a kingdom called after him. It is supposed that he received divine favours after death, as Æneas calls upon him among the deities to whom he paid his adoration when he entered Italy. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 178.—A prince, whose daughter Roma married Æneas or Ascanius. Plut. in Rom. —A king of the Cherusci, &c. Tacit. Ann. 1, c. 16.

Itargris, a river of Germany. Itaia, a daughter of Danaus. Hygin. fab. 170.

Itemales, an old man who exposed Cédis upon mount Cithæron, &c. Hygin. fab. 65.

Itaca, a celebrated island in the Ionian sea, on the western parts of Greece, with a city of the same name, famous for being part of the kingdom of Ulysses. It is very rocky and mountainous, measures about 25 miles in circumference, and is now known by the name of Isola del Compare, or Thiachi. Hom. II. & Od.—Strab. 1 & 8.—Mela, 2, c. 7.

Itobalus, a king of Tyre, who died B. C. 595. Josephus.

Itom, a town of Phthiotics. Homer. II. 2.—Another of Messenia, which surrendered, after ten year's siege, to Lacedæmon, 774 years before the Christian era. Jupiter was called Ithomates, from a temple which he had there, where games were also celebrated, and the conqueror rewarded with an oaken crown. Paus. 4, c. 52.—Stat. Theb. 4, v. 179.—Strab. 8.

Ithomai, a festival in which musicians contended, observed at Ithome, in honour of Jupiter, who had been nursed by the nymphs Ithome and Neda, the former of whom gave her name to a city, and the latter to a river.

Ithyllalus, a surname of Priapus. Columell. 10.

Itius Portus, a town of Gaul, now Wetsand, or Boulogne in Picardy. Caesar set sail from thence on his passage into Britain. Cos. G. 4, c. 21, 1, 5, c. 2 & 5.

Itona, a river of Britain, now Eden in Cumberland.

Itônias, a surname of Minerva, from a place in Beotia, where she was worshipped.

Itûnas, a king of Thessaly, son of Deucalion, who first invented the manner of polishing metals. Lucan. 6, v. 402.

Iturœa, a country of Palestine, whose inhabitants were very skilful in drawing the bow. Virg. G. 2, v. 448.

Iturum, a town of Umbria.

Itûleus, a son of Zethus and Édon, killed by his mother. Vid. Edon.

Iturœi, a people of Palestine. Vid. Iturœa.

Itys, a son of Tereus, King of Thrace, by Proene, daughter of Pandion, king of Athens,
He was killed by his mother when he was about six years old, and served up before his father. He was changed into a pheasant, his mother into a swallow, and his father into an owl. [Vid. Philomela.] Ovid. Met. 6, v. 620.—Amor. 2, el. 14, v. 29.—Horat. 4, od. 12.—A Trojan, who came to Italy with Æneas, and was killed by Turnus. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 574.

**Juba**, a king of Numidia and Mauritania, who succeeded his father Hiempal, and favoured the cause of Pompey against J. Caesar. He defeated Curió, whose Caesar had sent to Africa; and after the battle of Pharsalia, he joined his forces to those of Scipio. He was conquered in a battle at Thapsus, and totally abandoned by his subjects. He killed himself with Petreius, who had shared his good fortune and his adversity. His kingdom became a Roman province, of which Sallust was the first governor. Plut. in Pompy. & Ces. —Flor. 4, c. 12.—Suet. in Ces. c. 35.—Dion. 41.—Mela, 1, c. 6.—Lucan, 3, &c.—Cesar. de bell Civi. 2. —Paterc. 2, c. 54.—The second of that name was the son of Juba the First. He was led among the captives to Rome to adorn the triumph of Caesar. His captivity was the cause of the greatest honours, and his application to study procured him more glory than he would have obtained from the inheritance of a kingdom. He gained the heart of the Romans by the courteousness of his manners, and Augustus rewarded his fidelity by giving him in marriage Cleopatra, the daughter of Antony, and conferring upon him the title of king, and making him master of all the territories which his father once possessed. His popularity was so great, that the Mauritanians rewarded his benevolence by making him one of their gods. The Athenians raised him a statue, and the Ethiopians worshipped him as a deity. Juba wrote an history of Rome in Greek, which is often quoted and commended by the ancients; of it only few fragments remain. He also wrote on the history of Arabia, and the antiquities of Assyria, chiefly collected from Berosus. Besides these, he composed some treatises upon the drama, Roman antiquities, the nature of animals, painting, grammar, &c. now lost. Strab. 17.—Sueton. in Cal. 26.—Plin. 5, c. 25 & 32. —Dion. 51, &c. 

**Judacillus**, a native of Asculum, celebrated for his patriotism, in the age of Pompey, &c.

**Judea**, a famous country of Syria, bounded by Arabia, Egypt, Phœnicia, the Mediterranean sea, and part of Syria. The inhabitants, whose history is best collected from the Holy Scriptures, were chiefly governed, after the Babylonian captivity, by the high priests, who raised themselves to the rank of princes, B. C. 153, and continued in the enjoyment of regal power till the age of Augustus. Plut. de Osir. —Strab. 16.—Dion. 36.—Tacit. Hist. 5, c. 6.

**Jugantes**, a people of Britain. Tacit. Ann. 12, c. 32.

**Jugarius**, a street in Rome, below the capitol.

**Jugurtha**, the illegitimate son of Manasta-bal, the brother of Micipsa. Micipsa and Ma- nastabal were the sons of Masinissa, king of Numidia. Micipsa, who had inherited his father's kingdom, educated his nephew with his two sons Adherbal and Hiempal; but, as he was of an aspiring disposition, he sent him with a body of troops to the assistance of Scipio, who was besieging Numantia, hoping to lose a youth whose ambition seemed to threaten the tranquillity of his children. His hopes were frustrated, Jugurtha showed himself brave and active, and endeared himself to the Roman general. Micipsa appointed him successor to his kingdom with his two sons, but the kindness of the father proved fatal to the children. Jugurtha destroyed Hiempal, and stripped Adherbal of his possessions, and obliged him to fly to Rome for safety. The Romans listened to the well-grounded complaints of Adherbal but Jugurtha's gold prevailed among the senators, and the suppliant monarch; forsaken in his distress, perished by the snares of his enemy. Cæcilius Metellus was at last sent against Jugurtha, and his firmness and success soon reduced the crafty Numidian, and obliged him to fly among his savage neighbours for support. Marius and Sylla succeeded Metellus, and fought with equal success. Jugurtha was at last betrayed by his father-in-law Bocchus, from whom he claimed assistance, and he was delivered into the hands of Sylla, after carrying on a war of five years. He was exposed to the view of the Roman people, and dragged in chains to adorn the triumph of Marius. He was afterwards put in a prison, where he died six days after of hunger, B. C. 106. Sallust. in Jug.—Flor. 3, c. 1.—Paterc. 2, c. 10, &c.—Plut. in Mar.

**Julia lex, prima de provincis**, by J. Caesar, A. U. C. 691. It confirmed the freedom of all Greece; it ordained that the Roman magistrates should act there as judges, and that the towns and villages through which the Roman magistrates and ambassadors passed, should maintain them during their stay; that the governors, at the expiration of their office, should leave a scheme of their accounts in two cities of their province, and deliver a copy of it at the public treasury; that the provincial governors should not accept of a golden crown unless they were honoured with a triumph by the senate; that no supreme commander should go out of his province, enter any dominions, lead an army or engage in a war, without the previous approbation and command of the Roman senate and people. —Another, de simplicitus, in the age of Augustus. It limited the expense of provisions on the dies profesti, or days appointed for the transaction of business, to 200 sesterces; on common calendar festivals to 300; and on all extraordinary occasions, such as marriages, births, &c. to 1060. —Another, de provinciis, by J. Caesar, dictator. It ordained that no pretorian province should be held more than one year, and a consular province more than two years. —Another, called also Campana agraria, by the same, A. U. C. 691. It required that all the lands of Campania, formerly rented according to the estimation of the state, should be
divided among the plebeians, and that all the members of the senate should bind themselves by an oath to establish, confirm, and protect that law. — Another, *de civitate*, by L. J. Caesar, A. U. C. 664. It rewarded with the name and privileges of citizens of Rome all such as, during the civil wars, had remained the constant friends of the republican liberty. When that civil war was at an end, all the Italians were admitted as free denizens and composed eight new tribes. Another, *de judicibus*, by J. Caesar. It confirmed the Pompeian law in a certain manner, requiring the judges to be chosen from the richest people in every century, allowing the senators and knights in the number, and excluding the tribuni ararit. — Another, *de ambitu*, by Augustus. It restrained the illicit measures used at elections, and restored to the comitia their ancient privileges, which had been destroyed by the ambition and bribery of J. Caesar. — Another by Augustus, *de adulterio & pudicitia*. It punished adultery with death. It was afterwards confirmed and enforced by Domitian. *Juvanal, Sat. 2*, v. 30, alludes to it. — Another, called also *Papia, or Papia Poppaea*, which was the same as the following, only enlarged by the consule Papius and Poppeus, A. U. C. 762. — Another, *de maritandis ordinibus*, by Augustus. It proposed rewards to such as engaged in matrimony, of a particular description. It inflicted punishment on celibacy, and permitted the patricians, the senators and sons of senators excepted, to intermarry with the libertini, or children of those that had been liberti, or servants manumitted. Horace alludes to it when he speaks of lex marita. — Another, *de majestate*, by J. Caesar. It punished with *aqua et ignis interdicio* all such as were found guilty of the crimen majestatis, or treason against the state.

**Julia**, a daughter of J. Caesar, by Cornelia, famous for her personal charms and for her virtues. She married Corn. Caepio, whom her father obliged her to divorce to marry Pompey the Great. Her amiable disposition more strongly cemented the friendship of the father and of the son-in-law; but her sudden death in child-bed, B. C. 53, broke all ties of intimacy and relationship, and soon produced a civil war. *Plut.* — The mother of M. Antony, whose humanity is greatly celebrated in saving her brother-in-law, J. Caesar, from the cruel prosecutions of her son. — An aunt of J. Caesar, who married C. Marius. Her funeral oration was publicly pronounced by her nephew. The only daughter of the emperor Augustus, remarkable for her beauty, genius, and debaucheries. She was tenderly loved by her father, who gave her in marriage to Marcellus; after whose death she was given to Agrippa, by whom she had five children. She became a second time a widow, and was married to Tiberius. Her lasciviousness and debaucheries so disgusted her husband, that he retired from the court of the emperor; and Augustus, informed of her lustful propensities and infamy, banished her from his sight, and confined her in a small island on the coast of Campania. She was starved to death.

**A. D. 14**, by order of Tiberius, who had succeeded to Augustus as emperor of Rome. *Plut.* — A daughter of the emperor Titus, who prostituted herself to her brother Domitian. — A daughter of Julia, the wife of Agrippa, who married Lepidus, and was banished for her licentiousness. — A daughter of Germanicus and Agrippina, born in the island of Lesbos, A. D. 17. She married a senator called M. Vinuci, at the age of 16, and enjoyed the most unbounded favours in the court of her brother Caligula, who is accused of being her first seducer. She was banished by Caligula, on suspicion of conspiracy. Claudius recalled her; but she was soon after banished by the powerful intrigues of Messalina, and put to death about the 24th year of her age. She was no stranger to the debaucheries of the age, and she prostituted herself as freely to the meanest of the people as to the nobler companions of her brother's extravagance. Seneca, as some suppose, was banished to Corsica for having seduced her. — A celebrated woman, born in Phoenicia. She is also called Domna. She applied herself to the study of geometry and philosophy, &c. and rendered herself conspicuous as much by her mental as by her personal charms. She came to Rome, where her learning recommended her to all the literati of the age. She married Septimus Severus, who, 20 years after this matrimonial connexion, was invested with the imperial purple. Severus was guided by the prudence and advice of Julia, but he was blind to her foibles, and often punished with the greatest severity those vices which were enormous in the empress. She is even said to have conspired against the emperor; but she resolved to blot, by patronizing literature, the spots which her debauchery and extravagance has rendered indelible in the eyes of virtue. Her influence, after the death of Severus, was for some time productive of tranquility and cordial union between his two sons and successors. Geta at last, however, fell a sacrifice to his brother Caracalla, and Julia was even wounded in the arm while she attempted to screen her favourite son from his brother's dagger. According to some, Julia committed incest with her son Caracalla, and publicly married him. She starved herself when her ambitious views were defeated by Macrinus, who aspired to the empire in preference to her, after the death of Caracalla. — A town of Galia Togata. **Juliacum**, a town of Germany, now *Juliers*. **Julianus**, a son of Julius Constantius, the brother of Constantine the Great, born at Constantinople. The massacre which attended the elevation of the sons of Constantine the Great to the throne, nearly proved fatal to Julian and to his brother Gallus. The two brothers were privately educated together, and taught the doctrines of the Christian religion, and exhorted to be modest, temperate, and to despise the gratification of all sensual pleasures. Gallus received the instructions of his pious teachers with deference and submission, but Julian shewed his dislike for Christianity by secretly
cherishing a desire to become one of the votaries of paganism. He gave sufficient proofs of this propensity when he went to Athens in the 24th year of his age, where he applied himself to the study of magic and astrology. He was some time after appointed over Gaul, with the title of Caesar, by Constans, and there he showed himself worthy of the imperial dignity by his prudence, valour, and the numerous victories he obtained over the enemies of Rome in Gaul and Germany. His mildness, as well as his concordation, gained him the hearts of his soldiers, and when Constans, to whom Julian was become suspected, ordered him to send him part of his forces to go into the east, the army immediately mutinied, and promised immortal fidelity to the leader, by refusing to obey the orders of Constans. They even compelled Julian, by threats and entreaties to accept of the title of independent emperor and of Augustus; and the death at Constans, which soon after happened, left him sole master of the Roman empire, A.D. 361. Julian then disclosed his religious sentiments, and publicly disavowed the doctrines of Christianity, and offered solemn sacrifices to all the gods of ancient Rome. This change of religious opinion was attributed to the poverty with which he received the precepts of Christianity, or, according to others, to the literary conversation and persuasive eloquence of some of the Athenian philosophers. From this circumstance, therefore, Julian has been called Apoaste. After he had made his public entry at Constantinople, he determined to continue the Persian war, and check these barbarians, who had for sixty years derided the indolence of the Roman emperors. When he had crossed the Tigris, he burned his fleet, and advanced with boldness into the enemy's country. His march was that of a conqueror, he met with no opposition from a weak and indigent enemy; but the country of Assyria had been left desolate by the Persians, and Julian, without corn or provisions, was obliged to retire. As he could not convey his fleet again over the streams of the Tigris, he took the resolution of marching up the sources of the river, and imitate the bold return of the ten thousand Greeks. As he advanced through the country he defeated the officers of Sapor, the king of Persia; but an engagement proved fatal to him, and he received a deadly wound as he animated his soldiers to battle. He expired the following night, the 27th of June, A.D. 363, in the 32d year of his age. His last moments were spent in a conversation with a philosopher about the immortality of the soul, and he breathed his last without expressing the least sorrow for his fate, or the suddenness of his death. Julian's character has been admired by some, and censured by others; but the melevolence of his enemies arises from his apostacy. As a man and as a monarch he demands our warmest commendations; but we must blame his idolatry, and despise his bigotted principles. He was moderate in his successes, merciful to his enemies, and amiable in his character. He abolished the luxuries which
gave birth to Simonides, &c. The walls of this city were all marble, and there are now some pieces remaining entire above 12 feet in height, as the monuments of its ancient splendour. Plin. 4, c. 12. 

JULIUS CESAR. Vid. Caesar.—Agricola, a governor of Britain, A.C. 80, who first discovered that Britain was an island by sailing round it. His son-in-law, the historian Tacitus, has written an account of his life. Tacit. in Agric. 

Obsequies, a Latin writer, who flourished A.D. 214. The best edition of his book de Prodigiis is that of Oudendorp, 8vo. L. Bat. 1720. —Agrippa, banished from Rome by Nero after the discovery of the Pisonian conspiracy. Tacit. Ann. 15, c. 71.—Solinus, a writer. Vid. Solinus. —Titanius, a writer in the age of Dioecletian. His son became famous for his oratorical powers, and was made preceptor in the family of Maximinus. Julius wrote a history of all the provinces of the Roman empire, greatly commended by the ancients. He also wrote some letters, in which he happily imitated the style and elegance of Cicero, for which he was called the age of his age. —Africanus, a chronologer, who flourished A.D. 220.—Constantius, the father of the emperor Julian, was killed at the accession of the sons of Constantine to the throne, and his son nearly shared his fate. —Pollux, a grammarian of Naupactum, in Egypt. Vid. Pollux. —Canus, a celebrated Roman, put to death by order of Caracalla. He bore the undeserved punishment inflicted on him with the greatest resignation, and even pleasure. 

Proculus, a Roman, who solemnly declared to his countrymen, after Romulus had disappeared, that he had seen him above an human shape, and that he had ordered him to tell the Romans to honour him as a god. Julius was believed. Plut. in Rom.—Ovid.—Florus. [Vid. Floris.] 

—L. Caesar, a Roman consul, uncle to Antony the triumvir, the father of Caesar the dictator. He died as he was putting on his shoes. —Celsus, a tribune, imprisoned for conspiring against Tiberius. Tacit. Ann. 9, c. 14.—Maximinus, a Thracian, who, from a shepherd, became an emperor of Rome. Vid. Maximinus. 

IULUS, the name of Ascanius, the son of 

Eneas. Vid. Ascanius.—A son of Ascanius, born in Lavinium. In the succession to the kingdom of Alba, Eneas Silvanus, the son of Eneas and Lavinia, was preferred to him. He was, however, made chief priest. Dions. 1. 

A son of Antony the triumvir and Fulvia. Vid. Antonius Julius. 

JUNIA LEX SACRATA, by L. Junius Brutus, the first tribune of the people, A.C. U. 260. It ordained that the person of the tribune should be held sacred and inviolable; that an appeal might be made from the consuls to the tribunes; and that no senator should be able to exercise the office of a tribune. —Another, A.C. U. 627, which excluded all foreigners from enjoying the privileges or names of Roman citizens. 

JUNIA, a niece of Cato of Utica, who married Cassius, and died 64 years after her husband had killed himself at the battle of Philippi. 

—Calvina, a beautiful Roman lady, accused of incest with her brother Silius. She was descended from Augustus. She was banished by Claudius, and recalled by Nero. Tacit. Ann. 3, c. 4.—Blæana, a proconsul of Africa under the emperors. Tacit. Ann. 3, c. 35.—Lupus, a senator, who accused Vitellius of aspiring to the sovereignty, &c. Tacit. Ann. 12, c. 42. 


Juno, a celebrated deity among the ancients, daughter of Saturn and Ops. She was sister to Jupiter, Pluto, Neptune, Vesta, Ceres, &c. She was born at Arges, or, according to others, in Samos, and was entrusted to the care of the Seasons, or, as Homer and Ovid mention, to Oceanus and Thetys. Some of the inhabitants of Argolis supposed, that she had been brought up by the three daughters of the river Asterion; and the people of Symphalus, in Arcadia, maintained that she had been educated under the care of Temenus, the son of Pelaus. Juno was devoted by Saturn, according to some mythologists; and, according to Apolloterus, she was again restored to the world by means of a potion which Metis gave to Saturn, to make him give up the stone which his wife had given him to swallow, instead of Jupiter. [Vid. Saturnus.] Juno was not insusceptible to the charms of his sister, and the more powerfully to gain her confidence, he changed himself into a cuckoo, and raised a great storm, and made the air uncommonly chill and cold. Under this form he went to the goddess all shivering. Juno pitted the cuckoo, and took him into her bosom. When Jupiter had gained these advantages, he resumed his original form, and obtained the gratification of his desires, after he had made a solemn promise of marriage to his sister. The nuptials of Jupiter and Juno were celebrated with the greatest solemnity; the gods, all mankind, and all the brute creation attended. Chelone, a young woman, was the only one who refused to come, and who decided the ceremony. For this impety, Mercury changed her into a tortoise, and condemned her to perpetual silence; from which circumstance the tortoise has always been used as the symbol of silence among the ancients. By her marriage with Jupiter, Juno became the queen of all the gods, and mistress of heaven and earth. Her conjugal happiness, however, was frequently disturbed by the numerous amours of her husband, and she herself showed herself jealous and inexorable in the highest degree. Her severity to the mistresses and illegitimate children of her husband was unparalleled. She persecuted Hercules and his descendants with the most inveterate fury; and her resentment against Paris, who had given the golden apple to Venus in preference to herself, was the cause of the Trojan war, and of all the miseries which happened to the unfortunate house of Priam. Her severities to ALCMENA, Iuno, ATHAMAS, Semele, &c. are also well known. Juno had some children by Jupiter. According to Hesiod, she was mother of
Mars, Hebe, and Ilithya, or Lucina; and besides these, she brought forth Vulcan, without having any commerce with the other sex, but only by smelling a certain plant. This was in imitation of Jupiter, who had produced Minerva from his brain. According to others, it was not Vulcan, but Mars, or Hebe, that she brought forth in this manner, and this was after eating some lettuce at the table of Apollo. The daily and repeated debaucheries of Jupiter, at last provoked Juno to such a degree, that she retired to Euboea, and resolved for ever to forsake his bed. Jupiter produced a reconciliation, after he had applied to Cithaeron for advice, and after he had obtained forgiveness by fraud and artifice. *[Vid. Dedala]* This reconciliation, however cordial it might appear, was soon dissolved by new offences; and to stop the complaints of the jealous Juno, Jupiter had often recourse to violence and blows. He even punished the cruelties which she had exercised upon his son Hercules, by suspending her from the heavens by a golden chain, and tying a heavy anvil to her feet. Vulcan was punished for assisting his mother in this degrading situation, and he was kicked down from heaven by his father, and broke his leg by the fall. This punishment rather irritated than pacified Juno. She resolved to revenge it, and engage some of the gods to conspire against Jupiter, and to imprison him. Thetis delivered him from this conspiracy, by bringing to his assistance the famous Briareus. Apollo and Neptune were banished from heaven for joining in the conspiracy, though some attribute their exile to different causes. The worship of Juno was universal, and even more than that of Jupiter, according to some authors. Her sacrifices were offered with the greatest solemnity. She was particularly worshipped at Argos, Samos, Carthage, and afterwards at Rome. The ancients generally offered on her altar an ewe lamb and a sow, the first day of every month. No cows were ever immolated to her, because she assumed the nature of that animal when the gods fled into Egypt in their war with the giants. Among the birds, the hawk, the goose, and particularly the peacock, often called Junonia atis, *[Vid. Argus]* were sacred to her. The dittany, the poppy, and the lily, were her favourite flowers. The latter flower was originally of the colour of the crocus; but when Jupiter placed Hercules to the breasts of Juno while asleep, some of her milk fell down upon earth, and changed the colour of the lilies from purple to a beautiful white. Some of the milk also dropped in that part of the heavens, which, from its whiteness, still retains the name of the milky way, lactea via. As Juno’s power was extended over all the gods, she often made use of the goddess Minerva as her messenger, and even had the privilege of hurling the thunder of Jupiter when she pleased. Her temples were numerous, the most famous of which were at Argos, Olympia, &c. At Rome, no woman of a debauched character was permitted to enter her temple, or even to touch it. The surnames of Juno are various; they are derived either from the function or things over which she presided or from the places where her worship was established. She was the queen of the heavens; she protected cleanliness, and presided over marriage and child-birth, and particularly patronized the most faithful and virtuous of the sex, and severely punished inconstancy and lewdness in matrons. She was the goddess of all power and empire, and she was also the patroness of riches. She is represented sitting on a throne, with a diadem on her head, and a golden sceptre in her right hand. Some peacocks generally sat by her, and a cuckoo often perched on her sceptre, whilst Iris behind her displayed the thousand colours of her beautiful rainbow. She is sometimes carried through the air in a rich chariot drawn by peacocks. The Roman consuls, when they entered upon office, were always obliged to offer her a solemn sacrifice. The Juno of the Romans was called Matrona or Romana. She was generally represented as veiled from head to foot; and the Roman matrons always imitated this manner of dressing themselves, and deemed it indecent in any married woman to leave any part of her body but her face uncovered. She has received the surnames of Olympia, Samia, Lacedemonia, Argiva, Telchinia, Candrena, Rescintthes, Prosymna, Imbrasia, Acrea, Cithaeron, Buea, Amnona, Fluonua, Anthea, Migale, Ge melia, Tropea, Boopsis, Parthenos, Teleia, Xe ra, Egophagia, Hyperchynia, Juga, Iliutha Lucina, Pronuba, Carpotina, Mena, Populonia Lac inia, Sospita, Moneta, Curis, Domiduca. Feb rua, Opigenia, &c. *Cie. de Nat. D.* 2. — Paus. 2, &c. — Apollod. 1, 2, 3. — Apollon. 1. Argon. — Hom. II. 1, &c. — Virg. Aen. 1, &c. — Hesiod. 1, 2, 4, &c. — Sil. 1. — Dionys. Hal. 1. — Liv. 23, 24, 27, &c. — Ovid. Met. 1, &c. — Fast. 5. — Plut. quaest. Rom. — Tibull. 4, el. 13. — Athen. 15. — Plin. 35.

**JUNONALIA** and **JUNONIA**, festivals at Rome in honour of Juno, the same as the Heraea of the Greeks. *Vid. Heraea.*

**JUNONES,** a name of the protecting genii of the women among the Romans. They generally wore by them, as the men by their genii. There were altars often erected to their honour. *Plin. 2, c. 7. — Seneea, ep. 110.*

**JUNONIA,** two islands, supposed to be among the Fortunate Islands. — A name which Gracchus gave to Carthage, when he went with 6000 Romans to rebuild it. **JUNONIGENA,** a surname of Vulcan, as son of Juno. *Ovid. Met. 4, v. 173.*

**JUNONIS PROMONTORIUM,** a promontory of Peloponnesus. **JUPITER,** the most powerful of all the gods of the ancients. According to Varro, there were no less than 500 persons of that name; Diiodorus mentions two; and Cicero three, two of Arcadia, and one of Crete. To that of Crete, who passed for the son of Saturn and Ops, the actions of the rest have been attributed. According to the opinion of the mythologists, Jupiter was saved from destruction by his mother, and entrusted to the care of the Corybantes. Saturn, who had received the kingdom of the world,
from his brother Titan, on condition of not raising male children, devoured all his sons as soon as born; but Ops, offended at her husband's cruelty, secreted Jupiter, and gave a stone to Saturn, which he devoured, on the supposition that it was a male child. Jupiter was educated in a cave on Mount Ida, in Crete, and fed upon the milk of the goat Amalthea, or upon honey, according to others. He received the name of Jupiter, quasi juvans pater. His cries were drowned by the noise of cymbals and drums, which the Corybantes beat at the express command of Ops. [Vid. Corybantes.] As soon as he was a year old, Jupiter found himself sufficiently strong to make war against the Titans, who had imprisoned his father, because he had brought up male children. The Titans were conquered, and Saturn set at liberty by the hands of his son. Saturn, however, soon after, apprehensive of the power of Jupiter, conspired against his life, and was, for his treachery, driven from his kingdom, and obliged to fly for safety into Latium. Jupiter, now become the sole master of the empire of the world, divided it with his brothers. He reserved for himself the kingdom of heaven, and gave the empire of the sea to Neptune, and that of the infernal regions to Pluto. The peaceful beginning of his reign was soon interrupted by the rebellion of the giants, who were sons of the earth, and who wished to revenge the death of their relations the Titans. They were so powerful that they hurled rocks, and heaped up mountains upon mountains, to scale heaven; so that all the gods, to avoid their fury, fled to Egypt, where they escaped the danger by assuming the form of different animals. Jupiter, however, animated them; and by the assistance of Hercules, he totally overpowered this gigantic race, which had proved such tremendous enemies. [Vid. Gigantes.] Jupiter, now freed from every enemy, gave himself up to the pursuit of pleasures. He married Metis, Themis, Euryyne, Ceres, Mnemosyne, Latona, and Juno. [Vid. Juno.] He became a Proteus to gratify his passions. He introduced himself to Danae in a shower of gold, he corrupted Antiope in the form of a satyr, and Leda in the form of a swan. He became a bull to seduce Europa, and he enjoyed the company of Egeia in the form of a flame of fire. He assumed the habit of Diana to corrupt Callisto, and became Amphitryon to gain the affections of Alcmena. His children were also numerous as well as his mistresses. According to Apollodorus 1, c. 3, he was father of the Seasons, Irene, Eunomia, the Fates, Clotho, Lachesis, and Atropos, by Themis; of Venus, by Dione; of the Graces, Aegla, Euphrosyne, and Thalia, by Eurynome, the daughter of Oceanus; of Proserpine, by Rea; of the nine Muses, by Mnemosyne, &c. [Vid. Niobe, Laodamia, Io, Eurytus, Procris, Proteus, Elara, Mala, Sole, &c.] The worship of Jupiter was universal; he was the Aryan of the Africans, the Belus of Babylon, the Oasis of Egypt, &c. His surnames were numerous, many of which he received from the place or functions over which he presided. He was severally called Jupiter Feretrius, Inventor, Elieus, Capitolinus, Ladius, Pistor, Sponsor, Herseus, Aururus, Victor, Maximus, Optimus, Olympus, Fluvialis, &c. The worship of Jupiter surpassed that of the other gods in solemnity. His altars were not like those of Saturn and Diana, stained with the blood of human victims; but he was delighted with the sacrifice of goats, sheep, and white bulls. The oak is sacred to him, because he first taught mankind to live upon acorns. He is generally represented as sitting upon a golden or ivory throne, holding in one hand thunderbolts just ready to be hurled, and in the other a sceptre of Cyprus. His looks express majesty, his beard flows long and neglected, and the eagle stands with expanded wings at his feet. He is sometimes represented with the upper parts of his body naked, and those below the waist carefully covered, as if to show that he is visible to the gods above, but that he is concealed from the sight of the inhabitants of the earth. Jupiter had several oracles, the most celebrated of which were at Dodona, and Ammon, in Lydia. As Jupiter was the king and father of gods and men, his power was extended over the deities, and every thing was subservient to his will, except the Fates. From him mankind received their blessings and their miseries, and they looked upon him as acquainted with every thing past, present, and future. He was represented at Olympia with a crown like olive branches: his mantle was variegated with different flowers, particularly by the lily, and the eagle perched on the top of the sceptre which he held in his hand. The Cretans represented Jupiter without ears, to signify that the sovereign master of the world ought not to give a partial ear to any particular person, but be equally candid and propitious to all. At Lacedaemon, he appeared with four heads, that he might seem to bear with greater readiness the different passions and solicitations which were daily addressed to him from every part of the earth. It is said, that Minerva came all armed from his brains when he ordered Vulcan to open his head. Posthum. 1, 2, &c. — Liv. 1, 4, 5, &c. — Dion. 1 & 3. — Hor. III. 1, 5, &c. Od. 1, 4, &c. Hyg. com. — Orph. — Callimach. — Juv. — Pindar. Olymp. 1, 3, 5. — Apollon. 1, &c. — Hesiod. Thes. in Sex. Herc. Oper. &c. — Lycoephon in Cas. — Virg. Aen. 1, 2, &c. G. 3. — Ovid. Met. 1, fab. 1, &c. — Horat. 3, od. 1, &c. — Juv. a high ridge of mountains separating the Helvetii from the Sequani, or Swiss, from Burgundy. Cas. G. 4, c. 2. Justinius M. Junianus, a Latin historian in the age of Antoninus, who epitomized the history of Trogus Pompeius. This epitome, according to some traditions, was the cause that the comprehensive work of Trogus was lost. It comprehends the history of the Assyrian, Persian, Grecian, Macedonian, Roman empires, &c. in a neat and elegant style. It is replete with many judicious reflections, and animated harangues; but the author is often too credulous, and sometimes examines events too minutely, while others are related only in a
few words, too often obscure. The indecency of many of his expressions is deservedly censured. The best editions of Justin are that of Ab. Gronovius, 8vo. L. Bat. 1719, that of Hearne, 8vo. Oxon. 1703, and that of Barbon, 12mo. Paris, 1770.——Martyr, a Greek father, formerly a Platonic philosopher, born in Palestine. He died in Egypt, and wrote two apologies for the Christians, besides his dialogues with a Jew; two treatises, &c, in a plain and unadorned style. The best editions of Justin Martyr are that of Paris, fol. 1636. Of his apologies, 2 vols. 8vo. 1700 and 1705, and Jebb’s dialogue with Tripho, published in London, 1722.——An emperor of the east who reigned nine years, and died A. D. 526.——Another, who died A. D. 564, after a reign of 38 years.——Another who died, A. D. 577, after a reign of 13 years.

Juturna, a sister of Turnus, king of the Rutuli. She heard with contempt the addresses of Jupiter, or, according to others, she was ravished by him, and made immortal. She was afterwards changed into a fountain near the Numicus. The waters of that fountain were used in sacrifices, and particularly in those of Vesta. They had the power to heal diseases. *Varro de L. L. 4.—Ovid. Fast. 1, v. 703. l. 2, v. 585.—Virg. En. 12, v. 139.*

Juvenalis, Decius Junius, a poet born at Aquinum in Italy. He came early to Rome, and passed some time in declaiming; after which he applied himself to write satires, 16 of which are extant. He spoke with virulence against the partiality of Nero for the pantomime Paris, and, though all his satire and declamation were pointed against this ruling favourite of the emperor, yet Juvenal lived in security during the reign of Nero. After the death of Nero, the effects of the resentment of Paris were severely felt, and the satirist was sent by Domitian, as governor on the frontiers of Egypt. Juvenal was then in the 30th year of his age, and he suffered much from the trouble which attended his office, or rather his exile. He returned, however, to Rome after the death of Paris, and died in the reign of Trajan, A. D. 123. His writings are fiery and animated, and they abound with humour. He is particularly severe upon the vice and dissipation of the age he lived in, but the gross and indecent manner in which he exposes to ridicule the follies of mankind, rather encourages than disarms the debauched and licentious. He wrote with acrimony against all his adversaries, and whatever displeased or offended him was exposed to his severest censure. It is to be acknowledged, that Juvenal is far more correct than his contemporaries, a circumstance which some have attributed to his judgment and experience, which were uncommonly mature, as his satires were the productions of old age. He may be called, and with reason, perhaps, the last of the Roman poets. After him, poetry decayed, and nothing more claims our attention as a perfect poetical composition. The best editions are

close of Cassaubon, 4to. L. Bat. 1695, with Persius, and of Hawkey, Dublin, 12mo. 1746, and of Graevius, *cum notis variorum,* 8vo. L. Bat. 1634.

Juventas or Juventas, a goddess at Rome, who presided over youth and vigour. She is the same as the Hebe of the Greeks, and represented as a beautiful nymph, arrayed in variegated garments.

Juverna of Hibernia, an island at the west of Britain, now called Ireland. *Jun. 2, v. 160.*

Iliabate, a people of Pontus.

Ixion, a king of Thessaly, son of Phlegias, or, according to Hyginus, of Leontes, or, according to Diodorus, of Antion, by Perimela, daughter of Anythason. He married Dia, daughter of Eioneus or Dolonoeus, and promised his father-in-law a valuable present for the choice he had made of him to be his daughter’s husband. His unwillfulness, however, to fulfil his promises, obliged Deioneus to have recourse to violence to obtain it, and he stole away some of his horses. Ixion concealed his resentment under the mask of friendship: he invited his father-in-law to a feast at Larissa, the capital of his kingdom, and when Deioneus was come according to the appointment, he threw him into a pit, which he had previously filled with wood and burning coals. This premeditated treachery so irritated the neighbouring princes, that all of them refused to perform the usual ceremony, by which a man was then purified of murder, and Ixion was shunned and despised by all mankind. Jupiter had compassion upon him, and he carried him to heaven, and placed him at the tables of the gods. Such a favour, which ought to have awakened gratitude in Ixion, served only to inflame his lust. He became enamoured of Juno, and attempted to seduce her. Juno was willing to gratify the passion of Ixion, or, according to others, she informed Jupiter of the attempts which had been made upon her virtue. Jupiter made a cloud in the shape of Juno, and carried it to the place where Ixion had appointed to meet Juno. Ixion was caught in the snares, and from his embrace with the cloud, he had the Centaurs, or, according to others, Centaurus. [Vid. Centauri.] Jupiter, displeased with the insolence of Ixion, banished him from heaven, but when he heard that he had the rashness to boast that he had seduced Juno, the god struck him with his thunder, and ordered Mercury to tie him to a wheel in hell, which continually whirls round. The wheel was perpetually in motion, therefore the punishment of Ixion was eternal. *Died. 4.—Hygin. fab. 62.—Pindar. Pyth. 2.—Virg. G. A, v. 484—En. 6, v. 601.—Ovid. Met. 12, v. 210 & 338.*

One of the Heraclides, who reigned at Corinth for 57 or 37 years. He was son of Alethres.

Ixionides, the patronymic of Piritous, son of Ixion. *Propert. 2, el. 1, v. 33.*
LAUNDER, a youth, brother to Nicocrates, tyrant of Cyrene, &c. Polygen. 8.

LARCHUS, the guardian of Battus of Cyrene' He usurped the sovereign power for some time, and endeavoured to marry the mother of Battus, the better to establish his tyranny. The queen gave him a friendly invitation, and caused him to be assassinated, and restored the power to Battus. Polygen.

LABRIS, a king of Egypt after Sesostris.

LADA, a daughter of Amphion, one of the Bacchiades, born lame. She married Electon, by whom she had a son whom she called Cypselus, because she saved his life in a coccus. [Vid. Cypselus.] This coccus was preserved at Olympia. Herodot. 5. c. 39. — Arist. Pol. 5.

LADDACUS, a son of Polydorus by Nycteis, the daughter of Nycteus, king of Thebes. His father and mother died during his childhood, and he was left to the care of Nycteus, who at his death left his kingdom in the hands of Lucus, with orders to restore it to Laddacus, as soon as of age. He was father to Laius. It is unknown whether he ever sat on the throne of Thebes. According to Stattus, his father's name was Phœnix. His descendants were called Labbadicci. Stat. Theb. 6. v. 431. apollod. 3. c. 5. — Paus. 2. c. 6. 19. c. 5.

LADALON, a promontory of Sicily, near Syracus. Dieud. 13.

LIBEO, ANTISTIUS, a celebrated lawyer in the age of Augustus, whose views he opposed, and whose offers of the consulship he refused. His works are lost. He was wont to enjoy the company and conversation of the learned for six months, and the rest of the year was spent in writing and composing. His father, of the same name, was one of Caesar's murderers. He killed himself at the battle of Philippi. Horace, 1. Sat. 3. v. 98, has unjustly raised him with misanthropy, because no doubt he inveigled against his patrons. App. Alex. 4. — Suet. in Aug. 43. — A tribune of the people at Rome, who condemned the censor Metellus to be thrown down from the Tarpeian rock, because he had expelled him from the senate. This rigorous sentence was stopped by the interference of another of the tribunes. — Q. Fabius, a Roman consul, A. U. C. 569, who obtained a naval victory over the fleet of the Grecians. He assisted Terence in composing his comedies, according to some. — Actus, an obscure poet, who recommended himself to the favour of Nero by an incorrect translation of Homer into Latin. The work is lost, and only this curious line is preserved by an old scholar: Persius, 1. v. 4. Crudem manducac Priamum, Priamique Pitomos.

LABERIUS. DECTUS, a Roman knight, famous for his poetical talents in writing pannoniums. J. Caesar compelled him to act one of his characters on the stage. The poet consented with great reluctance, but he showed his resentment during the acting of the piece, by throwing severe aspersions upon J. Caesar, and by warning the audience against his tyranny. Caesar, however, restored him to the rank of knight, which he had lost by appearing on the stage, but to his mortification, when he went to take his seat among the knights, no one offered to make room for him, and even his friend Cicero said, Receptissim in nisi augustes sedem. Laberius was offended at the affectation and insolence of Cicero, and reflected upon his unsettled and pelissanul behaviour during the civil wars of Caesar and Pompey, by the reply of Mirum si augustes sedes, qui sscs duobus solvi sedere. Laberius died ten months after the murder of J. Caesar. Some fragments remain of his poetry. Macrob. sat. 2. c. 3 & 7. — Horat. 1. sat. 10. Sensc. de contrv. 15. — Suet. in Cæs. 39. — Q. Durus, a tribune of the soldiers in Caesar's legions, killed in Britain. Cass. bel. 6.

LABICUM, a town of Italy, near Tusculum, which became a Roman colony about four centuries B. C. Virg. En. 7. v. 796. — Liv. 2. c. 39. 1. 4. c. 47.

LABIENUS, an officer of Caesar in the wars of Gaul. He deserted to Pompey. He was killed at the battle of Munda. Cass. bel. G. 6. — Lucan. 5. v. 346. — A Roman who followed the interest of Brutus and Cassius, and became general of the Parthians against Rome. He was conquered by the officers of Augustus. Strab. 12 & 14. — Dio. 48. — Titus, an historian and orator at Rome, in the age of Augustus. The senate ordered his papers to be burnt, on account of their seditious contents and Labienus, usable to survive the loss of his writings, destroyed himself. Suet. — S Bernardus, a son of Echestratus, who made war against Argos, &c.

LABRADUS, a surname of Jupiter in Caria. The word is derived from labros, which in the language of the country signified a hatchet, which Jupiter's statue held in his hand. Plin.

LABRINTHUS, a building whose numerous passages and perplexing windings render the way from it difficult, and almost impracticable. There were four very famous among the ancients; one near the city of Crocodiles, or Arsinoe, another in Crete, a third at Lamps, and a fourth in Italy, built by Forsena. That of Egypt was the most ancient, and Herodotus, who saw it, declares, that the beauty and the art of the building were almost beyond belief. It was built by 12 kings who at one time reigned in Egypt, and it was intended for the place of their burial, and to commemorate the actions of their reign. It was divided into 12 halls, or according to Pliny, into 16, or as Strabo mentions, into 27. The halls were vaulted, according to the relations of Herodotus. They had each six doors opening to the north, and the same number to the south, all surrounded by on wall. The edifice contained 3000 chambers, 1500 in the upper part, and the same number below. The chambers above were seen by Herodotus, and astonished him beyond conception, but he was not permitted to see those below, where were buried the
holy crocodiles, and the monarchs whose munificence had raised the edifice. The roofs and walls were encrusted with marble, and adorned with sculptured figures. The halls were surrounded with stately and polished pillars of white stone, and, according to some authors, the opening of the doors was artfully attended with a terrible noise, like peals of thunder. The labyrinth of Crete was built by Daedalus, in imitation of that of Egypt, and it is the most famous of all in classical history. It was the place of confinement for Daedalus himself, and the prison of the Minotaur. According to Pliny, the labyrinth of Lemnos surpassed the others in grandeur and magnificence. It was supported by 40 columns of uncommon height and thickness, and equally admirable for their beauty and splendour. Modern travellers are still astonished at the noble and magnificent ruins which appear of the Egyptian laybyrinth, at the south of the lake Marris, about 30 miles from the ruins of Arsinoe. Mela, 1, c. 9.—Plin. 36, c. 13.—Strab. 10.—Diod. 1,—Herodot. 2, c. 148.—Virg. Aen. 5, v. 598.

Lacedemone, an epithet applied to a female, native of Laconia, and, among others, to Helen. Virg. En. 6, v. 511.

Lacedemon, a son of Jupiter and Taygeta, the daughter of Atlas, who married Sparta the daughter of Euyrotas, by whom he had Amyclas and Eurydice the wife of Acrisius. He was the first who introduced the worship of the Graces in Laconia, and who built them a temple. From Lacedemon and his wife, the capital of Laconia was called Lacedemon and Sparta. Apollod. 3, c. 10.—Hygin. fab. 135.—Paus. 3, c. 1.—A noble city of Peloponnesus, the capital of Laconia, called also Sparta, and now known by the name of Misatra. It has been severally known by the name of Lelegia, from the Leleges the first inhabitants of the country, or from Lelex one of their kings; and Ebalia from Ebalus the sixth king from Euryrotas. It was also called Hecatompolis, from the hundred cities which the whole province once contained. Lelex is supposed to have been the first king. His descendants, 15 in number, reigned successively after him, till the reign of the sons of Orestes, when the Heraclides recovered the Peloponnesus about 80 years after the Trojan war. Procles and Eurythanes, the descendants of the Heraclides, enjoyed the crown together, and after them it was decreed that the two families should always sit on the throne together. [Vit. Eurythanes.] These two brothers then reigned B. C. 1102, their successors in the family of Procles were called Proclide, and afterwards Eurypostide, and those of Eurythanes, Eurytheidne, and afterwards Agida. The successors of Procles on the throne began to reign in the following order; Sos, 1060 B. C. after his father had reigned 42 years; Eurypon, 1023; Prytanis, 1021; Eumomus, 986; Polydecutes, 907; Lycurgus, 898; Charilaus, 873; Nicander, 809; Theopompus, 77; Zeuxidamus, 723;

Anaxidamus, 690; Archidamas, 651; Agesicles, 605; Ariston, 564; Demaratus, 555; Leotychides, 491; Archidamus, 496; Agesilaus, 497; Archidamus, 397; Archidamus, 395; Echestratus, 400; Labotus, 397; Doryssus, 395; Agesilaus, 395; Archelæus, 391; Teleclus, 383; Alcames, 381; Polydorus, 770; Euryctres, 724; Anaxandar, 687; Euryctres, 42; Leon, 607; Anaxandrides, 585; Cleomenes, 550; Leonidas, 491; Plistarchus, under guardianship of Pausanias, 480; Plisotanax, 466; Pausanias, 409; Agesopis, 397; Cleombrotus, 380; Agesipolis 2d, 371; Cleomenes 2d, 370, Areus or Areus, 309; Areus, 2d, 370; Leonidas, 2d, 371; Cleombrotus, 243; Leonidas restored, 241; Cleomenes, 233; Agesipolis, 219. Under the two last kings Lycurgus and Agesopis, the monarchical power was abolished, though Machanidas the tyrant made himself absolute B. C. 910, and Nabiss, 206, for 14 years. In the year 191, B. C. Lacedæmon joined the Achaean league, and after three years about the walls were demolished by order of Philopoemen. The territories of Laconia shared the fate of the Achaean confederacy, and the whole was conquered by Mummius, 147 B. C. and converted into a Roman province. The inhabitants of Lacedæmon have rendered themselves illustrious for their courage and intrepidity, for the love of honour and liberty, and for their aversion to sloth and luxury. They were inured from their youth to labour, and their laws commanded them to make war their profession. They never applied themselves to any trade, but their only employment was arms, and they left every thing else to the care of their slaves. [Vid. Helotæ.] They hardened their body by stripes and other manly exercises, and accustomed themselves to undergo hardships, and even to die without fear or regret. From their valour in the field and their moderation and temperance at home they were courted and revered by all the neighbouring princes, and their assistance was severely implored to protect the Sicilians, Carthaginians, Thracians, Egyptians, Cyrenæans, &c. They were forbidden by the laws of their country [Vid. Lycurgus] to visit foreign countries, lest their morals should be corrupted by an intercourse with effeminate nations. The austere manner in which their children were educated, rendered them undaunted in the field of battle, and from this circumstance, Leonidas with a small band was enabled to resist the millions of the army of Xerxes at Thermopylæ. The women were as courageous as the men, and many a mother has celebrated with festivals the death of her son who had fallen in battle, or as coolly put him to death if by a shameful flight or loss of his arms, he brought disgrace upon his country.

As to domestic manners, the Lacedæmonians widely differed from their neighbours as
political concerns, and their noblest women were not ashamed to appear on the stage hired for money. In the affairs of Greece, the interest of the Lacedaemonians was often powerful, and obtained the superiority for 300 years. Their jealousy of the power and greatness of the Athenians is well known. The authority of their monarchs was checked by the watchful eye of the Ephors who had the power of imprisoning the kings themselves if guilty of misdemeanours. [Vid. Ephors.] The Lacedaemonians are remarkable for the honour and reverence which they paid to old age. The names of Lacedaemon and Sparta, are promiscuously applied to the capital of Laconia, and often confounded together. The latter was applied to the metropolis, and the former was reserved for the inhabitants of the suburbs, or rather of the country contiguous to the walls of the city. This propriety of distinction was originally observed, but the process of time it was totally lost, and both appellatives were soon synonymous and indiscriminately applied to the city and country. [Vid. Sparta, Laconia.] Strab. 8.—Thucyd. 1.—Paus. 3.—Justin. 7, 3, &c.—Herodot. 4, &c.—Plut. in Lyc. &c. 

Died.—Mela. 2.—There were some festivals celebrated at Lacedaemon the names of which are not known. It was customary for the women to drag all the old bachelors round the altars and beat them with their fisses, that the shame and ignominy to which they were exposed might induce them to marry, &c. Athen. 13.

LACEDEMONI & LACEDAMINES, the inhabitants of Lacedaemon. [Vid. Lacedaemon.]

LACEDEMONIUS, a son of Cimon by Clitia. He received his name from his father's regard for the Lacedaemonians. Plut.

LICERTA, a soothsayer in Domitian's age, who acquired immense riches by his art. Jul. 7, v. 114.

LACETANIA, a district at the north of Spain. Liv. 41, c. 23.

LACHARES, a man who seized the supreme power at Athens when the city was in discord, and was banished B. C. 296. Polyb. 4.—An Athenian three times taken prisoner. He deceived his keepers, and escaped, &c. Id. 3.—A son of Mithridates king of Bosporus. He was received into alliance by Lucullus, —A robber condemned by M. Antony, —An Egyptian buried in the labyrinth near Arsidea.

LACHES, an Athenian general in the age of Epaminondas. Died. 12.—An Athenian sent with Cariad at the head of a fleet in the first expedition undertaken against Sicily in the Peloponnesian war. Justin. 4, c. 3.—An artist who finished the Colossus of Rhodes. LACHESIS, one of the Parcae, whose name is derived from lachys, to measure out by lot. She presided over futurity, and was represented as spinning the thread of life, or according to others, holding the spindle. She generally appeared covered with a garment variegated with stars, and holding spindles in her hand. [Vid. Parcae.] Stat. Theb. 2, v. 249.—Marit. 6, c. 54.

LACIDAS, a Greek philosopher of Cyrene, who flourished B. C. 241. His father's name was Alexander. He was disciple of Arcesilaus, when he succeeded in the government of the second academy. He was greatly esteemed by king Attalus who gave him a garden where he spent his hours in study. He taught his disciples to suspend their judgment, and never speak decisively. He disgraced himself by the magnificent funeral with which he honoured a favourite goose. He died through excess of drinking. Diog. 4.

LACIDES, a village near Athens, which derived its name from Lacies, an Athenian hero, whose exploits are unknown. Here Zephyrus had an altar sacred to him, and likewise Ceres and Proserpine a temple. Paus. 1, c. 37.

LACINIA, a surname of Juno from her temple at Lacinium in Italy, which the Cretonians held in great veneration, and where there was built a large statue of Helen by Zeuxis. [Vid. Zeuxis.] On an altar near the door were ashes which the wind could not blow away. Fulvius Flaccus took away a marble piece from this sacred place to finish a temple that he was building at Rome to Fortuna Equestris; and it is said, that for this sacrilege, he afterwards led a miserable life, and died in the greatest agonies. Strab. 6.—Ovid. Met. v. 12 & 792.—Liv. 42, c. 3.—Val. Max. 1, c. 1.

LACINENSE, a people of Liburnia. LACINUM, a promontory of Magna Gracia, now cape Colonna, the southern boundary of Tarentum in Italy, where Juno Lacinia had a temple held in great veneration. It received its name from Lacinus a famous robber killed there by Hercules. Liv. 24, c. 3. l. 27, c. 5. l. 30, c. 20.—Virg. Æn. 3, v. 528.

LACMON, a part of mount Pindus where the Inachus flows. Herodot. 9, c. 93.

LACO, a favourite of Galba, mean and cowardly in his character. He was put to death. —An inhabitant of Laconia or Lacedaemon.

LACOBRIA, a city of Spain where Sertorius was besieged by Metellus.

LACONIA, LACONICA, & LACEDAEEMON, a country on the southern parts of Peloponnesus, having Argos and Arcadia on the north, Messenia on the west, the Mediterranean on the south, and the bay of Argos at the east. Its extent from north to south was about 50 miles. It is watered by the river Eurotas. The capital is called Sparta, or Lacedaemon. The inhabitants never went on an expedition or engaged an enemy but at the full moon. [Vid. Lacedaemon.] The brevity with which they always expressed themselves is now become proverbial, and by the epithet of Laconic we understand whatever is concise, and is not loaded with unnecessary words. Strab. 8.—Ptol. 3. c. 16.—Mela, 2, c. 3.

LACRATES, a Thesban, general of a de-
tachment sent by Artaxerxes to the assistance of the Egyptians. *Died 16.*

*Læchines,* a Lacedaemonian ambassador to Cyrus. *Herodot. 1, c. 152.*

*Lactantius,* a celebrated Christian writer whose principal works are *De ira divina, de Dei operibus,* and his *divine institutions,* in 7 books, in which he proves the truth of the Christian religion, refutes objections, and attacks the illusions and absurdities of Paganism. The expressive purity, elegance, and energy of his style, have gained him the name of Christian Cicero. He died A. D. 325. —The best editions of his works are that of Sparke, 8vo. Oxon. 1684, that of Biineman, 2 vols. 8vo. Lips. 1739, and that of Du Fresnoy, 2 vols. 4to. Paris, 1748.

*Laecer,* a promontory of the island of Cos.

*Lacydes,* a philosopher. *Vit. Lacidas.*

*Lacydon,* an effeminate king of Arcos.

*Ladas,* a celebrated courier of Alexander born at Scyion. He was honoured with a brazen statue, and obtained a crown at Olympia. *Martial. 10, ep. 10.—Jue. 13, v.*

*Lade,* an island on the Ægean sea on the coast of Asia minor, where was a naval battle between the Persians and Ionians. *Herodot. c. 7.—Paul. 1, c. 55.—Strab. 17.*

*Ladon,* a river of Arcadia falling into the Alpheus. The metamorphosis of Daphne into a laurel, and of Syrinx into a reed, happened near its banks. *Strab. 1.—Mela, 2, c. 5.—Paul. 6, c. 20.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 659.—An Arcadian who followed Æneas into Italy, where he was killed. *Virg. Æn. 10, v. 413.—One of Actaeon’s dogs. Ovid. Met. 3.—*Lalest,* one of Actaeon’s dogs. *Ovid. Met. 3.*

*The dog of Cephalus given him by Procris,* &c. *Id. Met. 7.*

*Lelia,* a vestal virgin.

*Leliane,* a general, proclaimed emperor in Gaul by his soldiers, A. D. 268, after the death of Gallienus. His triumph was short; he was conquered and put to death after a few month’s reign by another general called Posthumus, who aspired to the imperial purple as well as himself.

*C. Lelius,* a Roman consul, A. U. C. 612, surnamed Supiens, so intimate with Africanus, the younger, that Cicero represents him in his treatise *De Amicitia,* as explaining the real nature of friendship, with its attendant pleasures. He made war with success against Viriathus. It is said, that he assisted Terence in the composition of his comedies. His modesty, humanity, and the manner in which he patronized letters deserve commendation. *Cic. de Orat.* —Another consul who accompanied Scipio Africanus the elder in his campaign in Spain and Africa.—Archelaus, a famous grammarian. *Suet.*

*Lena* and *Leena,* the mistress of Harmodius and Aristogitn. Being tortured be-

cause she refused to discover the conspirators, she bit off her tongue totally to frustrate the violent efforts of her executioners.—*A man who was acquainted with the conspiracy formed against Caesar.*

*Lenus,* a river of Crete.

*Lefa Magna,* a town of Spain. *Met. 3, c. 1.*

*Laertes,* a king of Ithaca, son of Arcesius and Chalcemousa, who married Anticlea, the daughter of Autolycus. Anticlea was pregnant by Sisyphus when she married Laertes; and eight months after her union with the king of Ithaca, she brought forth a son called Ulysses. [*Vit. Anticles.*] Ulysses was treated with paternal care by Laertes, though not really his son, and Laertes ceded him his crown, and retired into the country, where he spent his time in gardening. He was found in this mean employment by his son at his return from the Trojan war, after 20 years’ absence; and Ulysses, at the sight of his father, whose dress and old age declared his sorrow, long hesitated whether he should suddenly introduce himself as his son, or whether he should, as a stranger, gradually awaken the paternal feelings of Laertes, who had believed that his son was no more. This last measure was preferred; and when Laertes had burst into tears at the mention which was made of his son, Ulysses threw himself on his neck, exclaiming, "*O father! I am he whom you weep.*" This welcome declaration was followed by a recital of all the hardships which Ulysses had suffered; and immediately after, the father and son repaired to the palace of Penelope, the wife of Ulysses whence all the suitors who daily importuned the princes, were forcibly removed. Laertes was one of the Argonauts, according to *Apollodorus,* 1, c. 9.—*Homer. Od. 11 & 24.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 32.—Heracl. 1, c. 98.—*A city of Cilicia, which gave birth to Diogenes, surnamed Laertius, from the place of his birth.*


*Lestrýgonës,* the most ancient inhabitants of Sicily. Some suppose them to be the same as the people of Leontium, and to have been neighbours to the Cyclops. They fed on human flesh, and when Ulysses came on their coasts, they sunk his ships, and devoured his companions. [*Vit. Antipater.*] They were of a gigantic stature, according to Homer’s description. A colony of them, as some suppose, passed over into Italy with Lanus at their head, where they built the town of Fermine, whence the epithet of Lestrygonia is often used for that of Formiana. *Plin. 3, c. 5.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 253, &c. Fast. 4, ex Pont. 4, ep. 10.—Tert. in *Lycophr.* v. 662 & 818.—*Homer. Od. 9,* &c.

*Lata,* the wife of the emperor Gratian, celebrated for her humanity and generous sentiments.

*Leztoria lex* ordered that proper persons should be appointed to provide for the security and the possessions of such as were insane, of squandered away their estates. It made it a
high crime to abuse the weakness of persons under such circumstances. *Cic. de Offic. 3.*

_Leitus_, a Roman whom Commodus condemned to be put to death. This violence raised Leitus against Commodus; he conspired against him, and raised Pertinax to the throne. A general of the emperor Severus, put to death for his treachery to the emperor; or, according to others, on account of his popularity.

_Levi_, the ancient inhabitants of Gallia Transpadana.

_Levinus_, a Roman consul sent against Pyrrhus, A. U. C. 472. He informed the monarch that the Romans would not accept him as an arbitrator in the war with Tarentum, and feared him not as an enemy. He was defeated by Pyrrhus.—_P. Val._ a man despised at Rome, because he was distinguished by so good quality. _Horat. 1. Sat. 6. v. 12._

_Lagaria_, a town of Lucania.

_Lagia_, a name of the island Delos. Vid. Delos.

_Lagides._ Vid. Lagus.

_Lacitia_, a town of Caria.

_Lagus_, a Macedonian of mean extraction. He received in marriage Arisinoe, the daughter of Meleager, who was then pregnant by king Philip, and being willing to hide the disgrace of his wife, he exposed the child in the woods. An eagle preserved the life of the infant, fed him with her prey, and sheltered him with her wings against the inclemency of the air. This uncommon preservation was divulged by Lagus, who adopted the child as his own, and called him Ptolemy, conjecturing that, as his life had been so miraculously preserved, his days would be spent in grandeur and influence. This Ptolemy became king of Egypt after the death of Alexander. According to other accounts, Arisinoe was nearly related to Philip king of Macedonia, and her marriage with Lagus was not considered as dishonourable, because he was opulent and powerful. The first of the Ptolemies is called Lagus, to distinguish him from his successors of the same name. Ptolemy, the first of the Macedonian kings of Egypt, wished it to be believed that he was the legitimate son of Lagus, and he preferred the appellation of _Lagides_, to all other appellations. It is even said, that he established a military order in Alexandria, which was called Lageion. The surname of Lagides was transmitted to all his descendants on the Egyptian throne till the reign of Cleopatra, Antony's mistress. Plutarch mentions an anecdote, which serves to shew how far the legitimacy of Ptolemy was believed in his age. A pedantic grammarian, says the historian, once displaying his great knowledge of antiquity in the presence of Ptolemy, the king suddenly interrupted him with the question of, _Pray tell me, Sir_, who was the father of Pelus? _Tell me_, replied the grammarian without hesitation, _tell me, if you can, O king! who the father of Lagus was?_ This reflection on the meaness of the monarch's birth, did not in the least irritate his resentment, though the courtiers all glowed with indignation. Ptolemy praised the humour of the grammarian, and showed his moderation and the mildness of his temper, by taking him under his patronage. *Paus. Attic._—_Justin. 13._—_Curt. 4._—_Plut. de ira cohob._—_Lucan. 1. v. 684._—_Iat. 1. v. 196._—A Rutubian, killed by Pallas, son of Evander. _Verg. En._ 10. v. 2.

_Lagusus_, an island in the Pamphylia sea. Another near Crete. _Strab. 10._—_Plin. 5._ c. 31.

_Lagyra_, a city of Taurica Chersonesus.

_Laia_, a king of Arcadia, who succeeded his father Cypselus, &c. *Paus. 8._ c. 5._—A king of Elis, &c._

_Laia_, a celebrated courtier, daughter of Timandras, the mistress of Alcibiades, born at Hyccara in Sicily. She was carried away from her native country into Greece, when Nicias the Athenian general invaded Sicily. She first began to sell her favours at Corinth for 10,000 drachmas; and the immense number of princes, noblemen, philosophers, orators, and plebeians, who courted her embraces, show how much commendation is owed to her personal charms. The expenses which attended her pleasures, gave rise to the proverb of _Nam curvis homini contingit adire Corinthum_. Even Demosthenes himself visited Corinth for the sake of Laia; but when he was informed by the courtier, that admittance to her bed was to be bought at the enormous sum of about 2001. English money, the orator departed, and observed, that he would not buy repentance at so dear a price. The charms which had attracted Demosthenes to Corinth, had no influence upon Xenocrates. When Laia saw the philosopher unmoved by her beauty, she visited his house herself; but there she had no reason to boast of the licentiousness or easy submission of Xenocrates. Diogenes the cynic was one of her warmest admirers, and though filthy in his dress and manners, yet he gained her heart, and enjoyed her most unbounded favours. The sculptor Mycon also solicited the favours of Laia, but he met with a coldness; he, however, attributed the cause of his ill reception to the whiteness of his hair, and dyed it of a brown colour, but to no purpose: _Pud. that thou art_, said the courtier, _to ask what I refused yesterday to thy father._ Laia ridiculed the austerity of philosophers, and laughed at the weakness of those who pretend to have gained a superiority over their passions, by observing that the sages and philosophers of the age were not above the rest of mankind, for she found them at her door as often as the rest of the Athenians. The success which her debaucheries met at Corinth, encouraged Laia to pass into Thessaly, and more particularly to enjoy the company of a favourite youth called Hippocrates. She was, however, disappointed: the women of the place, jealous of her charms, and apprehensive of her corrupting the fidelity of their husbands, assassinated her in the temple of Venus, about 340 years before the Christian era. Some suppose that there were two persons of this name, a mother and her daughter. _Cic. ad Fam._ 9. ep. 26._—_Ovid. Amor._ 1. el. 5._—_Plut. in Alex._—_Paus. 2._ 381.
Antipater entered Thessaly at the head of 13,000 foot and 600 horse, and was beaten by the superior force of the Athenians and of their Greek confederates. Antipater after this blow fled to Lamia, B. C. 323, where he resolved, with all the courage and sagacity of a careful general, to maintain a siege with about the 8 or 9000 men that had escaped from the field of battle. Leosthenes, unable to take the city by storm, began to make a regular siege. His operations were delayed by the frequent sallies of Antipater; and Leosthenes, being killed by the blow of a stone which he received, Antipater made his escape out of Lamia, and soon after, with the assistance of the army of Craterus brought from Asia, he gave the Athenians battle near Cranon, and though only 500 of their men were slain, yet they became so dispirited, that they sued for peace from the conqueror. Antipater at last with difficulty consented, provided they raised taxes in the usual manner, received a Macedonian garrison, defrayed the expenses of the war, and lastly delivered into his hands Demostenes and Hyperides, the two orators whose prevailing eloquence had excited their countrymen against him. These disadvantageous terms were accepted by the Athenians, yet Demostenes had time to escape and poison himself. Hyperides was carried before Antipater, who ordered his tongue to be cut off, and afterwards to be put to death.

Plut. in Demot.—Diod. 17.—Justin. 11, &c.

Lamia, a small island before Troas. Plin. 5, c. 31.—Certain monsters of Africa, who had the face and breast of a woman, and the rest of the body like that of a serpent. They allured strangers to come to them, that they might devour them; and though they were not endowed with the faculty of speech, yet their hisings were pleasing and agreeable. Some believed them to be witches, or rather evil spirits, who, under the form of a beautiful woman, enticed young children and devoured them. According to some, the fable of the Lamia is derived from the amours of Jupiter with a certain beautiful woman called Lamia, whom the Jealousy of Juno rendered deformed, and whose children she destroyed; upon which Lamia became insane, and so desperate, that she eat up all the children that came in her way. They were also called Lemures. Vid. Lemures. Philostr. in Ap.—Horat. Art. Poet. v. 340.—Plut. de Curis.—Dom.

Lamias Eleus, a governor of Syria under Tiberius. He was honoured with a public funeral by the senate; and, as having been a respectable and useful citizen, Horace has dedicated his 26 ed. lib. 1, to his praises, as also 3 ed. 17. Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 27.—Another during the reign of Domitian, put to death, &c.


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LAIMADES, a patronymic of Edipus, son of Laius. Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 18.

LAIUS, a son of Labdacus, who succeeded to the throne of Thebes, which his grandfather Nycteus had left to the care of his brother LyCUS, till his grandson came of age. He was driven from his kingdom by Amphiion and Zethus, who were incensed against LyCUS for the indignities which Antiope had suffered. He was afterwards restored, and married Jocasta, the daughter of Creon. An oracle informed him, that he should perish by the hand of his son, and from this dreadful intelligence, he resolved never to approach his wife. A day spent in debauch and intoxication made him violate his vow, and Jocasta brought forth a son. The child as soon as born was given to a servant, with orders to put him to death. The servant was moved with compassion, and only exposed him on mount Cithaeron, where his life was preserved by a shepherd. The child, called Edipus, was educated in the court of Polybus, and an unfortunate meeting with his father in a narrow road, proved his ruin. Edipus ordered his father to make way for him, without knowing who he was; Laius refused, and was instantly murdered by his irritated son. His arm-bearer or charioteer shared his fate. Vid. Edipus. Soph. in Edip.—Hygin. 9 & 66.—Diod. 4.—Apollod. 3, c. 5.—Paus. 9, c. 5 & 20.

Plut. de Curis.

LALAGE, one of Horace's favourite mistresses. Horat. 1, od. 22, &c.—Propert. 4, el. 7.

LALASES, a river of Isauria.

LAMACHUS, a son of Xenophon, sent into Sicily with Nicias. He was killed B. C. 414, before Syracuse, where he displayed much courage and intrepidity. Plut. in Aleib.—A governor of Heraclea in Pontus, who betrayed his trust to Mithridates, after he had invited all the inhabitants to a sumptuous feast.

LAMALON, a large mountain of Ethiopia.

LAMBRANI, a people of Italy near the Lambrus.

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LAMPTETIA, a daughter of Apollo and Nera. She, with her sister Phaeus, guarded her father’s flocks in Sicily when Ulysses arrived on the coasts of that island. These flocks were 14 in number, seven herds of oxen and seven flocks of sheep, consisting each of fifty. They fed by night as well as by day, and it was deemed unlawful and sacrilegious to touch them. The companions of Ulysses, impelled by hunger, paid no regard to their sanctity, or to the threats and intreaties of their chief; but they carried away and killed some of the oxen. The watchful keepers complained to their father, and Jupiter, at the request of Apollo, punished the offence of the Greeks. The hides of the oxen appeared to walk, and the flesh which was roasting by the fire, began to bellow, and nothing was heard but dreadful noises and loud howlings. The companions of Ulysses embarked on board their ships, but here the resentment of Jupiter followed them. A storm arose, and they all perished except Ulysses, who saved himself on the broken piece of a mast. Homer, Od. 12, v. 119.—Propert. 3, el. 12.—According to Ovid, Met. 2, v. 349, Lamptetia is one of the Heliades, who was changed into a poplar tree at the death of her brother Phaeus.

LAMPETO and LAMPEDO, a queen of the Amazons, who boasted herself to be the daughter of Mars. She gained many conquests in Asia, where she founded several cities. She was surprised afterwards by a band of barbarians, and destroyed with her female attendants. Justin, 2, c. 4.

LAMPUS and LAMPIA, a mountain of Arcadia. Sat. 8.

LAMPO, LAMPOS, or LAMPS, one of the horses of Diomedes.—Of Hector.—Of Aurora. Homer, Ili. 6, od. 23.—A son of Laomedon, father of Dolops.—A soothsayer of Athens in the age of Socrates. Plut. in Perik.

LAMPIONIA and LAMPONIUM, a city of Troas. Herod. 5, c. 26.—An island on the coasts of Thrace. Strab. 13.

LAMPONIUS, an Athenian general, sent by his countrymen to attempt the conquest of Sicily. Justin, 4, c. 3.

LAMPIRDIUS ELIUS, a Latin historian in the fourth century, who wrote the lives of some of the Roman emperors. His style is inelegant, and his arrangement injudicious. His life of Commodus, Heliodorus, Alexander Severus, &c. is still extant, and to be found in the works of the Historiae Augustae Scriptorum.

LAMPS, a celebrated musician, &c. C. Nep. in Epam.

LAMPSACUS and LAMPSACUM, a town of Asia Minor, on the borders of the Propontis, at the north of Abydos. Priapus was the chief deity of the place, of which he was reckoned by some the founder. His temple there was the asylum of sedition and debauchery, and exhibited scenes of the most unnatural lust. Alexander resolved to destroy the city on account of the vices of its inhabitants, or more probably for its firm adherence to the interests of Persia. It was how-
his reign war was declared against Argos, by
Sparta. He sat on the throne for 37 years,
and was succeeded by Dorrysus his son.

Laocoon, a son of Priam and Hecuba, or
according to others of Antenor or of Capys.
As being priest of Apollo, he was commissioned
by the Trojans to offer a bullock to Neptune
to render him propitious. During the sacrifice
two enormous serpents issued from the sea, and
attacked Laocoon's two sons who stood next
to the altar. The father immediately attempted
to defend his sons, but the serpents falling
upon him, squeezed in their complicated
wreathes, and he died in the greatest agonies.
This punishment was inflicted upon him, for
his temerity in dissuading the Trojans to bring
into the city the fatal wooden horse, which the
Greeks had consecrated to Minerva, as also for
his impiety in hurling a javelin against the
sides of the horse as it entered within the
walls. Hyginus attributes this to his marriage
against the consent of Apollo, or according
to others, for his polluting the temple, by his
commerce with his wife Antiope, before the
—Hygin. fab. 135.

Laodamia, a son of Alcinous, king of the
Phaeacians, who offered to wrestle with Ulysses,
while at his father's court. Ulysses mindful
of the hospitality of Alcinous, refused the
—A son of Eteocles, king of Thebes. Paus. 9,
c. 15.

Laodamia, a daughter of Acatus and Astydamia,
who married Protessiias, the son of
Iphiclus, king of a part of Thessaly. The departure
of her husband for the Trojan war was the source of grief to her,
but when she heard that he had fallen by the hand of Hector, her sorrow
was increased. To keep alive the memory of a husband whom she had tenderly loved, she
ordered a wooden statue to be made and regularly placed in her bed. This was seen by
one of her servants, who informed Iphiclus, that his daughter's bed was daily defiled by
an unknown stranger. Iphiclus watched his daughter, and when he found that the intelligence
was false, he ordered the wooden image to be burned, in hopes of dissipating his daughter's grief. He did not succeed. Laodamia threw herself into the flames with the image, and perished. This circumstance has given occasion to fabulous traditions related by the poets, which mention that Protessiias was restored to life, and to Laodamia, for three hours, and that when he was obliged to return to the infernal regions, he persuaded his wife to accompany him. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 447.
—Orid. Her. ep. 13.—Hygin. fab. 104.—A daughter of Bellerophon by Achemone the
daughter of king Iobates. She had a son by Jupiter, called Sarpedon. She dedicated herself
to the service of Diana, and hunted with her, but her countenance proved fatal to her, and
she perished by the arrows of Diana. Homer. II. 6, 12, & 16.—A daughter of
Alexandre king of Epirus, by Olympia the
daughter of Pyrrhus. She was assassinated
in the temple of Diana, where she had fled for safety during a sedition. Her murderer, called
Milo, soon after turned his dagger against his
own breast and killed himself. Justin. 39, c. 3.

Laonice, a daughter of Priam and Hecuba,
who became enamoured of Aenam, son of
Theseus, when he came with Dometes, from
the Greeks to Troy with an embassy to demand
the restoration of Helen. She obtained an
interview with the gratification of her desires at
the house of Phileibia, the wife of a governor of
a small town of Tros, which the Greek ambassadors had visited. She had a son by Acanas,
whom she called Munitus. She afterwards married Helicaon son of Antenor, and
Telephus king of Mysia. Some call her Asteoche. According to the Greek scholiast
of Lycophron, Laodice threw herself down from the top of a tower and was killed when Troy
was attacked by the Greeks. Dictys. Cret. 1.—Paus. 13, c. 26.—Homer. Il. 3 & 6.

One of the Oceandis.—A daughter of
Cinyras, by whom Elatus had some children.
Apollod. 3, c. 14.—A daughter of Agamemon,
called also Electra. Homer. Il. 9.—A sister of
Mithridates who married Arialathes
king of Cappadocia, and afterwards her own
brother Mithridates. During the secret ab
sence of Mithridates, she prostituted herself
to her servants, in hopes that her husband was
dead, but when she saw her expectations frustrated, she attempted to poison Mithridates,
for which she was put to death. —A queen of
Cappadocia, put to death by her subjects for poisoning five of her children.

A sister and wife of Antiochus 2d. She put
to death Bereucne, whom her husband had
married. [Vid. Antiochus 2d.] She was murd
ered by order of Pulemy Evergetes, B. C.
246.—A daughter of Demetrius shamefully
put to death by Ammonius, the tyrannical
minister of the vicious Alexander Balk, king
of Syria.—A daughter of Seleucus. The
mother of Seleucus. Nine months before she
brought forth, she dreamed that Apollo had introduced himself into her bed, and had pre
sented her with a precious stone, on which was engraved the figure of an anchor, com
manding her to deliver it to her son as soon as born. This dream appeared the more won
derful, when in the morning she discovered, in
her bed a ring answering the same description.
Not only the son that she brought forth called
Seleucus, but also all his successors of the
house of the Seleucidae, had the mark of an
anchor upon their thigh. Justin. —Appian in
Syrr. mentions this anchor, though in a dif
ferent manner.

Laonice, a city of Asia, on the borders of
Caria, Phrygia, and Lydia, celebrated for
its commerce and the fine wool of its sheep.
It was originally called Diospolis, and after
ward Rhodes; and received the name of La
dicea in honour of Laodice, the wife of An
tiochus. Strab. 12.—Mela, 1, c. 12.—Cic. pro
Flacc. Another in Media destroyed by an
earthquake in the age of Nero. —Anothei in
Laodicea, a province of Syria, which
receives its name from Laodicea, its capital.

Laodocus, a son of Antenor, whose form
Minerva borrowed to advise Pandarus to
break the treaty which subsisted between the
Greeks and Trojans. Homer. II. 4.-An at-
tendant of Antilochus.—A son of Priam.
Apol. 3, c. 12.—A son of Apollo and
Phthia. Id. 1, c. 7.

Laogonus, a son of Bias, brother to
Dardanus. Homer. II.—A priest of Jupiter,
killed by Merion in the Trojan war. Homer.
II. 16.

Laogoras, a king of the Dryopes, who
acquainted his subjects to become robbers.
He plundered the temple of Apollo at Del-
phi, and was killed by Hercules. Apol. 2,
c. 7.

Laogorie, a daughter of Cinyras and
Metherma, daughter of Pygmalion. She died
in Egypt. Id. 3, c. 14.

Laomedon, son of Teleus king of Troy, mar-
ried Strymo, called by some Placia, or Leu-
cippe, by whom he had Podarcis, afterwards
lorn by the name of Priam, and Hesione.
He built the walls of Troy, and was assisted
by Apollo and Neptune, whom Jupiter had
banished from heaven, and condemned to be
subservient to the will of Laomedon for one
year. When the walls were finished, Laome-
don refused to reward the labours of the gods,
and soon after his territories were laid waste
by the sea, or Neptune, and his subjects were
visited by a pestilence sent by Apollo. Sacri-
fices were offered to the offended divinities,
but the calamities of the Trojans increased,
and nothing could appease the gods, ac-
cording to the words of the oracle, but
annually to expose to a sea-monster a Trojan
virgin. Whenever the monster appeared, the
marriageable maidens were assembled, and the
lot decided which of them was doomed to
death for the good of her country. When
this calamity had continued for five or six
years, the lot fell upon Hesione, Laomedon's
daughter. The king was unwilling to part
with a daughter whom he loved with uncom-
mon tenderness, but his refusal would irritate
more strongly the wrath of the gods. In the
midst of his fears and hesitation, Hercules
came and offered to deliver the Trojans from
this public calamity, if Laomedon promised to
reward him with a number of fine horses.
The king consented, but when the monster was
destroyed, he refused to fulfil his engagements,
and Hercules was obliged to besiege Troy and
take it by force of arms. Laomedon was put
to death after a reign of 29 years, his daughter
Hesione was given in marriage to Telamon,
one of the conqueror's attendants, and Podarcis
was ransomed by the Trojans and placed upon
his father's throne. According to Hyginus,
the wrath of Neptune and Apollo was kindled
against Laomedon because he refused to offer
on their altars, as a sacrifice, all the first-born
of his cattle, according to a vow he had made.

Homer. II. 21.—Virg. En. 2 & 9.—Ovid. Met.
11, fab. 6.—Apol. 2, c. 5.—Paus. 7, c. 20.
Horat. 3, od. 3.—Hygin. 89.—A dema-
gogue of Messana in Sicily.—A saurap of
Phoenicia, &c. Curt. 10, c. 10.—An Athe-
nean, &c. Plat.—An Orchenian. Id.

Laomedontius, an epithet applied to the
Trojans from their king Laomedon. Virg.
En. 4, v. 542.

Laomedontiades, a patronymic given to the
Trojans from Laomedon their king. Virg.
En. 3, v. 248.

Laomome, the wife of Polyphemus one of
the Argonauts.

Laonome, a daughter of Thespis, one
whom Hercules had two sons Telus and Me-
nipides, and two daughters Lysidice and
Stentinice. Apol. 2, c. 7.

Laothoe, a daughter of Altes a king of the
Leleges, who married Priam, and became
mother of Lycaon and Polydorus. Homer.
II. 21.—One of the daughters of Thespis,
mother of Antius, by Hercules. Apol. 2,
c. 7.

Lautus, a river of Lacedemon.

Lapathus, a city of Cyprus.

Laphria, a surname of Diana at Patrae
in Achaia, where she had a temple with a
statue of gold and ivory, which represented her
in the habit of a huntress. This name was
given to the goddess from Laphrius, the son
of Delphus, who consecrated the statue to her.
There was a festival of the goddess there called
also Laphria, of which Paus. 7, c. 18, gives
an account.

Laphystium, a mountain in Boeotia, where
Jupiter had a temple, whence he was called
Laphystius. It was here that Athamas pre-
pared to immolate Phryxus and Helle, whom
Jupiter saved by sending them a golden ram.
Paus. 9, c. 34.

Lapideus, a surname of Jupiter among the
Romans.

Laphira, a people of Thessaly. Vict.

Lapithus.

Lapithus, a city of Cyprus.

Laphitus, a son of Apollo, by Sib. He
was brother to Centaurus, and married Orsi-
nome, daughter of Euryonymus, by whom he
had Phorbas and Periphas. The name of
Laphitius was given to the numerous children
of Phorbas and Periphas, or rather to the in-
habits of the country of which they had ob-
tained the sovereignty. The chief of the
Lapithæ assembled to celebrate the nuptials of
Pirithous, one of their number, and among them
were Theseus, Dryas, Hopleus, Mopsus, Phalerus.
Exadius, Prolochus, Tatereius, &c. The Cen-
taurus were also invited to partake the com-
mon festivity, and the amusements would have been
harmless and innocent, but had not one of the in-
toxicated Centaurs offered violence to Hippodamia,
the wife of Pirithous. The Lapithæ resented the
injury, and the Centaurs supported their
companions, upon which the quarrel became
universal, and ended in blows and slaughter.
Many of the Centaurs were slain, and they at
last were obliged to retire. Theseus among the Lapithae, shewed himself brave and intrepid in supporting the cause of his friends, and Nestor also was not less active in the protection of chastity and innocence. This quarrel arose from the resentment of Mars, whom Piritious forgot or neglected to invite among the other gods, at the celebration of his nuptials, and therefore this divinity punished the insult by sowing dissension among the festive assembly. [Vid. Centauri.] Hesiod has described the battle of the Centaurs and Lapithae, as also Ovid, in a more copious manner. The invention of bits and bridles for horses is attributed to the Lapithae. Virg. G. 3, v. 115.—Ovid, Lib. 6, v. 611. L. 7, v. 305.—Ovid. Met. 12.—Hesiod, in Scut.—Did. 4.—Pind. 2. Pyth.—Strab. 9.—Stet. Theb. 7, v. 504.

LAPITHAEUM, a town of Arcadia. Panh. 3. c. 20.

LARA of LARANDA, one of the Naiads, daughter of the river Almon in Latium, famous for her beauty and her loquacity, which her parents long endeavoured to correct, but in vain. She revealed to Juno the amours of her husband Jupiter with Juno, for which the god cut off her tongue, and ordered Mercury to conduct her to the infernal regions. The messenger of the gods fell in love with her by the way, and gratified his passion. Lara became mother of two children, to whom the Romans have paid divine honours according to the opinion of some, under the name of Lares. Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 599.

LARENTIA and LAURENTIA, a courtezan in the first ages of Rome. Vid. Acca.

LARES, gods of inferior power at Rome who presided over houses and families. They were two in numbers, sons of Mercury by Lara. [Vid. Lara.] In process of time their power was extended not only over houses, but also over the country and the sea, and we find Lares Urbani to preside over the cities, Familiares over houses, Rustici over the country, Compitales over cross ways, Marini over the sea, Viales over the roads, Patellari, &c. According to the opinion of some, the worship of the gods, Lares, whom some suppose to be the manes, arises from the ancient custom among the Romans and other nations, of burying their dead in their houses, and from their belief that their spirit continually hovered over the houses, for the protection of its inhabitants. The statues of the Lares resembling monkeys, and covered with the skin of a dog, were placed in a niche behind the doors of the houses, or around the hearths. At the feet of the Lares was the figure of a dog barking, to intimize their care and vigilance. Incense was burnt on their altars, and a sow was also offered on particular days. Their festivals were observed at Rome in the month of May, when their statues were crowned with garlands of flowers, and offerings of fruit presented. The word Lares seems to be derived from the Etruscan word Lars, which signifies, conductor, or leader. Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 129.—Plut. in quest. Rom.—Varro, de L. L. 4, c. 10.—Horat. 3, od. 23.—Plut. in. Aud. et Cist.

LAROA, a well known prostitute in Juvenile's age. Juv. 4, v. 25.

LAROUS, a Latin poet who wrote a poem on the arrival of Antenor in Italy, where he built the town of Padua. He composed with ease and elegance. Ovid. et Pont. 4, ep. 16, v. 17.

LAKIDES, a son of Daucus or Daunus, who assisted Turnus against Æneas, and had his hand cut off with one blow by Pallas the son of Evander. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 391.

LÄRNA, a virgin of Italy who accompanied Camilla in her war against Æneas. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 653.

LARINEM or LÄRNA, a town of Italy, whose inhabitants are called Larinates. Ital. 15, v. 563.

LARISA, a daughter of Pelasgus, who gave her name to some cities in Greece. Paul. 2, c. 23.—A city between Palestine and Egypt, where Pompey was murdered and buried, according to some accounts. A large city on the banks of the Tigris. It had a small pyramid near it, greatly inferior to those of Egypt.—A city of Asia Minor, on the southern confines of Tarsus. Another in Eolia, 70 stadia from Cyrne. It is surprized Phricomus by Strabo, by way of distinction.—Another near Ephesus. Another on the borders of the Peneus in Thessaly, the most famous of all the cities of that name. It was here that Acisius was in inadvertent killed by his grandson Perseus. Jupiter had there a famous temple, on account of which he is called Larissus. The same epitaph is also applied to Achilles, who reigned there. It is still extant, and bears the same name. Ovid. Met. 2, v. 542.—Virg. Æn. 2, v. 197.—Lucan. 6.—A cidadel of Argos built by Danaus.

LARISIUS, a river of Peloponnesus, flowing between Elis and Achaia. Strab. 6.

LARIUS, a large lake in Italy. Virg. G. 2, v. 159.

LAROS, a small desolate island on the coast of Thrace.


LARS TULOMNIUS, a king of the Veientes conquered by the Romans, and put to death, A. U. C. 329. Liv. 4, c. 17 & 19.

LARTIUS FLOCRUS, a consul, who appeased a sedition raised by the poorer citizens, and was the first dictator ever chosen at Rome, B. C. 499. He made Spurius Cassius his master of horse. Liv. 2, c. 18.—One of the three Romans who alone withstood the fury of Porsemna's army at the head of a bridge, while the communication was cutting down behind them. His companions were Cocles and Herminus. Vid. Cocles. Liv. 2, c. 10 & 18.—Dionys. Hal.—Val. Mar. 3, c. 2.—The name of Lartius has been common to many Romans.

LARTOILEATANI, a people of Spain.

LARVE, a name given to the wicked spirits and apparitions which, according to the notions of the Romans, issued from their graves in the night and came to terrify the world. As the word larve signifies a mask, whose horrid and unseem appearance often serves to frighten children, that name has been given to the ghosts.
or spectres which superstition believes to hover around the graves of the dead. Some call them Lemures. Servius in Virg. Æn. 5, v. 64, l. v. 152.

Lavernia, a town on Boetia, where Bacchus had a temple and a statue. Another in Caria. Lervium, a mountain of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 22.

Lasia, an ancient name of Andros. Lasius, or Lasus, a dithyrambic poet born at Hermione in Peloponnesus, about 500 years before Christ, and reckoned among the wise men of Greece by some. He is particularly known by the answer he gave to a man who asked him what could best render life pleasant and comfortable?—Experience. He was acquainted with music. Some fragments of his poetry are to be found in Atheneus. He wrote an ode upon the Centaurs and an hymn to Ceres without inserting the letter S in the composition. Athen. 10.

Lasthenes, a governor of Olynthus corrupted by Philip king of Macedonia.—A Cre- tan demagogue conquered by Metellus the Roman general.—A cruel minister at the court of the Seleucidae, kings of Syria.

Lasthénia, a woman who disguised herself to come and hear Plato's lessons. Diog.

Látváus, a king of Pontus who assisted Æneas against his enemies, &c. Flacc. 5, &c.—One of the companions of Æneas killed by Mezentius. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 697.

Lateranus Plautus, a Roman consul elect, A. D. 65. A conspiracy with Piso against the emperor Nero proved fatal to him. He was led to execution, where he refused to confess the associates of the conspiracy, and did not even frown at the executioner who was as guilty as himself, but when a first blow could not sever his head from his body, he looked at the executioner, and shaking his head, he returned it to the hatchet with the greatest composure, and it was cut off. There exists now a celebrated palace at Rome which derives its name from its ancient possessors, the Laterani.

Latérium, the villa of Q. Cicero at Arpi- num. Cic. ad Attic. 4 & 7.

Latialis, a surname of Jupiter, who was worshipped by the inhabitants of Latium upon mount Albanus at stated times. The festivals which were first instituted by Tarquin the Proud, lasted 15 days. Liv. 21.—Vid. Feriae Latinae.

Latini, the inhabitants of Latium. Vid. Latium.

Latinius Latarius, a celebrated informer, &c. Tacit.

Latinius, a son of Faunus, by Marica, king of the Aborigines in Italy, who from him were called Latini. He married Amata by whom he had a son and a daughter. The son died in his infancy, and the daughter called Lavinia, was secretly promised in marriage by her mother to Turnus king of the Rutuli, one of her most pow- erful admirers. The gods opposed this union, and the oracles declared that Lavinia must be- come the wife of a foreign prince. The arrival of Æneas in Italy seemed favourable to this prediction, and Latinius, by offering his daughter to the foreign prince and making him his friend and ally, seemed to have fulfilled the commands of the oracle. Turnus however disapproved of the conduct of Latinius, he claimed Lavinia as his lawful wife, and prepared to support his cause by arms. Æneas took up arms in his own defence, and Latium was the seat of the war. After mutual losses it was agreed, that the quarrel should be decided by the two rivals, and Latinius promised his daughter to the conqueror. Æneas obtained the victory and married Lavinia. Latinius soon after died and was succeeded by his son-in-law. Virg. Æn. 9, &c.—Ovid. Met. 13, &c. Fast. 2, &c.—Dionys. Hal. 1, c. 13.—Liv. 1, c. 1, &c.—Justin. 43, c. 1.

A son of Sylvius Æneas surnamed also Sylvius. He was the 5th king of the Latins and suc- ceeded his father. He was father to Alba his successor. Dionys. 1, c. 15.—Liv. 2, c. 3.

Latium, a country of Italy near the river Tiber. It was originally very circumscribed, but afterwards it comprehended the territories of the Volsci, Æqui, Hernici, Ausones, Umbri, and Rutuli. The first inhabitants were called Aborigines, and received the name of Latini from Latinius their king. According to others the word is derived from lateo, to conceal, be- cause Saturn concealed himself there when flying the resentment of his son Jupiter. Lau- rentum was the capital of the country in the reign of Latinius; Lavinium under Æneas; and Alba under Ascanius. [Vid. Alba.] The Latins, though originally known only among their neigh- bours, soon rose in consequence when Romulus had founded the city of Rome in their country. Virg. Æn. 8, v. 322.—Strab. 5.—Dionys. Hal.—Justin 20, c. 1.—Plut. in Romul.—Plin. 3, c. 12.


Latmus, a mountain of Caria near Miletus. It is famous for the residence of Endymion, whom the moon regularly visited in the night, whence he is often called Latmus Hero. [Vid. Endymion.] Meda, 1, c. 17.—Ovid. Trist. 2, Art. Am. 3.

Latomius, the god of health among the Co- rinthians.

Latobrigi, a people of Belgic Gaul.

Latóis, a name of Diana as being the daugh- ter of Latona.—A country-house near Ephesus. Latóna, a daughter of Coeus the Titan, and Phoebe, or, according to Homer, of Saturn. She was admired for her beauty, and celebrated for the favours which she granted to Jupiter. Juno, always jealous of her husband’s amours, made Latona the object of her vengeance, and sent the serpent Python to disturb her peace and perse- cut her. Latona wandered from place to place in the time of pregnancy, continually alarmed for fear of Python. She was driven from heaven, and Terra, influenced by Juno, refused to give her a place where she might rest and bring forth. Neptune, moved with compassion, struck with his trident, and made immovable the island of Delos, which before wandered in the Ægean, and appeared sometimes above and sometimes below the surface of the sea. La- tona changed into a quail by Jupiter, came to Delos, where she resumed her original shape,
and gave birth to Apollo and Diana, leaning against a palm tree or an olive. Her repose was of short duration. Juno discovered the place of her retreat and obliged her to fly from Delos. She wandered over the greatest part of the world, and in Caria, where her fatigue compelled her to stop, she was insulted and ridiculed by peasants of whom she asked for water, while they were weeding a marsh. Their refusal and insolence provoked her, and she entreated Jupiter to punish their barbarity. They were all changed into frogs. She was exposed to greater violence by Niobe, who boasted herself greater than the mother of Apollo and Diana, and ridiculed the presents which the piety of her neighbours had offered to Latona. [Vid. Niobe.] Her beauty proved fatal to the giant Tityus, whom Apollo and Diana put to death. [Vid. Tityus.] At last, Latons, though persecuted and exposed to the resentment of Juno, became a powerful deity, and saw her children receive divine honours. Her worship was generally established where her children received adoration, particularly at Argos, Delos, &c. where she had temples. She had an oracle in Egypt, celebrated for the true decisive answers which it gave. Died. 5. — Herodot. 2. c. 155. — Plut. &c. — Homer, Il. 21. Hymn, in Ap. & Diaii. — Hesiod. Theog. — Apollod. 3. c. 5. & 10. — Ovid. Met. 6. v. 160. — Hygin. fab. 140.

LAPTOPOLIS, a city of Egypt. Strab. 2. c. 4. 2. Latous, a name given to Apollo as son of Latona. Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 9.

LAUDAMIUS, one of the Centaurs, &c. Ovid. 2. c. 4. 3. Laudamia, a daughter of Alexander king of Laurus, and Olympias daughter of Pyrrhus, killed in a temple of Diana, by the enraged populace. Justin. 28. c. 3.

LAVENNA, the goddess of thieves and dishonest persons at Rome. She did not only preside over robbers, but she protected such as deceived others, or formed their secret machinations in obscurity and silence. Her worship was very popular, and the Romans raised her an altar near one of the gates of the city, which, from that circumstance, was called the gate of Lavena. She was generally represented by a head without a body. Horat. 1. ep. 16. v. 60. — Varro de L. L. 4. — A place mentioned by Plut. &c.

LAUPPELLA, a wardon woman, &c. — Jul. 1. 319.

LAUVIANA, a province of Armenia Minor.

LAVINIA, a daughter of King Latinus and Amata. She was betrothed to her relation king Turnus but because the oracle ordered her father to marry her to a foreign prince, she was given to Aeneas after the death of Turnus. [Vid. Latinus.] At her husband's death she was left pregnant, and being fearful of the tyranny of Ascanius her son-in-law, she fled into the woods, where she brought forth a son called Aeneas Sylvius. Dionys. Hal. 1. — Ovid. En. 6 & 7. — Ovid. Met. 14, v. 597. — Liv. 5, c. 1.

LAVINIIUM or LAVINUM, a town of Italy, built by Aeneas, and called by that name in honour of Lavinia, the founder's wife. It was the capital of Latium during the reign of Aeneas. Virg. En. 1, v. 262. — Strab. 3. — Dionys. Hal. 1. — Liv. 1, c. 2. — Justin. 43, c. 2.

LAURA, a place near Alexandria, in Egypt.

LAURENTIA, certain festivals celebrated at Rome in honour of Laurentia, in the calends of January. They were, in process of time, part of the Saturnalia. Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 57.

LAURENTES AGRI, the country in the neighbourhood of Laurentum. Tibull. 2, el. 5, v. 41.

LAURENTIA, Vid. Acca.

LAURENTINI, the inhabitants of Latium.

They received this name from the great number of laurels which grew in the country. King Latinus found one of uncommon largeness and beauty, when he was going to build a temple to Apollo, and the tree was consecrated to the god. [Vid. En. 7, v. 59.

LAURENTUM, the capital of the kingdom of Latium in the reign of Latius. Strab. 5. — Mela, 2, c. 4.


LAURION, a place of Attica, where was a gold mine. Thucyd. 2. — Paus. 1, c. 1.

LAURON, a town of Spain, where Pompey's son was conquered by Caesar's army.

LAUS POMPEIA, a town of Italy founded by a colony sent thither by Pompey.

LAUSUS, a son of Numitor, and brother of Ilia. He was put to death by his uncle Amulius, who usurped his father's throne. Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 54. — A son of Mezentius, king of the Tyrrhenians, killed by Aeneas in the war which his father and Turnus made against the Trojans. Virg. En. 7, v. 649. I. 10. v. 426. &c.

LAUTUM, a city of Latium.

LATUNIA or LATOUNA, a prison at Syracuse, cut out of the solid rock by Dionysius, and now converted into a subterraneous garden filled with numerous plants, flourishing in luxuriant variety. Cic. Ver. 5, c. 27. — Liv. 26, v. 27. I. 32, c. 26.

LEADES, a son of Astacus, who killed Eteocles. Apollod.

LELI, a nation of Peonia, near Macedonia.

LEIANA, an Athenian harlot, who bit off her tongue, not to betray the association in the conspiracy of Aristegiton and Harmodius.

LEANDER, a youth of Abydos, famous for his amours with Hero. — Vid. Hero. — A Milesian, who wrote an historical commentary upon his country.

LEANDRE, a daughter of Amyclas, who married Arcas. Apollod.

LEANDRIAS, a Lacedaemonian refugee at Thebes, who declared, according to an ancient oracle, that Sparta would lose the superiority over Greece, when conquered by the Thebans at Leuctra. — Dioct. 15.

LEARCHUS, a son of Athamas and Ino, crushed to death against a wall by his father in the fit of madness. Virg. Aeneas. Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 490.

LEBADER, a town of Eceotia, near mount Helikon. It received this name from the
mother of Aspledon, and became famous for the oracle and cave of Trophonius. No moles could live there according to Pliny. Strab. 9.—Plin. 16, c. 36.—Paus. 9, c. 59.

Lebedus or Lebedos, a town of Ionia, at the north of Colophon where festivals were yearly observed in honour of Bacchus. Lydiamachus destroyed it, and carried part of the inhabitants to Ephesus. It had been founded by an Athenian colony, under one of the sons of Codrus. Strab. 14.—Harat. 1, ep. 11.—Herodot. 1, c. 142.

Lebena, a commercial town of Crete, with a temple sacred to Ἀσκληπιαύς. Paus. 2, c. 26.

Lēbinthos and Lēbynthos, an island in the Αἰγασκαί, near Patmos. Strab. 10.—Mela, 2, c. 7.


Lēcythos, a town of Eubea.

Leda, a daughter of king Thespius and Eurythemis, who married Tyndarus, king of Sparta. She was seen bathing in the river Euroras by Jupiter, when she was some few days advanced in her pregnancy. And the god struck with her beauty, resolved to deceive her. He persuaded Venus to change herself into an eagle, while he assumed the form of a swan; and, after this metamorphosis, Jupiter as if fearful of the tyrannical cruelty of the bird of prey, fled through the air into the arms of Leda, who willingly sheltered the trembling swan from the assaults of his superior enemy. The caresses with which the naked Leda received the swan, enabled Jupiter to avail himself of his situation, and, nine months after this adventure, the wife of Tyndarus brought forth two eggs, of one of which sprang Pollux and Helena, and of the other Castor and Clytemnestra. The two former were deemed the offspring of Jupiter, and the others claimed Tyndarus for their father. Some mythologists attribute this amorous love to Nemesis, and not to Leda; and they further mention, that Leda was entrusted with the education of the children which sprang from the eggs brought forth by Nemesis. [Vida. Helena.] To reconcile this diversity of opinions, others maintain that Leda received the name of Nemesis after death. Homer and Hesiod make no mention of the metamorphosis of Jupiter into a swan, whence some have imagined that the fable was unknown to these two ancient poets, and probably invented since their age. Apollod. 1, c. 8, l. 3, c. 10.—Ovid. Met. 6, v. 109.—Hesiod. 17, v. 55.—Hygin. fab. 77.—Ioo. in Hel.—Homer. Od. 11.—Encrip. in Hel.—A famous dancer in the age of Jucunael, 6, v. 63.

Leda, an epitaph given to Hermione, &c. as related to Leda. Virg. Ἀεν. 3, v. 328.

Lērus, a river of Gaul. Mela, 2, c. 5.

Lēgio, a corps of soldiers in the Roman armies, whose numbers have been different at different times. The legion under Romulus consisted of 3000 foot and 300 horse, and was soon after augmented to 4000, after the admis-

sion of the Sabines into the city. When An-

nibal was in Italy it consisted of 5000 soldiers, and afterwards it was decreased to 4000 or 4500. Marius made it consist of 6200, besides 700 horse. This was the period of its greatness in numbers. Livy speaks of ten, and even eighteen legions kept at Rome. During the consular government it was usual to levy and fit up four legions, which were divided between the two consuls. This number was, however, often increased, as time and occasion required. Augustus maintained a standing army of twenty-

three or twenty-five legions, and this number was seldom diminished. In the reign of Ti-

berius there were 27 legions, and the peace establishment of Adrian maintained no less than 30 of these formidable brigades. They were distributed over the Roman empire, and their stations were settled and permanent. The peace of Britain was protected by three legions; sixteen were stationed on the banks of the Rhine and Danube, viz. two in Lower, and three in Upper Germany; one in Noricum, one in Rhaetia, three in Maecia, four in Pannonia, and two in Dacia. Eight were stationed on the Euphrates, six of which remained in Syria, and two in Cappadocia, while the remote pro-

vinces of Egypt, Africa, and Spain, were guarded each by a single legion. Besides these, the tranquility of Rome was preserved by 20,000 soldiers, who, under the titles of city cohorts and of pratarian guards, watched over the safety of the monarch and of the capital. The legions were distinguished by different appellations, and generally borrowed their name from the order in which they were first raised, as prima, secunda, tertia, quarta, &c. Besides this distinction, another more ex-

press was generally added, as from the name of the emperor who embodied them, as Augusta, Claudiana, Galliana, Flavia, Ulpia, Tra-

iana, Antoniana, &c. from the provinces or quar-

ters where they were stationed, as Britannica, Cyrenica, Gallica, &c. from the provinces which had been subdued by their valour, as Parthica, Scythica, Arabica, Africana, &c. from the names of the deities whom their generals particularly worshipped, as Minervia, Apollinaris, &c. or from more trivial accidents, as Martia, Fulminatrix, Ropas, Adjutrix, &c. Each legion was divided into ten cohorts, each cohort into three manipuli, and every manipulus into three centuries or ordinis. The chief commander of the legion was called legatus, lieutenant. The standards borne by the legions were various. In the first ages of Rome a wolf was the standard, in honour of Romulus; afterwards a hog, because that animal was generally sacrificed at the conclusion of a treaty, and therefore it indicated that war was undertaken for the obtaining of peace. A minotaur was sometimes the stand-

ard, to intimate the secrecy with which the general was to act, in commemoration of the

labyrinth. Sometimes a horse or a boar were used, till the age of Marius, who changed all these for the eagle, being a representation of that bird in silver, holding sometimes a thun-

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after remained in use, though Trajan made use of the dragon.

LEITUS, one of the five Boeotian generals who came to the Trojan war. Homer, II. 2. One of the Argonauts, son of Alector. Apollod. 2, c. 9.

LELAPS, a dog that never failed to seize and conquer whatever animal he was ordered to pursue. It was given to Procris by Diana, and Procris reconciled herself to her husband by presenting him with that valuable present. According to some, Procris had received it from Minos, as a reward for the dangerous wounds of which she had cured him. Hygin. fab. 128.—Ovid. Met. 7, v. 771.—Paus. 9, c. 19.

—One of Actaeon’s dogs.

LELEGES, (a λέγειν, to gather) a wandering people composed of different unconnected nations. They were originally inhabitants of Caria, and went to the Trojan war with Altes their king. Achilles plundered their country, and obliged them to retire to the neighbourhood of Halicarnassus, where they fixed their habitation. The inhabitants of Laconia and Megara bore this name for some time, from Lelex, one of their kings. Strab. 7 & 8.—Homer, Il. 21.—Virg. Æn. 8, v. 725.—Paus. 3, c. 1.

LELEGRES, a name applied to Miletus, because once possessed by the Leleges. Plin. 5, c. 29.

LELEX, an Egyptian, who came with a colony to Megara, where he reigned about 200 years before the Trojan war. His subjects were called from him Leleges, and the place Lelaegia marea. Paus. 3, c. 1.—A Greek, who was the first king of Laconia, in Peloponnesus His subjects were also called Leleges, and the country where he reigned Lelegia. Id.

LEMANIS, a place in Britain, where Cesar is supposed to have first landed, and therefore placed by some at Lime in Kent.

LEMANUS, a lake in the country of the Allobroges, through which the Rhone flows. Lucan. 1, v. 396.—Mela, 2, c. 5.

LEMNOS, an island in the Ægean sea, between Tenedos, Imbros, and Samothrace. It was sacred to Vulcan, called Lemnius pater, who fell there when kicked down from heaven by Jupiter. [Vid. Vulcanaus.] It was celebrated for two horrible massacres, that of the Lemanian women murdering their husbands, [Vid. Hippisipyle] and that of the Lemnians, or Pelasgi, in killing all the children they had had by some Athenian women, whom they had carried away to become their wives. These two acts of cruelty have given rise to the proverb of Lemanian actions, which is applied to all barbarous and inhuman deeds. The first inhabitants of Lemnos were the Pelasgi, or rather the Thracians, who were murdered by their wives. After them came the children of the Lemanian widows by the Argonauts, whose descendants were at last expelled by the Pelasgi, about 1100 years before the Christian era. Lemnos is about 112 miles in circumference, according to Pliny, who says, that it is often shadowed by mount Athos, though at the distance of 392

87 miles. It has been called Hippisipyle, from queen Hippisipyle. It is famous for a certain kind of earth or chalk, called terra Lemnia, or terras sigillata, from the seal or impression which it can bear. As the inhabitants were blacksmiths, the poets have taken occasion to fix the forges of Vulcan in that island, and to consecrate the whole country to his divinity. Lemnos is also celebrated for a labyrinth, which, according to some traditions, surpassed those of Crete and Egypt. Some remains of it were still visible in the age of Pliny. The island of Lemnos, now called Stalimene, was reduced under the power of Athens by Mithridates, and the Carians, who then inhabited it, were obliged to emigrate. Virg. Æn. 8, v. 454. —Homer, Il. 1, v. 593.—C. Nep. in Mitt.—Strab. 1, 2, & 7.—Herodot. 6, c. 140.—Mela, 2, c. 7.—Apollod. 1, arg.—Placc. 2, v. 73.—Ovid. Art. Am. 3.

LEMOVII, a nation of Germany. Tacit. de Germ.

LEMURES, the manes of the dead. The ancients supposed that the souls, after death, wandered all over the world, and disturbed the peace of its inhabitants. The good spirits were called lures familiares, and the evil ones were known by the name of Larve, or Lemures. They terrified the good, and continually haunted the wicked and impious; and the Romans had the superstition to celebrate festivals in their honour, called Lemuria or Lemuralia, in the month of May. They were first instituted by Romulus to appease the manes of his brother Remus, from whom they were called Remuria, and, by corruption, Lemuria. These solemnities continued three nights, during which the temples of the gods were shut, and marriages prohibited. It was usual for the people to throw black beans on the graves of the deceased, or to burn them, as the smell was supposed to be insupportable to them. They also muttered magical words, and, by beating kettles and drums, they believed that the ghosts would depart, and no longer come to terrify their relations upon earth. Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 421, &c.

LEMURIA and LEMURALIA. Vid. Lemures.

LENEXUS, a surname of Bacchus, from appo, a wine-press. There was a festival, called Lena, celebrated in his honour, in which the ceremonies observed at the other festivals of the god chiefly prevailed. There were, besides, poetical contentions, &c. Paus.—Virg. G. 2, v. 4. En. 4, v. 207.—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 14. A learned grammarian, ordered by Pompey to translate into Latin some of the physical manuscripts of Mithridates, king of Pontus.

LENTULUS, a celebrated family at Rome, which produced many great men in the commonwealth. The most illustrious were L. Corn. Lentulus, a consul, A. U. C. 427, who dispersed some robbers who infested Umbria. —Batiatus Lentulus, a man who trained up some gladiators at Capua, which escaped from his school.—Corn. Lentulus, surnamed Sura. He joined in Catiline’s conspiracy, and assisted in corrupting the Allobroges. He was con-
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vicited in full senate by Cicero, and put in
prison, and afterwards executed.—A consul
who triumphed over the Samnites.—Cn.
Lentulus, surnamed Gaetulicus, was made con-
sul, A. D. 26, and was, some time after, put
to death by Tiberius, who was jealous of his great
popularity. He wrote an history, mentioned
by Suetonius, and attempted also poetry.
L. Lentulus, a friend of Pompey, put to death
in Africa.—P. Corn. Lentulus, a praetor,
defeated by the rebellious slaves in Sicily.
Lentulus Spinther, a senator, kindly used by J.
Cesar, &c.—A tribune at the battle of
Cannæ.—P. Lentulus a friend of Brutus
—Besides these, there are a few others,
whose name is only mentioned in history, and
whose life was not marked by any common
event. The consulship was in the family of
the Lentull in the years of Rome 428, 577, 415,
516, 551, 553, 594, 596, &c. Tacit. Ann.—
Liv.—Flor.—Plin.—Plut.—Europ.
Leo, a native of Byzantium, who flourished
about 350 years before the Christian era. His
philosophical and political talents endeared him
to his countrymen, and he was always sent
upon every important occasion as ambassador
to Athens, or to the court of Philip, king of
Macedonia. This monarch, well acquainted
with the abilities of Leo, was sensible that his
views and claims to Byzantium would never
succeed while it was protected by the vigilance
of such a patriotic citizen. To remove him he
had recourse to artifice and perjury. A letter
was forged, in which Leo made solemn pre-
1mises of betraying his country to the king
of Macedonia for money. This was no sooner
known than the people ran enraged to the
house of Leo, and the philosopher, to avoid
their fury, and without attempting his justifi-
cation, strangled himself. He had written
some treatises upon physic and history, which
have been lost. Plut.—A Corinthian at
Syracuse, &c.—A king of Sparta.—A son of
Euryocrates. Athen. 12.—Philos.—An
emperor of the east, surnamed the Thracios.
He reigned 17 years, and died A. D. 474,
being succeeded by Leo the Second for 10
months, and afterwards by Zeno.
Leocradion, a monument erected by the
Athenians to Pasithena, Theope, and Eubule,
dughters of Leo, who immolated themselves
when an oracle had ordered that, to stop the
raging pestilence, some of the blood of the
citizens must be shed.
Leocrates, an Athenian general, who flou-
ished B. C. 460, &c. Diod. 11.
Leodamas, a son of Eteocles, one of the
seven Theban chiefs who defended the city
against the Argives. He killed Ægialeus, and
was himself killed by Alcmeon.—A son of
Leodocus, one of the Argonauts. Paus.
Leogoras, an Athenian debauchee, who
maintained the courtier Myrrhinia.
Leon, a king of Sparta. Hierot. 7, c. 204.
—A town of Sicily, near Syracuse. Lic. 24,
c. 25.
Leoma, a courtier, who was concerned in
the conspiracy of Aristogiton and Harmodius,
&c.
Leonatus, one of Alexander's generals.
His father's name was Eumus. He distin-
guished himself in Alexander's conquest of
Asia, and once saved the king's life in a dan-
gerous battle. After the death of Alexander,
at the general division of the provinces, he re-
ceived for his portion that part of Phrygia
which borders on the Hellespont. He was
empowered by Perdiccas to assist Eumenes in
making himself master of the province of Cap-
padocia, which had been allotted to him. Like
the rest of the generals of Alexander, he was
ambitious of power and dominion. He aspired
to the sovereignty of Macedonia, and secretly
communicated to Eumenes the different plans
he meant to pursue to execute his designs.
He passed from Asia into Europe to assist An-
tipater against the Athenians, and was killed
in a battle which was fought soon after his
arrival. Historians have mentioned, as an in-
stance of the luxury of Leonatus, that he em-
ployed a number of camels to procure some
earth from Egypt to wrestle upon, as, in his
opinions it seemed better calculated for that
purpose. Plut. in Alex.—Curt. Dio. 18.—C.
Nep. in Eum.—A Macedonian with Pyyrus
in Italy against the Romans.
Leonidas, a celebrated king of Lacedæmon,
of the family of the Eurysthenide, sent by his
countrymen to oppose Xerxes, king of Persia,
who had invaded Greece with about five mil-
tions of souls. He was offered the kingdom of
Greece by the enemy if he would not oppose
his views; but Leonidas heard the proposal
with indignation, and observed, that he pre-
ferred death for his country, to an unjust
though extensive dominion over it. Before
the engagement Leonidas exhorted his soldiers,
and told them all to dine heartily, as they were
to sup in the realms of Pluto. The battle was
fought at Thermopyæ, and the 300 Spartans,
who alone had refused to abandon the scene of
action, withstood the enemy with such vigour,
that they were obliged to retire, wearied and
conquered during three successive days, till
Ephialtes a Trachinian had the perilous con-
duct a detachment of Persians by a secret path
up the mountains, whence they silently fell
upon the rear of the Spartans, and crashed them
to pieces. Only one escaped of the 300; he
returned home, where he was treated with insult
and reproaches, for flying ingloriously from a
battle in which his brave companions, with
their royal leader had perish. This
celebrated battle, which happened 480 years
before the Christian era, taught the Greeks
to despire the numbers of the Persians, and to
rely upon their own strength and intrepidity.
Temples were raised to the fallen hero, and
festivals, called Leonideæ, yearly celebrated at
Sparta, in which free-born youths contended.
Leonidas, as he departed for the battle from
Lacedæmon, gave no other injunctions to his
wife, but, after his death, to marry a man of
virtue and honour, to raise from her children
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LEONTINI, a town of Sicily, about five miles distant from the sea shore. It was built by a colony from Chalcis in Euboea, and was, according to some accounts, once the habitation of the Lestrygones, for which reason the neighbouring fields are often called Lestrygonii campi. The country was extremely fruitful, whence Cicero calls it the grand magazine of Sicily. The wine which it produced was the best of the island. The people of Leontium implored the assistance of the Athenians against the Syracusans, B. C. 427. Thucyd. 6.-Polyb. 7.-Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 467.-Ital. 14, v. 126.

Leontium, a celebrated courtezan of Athens, who studied philosophy under Epicurus, and became one of his warmest pupils. She prostituted herself to the philosopher's scholars, and even to Epicurus himself, if we believe the reports which were raised by some of his enemies. [Vid. Epicurus.] Metrodotus shared her favours in the most unbounded manner, and by him she had a son, to whom Epicurus was so partial, that he recommended him to his executors on his dying bed. Leontium not only professed herself a warm admirer and follower of the doctrines of Epicurus, but she even wrote a book in support of them against Theophrastus. This book was valuable, if we believe the testimony and criticism of Cicero, who praised the purity and elegance of its style, and the truly Attic turn of the expressions. Leontium had also a daughter called Danae, who married Sophron. Cic. de Nat. D. 1, c. 35.

LEONTOCEPHALUS, a strongly fortified city of Phrygia. Plut.

LEONTON of LEONTOPOLIS, a town of Phocicia.

LEOTYCHIDES. Vid. Leotychedes.

LEOS, a son of Orpheus, who immortalized his three daughters for the good of Athens. Vid. Leocorion.

LEOSTHENES, an Athenian general, who, after Alexander's death, drove Antipater to Thessaïy, where he besieged him in the town of Lamia. The success which for a while attended his arms was soon changed by a fatal blow which he received from a stone thrown by the besieged, B. C. 323. The death of Leosthenes was soon followed by a total defeat of the Athenian forces. The funeral oration over his body was pronounced at Athens by Hyperides, in the absence of Demosthenes, who had been lately banished for taking a bribe from

LEOPOLIS, Ann.

LEPIDUS M. ÆMILVUS, a Roman, celebrated as being one of the triumvirs with Augustus and Antony. He was of an illustrious family, and like the rest of his contemporaries, he was remarkable for his ambition, to which was added a narrowness of mind, and a great deficiency of military abilities. He was sent against Cæsar's murderers, and some time after, he leagued with M. Antony, who had gained the heart of his soldiers by artifice, and that of their commander by his address. When his influence and power among the soldiers had made him one of the triumvirs, he shewed his cruelty, like his colleagues, by his proscriptions, and even suffered his own brother to be sacrificed to the dagger of the triumvire. He received Africa as his portion in the division of the empire; but his indolence soon rendered him despicable in the eyes of his soldiers and of his colleagues; and Augustus, who was well acquainted with the unpopularity of Lepidus, went to his camp, and obliged him to resign.
the power to which he was entitled as being a
transmitter. After this degrading event, he sunk
into obscurity, and retired, by order of Augustus,
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poetical compositions, and were also natives of the
place. Diod. 5.—Strab. 13.—Virg. G. 9.

LEPHYRUM, a city of Cicilia.
LEPHNUS, a mountain of Italy.
LEPONTIS, a people at the source of
the Rhine.

LEPESOS, a son of Pyreus, who built
a town in Elis, which he called after his own
name. He laid a wager that he would eat as
much as Hercules; upon which he killed an
ox, and eat it up. He afterwards challenged
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Pan. 5, c. 5.

LEPTRUM, a town of Elis. Plin. 4, c. 5.
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he sunk fifty of their ships. He was after-
wards defeated by Mogo, and banished by Dio-

nyus. He always continued a faithful friend
to the interests of his brother, though naturally
an avowed enemy to tyranny and oppression.
Diad. 15.—A famous orator at Athens, who
endeavoured to upload the people against op-
pressive taxes. He was opposed by Demosthenes.

A tyrant of Apollonia, in Sicily, who sur-
rrendered to Timoleon. Diad. 16.

LEPTIS, the name of two cities of Africa, one
of which, called Major, was near the Syrtes,
and had been built by a Tyrian or Sidonian
colony. The other, called Minor, was about
18 Roman miles from Adrumetum. It paid
every day a talent to the republic of Carthage
by way of tribute. Lucan. v. 231.—Plin. 5,
c. 19.—Sallust. in Jug.—Mela, 1, c. 8.—Strab.
3, c. 256.

LERIA, an island in the Egean sea, on the
coast of Caria, about 18 miles in circumference.
Its inhabitants were very dishonest.
Strab. 10.

—Herodot. 5, c. 153.

LERINA, or PLANASTA, a small island in the
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LERNA, a country of Argolis, celebrated for
a grove and a lake, where, according to the
poets, the Danaiides threw the heads of their
murdered husbands. It was there also that
Hercules killed the famous hydra. Virg. Æn.
6, v. 803, & lib. 12.—Strab. 3.—Mela, 2, c. 3.


4, v. 638.—Apollod. 2, c. 15.—There was a
festival, called Lernæan, celebrated there in hu-

nour of Bacchus, Proserpine, and Ceres. The
River-gods used to carry fire to this solemnity from
a temple upon mount Crathis, dedicated to
Diana. Paus.

LERO, a small island on the coast of Gaul.
LEROS, a large island in the Egean sea,
now known by the name of Melalein, 168 miles
in circumference. It has been severally called
Pelasia, from the Pelasgi, by whom it was first
peopled; Macaria, from Macareus, who settled in it; and Lesbos, from the son-in-law and
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Lethaús, a river of Lydia flowing by Mag-
nesia into the Maeander. Strab. 10, &c.—
Another of Macedonia.

Lethé, one of the rivers of hell, whose wa-
ters the souls of the dead drank after they had
been confined for a certain space of time in Tart-
arus. It had the power of making them forget
whatever they had done, seen or heard before,
as the name implies. Ap. 7, &c. Lethë is a river of Africa, near the Syrtës, which runs
under the ground, and some time after rises
again, whence the origin of the fable of the
Le-thenian streams of oblivion. There is also a river
of that name in Spain. Another in Boeotia, whose waters were drunk by those who consulted the oracle of Trophonius.

Lucan. 9, v. 355.—Ovid. Trist. 4, el. 1, v. 47.—Virg. G,
v. 545. Æn. 6, v. 714.—Ital. 1, v. 235, l. 10, v. 555.—Pan. 9, c. 39.

Letus, a mountain of Liguria. Liv. 41, c. 18.

Levana, a goddess at Rome, who presided
over the actions of the person who took up
the ground a newly-born child, after it

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had been placed there by the midwife. This was generally done by the father; and so religiously observed was this ceremony, that the legitimacy of a child could be disputed without it.


**Lexas**, or **Leucadia**, an island of the Ionian sea, now called St. Mauro, near the coast of Epirus, famous for a promontory where desponding lovers threw themselves into the sea. Sappho had recourse to this heap, called *Leucate*, to free herself from the violent passion which she entertained for Phaon. The word is derived from *leukos*, white, on account of the whiteness of its rocks. Apollo had a temple on the promontory, whence he is often called *Leucadius*. Ovid. *Heroid.* 15, v. 171.—*Strab.* 6, &c. *Ital.* 15, v. 302.—*Virg. En.* 3, v. 274. l. 8, v. 677.—A town of Phoenicia.

**Leucasion**, a village of Arcadia. *Paus.* 8, c. 25.

**Leucaspis**, a Lycean, one of the companions of *Æneas*, drowned in the Tyrrenian sea. *Virg.* En. 6, v. 334.

**Leuce**, a small island in the Euxine sea of a triangular form, between the mouths of the Danube and the Borysthenes. According to the poets, the souls of the ancient heroes were placed there as in the Elysian fields, where they enjoyed perpetual felicity, and reaped the re- pose to which their benevolence to mankind, and their exploits during life, seemed to entitle them. From that circumstance, it has often been called the island of the blessed, &c. According to some accounts, Achilles celebrated there his nuptials with Iphigenia, or rather Helen, and shared the pleasures of the place with the manes of Ajax, &c. *Strab.* 2.—*Mela.* 2, c. 7.—Ammian. 22.—Q. Calab. 3, v. 773. One of the Oceanides whom Pluto carried into his kingdom.

**Leuci**, a people of Gaul, &c.

**Leucipp**, one of the Oceanides.

**Leucipides**, the daughters of Leucippus. *Vid. Leucippus.*

**Leucippus**, a celebrated philosopher of Abdera, about 426 years before Christ, disciple to Zeno. He was the first who invented the famous system of atoms and of a vacuum, which was afterwards more fully explained by Democritus and Epicurus. Many of his hypotheses have been adopted by the moderns with advantage. Diogenes has written his life.—A brother of Tindarus, king of Sparta, who married Philodice, daughter of Inachus, by whom he had two daughters, Hilaria and Phaebe, known by the patronymic of Leucippides. They were carried away by their cousins Castor and Pollux, as they were going to celebrate their nuptials with Lynceus and Ida. *Ovid.* Fast. 5, v. 701.—*Apollod.* 3, c. 10, &c.—*Paus.* 3, 17, &c. 26.—A son of Xanthus, descended from Bellerophon. He became deeply enamoured of one of his sisters; and when he was unable to check or restrain his unnatural passion, he resolved to gratify it. He acquainted his mother with it, and threatened to murder himself if she attempted to oppose his views, or remove his affection. The mother, rather than lose a son whom she tenderly loved, cherished his passion, and by her consent, her daughter yielded herself to the arms of her brother. Some time after, the father resolved to give his daughter in marriage to a Lycian prince. The future husband was informed, that the daughter of Xanthus secretly entertained a lover, and he communicated the intelligence to the father. Xanthus upon this secretly watched his daughter; and when Leucippus had introduced himself to her bed, the father, in his eagerness to discover the seducer, occasioned a little noise in the room. The daughter was alarmed, and as she attempted to escape, she received a mortal wound from her father, who took her to be the lover. Leucippus came to her assistance, and stabbed his father in the dark, without knowing who he was. This accidental parricide obliged Leucippus to fly from his country. He came to Crete, where the inhabitants refused to give him an asylum, when acquainted with the atrociousness of his crime; and he at last came to Ephesus, where he died in the greatest misery and remorse. *Hermesianax apud Parmen.* c. 5. —A son of *Œnomaus*, who became enamoured of Daphne, and to obtain her confidence, disguised himself in a female dress, and attended his mistress as a companion. He gained the affections of Daphne by his obsequiousness and attention, but his artifice at last proved fatal; for when Daphne and her attendants were bathing in the Ladon, the sex of Leucippus was discovered, and he perished by the darts of the females. *Parthen.* Er. 15. c. 15. —*Paus.* 8, c. 20.—A son of *Hercules* by Mars, one of the daughters of Teseus. *Apollod.* 3, c. 7.

**Leucolæ**, a part of Cyprus.


**Leucone**, a daughter of Aphidas, who gave her name to a fountain of Arcadia. *Paus.* 8, c. 44.

**Leucônes**, a son of *Hercules*. *Apollod.*

**Leucosor**, a daughter of Lycamnes. The Leucorne, to whom Horace addresses his 1 od. 11, seems to be a fictitious name.

**Leucopethra**, a place on the isthmus of Corinth, where the Achaens were defeated by the consul Mummius.

**Leucôphyros**, a temple of Diana, with a city of the same name, near the Maender. —An ancient name of Tenedos. *Paus.* 10, c. 14.

**Leucopolis**, a town of Caria.


**Leucosia**, a small island in the Tyrrhenian
sea. It received its name from one of the companions of Aneas, who was drowned there, or from one of the Syrens, who was thrown there by the sea. Strab. 5.—Ovid. Met. 15, v. 706.

LEUCOBEIR, a people of Asia Minor, called afterwards Cappadocians.

LEUCOCHE OR LEUCOHERE, the wife of Athamas, changed into a sea deity. [Vid. Ino.] She was called Matura by the Romans, who raised her a temple, where all the people, particularly women, offered vows for their brother's children. They did not treat the deity to protect their own children, because Ino had been unfortunate in hers. No female slaves were permitted to enter the temple; or if their curiosity tempted them to transgress this rule, they were beaten away with the greatest severity. To this supplicating for other people's children, Ovid alludes in these lines, Fast. 6.

Non tamen hanc pro sterpe sua pia mater adorat,
Ipsa parum felix via fuisse parent.

—A daughter of king Orchamus by Eury- nome. Apollo became enamoured of her, and to introduce himself to her with greater facility, he assumed the shape and features of her mother. Their happiness was complete, when Clytia, who tenderly loved Apollo, and was jealous of his amours with Leucothee, discovered the whole intrigue to her father, who ordered his daughter to be buried alive. The lover, unable to save her from death, sprinkled nectar and ambrosia on her tomb, which, penetrating as far as the body, changed it into a beautiful tree, which bears the frankincense. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 196.—An island of the Tyrrhenian sea, near Caprea.—A fountain of Samos.—A town of Egypt.—of Arabia. Meta, 2, c. 7.—A part of Asia which produces frankin- cense.

LEUCUTRA, a village of Boeotia, between Platae and Thespia, famous for the victory which Epaminondas the Theban general obtained over the superior force of Cleombrotus, king of Sparta, on the 6th of July, B. C. 271. In this famous battle 4000 Spartans were killed, with their king Cleombrotus, and no more than 300 Thebans. From that time the Spartans lost the empire of Greece, which they had obtained for near 500 years. Plut. in Pelop. & Ages.—C. Nep. in Epom.—Justin. 6, c. 6.—Xenoph. Hist. Gr. —Diod. 15.—Paus. Lacon.—Cir. de offic. 1, c. 18. Thuc. 1, c. 46.—Strab. 9.

LEUCUTRA, a town of Laconia. Strab. 8.

LECUS, one of the companions of Ulysses.

LEUCYANIAS, a river of Peloponnesus, flowing into the Alpheus. Paus. 6, c. 21.

LEVINIUS. Vid. Lavinius.

LEYCTHIDES, a Lacedaemonian, made king of Sparta after the expulsion of Dema- nthus. Herodot. 6, v. 65, &c.—Vid. Leotych- ides.

LEXOVI, a people of Gaul, conquered with great slaughter by a lieutenant of J. Creest, Cass. bell. G.

LIBANUS, a celebrated sophist of Antioch in the age of the emperor Julian. He was educated at Athens, and opened a school at Antioch, which produced some of the best and most of the literary characters of the age. Libanius was naturally vain and arrogant, and he contemptuously refused the offers of the emperor Julian, who wished to purchase his friendship and intimacy, by raising him to offices of the greatest splendour and influence in the empire. When Julian had imprisoned the senators of Antioch for their impertinence, Libanius undertook the defence of his fellow-citizens, and paid a visit to the emperor, in which he aston- ished him by the boldness and independence of his expressions, and the firmness and re- solution of his mind. Some of his orations, and above 1600 of his letters are extant: they discover much affectation and obscurity of style, and we cannot perhaps much regret the loss of writings which afforded nothing but a display of pedantry, and quotations from Homer. Julian submitted his writings to the judgment of Libanius with the greatest con- fidence, and the sophist freely rejected or ap- proved, and showed that he was more attached to the person than the fortune and greatness of his prince. The time of his death is unknown.

—The best edition of Libanius seems to be that of Paris, fol. 1606, with a second volume published by Morell, 1627. His epistles have been edited by Wolf. fol. 1738.

LIBANUS, a high mountain of Syria, famous for its cedars. Strab. 6.

LIBENTINA, a surname of Venus. She had a temple at Rome, where the young women used to dedicate the toys and childish amusements of their youth, when arrived at noble years. Varrn.

LIBER, a surname of Bacchus, which signifies free. He received this name from his delivering some cities of Boeotia from slavery, or, according to others, because wine, of which he was a patron, delivered mankind from their cares, and made them speak with freedom and unconcern. The word is often used for wine itself. Senec. de tranq. anim.

LIBERA, a goddess, the same as Proserpine. Cic. in Verr. 4, c. 48.—A name given to Ariadne by Bacchus, or Liber, when he had married her. Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 513.

LIBERALIA, festivals yearly celebrated in honour of Bacchus, the 17th of March. Slaves were then permitted to speak with freedom, and every thing bore the appearance of independence. They are much the same as the Dionysia of the Greeks. Varrn.

LIBERTAS, a goddess of Rome, who had a temple on mount Aventine, raised by T Gracchus. She was represented as a woman in a light dress, holding a rod in one hand, and a cap in the other, both signs of independence, as the former was used by the magistrates in the manumission of slaves, and the latter was worn by slaves, who were soon to be set at
liberty. Sometimes a cat was placed at her feet, as this animal was very fond of liberty, and very impatient when confined. Lit. 24, c. 6. l. 25, c. 7. — Ovid. Trist. 3, et. 1, v. 72. — Plut. in Graec. — De Cest. 44. 

Libëuru, a fountain of Magnesia, or Beo- tia according to some, sacred to the Muses, who from thence are called Libethridas. Virg. Est. 7. — Plin. 4, c. 9. — Mela, 2, c. 3. — Streb. 9 & 10. 

Libërthrida, a name given to the Muses from the fountain Libethra, or from mount Libethrus in Thrace. 

Libici, Libysch, or Libri, a people of Gaul who passed into Italy, A. U. C. 364. Lit. 5, c. 33. 

Libëtina, a goddess at Rome, who presided over funerals. According to some, she is the same as Venus, or rather Proserpine. Servius Tullius first raised her a temple at Rome, where every thing necessary for funerals was exposed to sale, and where the registers of the dead were usually kept. Dimen. Hal. 4. — Lit. 40, c. 19. — Val. Max. 5, c. 3. — Plut. Quaest. Rom. 

Libro, a friend of Pompey, who watched over the fleet, &c. Plut. — A Roman citizens, &c. Horat. i, ep. 19. — A friend of the first triumvirates, who killed himself, and was condemned after death. 

Libonis, a Greek architect who built the famous temple of Jupiter Olympus. He flourished about 450 years before the Christian era. 

Libophagnikes, the inhabitants of the country near Carthage. 

Liburna, a town of Dalmatia. Liburnia, a country of Illyricum, between Istria and Dalmatia, whence a colony came to settle in Apulia in Italy. It is now called Croatia. Mela, 2, c. 3. — Strab. 7. 

Liburnia, an island on the coast of Liburnia, in the Adriatic. Strab. 5. 

Liburnum Mare, the sea which borders on the coasts of Liburnia. 

Liburnus, a mountain of Campania. 

Libys, a daughter of Epaphus and Cassiopea, who became mother of Agenor and Bureus, by Neptune. Apollod. 2, c. 1, l. 3, c. 1. — Paus. 1, 44. — A name given to Africa, one of the three quarters of the ancient globe. Libya, properly speaking, is only a part of Africa, bounded on the east, by Egypt, and on the west, by that part called by the moderns the kingdom of Tripoli. The ancients, according to some traditions, mentioned by Herodotus and others, sailed round Africa, by steering westward from the Red sea, and entered the Mediterranean by the column of Hercules, after a perilous navigation of three years. From the word Libyo, they are derived the epithets of Libyo, Libyss, Libyssis, Libyceus, Libysticus, Libysticus, Libysteus. Virg. En. 4, v. 106, l. 5, v. 57. — Lucan. 4. — Sallust. &c. 

Libyce Mare, that part of the Mediterranean which lies on the coast of Cyrene. Strab. 2. 

Libyces & Libystis. Vid. Libya. 

Libya, a sailor, &c. Ovid. Met. 5. 

Libysa, a river of Bithynia, with a town of the same name, where was the tomb of Ame- nul, still extant in the age of Pliny. 

Licytas, a people of Vindolica. 

Licythra, a city near Lycea. 

Licydes, small islands near Caneum, a promontory of Eubea, called from Lichas. Vid. Lichas. — Ovid. Met. 9, v. 155, 218. — Streb. 9. 

Lichas, a servant of Hercules who brought him the poisoned tunic from Dejanira. He was thrown by his master into the sea with great violence, and changed into a rock in the Euboean sea, but the compassion of the gods. Ovid. Met. 9, v. 91. 

Liches, an Arcadian, who found the bones of Orestes buried at Tegea, &c. Herodot. 

Liciinia lex, was enacted by L. Licinius Crassus, and Q. Mutius, consuls, A. U. C. 657. It ordered all the inhabitants of Italy to be enrolled on the list of citizens in their respective cities. — Another by C. Licinius Crassus, the tribune, A. U. C. 606. It transferred the right of choosing priests from the college to the people. It was proposed, but did not pass. 

Another by C. Licinius Stolo, the tribune. It forbade any person to possess 500 acres of land, or keep more than 100 head of large cattle, or 500 of small. Another by P. Licinius Varus, A. U. C. 545, to settle the day for the celebration of the Ludi Apollinares, which was before uncertain. Another by P. Licinius Crassus Divies, B. C. 110. It was the same as the Pannian law, and farther required, that no more than 30 asses should be spent at any table on the calends, nones, or nudium, and only three pounds of fresh, and one of salt meat, or ordinary days. None of the fruits of the earth were forbidden. Another de sodalitis, by M. Lici- nius the consul, 690. It imposed a severe penalty on party clubs, of societies assembled or frequented for election purposes, as coming under the definition of ambitus, and of offering violence in some degree to the freedom and independence of the people. Another called also Ebutia, by Licinius and Ebutius, the tribunes. It enacted, that when any law was preferred with respect to any officer or power, the person who proposed the bill, as well as his colleagues in office, his friends and relations should be declared incapable of being invested with the said office or power. 

Licinia, the wife of C. Gracchus, who at- tempted to dissuade her husband from his sedi- tious measures by a pathetic speech. She was deprived of her dowry after the death of Caius. — A vestal virgin accused of incontinence, but acquitted, A. U. C. 636. — Another vestal, put to death for her lasciviousness, under Trajan. The wife of Mecenas distinguished for conjugal tenderness. She was sister to Proculius, and bore also the name of Terentia. Horat. 2, od. 12, v. 13. 

C. Licinius, a tribune of the people cele- brated for the consequence of his family, for his intrigues and abilities. He was a plebeian, and was the first of that body who was raised to the office of a master of horse to the dictator. He was surmamed Stol, or useless sprout, on account of the law, which he had enacted during his tribunals. [Vid. Licinia lex by Stolo.] He afterwards made a law which permitted the
plebians to share the consular dignity with the patricians, A. U. C. 389. He reaped the benefits of this law, and was one of the first plebians consul. This law was proposed and passed by Licinius, as it is reported, at the instigation of his ambitious wife, who was jealous of her sister who had married a patrician, and who seemed to be of a higher dignity in being the wife of a consul. "Liv. 6, c. 34." C. Calvus, a celebrated orator and poet in the age of Cicero. He distinguished himself by his eloquence in the forum, and his poetry, which some of the ancients have compared to Catullus. His orations are greatly commended by Quintilian. Some believe that he wrote annals quoted by Dionysius of Halicarnassus. He died in the 30th year of his age. "Quintil. Cic. in Brut. 81." — Maced, a Roman, accused by Cicero, when prætor. He derided the power of his accuser, but when he saw himself condemned, he grew so desperate that he killed himself. "Plut. — P. Crassus, a Roman, sent against Perseus king of Macedonia. He was at first defeated, but afterwards repaired his losses, and obtained a complete victory, &c. — A consul sent against Annibal. — Another who defeated the robbers that infested the Alps, a high priest. — A consul, &c. Lucullus, "Vid. Lucullus." Crassus. "Vid. Crassus." Mucianus, a Roman, who wrote about the history and geography of the eastern countries, often quoted by Pliny. He lived in the reign of Vespasian. — P. Tegula, a comic poet of Rome about 200 years before Christ. He is ranked as the fourth of the best comic poets which Rome produced. Few lines of his compositions are extant. He wrote an ode which was sung all over the city of Rome by nine virgins during the Macedonian war. "Lit. 31, c. 12." — Varro Muraena, a brother of Proculeius, who conspired against Augustus, with Fannius Capio, and suffered for his crime. Horace addressed his 2 od. 10, to him, and recommended equanimity in every situation. "Diol. 54." — C. Flavius Valerianus, a celebrated Roman emperor. His father was a poor peasant of Dalmatia, and himself a common soldier in the Roman armies. His valour recommended him to the notice of Galerius Maximianus, who had once shared with him the inferior and subordinate offices of the army, and had lately been invested with the imperial purple by Dioclesian. Galerius loved him for his friendly services, particularly during the Persian war, and he showed his regard for his merit by taking him as a colleague in the empire, and appointing him over the province of Pannonia and Rhœstia. Constantine, who was also one of the emperors, courted the favour of Licinius, and made his intimacy more durable by giving him his sister Constantinian marriage, A. D. 313. The continual successes of Licinius, particularly against Maximianus, increased his pride, and rendered him jealous of the greatness of his brother-in-law. The persecutions of the Christians, whose doctrines Constantine followed, soon caused a rupture, and Licinius had the mortification to lose two battles, one in Pannonia, and the other near Adrianopolis. Treaties of peace were made between the contending powers, but the restless ambition of Licinius soon broke them; after many engagements, a decisive battle was fought near Chalcedon. Ill-fortune again attended Licinius, he was conquered, and fled to Nicomedia, where soon the conqueror obliged him to surrender, and to resign the imperial purple. The tears of Constantia obtained forgiveness for her husband, yet Constantine knew what turbulent and active enemy had fallen into his hands, therefore he ordered him to be strangled at Thessalonica, A.D. 324. His family was involved in his ruin. The avarice, licentiousness, and cruelty of Licinius, are as conspicuous as his misfortunes. He was an enemy to learning, and this aversion totally proceeded from his ignorance of letters, and the rusticity of his education. — His son by Constantia, bore also the same name. He was honoured with the title of Caesar, when scarce 20 months old. He was involved in his father's ruin, and put to death by order of Constantine.

Licinius, a barber and freedman of Augustus, raised by his master to the rank and dignity of a senator, merely because he hated Pompey's family. "Horat. Art. P. 301.

Licynnius, a son of Electryon and brother of Alcmena. He was so inform in his old age, that when he walked, he was always supported by a slave. Triptolemus, son of Hercules, seeing the slave inattentive to his duty, threw a stick at him, which unfortunately killed Licynnius. The murderer fled to Rhodes. "Apollod. 2, c. 7." — Diod. 5. — Homer. II. 2. — "Pind. Olymp. 7." — List, a mountain of Caria. "Herodot. 1, c. 105.

Q. Ligarius, a Roman, consul of Africa after Condisius. In the civil wars he followed the interest of Pompey, and was pardoned when Caesar had conquered his enemies. Caesar, however, and his adherents were determined on the ruin of Ligarius, but Cicero, by an eloquent oration, still extant, defeated his accusers, and he was pardoned. He became afterwards one of Caesar's murderers. "Cic. pro Lig." — Plut. in Caesar.

Liges, one of the Nereides. "Verg. G. 4." — Liger, a Rutulian killed by Æneas. "Verg. Æm. 10, v. 576.

Liger of Ligeria, a large river of Gaul, falling into the ocean, now called the Loire. "Strab. 4." — Plut. 4, c. 18.

Ligouras, an officer of Antiochus, king of Syria, who took the town of Sardis by stratagem, &c.

Ligures, the inhabitants of Liguria. "Vid. Liguria.

Liguaria, a country at the west of Italy bounded on the east by the river Macra, on the south by part of the Mediterranean called the Ligustic sea, on the west by the Varus, and on the north by the Po. The commercial town of Genoa was anciently, and is now the capital of the country. The origin of the inhabitants is not known. According to some, they were descended from the ancient Gauls or Germans, or as others support, they were of Greek origin, perhaps the posterity of the Ligyes mentioned by Herodotus. Liguria was subdued by the
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Ligurius, a poet. Martial. 3, ep. 50.—A beautiful youth in the age of Horace, 4, od. 1, v. 33.

Ligus, a woman who inhabited the Alps. She concealed her son from the pursuit of Otho's oldiers, &c. Tacit. Hist. 2, c. 13.

Lagistics Alpes, a part of the Alps, which borders on Liguria, sometimes called Maritimi.

Ligyes, a people of Asia, who inhabited the country between Caucasus and the river Phasis. Some suppose them to be a colony of the Ligyes of Europe, more commonly called Ligerus. Herodot. 7, c. 72.


Lileum, a promontory of Sicily, with a town of the same name near the Egestes. The town was strong and very considerable, and it maintained long sieges against the Carthaginians, the Romans, &c. It had a port large and capacious, which the Romans, in the wars with Carthage, endeavoured in vain to stop and fill up with stones, on account of its convenience and vicinity to the coast of Africa. Nothing now remains of this once powerful city, but the ruins of temples and aqueducts. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 706.—Mela, 2, c. 7.—Strab. 6.—Cic. in Vet. 5.

—Cesar, de bell. Afr., Diod. 22.

Limna, a river of Lusitania. Strab. 3.

Limenia, a town of Cyprus. Id. 14.

Limne, a fortified place on the borders of Laconia and Messenia. Paus.—A town of the Thracian Chersonesus.

Limenium, a temple of Diana at Limne.

Limnatiadis, a festival in honour of Diana, surnamed Limnatis, from Limne, a school of exercise at Trozene, where she was worshipped, or from limnus, ponds, because she presided over fishermen.


Limnia, one of the Nereides. Homer. Il. 18.


Lincass, a people of Gaul Narbonensis.

Lindus, a city at the south-east part of Rhodes, built by Cercaphus son of Sol and Cydippe. The Danai did build there a temple to Minerva. One of its colonies built Gela in Sicily. It gave birth to Cleobulus, one of the seven wise men, and to Chares and Iaches, who were employed in making and finishing the famous Colossus of Rhodes. Strab. 14.—Homer. Il. 2.—Mela, 2, c. 7.—Plin. 34.—Herodot. 7, c. 153.—A grandson of Apollo. Cic. de Nat. D. 3.

Lingones, a people of Gallia Belgica, made tributary to Rome by J. Caesar. They passed into Italy, where they made some settlements near the Alps. Lucan, 1, v. 398.—Cas. Bell. G.

LYBON, a river of Sicily.

LYBOS, a town of Macedonia on the confines of Illyricum. Lucan. 5, v. 719.—A river of Thrace, falling into the Ægean sea, between Thasos and Samothrace. It was dried up by the army of Xerxes, when he invaded Greece. Strab. 7.—Herodot. 7, c. 109. LISTA, a town of the Sabines, whose inhabitants are called Listini.


LITANA, a wood in Gallia Togata.

LITAVFICUS, one of the Ædii, who assisted Caesar with 10,000 men. Cas. bell. G. 7, c. 37.

LITERNUM, a town of Campania.

LITHOBOLIA, a festival celebrated at Træzene in honour of Lamia and Alesia, which came from Crete, and were sacrificed by the fury of the seditious populace, and stoned to death. Hence the name of the solemnity, λιθοβολία, lapidation.

LITHUS, a town of Armenia Minor.

LITUTIBUM, a town of Liguria. Liv. 32, c. 29.

LITVERSAS, the legitimate son of Midas king of Phrygia. He made strangers prepare his harvest, and afterwards put them to death.

LIVIA lex de sociis, proposed to make all the inhabitants of Italy free citizens of Rome. M. Livius Drusus who framed it, was found murdered in his house before it passed.—Another by M. Livius Drusus the tribune, A. U. C. 662, which required that the judicial power should be lodged in the hands of an equal number of knights and senators.

LIVIA DRUSILLA, a celebrated Roman lady, daughter of L. Drusus Calidiansus. She married Tiberius Claudius Nero, by whom she had the emperor Tiberius and Drusus Germanicus. The attachment of her husband to the cause of Antony, was the beginning of her greatness. Augustus saw her as she fled from the danger which threatened her husband, and he resolved to marry her, though she was then pregnant. He divorced his wife Scribonia, and, with the approbation of the augurs, he celebrated his nuptials with Livia. She now took advantage of the passion of Augustus, in the share that she enjoyed of his power and imperial dignity. Her children by Drusus were adopted by the complying emperor; and that she might make the succession of her son Tiberius more easy and undisputed, Livia is accused of murdering all the parents of Augustus, and secretly involving all his relations in the common ruin. Her cruelty and ingratitude are still more strongly marked, when she is charged with having murdered her own husband, to hasten the elevation of Tiberius. If she was anxious for the aggrandizement of her son, Tiberius proved ungrateful, and hated a woman to whom he owed his life, his elevation, and his greatness. Livia died in the 86th year of her age, A. D. 29. Tiberius showed himself as undutiful after her death as before, for he neglected her funeral, and expressively commanded, that no honours, either private or public, should be paid to her memory. Tacit. Ann. 1, c. 3.—Suet. in Aug. & Tib. —Dom. Cas. Another. [Vid. Drusilla.]—Another, called Horestilla, &c. She was debauched by Galba, as she was going to marry Piso. Suet. in Cal. 25. —Another called also Ocellina. She was Galba's step-mother, and committed adultery with him. Id. th. 3.


LIVIUS ANDRONICUS, a dramatic poet who flourished at Rome about 240 years before the Christian era. He was the first who turned the personal satires and fescennine verses, so long the admiration of the Romans, into the form of a proper dialogue and regular play. Though the character of a player, so valued and applauded in Greece, was reckoned vile and despisable among the Romans, Andronicus acted a part in his dramatical compositions, and engaged the attention of his audience, by repeating what he had laboured after the manner of the Greeks. Andronicus was the freed-man of M. Livius Salinator, whose children he educated. His poetry was grown obsolete in the age of Cicero, whose acuity and judgment would not even recommend the reading of it.—Some few of his verses are preserved in the Corpus Poetarum.—M. Salinator, a Roman consul sent against the Illyrians. The success with which he finished his campaign, and the victory which some years after he obtained over Asdrubal, who was passing into Italy with a reinforcement for his brother Annibal, shew how deserving he was to be at head of the Roman armies. Liv.—Drusus, a tribune who joined the patricians in opposing the ambitious views of C. Gracchus. "Plut. in Grac. —An uncle of Cato of Utica. Plut.—Titus, a native of Padua, celebrated for his writings. He passed the greatest part of his life at Naples and Rome, but more particularly at the court of Augustus, who liberally patronised the learned, and encouraged the progress of literature. Few particulars of his life are known, yet his fame was so universally spread even in his life-time, that an inhabitant of Gades traversed Spain, Gaul, and Italy, merely to see the man whose writings had given him such pleasure and satisfaction in the perusal. Livy died at Padua in his 67th year, and, according to some, on that same day Rome was also deprived of another of its brightest ornaments by the death of the poet Ovid, A. D. 17. It is said, that Livia had appointed Livy to be the preceptor to young Claudius the brother of Germanicus, but death prevented the historian from enjoying an honour to which he was paticularly entitled by his learning and universal knowledge. The name of Livy is rendered immortal by his history of the Roman empire. Besides this he wrote some philosophical treatises and dialogues, with a letter addressed to his son, on the merit of authors, which ought to be read by young men. This letter is greatly commented by Quintillian, who expatiates with great warmth on the judgment.
and canul of the author. His Roman history was comprehended in 140 books, of which only 35 are extant. It began with the foundation of Rome, and was continued till the death of Drusus in Germany. The merit of this history is well known, and the high rank which Livy holds among historians will never be disputed. He is always elegant, and though many have branded his provincial words with the name of Patatividad, yet the expressions, or rather the orthography of words, which in Livy are supposed to distinguish a native of a province of Italy from a native of Rome, are not loaded with obscurity, and the perfect classic is as familiarly acquainted with the one as with the other. Livy has been censured, and perhaps with justice, for being too credulous, and burdening his history with vulgar notions and superstitious tales. He may disgust when he mentions that milk and blood were rained from heaven, or that an ox spoke, or a woman changed her sex, yet he candidly confesses, that he recorded only what made an indelible impression upon the minds of a credulous age. His candour has also been called in question, and he has sometimes shown himself too partial to his countrymen, but every where he is an indefatigable supporter of the cause of justice and virtue. The works of Livy have been divided by some of the moderns into 14 decades, each consisting of ten books. The first decade comprehends the history of 460 years. The second decade is lost, and the third comprehends the history of the second Punic war, which includes about 18 years. In the fourth decade, Livy treats of the wars with Macedonia and Antiochus which contains about 23 years. For the first five books of the fifth decade, we are indebted to the researches of the moderns. They were found at Worms, A. D. 1431. These are the books that remain of Livy's history, and the loss which this celebrated work has sustained by the ravages of time, has in some measure been compensated by the labours of J. Freinshamius, who with great attention and industry has made an epitome of the Roman history, which is now incorporated with the remaining books of Livy. The third decade seems to be superior to the others, yet the author has not scrupled to copy from his contemporaries or predecessors, and we find many passages taken word for word from Polybius, in which the latter shows himself more informed in military affairs, and superior to his imitator. The best editions of Livy, will be found to be those of Maittaire, 6 vols. 12mo. London, 1722; of Drakenborch, 7 vols. 4to. Amst. 1738; and of Ruddiman, 4 vols. 12mo. Edin. 1751.—A governor of Tarentum who delivered his trust to Annibal, &c.—A high priest who devoted Secius to the Dilmun.—A commander of a Roman fleet sent against Antiochus in the Hellespont.

LIXUS, a river of Mauritania, with a city of the same name. Antaeus had a palace there, and according to some accounts, it was in the neighbourhood that Hercules conquered him. Ital. 3, v. 258.—Mela, 3, c. 10.—Strab. 2.—A son of Egyptus. Apollod.


LOCREUS, a man who conspired against Alexander with Dymnus, &c. Curt. 6, c. 7.

LOCCHA, a large city of Africa, taken and plundered by Scipio's soldiers.

LOCNUS, a promontory and citadel of Egypt near Alexandria.

LOCRI, a town of Magna Graecia in Italy, on the Adriatic, not far from Rhegium. It was founded by a Grecian colony about 757 years before the Christian era, as some suppose. The inhabitants were called Locrenses. Verg. En. 3, v. 399.—Strab.—Plin.—A town of Locria in Greece.

LOCRIA, a country of Greece, whose inhabitants are known by the name of Ozole, Epicenmidii, and Opuntii. The country of the Ozole, called also Zephyrius from their western situation, was situated at the north of the bay of Corinth, and extended above 12 miles northward. On the west it was separated from Eta by the Euenus, and it had Phocis to the east. Their chief city was called Naupactus. The Epicenmidii were at the north of the Ozole, and had the bay of Malia at the east, and Eta on the north. They receive their name from the situation of their residence near a mountain called Caenis. They alone, of all the Locrians, had the privilege of sending members to the council of the Amphictyons. The Opuntii received their name from their chief city, called Opus. They were situated on the borders of the Euripus, and near Phocis and Eubora. Plin. 3, c. 5.—Strab. 6. &c.—Ist.—Mela, Patav. &c., and Pioch.

LOCUSTUS, a celebrated woman at Rome in the favours of Nero. She poisoned Claudius and Britannicus, and at last attempted to destroy Nero himself, for which she was executed. Tacit. Ann. 12, c. 56, &c.—Suet. in Ner. 33.

LOCTIUS, Vid. Alius.

LOLLIA PAULINA, a beautiful woman who married Caius Cesar, and afterwards Caligula. She was divorced, and put to death by means of Agrippina. Tacit. Ann. 12, c. 1. &c.

LOLLIANUS SPURIUS, a general proclaimed emperor by his soldiers in Gaul, and soon after murdered, &c.—A consul, &c.

M. LOLLIAIUS, a companion and tutor of C. Cesar, the son-in-law of Tibirius. He was consul, and offended Augustus by his rapacity in the provinces. Horace has addressed two of his epistles to him, &c. Tacit. Ann. 3.

LONDINUM, the capital of Britain, founded, as some suppose, between the age of Julius Cesar and Nero. It has been severally called Londinium, Loundinum, &c. Ammianus calls it...
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LUCERIA or LUCERIA, festivals at Rome, celebrated in a large grove between the Via Salaria and the Tyber, where the Romans hid themselves when besieged by the Gauls. Tacit. Ann. 1, c. 77.

L. LUCIUS, a celebrated historian, asked by Cicero to write a history of his consulship. He favoured the cause of Pompey, but was afterwards pardoned by J. Cæsar. Cic. ad Fam. 5, ep. 12, &c.


LUCERAS, a body of horse composed of Roman knights, first established by Romulus and Tatius. It received its name from the lucus, a grove where Romulus had erected an asylum, or a place of refuge, for all fugitives, slaves, homicides, &c. that he might people his city. The Luceres were some of these men, and they were incorporated with the legions. Propert. 4, el. 1, v. 31.


LUCETIUS, a Rutulian, killed by Ilioneus. Virg. En. 9, v. 570.

LUCIANUS, a celebrated writer of Samosata. His father was poor in his circumstances, and Lucian was early bound to one of his uncles who was a sculptor. This employment highly displeased him, he made no proficiency in the art, and resolved to seek his livelihood by better means. A dream, in which Learning seemed to draw him to her, and to promise fame and immortality, confirmed his resolutions, and he began to write. The artifices and unfair dealings of a lawyer, a life which he had embraced, disgusted him, and he began to study philosophy and eloquence. He visited different places, and Antioch, Ionia, Greece, Italy, Gaul, and more particularly Athens, became successively acquainted with the depth of his learning and the power of his eloquence. The emperor M. Aurelius was sensible of his merit, and appointed him register to the Roman governor of Egypt. He died, A. D. 180, in his 90th year, and some of the moderns have asserted, that he was torn to pieces by dogs for his impetuosity, particularly for ridiculing the religion of Christ.

The works of Lucian, which are numerous, and written in the Attic dialect, consist partly of dialogues, in which he introduces different characters, with much dramatic propriety. His style is easy, simple, elegant, and animated, and he has stored his compositions with many lively sentiments, and much of the true Attic wit. His frequent obscurities, and his manner of exposing to ridicule, not only the religion of his country, but also that of every nation, have deservedly drawn upon him the censure of every age, and branded him with the appellation of atheist and blasphemer. He also wrote the life of Sostrates, a philosopher of Boëotia, as also that of the philosopher Demonax. Some have also attributed to him, with great falsity, the life of Apollonius Thaynæus. The best editions of Lucian are that of Gravius, 2 vols. 8vo. Amst. 1687, and that of Reitius, 4 vols. 4to. Amst. 1743.

LUCIFER, the name of the planet Venus, or morning star. It is called Lucifer when appearing in the morning before the sun; but when it follows it, and appears some time after its setting, it is called Hesperus. According to some mythologists, Lucifer was son of Jupiter and Aurora. A Christian writer, whose work was edited by the Coleti, fol. Venet. 1773.

LUCIFERI FANUM, a town of Spain. C. LUCILIUS, a Roman knight born at Aurunca. He lived in the greatest intimacy with Scipio the first Africanus, and even attended him in his war against Numantia. He is looked upon as the founder of satire, or first satirical writer among the Romans. He was superior to his poetical predecessors at Rome, and though he wrote with great roughness and inelegance, but with much facility, he gained many admirers, whose praises have been often lavished with too liberal a hand. Horace compares him to a river which rolls upon its waters precious sand, with much dirt and filth. Of the thirty satires which he wrote, nothing but few verses remain. He died at Naples, in the 46th year of his age, B. C. 103. His fragments have been collected and published with notes by Fr. Dousa, 4to. L. Bat. 1597, and lastly by the Vulpi, 8vo. Patav. 1735. Quintil. 10, c. 1. Cic. de Orat. 2. Horat. —Lucinus, a famous Roman, who died with Brutus after the battle of Philippi. They were soon after overtaken by a party of horse, and Lucilius suffered himself to be severely wounded by the dart of the enemy, exclaiming that he was Brutus. He was taken, and carried to the conquerors, whose clemency spared his life. Publ. —A tribune who attempted in vain to elect Pompey to the dictatorship. A centurion, &c. A governor of Asia under Tiberius. A friend of Tiberius.

LUCILLA, a daughter of M. Aurelius, celebrated for the virtues of her youth, her beauty and beauty, and misfortunes. At the age of sixteen her father sent her to Syria to marry the emperor Verus, who was then employed in a war with the Parthians and Armenians. The works of Lucian, which are numerous, and written in the Attic dialect, consist partly of dialogues, in which he introduces different characters, with much dramatic propriety. His style is easy, simple, elegant, and animated, and he has stored his compositions with many lively sentiments, and much of the true Attic wit. His frequent obscurities, and his manner of exposing to ridicule, not only the religion of his country, but also that of every nation, have deservedly drawn upon him the censure of every age, and branded him with the appellation of atheist and blasphemer. He also wrote the life of Sostrates, a philosopher of Boëotia, as also that of the philosopher Demonax. Some have also attributed to him, with great falsity, the life of Apollonius Thaynæus. The best editions of Lucian are that of Gravius, 2 vols. 8vo. Amst. 1687, and that of Reitius, 4 vols. 4to. Amst. 1743.
The conjugal virtues of Lucilla were great at first, but when she saw Verus plunge himself into debauchery and dissipation, she followed his example, and prostituted herself. At her return to Rome she saw the incestuous connexion of her husband with his mother, &c. and at last poisoned him. She afterwards married an old but virtuous senator, by order of her father, and was not ashamed soon to prostitute herself to her brother Commodus. The coldness and indifference with which Commodus treated her afterwards determined her on revenge, and she conspired against his life, with many illustrious senators, A. D. 185. The plot was discovered, Lucilla was banished, and soon after put to death by her brother, in the 36th year of her age.

Lucretia, a goddess, daughter of Jupiter and Juno. As her mother brought her into the world without pain, she became the goddess whom women in labour invoked, and she presided over the birth of children. She receives this name either from lucus, or from lugus, as Ovid explains it:—

Gratia Lucina, dovit haec tibi nomine lucus;  
Aut qua principium tu, Dea, lucis habes.

Some suppose her to be the same as Diana and Juno, because these two goddesses were also sometimes called Lucina, and presided over the labours of women. She is called Hithya by the Greeks. She had a famous temple at Rome, raised A. U. C. 396. Var. de L. L. 4.—Cic. de Nat. D. 2. c. 27.—Ovid. Fast. 2. v. 449.—Horat. Carm. Sec.

Lucius, a Roman soldier killed at the siege of Jerusalem, by saving in his arms a man who jumped down from one of the walls.

Joseph.—A brother of M. Antony. [Vid. L. Antonius.]—A Roman general, who defeated the Etrurians, &c.—A relation of J. Caesar.—A Roman ambassador, murdered by the Illyrians.—A consul, &c.—A writer called by some Saturantius Apuleius.

He was born in Africa, on the borders of Numidia. He studied poetry, music, geometry, &c. at Athens, and warmly embraced the tenets of the Platonists. He cultivated magic, and some miracles are attributed to his knowledge of enchantments. He wrote in Greek and Latin, with great ease and simplicity; but his style is sometimes affected. His eloquence was greatly celebrated in his age. Some fragments of his compositions are still extant. He flourished in the reign of M. Aurelius.

A brother of Vitellius, &c.—A son of Agrippa, adopted by Augustus.—A man put to death for his incontinence, &c.—The word Lucius is a pronom common to many Romans, of whom an account is given under their family names.

Lucretia, a celebrated Roman lady, daughter of Lucretius, a & wife of Tarquiniius Collatinius. Her accomplishments proved fatal to her, and the praises which a number of young noble Romans at Ardea, among whom were Collatinius and the sons of Tarquin, be-

stowed upon the domestic virtues of their wives at home, was productive of a revolution in the state. While every one was warm with the idea, it was universally agreed to leave the camp and to go to Rome, to ascertain the veracity of their respective assertions. Collatinius had the pleasure to see his expectations fulfilled in the highest degree, and, while the wives of the other Romans were involved in the riot and dissipation of a feast, Lucretia was found at home, employed in the midst of her female servants, and easing their labour by sharing it herself. The beauty and innocence of Lucretia inflamed the passion of Sextus, the son of Tarquin, who was a witness of her virtues and industry. He cherished his flame and secretly retired from the camp, and came to the house of Lucretia, where he met with a kind reception. He showed himself unworthy of such a treatment, and, in the dead of night, he introduced himself to Lucretia, who refused to his entreaties what her fear of shame granted to his threats. She yielded to her ravisher, when he threatened to murder her, and to slay one of her slaves, and put him in her bed, that this apparent adultery might seem to have met with the punishment it deserved. Lucretia, in the morning, sent for her husband and her father, and, after she had revealed to them the indignities she had suffered from the son of Tarquin, and entreated them to avenge her wrongs, she stabbed herself with a dagger, which she had previously concealed under her clothes. This fatal blow was the sign of rebellion, the body of the virtuous Lucretia was exposed to the eyes of the senate, and the violence and barbarity of Sextus, joined with the unpopularity and oppression of his father, so irritated the Roman populace, that that moment they expelled the Tarquins for ever from Rome. Brutus, who was present at the tragical death of Lucretia, kindled the flames of rebellion, and the republican or consular government was established at Rome A. U. C. 244. Liv. 1. c. 57, &c.—Dionys. Hal. 4. c. 13.—Ovid. Fast. 2. v. 741.—Val. Mar. 6. c. 1.—Plut.—The wife of Numa.

Lücretia, a mountain in the country of the Sabines, hanging over a pleasant valley, near which the house of Horace was situate. Horat. 1. od. 17.

T. Lucretius Carus, a celebrated Roman poet and philosopher, who was early sent to Athens, where he studied under Zeno and Phaedrus. The tenets of Epicurus and Epicureans, which then prevailed at Athens, were warmly embraced by Lucretius, and when united with the infinite of Anaximander, and the atoms of Democritus, they were explained and elucidated in a poem, in six books, which is called De rerum natura. In this poem the masterly genius and unaffected elegance of the poet are every where conspicuous; but the opinions of the philosopher are justly censured who gives no existence of power to a Supreme Being, but is the devoted advocate of atheism and impiety. This composition, which has
little claim to be called an heroic poem, was written and finished while the poet laboured under a violent delirium, occasioned by a philter, which the jealousy of his mistress or his wife Lucilia had administered. It is said, that he destroyed himself in the 44th year of his age, about 54 years before Christ. Cicero, after his death, revised and corrected his poems, which had been partly written in the lucid intervals of reason and of sense. Lucretius, whose poem shows that he wrote Latin better than any other man ever did, would have proved no mean rival to Virgil, had he lived in the polished age of Augustus. The best editions of his works are that of Creesh, 8vo. Oxon. 1695; that of Havercamp, 2 vols. 4to. Lug. Bat. 1725; and that of Glasgow, 12mo. 1759. Patrocu. 2, c. 36.—Quintill. 3, c. 1. 10, c. 1.—Quintus, a Roman, who killed himself because of the inhabitants of Salmo, over which he was appointed with a garrison, seemed to favour the cause of J. Cesar. Cas. bell. Civ. 1, c. 13. He is also called Vespilla.—Sp. Triclinitus, the father-in-law of Collatinus. He was made consul after the death of Brutus, and soon after died himself. Horatius Pulvillus succeeded him. Liv. 1, c. 58.—An inter-rex at Rome.

A consul.—Osella, a Roman, put to death by Sylla because he had applied for the consulship without his permission. Plut.

Lucrinum, a town of Apulia. L. Lucrinus, a small lake of Campania, opposite Puteoli. Some believed that it was made by Hercules when he passed through Italy with the bulls of Geryon. It abounded with excellent oysters. Strab. 5 & 6—Mel. 2, c. 4.—Horat. 2, od. 15.

C. Lucretius Catulus, a Roman, consul with Marius. He assisted his colleague in conquering the Cimbrians. [Vid. Cimbriam bellum.] He was eloquent as well as valiant, and his history of his consulship, which he wrote with great veracity, convinces us of his literary talents. That history is lost. Cic. de Orat.—Varro de L. L.—Flor. 2, c. 2.—C. Catulus, a Roman consul, who destroyed the Carthaginian fleet Vid. Catulus.

Luculla, a festival established by the Greeks in honour of Lucullus, who had behaved with great prudence and propriety in his province. Plut. in Luc.

Luculli Horti, these gardens were situate near Neapolis, &c. Tacit. Ann. 11, c. 1. Villa, a country-seat of Lucullus, near mount Misenum, where Tiberius died. Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 50.

Lucullus, Lucius Licinius, a Roman celebrated for his fondness of luxury and for his military talents. He was born about 115 years before the Christian era, and soon distinguished himself by his proficiency in the liberal arts, particularly eloquence and philosophy. His first military campaign was in the Marsian war, where his valor and cool intrepidity recommended him to public notice. His mildness and constancy gained him the admiration and confidence of Sylla, and from this connexion he derived honour, and during his questorship in Asia, and pretorship in Africa, he rendered himself more conspicuous by his justice, moderation and humanity. He was raised to the consulsip A. U. C. 678, and entrusted with the care of the Mithridatic war, and first displayed his military talents in rescuing his colleague Cotta, whom the enemy had besieged in Chalcedonia. This was soon followed by a celebrated victory over the forces of Mithridates, on the borders of the Grannicus, and by the conquest of all Bithynia. His victories by sea were as great as those by land, and Mithridates lost a powerful fleet near Lemnos. Such considerable losses weakened the enemy, and Mithridates retired with precipitation toward Armenia, to the court of king Tigranes, his father-in-law. His flight was perceived, and Lucullus crossed the Euphrates with great expedition, and gave battle to the numerous forces which Tigranes had already assembled to support the cause of his son-in-law. According to the exaggerated account of Plutarch, no less than 18,000 foot, and near 55,000 horse, of the Armenians, lost their lives in that celebrated battle. All this carnage was made by a Roman army amounting to not more than 18,000 men of whom only five were killed and 100 wounded during the combat. The taking of Tigranocerta the capital of Armenia, was the consequence of his immortal victory, and Lucullus there obtained the greatest part of the royal treasures. This continual success, however, was attended with serious consequences. The severity of Lucullus, and the haughtiness of his commands, offended his soldiers, and displeased his adherents at Rome. Pompey was soon after sent to succeed him, and to continue the Mithridatic war, and the interview which he had with Lucullus, began with acts of mutual kindness, and ended in the most in- veterate reproaches and open enmity. Lucullus was permitted to retire to Rome, and only 1600 of the soldiers who had shared his fortune and his glories were suffered to accompany him. He was received with coldness at Rome, and he obtained with difficulty a triumph which was deservedly claimed by his fame, his successes, and his victories. In this ended the days of his glory: he retired to the enjoyment of ease and peaceful society, and no longer interested himself in the commotions which disturbed the tranquility of Rome. He dedicated his time to studious pursuits, and to the conversation of the learned. His house was enriched with a valuable library, which was opesed for the service of the curious, and of the learned. Lucullus fell into a delirium in the last part of his life, and died in the 67 or 68th year of his age. The people showed their respect for his merit, by their wish to give him an honourable burial in the Campus Martius; but their offers were rejected, and he was privately buried by his brother, in his estate at Tusculum. Lucullus has been admired for his many accomplishments, but he had been censured for his severity and extravagance.
The expenses of his meals were immaterial, his halls were distinguished by the different names of the gods, and when Cicero and Pompey attempted to surprise him, they were astonished at the costliness of a supper which had been prepared upon the word of Lucullus, who had merely said to his servant that he would sup in the hall of Apollo. In his retirement Lucullus was fond of artificial variety; subterraneous caves and passages were dug under the hills on the coast of Campania, and the sea water was conveyed round his house and pleasure grounds, where the fishes flocked in such abundance that not less than 25,000 pounds worth were sold at his death. In his public character Lucullus was humane and compassionate, and he showed his sense of the vicissitudes of human affairs by shedding tears at the sight of one of the cities of Armenia, which his soldiers reduced to ashes. He was a perfect master of the Greek and Latin languages, and he employed himself for a time to write a concise history of the Marsig in Greek hexameters. Such are the striking characteristics of a man who meditated the conquest of Parthia, and for a while gained the admiration of all the inhabitants of the east, by his justice and moderation, and who might have disputed the empire of the world with a Caesar or Pompey, had not, at last, his fondness for retirement withdrawn him from the reach of ambition. Plut. in vita.—Flor. 3, c. 5.—Strab.—Appian, in Mithr. &c.—Orosius 6, &c.—A consul who went to Spain, &c. A Roman, put to death by Domitian.—A brother of Lucius Lucullus, lieutenant under Sylla.—A pretor of Macedonia. LUCÜMO, the first name of Tarquinius Priscus, afterwards changed into Lucius. The word is Etrurian, and signifies prince or chief.

LUCUS, a king of ancient Gaul.—A town of Gaul, at the foot of the Alps.

LUGDUNENSIS GALLIA, a part of Gaul, which received its name from Lugdunum, the capital city of the province. It was anciently called Celtica. Vid. Gallia.

LUGDÜNUM, a town of Gallia Celtica, built at the confluence of the Rhone and the Arar, or Saone, by Manutius Plancus, when he was governor of the province. This town, now called Lyons, is the second city of France in point of population. Strab. 4.—Batavorum a town on the Rhone, just as it falls into the ocean. It is now called Leyden, and is famous for its university.

LUNA, (the moon) was daughter of Hyperion and Terra, and was the same, according to some mythologists, as Diana. She was worshipped by the ancient inhabitants of the earth with many superstitious forms and ceremonies. It was supposed that magicians and enchanters, particularly those of Theussia, had an uncontrollable power over the moon, and that they could draw her down from heaven at pleasure by the mere force of their incantations. Her eclipses, according to their opinion, proceeded from thence; and, on that account, it was usual to beat drums and sounds, and symbolize to ease her labours, and to render the power of magic less effectual. The Arcadians believed that they were older than the moon. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 263, &c.—Tibull. 1, el. 8, v. 21.—Hesiold. Theog.—Virg. Ecl. 8, v. 69.—A maritime town of Euturia, famous for the white marble which it produced. It contained a fine capacious harbour, and abounded in wine, cheese, &c. The inhabitants were naturally given to augury, and the observation of uncommon phenomena. Mela, 2, c. 4.—Lucan. 1, v. 586.—Plin. 14, c. 6.

LUPA, (a she-wolf) was held in great veneration at Rome, because Romulus and Remus, according to an ancient tradition, were suckled and preserved by one of these animals. This fabulous story arises from the surname of Lupa, prostitute, which was given to the wife of the shepherd Faustulus, to whose care and humanity these children owed their preservation. Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 415.—Plut. in Romul.

LUPERCALE, a place at the foot of mount Aventine, sacred to Pan, where festivals called Lupercalia were yearly celebrated. Virg. En. 8, v. 343.

LUPERCALIA, a yearly festival observed at Rome the 15th of February, in honour of the god Pan. It was usual first to sacrifice two goats and a dog and to touch with the bloody knife the foreheads of two ill-famous youth, who always were obliged to smile while they were touched. The blood was wiped away with soft wool dipped in milk. After this the skins of the victims were cut into thongs, with which whips were made for the youths. With these whips the youths ran about the streets all naked except the middle, and whipped freely all those they met. Women in particular were fond of receiving the lashes, as they superstition believed that they removed barrenness, and eased the pains of childbirth. This excursion in the streets of Rome was performed by naked youths, because Pan is always represented naked, and a goat was sacrificed, because that deity was supposed to have the feet of a goat. A dog was added, as a necessary and useful guardian of the shep-fold. This festival, as Plutarch mentions, was first instituted by the Romans in honour of the she-wolf which suckled Romulus and Remus. This opinion is controverted by others, and Livy, with Dionysius of Halicarnassus, observes, that they were introduced in Italy by Evander. The name seems to be borrowed from the Greek name of Pan, Lycoeas, from Lat. a wolf, because Pan, as god of shepherds, protected the sheep from the rapacity of the wolves. The priests which officiated at the Lupercalia were called Luperci. Augustus forbade any person under the age of fourteen to appear naked, or run about the streets during the Lupercalia. Cicero, in his Philippics, reproaches Antony for having disgraced the dignity of the consulship by running naked, and armed with a whip, about the streets. It was during the celebration of

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these festivals that Antony offered a crown to Julius Caesar, which the indignation of the populace obliged him to refuse.

Luperci, a number of priests at Rome, who assisted at the celebration of the Lupercalia, in honour of the god Pan, to whose service they were dedicated. This order of priests was the most ancient and respectable of all the sacerdotal offices. It was divided into two separate colleges, called Fabiani and Quintilianii, from Fabius and Quintilius, two of their high priests. The former were instituted in honour of Romulus, and the latter of Remus. To these two sacerdotal bodies J. Caesar added a third, called from himself, the Julii, and this action contributed not a little to render his cause unpopular, and to betray his ambitious and aspiring views. Vid. Lupercalia. Plut. in Rom.—Do. Cas. 45.—Virg. Æn. 8, v. 663.

Lupercus, a grammarian in the reign of the emperor Gallienus. He wrote some grammatical pieces, which some have preferred to Herodian.

Lupias or Lupia, a town of Germany, with a small river of the same name, falling into the Rhine. Tacit. Ann. 1, &c.

Lupus, a general of the emperor Severus. A governor of Britain. A questor in the reign of Tiberius, &c. A comic writer of Sicily, who wrote a poem on the return of Menelaus and Helen to Sparta, after the destruction of Troy. Ovid. ex Pont. 4, ep. 16, v. 26. P. Rut. a Roman, who, contrary to the omens, marched against the Marsi, and was killed with his army. He has been taxed with impiety, and was severely censured in the Augustan age. Hor. 2, Sat. 1, v. 68.

Lusitana, a part of Spain, whose extent and situation have not been accurately defined by the ancients. According to the better descriptions it extended from the Tagus to the sea of Calabria. The inhabitants were warlike, and were at last conquered by the Roman army under Dolabella, B. C. 99, with great difficulty. They generally lived upon plunder, and were rude and unpollished in their manners. It was usual among them to expose their sick in the high roads, that their diseases might be cured by the directions and advice of travellers. They were very moderate in their meals, and never eat but of one dish. Their clothes were commonly black, and they generally warmed themselves by means of stones heated in the fire. Strab. 3.—Mela, 2, c. 6. l. 3, c. 1.—Liv. 21, c. 43. l. 27, c. 20.


Lusones, a people of Spain, near the Iberus.

Lusitius, a Roman poet. Martial. 4, ep. 23.

Lusius Callius, a Roman, who shut the temples of Janus after peace had been made with Carthage. Vid. Luctatius.

Lutricius, general of the Gauls, defeated by Caesar, &c.

Lutetia, a town of Belgic Gaul, on the confluence of the rivers Sequana and Matrona, which received its name, as some suppose, from the quantity of clay, lutum, which is in its neighbourhood. J. Caesar fortified and embellished it, from which circumstance some authors call it Julii Civitas. Julian, the apostate, resided there some time. It is now Paris, the capital of France. Cass. de bel. G. 6, 7.—Strab. 4.—Ammian. 20.

L. Luttorius, a Roman knight, put to death by order of Tiberius, because he had written a poem in which he had bewailed the death of Germanicus, who then laboured under a severe illness. Tacit. Ann. 3, c. 49, &c.

Lyaeus, a surname of Baccus. It is derived from Lycus, soter, because wine, over which Bacchus presides, gives freedom to the mind, and delivers it from all cares and melancholy. Horat. ep. 9.—Lucan. 1, v. 675.

Lybas, one of the companions of Ulysses, &c.

Lybra, ancient name of a town on the coast of Bithynia, where Annibal was buried.

Lycabas, an Ettrian, one of those who offered violence to Baccus, and were changed into dolphins. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 624. One of the Lapithae, who ran away from the battle which was fought at the nuptials of Pirithous. Id. Met. 12, v. 302.

Lycabétus, a mountain of Attica, near Athens. Stat.

Lycæa, festivals in Arcadia, in honour of Pan, the god of shepherds. They are the same as the Lupercalia of the Romans. A festival at Argos in honour of Apollo Lyceus, who delivered the Argives from wolves &c.

Lycæum, a celebrated place near the banks of the Ilissus, in Attica. It was there that Aristotle taught philosophy, and as he generally instructed his pupils in walking, they were called P. ripaeptics, a πεπαντικος, ambulakt.

Lycæus, a mountain of Arcadia, sacred to Jupiter, where a temple was built: in honour of the god Lyceus, by Lycaon, the son of Pelasgus. It was also sacred to Pan, whose festivals, called Lycaea, were celebrated there. Virg. G. 1, v. 16. Æn. 8, v. 343.—Strab. 8.

Lycambes, the father of Neobule. He promised his daughter in marriage to the poet Archilochus, and afterwards refused to fulfil his engagement when she had been courted by a man whose opulence had more influence than the fortune of the poet. This irritated Archilochus: he wrote a bitter invective against Lycambes and his daughter, and rendered them both so desperate by the satire of his composition that they hanged themselves. Horat. ep. 6, v. 13.—Ovid. in Æs. 52.

Lycæon, the first king of Arcadia, son of Pelasgus and Melibea. He built a town called Lycosura on the top of mount Lyceus, in honour of Jupiter. He had many wives by whom he had a daughter, called Calisto, and fifty sons. He was succeeded on the
throne by Nyctimæus, the eldest of his sons. He lived about 1800 years before the Christian era. Apolod. 3.—Hygin. fab. 17.—Catull. ep. 76—Paus. 6, c. 31 &c.—Another king of Arcadia, celebrated for his cruelties. He was changed into a wolf by Jupiter, because he offered human victims on the altars of the god Pan. Some attribute this metamorphosis to another cause. The sins of mankind, as they relate, were become so enormous, that Jupiter visited the earth to punish wickedness and impiety. He came to Arcadia, where he was announced as a god, and the people began to pay proper adoration to his divinity. Lycaon, however, who used to sacrifice all strangers to his wants, cruelty, laughed at the pious prayers of his subjects, and, to try the divinity of the god, he served up human flesh on his table. This impiety, so irritated Jupiter, that he immediately destroyed the house of Lycaon, and changed him into a wolf. Ovid. Met. v. 198, &c. These two monarchs are often confounded together, though it appears that they were two different characters, and that not less than an age elapsed between their reigns. A son of Priam and Laothe. He was taken by Achilles, and carried to Lemnos, whence he escaped. He was afterwards killed by Achilles in the Trojan war. Homer. l. 21, &c.—The son of Pandarus, killed by Diomedes before Troy. A Gnosian artist, who made the sword which Ascanius gave to Euryalus. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 394.

LYCÉONTA, a country of Asia, between Capadocia, Pisidia, Pamphylia, and Phrygia, made a Roman province under Augustus. Strab. 10.—Mela, 2.—Arcadia bore also that name from Lycaon, one of its kings. Dimys. Hal.—An island in the Tyber.

LYCAS, a priest of Apollo, in the interest of Turrus. He was killed by Æneas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 315.—Another officer of Turrus. Id. 10, v. 561.

LYCaste, an ancient town of Crete, whose inhabitants accompanied Idomeneus to the Trojan war. Homer. l. 2.—A daughter of Priam by a concubine. She married Polydamus, the son of Antenor.—A famous courtezian of Drepanon, called Venus on account of her great beauty. She had a son called Eryx by Butes, son of Amycus.

LYCASTUM, a town of Capadocia.

LYCATUS, a son of Minos I. He was father of Minos II. by Ida, the daughter of Corybas.—A son of Minos and Philonome, daughter of Nyctimæus. He succeeded his father on the throne of Arcadia Paus. 8, c. 3 & 4.

LYCE, one of the Amazons, &c. Plut. 6, c. 374.

LYCE a town of Macedonia. Litt. 21, c. 35.

LYCEUM. Vid. Lyceum.

LYCHNIDES, a city, with a lake of the same name in Macedonia.

LYCIA, a country of Asia Minor, bounded by the Mediterranean on the south, Caria on the west, Pamphylia on the east, and Phrygia on the north. It was originally called Milya, and Tremile, from the Milyæ or Solymi, a people of Crete, who came to settle there. The country received the name of Lyca from Lycaus, the son of Pandion, who established himself there. The inhabitants have been greatly commended by all the ancients for their sobriety and justice. They were conquered by Croesus, king of Lydia, and afterwards by Cyrus. Though they were subject to the power of Persia, yet they were governed by their own kings, and only paid a yearly tribute to the Persian monarch. They became part of the Macedonian empire when Alexander came into the east, and afterwards were ceded to the house of the Seleucides. The country was reduced into a Roman province by the emperor Claudius. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 816.—Stat. Theb. 6, v. 686.—Herodot. 1, c. 173.

LYCIMNAS, a town of Peloponnesus.

LYCIMNIA, a slave, mother of Helenor by a Lydian prince. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 446.

LYCISCEUS, an Athenian archon. A Messenian of the family of the Epityidae. When his daughters were doomed by lot to be sacrificed for the good of their country, he fled with them to Sparta, and Aristodemus upon this freely gave his own children, and soon after succeeded on the throne. Paus. 4, c. 9.

LYCUS, a son of Hercules and Toxictrea.

LYCUS, a son of Lycaon.—An epithet given to Apollo from his temple in Lycia where he gave oracles, particularly at Pataræa, where the appellation of Lytica sortes was given to his answers, and even to the will of the Fates. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 346.—A surname of Danaus.

LYCOMÈDES, a king of Scyros, an island in the Ægean sea, son of Apollo and Parthenope. He was secretly entrusted with the care of young Achilles, whom his mother Thetis had disguised in woman's clothes, to remove him from the Trojan war, where she knew he must unavoidably perish. Lycomedes has rendered himself famous for his treachery to Theseus, who had implored his protection when driven from his throne of Athens by the usurper Mnestheus. Lycomedes, as it is reported, either envied of the fame of his illustrious guest, or bribed by the emissaries of Mnestheus, led Theseus to an elevated place, on pretence to shew him the extent of his dominions, and perfidiously threw him down a precipice, where he was killed. Plut. in Theb.—Paus. 2, c. 17, l. 7, c. 4.—Apoll. l. 5, c. 13.—An Arcadian, who, with 500 chosen men, put to flight 1000 Spartans, and 500 Argives, &c. Diod. 15.—A seditious person at Tegea.—A Mantinian general, &c.

An Athenian the first who took one of the enemy's ships at the battle of Salamis. Plut. Lyc. a philosopher of Troas, in the age D B
of Aristotle. He was greatly esteemed by Eumenes, Antiochus, &c. He died in the 74th year of his age. *Digg. in vit.* —A man who wrote the life of Pythagoras. *A poet.* —A writer of epigrams. —A player, greatly esteemed by Alexander. —A Syracusan who assisted in murdering Dion. —A peripatetic philosopher.

**Lycon**, a city of Thrace.—A mountain of Argolis. *Paus. 2, c. 24.*

**Lycoipho**n, a son of Periander, king of Corinth. The murder of his mother Melissus by his father had such an effect upon him, that he resolved never to speak to a man who had been so wantonly cruel against his relations. This resolution was strengthened by the advice of Procles, his maternal uncle, and Periander at last banished to Cytherea a son whose disobedience and obstinacy had rendered him odious. Cypselus, the eldest son of Periander, being incapable of reigning, Lycoiphoon was the only surviving child who had any claim to the crown of Corinth. But, when the inimities of Periander obliged him to look for a successor, Lycoiphoon refused to come to Corinth while his father was there, and he was induced to leave Cytherea, only on promise that Periander would come and dwell there while he remained the master of Corinth. This exchange, however, was prevented. The Corcyreans, who were apprehensive of the tyranny of Periander, murdered Lycoiphoon before he left that island. *Herodot. 3.* —*Aristot.* —A brother of These, the wife of Alexander, tyrant of Pherae. He assisted his sister in murdering her husband, and he afterwards seized the sovereignty. He was dispossessed by Philip of Macedonia. *Plut.* —*Diod. 16.* A general of Corinth, killed by Nicia. *Plut. in Nic.* —A native of Cythera, son of Mastor. He went to the Trojan war with Ajax, the son of Telamon, after the accidental murder of one of his citizens. He was killed, &c. *Homer. Il. 15.* —A famous Greek poet and grammarian, born at Chalcis, in Euboea. He was one of the poets who flourished under Ptolemy Philadelphus, and, from their number, obtained the name of Pleiad. Lycoiphoon died by the wound of an arrow. He wrote tragedies, the titles of twenty of which have been preserved. The only remaining composition of this poet is called Cassandras or Alexandra. It contains 1474 verses, whose obscurity has procured the epithet of *Tenebrouso* to its author. It is a mixture of prophetical effusions, which, as he supposed, were given by Cassandra during the Trojan war. The best editions of Lycoiphoon are that of Basili, 1546, fol. enriched with the Greek commentary of Tzetzes; that of Canter, 8vo. apud Commelin, 1596; and that of Potter, fol. Oxon. 1702. *Ovid. in lib. Stat. 5, Sylph. 3.*

**Lycopele**s, a town of Egypt. It received this name on account of the immense number of wolves, Ancol, which repelled an army of Ethiopians, who had invaded Egypt. *Diod. 1.* —*Strab. 17.*

**Lycorea**, a town of Phocis at the top of Parnassus, where the people of Delphi took refuge during Deucalion’s deluge, directed by the howling of wolves. *Paus. Phoc. 6.*

**Lycurgus**, an Athenian, who assisted the Cymenes against Ptolemy. *Polyb. 8.*


**Lycurgus**, a freedwoman of the senator Voliumnis, also called Cytheria, and Volumnia, from her master. She is celebrated for her beauty and intrigues. The poet Gallus was greatly enamoured of her, and his friend Virgil comforts him in his 10th eclogue for the loss of the favours of Cytheria, who followed M. Antony’s camp, and was become the Aspasia of Rome. The charms of Cleopatra, however, prevailed over those of Cytheria, and the unfortunate courtesan lost the favours of Antony and of all the world at the same time. Lycurgus was originally a comedian. *Virg. Ek. 10.*

**Lycormas**, a river of Aetolia, whose sands were of a golden colour. It was afterwards called Euenus from king Euenus, who threw himself into it. *Ovid. Met. 2, v. 245.*

**Lycurgas**, the father of Polybius, who flourished B. C. 184. He was chosen general of the Achaean league, and he revenged the death of Philopoemen, &c. *Plut.*

**Lycosa**ra, a city built by Lycaon on mountain Lycurus.

**Lyctus**, a town of Crete, the country of Idomeneus, whence he is often called *Lyctus. Virg. Aen. 3, v. 401.*

**Lycogalides**, annual days of solemnity appointed in honour of the lawgiver of Sparta. —The patronymic of a son of Lycurgus. *Ovid. in ll. v. 503.*

**Lycurgus**, a king of Nemaus, in Peloponnese. He was raised from the dead by *Es- culapius. Stat. Theb. 5, v. 638.* —A giant killed by Osiris in Thrace. *Diod. 1.* —A king of Thrace, son of Dryas. He has been represented as cruel and impious, on account of the violence which he offered to Barchus. He, according to the opinion of the mythologists, drove Barchus out of his kingdom, and abolished his worship, for which impiety he was severely punished by the gods. He put his own son Dryas to death in a fury, and he cut off his own legs, mistaking them for vine boughs. He was put to death in the greatest torments by his subjects, who had been informed by the oracle that they should not taste wine till Lycurgus was no more. This fable is explained by observing, that the aversion of Lycurgus for wine, over which Barchus presided, arose from the filthiness and disgrace of intoxication, and therefore the monarch wisely ordered all the vines of his dominions to be cut down, that himself and his subjects might be preserved from the extravagance and debauchery which are produced by too free an use of wine. *Higin. fab. 132.* —*Homer. Il. 6.* —*Apollod. 3, c. 5.* —*Ovid. Met. 4, v. 22.* —*Virg. Ez. 5. 3.* —*Horat. 2, od. 19.* —A son of Hercules and Praxithes, daughter of Theopis. *Apollod. 2, c. 7.* —A son of Phereus, the son of Cretheus. *Id. 1, c. 3.* —An orator of Athens, surnamed *Ibici,* in the age of Demosthenes, famous for his justice and impartiality when at the head of the couvern-
He was one of the thirty orators whom the Athenians refused to deliver up to Alexander. Some of his orations are extant. He died about 330 years before Christ. Diod. 16.

A king of Tegusa, son of Aleus, by Neera, daughter of Perus. He married Cleophraxis, called also Eurynome, by whom he had Amphidamas, &c. Apolod. 3, c. 9.—Homer. I. 7.

A celebrated lawyer of Sparta, son of King Eumonus, and brother to Polydectes. He succeeded his brother on the Spartan throne; but, when he saw that the widow of Polydectes was pregnant, he kept the kingdom not for himself, but till Charilaus, his nephew, was arrived to years of maturity. He had previously refused to marry his brother's widow, who wished to strengthen him on his throne by destroying her own son Charilaus, and leaving him in the peaceful possession of the crown. The integrity with which he acted, when guardian of his nephew Charilaus, raised him many enemies, and he at last yielded to their satire and malice, and retired to Crete. He travelled like a philosopher, and visited Asia and Egypt without suffering himself to be corrupted by the licentiousness and luxury which prevailed there. The confusion which followed his departure from Sparta, now had made his presence totally necessary, and he returned home at the earnest solicitations of his countrymen. The disorder which reigned at Sparta, induced him to reform the government, and the more effectually to execute his undertaking, he had recourse to the oracle of Delphi. He was received by the priestess of the god with every mark of honour, his intentions were warmly approved by the divinity, and he was called the friend of gods, and himself rather God than man. After such a reception from the most celebrated oracle of Greece, Lycurgus found no difficulty in reforming the abuses of the state, and all were equally anxious in making a revolution which had received the sanction of heaven. This happened 884 years before the Christian era. Lycurgus first established a senate, which was composed of 28 senators, whose authority preserved the tranquillity of the state, and maintained a due and just equilibrium between the kings and the people, by watching over the intrusions of the former, and checking the seditious combinations of the latter. All distinction was destroyed, and, by making an equal and impartial division of the land among the members of the commonwealth, Lycurgus banished luxury, and encouraged the useful arts. The use of money, either of gold or silver, was totally forbidden, and the introduction of heavy brass and iron coin brought no temptation to the dishonest, and left every individual in the possession of his effects without any fears of robbery or violence. All the citizens dined in common, and no one had greater claims to indulgence or luxury than another. Their intercourse with other nations was forbidden, and few were permitted to travel. The youths were entrusted to the public master, as soon as they had attained their seventh year, and their education was left to the wisdom of the laws. They were taught early to think, to answer in a short and laconic manner, and to excel in sharp repartees. They were instructed and encouraged to carry things by surprise, but if ever the theft was discovered they were subjected to a severe punishment. Lycurgus was happy and successful in establishing and enforcing these laws, and by his prudence and administration the face of Lacedaemon was totally changed, and it gave rise to a set of men distinguished for their integrity, their fortitude, and their magnanimity. After this Lycurgus retired from Sparta to Delphi, or according to others to Crete, and before his departure he bound all the citizens of Lacedaemon by a solemn oath, that neither they nor their posterity, would alter, violate, or abolish the laws which he had established, before his return. He soon after put himself to death, and he ordered his ashes to be thrown into the sea, fearful lest if they were carried to Sparta, the citizens should call themselves freed from the oath which they had taken, and empowered to make a revolution. The wisdom and the good effect of the laws of Lycurgus, has been firmly demonstrated at Sparta, where, for 700 years they remained in full force, but the legislator has been censured as cruel and impolitic. He has shown himself inhuman in ordering the mothers to destroy their children, whose feebleness or deformity in their youth seemed to promise incapability of action in maturer years, and to become a burden to the state. His regulations about marriage, must necessarily be censured, and no true conjugal felicity can be expected from the union of a man with a person whom he, perhaps, never knew before, and whom he was compelled to choose in a dark room, where all the marriageable women in the state assembled on stated occasions. The peculiar dress which was appointed for the females, might be termed improper, and the law must for ever, be called injudicious, which ordered them to appear naked on certain days of festivity, and wrestle in a public assembly promiscuously with boys of equal age with themselves. These things might contribute as much to corrupt the morals of the Lacedaemonians, as the other regulations seemed calculated to banish dissipation, riot, and debauchery. Lycurgus has been compared to Solon, the celebrated legislator of Athens, and it has been judiciously observed, that the former gave his citizens morals conformable to the laws which he had established, and that the latter had given the Athenians laws, which coincided with their customs and manners. The office of Lycurgus demanded resolution, and he showed himself inexorable and severe. In Solon artifice was requisite, and he showed himself mild and even voluptuous. The moderation of Lycurgus is greatly commended, particularly when we recollect that he treated with the greatest humanity and confidence Alexander, a youth who had put out one of his eyes in a seditious tumult. Lycurgus had a son called Antiorus, who left no issue. The Lacedaemonians shewed their respect for their great legislator by yearly cele-
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Paus. 3, c. 2.

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LYNCEUS, son of Aphaearus, was among the hunters of the Calydonian boar, and one of the Argonauts. He was so sharp-sighted, that he could see through the earth, and distinguish objects at the distance of above nine miles. He stole some oxen with his brother Idas, and they were both killed by Castor and Pollux, when they were going to celebrate their nuptials with the daughter of Leucippus. *Apollod. 1 & 3.—Hygin. fab.—Paus. 4. c. 2.—Ovid. Met. 3. v. 303.*—Ovid. Arg. 1.—A son of Egyptus, who married Hypermenestra, the daughter of Danaus. His life was spared by the love and humanity of his wife, *[Vid. Danaides]* and he made war against his father-in-law, dethroned him, and seized his crown. Some say that Lynceus was reconciled to Danaus, and that he succeeded him after his death, and reigned forty-one years. *Apollod. 2. c. 1.—Paus. 2. c. 19.—Ovid. Heroid. 14.—One of the companions of *Eneas* Lilled by Turnus. *Verg. En. 9. v. 768.*

LYNCEUS, LYNCEUS, or LYNX, a cruel king of Scythia, or according to others, of Sicily. He received, with feigned hospitality, Triptolemus, whom Ceres had sent all over the world to teach mankind agriculture; and as he was jealous of his commission, he resolved to murder this favourite of the gods in his sleep. As he was going to give the deadly blow to Triptolemus, he was suddenly changed into a lynx, an animal which is the emblem of perfidy and ingratitude. *Ovid. Met. 5. v. 650.*

LYNCEUS, a town of Sicily.
LYRCEA, a people of Scythia who live upon hunting.


LYRCEA, a town of Peloponnesus, formerly called Lynceae. *Paus. 2. c. 33.*

LYRCEA, a king of Cacus in Caria, &c. *Panhel.*

LYNCEUS, a city of Cilicia, the native country of Briseis. It was taken and plundered by Achilles and the Greeks. *Homer. II.—Ovid. Heroid. 3. v. 5.*

LYSANDER, a celebrated general of Sparta, in the last years of the Peloponnesian war. He drew Ephesus from the interest of Athens, and gained the friendship of Cyrus the younger. He gave battle to the Athenian fleet consisting of 120 ships, at *Ægospotamos,* and destroyed it all except three ships, with which the enemy's general fled to Evagoras, king of Cyprus. In this celebrated battle, which happened 405 years before the Christian era, the Athenians lost 3000 men, and with them their empire and influence among the neighbouring states. Lysander well knew how to take advantage of his victory, and the following year, Athens, worn out by a long war of 27 years, and discouraged by its misfortunes, gave itself up to the power of the enemy, and consented to destroy the Piraeus, to deliver all its ships except twelve, to recall all those that had been banished, and in short to be submissive in every degree to the power of Lacedaemon. Besides these humiliating conditions, the government of Athens was totally changed, and thirty tyrants were set over it by Lysander. This glorious success, and the honour of having put an end to the Peloponnesian war, increased the pride of Lysander. He had already began to pave his way to universal power, by establishing aristocracy in the Grecian cities of Asia, and now he attempted to make the crown of Sparta elective. In the pursuit of his ambition, he used prudence and artifice; and as he could not easily abolish a form of government which ages and popularity had confirmed, he had recourse to the assistance of the gods. His attempt, however, to corrupt the oracles of Delphi, Dodona, and Jupiter Ammon, proved ineffectual, and he was even accused of using bribes by the priests of the Libyan temple. The sudden declaration of war against the Thebans, saved him from the accusations of his adversaries, and he was sent, together with Pausanias, against the enemy. The plan of his military operations was discovered, and the Haliartians, whose ruin he secretly meditated, attacked him unexpectedly, and he was killed in a bloody battle, which ended in the defeat of his troops, 394 years before Christ. His body was recovered by his colleague Pausanias, and honoured with a magnificent funeral. Lysander has been recommended for his bravery, but his ambition deserves the severest censure, and his cruelty and his duplicity have greatly stained his character. He was arrogant and vain in his public as well as private conduct, and he received and heard with the greatest avidity the hymns which his courtiers and flatterers sung to his honour. Yet in the midst of all his pomp, his ambition, and intrigues, he died extremely poor, and his daughters were rejected by two opulent citizens of Sparta, to whom they had been betrothed during his life of their father. This behaviour of the lovers was severely punished by the Lacedaemonians, who protected from injury the children of a man whom they hated for his sacrilege, his contempt of religion, and his perfidy. The father of Lysander, whose name was Aristocles, or Aristocrates, was descended from Hercules, though not one of the race of the Heracleas. *Plut. et C. Nep. in vita.—Died. 13.*—One of the Ephori in the reign of Agis, &c. *Plut.*—A grandson of the great Lysander. *Paus.*

LYSANDRA, a daughter of Ptolemy Lagus, who married Agathocles, the son of Lysimachus. She was persecuted by Arsinoe, and fled to Seleucus for protection. *Paus. 1. c. 29.*

LYSANDRAX, a man made king of Ituraea by Antony, &c.

LYSIA, a daughter of Theopistus. *Apollod.*


LYSIANIDES, one of the Nereides. *Apollod. 1. c. 2.*—A daughter of Ephæus, mother of Buciris. *Id. 2. c. 5.*

LYSIAS, a celebrated orator, son of Cephallus, a native of Syracuse. His father left Sicily and went to Athens, where Lysias was born, and carefully educated. In his fifteenth year he
accompanied the colony which the Athenians sent to Thurium, and after a long residence there, he returned home in his 47th year. He distinguished himself by his eloquence, the simplicity, correctness, and purity of his orations, of which he wrote no less than 425 according to Plutarch, though the number may with more probability be reduced to 230. Of these 34 are extant, the best editions of which are that of Taylor, 8vo. Cantab. 1740, and that of Auger, 2 vols. 8vo. Paris, 1763. He died in the 81st year of his age, 373 years before the Christian era. Plut. de Orat.—Cic. de Brut. Orat.—Quint. 5, &c.—Diog. 2.—An Athenian general, &c.—A town of Phrygia. Strab.—A tyrant of Tarsus, B. C. 267.

LYSICLES, an Athenian sent into Boeotia to stop the conquest of Philip of Macedonia. He was conquered at Chaeronea, and sentenced to death for his ill conduct there.

LYSICLE, a daughter of Pelops and Hippodamia, who married Master, the son of Perseus and Andromeda. Apollod. 2, c. 4.—Paus. 8, c. 14.—A daughter of Theseus. Apol. 2c.

LYSIMACHE, a daughter of Abas, the son of Melampus. Apollod. 1, c. 9.—A daughter of Priam. Id. 3, c. 12.

LYSIMACHIA, a city on the Thracian Chersonesus. Paus. 1, c. 9.—A town of Aetolia, built by Lysimachus. Strab. 7 & 10.—Another in Aetolia. Mela. 2, c. 2.

LYSIMACHUS, a son of Agathocles, who was among the generals of Alexander. After the death of that monarch, he made himself master of part of Thrace, where he built a town which he called Lysimachia. He sided with Cassander and Seleucus against Antiochus and Demetrius, and fought with them at the celebrated battle of Ipsus. He afterwards seized Macedonia, after expelling Pyrrhus from the throne, B. C. 286; but his cruelty rendered him odious, and the murder of his son Agathocles so offended his subjects, that the most opulent and powerful revolted from him, and abandoned the kingdom. He pursued them to Asia, and declared war against Seleucus, who had given them a kind reception. He was killed in a bloody battle, 281 years before Christ, in the 80th year of his age, and his body was found in the heaps of slain only by the fidelity of a little dog, who had carefully watched near it. It is said that the love and respect of Lysimachus for his learned master Callisthenes, proved nearly fatal to him. He, as Justin mentions, was thrown into the den of a hungry lion, by order of Alexander, for having given Callisthenes poison, to save his life from ignominy and insult; and when the furious animal darted upon him, he wrapped his hand in his mantle, and boldly thrust it into the lion’s mouth, and by twisting his tongue, killed an adversary that was ready to devour him. This act of courage in his self-defence, recommended him greatly to Alexander. He was pardoned, and ever after esteemed by the monarch. Justin. 13, c. 3, &c.—Diod. 19, &c.—Paus. 1, c. 10.—Acaranian, preceptor to Alexander the Great. He used to call himself Phexis, his pupil Achilles, and Philip Peland. Plut. in Alex. An historian of Alexandria.—A son of Aristides, rewarded by the Athenians on account of the virtue of his father.—A chief priest among the Jews, about 204 years before Christ, &c. Josephus.—A physician greatly attached to the notions of Hippocrates.—A governor of Heraclea in Pontus, &c.

LYSIMELIA, a marsh of Sicily near Syrac. cuse.

LYSINE, a city of Asia near Panaphylia. Liv. 38, c. 15.

LYSIPPE, a daughter of Pruntos. Vit. Prov. tides.—A daughter of Theseus.

LYSIPPUS, a famous statury of Scion. He was originally a whitesmith, and afterwards applied himself to painting, till his talents and inclination taught him that he was born to excel in sculpture. He flourished about 325 years before the Christian era, in the age of Alexander the Great. The monarch was so partial to the artist, that he forbid any sculptor but Lysippus to make his statue. Lysippus excelled in expressing the hair, and he was the first who made the head of the statues less large, and the body smaller than usual, that they might appear taller. This was observed by one of his friends, and the artist gave for answer, that his predecessors had represented men in their natural form, but that he represented them as they appeared. Lysippus made no less than 600 statues, the most admired of which were those of Alexander; one of Apollo Tarentum, 40 cubits high; one of a man coming out of a bath, with which Agrippa adorned his baths; one of Socrates; and those of the 25 horsemen who were drowned in the Granicus. These were so valued, that in the age of Augustus, they were bought for their weight in gold. Plut. in Alex.—Cic. in Brut. ad Hort.—Paterc. 11, c. 11.—Horat. 2, ep. 1, v. 240.—A comic poet.—A general of the Achaean league.

LYSIS, a Pythagorean philosopher, preceptor to Epaminondas. He flourished about 388 years before the Christian era. He is supposed by some to be the author of the golden verses which are attributed to Pythagoras. C. Nep. in Epam. 2.

LYSTATRATUS, an Athenian parasite.—A brother of Lysippus. He was the first artist who ever made a statue with wax. Plut. 34, c. 8, l. 35, c. 12.

LYSITHOUS, a son of Priam. Apollod.

LYSIS, a friend of Cicero, &c.

LYSUS, a daughter of Hyacinthus. Apollod.

LYZANIAS, a king of Chalcis, &c.

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MACÉ, a people of Arabia Felix. Mela, 3, c. 8.

MACAR, a son of Criasius, or Crinacus, the first Greek who led a colony to Lesbos. His four sons took possession of the four neighbouring islands, Chios, Samos, Cos, and Rhodes, which were called the seats of the Macarens, or the blessed (μακαρ, beatus). Dionys. Hal. 1.—

Diod. 5.—Mela, 2, c. 7.

MACÁRENS, an ancient historian.—A son of Ἐολος, who d.baugh his sister Canace, and had a son by her. The father was informed of the incest. He ordered the child to be exposed, and sent a sword to his daughter and commanded her to destroy herself. Macarens fled to Delphi, where he became priest of Apollo. Ovid. Met. Heroid. 11, in Jb. 563.—One of the companions of Ulysses. He was left at Caieta in Italy, where Δεον found him. Ovid. Met. 14, v. 159.—A son of Lycaon. Apollod. 3, c. 8.—Paus. 8, c. 3.

MACÁRIA, a daughter of Hercules and Dejamina. After the death of Hercules, Eurystheus made war against the Heraclidæ, whom the Athenians supported, and the oracle declared, that the descendants of Hercules should obtain the victory, if any one of them devoted himself to death. This was cheerfully accepted by Macaria, and the Athenians obtained a victory.—Great honours were paid to the patriotic Macaria, and a fountain of Marathon was called by her name. Paus. 1, c. 32.

MACÁRIS, an ancient name of Crete.

MACÉDUNUS, a son of Lycaon. Apollod.

MÁCIDO, a son of Osiris. He had a share in the divine honours which were paid to his father. He was represented clothed in a wolf’s skin, for which reason the Egyptians held that animal in great veneration. Diod. 1.—Plut. in Isid. & Os.—A man who gave his name to Macedonia. Some suppose him to be the same as the son or general of Osiris.

MÁCADONIA, a celebrated country, situated between Thrace, Epirus, and Greece. Its boundaries have been different at different periods.—Philip increased it by the conquest of Thessaly and of part of Thrace. According to Pliny, it contained no less than 150 different nations. The kingdom of Macedonia, first founded B. C. 814, by Caranus, a descendant of Hercules, and a native of Argos, continued in existence 646 years, till the battle of Pydna. The family of Caranus remained in possession of the crown until the death of Alexander the Great, and began to reign in the following order: Caranus, after a reign of 28 years, was succeeded by Cænus, who ascended the throne 786, B. C.; Thurimas, 774; Perdiccas, 729; Argus, 678; Philip, 640; Æropas, 602; Alcetas or Alcetas, 576; Amyntas, 547; Alexander, 497; Perdiccas, 454; Archelaus, 413; Amyntas, 399; Pausanias, 398; Amyntas 2d, 397; Arneas the tyrant, 390; Amyntas restored, 390; Alexander 2d, 371; Ptolemy Alorites, 370; Perdiccas 3d, 366; Philip, son of Amyntas, 360; Alexander the Great, 336; Philip Ariadeus 323; Cassander, 316; Antipater and Alexander, 298; Demetrius king of Asia, 294; Pyrrhus, 287; Lysimachus, 286; Ptolemy Cæræanus, 280; Meleager, two months; Antipater the Etesian, 45 days; Antigonus Gonatas, 277; Demetrius, 243; Antigonus Doson, 232; Philip, 221; Perseus, 179; conquered by the Romans, 163, B. C. at Pydna. Macedonia has been severally called Æmonia, Mygdonia, Peonia, Eonia, Æmathia, &c. The inhabitants of Macedonia were naturally warlike; and though in the infancy of their empire they were little known beyond the borders of their country, yet they signallised themselves greatly in the reign of Philip, and added the kingdom of Asia to their European dominions by the valour of Alexander. The Macedonian phalanx, or body of soldiers, was always held in the highest repute, and it resisted the repeated attacks of the bravest and most courageous enemies. Liv. 44.—Justin. 6, c. 9. l. 7, c. 1, &c.—Strab. 7.—Mela, 1, c. 3, &c.—Plin. c. 4, 10, &c.—Curt. 3 & 4.—Paus. 8, c. 7.

MACÉDÓNICUM BELLUM, was undertaken by the Romans against Philip, king of Macedonia, some few months after the second Punic war, B. C. 200. The cause of this war originated in the hostilities which Philip had exercised against the Achæans, the friends and allies of Rome. The consul Flamininus had the care of this war, and he conquered Philip on the confines of Epirus, and afterwards in Thessaly. The Macedonian fleets were also defeated; Euboea was taken; and Philip, after continual losses, sued for peace, which was granted him in the fourth year of the war. The ambition and cruelty of Perseus, the son and successor of Philip, soon irritated the Romans. Another war was undertaken, in which the Romans suffered two defeats. This, however, did not discourage them, Paulus Æmilius was chosen consul in the 60th year of his age, and entrusted with the care of the war. He came to a general engagement near the city of Pydna. The victory sided with the Romans, and 20,000 of the Macedonian soldiers were left on the field of battle. This decisive blow put an end to the war, which had already continued for three years, 168 years before the Christian era. Perseus and his sons Philip and Alexander were taken prisoners, and carried to Rome to adorn the triumph of the conqueror. About fifteen years after, new seditions were raised in Macedonia, and the false pretensions of Andricus, who called himself the son of Perseus, obliged the Romans to send an army to quell the commotions. Andricus at first obtained many considerable advantages over the Roman forces, till at last he was conquered and delivered to the consul Metellus, who carried him to Rome. After these commotions, which are sometimes called the third Macedonian war, Macedonia was finally reduced into a Roman province, and governed by a regular proconsul, about 148 years before the Christian era.

MACÉDÓNICUS, a surname given to Metellus, from his conquests in Macedonia. It was also given to such as had obtained any victory in that province.
MACRELLA, a town of Sicily, taken by the consul Duilius. Liv. 26, c. 21.

MACER AEMLIUS, a Latin poet of Verona, who died B. C. 16. He wrote some poems upon serpents, plants, and birds, mentioned by Ovid. He also composed a poem upon the ruins of Troy, to serve as a supplement to Homer's Iliad. His compositions are now lost. Ovid. Trist. 4, el. 10, v. 44. ex Pont. 2, ep. 10. — Quintil. 10, c. 1. — L. Claudius, a preceptor of Africa in the reign of Nero. He assumed the title of emperor, and was put to death by order of Galba.


MACIADAS, a man who made himself absolute at Sparta. He was killed by Philopoemen, after being defeated at Mantinea, B. C. 208. Nabis succeeded him. Plut.

MACIADON, a celebrated physician, son of Esculapius and brother to Podalirius. He went to the Trojan war with the inhabitants of Trica, Ithome, and Cechalia. According to some he was king of Messenia. He was physician to the Greeks; he healed the wounds which they received during the Trojan war, and was one of those concealed in the wooden horse. Some suppose that he was killed before Troy by Eurypylus, the son of Telephus. He received divine honours after death, and had a temple in Messenia. Homer. II. 2, &c.

MACRATERRA, flowing from the Apennines, and dividing Liguria from Etruria. Lucan. 2, v. 426.

MACR CAMPi, a plain in Cisalpine Gaul near the river Gabellus. Liv. 41, c. 18. l. 43, c. 12. —A plain near Mutina bears the same name. Col. 7, c. 2.

MACRIANUS, Titus Fulvius Julius, an Egyptian of obscure birth, who, from a private soldier, rose to the highest command in the army, and proclaimed himself emperor when Valerian had been made prisoner by the Persians, A. D. 260. His liberality supported his usurpation: his two sons Macrianus and Quietus were invested with the imperial purple, and the enemies of Rome were severally defeated either by the emperors or their generals. When he had supported his dignity for a year in the eastern parts of the world, Macrianus marched towards Rome, to crush Gallienus, who had been proclaimed emperor. He was defeated in Illyricum by the lieutenant of Gallienus, and put to death with his son, at his own express request, A. D. 262.

MACRINUS, M. Opilius Severus, a native of Africa, who rose from the most ignominious condition to the rank of prefect of the praetorian guards, and at last of emperor, after the death of Caracalla, whom he inhumanly sacrificed to his ambition, A. D. 217. The beginning of his reign was popular; the abolition of the taxes, and an affable and complaisant behaviour, endeared him to his subjects. These promising appearances did not long continue, and the timidity which Macrinus betrayed in buying the peace of the Persians by a large sum of money, soon rendered him odious; and while he was affected to imitate the virtuous Aurelius, without possessing the good qualities of his heart, he became contemptible and insignificant. This affectation irritated the minds of the populace, and the severe punishments had been inflicted on some of the disorderly soldiers, the whole army mutinied; and their tumult was increased by their consciousness of their powers and numbers, which Macrinus had the imprudence to betray, by keeping almost all the military force of Rome encamped together in the plains of Syria. Heliogabalus was proclaimed emperor, and Macrinus attempted to save his life by flight. He was, however, seized in Cappadoctia, and his head was cut off and sent to his successor, June 7th, A. D. 218. Macrinus reigned about 2 months and 3 days. His son called Diadumenianus, shared his father's fate. A friend of the poet Persius, to whom his second satire is inscribed.

MACRO, a favourite of the emperor Tiberius, celebrated for his intrigues, perfidy, and cruelty. He destroyed Sejanus, and raised himself upon the ruins of that unfortunate favourite. He was accessory to the murder of Tiberius, and conciliated the good opinion of Caligula, by prostituting to him his own wife called Elena. He soon after became unpopular, and was obliged by Caligula to kill himself together with his wife, A. D. 36.

MACROBIUS, a poet of Ethiopia, celebrated for their justice and the innocence of their manners. They generally lived to their 120th year; and, indeed, from their longevity they have obtained their name (µακρος βασικ, bong life) to distinguish them more particularly from the other inhabitants of Ethiopia. Herodot. 3, c. 17. —Mela. 3, c. 9. —Plin. 7, c. 48. —Vul. Mar. 8, c. 3.

MACROBIUS, a Latin writer who died A. D. 413. Some suppose that he was chamberlain to the emperor Theodosius II. but this appears groundless; when we observe that Macrobius was a follower of paganism, and that none were admitted to the confidence of the emperor, or to the enjoyment of high stations except such as were of the Christian religion. Macrobius has rendered himself famous for a composition called Saturnalia, a miscellaneous collection of antiquities and criticisms supposed to have been the result of a conversation of some of the learned Romans during the celebration of the Saturnalia. This was written for the use of his son, and the bad latinity which the author has often introduced, proves that he was not born in a part of the Roman empire, where the Latin tongue was spoken, as he himself candidly confesses. The Saturnalia are useful for the learned reflections they contain, and particularly for some curious observations on the two greatest epic poets of antiquity. Besides this, Macrobius wrote a commentary on Cicero's somnium Scipionis which is likewise composed for the improvement of the author's son, and dedicated to him. The best editions are that of Gronovius, v. 5. L. Bat. 1670, and that of Lips. v. 1777.
MACROCHIR, a Greek name of Artaxerxes, the same as Longimanus. This surname arises from his having one hand longer than the other. C. Nep. in Reg.

MACRONES, a nation of Pontus, on the confines of Colchis and Armenia. Placc. 3, v. 152.—Herodot.

MACTORIUM, a town of Sicily.


MADORA, a town on the borders of Numidia and Gætulia, of which the inhabitants were called Madaurense. It was the native place of Apuleius. Apul. Met. 11.

MADETES, a general of Darius, who bravely defended a place against Alexander. The conqueror resolved to put him to death, though thirty orators pleaded for his life. Syagagbis prevailed over the almost inexorable Alexander, and Madeses was pardoned. Curt. 5, c. 3.

MADYES, a Scythian prince who pursued the Cimmerians in Asia, and conquered Cyaxares, B. C. 623. He held for some time the supreme power of Asia Minor. Herodot. 8, c. 103.

MAESTESE, a town of Thrace.

MAENANDER, a son of Oceanus and Tethys. A celebrated river of Asia Minor, rising near Seleucia, and flowing through Caria and Ionia into the Ægean sea, between Miletus and Priene, after it has been increased by the waters of the Marayas, Lycus, Eudon, Leethus, &c. It is celebrated among the poets for its windings, which amount to no less than 600, and from which all obliquities have received the name of Maenanders. It forms its course, according to the observations of some travellers, the Greek letters ε ἢ ζ τ & ω, and from its windings Dardalus had the first idea of his famous labyrinth. Ovid Met. 8, v. 145, &c.—Virg. Aen. 5, v. 254.—Lucan. 3 & 6.—Homer. Il. 2.—Herodot. 2, c. 29.—Strab. 12, &c.—Mela, 1, c. 17.


MÆDI, a people of Thrace, near Rhodope. Liv. 26, c. 25.

MÆLIUS, a Roman, thrown down from the Tarpeian rock, for aspiring to tyranny at Rome, in the early ages of the republic.

MÆMACTERIA, sacrifices offered to Jupiter at Athens in the winter month Mammacterion. The god surmounted Mæmacetia, was eutretted to send mild and temperate weather, as he presided over the seasons, and was the god of the air.

MÆNADES, a name of the Bacchantes, or priestesses of Bacchus. The word is derived from μανηω, to be furious, because in the celebration of the festivals, their gestures and actions were those of mad women. Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 458.

MÆNALA, a town of Spain.

MÆNALUS, (plur. Mænali) a mountain of Arcadia, sacred to the god Pan, and greatly frequented by shepherds. It received its name from Mænalus, a son of Lycaon. It was covered with pine trees, whose echo and shade have been greatly celebrated by all the ancient poets. Ovid, Met. 1, v. 216.—Virg. G. 1, v. 17. Ecl. 8, v. 24.—Paus. 3, c. 3.—Strab. 8.—Mela, 2, c. 3.—A town of Arcadia. —A son of Lycaon.—The father of Atalanta.

MÆNUS, a Roman consul. —A dictator accused and honourably acquitted, &c.—A spendthrift at Rome. Horat. 1, ep. 15, v. 20.

MÆNON, a tyrant of Sicily, B. C. 285.

MÆONIA, a country of Asia Minor, the same as Lydia. It is to be observed, that only part of Lydia was known by the name of Mæonia, that is, the neighbourhood of mount Tmolus, and the country watered by the Pactolus. The rest on the sea coast was called Lydia. Strab. 12.—Ovid. Met.

MÆONIDE, a name given to the Muses, because Homer their greatest and worthiest favourite was supposed to be a native of Mæonia.

MÆONIDES, a surname of Homer, because, according to the opinion of some writers, he was born in Mæonia, or because his father's name was Mæon. Ovid.

MÆONIS, an epithet applied to Omphale as queen of Lydia or Mæonia. Ovid.

MÆOTE, a people of Asiatic Sarmatia.

MÆOTIS PALUS, a large lake, or part of the sea between Europe and Asia, at the north of the Euxine, to which it communicates by the Cimmerian Bosporus, now called the sea of Azoph or Zaphik. It was worshipped as a deity by the Massagete. It extends about 390 miles from south-west to north-east, and is about 600 miles in circumference. Strab.—Mela, 1, c. 1, &c.—Justin. 2, c. 1.—Curt. 5, c. 4.—Lucan. 2, &c.—Ovid. Fast. 3, el. 12.—Virg. Aen. 6, v. 739.

MÆSIA Sylva, a wood in Etruria. Liv. 1, c. 33.

MÆVIA, an immodest woman. Juv. 1, v. 22.

MÆVIUS, a poet of inferior note in the Augustan age, who made himself known by his illiberal attacks on the character of the first writers of his time, as well as by his affected compositions. His name would have sunk in oblivion if Virgil had not ridiculed him in his third eclogue, and Horace in his 10th epode.

MÆGAS, a king of Cyrene in the age of Ptolemy Philadelphus. He reigned 50 years, and died B. C. 257. Polyben. 2.

MÆGELLA, a town of Sicily.

MÆGETRÆ, a people of Africa.

MÆGSI, a religious sect among the eastern nations of the world, and particularly in Persia. They had great influence in the political as well as religious affairs of the state, and a monarch seldom ascended the throne without their previous approbation. Zoroaster was founder of their sect. They paid particular homage to fire, which they deemed a deity, as pure in itself, and the purifier of all things. In their religious t-nets they had two principles, one good, source of every thing good, and the other evil, from whence sprung all manner of ills. Their professional skill in the mathematics and philosophy rendered every thing familiar to them, and from their knowledge of the phenomena of the heavens, the word Magi was applied to all learned men, and in process
of time, the Magi, from their experience and profession were confounded with the magicians, who impose upon the superstitious and credulous. Hence the word Magi and magicians became synonymous among the vulgar. Smerdas, one of the Magi, usurped the crown of Persia after the death of Cambyses; and the fraud was not discovered till the seven noble Persians conspired against the usurper, and elected Darius king. From this circumstance there was a certain day on which none of the Magi were permitted to appear in public, as the populace had the privilege of murdering whomsoever of them they met. Strab. — Cic. de Dio. 1. — Herodot. 3, c. 62, &c.

MAGUS, a lieutenant of Piso, &c. — A man in the interest of Pompey, &c. Paterc. 2, c. 115.

MAGNA GRACIA, a part of Italy. Vid. Gracia Magna.

MAGNA MATER, a name given to Cybele.

MAGNENTIUS, an ambitious Roman who distinguished himself by his cruelty and perfidy. He conspired against the life of Constans, and murdered him in his bed. This cruelty was highly resented by Constantius; and the assassin, unable to escape from the fury of his antagonist, murdered his own mother and the rest of his relations, and afterwards killed himself by falling upon a sword, which he had thrust against a wall. He was the first of the followers of Christianity who ever murdered his lawful sovereign, A. D. 353.

MAGNES, a young man who found himself detained by the iron nails which were under his shoes as he walked over a stone mine. This was no other than the magnet, which received its name from the person who had been first sensible of its power. A son of Æolus and Anaretta, who married Nais, by whom he had Pierus, &c. Apolloc. 1, c. 7. — A poet and musician of Smyrna, in the age of Gyges, king of Lydia.

MAGNÉSIA, a town of Asia Minor on the Mæander, about 15 miles from Ephesus. It is celebrated for the death of Themistocles, and for a battle which was fought there 187 years before the Christian era, between the Romans and Antiochus king of Syria. The forces of Antiochus amounted to 70,000 men according to Appian, or 70,000 foot and 12,000 horse according to Livy, which have been exaggerated by Florus to 300,000 men; the Roman army consisted of about 28 or 30,000 men, 2000 of which were employed in guarding the camp. The Syrians lost 50,000 foot and 4000 horse, and the Romans only 300 killed with 25 horse. It was founded by a colony from Magnesia in Thessaly, and was commonly called Magnesia ad Mæandrum to distinguish it from another called Magnesia ad Sipylum, in Lydia, at the foot of mount Sipylum. This last was destroyed by an earthquake in the reign of Tiberius. A country on the eastern parts of Thessaly, at the south of Ossa. It was sometimes called Æmonia and Magnes Campus. The capital was also called Magnesia.—A


MAGO, a Carthaginian general sent against Dionysius tyrant of Sicily. He obtained a victory and granted peace to the conqueror. In a battle which soon after followed this treaty of peace, Mago was killed. His son of the same name succeeded to the command of the Carthaginian army, but he disgraced himself by flying at the approach of Timoleon, who had come to assist the Syracusans. He was accused in the Carthaginian senate, and he prevented by suicide the execution of the sentence justly pronounced against him. His body was hung on a gibbet, and exposed to public ignominy. — A brother of Annibal the Great. He was present at the battle of Cannæ, and was deputed by his brother to carry to Carthage the news of the celebrated victory which had been obtained over the Roman armies. His arrival at Carthage was sudden, and more powerfully to astonish his countrymen on account of the victory of Cannæ, he emptied in the senate-house the three bursels of golden rings which had been taken from the Roman knights slain in battle. He was afterwards sent to Spain where he defeated the two Scipios, and was himself, in another engagement, totally ruined. He retired to the Balears which he conquered, and one of those cities still bears his name, and is called Portus Magonis, Port. Mahón. After this he landed in Italy with an army, and took possession of part of Insubria. He was defeated in a battle by Quintillus Varus, and died of a mortal wound 203 years before the Christian era. Liv. 30, &c. — C. Nep. in Ann. 8, gives a very different account of his death, and says he either perished in a shipwreck or was murdered by his servants. Perhaps Annibal had two brothers of that name. — A Carthaginian more known by his writings than by his military exploits. He wrote 28 volumes upon husbandry; these were preserved by Scipio at the taking of Carthage, and presented to the Roman senate. They were translated into Latin, though Cato had already written so copiously upon the subject, and the Romans, as it has been observed, consulted the writings of Mago with greater earnestness than the books of the Sibylline verses. C. unna.—

A Carthaginian sent by his countrymen to assist the Romans against Pyrrhus and the Tarantine, with a fleet of 120 sail. This offer was politely refused by the Roman senate, Val. Max.

MAGON, a river of India falling into the Ganges. Arrian.

MAGONIACUM, a large city of Germany Tacit. 4, Hist. 15.

MAGUS, an officer of Turnus, killed by Æneas. Virg. En. 10, v. 582.

MAHERBAL, a Carthaginian who was at the siege of Saguntum, and who commanded the cavalry of Annibal at the battle of Cannæ. He advised the conqueror immediately to march to Rome, but Annibal required time.
to consider on so bold a measure, upon which Mæthberl observed, that Annibal knew how to conquer but not how to make a proper use of victory.

Mæta, a daughter of Atlas and Pleione. She was the mother of Mercury by Jupiter. She was one of the Pleiades, the most luminous of the seven sisters. Vid. Pleiades. 

Apollod. 3, c. 10.—Verg. Æn. 1, v. 301.—A surname of Cybele.

Mæstas, a goddess among the Romans, daughter of Honour and Reverence. Ovid. Fast. 5, p. 25.  

Majorianus, Jul. Valerius, an emperor of the western Roman empire, raised to the imperial throne, A. D. 437. He signalized himself by his private as well as public virtues. He was massacred after a reign of 37 years by one of his generals, who, envied in his master the character of an active, virtuous, and humane emperor.

Majorca, the greatest of the islands called Baleares, on the coast of Spain in the Mediterranean. Strab.

Mæta Fortuna, the goddess of evil fortune was worshipped among the Romans. Cic. de Nat. D. 3.  

Mælea, a promontory of Lesbos.—An other in Peloponnesus, at the south of Laconia. The sea is so rough and boisterous there, that the dangers which attended a voyage round it gave rise to the proverb of Cum ad Mæleam deflexeris, obliviscere qua sunt domi. Strab. 8 & 9.—Lucan. 6, v. 58.—Plut. in Aar.—Verg. Æn. 5, v. 193.—Mela. 2, c. 3.—Paus. 3, c. 25.

Mælia, a city of Phthiotics near mount Eta and Thermopylae. There were in its neighbourhood some hot mineral waters which the poet Catullus has mentioned. From Mælia a gulf or small bay in the neighbourhood, at the western extremities of the island, of Eubera, has received the name of the gulf of Mælia, Maleum fretum or Malacus sinus. Some call it the gulf of Lamia from its vicinity to Lamia. It is often taken for the Sinus Pelasgius of the ancients. Paus. 1, c. 4.—Herod.  

Malio or Matho, a general of an army of Carthaginian mercenaries, 238 B. C.

Mali, a people of Mesopotamia.

Malis, a servant-maid of Omphale, beloved by Hercules.

Mallæa or Mallia aqua. Vid. Mælia.

Mallius, a Roman consul defeated by the Gauls, &c.


Malthinus, a name under which Horace has lashed some of his friends or enemies. 1 Sat. 2, v. 27.

Mamæus, a river of Peloponnesus.

Mæmercus, a tyrant of Catana, who surrendered to Timoleon. His attempts to speak in a public assembly at Syracuse were received with groans and hisses, upon which he dashed his head against a wall, and endeavoured to destroy himself. The blows were not fatal, and Mamarus was soon after put to death as a robber, B. C. 340. Polyæn. 5.—C. Nep. in Tim.—A dictator at Rome, B. C. 437.

Mæmerthus, a Corinthian who killed his brother's son in hopes of reigning, upon which he was torn to pieces by his brother. Ovid. in ib.

Mæmartina, a town of Campania, famous for its wines.—A name of Messana in Sicily. Martial. 13, ep. 117.—Strab. 7.

Mæmartini, a mercenary band of soldiers which passed from Campania into Sicily, at the request of Agathocles. When they were in the service of Agathocles, they claimed the privilege of voting at the election of magistrates at Syracuse, and had recourse to arms to support their unlawful demands. The sedition was appeased by the authority of some leading men, and the Campanians were ordered to leave Sicily. In their way to the coast they were received with great kindness by the people of Messana, and soon returned perfidy for hospitality. They conspired against the inhabitants, murdered all the males in the city, and married their wives and daughters, and rendered themselves masters of the place. After this violence they assumed the name of Mæmartini, and called their city Mæmartina, from a provincial word, which in their language, signified martial, or warlike. The Mæmartines were afterwards defeated by Hiero, and totally disabled to repair their ruined affairs. Plut. in Pyrrh. &c.

Mæmeila lex de luminibus, by the tribune Mæmlius. It ordained, that in the boundaries of the lands five or six feet of land should be left uncultivated, which no person could converted into private property. It also appointed commissioners to see it carried into execution.

Mæmillis, a plebeian family at Rome, descended from the Aborigines. They first lived at Tusculum, from whence they came to Rome. Liv. 3, c. 29.

Mæmlus, a son-in-law of Tarquin, who believed with uncommon bravery at the battle of Regilia. Vid. Mæmlius.

Mæmna, the mother of the emperor Severus, who died, A. D. 255.

Mæmrius Veturius, a worker in brass in Numa's reign. He was ordered by the monarch to make a number of ancilia or shields, like that one which had fallen from heaven, that it might be difficult to distinguish the true one from the others. He was very successful in his undertaking, and he asked for no other reward, but that his name might be frequently mentioned in the hymns which were sung by the Salii in the feast of the Ancilia. This request was granted. Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 399.

Mæmura, a Roman knight born at Formia. He followed the fortune of J. Cæsar in Gaul, where he greatly enrich himself. He built a magnificent palace on mount Carinus, and was the first who incrustated his walls with marble. Catullus has attacked him in his
epigrams.—Formiae is sometimes called Ma-
murrarum urbs. Plin. 36, c. 6.
MANASTABAL, son of Masinissa, who was father to the celebrated Jugurtha. Sallust. Jug. bel. MANCINUS, a Roman general, who though at the head of an army of 30,000 men, was defeated by 4000 Numantians, B. C. 128. He was dragged from the senate, &c. CC. in Orat. 1, c. 30.
MANDANE, a daughter of king Astyages, married by her father to Cambyses, an ignoble person of Persia. The monarch had dreamed that his daughter's urine had drowned all his city, which had been interpreted in an unfavourable manner by the soothsayers, who assured him that his daughter's son would dethrone him. The marriage of Mandane with Cambyses would in the monarch's opinion prevent the effects of the dream, and the children of this connexion would be poor and unnoticed. The expectations of Astyages were frustrated. He was dethroned by his grandson. Vid. Cyrus. Herodot. 1, c. 107.
MANDANES, an Indian prince and philosopher, whom Alexander invited by his ambassadors, on pain of death, to come to his court, as being the son of Jupiter. The philosopher ridiculed the threats and promises of Alexander. Scrub. 15.
Mandela, a village in the country of the Sabines. Horat. 1, ep. 18, v. 105.
MANDONIUS, a prince in Spain, who for some time favoured the cause of the Romans. When he heard that Scipio the Roman commander was ill, he raised commotions in the provinces, for which he was severely reprimanded and punished. Liv. 29.
MANDROCLAS, a general of Antiochus, &c. C. Nep. in Dat.
MANDRON, a king of Berycys, &c. Polyaen. 8.
MANDUBIT, a people of Gaul in Cesar's army, &c. Cxs. bell. G. 7, c. 78.
MANDERBATUS, a young Briton who came over to Cesar in Gaul. His father Immanu-
teus was king in Britain, and had been put to death by order of Cassivaleanus. Cxs. bell. G. 5, c. 20.
MANERIA, a city of Calabria near Ta-
rentum, whose inhabitants were famous for eating dog's flesh. Plin. 2, c. 103.—Lit. 27, c. 15.
MANES, a son of Jupiter and Tellus, who reigned in Moponia. He was father of Cotys and Callirhoe, the daughter of Oceanus.
MANES, a name generally applied by the ancients to the souls when separated from the body. They were reckoned among the infernal deities and generally supposed to preside over the burying-places, and the monuments of the dead. They were worshipped with great solemnity, particularly by the Romans. The augurs always invoked them when they proceeded to exercise their sacer-
dotal offices. Virgil introduces his hero as sacrificing to the infernal deities, and to the Manes, a victim whose blood was received in a ditch. The word manes, is supposed to be der-
ived from Mania, who was by some reckoned the mother of those tremendous deities. Others derive it from manare quod per annum aetheria tenebantur, because they felt the air, particularly in the night, and were inten-
tent to molest and disturb the peace of man-
kind. Some say, that manes comes from maus, an old Latin word which signified good or propitians. The word manes is differently used by ancient authors, sometimes it is taken for the infernal regions, sometimes it is applied to the deities of Pluto's kingdom, whence the epigrams of the Romans were always super-
scribed with D. M. Dis Manibus, to remind the sacrilegious and profane, not to molest the monuments of the dead, which were guarded with such sanctity. Propert. 1, el. 19.—Virg. 4, G. v. 469. Æn. 8, &c.—Horat. 1, Sat. 8, v. 28.—A river of Locris.
MANETHO, a celebrated priest of Heliopolis in Egypt, B. C. 261. He wrote in Greek an history of Egypt, which has been often quoted and recommended by the ancients, particularly by Josephus. It was chiefly col-
lected from the writings of Mercury, and from the journals and annals, which were preserved in the Egyptian temples. This history has been greatly corrupted by the Greeks. The author supported, that all the gods of the Egyptians had been mere mortals, and had all lived upon earth. This history is lost; it had been epitomized, and some fragments of it are still extant. There is extant a Greek poem ascribed to Manetho in which the power of the stars, which preside over the birth and fate of mankind, is explained. The Apoteles-
mata of this author were edited in 4to. by Gronovius, L. Bat. 1698.
MANIA, a goddess, supposed to be the mother of the Laces and Manes.—A female servant of queen Berenice the daughter of Ptolemy,—A mistress of Demetrius Poli-
ocretes, called also Demo, and Mania, from her folly. Plut. in Dem.
MANILIA LEX, by Manilius the tribune, A. U. C. 678. It required that all the forces of Lucullus and his province together with Bithynia, which was then under the command of Glabrio, should be delivered to Pompey, and that this general should, without any delay, declare war against Mithridates, and still retain the command of the Roman fleet, and the empire of the Mediterranean, as be-
fore.—Another which permitted all those whose father had not been invested with public offices, to be employed in the manage-
MANILUS, a Roman who married the daughter of Tarquin. He lived at Tusculum, and received his father-in-law in his house, when banished from Rome, &c Lit. 2, c. 15
—Caius, a celebrated mathematician and poet of Antioch, who wrote a poetical treatise on astronomy, of which five books are extant, treating of the fixed stars. This style is not elegant. The age in which he lived is not...
known, though some suppose, that he flourished in the Augustan age. No author, however, in the age of Augustus has made mention of Manlius. The best editions of Manlius are those of Bentley, 4to. London, 1739, Stoiberus, 8vo. Argentor. 1767. — Titus, and a learned historian in the age of Sulla and Marius. He is greatly recommended by Cicero, pro Roscio.

**Manimi**, a people in Germany. Tacit. G. 43.

**Manlia lex**, by the tribune P. Manlius, A. U. C. 557. It revived the office of t treviri epulones, first instituted by Numa. The epulones were priests, who prepared banquet for Jupiter and the gods at public festivals, &c.

**Manlius Torquatus**, a celebrated Roman, whose youth was distinguished by a lively and cheerful disposition. These promising talents were however, impeded by a difficulty of speaking, and the father unwilling to expose his son's rusticity at Rome, detained him in the country. The behaviour of the father was publicly censured, and Marius Pompeius the tribune cited him to answer for his unfatherly behaviour to his son. Young Manlius was informed of this, and with a dagger in his hand he entered the house of the tribune, and made him solemnly promise that he would drop the accusation. This action of Manlius endeared him to the people, and soon after he was chosen military tribune. In a war against the Gauls, he accepted the challenge of one of the enemy, whose gigantic stature and ponderous arms had rendered him terrible, and almost invincible in the eyes of the Romans. The Gaul was conquered, and Manlius stripped him of his arms, and from the collar (torquis) which he took from the enemy's neck, he was ever after surnamed Torquatus. Manlius was the first Roman who was raised to the dictatorship, without having been previously consul. The severity of Torquatus to his son, has been deservedly censured. This father had the courage and heart to put to death his son, because he had engaged one of the enemy, and obtained an honourable victory, without his leave and permission. This uncommon rigour displeased many of the Romans, and, though Torquatus was honoured with a triumph, and commended by the senate for his services, yet the Roman youth showed their disapprobation of the consul's severity, by refusing him at his return the homage which every other conqueror received. Some time after the censorship was offered to him, but he refused it, observing, that the people could not bear his severity, nor he the vices of the people. From the rigour of Torquatus, all edicts and actions of severity and justice have been called Maniliana edita. Liv. 7: 10. — Val. Max. 6, c. 9. — Marcus, a celebrated Roman, whose valor was displayed in the field of battle, even at the early age of 16. When Rome was taken by the Gauls, Manlius with a body of his countrymen fled into the capitol, which he defended, but it was suddenly surprised in the night by the enemy. This action gained him the surname of Captolimus, and the geese, which by their clamour had awakened him to arm himself in his own defence, were ever after held sacred among the Romans. A law which Manlius proposed to abolish the taxes on the common people, raised the senators against him. The dictator, Corn. Cossus, seized him as a rebel; but the people put on mourning, and delivered from prison their common father. This did not, in the least, check his ambition, he continued to raise factions, and even secretly to attempt to make himself absolute, till at last the tribunes of the people themselves became his accusers. He was tried in the Campus Martius, but when the distant view of the capital which Manlius had saved, seemed to influence the people in his favour, the court of justice was removed, and Manlius was condemned. He was thrown down from the Tarpeian rock, A. U. C. 371, and to render his ignominious still greater, none of his family were afterwards permitted to bear the surname of Marcus, and the place where his house had stood was deemed unworthy to be inhabited. Liv. 5, &c. — Flor. 1, c. 13 & 26. — Val. Max. 6, c. 3. — Virg. Æn. 6, v. 825. — Imperious, father of Manlius Torquatus. He was made dictator. He was accused for detaining his son at home. Vid. Manlius Torquatus. — Vulso, a Roman consul who received an army of Scipio in Asia, and made war against the Gallogrecians, whom he conquered. He was honoured with a triumph at his return, though it was at first strongly opposed. Flor. 3, c. 11. — Liv. 38, c. 12, &c. — Another, called also Cincinnatus. He made war against the Etrurians and Verentes with great success. He died of a wound he had received in a battle. — Another, who in his praetorship reduced Sardinia. He was afterwards made dictator. — Another, who was defeated by a rebel army of slaves in Sicily. — A prior in Gaul, who fought against the Boii, with very little success. — Another, called Attilius, who defeated a Carthaginian fleet, &c. — Another, who conspired with Catiline against the Roman republic. — Another, in whose consulship the temple of Janus was shut. — Another, who was banished under Tiberius for Licentiousness. — A Roman appointed judge between his son Silanus and the province of Macedonia. When all the parties had been heard, the father said, "It is evident that my son has suffered himself to be bribed, therefore I deem him unworthy of the republic and of my house, and I order him to depart from my presence." Silanus was so struck at the rigour of his father, that he hanged himself. Val. Max. 5, c. 5. — A learned man in the age of Cicero.

**Manius**, the son of Thiasto, both famous divinities among the Germans. Tacit. de Germ. c. 2.

**J. Mansuetus**, a friend of Vitellius, who entered the Roman armies, and left his son, then very young, at home. The son was promoted by Galba, and soon after met a detachment of the partisans of Vitellius, in which his
A battle was fought, and Mansuetus was wounded by the hand of his son, sce Tacit. Hist. 3, c. 23.

Mantinea, a town of Arcadia in Peloponnesus. It was taken by Aratus and Antigonos, and on account of the latter, it was afterwards called Antigonia. The emperor Adrian built there a temple in honour of his favourite Antinous. It is famous for the battle which was fought there between Epaminondas at the head of the Thebans, and the combined forces of Lacedaemon, Achaias, Elis, Athens, and Arcadia, about 363 years before Christ. The Theban general was killed in the engagement, and from that time Thebes lost its power and consequence among the Grecian states.

Mantinicus, the father of Ocalea, who married Abas, the son of Lycneus and Hypermnestra. Apollod. 2, Lyc. 6.

Mantius, a son of Melampus.

Manto, a daughter of the prophet Tiresias, endowed with the gift of prophecy. She was made prisoner by the Argives when the city of Thebes fell into their hands; and as she was the wealthiest part of the booty, the conquerors sent her to Apollo, the god of Delphi, as the most valuable present they could make. Manto, often called Daphne, remained for some time at Delphi, where she officiated as priestess, and where she gave oracles. From Delphi she came to Claro, in Ionia, where she established an oracle of Apollo. Here she married Rhadimus, the sovereign of the country, by whom she had a son called Mopsus. Manto afterwards visited Italy, where she married Tiberius, the king of Alba, or as the poets mention, the god of the river Tiber. From this marriage sprung Ocus, who built a town in the neighbourhood, which, in honour of his mother, he called Mantua. Manto, according to a certain tradition, was so struck with the misfortunes which afflicted Thebes, her native country, that she gave way to her sorrow, and was turned into a fountain. Some suppose her to be the same who conducted Zenes into hell, and who sold the Sybiline books to Tarquin the Proud. She received divine honours after death. Virg. En. 1, v. 199. b. 10, v. 199.—Ovid. Met. 6, v. 157. —Dios. 4.—Apollod. 3, c. 7.—Strab. 14 & 16.—Paus. 9, c. 10.

Mantua, a town of Italy beyond the Po, founded about 300 years before Rome by Bionor or Ocus, the son of Manto. It was the ancient capital of Etruria. When Cremona, which had followed the interest of Brutus, was given to the soldiers of Octavian, Mantua also, which was in the neighbourhood, shared the common calamity, and many of the inhabitants were tyrannically deprived of their possessions. Virgil, who was among them, and a native of the town, applied for redress to Augustus, and obtained it by means of his poetical talents. Strab. 5.—Virg. Ecl. 1, &c. G. 3, v. 12. Æn. 10, v. 189.—Ovid. Amer. 3, el. 13.

Marcanda, a town of Sogdiana.

Mârâthâ, a village of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 28.

Maratôn, a village of Attica, ten miles Athens, celebrated for the victory which the 10,000 Athenians and 1000 Plateans, under the command of Miltiades, gained over the Persian army, consisting of 100,000 foot and 10,000 horse, or, according to Val. Maximus, of 300,000, or, as Justin says, of 600,000, under the command of Datis and Artaphernes, on the 28th of September 490, B. C. In this battle, according to Herodotus, the Athenians lost only 192 men, and the Persians 6,500. Justin has raised the loss of the Persians in this expedition and in the battle to 200,000 men. It was also in the plains of Marathon that Theseus overcame a celebrated bull, which plundered the neighbouring country. C. Nep. in Milt.—Herodot. 6, &c.—Justin. 2, c. 9.—Val. Max. 5, c. 3.—Plut. in Parall.—A king of Attica, who gave his name to a small village. Paus. 2, c. 1.—A king of Sicyon.

Marâthos, a town of Phocinia. Meta, 1, c. 12.

Marcella, a daughter of Octavia, the sister of Augustus by Marcellus. She married Agrippa.

Marcellinus Ammi anus, a celebrated historian who carried arms under Constantius, Julian, and Valens, and wrote an history of Rome from the reign of Domitian, where Suetonius stops, to the emperor Valens. His style is neither elegant nor laboured, but it is greatly valued for its veracity, and in many of the actions it mentions, the author was nearly concerned. This history was composed at Rome, where Ammi anus retired from the noise and troubles of the camp, and does not betray that severity against the Christians which other writers have manifested, though the author was warm in favour of Paganism, the religion which for a while sat on the throne. It was divided into thirty-one books, of which only the eighteen last remain, beginning at the death of Magnensius. Ammianus has been liberal in his encomiums upon Julian, whose favour he enjoyed, and who so eminently patronised his religion. The negligence with which some facts are sometimes mentioned, has induced many to believe that the history of Ammianus has suffered much from the ravages of time, and that it has descended to us maimed and imperfect. The best editions of Ammianus are those of Gronovius, fol. and 4to. L. Bat. 1693, and of Ernesti, 8vo. Lips. 1773.—An officer under Julian.

Marcellus, Marcus Claudius, a famous Roman general, who, after the first Punic war, had the management of an expedition against the Gauls, where he obtained the Spolia optima, by killing with his own hand Viridomarus, the king of the enemy. Sueh success rendered him popular, and soon after he was entrusted to oppose Annibal, in Italy. He was the first Roman who obtained some advantage over this celebrated Carthaginian, and showed his countrymen that Annibal was not invincible. The troubles which were raised in Sicily by the Carthaginians at the death of Hieronymus, alarmed the Romans, and Marcellus, in his third consulship, was sent with a powerful force against Syracuse. He attacked it by sea and land, but his operations proved ineffectual, and the invention
and industry of a philosopher [Vid. Archime-
des] were able to baffle all the efforts, and to
destroy all the great and stupendous machines
and military engines of the Romans, during
three successive years. The perseverance of
Marcellus at last obtained the victory. The
inattention of the inhabitants during their noc-
turnal celebration of the festivals of Diana, fa-
voured his operations; he forcibly entered the
town, and made himself master of it. The con-
queror enriched the capital of Italy with the
spoils of Syracuse; and when he was accused of
rapaciousness, for stripping the conquered
city of all its paintings and ornaments, he con-
fessed, that he had done it to adorn the public
buildings of Rome, and to introduce a taste for
the fine arts and elegance of the Greeks among
his countrymen. After the conquest of Syra-
cuse, Marcellus was called upon by his country
to oppose a second time Anniial. In this cam-
paign he behaved with greater vigour than be-
fore; the greatest part of the towns of the Sam-
nites, which had revolted, were recovered by
force of arms, and 3000 of the soldiers of Anni-
bal made prisoners. Some time after, an en-
gagement with the Carthaginian general proved
unfavourable; Marcellus had the disadvantage;
but on the morrow, a more successful skirmish
vindicated his military character, and the ho-
nor of the Roman soldiers. Marcellus, how-
ever, was not sufficiently vigilant against the
snare of his adversary. He imprudently sepa-
rated himself from his camp, and was killed in
an ambuscade in the 60th year of his age, in
his fifth consulship, A. U. C. 544. His body
was honoured with a magnificent funeral by the
conqueror, and his ashes were conveyed in a
silver urn to his son. Marcellus claims our
commendation for his private as well as public
virtues; and the humanity of a general will
ever be remembered, who, at the surrender of
Syracuse, wept at the thought that many were
going to be exposed to the avarice and rapa-
ciousness of an incensed soldiery, which the
policy of Rome, and the laws of war, rendered
inevitable. Virg. En. 6, v. 835.—Plut. in vita
Sec. One of his descendants, who bore the
same name, signalised himself in the civil wars
of Caesar and Pompey, by his firm attachment
to the latter. He was banished by Caesar, but
afterwards recalled at the request of the senate.
Cicero undertook his defence in an oration
which is still extant.—The grandson of Pom-
pey's friend rendered himself popular by his
universal benevolence and affability. He was
son of Marcellus by Octavia, the sister of Au-
gustus. He married Julia, that emperor's daugh-
ter, and was publicly intended as his successor.
The suddenness of his death at an early age,
was the cause of much lamentation at Rome,
particularly in the family of Augustus; and
Virgil procured himself great favours by cele-
brating the virtues of this amiable prince. [Vid.
Octavia.]. Marcellus was buried at the public
—Plut. in Marcell. Sever. Consol. ad Marc.
'at. c. 2, c. 93.—The son of the great Mar-
lius who took Syracuse, was caught in the
ambuscade which proved fatal to his father, but
he forced his way from the enemy and escaped.
He received the ashes of his father from the
conqueror. Plut. in Marcell.—A man who con-
spired against Vespasian.—The husband of
Octavia, the sister of Augustus.—A con-
queror of Britain.—An officer under the em-
peror Julian.—A man put to death by Galba.
—A man who gave Cicero information of
Catiline's conspiracy.—A colleague of Cato
in the questorship.—A native of Pamphyl-
bia, who wrote an heroic poem on physic,
divided into 42 books. He lived in the reign
of Marcus Aurelius.—A Roman drowned in a
storm, &c.

MACRİA HEX, by Marcus Censorinus. It for-
bade any man to be invested with the office of
censor more than once.

MACRİA, the wife of Regulus. When she
heard that her husband had been put to death
at Carthage in the most excruciating manner,
she retorted the punishment, and shut up some
Carthaginian prisoners in a barrel, which she
had previously filled with sharp nails. The se-
enate was obliged to stop her wantonness and
cruelty. Dio. 24.—A favourite of the em-
peror Commodus, whom he poisoned.—A
vestal virgin, punished for her incontinence.
A daughter of Philip, who married Cato the
Censor. Her husband gave her to his friend
Hortensius for the sake of procreating chil-
dren, and after his death, she took her again
to his own house.—An ancient name of the
island of Rhodes.—A daughter of Cato of
Utica.

MACRİANA, a sister of the emperor Trajan,
who, on account of her public and private vir-
tues, and her amiable disposition, was declared
Augusta and empress by her brother. She died
A. D. 113.

MACRİANOPOLİS, the capital of Lower Ma-
sia, in Greece. It receives its name in honour
of the empress Macrina.

MACRİANUS, a native of Thrace, born of an
obscure family. After he had for some time
served in the army as a common soldier, he was
made private secretary to one of the officers of
Theodosius. His winning address and uncom-
mon talents raised him to higher stations; and
on the death of Theodosius the 2d, A. D. 450,
he was invested with the imperial purple in the
east: The subjects of the Roman empire had
reason to be satisfied with their choice. Mar-
cianus showed himself active and resolute, and
when Attila, the barbarous king of the Huns,
asked of the emperor the annual tribute, which
the indolence and cowardice of his predecessors
had regularly paid, the successor of Theodosius
firmly said that he kept his gold for his friends,
but that iron was the metal which he had pre-
pared for his enemies. In the midst of universal
popularity, Marcellus died, after a reign of 6 years,
in the 60th year of his age, as he was making
warlike preparations against the barbarians
that had invaded Africa. His death was lamented,
and indeed his merit was great, since his reign
has been distinguished by the appellation of the
golden age. Marcellus married Pulcharia, the
sister of his predecessor. It is said, that in the years of his obscurity, he found a man who had been murdered, and that he had the humanity to give him a private burial, for which circumstance he was accused of the homicide, and imprisoned. He was condemned to lose his life, and the sentence would have been executed, had not the real murderer been discovered, and convinced the world of the innocence of Marcus. — Capella, a writer. *Vid.* Capella.

M. Marcus Sabinus, was the progenitor of the Marcian family at Rome. He came to Rome with Numa, and it was he who advised Numa to accept of the crown, which the Romans offered to him. He attempted to make himself king of Rome, in opposition to Tullius Hostilius, and when his efforts proved unsuccessful, he killed himself. His son, who married a daughter of Numa, was made high priest by his father-in-law. He was father of Ancus Marcius. *Plut.* in *Numa.* — A Roman, who accused Ptolemy Auletes, king of Egypt, of misdemeanor in the Roman senate. A Roman consul, defeated by the Samnites. He was more successful against the Carthaginians, and obtained a victory, &c. — Another consul, who obtained a victory over the Etrurians. — Another, who defeated the Hernici. — A Roman who fought against Asdrubal. A man whom Catiline hired to assassinate Cicero.

Marcus Saltus, a place in Liguria, &c. Marcus Manni, a people of Germany, who originally dwelt on the banks of the Rhine and the Danube. They proved powerful enemies to the Roman emperors. Augustus granted them peace, but they were afterwards subdued by Antoninus and Trajan, &c. Pater.

Marcus, a pannonian common to many of the Romans. *Vid.* Amilinus, Lepidus, &c. — A son of Cato, killed at Philippi, &c. Carnyænisis, a general of the Achaean league, 255 B.C.

Mardi, a people of Persia, on the confines of Media. They were very poor, and generally lived upon the flesh of wild beasts. *Herodot.* 1 & 3.

Mardia, a place of Thrace, famous for a battle between Constantine and Licinius, A.D. 315.

Mardonius, a general of Xerxes, who was left in Greece with an army of 300,000 chosen men, to subdue the country, and reduce it under the power of Persia. His operations were rendered useless by the courage and vigilance of the Greeks; and in a battle at Plataea, Mardonius was defeated, and left among the slain, B.C. 479. He had been commander of the armies of Darius in Europe, and it was chiefly by his advice that Xerxes invaded Greece. He was son-in-law of Darius. *Plut.* in *Arist. — Herodot.* 6, 7, & 8. — *Dist.* 11. — Justin. 2, c. 13, &c.

Mardus, a river of Media, falling into the Caspian sea.


Marginta and Margiana, a town and country near the river Oxis, at the east of Hyrcania, celebrated for its wines. The vines are so uncommonly large, that two men cannot grasp the trunk of one of them. *Curt.* 7, c. 10. — *Piot.* 5.

Margites, a man against whom, as some suppose, Homer wrote a poem, to ridicule his superficial knowledge, and to expose his affectation. When Demosthenes wished to prove Alexander an inveterate enemy to Athens, he called him another Margites.

Margus, a river of Messa falling into the Danube, with a town of the same name, now Kastolatz.

Martiaba, a city of Arabia, near the Red sea.

Maria Lex, by C. Marius, the tribune, A. U. C. 634. It ordered the planks called *pontes,* on which the people stood up to give their votes in the *comitia,* to be narrower, that no other might stand there to hinder the proceedings of the assembly by appeal, or other disturbances. Another, called also *Porcia,* by L. Marius and Porcius, tribunes, A. U. C. 691. It fixed a certain sum of money such commanders as gave a false account to the Roman senate of the number of slain in a battle. It obliged them to swear to the truth of their return when they entered the city, according to the best computation.

Mariamna, a Jewish woman, who married Herodes, &c.

Mariæ Fosse, a town of Gaul.

Marianicum, a place near Bithynia, where the poets feign that Hercules dragged Cerberus out of hell. *Dionys.*

Marianus, a surname given to Jupiter from a temple built to his honour by Marius. It was in this temple that the Roman senate assembled to recall Cicero, a circumstance communicated to him in a dream.

Marica, a nymph of the river Liris, near Minturnae. She married king Faunus, by whom she had king Latinus. She was afterwards called Fauna and Fatua, and honoured as a goddess. A city of Campania bore her name. Some suppose her to be the same as Circe. *Verg.* *Aen.* 7, v. 47. — A wood on the borders of Campania bore also the name of Marica. *Horat.* 3, od. 17.


Marina, a daughter of Arcadius, &c.

Marinus, a friend of Tiberus, put to death, &c.

Maryon, a king of Tyre in the age of Alexander the Great.

Mariissa, an opulent town of Judæa.

Marista Lex. *Vid.* Julia de Maristandis.

Maris, a river of Scythia.

Marisus, a river of Dacia.

C. Marius, a celebrated Roman, who from a peasant, became one of the most powerful and cruel tyrants that Rome ever beheld during the
consular government. He was born at Aprion, of obscure and illiterate parents. His father bore the same name as himself, and his mother was called Palma. He forsook the meaner occupations of the country for the camp, and signalized himself under Scipio at the siege of Numantia. The Roman general saw the courage and intrepidity of young Marius, and foretold the era of his future greatness. By his seditions and intrigues at Rome, while he exercised the inferior offices of the state, he rendered himself known, and his marriage with Julia, who was of the family of the CaeSars, contributed in some measure to raise him to consequence. He passed into Africa as lieutenant to the consul Metellus against Jugurtha, and, after he had there ingratiated himself with the soldiers, and raised enemies to his friend and benefactor, he returned to Rome, and canvassed for the consulship. The extravagant promises he made to the people, and his malevolent insinuations about the conduct of Metellus, proved successful. He was elected, and appointed to finish the war against Jugurtha. He showed himself capable in every degree to succeed to Metellus. Jugurtha was defeated, and afterwards parted into the hands of the Romans by the perfidy of Bocchus. No sooner was Jugurtha conquered than new honours and fresh trophies awaited Marius. The provinces of Rome were suddenly invaded by an army of 300,000 barbarians, and Marius was the only man whose activity and boldness would resist so powerful an enemy. He was elected consul, and sent against the Teutones. The war was prolonged, and Marius was a third and fourth time invested with the consulship. At last two engagements were fought, and not less than 200,000 of the barbarian forces of the Ambrones and Teutones were slain in the field of battle, and 90,000 made prisoners. The following year was also marked by a total overthrow of the Cimbri, another horde of barbarians, in which 140,000 were slaughtered by the Romans, and 60,000 taken prisoners. After such honourable victories, Marius, with his colleague Catulus, entered Rome in triumph, and, for his eminent services, he deserved the appellation of the third founder of Rome. He was elected consul a sixth time, and, as his intrepidity had delivered his country from its foreign enemies, he sought employment at home, and his restless ambition began to raise seditions, and to oppose the power of Sylla. This was the cause and the foundation of a civil war. Sylla refused to deliver up the command of the forces with which he was empowered to prosecute the Mithridatic war, and he resolved to oppose the authors of a demand which he considered as arbitrary and improper. He advanced upon Rome, and Marius was obliged to leave his life by flight. The unfavourable winds prevented him from seeking a safer retreat in Africa, and he was left on the coasts of Campania, where the emissaries of his enemy soon discovered him in a marsh, where he had plunged himself in the mud, and left only his mouth above the surface for respiration. He was violently dragged to the neighbouring town of Minturnae, and the magistrates, all devoted to the interest of Sylla, passed sentence of immediate death on their magnificent prisoner. A Gaul was commanded to cut off his head in the dungeon, but the stern countenance of Marius disarmed the courage of the executioner, and, when he heard the exclamation of Time, homo, audes viderere Caesar Marium, the dagger dropped from his hand. Such an uncommon adventure moved the compassion of the inhabitants of Minturnae. They released Marius from prison and favoured his escape to Africa, where he joined his son Marius, who had been arming the princes of the country in his cause. Marius landed near the walls of Carthage, and he received no small consolation at the sight of the venerable ruins of a once powerful city, which, like himself, had been exposed to calamity, and felt the cruel vicissitude of fortune. This place of his retreat was soon known, and the governor of Africa, to conciliate the favours of Sylla, compelled Marius to fly to a neighbouring island. He soon after learned that Cinna had embraced his cause at Rome, when the Roman senate stripped him of his consular dignity and bestowed it upon one of his enemies. This intelligence animated Marius; he set sail to assist his friend, only at the head of a thousand men. His army, however, was soon increased, and he entered Rome like a conqueror. His enemies were inhumanly sacrificed to his fury, Rome was filled with blood, and he who once had been called the father of his country, marched through the streets of the city, attended by a number of assassins, who immediately slaughtered all those whose salutations were not answered by their leader. Such were the signals for bloodshed. When Marius and Cinna had sufficiently gratified their resentment, they made themselves consuls, but Marius, already worn out with old age and infirmities, died sixteen days after he had been honoured with the consular dignity for the seventh time, B. C. 86. His end was probably hastened by the uncommon quantities of wine which he drank when labouring under a dangerous disease, to remove, by intoxication, the stings of a guilty conscience. Such was the end of Marius, who rendered himself conspicuous by his victories, and by his cruelty. As he was brought up among poverty, and among peasants, it will not appear wonderful that he always betrayed rusticity in his behaviour, and despised in others those polished manners and that studied address which education had denied him. He hated the conversation of the learned, only because he was illiterate, and, if he appeared an example of sobriety and temperance, he owed these advantages to the years of obscurity, which he passed at Arpinum. His countenance was stern, his voice firm and imperious, and his disposition untractable. He always betrayed the greatest timidity in the public assemblies, as he had not been early taught to make eloquence and oratory his pursuit. He was in the 70th
year of his age when he died, and Rome seemed to rejoice in the fall of a man whose ambition had proved fatal to so many of her citizens. His only qualifications were those of a great general, and with these he rendered himself the most illustrious and powerful of the Romans, because he was the only one whose ferocity seemed capable to oppose the barbarians of the north. The manner of his death, according to some opinions, remains doubtful, though some have charged him with the crime of suicide. Among the instances which are mentioned of his firmness, this may be recorded: a swelling in the leg obliged him to apply to a physician, who urged the necessity of cutting it off. Marius gave it, and saw the operation performed without a distortion of the face, and without a groan. The physician asked the other, and Marius gave it with equal composure. Plut. in vita.—Paterc. 2, c. 9.—Flor. S. c. 3.—Juvi. 8, v. 245, &c.—Lucan. 2, v. 69.—Caius, the son of the great Marius, was as cruel as his father, and shared his good and his adverse fortune. He made himself consul in the 25th year of his age, and murdered all the senators who opposed his ambitious views. He was defeated by Sylla, and fled to Preneste, where he killed himself, Plut. in Maria.—Piruscin, a governor of Africa, accused of extortion in his province by Pliny the Younger, and banished from Italy. Plin. 2, ep. 11.—Juvi. 1, v. 46.—A lover, &c. Vid. Hellas.—One of the Greek fathers of the 5th century, whose works were edited by Garner, 2 vols. fol. Paris, 1673; and by Balzunus, ib. 1684.—M. Aurelius, a native of Gaul, who, from the mean employment of a blacksmith became one of the generals of Gallienus, and at last caused himself to be saluted emperor. Three days after this elevation, a man who had shared his poverty without partaking of his more prosperous fortune, publicly assassinated him, and he was killed by a sword which he himself had made in the time of his obscurity. Marius has been often celebrated for his great strength, and it is confidently reported that he could stop, with one of his fingers only, the wheel of a chariot in its most rapid course.—Maximus, a Latin writer, who published an account of the Roman emperors from Trajan to Alexander, now lost. His compositions were entertaining, and executed with great exactness and fidelity. Some have accused him of inattention, and complain that his writing abounded with many fabulous and insignificant stories.—Celsius, a friend of Galba, &c. Tactit. Hist. I, c. 45.—A rich Spaniard, thrown down from the Tarpeian rock, on account of his riches, &c. Tactit. Ann. 6, c. 19.

MARMACUS, the father of Pythagoras.
MARMARKES, a people of Lycia.
MARMARICA, a part of Africa.
MARMARIDE, the inhabitants of that part of Libya, which is between Cyrene and Egypt. Lucan. 9, v. 864.
MARMARIO, a town of Eubea, whence Apollo is called Marmarinus.
provoked Mars, that he changed into a cock his favourite Electryon, whom he had stationed at the door to watch against the approach of the sun, [Vid. A ecretyn] and Venus also shewed her resentment: by persecuting with the most invertebrate fury the children of Apollo. In the wars of Jupiter and the Titans, Mars was seized by Orus and Ephialtes, and confined for fifteen months, till Mercury procured him his liberty. During the Trojan war Mars interested himself on the side of the Trojans, and defended the favourites of Venus with uncommon activity. The worship of Mars was not very universal among the ancients; his temples were not numerous in Greece, but in Rome he received the most unbounded honours, and the warlike Romans were proud of paying homage to a deity whom they esteemed as the patron of their city, and the father of the first of their monarchs. His most celebrated temple at Rome was built by Augustus after the battle of Philippi. It was dedicated to Mars ultor, or the avenger. His priests among the Romans were called Sali; they were first instituted by Numa, and their chief office was to guard the sacred Ancyia, one of which, as was supposed, had fallen down from heaven. Mars was generally represented in the naked figure of an old man, armed with a helmet, a pike, and a shield. Sometimes he appeared in a military dress, and with a long flowing beard, and sometimes without. He generally rode in a chariot drawn by furious horses, which the poets called Flight and Terror. His altars were stained with the blood of the horse, on account of his warlike spirit, and of the wolf, on account of his ferocity. Magpies and vultures were also offered to him, on account of their greediness and voracity. The Scythians generally offered him asses, and the people of Caria, dogs. The weed called dog-grass was sacred to him, because it grows, as it is commonly reported, in places which are fit for fields of battle, or where the ground has been stained with the effusion of human blood. The surnames of Mars are not numerous. He was called Gradivus, Mavors, Quirinus, Salisubsulus, among the Romans. The Greeks called him Ares, and he was the Enyalus of the Sabines, the Camulus of the Gauls, and the Mamers of Carthage. Mars was father of Cupid, Anteros, and Harmonia, by the goddess Venus. He had Ascalaphus and Ialmenus by Astychoe, Alcippe by Agraolus, Molus, Pylus, Evenus, and Thaeus, by Demonice, the daughter of Agenor. Besides these, he was the reputed father of Romulus, Cenomus, Bythis, Thrac, Diomedes of Thrace, &c. He presided over gladiators, and was the god of hunting, and of whatever exercises or amusements have something manly and warlike. Among the Romans it was usual for the consul, before he went on an expedition, to visit the temple of Mars, where he offered his prayers, and in a solemn manner shook the spear which was in the hand at the statue of the god, at the same time exclaiming, "Mars, vigilis! god of war, watch over the welfare and safety of this city. Ovid


MARSAL, a town of Sicily.

MARSUS, a Roman, ridiculed by Horace. 1. Sat. 2, v. 55, for his prodigality to courtiers.

MARSE, a daughter of Thespius. Apollod.

Marsi, a nation of Germany, who afterwards came to settle in Italy, in a country chequered with forests abounding with wild boars, and other ferocious animals. They at first proved very inimical to the Romans, but, in process of time, they became their firmest supporters. They are particularly celebrated for the civil war in which they were engaged, and which from them has received the name of the Marsian war. The large contributions they made to support the interest of Rome, and the number of men which they continually supplied to the republic, rendered them bold and aspiring, and they claimed, with the rest of the Italian states, a share of the honour and privileges which were enjoyed by the citizens of Rome. B. C. 91. This petition, though supported by the interest, the eloquence, and the integrity of the tribune Drusus, was received with contempt by the Roman senate; and the Marsi, with their allies, showed their dissatisfaction by taking up arms. Their resentment was increased when Drusus, their friend at Rome, had been basely murdered by the means of the nobles, and they erected themselves into a republic, and Consirium was made the capital of their new empire. A regular war was now begun, and the Romans led into the field an army of 100,000 men, and were opposed by a superior force. Some battles were fought, in which the Roman generals were defeated, and the allies reaped no incon siderable advantages from their victories. A battle, however, near Asculum, proved fatal to their cause; 4000 of them were left dead on the spot, their general, Francis, a man of uncommon experience and abilities, was slain, and such as escaped from the field, perished by hunger in the Apennines, where they had sought a shelter. After many defeats, and the loss of Asculum, one of their principal cities, the allies, grown dejected, and tired of hostilities which had already continued for three years, sued for peace one by one, and tranquillity was at last re-established in the republic, and all the states of Italy were made citizens of Rome. The armies of the allies consisted of the Marsi, the Pelligni, the Vestini, the Hirpini, Pompeiani, Marcini, Picentini, Venusini, Ferentani, Apuli, Lucani, and Sammites. Appian. Val. Max. 8. Patrec. 2. Plut. in Sert. Mario, &c. Cic. pro Balb. Strab. MARSIGNI, a people of Germany. Tacit.

MARSYABA, a town of Arabia.

MARSYAS, a celebrated piper of Celaena, in Phrygia, son of Olympus, or of Hyagnus or Ca.
gras. He was so skilful in playing on the flute, that he is generally deemed the inventor of it. According to the opinion of some, he found it when Minerva had thrown it aside on account of the distortion of her face when she played upon it. Marsyas was enamoured of Cybele, and he travelled with her as far as Nysa, where he had the imprudence to challenge Apollo to a trial of his skill as a musician. The god accepted the challenge, and it was mutually agreed, that he who was defeated should be flayed alive by the conqueror. The Muses, or, according to Diodorus, the inhabitants of Nysa, were appointed umpires. Each exerted his utmost skill, and the victory, with much difficulty, was adjudged to Apollo. The god, upon this, tied his antagonist to a tree, and flayed him alive. The death of Marsyas was universally lamented; the Fauns, Satyrs, and Dryads, wept at his fate, and, from their abundant tears, arose a river of Phrygia, well known by the name of Marsyas. The unfortunate Marsyas is often represented on monuments as tied, his hands behind his back, to a tree, while Apollo stands before him with his lyre in his hands. In independent cities among the ancients the statue of Marsyas was generally erected in the forum, to represent the intimacy which subsisted between Bacchus and Marsyas, as the emblems of liberty. It was also erected at the entrance of the Roman forum, as a spot where usurers and merchants resorted to transact business, being principally intended in terorem litigatorem; a circumstance to which Horace seems to allude, 1 Sat. 6, v. 120. At Celaenae, the skin of Marsyas was shown to travellers for some time; it was suspended in the public place in the form of a bladder or a football: Hygin. fab. 165. — Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 707. Met. 6, fab. 7. — Diod. 3. — Ital. 8, v. 503. — Paus. 10, c. 30. — Apollod. 1, c. 4. — The sources of the Marsyas were near those of the Meander, and those two rivers had their confluence a little below the town of Celaenae. — A writer, who published an history of Macedonia, from the first origin and foundation of that empire till the reign of Alexander, in which he lived. An Egyptian, who commanded the armies of Cleopatra against her brother Ptolemy Phuscon, whom she attempted to detrmine. — A man put to death by Dionysius, the tyrant of Sicily.

MARTHA, a celebrated prophetess of Syria, whose artifice and fraud proved of the greatest service to C. Marius in the numerous expeditions he undertook. Plut. in Marius.

MARTIA, a vestal virgin, put to death for her incontinence. — A daughter of Cato. Vid. Marcia.

MARTIA AQUA, water at Rome, celebrated for its clearness and salubrity. It was conveyed to Rome from the lake Fucinus by Ancus Martius, whence it received its name. Tibull. 3, el. 7, v. 26.

MARTIALES, Ludi, games celebrated at Rome in honour of Mars.

MARTIALIS, Marcus Valerius, a native of Bilbilis, in Spain, who came to Rome about the 20th year of his age, where he recommended himself to notice by his poetical genius. As he was the panegyrist of the emperors, he gained the greatest honours, and was rewarded in the most liberal manner. Domitian gave him the tribunship, but the poet, unmindful of the favours he received after the death of his benefactor, exposed to ridicule the vices and cruelties of a monster, whom, in his lifetime, he had extolled as the pattern of virtue, goodness, and excellence. Trajan treated the poet with coldness, and Martial, after he had passed 37 years in the capital of the world, in the greatest splendour and influence, retired to his native country, where he had the mortification to be the object of malevolence, satire, and ridicule. He received some favours from his friends, and his poverty was alleviated by the liberality of Pliny the younger, whom he had panegyrized in his poems. Martial died about the 104th year of the Christian era, in the 75th year of his age. He is now well known by the fourteen books of epigrams which he wrote, and whose merit is now best described by the candid confession of the author in this line,—

Sunt bona, sunt qua dam melioria, sunt male plora.

But the genius which he displays in some of his epigrams, deserves commendation, though many critics are liberal in their censure upon his style, his thoughts, and particularly upon his puns, which are often low and despicable. In many of his epigrams the poet has shown himself a declared enemy to decency, and the book is to be read with caution which can corrupt the purity of morals, and initiate the votaries of virtue in the mysteries of sinful vice. It has been observed of Martial, that his talent was epigrams. Every thing he did was the subject of an epigram. He wrote inscriptions upon monuments in the epigrammatic style, and even a new-year’s gift was accompanied with a distich, and his poetical pen was employed in begging a favour as well as satirizing a fault. The best editions of Martial are those of Rader, fol. Mogunt. 1627; of Schriverius, 12mo. L. Bat. 1619; and of Smida. Evo. Amst. 1701.

A friend of Otho. — A man who conspired against Caracalla.

MARTIANUS. Vid. Marcianus.

MARTINA, a woman skilled in the knowledge of poisonous herbs, &c.

MARTIANUS, an officer, made Caesar byLicinius, to oppose Constantine. He was put to death by order of Constantine.

MARTIUS, a Roman consul sent against Persus, &c. — A consul against the Dalmatians, &c. — Another, who defeated the Carthaginians in Spain. — Another, who defeated the Pvimart, &c.

MARULLUS, a tribune of the people, who tore the garlands which had been placed upon Caesar’s statues, and who ordered those that had saluted him to be imprisoned. He was deprived of his consulsip by J. Caesar. Plut. — A governor of Judea — A Latin Poet in the age of M. Aurelius. He satirized the emperor with great licentiousness, but his invectives were disregarded, and himself despised.
MASSA BAR, an informer at the Court of Domitian. *Juv.* 1, v. 33.

MASSALYI, a people of Libya. 

MASINISSA, a king of a small part of Africa, who assisted the Carthaginians in their wars against Rome. He pleased a most indefatigable and constant ally, by an act of generosity rendered him amicable to the interests of Rome. After the defeat of Asdrubal, Scipio, the first Africanans, who had obtained the victory, found, among the prisoners of war, one of the nephews of Masinissa. He sent him back to his uncle loaded with presents, and conducted him with a detachment for the safety and protection of his person. Masinissa was struck with the generous action of the Roman general, he forgot all former hostilities, and joined his troops to those of Scipio. This change of sentiments was not the effect of a wavering or unsettled mind, but Masinissa shewed himself the most attached and the firmest ally the Romans ever had. It was to his exertions they owed many of their victories in Africa, and particularly in that bat- tle which proved fatal to Asdrubal and Syphax. The Numidian conqueror, charmed with the beauty of Sophonisba, the captive wife of Syphax, carried her to his camp and married her; but when he perceived that his new connexion displeased Scipio, he sent poison to his wife, and recommended her to destroy herself, since he could not preserve her life in a manner which became her rank, her dignity, and fortune, without offending the Roman allies. In the battle of Zama, Masinissa greatly contributed to the defeat of the great Annibal, and the Romans, who had been so often spectators of his courage and valour, rewarded his fidelity with the kingdom of Syphax, and some of the Carthaginian territories. At his death Masinissa shewed the confidence he had in the Romans, and the esteem he entertained for the rising talents of Scipio Æmilianus, by entrusting him with the care of his kingdom, and empowering him to divide it among his sons. Masinissa died in the 97th year of his age, after a reign of above sixty years, 149 years before the Christian era. He experienced adversity as well as prosperity, and, in the firsts years of his reign, he was ex- posed to the greatest danger, and obliged often to save his life by seeking a retreat among his savage neighbours. But his alliance with the Romans was the beginning of his greatness, and he ever after lived in the greatest affluence. He is remarkable for the health he long en- joyed. In the last years of his life he was seen at the head of his armies, behaving with the most indefatigable activity, and he often remained for days together on horseback, with out a saddle under him, or a covering upon his head, and without shewing the least marks of fatigue. This strength of mind and body he chiefly owed to the temperance which he ob- served. He was seen eating brown bread at the door of his tent, like a private soldier, the day after he had obtained an immortal victory over the armies of Carthage. He left fifty-four sons, three of whom were legitimate, Micipsa, Gulassa, and Manastabal. The kingdom was fairly divided among them by Scipio, and the illegitimate children received as their portion very valuable presents. The death of Gulassa and Manastabal soon after left Micipsa sole master of the large possessions of Masinissa. *Strab.* 17. Folgy. —Appian. Lybic. —Cic de Senec. —*Val.* Max. 8. —Sallust. in Jug. *Liv.* 25, &c. —*Ovid.* Fast. 6, v. 769. —Justin. 33, c. 1. L 38, c. 6.

MASSAGÉTA, a town of India, taken by Alex- ander the Great.

MASSÁ, a people of Scythia, east of the Caspian sea, who had their wives in common, and dwelt in tents. They had no temples, but worshipped the sun, to whom they offered horses, on account of their swiftness. When their parents had come to a certain age they generally put them to death, and eat their flesh, mixed with that of cattle. *Herodot.* 1, c. 204. —*Strab.* 1. —Mela, 1, c. 2. —*Lucan.* 2, v. 50.

MASSANA. Viz. Messana.

MASSÁNII, a nation at the mouth of the Indus- MASSÍCUM, a mountain of Caspia, near Minturnæ, famous for its wine, which even now preserves its ancient character. *Horat.* 1, od. 1. —*Virg.* C. 2, v. 143. —An Etrurian prince, who assisted Æneas against Turnus with 1000 men. *Virg.* Æn. 10, v. 166, &c.

MASSÍLIA, a maritime town of Gaul Narbo- nensis, now called Marseilles, founded B.C. 539, by the people of Phocœa, in Asia, who quitted their country to avoid the tyranny of the Persians. It is celebrated for its laws, its fidelity to the Romans, and for its being long the seat of literature. *Herodot.* 1, c. 164. —Justin. 37, &c. —*Strab.* 1. —*Livy.* 5, c. 3. —*Horat.* ep. 16. —Flor.* 4, c. 2.

MASTRAMELA, a lake near Marseilles, now Mer de Martgues. Plin. 3, c. 4.

MAŠÚRIO, a Roman knight under Tiberius, learned, but poor. *Pers.* 5, v. 90.

MASSYLA, an inland part of Mauritania. When the inhabitants go on horseback they never use saddles or bridles, but only sticks. *Lucan.* 4, v. 682. —*Virg.* Æn. 4, v. 132.

MATHO, an infamous informer, patronized by Domitian. *Juv.* 1, v. 32.

MATÉNI, a people in the neighbourhood of Armenia.


MATSICO, a town of the Ædui, in Gaul.

MATRÁLA, a festival at Rome, in honour of Mutata or Ino. Only matrons and free-born women were admitted. They made offerings of flowers, and carried their relations' children in their arms, recommending them to the care and patronage of the goddess whom they worshipped. *Turn.* de L. L. 4, c. 22. —*Ovid.* Fast. 6, v. 47. —*Plut.* in Com.

MATRÓNÁ, a river of Gaul.

MATRONÁ, festivals at Rome in honour of Mars celebrated by married women, in commemoration of the rape of the Sabines, and of the peace which their intrigues had ob- tained between their fathers and husbands. Flowers were then offered in the temples of Juno. *Ovid.* Fast. 3, v. 229. —*Plut.* in Rom.
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MATTIACI, a nation of Germany. Tacit. de Germ. 29.

MAIUTA, a deity among the Romans, the same as the Leucothoe of the Greeks. She was originally Ino, who was changed into a sea deity. [Vid. Ino & Leucothoe.] Only married women and free-born matrons were permitted to enter her temples at Rome, where they generally brought the children of their relations in their arms. Liv. 5, Sc.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3, v. 19.

MAVORS, a name of Mars. Vid. Mars.

MAVORTIA, an epitaph applied to every country whose inhabitants were warlike, but especially to Rome, founded by the reputed son of MAVORS. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 280, and to Thrace. Id. 3, v. 13.

MAVRI, the inhabitants of Mauritania. This name is derived from their black complexion, (μαυρος.) Every thing among them grew in greater abundance and greater perfection than in other countries. Strab. 17.—Mela, 1, c. 5.—Justin. 19, c. 2.—Salust. Jug.—Virg. Æn. 4, v. 206.—Ital. 10, v. 401.

MAURITANIA, a country on the western part of Africa, which forms the modern kingdoms of Fez and Morocco. It was bounded on the west by the Atlantic, south by Gætulis, and north by the Mediterranean, and is sometimes called Maurusia. It became a Roman province in the reign of the emperor Claudius. 'Vid. Mauri.

MAURUS, a man who flourished in the reign of Trajan, or, according to others, of the Antonini. He was governor of Syene, in Upper Egypt. He wrote a Latin poem upon the rules of poetry and versification.

MAVRUSIT, the people of Maurusia, a country near the columns of Hercules. It is also called Mauritania. Vid. Mauritania. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 206.

MAUSOLUS, a king of Caria. His wife Artemisia was so disconsolate at his death, which happened B. C. 353, that she drank up his ashes, and resolved to erect one of the grandest and noblest monuments of antiquity, to celebrate the memory of a husband whom she tenderly loved. This famous monument, which passed for one of the seven wonders of the world, was called Mausoleum, and, from it, all other magnificent sepultures and tombs have received the same name. It was built by four different architects. Scopas had the side which faced the east, Timotheus had the south, Leochares had the west, and Brusius the north. Pithias was also employed in raising a pyramid over this stately monument, and the top was adorned by a chariot drawn by four horses. The expenses of this edifice were immense, and this gave an occasion to the philosopher Anaxagoras to exclaim, when he saw it, How much money changed into stones! [Vid. Artemisia.] Herodot. 7, v. 99.—Strab. 14.—Diod. 16.—Paus. 8, c. 16.—Plut. 4, c. 11.

MAXIMIANUS, Marcus Aurelius Valerius, a son of the emperor Maximianus Hercules. Some suppose him to have been a suppositional child. The voluntary abdication of Dioclesian, and of his father, raised him in the state, and he declared himself independent emperor, or Augustus, A. D. 306. He afterwards incited his father to re-assume his imperial authority, and in a perfidious manner destroyed Severus, who had delivered himself into his hands, and relied upon his honour for the safety of his life. His victories and successes were impeded by Galerius Maximianus, who opposed him with a powerful force. The defeat and voluntary death of Galerius soon restored peace to Italy, and Maxentius passed into Africa, where he rendered himself odious by his cruelty and oppression. He soon after returned to Rome, and was informed that Constantine was come to dethrone him. He gave his adversary battle near Rome, and after he had lost the victory, he fled back to the city. The bridge over which he crossed the Tiber was in a decayed situation, and he fell into the river and was drowned, on the 24th of September, A. D. 312. The cowardice and luxuries of Maximius are as conspicuous as his cruelties. He oppressed his subjects with heavy taxes, to gratify the cravings of his pleasures, or the avarice of his favourites. He was daubed in his manners, and neither virtue nor innocence were safe whenever he was inclined to voluptuous pursuits. He was naturally deformed, and of an unwieldy body. To visit a pleasure ground, or to exercise himself under a marble portico, or to walk on a shady terrace, was to him a Herculean labour, which required the greatest exertions of strength and resolution.

CORN. MAXIMILIANA, a vestal virgin, buried alive for incontinency, A. D. 92.

MAXIMIANUS, Herculis Marcus Aurelius Valerius, a native of Sirmium, in Pannonia, who served as a common soldier in the Roman armies. When Dioclesian had been raised to the imperial throne, he remembered the valour and courage of his fellow soldier Maximianus, and rewarded his fidelity by making him his colleague in the empire, and by ceding to him the command of the provinces of Italy, Africa, and Spain, and the west of the western territories of Rome. Maximianus showed the justness of the choice of Dioclesian by his victories over the barbarians. In Britain success did not attend his arms, but in Africa he defeated and put to death Aurelius Julianus, who had proclaimed himself emperor. Soon after, Dioclesian abdicated the imperial purple, and obliged Maximianus to follow his example, on the 1st of April, A. D. 304. Maximianus reluctantly complied with the command of a man to whom he owed his greatness; but, before the first year of his resignation had elapsed, he was roused from his indolence and retreat by the ambition of his son Maxentius. He resumed the imperial dignity, and showed his ingratitude to his son by wishing him to resign the sovereignty, and to sink into a private person. This proposal was not only rejected with the contempt it deserved, but the troops mutinied against Maximianus, and he fled for safety to Gaul, to the court of Constantine, to whom he gave his daughter Faustina in marriage. Here he again
acted a perfidious character, and re-assumed the imperial power, which his misfortunes had obliged him to relinquish. This offended Constantine. But, when open violence seemed to frustrate the ambitious views of Maximianus, he had recourse to artifice. He prevailed upon his daughter Faustina, to leave the doors of her chamber open in the dead of night, and, when she promised faithfully to execute his commands, he secretly introduced himself to her bed, where he stabbed to the heart the man who slept by the side of his daughter. This was not Constantine; Faustina, faithful to her husband, had apprised him of her father's machinations, and an unnucl had been placed in his bed. Constantine watched the motions of his father-in-law, and when he heard the fatal blow given to the ennuch, he rushed in with a band of soldiers, and secured the assassin. Constantine resolved to destroy a man who was so iminical to his nearest relations, and nothing was left to Maximianus but to choose his own death. He strangled himself at Marseilles, A. D. 310, in the 60th of his age. His body was found fresh and entire in a leaden coffin about the middle of the eleventh century.—Galerius Valerius, a native of Dacia, who, in the first year of his life, was employed in keeping his father's flocks. He entered the army, where his valour and bodily strength recommended him to the notice of his superiors, and particularly to Diocletian, who invested him with the imperial purple in the east, and gave him his daughter Valeria in marriage. Galerius deserved the confidence of his benefactor. He conquered the Goths, the Dalmatians, and checked the insolence of the Persians. In a battle, however, with the king of Persia, Galerius was defeated, and to complete his ignominy and render him more sensible of his disgrace, Diocletian obliged him to walk behind his chariot arrayed in his imperial robes. This humiliation stung Galerius to the quick; he assembled another army, and gave battle to the Persians. He gained a complete victory, and took the wives and children of his enemy. This success exalted Galerius to such a degree, that he claimed the most dignified appellation, and ordered himself to be called the son of Mars. Diocletian himself dreaded his power, and even abdicated the imperial dignity by means of his threats. This resignation is attributed to some to a voluntary act of the mind, and to a desire of enjoying solitude and retirement. As soon as Diocletian had abdicated, Galerius was proclaimed Augustus, A. D. 304, but his cruelty soon rendered him odious, and the Roman people, offended at his oppression, raised Maxentius to the imperial dignity the following year, and Galerius was obliged to yield to the torrent of his unpopularity, and to fly before his more fortunate adversary. He died in the greatest agonies, A. D. 311. The bodily pains and sufferings which preceded his death were, according to the Christian writers, the effects of the vengeance of an offended Providence for the cruelty which he had exercised against the followers of Christ. In his character, Galerius was wanton and tyrannical, and he often feasted his eyes with the sight of dying wretches, whom his barbarity had delivered to bears and wild beasts. His aversion to learned men arose from his ignorance of letters; and, if he was deprived of the benefits of education, he proved the more cruel and the more inexorable.

Maximinus, Caius Julius Verus, the son of a peasant of Thrace. He was originally a shepherd, and, by heading his countrymen against the frequent attacks of the neighbouring barbarians and robbers, he insured himself to the labours and to the fatigues of a camp. He entered the Roman armies, where he gradually rose to the first offices. On the death of Alexander Severus he caused himself to be proclaimed emperor, A. D. 235. The popularity which he had gained when general of the armies, was at an end when he ascended the throne. He was delighted with acts of the greatest barbarity, and no less than 400 persons lost their lives on the false suspicion of having conspired against the emperor's life. They died in the greatest torments, and, that the tyrant might the better entertain himself with their sufferings, some were exposed to wild beasts, others expired by blows, some were nailed on crosses, while others were shut up in the bellies of animals just killed. The noblest of the Roman citizens were the objects of his cruelty, and, as if they were more conscious than others of his mean origin, he resolved to spare no means to remove from his presence a number of men whom he looked upon with an eye of envy, and who, as he imagined, hated him for his oppression, and despised him for the poverty and obscurity of his early years. Such is the character of the suspicious and tyrannical Maximinus. In his military capacity he acted with the same ferocity, and in an expedition in Germany, he not only cut down the corn, but he totally ruined and set fire to the whole country, to the extent of 450 miles. Such a monster of tyranny at last provoked the people of Rome. The Gordians were proclaimed emperors, but their innocence and pacific virtues were unable to resist the fury of Maximinus. After their fall, the Roman senate invested twenty men of their number with the imperial dignity, and entrusted into their hands the care of the republic. These measures so highly irritated Maximinus, that at the first intelligence, he howled like a wild beast, and almost destroyed himself by knocking his head against the walls of his palace. When his fury was abated he marched to Rome, resolved on slaughter. His bloody machinations were stopped, and his soldiers, ashamed of accompanying a tyrant whose cruelties had procured him the name of Busiris, Cyclops, and Phalaris, assassinated him in his tent before the walls of Aquilea, A. D. 236, in the 65th year of his age. The news of his death was received with the greatest rejoicings at Rome, public thanks,
givings were offered, and whole hetacombs flamed on the altars. Maximinus has been represented by historians as of a gigantic stature; he was eight feet high, and the bracelets of his wife served as rings to adorn the fingers of his hand. His voracity was as remarkable as his corpulence; he generally ate forty pounds of flesh every day, and drank 18 bottles of wine. His strength was proportionable to his gigantic shape; he could alone draw a loaded waggon, and, with a blow of his fist, he often broke the hardest stones between his fingers, and cleaved trees with his hand. Herodianus. Jornand, de reb. Get. — Capitul. Maximinus made his son of the same name emperor as soon as he was invested with the purple, and his choice was unanimously approved by the senate, by the people, and by the army. Galerius Valerius, a shepherd of Thrace, who was raised to the imperial dignity by Dioclesian, A. D. 305. He was nephew to Galerius Maximianus, by his mother’s side, and to him he was indebted for his rise and consequence in the Roman armies. As Maximinus was ambitious and fond of power, he looked with an eye of jealousy upon those who shared the dignity of emperor with himself. He declared war against Licinius, his colleague on the throne, but a defeat which soon followed, on the 30th of April, A. D. 513, between Heraclea and Adrianopolis, left him without resources, and without friends. His victorious enemy pursued him, and he fled beyond mount Taurus, forsaken and almost unknown. He attempted to put an end to his miserable existence, but his efforts were ineffectual, and though his death is attributed by some to despair, it is more universally believed that he expired in the greatest agonies, of a dreadful discomposure which consumed him day and night with inexpressible pains, and consumed him to a mere skeleton. This miserable end, according to the ecclesiastical writers, was the visible punishment of heaven for the barbarities which Maximinus had exercised against the followers of Christianity, and for the many blasphemies which he had uttered. Lactant. — Euseb. — A minister of the emperor Valerian. One of the ambassadors of young Theodosius, to Attalia, king of the Huns. Maximus Magnus, a native of Spain, who proclaimed himself emperor, A. D. 383. The unpopularity of Gratian favoured his usurpation, and he was acknowledged by his troops. Gratian marched against him, but he was defeated, and soon after assassinated. Maximus refused the honours of a burial to the remains of Gratian, and when he had made himself master of Britain, Gaul, and Spain, he sent ambassadors into the east, and demanded of the emperor Theodosius to acknowledge him as his associate on the throne. Theodosius endeavoured to amuse and delay him, but Maximus resolved to support his claim by arms, and crossed the Alps. Italy was laid desolate, and Rome opened her gates to the conqueror. Theodosius now determined to revenge the audaciousness of Maximus, and had recourse to artifice. He began to make a naval armament, and Maximus, not to appear inferior to his adversary, had already embarked his troops, when Theodosius, by secret and hastened marches, fell upon him, and besieged him at Aquileia. Maximus was betrayed by his soldiers, and the conqueror moved with compassion at the sight of his fallen and deserted enemy, granted him life; but the multitude refused him mercy, and instantly struck off his head, A. D. 588. His son Victor, who shared the imperial dignity with him, was soon after sacrificed to the fury of the soldiers. Petronius, a Roman descended of an illustrious family. He caused Valentinian III. to be assassinated, and ascended the throne; and, to strengthen his usurpation, he married the empress, to whom he had the weakness and imprudence to betray that he had sacrificed her husband to his love for her person. This declaration irritated the empress; she had recourse to the barbarians to avenge the death of Valentinian, and Maximus was stoned to death by his soldiers, and his body thrown into the Tiber, A. D. 455. He reigned only 77 days. Pupianus. Vida. Pupianus. — A celebrated cynic philosopher and magician of Ephesus. He instructed the emperor Julian in magic, and according to the opinion of some historians, it was in the conversation and company of Maximus that the apostacy of Julian originated. The emperor not only visited the philosopher, but he even submitted his writings to his inspection and censure. Maximus refused to live in the court of Julian, and the emperor, not dissatisfied with the refusal, appointed him high pontiff in the province of Lydia, an office which he discharged with the greatest moderation and justice. When Julian went into the east, the philosopher promised him success, and even said that his conquests would be more numerous and extensive than those of the son of Philip. He persuaded his imperial pupil that, according to the doctrine of Metempsychosis, his body was animated by the soul which once animated the hero whose greatness and victories he was going to eclipse. After the death of Julian, Maximus was almost sacrificed to the fury of the soldiers, but the interposition of his friends saved his life and he retired to Constantinople. He was soon after accused of magical practices before the emperor Valens, and beheaded at Ephesus, A. D. 336. He wrote some philosophical and rhetorical treatises, some of which were dedicated to Julian. They are all now lost. Ammian. — Tyrius, a Platonist philosopher, in the reign of M. Aurelius. This emperor, who was naturally fond of study, became one of the pupils of Maximus, and paid great deference to his instructions. There are extant of Maximus forty-one dissertations on moral and philosophical subjects, written in Greek. The best editions of which are that of Davis, 8vo. Cantab. 1703; and that of Reiske, 2 vols. 8vo. Lips. 1774. — One of the Greek fathers of the 7th century, whose works were edited.
by Combesis, 2 vols. fol. Paris, 1675.—

Paulus Fabius, a consul with M. Antony's son. Horace speaks of him, 4, od. 1, v. 10, as of a gay, handsome youth, fond of pleasure, yet industrious and indefatigable. An epithet applied to Jupiter, as being the greatest and most powerful of all the gods.—A native of Sirium, in Pannonia. He was originally a gardener, but, by enlistng in the Roman army, he became one of the military tribunes, and his marriage with a woman of rank and opulence soon rendered him independent. He was father to the emperor Probus.—A general of Trojan, killed in the eastern provinces.—One of the murderers of Domitian, &c. —A philosopher, native of Ryzantium, in the age of Julian the emperor.

Mazaca, a large city of Cappadocia, the capital of the province. It was called Cassarea by Tiberius, in honour of Augustus.

Mazaces, a Persian, governor of Memphis. He made a sally against the Grecian soldiers of Alexander, and killed great numbers of them. Curt. 4, c. 1.


Mazares, a satrap of Media, who reduced Priene under the power of Cyrus. Herodot. 1, c. 161.

Mazeres, a river of Hyrcania, falling into the Caspian sea. Plut.

Mazices and Mazyres, a people of Lybia, very expert in the use of missile weapons. The Romans made use of them as couriers, on account of their great swiftness. Suet. in Ner. 30. —Lucan. 4, v. 684.

Mechaneus, a surname of Jupiter, from his patronizing undertakings. He had a statue near the temple of Ceres at Argos, and there the people swore before they went to the Trojan war, either to conquer or to perish. Paris. 2, c. 22.

Mecenas or Mecenas, C. Cilnius, a celebrated Roman knight, descended from the kings of Etruria. He has rendered himself immortal by his liberal patronage of learned men and of letters; and to his prudence and advice Augustus acknowledged himself indebted for the security he enjoyed. His fondness for pleasure removed him from the reach of ambition, and he preferred to die as he was born, a Roman knight, to all the honours and dignities which either the friendship of Augustus or his own popularity could heap upon him. It was from the result of his advice against the opinion of Agrippa, that Augustus resolved to keep the supreme power in his hands, and not, by a voluntary resignation, to plunge Rome into civil commotions. The emperor received the private admonitions of Mecenas in the same friendly manner as they were given; and he was not displeased with the liberty of his friend, who threw a paper to him with these words, Descend from the tribunal, thou butcher! while he sat in the judgment seat, and betrayed revenge and impatience in his countenance. He was struck with the admonition, and left the tribunal without passing sentence of death on the criminals. To the interference of Mecenas, Virgil owed the restitution of his lands, and Horace was proud to boast, that his learned friend had obtained his forgiveness from the emperor, for joining the cause of Brutus at the battle of Philippi. Mecenas was himself fond of literature, and according to the most received opinion, he wrote an history of animals, a journal of the life of Augustus, a treatise on the different nature and kinds of precious stones, besides the two tragedies of Octavia and Prometheus, and other things, all now lost. He died eight years before Christ; and on his death-bed, he particularly recommended his poetical friend Horace to the care and confidence of Augustus. Seneca, who has liberally commended the genius and abilities of Mecenas, has not withheld his censure from his dissipation, indolence, and effeminate luxury. From the patronage and encouragement which the princes of heroic and lyric poetry, among the Latins, received from the favourite of Augustus, all patrons of literature have ever since been called Mecenates. Virgil dedicated to him his Georgics, and Horace his Odes. Suet. in Aug. 66, &c. —Plut. in Aug.—Herodian. 7.—Senec. ep. 19 & 92.

Mecistheus, one of the companions of Ajax. He was killed by Polydamas. Homer. II. 6.—A son of Lycaon. Apollod.

Mecrida, the wife of Lysmachus. Polyben. 6.

Medea, a celebrated magician, daughter of Aeetes, king of Colchis. Her mother's name, according to the more received opinion of Hesiod and Hyginus, was Idyia, or, according to others, Ephyre, Hecate, Asterodia, Antiope, and Neera. She was the niece of Circe. When Jason came to Colchis in quest of the golden fleece, Medea became enamoured of him, and it was to her well-directed labours that the Argonauts owed their preservation. [Vid. Jason et Argonautae.] Medea had an interview with her lover in the temple of Hecate, where they bound themselves by the most solemn oaths, and promised eternal fidelity. No sooner had Jason overcome all the difficulties which Aeetes had placed in his way, than Medea embarked with the conquerors for Greece. To stop the pursuit of her father, she tore to pieces her brother Abysynus, and left his mangled limbs in the way through which Aeetes was to pass. This act of barbarity some have attributed to Jason, and not to her. When Jason reached Iolchos, his native country, the return and victories of the Argonauts were celebrated with universal rejoicings; but Eson, the father of Jason, was unable to assist at the solemnity, on account of the infirmities of his age. Medea, at her husband's request, removed the weakness of Eson, and by drawing away the blood from his veins, and filling them again with the juice of certain herbs, she restored him to the vigour and soundness of youth. This sudden change in Eson astonished the inhabitants of Iolchos, and the daughters of Pelias were also destitute to
see their father restored, by the same power, to the vigour of youth. Medea, willing to revenge the injuries which her husband's family had suffered from Pelias, increased their curiosity, and by cutting to pieces an old ram and making it again, in their presence, a young lamb, she totally determined them to try the same experiment upon their father's body. They accordingly killed him of their own accord, and boiled his flesh in a cauldron, but Medea refused to perform the same friendly offices to Pelias which she had done to Jason, and he was consumed by the heat of the fire, and even deprived of a burial. This action greatly irritated the people of Iolchos, and Medea, with her husband, fled to Corinth, to avoid the resentment of an offended populace. Here they lived for ten years with much conjugal tenderness, but the love of Jason for Glaucce, the king's daughter, soon interrupted their mutual harmony, and Medea was divorced. Medea revenged the infidelity of Jason by causing the death of Glaucce, and the destruction of her family. [Vid. Glaucce.] This action was followed by another still more atrocious. Medea killed two of her children in their father's presence; and when Jason attempted to punish the barbarity of the mother, she fled through the air upon a chariot drawn by winged dragons. From Corinth Medea came to Athens, where, after she had undergone the necessary purification of her murder, she married king Aegæus, or, according to others, lived in an adulterous manner with him. From her connexion with Aegæus, Medea had a son, who was called Medus. Soon after, when Theseus wished to make himself known to his father, [Vid. Aegæus] Medea, jealous of his fame, and fearful of his power, attempted to poison him at a feast which had been prepared for his entertainment. Her attempts, however, failed of success, and the sight of the sword which Theseus wore by his side, convinced Aegæus that the stranger against whose life he had so basely conspired, was no less than his own son. The father and the son were reconciled, and Medea, to avoid the punishment which her wickedness deserved, mounted her fiery chariot, and disappeared through the air. She came to Colchis, where, according to some, she was reconciled to Jason, who had sought her in her native country after her sudden departure from Corinth. She died at Colchis, as Justin mentions, when she had been restored to the confidence of her family. After death, she married Achilles in the Elysian fields, according to the traditions mentioned by Simonides. The murder of Memerus and Phere, the youngest of Jason's children by Medea, is not attributed to the mother, according to Aelian, but the Corinthians themselves assassinated them in the temple of Juno Accaia. To avoid the resentment of the gods, and to deliver themselves from the pestilence which visited their country after so horrid a massacre, they engaged the poet Euripides, for five talents, to write a tragedy, which cleared them of the murder, and represented Medea as the cruel assassin of her own child-

ren. And, besides, that this opinion might be the better credited, festivals were appointed, in which the mother was represented with all the barbarity of a fury murdering her own sons. Vid. Heræa. Apollod. 1, c. 9.—Hygin. fab. 21, 29, 23, &c.—Plint. in Thea. Dionys. Perig. Aelian. V. H. 5, c. 21.—Pauls. 2, c. 3. 1, 8, c. 11.—Euripid. in Med. Diod. 4.—Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 1, in Med. Strab. 7.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 19.—Apollod. Arg. 3, &c.—Orpheus. Plauc. Lucan. 4, v. 556.

MEDIESI casts, a daughter of Priam, who married Imbrius, son of Mentor. Homer. II. 3.—Apollod. 3.

MEDIA, a celebrated country of Asia, bounded on the north by the Caspian sea, west by Armenia, south by Persia, and east by Parthia and Hyrcania. It was originally called Aria till the age of Medus, the son of Medea, who gave it the name of Media. The province of Media was first raised into a kingdom by its revolt from the Assyrian monarchy, B. C. 820; and after it had for some time enjoyed a kind of republican government, Deioxes, by his arts, procured himself to be called king, 700 B. C. After a reign of 53 years, he was succeeded by Phraortes, B. C. 647; who was succeeded by Cyxares, B. C. 625. His successor was Astyages, B. C. 583, in whose reign Cyrus became master of Media, B. C. 531; and ever after the empire was transferred to the Persians. The Medes were warlike in the primitive ages of their power; they encouraged polygamy, and were remarkable for the homage they paid to their sovereigns, who were styled kings of kings. This title was afterwards adopted by their conquerors, the Persians, and it was still in use in the age of the Roman emperors. Justin. 1, c. 5.—Herodot. 1, &c.—Polyb. 5 & 10.—Curt. 5, &c.—Diod. Sic. 13.—Ctesias.

MEDIAS, a tyrant of Mysia, &c.

MEDIcus, a prince of Larissa, in Thessaly, who made war against Lycophron, tyrant of Phraea. Diod. 14.

MEDIOLÁNUM, now Milan, the capital of Jtubria, at the mouth of the Po. Liv. 5, c. 34. l. 94, c. 46.—Aulercorum, a town of Gaul, now Eover, in Normandy.—Santinum, another, now Saints, in Guienne.

MEDIOMATRICES, a nation that lived on the borders of the Rhine. Strab. 4.—Cest. Bell. G. 4, c. 10.

MEDITERRANEUM MARE, a sea which divides Europe and Asia Minor from Africa. It receives its name from its situation, medius terrae, situate in the middle of the earth. It has a communication with the Atlantic by the columns of Hercules, and with the Euxine through the Ægean. It is sometimes called internum, and is frequently denominated in Scripture the Great Sea. The first naval power that ever obtained the command of it, as recorded in the fabulous epoch of the writer Castor, is Crete, under Minos. Afterwards it passed into the hands of the Lydians, B. C. 1179; of the Pelasgi, 1038; of the Thracians, 1000; of the Rhodians, 916; of the Phrygians, 893; of the Cyprians, 858;
of the Phoenicians, 826; of the Egyptians, 787; of the Milesians, 753; of the Carians, 754 and of the Lesbians, 676, which they retained for 69 years. Horat. 3, od. 5, v. 46.—Plin. 2, c. 68.—Sallust. Jug. 17.—Ces. B. G. 5, c. 1.—Liv. 26, c. 42.

Meditirna, the goddess of medicines, whose festivals, called Meditirnalia, were celebrated at Rome the last day of September, when they made offerings of fruits. Varro. de L. L. 5, c. 3.

Medoacus, or Medeacus, a river in the country of the Veneti, falling into the Adriatic sea. Liv. 10, c. 2.

Medobithyni, a people of Thrace.

Medobriga, a town of Lusitania.

Medon, son of Codrus, the 17th and last king of Athens, was the first archon that was appointed with regal authority, B. C. 1070. In the election, Medon was preferred to his brother Neleus by the oracle of Delphi, and he rendered himself popular by the justice and moderation of his administration. His successors were called from him Medontide, and the office of archon remained for above 200 years in the family of Codrus, under twelve perpetual archons. Paus. 7, c. 2.—Pothere, 1, c. 2.—A man killed in the Trojan war. Eneas saw him in the infernal regions. Virg. Aen. 6, v. 483.—A statury of Lacedemon, who made a famous statue of Minerva. Paus. 5, c. 17.—One of the Centaurs, &c. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 303.—One of the Tyrrhenian sailors changed into dolphins by Bacchus. Id. Met. 3, v. 671.—A river of Peloponnesus.—An illegitimate son of Ajax Oileus. Homer. One of Penelope's suitors. Ovid. Heroid. 1.—A man of Cyzicus, killed by the Argonauts. A king of Argos, who died about 990 years B. C.

Medontias, a woman of Abydos, with whom Alcibiades cohabited as with a wife. She had a daughter, &c. Lydias.

Medeacus, two rivers, Major, now Brenta, and Minor, now Bacchione, falling near Venice into the Adriatic sea. Plin. 3, c. 16.—Liv. 10, c. 2.

Meduana, a river of Gaul, flowing into the Ligeris, now the Mayne. Lucan. 1, v. 438.

Medullina, a Roman virgin ravished by her father, &c. Plut. in Parall. —An infamous courtezan in Juvenal's age. 6, v. 321.

Medus, a river of Media, falling into the Arazes.—A son of Ægeus and Medea, who gave his name to a country of Asia. Medus, when arrived to years of maturity, went to seek his mother, whom the arrival of Theseus in Athens had driven away. [Vid. Medea.] He came to Colchis, where he was seized by his uncle Perses, who usurped the throne of Æetes, his mother's father, because the oracle had declared, that Perses should be murdered by one of the grandsons of Æetes. Medus assumed another name, and called himself Hippotes, son of Creon. Meanwhile, Medea arrived in Colchis, disguised in the habit of a priestess of Diana, and when she heard that one of Creon's children was imprisoned, she resolved to hasten the destruction of a person whose family she detested. To effect this with more certainty, she told the usurper that Hippotes was really a son of Medea, sent by his mother to murder him. She beggad Perses to give her Hippotes, that she might sacrifice him to her resentment. Perses consented; Medea discovered that it was her own son, and she instantly armed him with the dagger which she had prepared against his life, and ordered him to stab the usurper. He obeyed, and Medea discovered who she was, and made her son Medus sit on his grandfather's throne. Hist. Theog. —Paus. 2.—Apollod. 1. —Justin. 42.—Sav. c. in Med. —Div.

Medusa, one of the three Gorgons, daughter of Phorcys and Ceto. She was the only one of the Gorgons who was subject to mortality. She is celebrated for her personal charms, and the beauty of her locks. Neptune became enamoured of her, and obtained her favours in the temple of Minerva. This violation of the sanctity of the temple provoked Minerva, and she changed the beautiful locks of Medusa, which had inspired Neptune's love, into serpents. According to Apollodorus and others, Medusa and her sisters came into the world with snakes on their heads, instead of hair with yellow wings and brazen hands. Their body was also covered with impenetrable scales, and their very looks had the power of killing or turning to stones. Perses rendered his name immortal by the conquest of Medusa. He cut off her head, and the blood that dropped from the wound produced the innumerable serpents that infest Africa. The conqueror placed Medusa's head on the ægis of Minerva, which he had used in his expedition. The head still retained the same petrifying power as before, as it was fatally known in the court of Cepheus. [Vid. Andromeda.] Some suppose that the Gorgons were a nation of women whom Perses conquered. [Vid. Gorgones.] Apollod. 2, c. 4.—Hist. Theog. —Ovid. Met. 4, v. 618.—Lucan. 9, v. 624.—Apollon. 4, Hugin. fab. 151.—A daughter of Parn. —A daughter of Theseus. Apollod.

Megariz, certain priests in Diana's temple at Ephesus. They were all eunuchs. Quintil. 5, c. 12.

Megabyzus, one of the noble Persians who conspired against the usurper Smerdis. He was set over an army in Europe by king Darius, where he took Perinthus, and conquered all Thrace. He was greatly esteemed by his sovereign. Herodot. 3, &c. —A son of Zopyrus, satrap to Darius. He conquered Egypt, &c. Herodot. 3, c. 160.—A satrap of Araxætes. He revolted from his king, and defeated two large armies that had been sent against him. The interference of his friends restored him to the king's favour, and he shewed his attachment to Araxætes, by killing a lion which threatened his life in hunting. This act of affection in Megabyzus was looked upon with envy by the king. He was discarded, and afterwards reconciled to the monarch by means of his mother. He died in the 76th year of his age, B. C. 447, greatly regretted. Ctesias.
Megacles, an Athenian archon who involved the greatest part of the Athenians in the sacrilege which was committed in the conspiracy of Cylon. *Plut. in Sol.*—A brother of Dion, who assisted his brother against Dionysius, &c. A son of Alcmone, who revolted with some Athenians after the departure of Salamin from Athens. He was ejected by Pisistratus. A man who exchanged dress with Pyrrhus when assisting the Tarentines in Italy. He was killed in that disguise. A native of Messen!a in Sicily, famous for his inveterate enmity to Agathocles, tyrant of Syracuse. A man who destroyed the leading men of Mytilene, because he had been punished. A man who wrote an account of the lives of illustrious persons. The maternal grandfather of Alcibiades. 

Megareia, a peripatetic philosopher in the age of Protegoras.

Megara, one of the Furies, daughter of Nox and Acheron. The word is derived from *megaparës, invidere,* *oditis.* *Vig. Æn. 12,* v. 846. *Vit. Eumeneides.*

Megalesia, a sedition person of Corinth. He was seized for his treachery to king Philip of Macedonia, upon which he destroyed himself to avoid punishment.

Megalesia, games in honour of Cybele, instituted by the Phrygians, and introduced at Rome in the second Punic war, when the statue of the goddess was brought from Pessinus. *Liv. 29,* c. 14.—*Ovid. Fast.* 4, v. 337.

Megalla, a small island of Campania, near Neapolis. *Stat. 2,* Sytg. v. 80.

Megallopolis, a town of Arcadia in Peloponnesus, built by Epaminondas. It joined the Achaean league B.C. 232, and was taken and ruined by Cleomenes, king of Sparta. *Strab. 9.*—*Paus. 9,* c. 14.

Megamede, the wife of Théstius. *Apollod.*

Meganira, the wife of Celeus, king of Eleusis in Attica. She was mother to Triptolemus, to whom Ceres, as she travelled over Attica, taught agriculture. She received divine honours after death, and she had an altar raised to her, near the fountain where Ceres had first been seen when she arrived in Attica. *Paus. 1,* c. 39.—The wife of Arcas. *Apollod.*

Megapenthès, an illegitimate son of Mene- nes, who after his father's return from the Trojan war, was married to a daughter of Alector, a native of Sparta. His mother's name was Teride, a slave of Menelans. *Homer. Od.* 4. —*Apollod. 3.*

Megara, a daughter of Creon, king of Thebes, given in marriage to Hercules, because he had delivered the Thebans from the tyranny of the Orchoanemans. *Vit. Ermistius.* When Hercules went to hell by order of Eurystheus, violence was offered to Megara by Lycus, a Theban exile, and she would have yielded to her ravisher, but not Hercules returned that moment and punished him with death. This murder displeased Juno, and she rendered Her- cules so delirious, that he killed Megara and the three children he had by her in a fit of madness, thinking them to be wild beasts. Some say that Megara did not perish by the

nand of her husband, but that he afterwards married her to his friend Iolus. The names of Megara's children by Hercules were Creon- tiades, Thermachus, and Deuceon. *Hig. fab. 82.*—*Senec. in Helv. Apollod.* 2, c. 6.—*Did. 4.*

Megara, a city of Achaia, the capital of a country called Megaris, founded about 1131 B. C. It is situate nearly at an equal distance from Corinth and Athens, on the Sinai Saronicus. It was built upon two rocks, and is still in being, and preserves its ancient name. It was called after Megarius the son of Neptune, who was buried there, or from Megarius a son of Apollo. It was originally governed by twelve kings, but became afterwards a republic, and fell into the hands of the Athenians, from whom it was rescued by the Heraclidæ. There was here a sect of philosophers called the Megarics, who held the world to be eternal. *Paus. 1,* c. 39.—*Strab. 6.*—*Met. 2,* c. 3.—A town of Sicily founded by a colony from Megara in Attica, about 725 years before the Christian era. It was destroyed by Gelon, king of Syracuse, and before the arrival of the Megarean colony it was called Hybla. *Strab. 26,* &c.—*Vig. Æn. 3,* v. 689.

Megareus, the father of Hippomenes, was son of Onchestus.

Megara, a small country of Achaia, between Phocis on the west and Attica on the east. Its capital city was called Megara. *Vit. Megara.*

Megarides, a town of Sicily,—of Cilicia. A river of India.

Megarrhënes, a Greek historian in the age of Seleucus Nicanor, about 300 years before Christ. He wrote about the oriental nations, and particularly the Indians. His history is often quoted by the ancients. What now passes as his composition is spurious.

Meges, one of Helen's suitors. He went with forty ships to the Trojan war. *Homer. Il.* 2. 

Megilla, a native of Locris, remarkable for beauty, and mentioned by Horat. 1. od. 27, v. 11.

Megista, an island of Lycia, with a harbour of the same name. *Liv. 37,* c. 22.

Mela, Pompeius, a Spaniard who flourished about the year of the Christian era, and distinguished himself by his geography, divided into three books, and written with elegance, with great perspicuity and brevity. The best editions are those of Gronovius, 8vo. L. Bat. 1722, and Reinhold, 4to. Eon. 1761.

Megistia, a soothsayer who told the Spartans that defended Thermopylae, that they all should perish, &c. *Herodot. 7,* c. 219, &c.


Melampus, a celebrated soothsayer and phys-ician of Argos, son of Amythaon and Idomenes, or Dorippa. He lived at Pylos in Peloponnesus. His servants once killed two large serpents that had made their nests at the bottom of a large oak, and Melampos paid so much regard to these two reptiles, that he raised a burning pile and burned them upon it. He also took particu- lar care of their young ones, and fed them
MELANTHES, a surnamed of Hercules, from the black and hairy appearance of his back, &c.

MELANCHELIS, one of Actaeon’s dogs, so called from his black hair. Ovid. Met. 3.

MELANCHELIS, a people near the Cimmerian Bosporus.

MELANCHREs, a tyrant of Lesbos who died about 612 B.C.

MELANE, the same as Samothrace.

MELANES, a son of Eurytus, from whom Etruria has been called Melanis. — A centaur. Ovid. Met. 12. — One of Actaeon’s dogs. Id. 3.

MELANIDeS, a surnamed of Venus.

MELANIDeS, of the same as Hippomenes, who married Atlanta according to some mythologists. Apollod. 3.

MELANIPPE, a daughter of Xolus, who had two children by Neptune, for which her father put out both her eyes, and confined her in prison. Her children, who had been exposed and preserved, delivered her from confinement, and Neptune restored her to her eye-sight. She afterwards married Metapontus. Hygin. fab. 186. — A nymph who married Itones, son of Amphictyon, by whom she had Bocotus, who gave his name to Bocotia. Paus. 9, c. 1.

MELANIPPIDES, a Greek poet about 150 years before Christ. His grandson of the same name flourished about 60 years after at the court of Perdiccas the Second, of Macedonia. Some fragments of their poetry are extant.

MELANIPPIDES, a priest of Apollo, at Cyrene, killed by the tyrant Nicocrates. Polyaen. 8.

A son of Astapus, one of the Thban chiefs who defended the gates of Thebes against the army of Arastor king of ArgoS. He was opposed by Tydeus, whom he slightly wounded. He was killed by Amphiarius, who carried his head to Tydeus. Tydeus, to take revenge of the wound he had received, bit the head with such barbarity that he swallowed the brains and Minerva, offended with his conduct, took away the herb which she had given him to cure his wound, and he died. Apollod. 1, c. 8.

MELANTHII, rocks near the island of Samos.

MELANTHUS, a man who wrote an history of Attica. — A famous painter of Sicyon. Plin. 35. — A tragic poet of a very malevolent disposition. He lived in the age of Phocion. Plut.

A Trojan killed by Euryalus in the Trojan war. Homer. Od. 15. — Another killed by Patroclus.

Another killed by Teucer. — A son of Agrius.

Another of Priam. — A son of Theseus.

MELANOSYRI, a people of Syria.

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An elegiac poet. Plut.

MELANTHO, a daughter of Proteus, ravished by Neptune under the form of a dolphin. Ovid. Met. 6, v. 12. — One of Penelope’s women. Homer. I. 18, &c.

MELANTHUS, MELANTHES, or MELANTHUS, a son of Andromopous, whose ancestors were kings of Pylos. He was driven from his paternal kingdom by the Heraclidæ, and came to Athens, where king Thymætes resigned the crown to him, provided he fought a battle against Xanthus, a general of the Bocotians, who made war against him. He fought and conquered, [Vit. Apaturia,] and his family, surnamed the Neleidæ, sat on the throne of Athens, till the age of Codrus. He succeeded to the crown 1123
MELES, a river of Peloponnesus. - Of Thrace at the west of the Thracian Chersonesus. —Another in Thessaly. —In Achaea, in Boeotia, in Sicily, in Ionic, in Cappadocia. —A son of Neptune. —Another son of Proteus. —A son of Phryxus, who was among the Argonauts, and was drowned in that part of the sea which bore his name. **Apollod. 1.**

**MELIDE, or MELDORUM URBS.** A city of Gaul, now Meaux in Champagne.

**MELEAGER, a celebrated hero of antiquity.** Son of Ceneus, king of Etolia, by Althaea, daughter of Theseus. The Parcae were present at the moment of his birth, and predicted his future greatness. Clotho said, that he would be brave and courageous; Lachesis foretold his uncommon strength, and Atropos declared that he should live as long as that fire-branch which was on the fire, remained entire and unconsumed. Althaea, no sooner heard this, than she snatched the stick from the fire, and kept it with the most jealous care, as the life of her son totally depended upon its preservation. The fame of Meleager increased with his years, he signalled himself in the Argonautic expedition, and afterwards delivered his country from the neighbouring inhabitants, who made war against his father at the instigation of Diana, whose altars Ceneus had neglected. [Vid. *Ceneus.*] No sooner were they destroyed than Diana punished the negligence of Ceneus by a greater calamity. She sent a huge wild boar, which laid waste all the country, and seemed invincible on account of its immense size. It became soon a public concern; all the neighbouring princes assembled to destroy this terrible animal, and nothing became more famous in mythological history, than the hunting of the Calydonian boar. The princes and chiefs that assembled, and which are mentioned by mythologists, are Meleager, son of Ceneus, Idas and Lyneus, sons of Apha- reus, Dryas son of Mars, Castor and Pollux sons of Jupiter and Leda, Phthius son of Ixion, Theseus, son of Aegeus, Auceus and Cepheus sons of Lycurgus, Admetus son of Pheres, Jason son of Aeson. Peleus and Telamon sons of Aeacus, Iphicles son of Amphitryon, Eurystheon son of Actor, Atalanta daughter of Skenes, Iolas the friend of Hercules, the sons of Theseus, Amphiaras son of Oileus, Protheus, Cometes, the brothers of Althea, Hippothous son of Cercyon, Leucippus, Adrastus, Ceneus, Phileus, Echon, Lelex, Phenix son of Amyntor, Panopeus, Hyleus, Hippasus, Nestor, Menestheus, the father of Patroclus, Amphicrides, Laertes the father of Ulysses, and the four sons of Hippocoön. This troop of armed men attacked the boar with uncommon fury, and it was at last killed by Meleager. The conqueror gave the skin and the head to Atalanta, who had first wounded the animal. This partiality to a woman, irritated the others, and particularly Toaxes and Plexippus, the brothers of Althea, and they endeavoured to rob Atalanta of the honourable present. Meleager defended a woman, of whom he was enamoured, and killed his uncles in the attempt. Meantime the news of this celebrated conquest had already reached Calydon, and Althaea went to the temple of the gods to return thanks for the victory which her son had gained. As she went she met the corpses of her brothers that were brought from the *kakos*, and at this mournful spectacle she filled the whole city with her lamentations. She was upon this informed that they had been killed by Meleager, and in the moment of resentment to revenge the death of her brothers, she threw into the fire the fatal stick, on which her son's life depended, and Meleager died as soon as it was consumed. Homer does not mention the fire-brand, whence some have imagined that this fable is posterior to that poet's age. But, he says, that the death of Toxes and Plexippus so irritated Althaea, the she uttered the most horrible curses and imprecations upon the head of her son. Meleager married Cleopatra, the daughter of Idas and Marpessa, as also Atalanta, according to some accounts. **Apollod. 1. c. 8. —Apollon. 1. Arg. —Paus. 1 & 5. —Hygin. 14. —Ovid Met. 8. —Homer. II. 9.** A general, who supported Arideus, when he had been made king after the death of his brother Alexander the Great. —A brother of Ptolemy, made king of Macedonia, B. C. 290 years. He was but two months invested with the regal authority.

—A Greek poet in the reign of Seleucus the last of the Seleucidae. He was born at Tyre and died at Cos. It is to his well-directed labours, that we are indebted for the *anthologia* or collection of Greek epigrams, which he selected from 46 of the best and most esteemed poets. The original collection of Meleager has been greatly altered by succeeding editors. The best edition of the *anthologia* is that of Brunnck in three vols. 4to. and 8vo. Angentor. 1772.

**MELEAGRIDES, the sisters of Meleager, daughters of Ceneus and Althaea.** They were so disconsolate at the death of their brother Meleager, that they refused all aliments, and were at the point of death, changed into birds called Meleagrides, whose feathers and eggs, as it is supposed, are of a different colour. The youngest of the sisters, Gorge and Dejanira, whom had been married, escaped this metamorphosis. **Apollod. 1. c. 8. —Ovid. Met. 3. v. 540. —Plin.**

**MELESEANDER, an Athenian general, who died B. C. 414.**

**MELES (STIS), a river of Asia minor, in Ionia near Smyrna. Some of the ancients supposed that Homer was born on the banks of that river, from which circumstance they call him Meleisi- genes, and his compositions *Meleisca charto*. It is even supported that he composed his poems in a cave near the source of that river. **Strab. 12. —Stat. 2, Sylv. 7, v. 34. —Tibul. 4, el. 1, v. 201. —Paus. 7, c. 5.** A beautiful Athenian youth, greatly beloved by Timagoras, whose affections he repaid with the greatest coldness and indifference. He even ordered Timagoras to leap down a precipice, from the top of the citadel of Athens; and Timagoras, not to dis-
oblige him, obeyed, and was killed in the fall. This token of true friendship and affection had such an effect upon Meles, that he threw himself down from the place, to atone by his death for the ingratitude which he had shown to Timagoras. Taus. 1, c. 30.—A king of Lydia, who succeeded his father Alyattes, about 747 years before Christ. He was father to Candaces.

MELESIGENUS or MELISCIGENA, a name given to Homer. Wd. Meles.

MELIA, a daughter of Oceanus, who married Inachus. A nymph, &c. Apollo.—A daughter of Oceanus, sister to Caanthus. She became mother of Ismarus and Tenerus by Apollo. Tenerus was endowed with the gift of prophecy, and the river Ladon in Boetia, assumed the name of Ismarus. Taus. 9, c. 10.—One of the Nereides. A daughter of Agenor.

MELIBE, a daughter of Oceanus, who married Pelasgus. A daughter of Amphion and Niobe. Apollo.—A maritime town of Magnesia in Thessaly, at the foot of mount Ossa, famous for dying wool. The epithet of Melibes is applied to Philoctetes, because he reigned there. Virg. En. 3, v. 401. J. v. 251.—Herodot. 7, c. 188.

MELIBEUS, a shepherd introduced in Virgil's eclogues.

MELICERTA, MELICERTES, or MELICERTUS, a son of Athamas and Ino. He was saved by his mother, from the fury of his father, who prepared to dash him against a wall as he had done his brother Leachus. The mother was so terrified that she threw herself into the sea, with Melicerta in her arms. Neptune had compassion on the misfortunes of Ino and her son, and changed them both into sea deities. Ino was called Leucothea or Matuta, and Melicerta was known among the Greeks by the name of Palæmon, and among the Latins by that of Portunus. Some suppose that the Isthmian games were in honour of Melicerta. Vide. Isthmia. Apollo. 1, c. 9. 1. 3. c. 4.—Paus. 1, c. 44.—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 529, &c.—Pint. de Symp.

MELIGONUS, one of the Æolian islands near Sicily.

MELINA, a daughter of Theseius.

MELISA, a town of Magna Gracia.

MELISSA, a daughter of Melissus, king of Crete, who, with her sister Almarche, fed Jupiter with the milk of goats. She first found out the means of collecting honey whence some have imagined that she was changed into a bee, as her name is the Greek word for that insect. Colubr. One of the Oceanides, who married Inachus by whom she had Phoroneus and Argiaius. A daughter of Procles, who married Peroander, the son of Theseus. Paus. 1, c. 28.—A woman of Corinth, who refused to initiate others in the festivals of Ceres after she had received admission. She was torn to pieces upon this disobedience, and the goddess made a swarm of bees rise from her body.

MELISSUS, a king of Crete, father to Melissa and Almarche. An Admiral of the Sannian fleet, B. C. 441. He was defeated by Pericles, &c. Plut. in Per. —A philosopher of Samos, who maintained that the world was infinite, immovable, and without a vacuum. According to his doctrines, no one could advance any argument upon the power or attributes of providence, as all human knowledge was weak, and imperfect. Theismostaces was among his pupils. He flourished about 440 years before the Christian era. Dog.—free-man of Meeanus, appointed librarian to Augustus. He wrote some comedies. Ovid. Pont. 4, ep. 16. v. 30.—Sueton. de Gram.

MELITA, an island in the Libyan sea, between Sicily and Africa, now called Malta. The soil was fertile, and the country famous for its wool. Strab. 6.—Melis, 2, c. 7.—Cic. in Ver. 4, c. 46.—One of the Nereides. Virg. En. 5, v. 725.

MELITENAE, a province of Armenia.

MELITUS, a poet and orator of Athens, who became one of the principal accusers of Socrates. After his eloquence had prevailed, and Socrates had been put ignominiously to death; the Athenians relented of their severity to the philosopher, and condemned his accusers. Melitus perished among them. His character was mean and insidious, and his poems had nothing great or sublime. Dog.

Sr. MELUS, a Roman knight, accused of aspiring to tyranny, on account of his uncommon liberality to the populace. He was summoned to appear by the dictator L. Q. Cic bmattus, and when he refused to obey, he was put to death by Ahala, the master of horse, A. U. C. 514. Varro. de L. L. 4.—Val. Mar. 6, c. 3.

MELIXANDRUS, a Milesian, who wrote an account of the wars of the Lapithæ and Centaurs. Tim. V. H. 11, c. 2.


MELLE ANNEUS, the father of Lucan. He was accused of being privy to Piso's conspiracy against Nero, upon which he opened his veins. Tacit. 16. Am. c. 17.

MELOBÖSIS, one of the Oceanides.

MELON, an astrologer, who feigned madness, and burnt his house that he might not go to an expedition, which he knew would be attended with great calamities. An interpreter of king Darius. Cart. 5, c. 13.

MELOS, an island between Crete and Peloponnesus, about 24 miles from Scyllæum, about 60 miles in circumference and of an oblong figure. It enjoyed its independence for above 700 years before the time of the Peloponnesian war. This island was originally peopled by a Lacedæmonian colony, 1116 years before the Christian era. From this reason the inhabitants refused to join the rest of the islands, and the Athenians against the Peloponnesians. This refusal was severely punished. The Athenians took Melos, and put to the sword all such as were able to bear.
arms. The women and children were made slaves, and the island left desolate. An Athenian colony repeopled it, till Lysander reconquered it and re-established the original inhabitants in their possession. Strab. 7.—Mel. 2, c. 7.—Plini. 4, c. 12.—Thucyd. 2, &c.

Melpe, now Melp, a river of Lucania, falling into the Tyrrenian sea. Plin. 3, c. 5. Melpla, a village of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 38. Melpomene, one of the Muses, daughter of Jupiter and Mnemosyne. She was presided over tragedy. Horace has addressed the finest of his odes to her, as to the patroness of lyric poetry. She was generally represented as a young woman with a serious countenance. Her garments were splendid; she wore a buskin, and held a dagger in one hand, and in the other a sceptre and crowns. Horat. 3, od. 4.—Hesiod. Theog.

Memacia, a powerful nation of Asia, &c. Curt. Memmia Sulpitia, a woman who married the emperor Alexander Severus. She died when young.

Memmia Lex, ordained that no one should be entered on the calendar of criminals who was absent on the public accounts.

Memmius, a Roman citizen, accused of ambitus. Cic. ad fratrem. 3.—A Roman knight, who rendered himself illustrious for his eloquence and poetical talents. He was made tribune, pretor, and afterwards governor of Bithynia. He was accused of extortion in his province and banished by J. Caesar, though Cicero undertook his defence. Lucretius dedicated his poem to him. Cic. in Brut.—A Roman of whom Nero observed, that he deserved to be invested with the imperial purple, Tacit. Ann. 14, c. 47.—A Roman who accused Jugurtha before the Roman people.

A lieutenant of Pompey, &c.—The family of the Memmi were plebeians. They were descended, according to some accounts, from Mnestheus, the friend of Aeneas. Virg. En. 5, v. 117. Memnon, a king of Ethiopia, son of Thetis and Vulcan. He came with a body of 10,000 men to assist his uncle Ptolem, during the Trojan war, where he behaved with great courage, and killed Antiocbus, Nestor's son. The aged father challenged the Ethiopian monarch, but Memnon refused it on account of the venerable age of Nestor, and accepted that of Achilles. He was killed in the combat in the sight of the Grecian and Trojan armies. Aurora was so disconsolate at the death of her son, that she flew to Jupiter all bathed in tears, and begged the god to grant her son such honours as might distinguish him from other mortals. Jupiter consented, and immediately a numerous flight of birds issued from the burning pile on which the body was laid, and, after they had flown three times round the flames, they divided themselves into two separate bodies, and fought with such bravery that above half of them fell down into the fire, as victims to appease the muses of Memnon. These birds were called Memnones, and it has been observed by some of the ancients, that they never failed to return yearly to the tomb of Memnon, in Troas, and repeat the same bloody engagement, in honour of the hero, from whom they received their name. The Ethiopians or Egyptians, over whom Memnon reigned, erected a celebrated statue to the honour of their monarch. This statue had the wonderful property of uttering a melodious sound every day, at sunrising, like that which is heard at the breaking of the string of a harp when it is wound up. This was effected by the rays of the sun when they fell upon it. At the setting of the sun, and in the night, the sound was lugubrious. This is supported by the testimony of the geographer Strabo, who confesses himself ignorant whether it proceeded from the basis of the statue, or the people that were then around it. This celebrated statue was dismantled by order of Cambyses, when he conquered Egypt, and its ruins still astonish modern travellers by their grandeur and beauty. Memnon was the inventor of the alphabet, according to Anticles, a writer mentioned by Pliny, 7, c. 56.—Mosh. in Bion.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 578, &c.—Elian. 5, c. 1.—Paus. 1, c. 42. l. 10, c. 31.—Strab. 13, &c.—Jun. 15, c. 5.—Philostr. in Apollod.—Plin. 36, c. 7.—Herod. Od. 9.—Quint. Calab.—A general of the Persian forces, when Alexander invaded Asia. He distinguished himself for his attachment to the interest of Darius, his valour in the field, the soundness of his counsels, and his great sagacity. He defended Miletus against Alexander, and died in the midst of his successful enterprises. B. C. 333. His wife Barsine was taken prisoner with the wife of Darius. Diod. 16.—A governor of Cæsaria. A man appointed governor of Thrace by Alexander. A man who wrote an history of Heraclea in Pontus, in the age of Augustus.

Memphis, a celebrated town of Egypt on the western banks of the Nile, above the Delta. It once contained many beautiful temples, particularly those of the god Apis, whose worship was observed with the greatest ceremonies. [Vid. Apis.] It was in the neighbourhood of Memphis "that those famous pyramids were built, whose grandeur and beauty still astonish the modern traveller. These noble monuments of Egyptian vanity which pass for one of the wonders of the world, are about 20 in number, three of which, by their superior size, particularly claim attention. The largest of these is 481 feet in height measured perpendicularly, and the area of its basis is on 480,249 square feet, or something more than 11 English acres of ground. It has steps all round, with massy and polished stones, so large that the breadth and depth of every step is one single stone. The smallest stone according to an ancient historian is not less than 80 feet. The number of steps according to modern observations amounts to 203, a number
which is not always adhered to by travellers.
The place where Memphis formerly stood is
domestic grandeur were conveyed to Alexandria to beautify its
the ruins of its fallen grandeur were to adorn the neighbouring cities.

1. *Mena or Menes*, the first king of Egypt
according to some accounts.


3. *Menalchidas*, an intriguing Lacedaemonian
in the time of the famous Achaean league.

He was accused before the Romans, and he
killed himself.

4. *Menalippe*, a sister of Antiope, queen of the
Amazons, taken by Hercules when that
hero made war against this celebrated nation.
She was ransomed, and Hercules received in
exchanging the arms and belt of the queen.

5. A daughter of the Centaur Chiron, beloved and ravished by Æolus, son of Hellen.
She retired into the woods to hide
her disgrace from the eyes of her father, and
when she had brought forth she entreated the
gods to remove her totally from the pursuits of
Chiron. She was changed into a mare, and
called Ocyroe. Some suppose that she
assumed the name of Menalippe, and lost that of
Ocyroe She became a constellation after
death, called the horse. Some authors call
her Hippe or Evipe. *Hygin. P. A.* 2, c. 18.

6. *Menander*, a celebrated comic poet of Athens,
educated under Theophrastus. He
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indecent reflections and illiberal satire; but his
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wit, and judicious observations. Of 108
comedies which he wrote, nothing remains but
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translated all these, and indeed we have cause
to lament the loss of such valuable writings,
when we are told by the ancients that the
elegant Terence, so much admired, was in the
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himself in the 52d year of his age, B. C. 293,
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MENOPHRON, a man who attempted to offer violence to his own mother. He was changed into a wild beast.

MENES, the first king of Egypt. He built the town of Memphis as it is generally supposed, and deserved by his abilities and popularity, to be called a god after death. Herodot. 2, c. 1 & 90.—Diod. 1

MENESTRIE PORTUS, a town of Hispania Eutica.

MENOSTEUS, or MENESTHEUS, or MNESTHEUS, a son of Pereus, who so insinuated himself into the favour of the people of Athens, that during the long absence of Theseus he was elected king. The lawful monarch at his return home was expelled, and Mnestheus established his usurpation by his popularity and great moderation. As he had been one of Helen's suitors, he went to the Trojan war at the head of the people of Athens, and died in his return in the island of Melos. He reigned 23 years, 1203, and was succeeded by Demophoon the son of Theseus. Plut. in Thes. —A son of Iphicrates who distinguished himself in the Athenian armies. C. Nep. in Tim.

MENESTHUS, a Greek killed by Paris in the Trojan war.

MENETAS, a man set governor over Babylon by Alexander. Curt. 5, c. 1.

MENIX or LOTOPHAGITIS INSULA, now Zerbi, an island on the coast of Africa, near the Syrtis Minor. It was peopled by the people of Nerithos, and thence called Neritia. Plin. 5, c. 7.—Strab. 17.—Sitt. It. 3, v. 318.

MENIPPA, one of the Amazons who assisted Æetes, &c.

MENIPPIDES, a son of Hercules. Apollod.

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MENIUS, a son of Lycaon, was changed with his father into a wolf, on account of his blasphemies.—A Roman plebian who became consul, he was the first who made the rostrum at Rome with the beaks of the enemy's ships.—A dictator, who having been ordered to be judged was honourably acquitted.—A young Roman spendthrift. Hor. 1, ep. 15, v. 26.

MENNIS, a town of Assyria bounding in bitumen. Curt. 5, c. 1.

MENOËTUS, a physician.—A Samian historian.

MENECLEUS, a Theban, father of Hipponome, Jocasta and Creon.—A young Theban, son of Creon. He offered himself to death for the Di Manes, when an oracle had ordered the Thebans to sacrifice one of the descendants of those who sprang from the dragon's teeth and he killed himself near the cave where the dragon of Mars had formerly resided. Stat. Theb.—Eurip. Phæon.—Apollod. 3, c. 6.—Cic. Tusc. 1, c. 98.—Sophoc. in Antig.

MENETES, the pilot of the ship of Æneas, at the naval games exhibited by Æneas at the anniversary of his father's death. He was thrown into the sea by Gias for his inattention, and saved himself by swimming to a rock. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 161, &c.—An Arcadian killed by Turnus in the war of Æneas. Id. 12, v. 517.

MENTIUS, a son of Actor and Ægina after her amours with Jupiter. He left his mother, and went to Opus, where he had by Stilene, Patroclus, often called from him Menetidae. Menetius was one of the Argonauts. Apollod. 3, c. 14.—Homer. Il. 1, v. 307.—Hygin. fab. 97.

MENON, a Thessalian commander in the expedition of Cyrus the younger against his brother Artaxerxes. He was dismissed on the suspicion that he had betrayed his fellow soldiers. Diod. 14.—A Thessalian, refused the freedom of Athens, though he furnished a number of auxiliaries to the people.—The husband of Semiramis.—A sophist in the age of Socrates.—One of the first kings of Phrygia. Dionys. Hal.—A scholar of Phidias, &c.

MENOPHILUS, an eunuch to whom Mithridates, when conquered by Pompey, entrusted the care of his daughter. Menophilus murdered the princess for fear of her falling into the enemy's hands. Ammian. 16.

MENTA or MINTHE. [Vid. Minthe.]

MENTES, a king of the Taphians in Ætolia, in the time of the Trojan war.

MENTISSA, a town of Spain. Liv. 26, c. 17.

MENTO, a Roman consul, &c.

MENTOR, a faithful friend of Ulysses.—A son of Hercules.—A king of Sidonia who revolted against Artaxerxes Ochus, and afterwards was restored to favour by his treachery to his allies, &c. Diod. 16.—An excellent artist in polishing cups and engraving flowers on them. Plin. 33, c. 11.—Mart. 9, ep. 63, v. 16.

MENYLUS, a Macedonian set over the garrison which Antipater had stationed at Athens. He attempted in vain to corrupt the innocence of Philocion. Plut.

MERA, a priest of Venus. Stat. Theb. 8, v. 478.—A dog of Icarius, who by his cries shewed Ereigone where her murdered father had been thrown. Immediately after this discovery, the daughter hung herself in despair, and the dog pined away, and was made a constellation in the heavens known by the name of Canis. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 363.—Hygin. fab. 130.—Allian. Hist. an. 7, c. 28.

MERA OF MERA, one of the Atlantes who married Tegates son of Lycaon. Paus. 8, c. 48.

MERCURIU, a celebrated god of antiquity, called Hermes by the Greeks. There were no less than five of this name according to
Cicero; a son of Cælius and Lux; a son of Vales; and Venus and Coronis; a son of the Nile; a son of Jupiter and Maia; and another called by the Egyptians Thaut. Some add a sixth, a son of Bacchus and Proserpine. To the son of Jupiter and Maia, the actions of all the others have been probably attributed, as he is the most famous, and the best known. Mercury was the messenger of the gods and of Jupiter in particular; he was the patron of travellers and of shepherds; he conducted the souls of the dead into the infernal regions, and not only presided over orators, merchants, claimers, but he was also the god of thieves, pickpockets, and all dishonest persons. His name is derived a mercibus, because he was the god of merchandise among the Latins. He was born, according to the more received opinion in Arcadia, on mount Collene, and in his infancy he was entrusted to the care of the Seasons. The day that he was born, or more probably the following day, he gave an early proof of his craftiness and dishonesty, in stealing away the oxen of Admetus which Apollo tended. He gave another proof of his thievish propensity, by taking also the quiver and arrows of the divine shepherd, and he increased his fame by robbing Neptune of his trident, Venus of her girdle, Mars of his sword, Jupiter of his sceptre, and Vulcan of many of his mechanical instruments. These specimens of his art recommended him to the notice of the gods, and Jupiter took him as his messenger, interpreter, and cup-bearer in the assembly of the gods. This last office he discharged till the promotion of Ganymede. He was presented by the king of heaven with a winged cap, called petasus, and with wings for his feet called talaria. He had also a short sword called herpe, which he lent to Perseus. With these he was enabled to go into whatever part of the universe he pleased with the greatest celerity, and besides he was permitted to make himself invisible, and to assume whatever shape he pleased. As messenger of Jupiter he was entrusted with all his secrets. He was the ambassador and plenipotentiary of the gods, and he was concerned in all alliances and treaties. He was the confidant of Jupiter's amours, and he often was set to watch over the jealousy and intrigues of Min. The invention of the lyre and its seven strings is ascribed to him. This he gave to Apollo, and received in exchange the celebrated caduceus with which the god of poetry used to drive the flocks of king Admetus. [Vid. Caduceus.] In the wars of the giants against the gods, Mercury showed himself brave, spirited, and active. He delivered Mars from the long confinement which he suffered from the superior power of the Aloeids. He purified the Danaids from the murder of their husbands, he tied Ixion to his wheel in the infernal regions, he destroyed the hundred-eyed Argus, he sold Hercules to Omphale the queen of Lydia, he conducted Priam to the tent of Achilles to redeem the body of his son Hector, and he carried the infant Bacchus to the nympha of Nysa. Mercury had many surnames and epithets. He was called Cylennius. Caduceator, Acacetos, from Acacus, an Arcanian; Acacessius, Tricephalos, Triplex, Chthonius, Camillus, Agouens, Delius, Arcas, &c. His children are also numerous as well as his amours. He was father of Autolyceus, by Chione; Myrtillus, by Cleobula; Libys, by Libya; Echion and Eurytus, by Antianis; Cephalus, by Creusa; Prisyl, by Issa; and of Priapus, according to some. He was also father of Hermaphroditus, by Venus; of Eudorus, by Polimela; of Pau, by Driophone, Penelope. His worship was well established, particularly in Greece, Egypt, and Italy. He was worshipped at Tanagra in Bocotia, under the name of Criophorus, and represented as carrying a ram on his shoulders, because he delivered the inhabitants from a pestilence by telling them to carry a ram in that manner round the walls of their city. The Roman merchants yearly celebrated a festival on the 15th of May, in honour of Mercury, in the temple near the Circus Maximus. A pregnant sow was then sacrificed, and sometimes a calf, and particularly the tongues of animals were offered. After the votaries had sprinkled themselves with water mixed with leaves, they offered prayers to the divinity, and intreated him to be favourable to whatever artful measures, false oaths, or falsehoods they had used or uttered in the pursuit of gain. Sometimes Mercury appears on monuments with a large cloak round his arm or tied under his chin. The chief ensigns of his power and officers are his caduceus, his petasus, and his talaria. Sometimes he is represented sitting upon a craggy rock, holding in one hand his caduceus, and in the other the claws of the fish. At other times he is like a young man without a beard, holding in one hand a purse, as being the tutelary god of merchants, with a cock on his wrists as an emblem of vigilance, and at his feet, a goat, a scorpion, and a fly. Some of his statues represented him as a youth fasces erecto. Sometimes he rests his foot upon a tortoise. In Egypt his statues represented him with the head of a dog, whence he was often confounded with Anubis, and received the sacrifice of a stork. Offerings of milk and honey were made because he was the god of eloquence, whose powers were sweet and persuasive. The Greeks and Romans offered tongues to him by throwing them into the fire, as he was the patron of speaking, of which the tongue is the organ. Sometimes his statues represent him as without arms, because, according to some, the power of speech can prevail over everything even without the assistance of arms. Homer. Od. 1, &c. II. 1, &c.—Hymn in Merc. Lucian. in Mort. Dial.—Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 667.—Met. 1, 4, 11, 14.—Martialis, 9, ep. 35.—Stat. Theb. 4.—Paus. 1, 7, 8, & 9.—Orpheus.—Plut. in Num.—Varro, de L. L. 6.—Plato in Phad.—Liv. 36.—Virg. G. 1. Aen. 1. v. 48.—Diod. 4 & 5.—Apollod. 1, 2, & 3.—Apollon. Arg. 1.—Horat. 1, od. 10.—Hygin. fab. P. A. 2.—Tzetes in Lyce. 219.—Cic. de Nat. D.—Laestantius.—Philostr. 1. Ion. c. 27.—Manil. —Maerob. 1. Sat. c. 19.—Trismegistus, a priest and philosopher of Egypt.
who taught his countrymen how to cultivate the olive, and
measure their lands, and to understand hieroglyphics.
He lived in the age of Osiris, and wrote 40 books on theology,
medicine, and geography, for which Sanchoniathon the
Phorcidian historian has taken his theogonia.
_Diod. 1 & 5._—Plut. de Isid. & Os.—Cic. 3, de Nat. D.

**MERETRIX**, a name under which Venus was
worshipped at Abydos and at Samos, because both
those places had been benefitted by the intrigues
or the influence of courtezans. _Atthen._ 13.

**MERIOINES**, a charioteer of Idomeneus
king of Crete, during the Trojan war, son of Molus a
Cretan prince, and Melphidius. He signalized
himself before Troy, and fought with Deiphobus
the son of Priam, whom he wounded. He was
greatly admired by the Cretans, who even paid
him divine honours after death. _Horat. 1, od.
6, v. 15._—Homer. II. 2, &c.—Dictys. Cret.
1, &c.—Ovid. Med. 13, fab. 1._—A brother of
Jason son of Aeson, famous for his great
opulence and for his avarice.

**MEREMOES**, a centaur.—A Trojan killed
by Antilochus.—A son of Jason and Medea,
who was father to Ilius of Corinthis.

**MERMADAE**, a race of kings in Lydia of
which Gyges was the first. They sat on the
Lydian throne till the reign of Cresus, who was
conquered by Cyrus king of Persia. They were
descendants of the Heraclei, and probably re-
ceived the name of Mermadæ, from Mermaos,
one of their own family. There were descended
from Lemnos, or according to others, Agelaus,
the son of Omphale by Hercules. _Herodot. 1,
c. 7 & 14._

**MEROE**, an island of Ethiopia, with a town
of the same name. Its original name was Saba,
and Cambyses gave it that of Meroe from his
sister. _Strab. 17._—Heronot. 2, c. 51.—_Meta.
1._

**MEROPE**, one of the Atlantides. She married
Sisyphus son of Aeolus, and like her sisters, was
changed into a constellation after death. [Vid.
_Pleiades._] It is said, that in the constellation of
the Pleiades, the star of Merope appears
more dim and obscure than the rest, because
she as the poets observe, married a mortal,
while her sisters married some of the gods,
or their descendants. _Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 175._—
_Diod. 4._—Hygin. fab. 192.—Apollod. 1, c. 9._
A daughter of Cypselus, who married Cephisones
king of Messenia, by whom she had three children.
Her husband and two of her children were
murdered by Polyphontes. The murderer obliged her
to marry him, and she would have been forced to
comply, had not Epytus, or Telephontes her 3d
son revenged his father's death by assassinating
Polyphontes. _Apollod. 2, c. 6._—_Peus. 4, c. 3._
_A daughter of Enopion beloved by Orion.
Apollod. 1, c. 4._—_A daughter of the Cebrenus,
who married Escatus the son of Prian._
_A daughter of Erechthus mother of Deedalus.
_Plut. in Thes._—_A daughter of Pandarus._
_A daughter of the river Sangarius, who married
king Prian._

**MEROPE**, a king of the island of Cos, who
married Clymene, one of the Oceanides. He

was changed into an eagle, and placed among
the constellations. _Ovid. Met. 1, v. 763._
_Apollod. 3._—Hygin. _A celebrated soothsayer
of Percous in Troas, who foretold the death of
his sons Adrastus and Amphius, who were
engaged in the Trojan war. They slighted
their father's advice, and were killed by Dio-
medes._ Homer. II. 2._—One of the com-
panions of Aneas killed by Turnus. _Virg. Æn.
9, v. 702._

**MEROE**, a mountain of India sacred to Jupi-
ter. It is called by Pliny, 6 c. 21, Nysa. Bac-
chus was educated upon it, whence arose the
fable that Bacchus was confined in the thigh
(µυςκος) of his father. _Mea. 2, c. 7._—_Cur.
c. 10._—_Diod. 1._

**MERULA CORN**, a Roman who fought against
the Gauls, and was made consul by Octavian
in the place of Cnina. He some time after killed
himself in despair, &c. _Plut._

**MESABATES**, an eunuch in Persia, flayed
alive by order of Parysatis, because he had cut
off the head and right hand of Cyrus. _Plut. in
Artax._

**MESARIUS**, a mountain of Boeotia hanging
over the Eupirus. _Paus. 9, c. 52._

**MESAPIA**, an ancient name of Boetia.

**MESARIUS**, a servant of Eumæus, the stewart
of Ulysses. _Homer. Od. 14, v. 449._

**MESEMBRIA**, a maritime city of Thrace.
Hence _Mesembricus._—Another at the mouth
of the Lissus.

**MESENE**, a country near the Tigris.

**MESISDES**, a lyric poet in the age of the
emperor Antoninus.

**MESSEOTAMIA**, a country of Asia, which
receives its name from its situation between the
rivers Tigris and Euphrates. It is yearly
inundated by the Euphrates, and the water properly
conveyed over the country by canals. It is now
called Diarbee. _Strab. 2._—_Mea. 1, c. 11._
_Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 52._

**MESSALA**, a name of Valerius Corvinus, from
his having conquered Messana in Sicily. This
family was very ancient; the most celebrated
were a friend of Brutus, who seized the camp
of Augustus at Philippi. He was afterwards
reconciled to Augustus, and died A. D. 9, in
his 77th year. _Plut._—_The father of Valeria
who married the dictator Sylla._

**MESSALA VALERIA**, a daughter of Messala
Barbatus. She married the Emperor Claudius,
and disgraced herself by her cruelties and in-
continence. Her husband's palace was not the
only seat of her lasciviousness, but she prostit-
uted herself in the public streets, and few men
there were at Rome who could not boast of
having enjoyed the favours of the impure Mess-
ala. Her extravagancies at last irritated her
husband; he commanded her to appear before him to answer to all the accusations which were brought against her; upon which she attempted to destroy herself, and when her courage failed, one of the tribunes who had been sent to her, dispatched her with his sword, A. D. 48. It is in speaking of her debaucheries and lewdness, that a celebrated satirist says,

Et lasata viris, recidum satiata, recessit.

Jun.—Tacit. Ann. 11, c. 37.—Suet. in Claud.—

Dio.—Another, called also Statilia. She was descended of a consular family, and married the consul Atticus Vinstimus, whom Nero murdered. She received with great marks of tenderness her husband's murderer, and married him. She had married four husbands before she came to the imperial throne; and after the death of Nero, she retired to literary pursuits and peaceful occupations. Otho courted her, and would have married her, had he not destroyed himself. In his dying moments, he wrote her a pathetic and consolatory letter, &c. Tacit. Ann.

MESSALINUS M. VALER, a Roman officer in the reign of Tiberius. He was appointed governor of Dalmatia, and rendered himself known by his opposition to Piso, and by his attempts to persuade the Romans of the necessity of suffering women to accompany the camps on their different expeditions. Tacit. Ann. 3.—One of Domitian's informers.—A flatterer of the emperor Tiberius.

MESSANA, an ancient and celebrated town of Sicily on the straits which separate Italy from Sicily. It was anciently called Zancle, and was founded 1600 years before the Christian era. The inhabitants, being continually exposed to the depredations of the people of Cuma, implored the assistance of the Messenians of Peloponnesus, and with them repelled the enemy. After this victorious campaign, the Messenians entered Zancle, and lived in such intimacy with the inhabitants, that they changed their name, and assumed that of the Messenians, and called their city Messana.—Another account says, that Anaxilus, tyrant of Rhgium, made war against the Zancleans with the assistance of the Messenians of Peloponnesus, and that after he had obtained a decisive victory, he called the conquered city Messana in compliment to his allies, about 494 years before the Christian era. After this revolution at Zancle, the Mamertini took possession of it, and made it the capital of the neighbouring country. [Vid. Mamertini.] It afterwards fell into the hands of the Romans, and was for some time the chief of their possessions in Sicily. The inhabitants were called Messeni, Messanienenses, and Mamertini. The straightest of Messana have always been looked upon as very dangerous, especially by the ancients, on account of the rapidity of the currents, and the irregular and violent flowing and ebbing of the sea. Strab. 6.—Meis, 2, c. 7.—Paus. 4, c. 23.—Diod. 4.—Thucyd. 1, &c.—Herod. 6, c. 23. 1. 7, c. 29.

MESSAPIA, a country of Italy, between Tarrentum and Brundusium. It is the same as Calabria. It received its name from Messapae, the son of Neptune, who left a part of Bocotia called Messapia, and came to Italy, where he assisted the Rutulians against Anchises. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 691.

MESSATIS, a town of Achaia. Paus. 7, c. 18.


MESSÉNE, a fountain of Thessaly. Strab. 9.

MESSÉNÉ, a daughter of Triopas, king of Argos, who married Polycaco, son of Lelex, king of Laconia. She encouraged her husband to levy troops, and to seize a part of Peloponnesus, which, after it had been conquered, received her name. She received divine honours after death. Paus. 4, c. 1, &c.

MESSÉNE or MESSÉNIA, a city in the Peloponnesus, the capital of the country called Messenia. The inhabitants have rendered themselves famous for the war which they carried on against the Spartans, and which received the appellation of the Messenian war. The first Messenian war arose from the following circumstances: The Messenians offered violence to some Spartan women who had assembled to offer sacrifices in a temple which was common to both nations, and which stood on the borders of their respective territories; and, besides, they killed Teleclus, the Spartan king, who attempted to defend the innocence of the females. This account, according to the Spartan traditions, is contradicted by the Messenians, who observe that Teleclus, with a chosen body of Spartans, assembled at the temple before mentioned, disguised in women's clothes, and all secretly armed with daggers. This hostile preparation was to surprise some of the neighbouring inhabitants, and in a quarrel which soon after arose, Teleclus and his associates were all killed. These quarrels were the cause of the first Messenian war, which began B. C. 743 years. It was carried on with vigour and spirit on both sides; and after many obstinate and bloody battles had been fought and continued for 19 years, it was at last finished by the taking of Ithome by the Spartans, a place which had stood a siege of ten years, and been defended with all the power of the Messenians.—The insults to which the conquered Messenians were continually exposed, at last excited their resentment, and they resolved to shake off the yoke. They suddenly revolted, and the second Messenian war was begun 685 B. C. and continued 14 years. The Messenians at first gained some advantages, but a fatal battle in the third year of the war so totally disheartened them that they fled to Ira, where they resolved to maintain an obstinate siege against their victorious pursuers. The Spartans were assisted by the Samians in besieging Ira, and the Messenians were at last obliged to submit to the superior power of their adversaries. The taking of Ira by the Lacedemonians, after a siege of 11 years, put an end to the second Messenian war. Peace was re-established for some time
in Peloponnesus; but after the expiration of 900 years, the Messenians attempted a third time to free themselves from the power of Lacedaemon, B. C. 465. At that time the Helots had revolted from the Spartans, and the Messenians, by joining their forces to these wretched slaves, looked upon their respective calamities as common, and thought themselves commonly interested in each others welfare. The Lacedaemonians were assisted by the Athenians, but they soon grew jealous of one another's power, and their political connection ended in the most invertebrate enmity, and at last open war. Ithome was the place in which the Messenians had a second time gathered all their forces, and though ten years had already elapsed, both parties seemed equally confident of victory. The Spartans were afraid of storming Ithome, as the oracle of Delphi had threatened them with the greatest calamities if they offered any violence to a place which was dedicated to the service of Apollo. The Messenians, however, were soon obliged to submit to their victorious adversaries, B. C. 453; and they consented to leave their native country, and totally to depart from the Peloponnesus, solemnly promising, that if they ever returned into Messenia, they would suffer themselves to be sold as slaves. The Messenians, upon this, miserably exiled, applied to the Athenians for protection, and were permitted to inhabit Naupactus, whence some of them were afterwards removed to take possession of their ancient territories in Messenia, during the Peloponnesian war. The third Messenian war was productive of great revolutions in Greece; and though almost a private quarrel, it soon engaged the attention of all the neighbouring states, and kindled the flames of dissension everywhere. Every state took up arms as if it was its own defence, or to prevent additional power and dominion to be lodged in the hands of its rivals. The descendants of the Messenians at last returned to Peloponnesus, B. C. 370, after a long banishment of 300 years. 

Metellus, a tyrant of the Privernates. He was father of Camilla, whom he consecrated to the service of Diana, when he had been banished from his kingdom by his subjects. 

Metellus, a town with a small river of the same name in the country of the Bruttii. The river Metaurus falls into the Adriatic. 

Metellus, the wife of Sylla. 

Metelli, the surname of the family of Cæcili at Rome, the most known of whom were, a general who defeated the Acheans, took Thebes, and invaded Macedonia, &c.—Q. Cæcilius, who rendered himself illustrious by his successes against Jugurtha the Numidian king, from which he was surnamed Numidicus. He took, in this expedition, the celebrated Marius as his lieutenant, and he had soon cause to repent of the confidence he had placed in him. Marius raised himself to power by defaming the character of his benefactor, and Metellus was recalled to Rome, and accused of extortion and ill management. Marius was appointed successor to finish the Numidian war; and Metellus was acquitted of the crimes laid to his charge before the tribunal of the Roman knights, who observed that the probity of his whole life, and the greatness of his exploits, were greater proofs of his innocence, than the most powerful arguments.—Another who saved from the flames the Palladium, when Vesta's temple was on fire. He was then high priest. He lost his sight and one of his arms in doing it; and the senate, to reward his zeal and piety, permitted him always to be drawn to the senate-house in a chariot, an honour which no one had ever before enjoyed. He also gained a great victory over the Carthaginians, &c.—Q. Cæcilius Celer, another who distinguished himself by his spirited exertions against Catiline. He married the sister of Claudius, who disgraced him by her incontinence and lasciviousness. He died 57 years before Christ. He was greatly lamented by Cicero, who shed tears at the loss of one of his most faithful and valuable friends.—L. Cæcilius, a tribune in the civil wars of J. Caesar and Pompey. He favoured the cause of Pompey, and opposed Caesar when he entered Rome with a victorious army. He refused to open the gates of Saturn's temple, in which were deposited great treasures, upon which they were broke open by Caesar, and Metellus retired when threatened with death. —Q. Cæcilius, a warlike general who conquered Crete and Macedonia, and was surnamed Macedonianus. He had four sons, of which three were consuls, and the other obtained a triumph, all during their father's lifetime. —A general of the Roman armies against the Sicilians and Carthaginians. Before he marched, he offered sacrifices to all the gods, except Vesta, for which neglect the goddess was so incensed, that she demanded the blood of his daughter Metella. When Metella was going to be immolated, the goddess placed through the flames, and raised her from the flames.
a heifer in her place, and carried her to a temple at Lannium, of which she became the priestess. — Lucius Caec. was surnamed Creteus from his conquest in Crete, B. C. 66. — Another, surnamed Dalmatius, from his conquest over Dalmatia. — Cicero, one of the conspirators against J. Caesar. It was he who gave the signal to attack and murder the dictator in the senate-house. — Pius, a general in Spain against Sertorius, on whose head he set a price of 100 talents and 20,000 acres of land. — A consul who commanded in Africa, &c. Val. Max. P. ain. — P. ut. — Liv. — Paterc. 2. — Flor. 3. 8. — Paus. 7. c. 8 & 13. — Cic. in Tusc. &c. — Jan. 3. — v. 138. — Appian. Cic. — Caesar Bell. Civ. — Sallust. in Jug.

METARMA, a daughter of Pygmalion, king of Cyprus, and mother of Andonis by Cinryas, &c. Apollod. 3. c. 14.

METTHON, the father of Phorbas, &c. Ovid. Met. 5. fab. 3.

METHODUS, a bishop of Tyre, who maintained a controversy against Porphyry. The best edition is that of Paris, fol. 1637.

METHONE, a town of Peloponnesus, where king Philip gained his first battle over the Athenians, B. C. 360. — A town of Macedonia south of Pella, in the siege of which, according to Justin. 7. c. 6. Philip lost his right eye. — Another in Magnesia. Homer. Il. 2. v. 71.

METHYDRIUM, a town of Peloponnesus near Megalopolis.

METHYNNA, a town of the island of Lesbos, which receives its name from a daughter of Macareus. It is the second city of the island in greatness, population, and opulence, and its territory is fruitful, and the wines it produces excellent. It was the native place of Arion. When the whole island of Lesbos revolted from the power of the Athenians, Methymna alone remained firm to its ancient allies. Dio. 5. — Thucyd. 3. — Horat. 2. Sat. 8. v. 50. — Virg. G. 3. v. 90.

METIADUS, a daughter of Eupiammus, who married Cercops, by whom she had Pandion. Apollod. 3. c. 15.

METILLA LEX, was enacted A. U. C. 536, to settle the power of the dictator, and of his master of horse within certain bounds.

METILLI, a Roman family brought from Alba to Rome by Tullus Hostilius. Dionys. Hal.

METILUS, a man who accused Fabius Maximus before the senate, &c.

METIOCUS, a son of Miltiades, who was taken by the Phenicians, and given to Darius king of Persia. He was tenderly treated by the monarch, though his father had conquered the Persian armies in the plains of Marathon. Plut. — Herodot. 6. c. 41. — An Athenian entrusted with the care of the roads, &c.

METION, a son of Erechtheus king of Athens and Praxithera. He married Alcippa, daughter of Mars and Agripus. His sons drove Pandion from the throne of Athens, and were afterwards expelled by Pandion’s children. Apollod. 3. c. 15. — Paul. 2. c. 6.

METIS, one of the Oceandae. She was Jupiter’s first wife, celebrated for her great prudence and sagacity above the rest of the gods. Jupiter, who was afraid lest she should bring forth into the world a child more cunning and greater than himself, devoted her in the first month of her pregnancy. Some time after this adventure, the god had his head opened, from which issued Minerva armed from head to foot. According to Apollodorus, 1. c. 2. Metis gave a potion to Saturn, and obliged him to throw up the children he had de voured. Hesiod. Theog. — Apollod. 1. c. 3. — Hgin.

METISCUUS, a charioteer to Turnus. Virg. En. 12. v. 469.

METIUS CURTIUS, one of the Sabines, who fought against the Romans on account of the stolen virgin.

METIUS SUFFETUS, a dictator of Alba, in the reign of Tullus Hostilius. He fought against the Romans, and at last, finally to settle their disputes, he proposed a single combat between the Horatii and Curatii. The Albans were conquered, and Metius promised to assist the Romans against their enemies. In a battle against the Veientes and Fidenates, Metius showed his infidelity by forsaking the Romans at the first onset, and retired to a neighbouring eminence, to wait for the event of the battle, and to fall upon whatever side proved victorious. The Romans obtained the victory, and Tullus ordered Metius to be tied between two chariots, which were drawn by four horses two different ways, and his limbs were torn away from his body, about 669 years before the Christian era. Liv. 1. c. 23, &c. — Flor. 1. c. 3. — Virg. En. 8. v. 642. — A critic. Vid. Tarpa. — Carus. a celebrated informer under Domitian, who enriched himself with the plunder of those who were sacrificed to the emperor’s suspicion.

METIICIA, festivals instituted by Theseus in commemoration of the people of Attica having removed to Athens.

METON, an astrologer and mathematician of Athens. His father’s name was Pausanias. He refused to go to Sicily with his countrymen, and pretended to be insane, because he foresaw the calamities that attended that expedition. In a book called Ennealogiaterides, or the cycle of 19 years, he endeavoured to adjust the course of the sun and of the moon, and supported that the solar and lunar years could regularly begin from the same point in the heavens. This is called by the moderns the golden numbers. He flourished B. C. 432. Vitruv. 1. — Plut. in Nicia. — A native of Tarentum, who pretended to be intoxicated that he might draw the attention of his countrymen, when he wished to disguise them from making an alliance with king Pyrrhus. Plut. in Pyrr.

METOPE, the wife of the river Sangarius. She was mother of Hecuba. — The daughter of Ladon, who married the Asopus. — A river of Arcadia.

METRA, a daughter of Eresichthon, a The
selian prince, beloved by Neptune. When her father had spent all his fortune to gratify the canine hunger under which he laboured, she prostituted herself to her neighbours, and received for reward, oxen, goats, and sheep, which she presented to Eresichthon. Som say that she had received from Neptune the power of changing herself into whatever animal she pleased, and that her father sold her continually to gratify his hunger, and that she instantly assumed a different shape and became again his property. Ovid. Met. 8 fab. 21.

METAGYRE, one of the names of Tellus or Cybele.

METRONIUS, a player greatly favoured by Sylla. Plut.

METROCLES, a pupil of Theophrastus, who had the care of the education of Cleombrotus and Cleomenes. He suffocated himself when old and infirm. Diog.

METRODORUS, a physician of Chios, B. C. 444. He was disciple of Democritus, and had Hippocrates among his pupils. His compositions on medicine, &c. are lost. He supported that the world was eternal and infinite, and denied the existence of motion. Diog. — A painter and philosopher of Stratonice, B. C. 171. He was sent to Ptolemy Emilius, who after the conquest of Perseus, commanded of the Athenians a philosopher and painter, the former to instruct his children, and the latter to make a painting of his triumphs. Metrodorus was sent, as in his alone were united the philosopher and the painter.

Cic. 5, de Finib. 1, de Orat. 4, Acad.—Diog. in Epici. — A friend of Mithridates, sent as ambassador to Tigranes, king of Armenia. He was remarkable for his learning, moderation, humanity, and justice. He was put to death by his royal master for his infidelity, B. C. 72. Strab.—Plut.

METROPHONES, an officer of Mithridates, who invaded Eubea, &c.

METROPOLIS, a town of Phrygia on the Maeander.—Another of Thessaly, near Pharsalia.

METTUS, a chief of the Gauls, imprisoned by J. Cesar. Cez. bell. G.

MEVANIA, a town of Umbria. Lucan. 1, v. 473.

MEVIUS, a wretched poet. Vit. Mavius.

MEZENTIUS, a king of the Tyrrenchians when Aeneas came into Italy. He was remarkable for his cruelties, and put his subjects to death by slow tortures, or sometimes, tied a man to a dead corpse face to face, and suffered him to die in that condition. He was expelled by his subjects and fled to Turnus, who employed him in his war against the Trojans. He was killed by Aeneas. Dionys. 1, c. 15.—Justin. 43, c. 1.—Liv. 1, c. 2.—Virg.—En. 7, v. 648. l. 8, v. 482.—Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 881.

MICAE, a virgin of Elis, murdered by a soldier, &c.

MICIPSA, a king of Numidin, son of Masinissa, who, at his death, B. C. 119, left his kingdom between his sons Adherbal and Hyempsal, and his nephew Jugurtha. Jugurtha abused his uncle's favours by murdering his two sons. Sallust. de Jug.—Flor. 3, c. 1.—Plut.

MICYTUS, a youth through whom an attempt was made to bribe Epaminondas. C. Nep.—A slave of Anaxilaus, of Rhegium. Herodot. c. 170.

MIDA, a king of Phrygia, son of Gordius or Gorgias. In the early part of his life, according to some traditions, he found a large treasure, to which he owed his greatness and opulence. The hospitality he shewed to Silenus, the preceptor of Bacchus, who had been brought to him by some peasants, was liberally rewarded, and Mida, when he conducted back the old man to the god, was permitted to choose whatever recompense he pleased. He had the imprudence and the avarice to demand of the god that whatever he touched might be turned into gold. His prayer was granted, but he was soon convinced of his injudicious choice, and when the very meats which he attempted to eat became gold in his mouth, he begged Bacchus to take away a present which must prove so fatal to the receiver. He was ordered to wash himself in the river Pactolus, whose sands were turned into gold by the touch of Mida. Some time after this adventure Mida had the imprudence to support that Pan was superior to Apollo in singing and playing upon the flute, for which rash opinion the offended god changed his ears into those of an ass, to shew his ignorance and stupidity. This, Mida attempted to conceal from the knowledge of his subjects, but one of his servants saw the length of his ears, and being unable to keep the secret, and afraid to reveal it, apprehensive of the king's resentment, he opened a hole in the earth and after he had whispered there that Mida had the ears of an ass, he covered the place as before, as if he had buried his words in the ground. On that place, as the poets mention, grew a number of reeds, which when agitated by the wind uttered the same sound that had been buried beneath, and published to the world that Mida had the ears of an ass. Some explain the fable of the ears of Mida, by the supposition that he kept a number of informers and spies, who were continually employed in gathering every seditious word that might drop from the mouths of his subjects. Mida, according to Strabo, died of drinking bull's hot blood. This he did, as Plutarch mentions, to free himself from his numerous ill dreams which continually tormented him. Mida, according to some, was son of Cybele. He built a town which he called Ancyræ. Ovid. Met. 11, fab. 5.—Plut. de Superst. Strab. 1.—Hygin. fab. 191.—Mar. Tyr. 30.—Paus. 1, c. 4.—Val. Max. 1, c. 6.—Herodot. 1, c. 14.—Elision. V. H. 4 & 12.—Cic. de Div. 1, &c.

MIDEA, a town of Argolis. Paus. 6, c. 20.—Of Lycia. Stat. Theb. 4, v. 45.—Of Boeotia drowned by the inundations of the lake Copal.
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Strab. 3.—A nymph who had Asclepedon by Neptune. Paus. 9, c. 36.—A mistress of Electryon. Apollod.


Milesi, the inhabitants of Miletus. Vitr. Miletus.

Milesiurn Murus, a place of Egypt at the entrance of one of the mouths of the Nile.

Milesius, a surname of Apollo.—A native of Miletus.

Miletia, one of the daughters of Scedasus, ravished with her sister by some young Thebans.

Miletum, a town of Calabria, built by the people at Miletus of Asia.—A town of Crete.

Miletus, a son of Apollo, who fled from Crete to avoid the wrath of Minos, whom he meditated to dethrone. He came to Caria, where he built a city which he called by his own name. Some suppose that he only conquered a city there, which assumed his name. They farther say, that he put the inhabitants to the sword, and divided the women among his soldiers. A woman called Cyanea fell to his share. Strab. 14.—Ovid. Met. 9, v. 446.—Paus. 7, c. 2.—Apollod. 3, c. 1.—A celebrated town of Asia Minor, the capital of all Ionia, situate about ten stadia south of the mouth of the river Maeander near the sea-coast, on the confines of Ionia and Caria. It was founded by a Cretan colony under Miletus, and, according to others, by Neleus, the son of Codrus, or by Sarpedon, Jupiter's son. It has successively been called Leleges, Pithyusa, and Anactoria. The inhabitants, called Milesii, were very powerful, and long maintained an obstinate war against the kings of Lydia. They early applied themselves to navigation, and planted no less than 80 colonies, or, according to Seneca, 380, in different parts of the world. Miletus gave birth to Thales, Anaximenes, Anaximander, Hecataeus, Timotheus the musician, Pittacus one of the seven wise men, &c. Miletus was also famous for a temple and an oracle of Apollo Didymaenus, and for its excellent wood. Virg. G. 3, v. 306.—Strab. 15.—Paus. 7, c. 2.—Mela, 1, c. 17.—Pins. 5, c. 29.—Herodot. 1, &c.—Senec. de Consol. ad Alb.

Milius, a part of Lycia.

Milichus, a freedman who discovered Piso's conspiracy against Nero. Tacit. 15. Ann. c. 54.

Milius, a Cretan king, &c.

Milionia, a town of the Samnites taken by the Romans.

Milo, a celebrated athlete of Crotona in Italy. His father's name was Diotimus. He early accustomed himself to carry the greatest burdens, and by degrees became a moister in strength. It is said that he carried on his shoulders a young bullock 4 years old, for above 40 yards, and afterwards killed it with one blow of his fist, and eat it up in one day.

He was seven times crowned at the Pythian games, and six at Olympia. He presented himself a seventh time, but no one had the courage or boldness to enter the lists against him. He was one of the disciples of Pythagoras, and to his uncommon strength the learned preceptor and his pupils owed their life. The pillar which supported the roof of the school suddenly gave way, but Milo supported the whole weight of the building, and gave the philosopher and his auditors time to escape. In his old age Milo attempted to pull up a tree by the roots and break it. He partly effectually it, but his strength became gradually exhausted, the tree when half re-united, and his hands remained pinched in the body of the tree. He was then alone, and being unable to disentangle himself, he was eaten up by the wild beasts of the place, about 500 years before the Christian era. Ovid. Met. 15.—Cic. de Senect. Val. Max. 9, c. 12.—Strab. 16.—Paus. 6, c. 11.—T. Annius, a native of Lanuvium, who attempted to obtain the consulship at Rome by intrigue and seditious tumults. Clodius the tribune opposed his views, yet Milo would have succeeded, had not an unfortunate event totally frustrated his hopes. As he was going into the country, attended by his wife and a numerous retinue of gladiators and servants, he met on the Appian road his enemy Clodius, who was returning to Rome with three of his friends and some domestics completely armed. A quarrel arose between the servants. Milo supported his attendant, and the dispute became general. Clodius received many severe wounds, and was obliged to retire to a neighbouring cottage. Milo pursued his enemy in his retreat, and ordered his servants to dispatch him. Eleven of the servants of Clodius shared his fate, as also the owner of the house who had given them reception. The body of the murdered tribune was carried to Rome, and exposed to public view. The enemies of Milo inveighed bitterly against the violence and barbarity with which the sacred person of a tribune had been treated. Cicero undertook the defence of Milo; but the contumacious clamours of the friends of Clodius, and the sight of an armed soldier, which surrounded the seat of judgment, so terrified the orator, that he forgot the greatest part of his arguments, and the defence he made was weak and injudicious. Milo was condemned, and banished to Massilia. Cicero soon after sent his exiled friend a copy of the oration which he had delivered in his defence, in the form in which we have it now, and Milo, after he had read it, exclaimed, O Cicer, hadst thou spoken before my accusers in these terms, Milo would not now eating figs at Marseilles. The friendship and cordiality of Cicero and Milo were the fruits of long intimacy and familiar intercourse. It was by the successful labours of Milo that the orator was recalled from banishment and restored to his friends. Cic. pro Milon.—Pot. 2, c. 47 & 68.—Dio. 40.—A general of the forces of Pyrrhus. He was made governor of Tarentum, and that he might be reminded of his duty to his sovereign, Pyrrhus sent him as a present a
chain, which was covered with the skin of Nicias the physician, who had perfidiously offered the Romans to poison his royal master for a sum of money. Polygen. 8, &c.—A tyrant of Pissus, in Elis, thrown into the river Alpheus by his subjects for his oppression. Ovid. in Id. v. 325.

MILONIUS, a drunken buffoon at Rome, accustomed to dance when intoxicated. Horat. 2, Sat. 1, v. 24.

MILTAES, a soothsayer, who assisted Dion in explaining prophecies, &c.

MILTIADES, an Athenian, son of Cypselus, who obtained a victory in a chariot race at the Olympic games, and led a colony of his countrymen to the Chersonesus. The causes of this appointment are striking and singular. The Thracian Dolonci, harassed by a long war with the Absynthians, were directed by the oracle of Delphi to take for their king the first man they met in their return home, who invited them to come under his roof and partake of his entertainments. This was Miltiades, whom the appearance of the Dolonci, their strange arms and garments had struck. He invited them to his house, and was made acquainted with the commands of the oracle. He obeyed, and when the oracle of Delphi had approved a second time the choice of the Dolonci, he departed for the Chersonesus, and was invested by the inhabitants with sovereign power. The first measure he took was to stop the further incursions of the Absynthians, by building a strong wall across the isthmus. When he had established himself at home, and fortified his dominions against foreign invasion, he turned his arms against Lampascus. His expedition was unsuccessful; he was taken in an ambuscade and made prisoner. His friend Cresus, king of Lydia, was informed of his captivity, and he procured his release by threatening the people of Lampascus with his severest displeasure. He lived a few years after he had recovered his liberty. As he had no issue, he left his kingdom and possessions to Stesagoras, the son of Cimon, who was his brother by the same mother. The memory of Miltiades was greatly honoured by the Dolonci, and they regularly celebrated festivals, and exhibited shows in commemoration of a man to whom they owed their greatness and preservation. Some time after, Stesagoras died without issue, and Miltiades, the son of Cimon, and the brother of the deceased, was sent by the Athenians with one ship, to take possession of the Chersonesus. At his arrival Miltiades appeared mournful, as if lamenting the recent death of his brother. The principal inhabitants of the country visited the new governor to condole with him; but their confidence in his sincerity proved fatal to them. Miltiades seized their persons, and made himself absolute in Chersonesus, and to strengthen himself he married Hegesipyla, the daughter of Olorus the king of the Thracians. His triumph was short. In the third year of his government his dominions were threatened by an invasion of the Scythian Nomades, whom Darius had some time before irritated by entering their country. He fled before them, but as their hostilities were of short duration, he was soon restored to his kingdom. Three years after he left Chersonesus and set sail for Athens, where he was received with great applause. He was present at the celebrated battle of Marathon, in which all the chief officers ceded their power to him, and left the event of the battle to depend upon his superior abilities. He obtained an important victory [Vid. Marathon] over the more numerous forces of his adversaries; and when he had demanded of his fellow-citizens an olive crown as the reward of his valour in the field of battle, he was not only refused, but severely reprimanded for presumption. The only reward, therefore, that he received for a victory which proved so beneficial to the interests of universal Greece, was in itself simple and inconsiderable, though truly great in the opinion of that age. He was represented in the front of a picture, among the rest of the commanders who fought at the battle of Marathon, and he seemed to exhort and animate his soldiers to fight with courage and intrepidity. Some time after, Miltiades was entrusted with a fleet of 70 ships, and ordered to punish those islands which had revolted to the Persians. He was successful at first, but a sudden report that the Persian fleet was coming to attack him, changed his operations as he was besieging Paros. He raised the siege and returned to Athens, where he was accused of treason, and particularly of holding correspondence with the enemy. The falsity of these accusations might have appeared, if Miltiades had been able to come into the assembly. A wound which he had received before Paros, detained him at home; and his enemies, taking advantage of his absence, became more eager in their accusations, and louder in their clamours. He was condemned to death, but the rigour of the sentence was retracted on the recollection of his great services to the Athenians: he was put into prison till he had paid a fine of 50 talents to the state. His inability to discharge so great a sum detained him in confinement, and soon after his wounds became incurable, and he died about 489 years before the Christian era. His body was ransomed by his son Cimon, who was obliged to borrow and pay the 50 talents, to give his father a decent burial. The crimes of Miltiades were probably aggravated in the eyes of his countrymen, when they remembered how he made himself absolute in Chersonesus; and in condemning the barbarity of the Athenians towards a general who was the source of their military prosperity, we must remember the jealousy which ever reigns among a free and independent people, and how watchful they are in defence of the natural rights which they see wrested from others by violence and oppression. Cornelius Nepos has written the life of Miltiades the son of Cimon, but his history is incongruous and not authentic; and the author, by confounding the actions of the son of Cimon with those of the son of Cypselus, has made the whole dark and unintelligible. Greater reliance in reading the actions of both
the Miltiades is to be placed on the narration of Herodotus, whose veracity is confirmed, and who was undisputedly more informed and more capable of giving an account of the life and exploits of men who flourished in his age, and of which he could see the living monuments. Herodotus was born about six years after the famous battle of Marathon, and C. Nepos, as a writer of the Augustan age, flourished about 450 years after the age of the father of history. C. Nep. in vita.—Herodot. 4, c. 137. l. 6, c. 34, &c.—Plut. in Cin. —Val. Mar. 3, c. 3.—Justin. 2.—Paus.—An archon at Athens.

MILTO, a favourite mistress of Cyrus the younger. Vid. Aspasia.

MILVIUS, a parasite at Rome, &c. Horat. 2, Sat. 7.—A bridge at Rome.

MILYAS, a country of Asia Minor, better known by the name of Lycia. Its inhabitants, called Milyades, and afterwards Solymi, were of the numerous nations which formed the army of Xerxes in his invasion of Greece.—Herodot.

MIMALDONEES, the Bacchanals, who when they celebrated the orgies of Bacchus, put horns on their heads. They are also called Mimaldonides. Stat. Theb. 4, v. 660.

MIMAS, a giant whom Jupiter destroyed with thunder. Horat. 3, od. 4.—A mountain of Asia Minor, near Colophon. Ovid. Met. 2, fab. 5.—A Trojan, son of Theano and Amicus, born on the same night as Paris, with whom he lived in great intimacy. He followed the fortune of Æneas, and was killed by Mezentius. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 702.

MINERMUS, a Greek poet and musician of Colophon in the age of Solon. He chiefly excelled in elegiac poetry, whence some have attributed the invention of the metre to him, and, indeed, he was the poet who made elegy an amorous poem, instead of a mournful and melancholy tale. In the expression of love, Propertius prefers him to Homer, as this verse shows:

Plus in amore valet Minemmi versus Homero.

In his old age Minermus became enamoured of a young girl called Nanno. Some few fragments of a young lover remain, collected by Stob. Strab. 1 & 2. Paus. 9, c. 29.—Diog. 1.

MINICIUS, a river of Venetia, flowing from the lake Benacus, and falling into the Po. Virgil was born on its banks. Virg. Eel. 7. G. 3.—Æn. 10.

MINIARES, a commander of the Spartan fleet during the Peloponnesian war. He was defeated by the Athenians, and died 410 B.C. Plut.

MINEIDES, the daughters of Minyas or Meneus, king of Orchomenos, in Boeotia. They were three in number, Leucouene, Leucippe, and Alcithoe. Ovid calls the two first Clymene and Iris. They derided the orgies of Bacchus, for which impiety the god inspired them with an unconquerable desire of eating human flesh. They drew lots which of them should give up her son as food to the rest. The lot fell upon Leucippe, and she gave up her son Hippasus, who was instantly devoured by the three sisters. They were changed into bats. In commemo-

ration of this bloody crime, it was usual among the Orchomenians for the high priest, as soon as the sacrifice was finished, to pursue, with a drawn sword, all the women who had entered the temple, and even to kill the first he came up to. Ovid. Met. 4, fab. 12.—Plut. Quæst. Gr.

MINERVA, the goddess of wisdom, war, and all the liberal arts, was produced from Jupiter's brains without a mother. The god, as it is reported, married Metis, whose superior sagacity and prudence above the rest of the gods, made him apprehend that the children of such an union would be of a more exalted nature, and more intelligent than their father. To prevent this, Jupiter devoured Metis in her pregnancy, and, some time after, to relieve the pains which he suffered in his head, he ordered Vulcan to cleave it open. Minerva came armed and grown up from her father's brain, and immediately was admitted into the assembly of the gods, and made one of the most faithful councillors of her father. The power of Minerva was great in heaven; she could hurl the thunders of Jupiter, prolong the life of men, bestow the gift of prophecy, and, indeed, she was the only one of all the divinities whose authority and consequence were equal to those of Jupiter. The actions of Minerva are numerous, as well as the kindnesses by which she endeared herself to mankind. Her quarrel with Neptune concerning the right of giving a name to the capital of Cecropia, deserves attention. The assembly of the gods settled the dispute by promising the preference to whosoever of the two gave the most useful and necessary present to the inhabitants of the earth. Neptune, upon this, struck the ground with his trident, and immediately a horse issued from the earth. Minerva produced the olive, and obtained the victory by the unanimous voice of the gods, who observed, that the olive, which is the emblem of peace, is far preferable to the horse, who is the symbol of war and bloodshed. The victorious deity called the capital Athenæ, and became the tutelar goddess of the place. Minerva was always very jealous of her power, and the manner in which she punished the presumption of Arachne is well known. [Vid. Arachné.] The attempts of Vulcan to offer her violence are strong marks of her virtue. Jupiter had sworn by the Styx to give to Vulcan, who made him a complete suit of armour, whatever he desired. Vulcan demanded Minerva, and the father of the gods who had permitted Minerva to live in perpetual celibacy, consented, but privately advised his daughter to make all the resistance she could to frustrate the attempts of her lover. The prayers and the force of Vulcan proved ineffectual, and her chastity was not violated, though the god held on her body the marks of his passion, and, from the impurity which proceeded from this scuffle, and which Minerva threw down upon earth, wrapped up in wool, was born Erichthon, an uncommon monster. [Vid. Erichthonius.] Minerva was the first who built a ship, and it was her zeal for navigation, and her care for the Argonauts, which placed the prophetic tree of Dodona
behind the ship Argo, when going to Colchis. She was known among the ancients by many names. She was called Athena, Pallas, [Vid. Pallad.] Furthermore, from her remaining in perpetual captivity; Trionia, because worshiped near the lake Tritonis; Glaucopis, from the blueness of her eyes; Argorea, from her presiding over markets; Hippeia, because she first taught mankind how to manage the horse; Stratea and Area, from her martial character; Coryphagenes, because born from Jupiter's brains; Sais, because worshiped at Sais, &c. Some attributed to her the invention of the flute, whence she was surnamed Andon, Luscinia, Musica, Salpiga, &c. She, as it is reported, once amused herself in playing upon her favourite flute before Juno and Venus, but the goddesses ridiculed the distortion of her face in blowing the instrument. Minerva, convinced of the justness of their remarks by looking at herself in a fountain near mount Ida, threw away the musical instrument, and denounced a melancholy death to him who found it. Marsyas was the miserable proof of the veracity of her expressions. The worship of Minerva was universally established; she had magnificent temples in Egypt, Phoenicia, all parts of Greece, Italy, Gaul, and Sicily, Sais, Rhodes, and Athens, particularly claimed her attention, and it is even said, that Jupiter rained a shower of gold upon the island of Hoiates, which had paid so much attention and such an early reverence to the divinity of his daughter. The festivals celebrated in her honour were solemn and magnificent. [Vid. Panathenaeus.] She was invoked by every artist, and particularly such as work in wool, embroidery, painting, and sculpture. It was the duty of almost every member of society to implore the assistance and patronage of a deity who presided over sense, taste, and reason. Hence the poets have had occasion to say,

Tu nihil invita dices, faciesque Minerva,

and

Qui bene placarit Pallada, doctus erit.

Minerva was represented in different ways, according to the different characters in which she appeared. She generally appeared with a countenance full of more masculine firmness and composure, than of softness and grace. Most usually she was represented with a helmet on her head, with a large plume nodding in the air. In one hand she held a spear, and in the other a shield, with the dying head of Medusa upon it. Sometimes this Gorgon's head was on her breast-plate, with living serpents writhing round it, and all as her shield and helmet. In most of her statues she is represented as sitting, and sometimes she holds, in one hand, a distaff, instead of a spear. When she appeared as the goddess of the liberal arts, she was arrayed in a variegated veil, which the ancients called peplos. Sometimes Minerva's helmet was covered at the top with the figure of a cock, a bird who, on account of his great courage, is properly sacred to the goddess of war. Some of her statues represented her helmet with a sphinx in the middle, supported on either side by griffins. In some medals, a chariot drawn by four horses, or sometimes a dragon, with winding spires, appeared at the top of her helmet. She was partial to the olive-tree; the owl and the cock were her favourite birds, and the dragon among reptiles was sacred to her. The functions, offices, and actions, of Minerva, seem so numerous that they undoubtedly originate in more than one person. Cicero speaks of five persons of this name as Minerva, mother of Apollo; a daughter of the Nile, who was worshipped at Sais, in Egypt; a third, born from Jupiter's brains; a fourth, daughter of Jupiter and Coryphe; and a fifth, daughter of Pallas, generally represented with winged shoes. This last put her father to death because he attempted her virtue. [Vam. 1, 2, 3, &c. — Horat. 1, od. 16. 1. 3, od. 4. — Virg. Aen. 2, &c. — Strab. 6, 9, & 13. — Philostr. Iom. 1.—Ovid, Fast. 3. &c. Met. 6. — Cic. de Nat. D. 1. c. 15. 7. 3, c. 23, &c. — Apollo. 1, &c. — Pinard, Olymp. 7. — Lucan. 9. — Suidas. — Homer, H. &c. Od. Hymn, ad Pall. — Dict. 5. — Heisid. Theog. Aeschyl. in Farn. — Lucan. — Clem. Alex. Strom. 2. — OrPhus Hymn. 31. — Q. Smith. 14. — Apollon. 1. — Hygin. fab. 168. — Stat. Theb. 2. v. 721. 1. 7. — Callim. in Cer. — Elian. V. H. 12. — C. Nep. in Paus. — Plut. in Lyc. &c. — Theutaud. — Herodot. 5.

MINERVALLA, festivals at Rome, in honour of Minerva, celebrated in the months of March and June. During the solemnity scholars obtained some relaxation from their studious pursuits, and the present, which it was usual for them to offer to their masters, was called Minerval, in honour of the goddess Minerva, who patronized literature. Varro de R. R. 5. c. 2. — Ovid. Trist. 3. v. 809.

MINIO, a river of Etruria, falling into the Tyrrhenian Sea. Virg. Aen. 10. v. 183.—One of the favourites of Antiochus, king of Syria.

MINNET, a people of Arabia.

MINOA, a town of Sicily, built by Minos, when he was pursuing Daedalus. — A town of Peloponnesus.


MINOS, a king of Crete, son of Jupiter and Europa, who gave laws to his subjects, B.C. 1406, which still remained in full force in the age of the philosopher Plato. His justice and moderation procured him the appellation of the favourable of the gods, the confidant of Jupiter, the wise legislator, in every city of Greece; and, according to the poets, he was rewarded for his equity after death, with the office of supreme and impartial judge in the infernal regions. In this capacity he is represented sitting in the middle of the shades, and holding a sceptre in his hand. The dead plead their different causes before him, and the impartial judge shakes the fatal urn, which is filled with the destinies of mankind. He married Ithoaa,
by whom he had Lycaestes, who was the father of Minos 2d. Homer. Od. 19.—Verg. Æn. 6, v. 496.—Apollod. 3, c. 1.—Hygin. fab. 41.—Diod. 4.—Horat. 1, od. 28.—The 2d was a son of Lycaestes, the son of Minos I. and king of Crete. He married Pasiphae, the daughter of Sol and Perseis, and by her he had many children. He increased his paternal dominions by the conquest of the neighbouring islands; but he showed himself cruel in the war which he carried on against the Athenians, who had put to death his son Androgeus. [Vid. Androgeus.] He took Megara by the treachery of Scylla [Vid. Scylla]; and not satisfied with a victory, he obliged the vanquished to bring him yearly to Crete seven chosen boys, and the same number of virgins, to be devoured by the minotaur. [Vid. Minotaurus.] This bloody tribute was at last abolished when Theseus had destroyed the monster. [Vid. Theseus.] When Dedalus, whose industry and invention had fabricated the labyrinth, and whose imprudence, in assisting Pasiphae in the gratification of her unnatural desires, had offended Minos, fled from the place of his confinement with wings, [Vid. Dedalus.] and arrived safe in Sicily. The incensed monarch pursued the offender, resolved to punish his infidelity. Cocalus, king of Sicily, who had hospitably received Dedalus, entertained his royal guest with dissembled friendship; and that he might not deliver to him a man whose ingenuity and abilities he so well knew, he put Minos to death. Some say that it was the daughter of Cocalus who put the king of Crete to death, by detaining him long in a bath till he fainted, after which they suffocated him. Minos died about 35 years before the Trojan war. He was father of Androgeus, Glauce, and Deucalion, and two daughters, Phaedra and Ariadne. Many authors have confounded the two Minos's, the grandfather and the grandson; but Homer, Plutarch, and Diony- dorus, prove plainly that they were two different persons. Paus. in Ach. 4.—Plut. in Thes.—Hygin. fab. 41.—Ovid. Met. 8, v. 141.—Diod. 4.—Verg. Æn. 6, v. 21.—Plut. in Min.—Athén. seis. 14.

MINOTAUROS, a celebrated monster, half a man and half a bull, according to this verse of Ovid,
gant dialogue in defence of the Christian reli-
gion, called Octavius, from the principal speaker
in it. This book was long attributed to Apol-
bios, and even printed as an 8th book (Octavius)
till Balduin discovered the imposition in his edi-
tion of Felix, 1560. The two last editions are
those of Davies, 8vo. Cantab. 1712; and of
Gronovius, 8vo. L. Bat. 1709.

*MINYX*, a name given to the inhabitants of
Orchomenos, in Boeotia, from Minyas, king of
the country. Orchomenos, the son of Minyas,
gave his name to the capital of the country,
and the inhabitants still retained their original
appellation in contradistinction to the Or-
chomenians of Arcadia. A colony of Orchome-
nians passed into Thessaly, and settled in Iol-
chos; from which circumstance, the people of
the place, and particularly the Argonauts, were
called Minyae. This name they received, ac-
cording to the opinion of some, not because a
number of Orchomenians had settled among
them, but because the chief and noblest of them
were descended from the daughters of Minyas.
Part of the Orchomenians accompanied the sons
of Codrus when they migrated to Ionia. The
descendants of the Argonauts, as well as the
Argonauts themselves, received the name of
Minyae. They first inhabited Lemnos, where
they had been born from the Lemnian women
who had murdered their husbands. They were
driven from Lemnos by the Pelasgi about 1160
years before the Christian era, and came to
settle in Laconia, from whence they passed into
Calliste with a colony of Lacedaemonians. Hyl-
gin. fab. 14.—Paus. 9, c. 6.—Apollon. 1, org.—
Herodot. 4, c. 145.

*MINYAS*, a king of Boeotia, son of Neptune
and Tritigena, the daughter of Aelus. Some
make him the son of Neptune and Callirhoe,
or of Chryses, Neptune's son, and Chrysege-
na, the daughter of Halmus. He married Cly-
tadora, by whom he had Fresbon, Periclyme-
nus, and Eteoclymenus. He was father of Or-
comenos, Dicthihondes, and Athamas, by a
second marriage with Phanassora, the daughter
of Paon. According to Plutarch and Ovid, he
had three daughters, Leuconea, Alcithoe, and
Leucippe. They were changed into bats. Ovid.
Minesides, Paus. 9, c. 36.—Plut. Quest. Graec.
—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 1, &c.

*MINYCUS*, a river of Thessaly falling into the
sea near Arene, called afterwards Orchome-

*MINYIA*, a festival observed at Orchome-
nos in honour of Minyas, the king of the
place. The Orchomenians were called Minyae,
and the river upon whose banks their town
was built, Minos. A small island near
Patnos.

*MINTUS*, one of Nioe's sons. Apollod.
Miracles, an eunuch of Parthia, &c. Placc.
6. v. 690.

*MISEMPLUM OF MISENUM*. Vid. Misenus.

*MISENUS*, a son of Aelus, who was piper to
Hector. After Hector's death, he followed
Aneas to Italy, and was drowned on the coast
of Campania, because he had challenged one of
his Tritons. Aneas afterwards found his body
on the sea shore, and buried it on a promon-
tory which bears his name. There was also a
town of the same name on the promontory
at the west of the bay of Naples, and it had also
a capacious harbour, where Augustus and
some of the Roman emperors kept one of their
—Strab. 5.—Mela, 2, c. 4.—Liv. 24, c. 13.

*MISITHREUS*, a Roman celebrated for his vir-
tu's and his misfortunes. He was father-in-
law to the emperor Gordian, whose counsels and
actions he guided by his prudence and moder-
aton. He was sacrificed to the ambition of Phi-
lip, a wicked senator, who succeeded him as
prefect of the praetorian guards. He died A. D.
243, and left all his possessions to be appropri-
ated for the good of the republic.

*MITHRAS*, a god of Persia, supposed to be
the sun. His worship was introduced at Rome,
and the Romans raised him altars, on which was
this inscription, Deo Soli Mithrae, or Soli Deo
invicto Mithrae. He is generally represented as
a young man, whose head is covered with a tur-
ban, after the manner of the Persians. He sup-
ports his knee upon a bull that lies on the
ground, and one of whose horns he holds in one
hand, while, with the other, he plunges a dagger

*MITHRACES*, a Persian who fled to Alex-
ander after the murder of Darius by Bessus. Curt.
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*MITHRIDATES*, a herdsman of Astyages, or-
dered to put young Cyrus to death. He refused,
and educated him at home as his own son, &c.
Herodot.—Justin.

*MITHRENS*, a Persian who betrayed Sardes,
&c.

*MITHRIDATES*, 1st, was the third king of
Pontus. He was tributary to the king of Persia,
and his attempts to make himself independent,
proved fruitless. He was conquered in a battle,
and obtained peace with difficulty. Xenophon
calls him merely a governor of Cappadocia. He
was succeeded by Ariobarzanes, B. C. 363. Dio-
—Xen. 9—The second of that name, king of Pontus, was grandson to Mithridates I. He made himself master of Pontus, which had been conquered by Alexander, and had been ceded to Antigonus at the general division of the Macedonian empire among the conqueror's generals. He reigned about 26 years, and died at the advanced age of 84 years, B. C. 302. He was succeeded by his son Mithridates III. Some say that Antigonus put him to death, because he favoured the cause of Cassander. Appian. Mith.—Diod.—The 3d was son of the pre-
ceding monarch. He enlarged his paternal possessions by the conquest of Cappadocia and Paphlagonia. He died after a reign of 36 years. Diod.—The 4th succeeded his father Ariobar-
zananes, who was the son of Mithridates III.
The 5th succeeded his father Mithridates IV. and strengthened himself on his throne by an alliance with Antiochus the Great, whose daughter Laodice he married. He was suc-
ceded by his son Pharnaces.—The 6th suc-
ceded his father Pharnaces. He was the first of
the kings of Pontus who made alliance with
the Romans. He furnished them with a fleet in the third Punic war, and assisted them against Aristonicus who had laid claim to the kingdom of Pergamus. This fidelity was rewarded; he was called Exergetes, and received from the Roman people the province of Phrygia Major, and was called the friend and ally of Rome. He was murdered B. C. 123. Apian. Mithr.—Justin. 37. &c.—The 7th, so-called Eupator, and The Great, succeeded his father Mithridates VI. though only at the age of 11 years. The beginning of his reign was marked by ambition, cruelty, and artifice. He murdered his own mother, who had been left by his father coheiren of the kingdom, and he fortified his constitution by drinking antidotes against the poison with which his enemies at court attempted to destroy him. He early incurred his body to hardship, and employed himself in many manly exercises, often remaining whole months in the country, and making the frozen snow and the earth the place of his repose. Naturally ambitious and cruel, he spared no pains to acquire himself power and dominion. He murdered the two sons whom his sister Laodice had had by Ariarathes, king of Cappadocia, and placed one of his own children, only eight years old, on the vacant throne. These violent proceedings alarmed Nicomedes, king of Bithynia, who had married Laodice, the widow of Ariarathes. He suborned a youth to be king of Cappadocia, as the third son of Ariarathes, and Laodice was sent to Rome to impose upon the senate, and assure them that her third son was now alive, and that his pretensions to the kingdom of Cappadocia were just and well grounded. Mithridates used the same arms of dissimulation. He also sent to Rome Gordius, the governor of his son, who solemnly declared before the Roman people, that the youth who sat on the throne of Cappadocia, was the third son and lawful heir of Ariarathes, and that he was supported as such by Mithridates. This intricate affair displeased the Roman senate; and finally to settle the dispute between the two monarchs, the powerful arbiters took away the kingdom of Cappadocia from Mithridates, and Paphlagonia from Nicomedes. These two kingdoms being thus separated from their original possessors, were presented with their freedom and independence; but the Cappadocians refused it, and received Ariobarzanes for king. Such were the first seeds of enmity between Rome and the king of Pontus. [Vid. Mithridatum Bellum.] Mithridates never lost an opportunity by which he might lessen the influence of his adversaries; and the more effectually to destroy their power in Asia, he ordered all the Romans that were in his dominions to be massacred. This was done in one night, and no less than 150,000, according to Plutarch, or 80,000 Romans, as Appian mentions, were made, at one blow, the victims of his cruelty. This universal massacre called aloud for revenge. Aquillius, and soon after Sylla, marched against Mithridates with a large army. The former was made prisoner, but Sylla obtained a victory over the king's generals, and another decisive engagement rendered him master of all Greece, Macedonia. Illyria, and Asia Minor, which had submitted to the victorious arms of the monarch of Pontus. This ill fortune was aggravated by the loss of about 200,000 men, who were killed in the several engagements that had been fought; and Mithridates, weakened by repeated ill success by sea and land, sued for peace from the conqueror, which he obtained on condition of defraying the expenses which the Romans had incurred by the war, and of remaining satisfied with the possessions which he had received from his ancestors. While these negotiations of peace were carried on, Mithridates was not unmindful of his real interest. His poverty, and not his inclinations, obliged him to wish for peace. He immediately took the field with an army of 140,000 infantry and 16,000 horse, which consisted of his own forces and those of his son-in-law Tigranes, king of Armenia. With such a numerous army, he soon made himself master of the Roman provinces in Asia; none dared to oppose his conquests; and the Romans, relying on his fidelity, had withdrawn the greatest part of their armies from the country. The news of his warlike preparations was no sooner heard, than Lucullus, the consul, marched into Asia, and without delay, he blocked up the camp of Mithridates, who was then besieging Cyzicus. The Asiatic monarch escaped from him, and fled into the heart of his kingdom. Lucullus pursued him with the utmost celerity, and would have taken him prisoner after a battle, had not the avidity of his soldiers preferred the plundering of a mule loaded with gold, to the taking of a monarch who had exercised such cruelties against their countrymen, and shown himself so faithless to the most solemn engagements. After this escape, Mithridates was more careful about the safety of his person, and he even ordered his wives and sisters to destroy themselves, fearful of their falling into the enemy's hands. The appointment of Glabrio to the command of the Roman forces instead of Lucullus, was favourable to Mithridates, and he recovered the greatest part of his dominions. The sudden arrival of Pompey, however, soon put an end to his victories. A battle in the night was fought near the Ephrates, in which the troops of the Pontus laboured under every disadvantage. The engagement was by moonlight; and as the moon then shone in the face of the enemy, the lengthened shadows of the arms of the Romans having induced Mithridates to believe that the two armies were close together, the arrows of his soldiers were darted from a great distance, and their efforts rendered ineffectual. An universal overthrow ensued, and Mithridates, bold in his misfortunes, rushed through the thick ranks of the enemy at the head of 800 horsemen, 500 of which perished in the attempt to follow him. He fled to Tigranes, but that monarch refused an asylum to his father-in-law, whom he had before supported with all the collected forces of his kingdom. Mithridates found a safe retreat among the Scythians, and though destitute
of power, friends, and resources, yet he meditated the destruction of the Roman empire, by penetrating into the heart of Italy by land. These wild projects were rejected by his followers, and he sued for peace. It was denied to his ambassadors, and the victorious Pompey declared, that to obtain it, Mithridates must ask it in person. He scorned to trust himself into the hands of his enemy, and resolved to conquer or to die. His subjects refused to follow him any longer, and they revolted from him, and made his son Pharmacames king. The son shewed himself ungrateful to his father, and even, according to some writers, he ordered him to be put to death. This unnatural treatment broke his heart, of Mithridates; he obliged his wife to poison herself, and attempted to do the same himself. It was in vain; the frequent antidotes he had taken in the early part of his life, strengthened his constitution against the poison, and when this was unavailing, he attempted to stab himself. The blow was not mortal, and a Gaul, who was then present, at his own request, gave him the fatal stroke, about 63 years before the Christian era, in the 72d year of his age. Such were the misfortunes, abilities, and miserable end of a man, who supported himself so long against the power of Rome, and who, according to the declaration of the Roman authors, proved a more powerful and indefatigable adversary to the capital of Italy, than the great Anibal and Pyrrhus, Perseus, or Antiochus. Mithridates has been recommended for his eminent virtues, and censured for his vices. As a commander he deserves the most unbounded applause, and it may create admiration to see him waging war with such success during so many years against the most powerful people on earth, led to the field by a Sylla, a Lucullus, and a Pompey. He was the greatest monarch that ever sat on a throne, according to the opinion of Cicero; and indeed no better proof of his military character can be brought, than the mention of the great rejoicings which happened in the Roman armies and in the capital, at the news of his death. No less than twelve days were appointed for public thanksgivings to the immortal gods, and Pompey, who had sent the first intelligence of his death to Rome, and who had partly hastened his fall, was rewarded with the most uncommon honours. [Vid. Amphi. lex.]. It is said that Mithridates conquered 24 nations, whose different languages he knew, and spoke with the same ease and fluency as his own. As a man of letters he also deserves attention. He was acquainted with the Greek language, and even wrote in that dialect a treatise on botany. His skill in physic is well known, and even now there is a celebrated antidote which bears his name, and is called Mithridate. Superstition, as well as nature, had united to render him great, and if we rely upon the authority of Justin, his death was accompanied by the appearance of two large comets, which were seen for 70 days successively, and whose splendour eclipsed the mid-day sun, and covered the fourth part of the heavens. Justin. 37, c. 1, &c. — Strab.
and, though Rhodes refused to submit to his power, yet all Greece was soon overrun by his general Archelaus, and made tributary to the kingdom of Pontus. Meanwhile the Romans, incensed against Mithridates on account of his perfidy, and of his cruelty in massacring 80,000 of their countrymen in one day all over Asia, appointed Sylla to march into the east. Sylla landed in Greece, where the inhabitants readily acknowledged his power; but Athens shut her gates against the Roman commander, and Archelaus, who defended it, defeated, with the greatest courage, all the efforts and operations of the enemy. This spirited defence was of short duration. Archelaus retreated into Boeotia, where Sylla soon followed him. The two hostile armies drew up in a line of battle near Chersonae, and the Romans obtained the victory, and, of the almost innumerable forces of the Asatics, no more than 10,000 escaped. Another battle in Thessaly, near Orchomenos, proved equally fatal to the king of Pontus. Dorylaus, one of his generals, was defeated, and he soon after sued for peace. Sylla listened to the terms of accommodation, as his presence at Rome was now become necessary to quell the commotions and cabals which his enemies had raised against him. He pledged himself to the king of Pontus to confirm him in the possession of his dominions, and to procure him the title of friend and ally of Rome; and Mithridates consented to relinquish Asia and Paphlagonia, to deliver Cappadocia to Ariobarzanes, and Bithynia to Nicomedes, and to pay to the Romans 2000 talents to defray the expenses of the war, and to deliver into their hands 70 galleys with all their rigging. Though Mithridates seemed to have re-established peace in his dominions, yet Fimbria, whose sentiments were contrary to those of Sylla, and who made himself master of an army by intrigue and oppression, kept him under continual alarms, and rendered the existence of his power precarious. Sylla, who had returned from Greece to ratify the treaty which had been made with Mithridates, rid the world of the tyrannical Fimbria, and the king of Pontus, awed by the resolution and determined firmness of his adversary, agreed to the conditions, though with reluctance. The hostile preparations of Mithridates, which continued in the time of peace, became suspected by the Romans, and Murana, who was left as governor of Asia in Sylla's absence, and who wished to make himself known by some conspicuous action, began hostilities by taking Comana and plundering the temple of Bellona. Mithridates did not oppose him, but he complained of the breach of peace before the Roman senate. Murana was publicly reprimanded; but, as he did not cease from hostilities, it was easily understood that he acted by the private directions of the Roman people. The king upon this marched against him, and a battle was fought, in which both the adversaries claimed the victory. This was the last blow which the king of Pontus received in this war, which is called the second Mithridatic war, and which continued for about three years. Sylla, at that time, was made perpetual dictator at Rome, and he commanded Murana to retire from the kingdom of Mithridates. The death of Sylla changed the face of affairs; the treaty of peace between the king of Pontus and the Romans, which had never been committed to writing, demanded frequent explanations, and Mithridates at last threw off the mask of friendship and declared war. Nicomedes, at his death, left his kingdom to the Romans, but Mithridates disputed their right to the possessions of the deceased monarch, and entered the field with 120,000 men, besides a fleet of 400 ships in his ports, 16,000 horsemen to follow him, and 100 chariots armed with scythes. Lucullus was appointed over Asia, and entrusted with the care of the Mithridatic war. His valour and prudence showed his merit, and Mithridates, in his vain attempts to take Cyzicus, lost no less than 300,000 men. Success continually attended the Roman arms. The king of Pontus was defeated in several bloody engagements, and with difficulty saved his life, and retired to his son-in-law Tigranes, king of Armenia. Lucullus pursued him, and, when his applications for the person of the fugitive monarch had been despaired by Tigranes, he marched to the capital of Armenia, and terrified, by his sudden approach, the numerous forces of the enemy. A battle ensued. The Romans obtained an easy victory, and no less than 100,000 foot of the Armenians perished, and only five men of the Romans were killed. Tigranocerta, the rich capital of the country, fell into the conqueror's hands. After such signal victories, Lucullus had the mortification to see his own troops mutiny, and to be dispossessed of the command by the arrival of Pompey. The new general showed himself worthy to succeed Lucullus. He defeated Mithridates, and rendered his affairs so desperate, that the monarch fled for safety into the country of the Scythians, where, for a while, he meditated the ruin of the Roman empire, and, with more wildness than prudence, secretly resolved to invade Italy by land, and march an army across the northern wilds of Asia and Europe to the Apennines. Not only the kingdom of Mithridates had fallen into the enemy's hands, but also all the neighbouring kings and princes were subdued, and Pompey saw prostrate at his feet Tigranes himself, that king of kings, who had lately treated the Romans with such contempt. Meantime, the wild projects of Mithridates terrified his subjects, and they, fearful to accompany him in a march of above 2000 miles across a barren and uncultivated country, revolted, and made his son king. The monarch, forsaken in his old age, even by his own children, put an end to his life. [Vid. Mithridates VII.] and gave the Romans cause to rejoice, as the third Mithridatic war was ended in his fall, B.C. 63. Such were the unsuccessful struggles of Mithridates against the power of Rome. He was always full of resources, and the Romans had never a greater or more dangerous war to sustain. The du-
MNEARCHUS, a celebrated philosopher of Greece, &c.
Mnesidame, an officer who conspired against the lieutenant of Demetrius. Polyb. 5.
Mnesillas, a son of Pollux and Phoebe. Apol. 11.
Mnesiarche, a woman courted by Eurytion, &c. Id.
Mnesiarchus, a comic poet.

Mnestheus, a Trojan, descended from Asaracus. He obtained the prize given to the best sailing vessel by Aeneas, at the funeral games of Anchises, in Sicily, and became the progenitor of the family of the Memmii at Rome. Virg. Aen. 4, v. 116, &c.—A son of Petues. Vid. menestheus.—A freedman of Aurelian, &c.

Mnestia, a daughter of Danaus. Apol. 11.

Mnestra, a mistress of Cimon.

Mnesias, a people of Elymais.

Manasalces, a Greek poet, who wrote epigrams.

Manias, an historian of Phocis. —Another of Colophon.—A third of Patrae, in Achaea, who flourished 141 B. C.

Manies, a general of Thymbro, &c.

Manisippis, a Lacedaemonian, who imposed upon the credulity of the people, &c. Polyb.

Manisippus, a Lacedaemonian, sent with a fleet to Corcyra, where he was killed, &c. Dion. 15.

Manisteus, a friend of Aratus.

Nason, a tyrant of Elatia, who gave 12,000 pieces of gold for twelve pictures of twelve gods. Plin. 35, c. 16.

Narsium, a place in Rhodes.

Nemone, a surname given to Artaxerxes, on account of his retentive memory. C. Nep. 7 Reg.—A Rhodian.

Nememosyne, a daughter of Caelus and Terra, mother of the nine Muses, by Jupiter, who assumed the shape of a shepherd to enjoy her company. The word Nememosyne signifies memory, and therefore the poets have rightly called memory the mother of the muses, because it is to that mental endowment that mankind are indebted for their progress in science. Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 4.—Plut. Life. 6.—Hesiod. Theog.—A fountain of Bezotia, whose waters were generally drank by those who consulted the oracle of Trophonius. Paus. 9, c. 39.

Mnesarchus, a celebrated philosopher of Greece, &c. Cic.

Mnesidame, an officer who conspired against the lieutenant of Demetrius. Polyb. 5.

Mnesillas, a son of Pollux and Phoebe. Apol.

Mnesiarche, a woman courted by Eurytion, &c. Id.

Mnesiarchus, a comic poet.

MOEON, a Sicilian, who poisoned Agathocles, &c.

MOESIA, a country of Europe, bounded on the south by the mountains of Dalmatia, north by mount Helenus, extending from the confines of the Savus and the Danube to the shores of the Euxine. It was divided into Upper and Lower Moesia. Lower Moesia was on the borders of the Euxine, and contains that tract of country which received the name of Pontus from its vicinity to the sea, which is now part of Bulgaria. Upper Moesia lies beyond the other, in the inland country, now called Servia. Plin. 3, c. 26.—Virg. G. 1, v. 102.

MOLIA, a festival in Arcadia, in commemoration of a battle in which Lycurgus obtained the victory.

MOLION, a Trojan prince who distinguished himself in the defence of his country against the Greeks, as the friend and companion of Thymbreas. They were slain by Ulysses.

MOLIONE, the wife of Actor, son of Phorus. She became mother of Cteatus and Eurytus, who, from her, are called Molionides. Paus. 8, c. 14.—Apollod. 2, c. 7.

MOLO, a philosopher of Rhodes, called also Apollonius. Some are of opinion, that Apollonius and Molo are two different persons, who were both natives of Alabanda, and disciples of Menecles of the same place. They both visited Rhodes, and there opened a school, but Molo flourished some time after Apollonius. Molo had Cicero and J. Caesar among his pupils. [Vid. Apollonius.] Cic. de Orat.—A prince of Syria, who revolted against Antiochus, and killed himself when his rebellion was attended with ill success.

MOLONIS, a river of Bœotia, near Platea.

MOLORCHUS, an old shepherd near Cleone, who received Hercules with great hospitality. The hero, to repay the kindness he received, destroyed the Nemean lion, which laid waste the neighbouring country, and therefore the Nemean games instituted on this occasion are understood by the words Lucua Molorchi. There were two festivals instituted in his honour, called Molorchæ. Martial 9, ep. 44.—Apollod. 2, c. 5.—Virg. G. 3, v. 19.

MOLOSIS, a people of Epirus, who inhabited that part of the country which was called Molossia or Molossis, from king Molossus. This country had the bay of Ambracia on the south, and the country of the Perrhebeans on the east. The dogs of the place were famous, and received the name of Molossi among the Romans. Dodona was the capital of the country, according to some writers. Others, however, reckon it as the chief city of Thespia. Strab. 7.—Liv.—Justin. 7, c. 7.—C. Nep. 2, c. 8.—Virg. G. 3, v. 495.—Horat. 2, Sat. 6, v. 114.

MOLOSIS, or MOLOSIS. Vid. Molossi.

MOLOSUS, a son of Pyrrhus and Anaxomache. He reigned in Epirus after the death of Helenus, and part of his dominions received the name of Molossia from him. Paus. 1, c. 11.—A surname of Jupiter in Epirus.—An Athenian general, &c. Id. in Thea.

MOLPADIA, one of the Amazons, &c. Plut. Molpus, an author who wrote an history of Lacedæmon. MOLUS, a Cretan, father of Meriones. Homer. Od. 6.—A son of Deucalion.

MOLYCRON, a town of Æolia between the Euenus and Naupactum. Paus. 5, c. 3.

MOMENPHIS, a town of Egypt. Strab. 17.

MOMUS, the god of pleasantry among the ancients, son of Nox, according to Hesiod. He was continually employed in satirizing the gods, and whatever they did was freely turned to ridicule. He blamed Vulcan, because in the human form which he had made of clay, he had not placed a window in his breast, by which whatever was done or thought there, might be easily brought to light. He censured the house which Minerva had made, because the goddess had not made it moveable, by which means a bad neighbourhood might be avoided. In the bull which Neptune had produced, he observed, that his blows might have been surer if his eyes had been placed nearer the horns. Venus herself was exposed to his satire, and when the sneering god had found no fault in the body of the naked goddess, he observed, as she retired, that the noise of her feet was too loud and greatly improper in the goddess of beauty. These illiberal reflections upon the gods were the cause that Momus was driven from heaven. He is generally represented raising a mask from his face and holding a small figure in his hand. Hesiod. in Theog.—Lucian. in Herm.

MERA, a dog. Vid. Mera.

MONA, an island between Britain and Hibernia, anciently inhabited by a number of Druids. It is supposed by some to be the modern island of Anglesey, and by others the island of Man. Tacit. 14. Ann. c. 29.

MONESCHUS, a king of Parthia, who favoured the cause of M. Antony against Augustus. Horat. 3, od. 6, c. 9.—A Parthian in the age of Mithridates, &c.

MONESUS, a general killed by Jason at Colchis, &c.

MONETA, a surname of Juno among the Romans. She received it because she advised them to sacrifice a sow to Cybele, to avert an earthquake. Cic. de Div. 1, c. 15.

MONIMA, a beautiful woman of Miletus, whom Mithridates the Great married. When his affairs grow desperate, Mithridates ordered his wives to destroy themselves. Monima attempted to strangle herself, but when her efforts were unavailing she ordered one of her attendants to stab her.

MONIMUS, a philosopher of Syracuse.

MONODUS, a son of Prusias. He had one continued bone instead of a row of teeth, whence his name (μοιον δόνον). Plin. 7, c. 16.

MONCUS, a town and port of Liguria, where Hercules had a temple, whence he is called Monoecus. Strab. 4.

MONCLEUS, a lake of Ethiopia.
Monophoë, a feast which the inhabitants of Egina celebrated in honour of Neptune.

Monophilus, an eunuch of Mithridates. The king entrusted him with the care of one of his daughter's, and the eunuch, when he saw the affairs of his master in a desperate situation, stabbed her, lest she should fall into the enemy's hands, &c.

Mons Sacer, a mountain near Rome, where the Roman populace retired in a tumult which was the cause of the election of the tribunes.

Mons sevëus, a mountain near Rome, &c.

Montamus, a poet who wrote in hexameter and elegiac verses. Ovul. ex Pont. 4. — An orator under Vespasian. — A favourite of Messalina.

Monychus, a powerful giant, who could root up trees and hurl them like a javelin. He receives his name from his horses' feet, as the world implies. Juv. 1, v. 11.

Monymus, one of the followers of Diogenes the Cynic.

Morin, an Indian prince conquered by Alexander.

Mopsium, a feast which the inhabitant! of Egina celebrated in honour of Neptune.

Monsas, a mountain near Rome, &c.

Mopsopyla, an ancient name of Athens, from Mopsus, one of its kings. Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 10.

Mopsus, a celebrated prophet, son of Manto and Apollo, during the Trojan war. He was consulted by Amphimachus, king of Colophon, who wished to know what success would attend his arms in a war which he was going to undertake. He predicted the greatest calamities, but Calchas, who had been a soothsayer of the Greeks during the Trojan war, promised the greatest successes. Amphimachus followed the opinion of Calchas, but the prediction of Mopsus was fully verified. This had such an effect upon Calchas that he died soon after. His death is attributed by some to another mortification of the same nature. The two soothsayers jealous of each other's fame, came to a trial of their skill in divination. Calchas first asked his antagonist how many sibs a neighbouring tree bore; ten thousand, except one. He replied Mopsus and one single vessel can contain them all. The sibs were gathered, and his conjectures were true. Mopsus, now to try his adversary, asked him how many young ones a certain pregnant sow would bring forth. Calchas confessed his ignorance, and Mopsus immediately said that the sow would bring forth on the morrow ten young ones, of which only one should be a male, all black, and that the females should all be known by their white streaks. The morrow proved the veracity of his prediction, and Calchas died by excess of grief which his defeat produced. Mopsus after death was ranked among the gods, and had an oracle at Malia, celebrated for the true and decisive answers which it gave. Strab. 9.— Paus. 7, c. 5.— Ammian. 14, c. 8.— Plut. de orac. defunct. — A son of Ampyx and Chlora, born at

Fitaressa is Thessaly. He was the prophet and soothsayer of the Argonauts, and died a return from Colchis by the bite of a serpent in Lyibia. Jason erected him a monument on the sea shore, where afterwards the Africans built him a temple where he gave oracles. He has often been confounded with the son of Manto, as their professions and their names were alike. Hygin. fab. 14, 128, 174. — Strab. 9. — A shepherd of that name in Virg. Ecl.

Morgantum, a town of Sicily, near the mouth of the Simethus. Cir. in Ver. 3, c. 18.

Morina, a people of Belgic Gaul, on the shores of the British ocean. The shortest passage in Britain was from their territories. They were called extem a homcinum by the Romans, because situate on the extremities of Gaul, Virg. En. 8, v. 726.— Cat. 4. Boll. G.

Morittagus, a king of the Senones at the arrival of Caesar in Gaul.

Morius, a river of Boetia.

Morphus, a minister of the god Somnus, who naturally imitated the grimaces, gestures, words, and manners of mankind. He is sometimes called the god of sleep. He is generally represented as a sleeping child of a great corpulence, and with wings. He holds a vase in one hand, and in the other are some poppies. Ovid. Met. 11, fab. 10.

Moris, one of the infernal deities born of Night without a father. She was worshipped by the ancients with great solemnity, and represented not as an actually existing power but as an imaginary being. Euripides introduces her in one of his tragedies on the stage. The moderns represent her as a skeleton armed with a scythe and a scythe.

Morys, a Trojan killed by Meriones during the Trojan war. Homer. Il. 13, &c.

Mors, a river of Gaul falling into the German ocean.

Moschus, a people of Asia, at the west of the Caspian sea. Meli. 1. c. 2. l. 3. c. 5.

Moschion, a name common to four different writers whose compositions, character, and native place are unknown. Some fragments of their writings remain, some few verses and a treatise de meribus mulierum, edited by Gesner, 4to. Basl. 1566.

Moschus, a Phrygian who wrote the history of his country in his own mother tongue.— A philosopher of Sidon. He is supposed to be the founder of anatomical philosophy. Strab. — A Greek Bucolic poet in the age of Ptolemy Philadelphus. The sweetness and elegance of his eclogues, which are still extant, make the world regret the loss of poetical pieces no ways inferior to the productions of Theocritus. The best edition of Moschus, with Dion is that of Heski, 8vo. Oxon. 1784. — A Greek rhetorician of Par-gamus in the age of Horace, defended by Torquatus in an accusation of having poisoned some of his friends. Horat. 1, cp 5, v. 9.
MOSELLA, a river of Belgic Gaul falling into the Rhine. *Flor.* 3, c. 10.

MOSES, a celebrated legislator and general among the Jews, well known in sacred history, &c. *Did. 1.*

MORYCHIUS, a mountain of Lemnos.

MOSYNNEC, a nation on the Euxine sea, in whose territories the 10,000 Greeks stood on their return from Cnania. *Xenoph.*

MOTHONE, a town of Magnesia, where Philip lost one of his eyes. *Justin.* 7, c. 6.

MOYTA, a town of Sicily besieged and taken by Dionysius, tyrant of Syracuse.

MUCIANES, a facetious and intriguing general under Otho and Vitellius, &c.

MUCIUS, *Vid.* Mutius.

MUCUS, a village of Samnium. *Ital.* 8, v. 565.

MULCIHER, a surname of Vulcan (a mulcendo ferrum), from his occupation. *Ovid. Met.* 2, v. 5. *Vid.* Vulcanus.

MULCA, a river of Africa, dividing Numidia from Mauritania.


L. MUMMIUS, a Roman consul, sent against the Achaeans whom he conquered, B. C. 147. He destroyed Corinth, Thebes, and Calchis, by order of the senate, and obtained the surname of Achaicus from his victories. He did not enrich himself with the spoils of the enemy, but returned home without any increase of fortune. He was so unaccustomed with the value of the paintings and works of the most celebrated artists of Greece which were found in the plunder of Corinth, that he said to those who conveyed them to Rome, that if they lost them or injured them, they should make others in their stead. *Paterc.* 1, c. 13. *Strab.* 8. *Plin.* 34, c. 7. 1. 37, c. 1. *Flor.* 2, c. 6. *Panu.* 5, c. 24. —A lieutenant of Crassus defeated, &c. *Plut.* in *Crass.*

—A pretor. —An orator.

MUNATUS, Flancus, a consul sent to the rebellious army of Germanicus. He was almost killed by the incensed soldiery, who suspected that it was through him that they had not all been pardoned and indemnified by a decree of the senate. —A censor. —An orator and disciple of Cicero. His father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, bore the same name. He was with Caesar in Gaul, and was made consul with Brutus. He promised to favour the republican cause for some time, but he deserted again to Caesar. He was long Antony's favourite, but he left him at the battle of Actium to conciliate the favour of Augustus. The conqueror made him censor. *Suet.* in *Aug.* 20. —A friend of Horace, 1, ep. 3, v. 31

MUNDA, a small town of Hispania Baetica, celebrated for a battle which was fought there on the 17th of March B. C. 45, between Caesar and the republican forces of Rome under young Pompey. Caesar obtained the victory after an obstinate and bloody battle, and by this blow put an end to the Roman republic. Pompey lost 30,000 men, and Caesar only 1000, and 500 wounded. *Hist.* bell. *Hisp.* 27.

MUNITUS, a son of Lnodice the daughter of Priam by Acamas. He was entrusted to the care of Aethra as soon as born. *Parthen.* 16.

MUNYCHE, a port of Attica, between the Piraeus and the promontory of Sounium, called after king Munychus, who built there a temple to Diana, and in whose honour he instituted festivals called Munychia. The temple was held so sacred, that whatever criminals fled there for refuge were pardoned. During the festivals they offered small cakes which they called amphipontes, a to apophtauv, from shining all round, because there were lighted torches hung round when they were carried to the temple, or because they were offered at the full moon at which time the solemnity was observed. It was particularly in honour of Diana, who is the same as the moon, because it was full moon when Themistocles conquered the Persian fleet at Salamis. *Plut.* —*Ovid. Met.* 2, v. 709. —*Strab.* 9. —*Paul.* 1, c. 1.

MURENA, a celebrated Roman, left at the head of the armies of the republic in Asia by Sylla. He invaded the dominions of Mithridates with success, but soon after met with a defeat. He was honoured with a triumph at his return to Rome. He commanded one of the wings of Sylla's army at the battle against Archelaus near Chersonae. He was ably defended in an oration by Cicero, when his character was attacked and censured. *Cir.* pro *Mur.* —*Arrian. de Mithrid.* —A man put to death for conspiring against Augustus, B. C. 22.

MURCUS an enemy of the triumvirate of J. Caesar.

MURGANTIA, a town of Samnium. *Liv.* 25, c. 27.


MURTA, a surname of Venus, because she presided over the myrtle. This goddess was the patron of idleness and cowardice. *Varro de L. L.* 4, c. 32.

MUS, a Roman consul. *Vid.* Decius.

MUSA ANTONIUS, a freedman and physician of Augustus. He cured his imperial master of a dangerous disease under which he laboured, by recommending to him the use of the cold bath. He was greatly rewarded for this celebrated cure. He was honoured with a brazen statue by the Roman senate, which was placed near that of Esculapius, and Augustus permitted him to wear a golden ring, and to be exempted from all taxes. He was not successful in recommending the use of the cold bath to Marcellus, as he had been to Augustus, and his illustrious patient died under his care. The cold bath was for a long time discontinued, till Charmis of Marseilles introduced it again, and convinced the world of its great benefits. Musa
was brother to Euphorbus the physician of
king Juba. Two small treatises, de herba
Botanica, and de tuenda Valerudine, are
published to be the productions of his pen.---A
daughter of Nicomedes, king of Bithynia.
She attempted to recover her father's kingdom
from the Romans, but to no purpose, though
Cæsar espoused her cause. *Paterc. 2.*-Suet.
in Cæs.

Muses, certain goddesses who presided over
poetry, music, dancing, and all the liberal
arts. They were daughters of Jupiter and
Mnemosyne, and were nine in number, Chlo,
Euterpe, Thalia, Melpomene, Terpsichore,
Erato, Polyhymnia, Calliope, and Urania.
Some suppose that there were only three
muses, Melete, Mneme, and Aëde; others
four, Telxiope, Aëde, Arche, Melete. They
were, according to others, daughters of Pierus
and Antiope, from which circumstance they
are called Pierides. The name of Pierides
might properly be derived from mount Pierus
where they were born. They have been
severally called Castalides, Aganippides,
Lebethrides, Aonides, Heliconides, &c. from
the places where they were worshipped, or
over which they presided. Apollo, who was
the patron and the conductor of the muses,
has received the name of Musagates, or leader
of the muses. The same surname was also
given to Hercules. The palm tree, the laurel,
and all the fountains of Pindus, Helicon,
Parnassus, &c. were sacred to the muses.
They were generally represented as young, beautiful,
and modest virgins. They were fond of
solitude, and commonly appeared in different
attire, according to the arts and sciences over
which they presided. *Vid. Clio, Euterpe,
Thalia, Melpomene, &c.* Sometimes they were
represented as dancing in a chorus, to intimate
the near and indissoluble connexion which
exists between the liberal arts and sciences.
The muses sometimes appear with wings,
because by the assistance of wings they freed
themselves from the violence of Pyreneus.
Their contest with the daughters of Pierus,
is well known. *Vid. Pierides.* The worship
of the muses was universally established,
particularly in the enlightened parts of Greece,
Thessaly, and Italy. No sacrifices were ever
offered to them, though no poets ever began a
poem without a solemn invocation to the
goddesses who presided over verse. There
were festivals instituted in their honour in
several parts of Greece, especially among the
Thespians, every fifth year. The Macedonians
observed also a festival in honour of Jupiter,
and the muses. It had been instituted by
king Archelaus, and it was celebrated with
stage plays, games, and different exhibitions,
which continued nine days, according to the
number of the muses. *Pict. Eret.*-Pollux.

Æchin. in Tim.—Paus. 9, c. 29.—Apololl. 1,
c. 5.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 21.—Hesiod.
Therg.—Virg. Æn.—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 310.
—Homer. Hymn. Mus.—Juvin. 7.—Diod. 1.

Muses, an ancient Greek poet, supposed
to have been son or disciple of Linus or
Orpheus, and to have lived about 1410 years
before the Christian era. Virgil has paid great
honour to his memory by placing him in the
Elysian fields, attended by a great multitude,
and taller by the head than his followers.
None of the poet's compositions are extant.
The elegant poem of the loves of Leander and
Hero was written by a Muses who flourished
in the fourth century, according to the more
received opinions. Among the good editions
of Muses two may be selected as the best,
that of Rover, 8vo. 6. Bat. 1727; and that of
Schroeder, 8vo. 1743. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 667.—Diog.—A Latin poet whose com-
positions were very obscure. *Martial. 12, ep.
96.—A poet of Thebes who lived during the
Trojan war.*

Munsonius Rufus, a philosopher of Etruria,
81.

Mustel, a man greatly esteemed by Cic.
—A gladiator. *Cic.*

Muthullus, a river of Numidia.

Mutia, a daughter of Q. Mutius Scaevola,
and sister of Metellus Celer. She was Pom-
pey's third wife. Her incontinent behaviour
so disgusted her husband, that at his return
from the Mithridatic war, he divorced her,
though she had borne him three children.
She afterwards married M. Scaurus. Augustus
greatly esteemed her. *Plut. in Pomp.*—A
wife of Julius Caesar, beloved by Clodius the
tribune. *Suet. in Cæs.* 50.—The mother of
Augustus.

Mutia lex, the same as that which was
enacted by Licinius Crassus, and Q. Mutius,

Mutilia, a woman intimate with Livia Au-

Mutyna, a Roman colony of Cisalpine Gaul,
where M. Antony besieged D. Brutus, whom
the consuls Pansa and Hirtius delivered.
Two battles on the fifteenth of April, B. C. 43,
were fought, in which Antony was defeated,
and at last obliged to retire. Mutina is now
called Modena. *Ludov. 1, v. 41. l. 7, v. 872.—
Sis. 8, v. 592.—Ovid. Met. 15, v. 322.*

Mutines, one of Annibal's generals who be-
came citizen of Rome. *Liv. 25, c. 41. l. 27,
c. 5.*


Mutius, the father-in-law of C. Marius.—
A Roman who saved the life of young Marius,
by conveying him away from the pursuits of
his enemies in a load of straw.—A friend of
Tiberius Gracchus, by whose means he was
raised to the office of a tribune.—*C. Sc-
vola, surnamed Cordus, became famous for his
courage and intrepidity. When Porsenna,
knight of Etruria, had besieged Rome to rein-
state Tarquin in all his rights and privileges,
Mutius determined to deliver his country from
so dangerous an enemy. He disguised himself
in the habit of a Tuscan, and as he could
flurtently speak the language, he gained an easy
introduction into the camp, and soon into the royal tent. Porsetina sat alone with his secretary, when Mutius entered. The Roman immediately rushed upon the secretary, and stabbed him to the heart, mistaking him for his royal master. This occasioned a noise; and Mutius, unable to escape, was seized and brought before the king. He gave no answer to the enquiries of the courtiers, and only told them that he was a Roman; and to give them a proof of his fortitude, he laid his right hand on an altar of burning coals, and sternly looking at the king, and without uttering a groan, he boldly told him that 300 young Romans like himself had conspired against his life, and entered his camp in disguise, determined either to destroy him, or perish in the attempt. This extraordinary confession astonished Porsetina; he made peace with the Romans, and retired from their city. Mutius obtained the surname of Scævola, because he had lost the use of his right hand by burning it in the presence of the Etrurian king. Plut. in Par.—Flor. 1, c. 10.

—Liv. 2, c. 12.—Q. Scævola, a Roman consul. He obtained a victory over the Dalmatians, and signaled himself greatly in the Martian war. He is highly commended by Cicero, whom he instructed in the study of civil law. Cic.—Plut.—Another, appointed proconsul of Asia, which he governed with so much popularity, that he was generally proposed to others as a pattern of equity and moderation. Cicero speaks of him as an eloquent, learned, and ingenious man. He was murdered in the temple of Vesta, during the civil war of Marius and Sylla, 82 years before Christ. Plut.

—Cic.—Patr. 2, c. 22.

Mutūni or Mutūnus, a deity among the Romans, much the same as the Priapus of the Greeks. The Roman matrons, and particularly newly married women, disgraced themselves by the obscene ceremonies which custom obliged to observe before the statue of this impure deity.

Mutusce, a town of Umbria. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 711.

Myagrus or Myodes, a divinity among the Egyptians. He was entreated by the inhabitants to protect them from flies and serpents. Pass. 8, c. 26.

Mycale, a city and mountain of Caria.—A celebrated magician, who boasted that he could draw down the moon from her orb. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 263.—A promontory of Asia opposite Samos, celebrated for a battle which was fought there between the Greeks and Persians on the 22d of September, 479 B. C. the same day that Mardonius was defeated at Plataea. The Persians were about 100,000 men, that had just returned from the unsuccessful expedition of Xerxes in Greece. They had drawn their ships to the shore and fortified themselves, as if determined to support a siege. They suffered the Greeks to disembark from their fleet without the least molestation, and were soon obliged to give way before the cool and resolute intrepidity of an inferior number of men. The Greeks obtained a complete victory, slaughtered some thousands of the enemy, burned their camp, and sailed back to Samos, with an immense booty, in which were seventy chests of money, among other very valuable things. Herodot.—Diod.—A woman’s name.

Jun. 4, v. 141.

Mycalessus, an inland town of Bœotia, where Ceres had a temple. Pass. 9, c. 19.

Mycke, a town of Argolis, in Peloponnesus, built by Perseus, son of Danae. It was situate on a small river at the east of the Inachus, about 50 stadia from Argos, and received its name from Mycene, a nymph of Laconia. It was once the capital of a kingdom, whose monarchs reigned in the following order. Acrisius, 1344 B. C.; Perseus, Electryon, Mastor, and Sthenelus; and Sthenelus alone for eight years; Atreus and Thyestes, Agamemnon. Ægysthus, Orestes, Æpythus, who was dispossessed 1104 B. C. on the return of the Heraclei. The town of Mycene was taken and laid in ruins by the Argives, A. U. C. 185; and it was almost unknown where it stood in the age of the geographer Strabo. Pass. 2, c. 16.—Strab. 8.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 839.—Mela, 2, c. 3.

Myrcinus, a son of Cheops, king of Egypt. After the death of his father, he reigned with great justice and moderation. Herod. 2, c. 129.

Myciberna, a town of the Hellespont. Diod. 12.

Myctius, a servant of Anaxilaus, tyrant of Rhegium. He was entrusted with the care of the kingdom, and of the children of the deceased prince, and he exercised his power with such fidelity and moderation, that he acquired the esteem of all the citizens, and at last restored the kingdom to his master’s children, when come to years of maturity, and retired to peace and solitude with a small portion. He is called by some Micalus. Justin. 4, c. 2.

Mycon, a celebrated painter, who with others assisted in making and perfecting the Paecele of Athens. Plin. 33 & 33.—A youth of Athens, changed into a poppy by Ceres.

Mycone, one of the Cyclades, between Delos and Icaria, which received its name from Myconus, an unknown person. It is about three miles at the east of Delos, and is thirty-six miles in circumference. It remained long uninhabited, on account of the frequent earthquakes to which it was subject. Some suppose that the giants whom Hercules killed were buried under that island, whence arose the proverb of Every thing is under Mycone, applied to those who treat of different subjects under one and the same title, as if none of the defeated giants had been buried under no other island or mountain about Mycone. Strabo observes, and his testimony is supported by that of modern travellers, that the inhabitants of Mycone became baid very early, even at the age of 20 or 25, from which circumstance they were called by way of contempt, the bald heads.
of Myconoi. Pliny says that the children of the place were always born without hair. The island was poor, and the inhabitants very vicious, whence Archilochus reproached a certain Pericles, that he came to a feast like a Myconian, that is, without previous invitation. Strab. 10. — Plin. 11, c. 37. I. 12, c. 7. I. 14, c. 1.


Mydon, one of the Trojan chiefs who defended Troy against the Greeks. He was killed by Archilochus. Homer. II. 5.

Myéndus, a mountain of Ætolia. Plut. de Flum.

Myéphoria, a town of Egypt, in a small island near Bubastis.

Myéndon, a brother of Amycus, killed in a war against Hercules.

Myéndonia, a small province of Macedonia, near Thrace, between the rivers Axios and Strymon. The inhabitants, called Mygdones, migrated into Asia, and settled near Troas, where the country received the name of their ancient habitations. Cybele was called Myndonia, from the worship she received in Myndonia in Phrygia. — A small province of Mesopotamia bears also the name of Myndonia, and was probably peopled by a Macedonian colony. Plut. 3, &c. — Plin. 4, c. 10. — Ovid. Heroid. 20.

— Horat. 2, od. 12.

Myéndonus or Myéndon, a brother of He-cuba, Priam's wife, who reigned in part of Thrace. His son Corebus was called Mygdonides from him. Tig. Æn. 2, v. 341. — Homer. II. 3. — A small river running through Mesopotamia.

Myélassa, a town of Caria. Paus.

Myéleus, a son of Lelex.

Myélyx or Myélas, a small river on the east of Sicily, with a small town of the same name. Liv. 42, c. 54.

Myéltta, a surname of Venus among the Assyrians, in whose temples all the women were obliged to prostitute themselves to strangers. Herodot. 1, c. 151 & 199.

Myéndus, a maritime town of Caria, near Halicarnassus. Mela, 1, c. 16.

Myénes, a prince of Lynnessus, who married Briseis. He was killed by Achilles, and his wife became the property of the conqueror. Homer. II. 3.

Myénes. Vit. Minyaé.

Myéonia, a town of Phocis. Paus.

Myérina, a maritime town of Æolia, called also Sebastopolis. — A queen of the Amazons, &c. — A town of Lemnos. — A town of Asia, destroyed by an earthquake in Trajan's reign. — The wife of Thoas, king of Lemnos, by whom she had Hipaspyle.

Myéринэus, a surname of Apollo, from Myrina in Æolia, where he was worshipped.

Myériv, a town of Arcadia, called also Megalopolis.

Myérmecies, a man's name mentioned by Cic. 4. 15. — Elian. V. H. 1.

Myérmidoné, a people on the southern borders of Thessaly who accompanied Achilles to the Trojan war. They received their name from Myrmidon, a son of Jupiter and Eurymeldusa, who married one of the daughters of Æolus, son of Helen. His son Actor married Ægina, the daughter of the Asopus. He gave his name to his subjects, who dwelt near the river Peneus in Thessaly. According to some, the Myrmidons received their name from their having been originally ants, myrmex. [Vid. Æolus.]

According to Strabo, they received it from their industry, because they imitated the diligence of the ants, and like them were indefatigable, and were continually employed in cultivating the earth. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 654.

— Strab. — Hygin. fab. 52.

Myéron, a tyrant of Sicyon. — A man of Priene, who wrote an history of Messenia. Paus. 4, c. 6. — A celebrated statue of Greece, peculiarly happy in imitating nature. He made a cow so much resembling life, that even bulls were deceived, and approached her as if alive, as is frequently mentioned by many epigrams in the Anthologia. He flourished about 442 years before Christ. Ovid. Art. Am. 3, v. 319. — Paris.

Myéronianus, an historian. Diog.

Myéridones, an Athenian general, who conquered the Thebans. Polyb.

Myérrha, a daughter of Cinyras, king of Cyprus. She became enamoured of her father, and introduced herself into his bed unknown. She had a son by him called Adonis. When Cinyras was apprized of the incest he had committed, he attempted to stab his daughter, and Myrrha fled into Arabia, where she was changed into a tree called myrrh. Hygin. fab 59 & 275. — Ovid. Met. 10, v. 298. — Plut. in Par.

Myérislus, a son of Myrus, the last of the Heraclices who reigned in Lydia. He is also called Candaules. Vül. Candaules.

Myérsus, the father of Candaules. Herodot. 1, c. 7. — A Greek historian in the age of Solon.

Myérite, a surname of Venus, because she presided over the myrtle.

Myértillus, a son of Mercury and Phaetusa or Cleobule, arm-bearer to Æneas, king of Pisa. He was so experienced in riding, and in the management of horses, that he rendered those of Æneas the swiftest in all Greece. His infidelity proved at last fatal to him. Æneas had been informed by an oracle, that his daughter Hippodamia's husband should cause his death, and on that account he resolved to marry her only to him who should overcome him in a chariot race. This seemed totally impossible, and to render it more terrible, Æneas declared that death would be the consequence of a defeat in the suitors. The charms of Hippodamia were so great that many sacrificed their life in the fruitless endeavours to obtain her hand. Pelops at last presented himself, undaunted at the fate of those who had gone before him, but before he entered the course, he bribed Myrtillus, and assured him that he should share Hippodamia's favours if he returned victorious from the race. Myrtillus, who was enamoured of Hippodamia,
given an old chariot to CEnomaus, which broke in the course and caused his death. Pelops gained the victory, and married Hippodamia, and when Myrtilus had the audacity to claim the reward promised to his perfidy, Pelops threw him headlong into the sea, where he perished. The body of Myrtilus, according to some, was carried by the waves to the seaside, where he received an honourable burial, and as he was the son of the Mysians, who was drowned there, &c. *PAWS. 8, c. 14.—Hygin. fab. 84 & 224.—Myrtilus, a native of Achaia, who founded Crotona in Italy, according to an oracle, which told him to build a city where he found rain with fine weather. The meaning of the oracle long perplexed him, till he found a beautiful woman all in tears in Italy, which circumstance he interpreted in his favour. According to some, Myscellus, who was the son of Hercules, went out of Argos, without the permission of the magistrates, for which he was condemned to death. The judges had put each a black ball, as a sign of condemnation, but Hercules changed them all and made them white, and had his son acquitted, upon which Myscellus left Greece and came to Italy, where he built Crotona. *ODIV. MIT. 15, v. 19.—Strab. 6 & 8. Myrritis, a Greek woman, who distinguished herself by her poetical talents. She flourished about 500 years B. C., and instructed the celebrated Corinna in the several rules of versification. Findar himself, as some report, was also one of her pupils. Myrtale, a courtesan of Rome, mistress to the poet Horace, 1, od. 33. Myrtes, a son of the poet Valgus, whose early death was so lamented by the father that Horace wrote an ode to allay the grief of his friend. Horat. 2, od. 9. Mycia, a country of Asia minor, generally divided into major and minor. Mysia minor was bounded on the north and west by the Propontis and Bithynia, and Phrygia on the southern and eastern borders. Mysia major had Eolia on the south, the Ægean on the west, and Phrygia on the north and east. Its chief cities were Cyzicum, Lampascus, &c. The inhabitants were once very warlike, but they greatly degenerated, and the words *Myssurum ulimus were emphatically used to signify a person of merit. The ancients generally hired them to attend their functions as mourners, because they were naturally melancholy and inclined to shed tears. They were once governed by monarchs. They are supposed to be descended from the Mysians of Europe, a nation which inhabited that part of Thrace which was situated between Mount Haemus and the Danube. Strab.—Herodot. 1, &c.—Cic. in Verri.—Flor. 3, c. 5.—Appian. in Mithrid. A festival in honour of Ceres, surnamed Mysia, from Mysia, an Argive who raised her a temple near Pallene in Achaia. Some derive the word *aotou mystis, to cloy or satisfy, because Ceres was the first who satisfied the wants of men by giving them corn. The festival continued during seven days, &c.

Myson, a native of Sparta, one of the seven wise men of Greece. When Anacharsis consulted the oracle of Apollo, to know which was the wisest man in Greece, he received for answer, He who is now ploughing his fields. This was Myson. *Dios. in vit. Mythecus, a sophist of Syracuse. He studied cookery, and when he thought himself sufficiently skilled in dressing meat, he went to Sparta, where he gained much practice, especially among the young citizens. He was soon after expelled the city by the magistrates, who observed that the aid of Mythecus was unnecessary, as hunger was the best seasoning.

Mytilene. *Fid. Mitylene. Myus, (Myuntis), a town of Ionia on the confines of Caria, founded by a Grecian colony. It is one of the 12 capital cities of Ionia, situate at the distance of about 30 stadia from the mouth of the Meander. Artaxerxes, king of Persia, gave it toThemistocles to maintain him in meat. Magnesia was to support him in bread, and Lampascus in wine. C. Nep. in Themist. Strab. 14.—Herodot. 1, c. 142. NABAZANES, an officer of Darius 3d, at the battle of Issus. He conspired with Bessus to murder his royal master, either to obtain the favour of Alexander, or to seize the kingdom. *Dios. 17.

Nabathæa, a country of Arabia, of which N A

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the capital was called Petra. The word is often applied to any of the eastern countries of the world by the poets, and seems to be derived from Nababth the son of Ismael. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 61. 1, 5. v. 163.—Strab. 16.—Lucan, 4. v. 63.

Nabis, a celebrated tyrant of Lacedaemon, who in all acts of cruelty and oppression surpassed a Phalaris or a Dionysius. His house was filled with flatterers and with spies, who were continually employed in watching the words and the actions of his subjects. When he had exercised every art in plundering the citizens of Sparta, he made a statue, which in resemblance was like his wife, and was clothed in the most magnificent apparel, and whenever any one refused to deliver up his riches, the tyrant led him to the statue, which immediately, by means of secret springs, seized him in its arms, and tormented him in the most excruciating manner with bearded points and prickers, hid under the clothes. To render his tyranny more popular, Nabis made an alliance with Flaminius, the Roman general, and pursued with the most inordinate enmity the war which he had undertaken against the Achaeans. He besieged Gythium, and defeated Philopomen in a naval battle. His triumph was short; the general of the Achaeans soon repaired his losses, and Nabis was defeated in an engagement, and treacherously murdered as he attempted to save his life by flight. B. C. 192, after an usurpation of 14 years. Polyb. 13.—Justin. 30 & 31.—Plut. in Phil.—Paus. 7, c. 8.—Flor. 2, c. 7.—A priest of Jupiter Ammon killed in the second Punic war, as he fought against the Romans. Sil. 15. v. 672.

Nabonassar, a king of Babylon, after the division of the Assyrian monarchy. From him the Nabonassarean epoch received its name, agreeing with the year of the world 3237, or 746 B. C.

Nacre Campi, a place of Gallia Togata near Mutina. Liv. 41, c. 18.

Nadagara Vid. Nagara.

Nenia, the goddess of funerals at Rome, whose temple was without the gates of the city. The songs which were sung at funerals were also called nenia. They were generally filled with the praises of the deceased, but sometimes they were so unmeaning and improper, that the word became proverbial to signify nonsense. Varro.—Plant. Asin. 41, c. 1, v. 63.

Cn. Nævius, a Latin poet in the first Punic war. He was originally in the Roman armies, but afterwards he applied himself to study, and wrote comedies, besides a poetical account of the first Punic war in which he had served. His satirical disposition displeased the consul Metellus, who drove him from Rome. He passed the rest of his life in Utica, where he died, about 203 years before the Christian era. Some fragments of his poetry are extant. Cic. Tusc. 1, c. 1. de Senect.—Horat. 2, ep. 1, c. 53.—A tribute of the people at Rome, who accused Scipio Africanus of extortion.—An augur in the reign of Tarquin. To convince the king and the Romans of his power, as an augur, he cut a flint with a razor, and turned the ridicule of the populace into admiration. Tarquin rewarded his merit by erecting him a statue in the consitium, which was still in being in the age of Augustus. The razor and flint were buried near it under an altar, and it was usual among the Romans to make witnesses in civil causes swear near it. This miraculous event of cutting a flint with a razor, though believed by some writers, is treated as fabulous and improbable by Cicero, who, himself, had been an augur. Dionys. Hal.—Liv. 1, c. 36.—Cic. de divin. 1.

Nævulus, an infamous pimp in Domitian's reign. Juuv. 9, v. 1.

Naharvali, a people of Germany. Tacit. Germ. 43.

Nāiades, certain inferior deities who presided over rivers, springs, wells, and fountains. The Naiades generally inhabited the country, and restored to the woods or meadows near the stream over which they presided, whence the name (water, to flow.) They are represented as young and beautiful virgins, often leaning upon an urn, from which flows a stream of water. Ægle was the fairest of the Naiades, according to Virgil. They were held in great veneration among the ancients, and often sacrifices of goats and lambs were offered to them, with libations of wine, honey, and oil. Sometimes they received only offerings of milk, fruit, and flowers. Virg. Nymph. Virg. Ecl. 6.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 326.—Homer. Od. 13.

Nais, one of the Oceaniaes, mother of Chiron or Glaucus, by Magnes. Apollod. 1, c. 9.—A nymph, mother by Bucolion of Ægeus and Pe- dasus. Homer. Il. 6.—A nymph in an island of the Red Sea, who by her incantations turned to fishes all those who approached her residence after she had admitted them to her embraces. She was herself changed into a fish by Apollo. Ovid. Met. 4, v. 49, &c.

Naisus, or Nessa, now Nissa, a town of Mæsia, the birth-place of Constantine.


Napata, a town of Äthiopia.

Napœæ, certain divinities among the ancients, who presided over the hills and woods of the country. Some suppose that they were titular duties of the fountains and the Naiades of the sea. Their name is derived from νάπην, a grove. Virg. G. 4, v. 535.

Naphilus, a river of Peloponnesus, falling into the Alpheus. Paus. 8.

Nar, a river of Umbria, whose waters, famous for their sulphureous properties, pass through the lake Velinus, and issuing from thence with great rapidity, fall into the Tiber. Ovid. Met. 14, v. 350.—Virg. Æn. 7, v. 517.—Cic. ad Att. 4.

Narro, a town of Gaul, founded by the consul Maecius, A. U. C. 634. It became the capital of a large province of Gaul, which obtained the name of Gallia Narbonensis. Patav. 1, c. 15. l. 2, c. 8.—Plin. 3.

Narbonensis Gallia, one of the four great divisions of ancient Gaul, and was bounded by the Alps, the Pyrenean mountains, Aquitania, Belgium, and the Mediterranean, and contained
the modern provinces of Languedoc, Provence, Dauphine, and Savoy.

Narcissus, a son of Bacchus and Physcon.

Pausan. 5, c. 15.

Narcissa, a surname of Minerva, in Elis, from her temple there, erected by Narcissus.

Narcissus, a beautiful youth, son of Cephi- sus and the nymph Liriope, born at Thespis in Boeotia. He saw his image reflected in a fountain, and became enamoured of it, thinking it to be the nymph of the place. His fruitless attempts to approach this beautiful object so provoked him that he grew desperate and killed himself. His blood was changed into a flower which still bears his name. The nymphs raised a funeral pile to burn his body according to Ovid, but they found nothing but a beautiful flower. Pausanias says that Narcissus had a sister as beautiful as himself, of whom he became deeply enamoured. He often hunted in the woods in her company, but his pleasure was soon interrupted by her death, and still to keep fresh her memory, he frequented the groves where he had often attended her, or reposed himself on the brink of a fountain, where the sight of his own reflected image still awakened tender sentiments. Paus. 9, c. 31.—Hygin. fab. 271.—Ovid. Met. 3, v. 346, &c.—Philost. 1.

A freedman and secretary of Claudius, who abused his trust and the enormities of his imperial master, and plundered the citizens of Rome to enrich himself. Messalina, the emper- sor's wife, endeavoured to remove him, but Narcissus sacrificed her to his avarice and resentment. Agrippina, who succeeded in the place of Messalina, was more successful. Narcissus was banished by his intrigue, and com- pelled to kill himself, A. D. 54. Nero greatly regretted his loss, as he had found him subservient to his most criminal and extravagant pleasures. Tacit.—Suet. Nero. A favourite of the emperor Nero, put to death by Calba. A wretch who strangled the emperor Commodus.

Nargara, a town of Africa, where Hannibal and Scipio came to a parley. Lic. 30, c. 29.

Narisci, a nation of Germany. Tacit. de Germ. 42.

Narnia or Narina, a town of Umbria, washed by the river Nar, from which it received its name. Lic. 10, c. 9.

Naro, now Narenta, a river of Dalmatia falling into the Adriatic, and having the town of Narona, now called Narenta, on its banks, a little above the mouth.

Naresus, a king of Persia, A. D. 294, defe- ated by Maximianus Galerius, after a reign of seven years. The eunuch in the court of Justinian, who was worthy to succeed Belisar- rius, &c.—A Persian general, &c.

Narthecia, a small island near Samos.

Narcyia, or Umer, or Narinu, a town of Magna Gracia, built by a colony of Locrians after the fall of Troy. The place and Greece from which they came, bore the same name, and was the country of Ajax Oileus. The word Narcian is more universally understood as applying to the Italian colony, near which pines and other trees grew in abundance. Virg. G. 2, v. 438.—Aen. 3, v. 399.—Ovid. Met. 15, v. 705.

Nasamonos, a savage people of Libya near the Cyrtes, who generally lived upon plunder. Curt. 4, c. 7.—Lucan. 9, v. 439.—Herodot. 2, c. 165.

Nascio, or Natio, a goddess at Rome, who presided over the birth of children. She had a temple at Ardea. Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 18.

Nasicia, the surname of one of the Scipios. Nasica was the first who invented the measuring of time by water, B. C. 150, about 134 years after the introduction of sun-dials at Rome. Vid. Scipio.—An avareous fellow, who married his daughter to Coranus, a man as mean as himself, that he might not only not repay the money he had borrowed, but moreover become his creditor's heir. Coranus, understanding his meaning, purposely alienated his property from him and his daughter, and exposed him to ridicule. Horat. 2, Sot. 5, v. 64, &c.

Nasidianus, a Roman knight, whose luxury, arrogance, and ostentation, exhibited at an entertainment he gave to Mecenas, were ridiculed by Horace, 2, Sot. 8.

L. Nasidius, a man sent by Pompey to assist the people of Massilia. After the battle of Pharsalia, he followed the interest of Pompey's children, and afterwards revolted to Antony. Appian.

Naso, one of the murderers of J. Cæsar.

One of Ovid's names. Vid. Ovidius.

Nasus or Nasus, a town of Acarnania, near the mouth of the Achelous.

Nasua, a general of the Suevi, when Cæsar was in Gaul.

Natalis Antonius, a Roman knight who conspired against Nero with Piso. He was par- doned for discovering the conspiracy, &c. Tacit. An. 15, c. 50.

Natio, now Natisone, a river rising in the Alps, and falling into the Adriatic, east of Aquileia. Plin. 3, c. 18.

Natta, a man whose manner of living was so mean, that his name became almost proverbial at Rome. Horat. 1, od. 6, v. 124.

Nava, a river of Germany, falling into the Rhine. Tacit. Hist. 4, c. 70.

Naubolus, a charioteer of Laius, king of Thebes. A Phocean, father of Iphitus. The sons of Iphitus were called Naubolides from their grandfather. A son of Lernus, one of the Argonauts.

Naucles, a general of the mercenary troops of Lacedaemon against Thebes, &c.

Naucrates, a Greek poet, who was em- ployed by Artemisia to write a panegyric upon Mausolus. An orator who endeavoured to alienate the cities of Lydia from the interests of Brutus.

Naucrites, a city of Egypt on the left side of the Canopic mouth of the Nile. It was cel- ebrated for its commerce, and no ship was per- mitted to land at any other place; but was obliged to sail directly to the city, there to de- posit its cargo. It gave birth to Athenæus. Herodot. 2, c. 97 & 179.

Naulochus, a maritime town of Sicily, near Pelorum.—A town of Thrace on the Euxine sea.—A Promontory of the island of Imbr supers. Plin. 4, c. 3.

Naupactus, or Naupactus, a city of Etolia, at the mouth of the Evenus. The word is derived from ναυς and πηγίνει, because it was there that the Heracleids built the first ship, which carried them to Peloponnesus. It first belonged to the Locri Ozole, and afterwards fell into the hands of the Athenians, who gave it to the Messenians, who had been driven from Peloponnesus by the Lacedaemonians. It became the property of the Lacedaemonians, after the battle of Égospotamos, and it was restored to the Locri. Philip of Macedonia afterwards took it and gave it to the Étolians, from which circumstance, it has generally been called one of the chief cities of their country. Strab. 4.—Paus. 4, c. 25.—Mela, 2, c. 3.

Nauplia, a maritime city of Peloponnesus, the naval station of the Argives. The fountain Canathos was in its neighbourhood. Paus. 2, c. 38.—Strab. 3.


Nauplius, a son of Neptune and Amymone, king of Eubea. He was father to the celebrated Palamedes, who was so unjustly sacrificed to the artifice and resentment of Ulysses by the Greeks during the Trojan war. The death of Palamedes highly irritated Nauplius, and to revenge the injustice of the Grecian princes, he attempted to debar their wives and ruin their characters. When the Greeks returned from the Trojan war, Nauplius saw them with pleasure distressed in a storm on the coasts of Eubea, and to make their disaster still more universal, he lighted fires on such places as were surrounded with the most dangerous rocks, that the fleet might be shipwrecked upon the coast. This succeeded, but Nauplius was so disappointed when he saw Ulysses and Diomedes escape from the general calamity, that he threw himself into the sea. According to some mythologists there were two persons of this name, a native of Argos, who went to Colchis with Jason. He was son of Neptune and Amymone. The other was king of Eubea, and lived during the Trojan war. He was, according to some, son of Clytonas, one of the descendants of Nauplius the Argonaut. The Argonaut was remarkable for his knowledge of sea affairs and of astronomy. He built the town of Nauplia and sold Auge, daughter of Aeles, to king Teuthras, to withdraw her from her father’s resentment. Orph. Argon.—Apollod. 2, c. 7.—Apollon. 1, &c.—Placee. 1 & 3.—Strab. 8.—Paus. 4, c. 35.—Sym. Hygin. fab. 116.

Naupactus, a town of Pannonia on a river of the same name, now called Obor or Upper Vasaboch. Vell. Pat. 2, c. 110.—Plin. 3, c. 18.—Tacit. Ann. 1, c. 20.

Nauna, a country of Scythia in Asia.

Naucraea, a daughter of Alcinus, king of the Phaeacians. She met Ulysses shipwrecked on his father’s coasts, and it was to her humanity that he owed the kind reception he received from the king. Homer. Od. 6.—Paus. 5, c. 19.—Hygin. fab. 126.

Nausikla, an Athenian sent to assist the Phocians with 5000 foot, &c.

Nausiménus, an Athenian, whose wife lost her voice from the alarm she received in seeing her son guilty of incest.

Nausithous, one of the Nereides.

Nausithous, a king of the Phaeacians, father to Alcinous. He was son of Neptune and Peiribea. Hesiod makes him son of Ulysses and Calypso.—The pilot of the vessel which carried Theseus into Crete.

Naustathmus, a port of Phoces in Ionia. Lit. 37, c. 31.—Also a port of Cyrenaca, now Bondaria. Strab. 17.

Nautes, a Trojan soothsayer, who comforted Aeneas when his fleet had been burnt in Sicily. Virg. En. 5, v. 704. He was the progenitor of the Nauti at Rome, a family to whom the Palladium of Troy was afterwards entrusted. Virg. En. 5, v. 794.

Naxos, a celebrated island in the Ægean sea, the largest and most fertile of all the Cyclades, about 105 miles in circumference, and 30 broad. It was formerly called Strongyle, Dia, Dionysias, and Callipolis, and received the name of Naxos from Naxus, who was at the head of a Carian colony, which settled in the island. Naxos abounds with all sorts of fruits, and its wines are still in the same repute as formerly. The Naxians were anciently governed by kings, but they afterwards exchanged this form of government for a republic, and enjoyed their liberty, till the age of Pisistratus, who appointed a tyrant over them. They were reduced by the Persians, but in the expedition of Darius and Xerxes against Greece, they revolted and fought on the side of the Greeks. During the Peloponnesian war, they supported the interest of Athens. Bacchus was the chief deity of the island. The chief city was also called Naxos; and near it on the 20th of Sept. B. C. 377, the Lacedaemonians were defeated by Chabrias. Thucyd. 1, &c.—Herodot. —Diod. 5, &c.—Ovid. Met. 3, v. 636.—Virg. En. 3, v. 125.—Paus. 6, c. 16.—Pindar.—An ancient town on the eastern side of Sicily, founded 759 years before the Christian era. There was also another town at the distance of five miles from Naxos, which bore the same name, and was often called by contradistinction Taurominium. Plin. 3.—Diod. 13.—A Carian who gave his name to the greatest of the Cyclades.

Naxians, a town of Cappadocia, where St. Gregory was born, and hence he is called Naxianus.

Nea, or Nova Insula, a small island between Lemos and the Hellespont, which rose out of the sea during an earthquake. Plin. 2, c. 87.

Neera, a nymph, mother of Phaetusa and Lampetia by the Sun. Homer. Od. 12.—A woman mentioned in Virgil’s Ecl. 8.—A mistress of the poet Tibullus.—A favourite of
Horace.—A daughter of Peneus, who mar-
rried Aleus, by whom she had Cepheus, Lyc-
tagus, and Auge, who was ravished by Her-
acles. Apollod. 3, c. 9.—Paus. 8, c. 4.—
The wife of Autolycus. Paus.—A daughter of
Nicbe and Amphion.—The wife of the Stry-
mon. Apollod.

NEATHUS, a river of Magna Graecia, near

NEALCES, a friend of Turnus in his war

NEALICES, a painter, &c. among whose cap-
ital pieces are mentioned, a painting of Venus, a
sea-fight between the Persians and Egyptians, and
an ass drinking on the shore, with a cro-
dile preparing to attack it.

N KANTHUS, an orator and historian of Cyzi-
cum, who flourished 237 years B. C.

NEAPOLIS, a city of Campania, anciently
called Parthenope, and now known by the name of
in Aug. 23.—A town of Africa.—A city of
Thrace.—A town of Egypt.—Of Palestine.

Of Ionia—Also a part of Syracuse.

NEARCHUS, an officer of Alexander in his In-
dian expedition. He was ordered to sail upon the
Indian ocean with Onesicritus, and to exa-
mine it. He wrote an account of this voyage,
and of the king's life; but his veracity has been
called in question by Arrian. After the king's
death, he was appointed over Lycia and Pam-
phylia. Curt. 9, c. 10.—Polyb. 9.—Justinus 13,
c. 4.—Strab. 2, &c.—A beautiful youth, &c.
Horat. 3, od. 20.—An old man mentioned by
Cicero de Senect.

NEBO, a high mountain near Palestine, be-
yond Jordan, from the top of which Moses was
permitted to view the promised land.

NEBRISSA, a town of Spain, now Lebrixa.
Apollod.—One of Actaeon's dogs. Ovid.
Met. 3.

NEBRODES, a mountain of Sicily. Sil. 14, v.
237.

NEBRYPHONOS, a son of Jason and Hycapiyle.
NEBULA, a name given to Nephele, the wife
of Athamas.—Lactant.

NECHOS, a king of Egypt, who attempted to
make a communication between the Mediterra-
nean and Red seas, B. C. 610. No less than
12,000 men perished in the attempt. It was
discovered in this reign, that Africa was circum-
navigable. Herodot. 2, c. 158. 1, 4, c. 42.

NECROPOLIS, termed one of the suburbs of
Alexandria.

NECTANEBUS and NECTANABIS, a king of
Egypt, who defended his country against the
Persians, and was succeeded by Tachos, B. C.
365. His grandson, of the same name, made
an alliance with Agesilaus, king of Sparta, and
with his assistance, he quelled a rebellion of
his subjects. Some time after he was joined by
the Sidonians, Phoenicians, and inhabitants of
Cyprus, who had revolted from the king of
Persia. This powerful confederacy was soon
attacked by Darius, the king of Persia, who
marched at the head of his troops. Nectane-
bus, to defend his frontiers against so danger-
ous an enemy, levied 20,000 mercenary sol-
diers in Greece, the same number in Libya,
NEMESIS, a nation of Germany. Tacit. de Germ. 28.

NEMORALIA, festivals observed in the woods of Aricia, in honour of Diana, who presided over the country and the forests; on which account, that part of Italy was sometimes denominated Nemorensis Ager. Ovid. de A. A. 1, v. 239.

NEMOSUS or NEMOSUM, the capital of the Averni, in Gaul, now Clermont. Lucret. 1, v. 419.—Strab. 4.

NEOBUTE, a daughter of Lycomedes, betrothed to the poet Archilochus. [Vit. Lycomedes.] A beautiful woman to whom Horace addressed 3, od. 12.

NEOCAERABIA, a town of Pontus.

NEOCHABIS, a king of Egypt.

NEOCLES, an Athenian philosopher, father, or, according to Cicero, brother to the philosopher Epicurus. Cic. 3, de Nat. D. c. 21.—Diog. The father of Themistocles. Ællau. V. H. 2, &c,—C. Nep. in Them.

NEOGENES, a man who made himself absolute, &c. Diod. 15.

NEOMORIS, one of the Nereides.

NEON, a town of Phocis.—There was also another of the same name in the same country, on the top of Parnassus. It was afterwards called Tithorea. Plut. in Syll.—Paus. Phoc.—Herodot. 8, c. 32.—One of the commanders of the 10,000 Greeks who assisted Cyrus against Artaxerxes.

NEONTICHOS, a town of Æolia, near the Hermus.

NEOPTOLEMUS, a king of Epirus, son of Achilles and Deidamia, called Pyrrhus, from the yellow colour of his hair. He was carefully educated under the eye of his mother, and gave early proofs of his valour. After the death of Achilles, Calchas declared in the assembly of the Greeks, that Troy could not be taken without the assistance of the son of the deceased hero. Immediately upon this, Ulysses and a Phenix were commissioned to bring Pyrrhus to the war. He returned with them with pleasure, and received the name of Neoptolemus, (new soldier,) because he had come late to the field. On his arrival before Troy, he paid a visit to the tomb of his father, and wept over his ashes. He afterwards, according to some authors, accompanied Ulysses to Lemnos, to engage Philoctetes to come to the Trojan war. He greatly signalized himself during the remaining time of the siege, and he was the first who entered the wooden horse. He was inferior to none of the Grecian warriors in valour, and Ulysses and Nestor alone could claim a superiority over him in eloquence, wisdom, and address. His cruelty, however, was as great as that of his father. Not satisfied with breaking down the gates of Priam’s palace, he exercised the greatest barbarity upon the remains of his family; and without any regard to the sanctity of the place where Priam had taken refuge, he slaughtered him without mercy, or, according to others, dragged him by the hair to the tomb of his father where he sacrificed him, and

Nemesis, a Greek writer whose elegant and useful treatise, De Natura Hominis, was edited in 12mo. Ant. apud Plint. 1565, and in 18mo. Oxon. 1671.

NEMETACUM, a town of Gaul, now Arras.
where he cut off his head, and carried it in exultation through the streets of Troy fixed on the point of a spear. He also sacrificed Astyanax to his fury, and immolated Polyxena on the tomb of Achilles, according to those who deny that that sacrifice was voluntary. When Troy was taken, the captives were divided among the conquerors, and Pyrrhus had for his share Andromache, the widow of Hector, and Helenus, the son of Priam. With these he departed for Greece: and he probably escaped from destruction by giving credit to the words of Helenus, who foretold him that if he sailed with the rest of the Greeks, his voyage would be attended with fatal consequences, and perhaps with death. This obliged him to take a different course from the rest of the Greeks, and he travelled over the greatest part of Thrace, where he had a severe encounter with queen Harpalice. [Vid. Harpalice.] The place of his retirement after the Trojan war is not known. Some maintain that he went to Thessaly, where his grandfather still reigned; but this is contested by others, who observe, perhaps with more reason, that he went to Epirus, where he laid the foundations of a new kingdom, because his grandfather Peleus had been deprived of his sceptre by Acastus, the son of Pelias. Neoptolemus lived with Andromache after his arrival in Greece, but it is unknown whether he treated her as a lawful wife, or a concubine. He had a son by this unfortunate princess called Molossus, and two others, if we rely on the authority of Pausanias. Besides Andromache, he married Hermione, the daughter of Menelaus, as also Lanassa, the daughter of Cleodamus, one of the descendants of Hercules. The cause of his death is variously related. Menelaus, before the Trojan war, had promised his daughter Hermione to Orestes; but the service he experienced from the valour and the courage of Neoptolemus during the siege of Troy, induced him to reward his merit by making him his son-in-law. The nuptials were accordingly celebrated, but Hermione became jealous of Andromache, and because she had no children, she resolved to destroy her Trojan rival, who seemed to steal away the affections of their common husband. In the absence of Neoptolemus at Delphi, Hermione attempted to murder Andromache, but she was prevented by the interference of Pellas, or according to others, of the populace. When she saw her schemes defeated, she determined to lay violent hands upon herself, to avoid the resentment of Neoptolemus. The sudden arrival of Orestes changed her resolutions, and she consented to elope with her lover to Sparta. Orestes, at the same time, to revenge and to punish his rival, caused him to be assassinated in the temple of Delphi, and he was murdered at the foot of the altar by Machaerus the priest, or by the hand of Orestes himself according to Virgil, Paterculus, and Hyginus. Some say that he was murdered by the Delphians, who had been bribed by the presence of Orestes. It is unknown why Neoptolemus went to Delphi. Some support that he wished to consult the oracle to know how he might have children by the barren Hermione; others say, that he went thither to offer the spoils which he had obtained during the Trojan war, to appease the resentment of Apollo, whom he had provoked by calling him the cause of the death of Achilles. The plunder of the rich temple of Delphi, if we believe others, was the object of the journey of Neoptolemus; and it cannot but be observed, that he suffered the same death and the same barbarities which he had inflicted in the temple of Minerva upon the aged Priam and his wretched family. From this circumstance, the ancients have made use of the proverb of Neoptolemic revenge, when a person had suffered the same savage treatment which others had received from his hand. The Delphians celebrated a festival with great pomp, and solemnity in memory of Neoptolemus, who had been slain in his attempt to plunder their temple, because, as they said, Apollo, the patron of the place, had been in some manner necessary to the death of Achilles. Patera. 1, c. 1.—Virg. Aen. 2 & 3.—Paus. 10, c. 24.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 354, 455, &c. Heroid. 8.—Strab. 9.—Pind. Nem. 7.—Eurip. Androm. et Orest. &c. &c. Plut. in Pyrr. —Just. 17, c. 3.—Dictys. Cret. 4, 5, &c.—Homer. Od. 11, ll. —Sophoc. Philoct. —Apollod. 3, c. 13.—Hygin. fab. 97 & 102.—Philost. Her. 19, &c.—Dares Phryg. —Q. Smyr. 14. —A king of the Molossi, father of Olympias, the mother of Alexander. Justin. 17, c. 3.—Another, king of Epirus. [An uncle of the celebrated Pyrrhus, who assisted the Taentines. He was made king of Epirus by the Epirots, who had revolted from their lawful sovereign, and was put to death when he attempted to poison his nephew, &c. Plut. in Pyrr. —A tragic poet of Athens, greatly favoured by Philip king of Macedonia. A relation of Alexander. He was the first who climbed the walls of Gaza when that city was taken by Alexander. After the king's death, he received Armenia as his province, and made war against Eumenes. He was supported by Craterus; but an engagement with Eumenes proved fatal to his cause. Craterus was killed, and himself mortally wounded by Eumenes, P. C. 321. C. Nep. in Eum. —One of the officers of Mithridates the Great, beaten by Lucullus in a naval battle. Plut. in Luc. —A tragic writer. NEORIS, a large country of Asia, near Gadesia, almost destitute of waters. The inhabitants were called Neoritai, and it was usual among them to suspend their dead bodies on the boughs of trees. Died. 17. NERS, a constellation of the heavens, the same as Scorpio. —An inland town of Etruria, whose inhabitants are called Nepesini. Ital. 8, v. 78. NEPHALIA, festivals in Greece, in honour of Mnemosyne, the mother of the Muses, and Aurora, Venus, &c. No wine was used during the ceremony, but merely a mixture of water and honey. Politi. 6, c. 3. —Athen. 15. NEPHELIS, the first wife of Athamas king of Athamas.
Thebes, and mother of Phryxus and Helle. She was repudiated on pretence of being subject to fits of insanity, and Ahamas married Ino, the daughter of Cadmus, by whom he had several children. Ino became jealous of Nephele, because her children would succeed to their father's throne before hers by right of seniority, and she resolved to destroy them. Nephele was apprised of her wicked intentions, and she removed her children from the reach of Ino, by giving them a celebrated ram, sprung from the union of Neptune and Theophane, on whose back they escaped to Colchis. [Vid. Phrygus.] Nephele was afterwards changed into a cloud, whence her name is given by the Greeks to the clouds. Some called her Nebula, which word is the Latin translation of Nephele. The fleece of the ram, which saved the life of Nephele's children, is often called the Nepophilic fleece. Apollod. 1. c. 9. —Hygin. 2, &c. —Ovid. Met. 11, v. 195. —Pllace. 11, v. 56. —A mountain of Thessaly, once the residence of the Centaurs.

Nepheles, a cape of Cilicia. Liv. 33, c. 20.

Nepherites, a king of Egypt, who assisted the Spartans against Persia, when Agesilus was in Asia. He sent them a fleet of one hundred ships, which were intercepted by Conon as they were sailing towards Rhodes, &c. Diod. 14.

Nephus, a son of Hercules.

Nepl, a daughter of Jassus, who married Olympus, king of Mysia, whence the plains of Mysia are sometimes called Nepie campi.

Corn. Nepos, a celebrated historian in the reign of Augustus. He was born at Hostilia, and like the rest of his learned contemporaries, he shared the favours and enjoyed the patronage of the emperor. He was the intimate friend of Cicero and of Atticus, and recommended himself to the notice of the great and opulent by delicacy of sentiment, and a lively disposition. According to some writers, he composed three books of chronicles, as also a biographical account of all the most celebrated kings, generals, and authors of antiquity. Of all his valuable compositions, nothing remains but his lives of the illustrious Greek and Roman generals, which have often been attributed to Æmilius Probus, who published them in his own name in the age of Theodosius, to conciliate the favours and the friendship of that emperor. The language of Cornelius has always been admired, and as a writer of the Augustan age, he is entitled to many commendations for the delicacy of his expressions, the elegance of his style, and the clearness and precision of his narrations. Some support that he translated Dares Phrygius from the Greek original; but the inexactness of the diction, and its many incorrect expressions, plainly prove that it is the production, not of a writer of the Augustan age, but the spurious composition of a more modern pen. Cornelius speaks of his account of the Greek historians in Dion. c. 3. Among the many good editions of Cornelius Nepos, two may be selected as the best, that of Verheuyk, 8vo. L. But. 1773, and that of Glasgow, 12mo. 1761. —Julius, an emperor of the west, &c. 433.

Nephtianus Flavius Popilius, a son of Eutropia, the sister of the emperor Constantine. He proclaimed himself emperor after the death of his cousin Constans, and rendered himself odious by his cruelty and oppression. He was murdered after one month's reign, and his family were involved in his ruin.

Neptys, wife of Typhon, became enamoured of Osiris, her brother-in-law, and introduced herself to his bed. She had a son called Anubis by him. Plut. de Iisd.

Neptuni Fanum, a place near Cenchreus. Mela, 1, c. 19. —Another in the island of Callauria. —Another near Mantinea.

Neptunia, a town and colony of Magna Gracia.

Neptunium a promontory of Arabia, at the entrance of the gulf.

Neptunius, an epithet applied to Sext. Pompey, because he believed himself to be god of the sea, or descended from him, on account of his superiority in ships, &c.

Neptunus, a god, son of Saturn and Ops, and brother to Jupiter, Pluto, and Juno. He was devoted by his father the day of his birth, and again restored to life by means of Metis, who gave Saturn a certain potion. Pausanias says, that his mother concealed him in a sheepfold in Arcadia, and that she imposed upon her husband, telling him that she had brought a colt into the world, which was instantly devoured by Saturn. Neptune shared with his brothers the empire of Saturn, and received a portion the kingdom of the sea. This, however, did not seem equivalent to the empire of heaven and earth, which Jupiter had claimed, therefore he conspired to dethrone him with the rest of the gods. The conspiracy was discovered, and Jupiter condemned Neptune to build the walls of Troy. [Vid. Laomedon.] A reconciliation was soon after made, and Neptune was reinstated to all his rights and privileges. Neptune disputed with Minerva the right of giving a name to the capital of Cecropia, but he was defeated; and the olive which the goddess suddenly raised from the earth was deemed more serviceable for the good of mankind, than the horse which Neptune had produced by striking the ground with his trident, as that animal is the emblem of war and slaughter. This decision did not please Neptune, he renewed the combat by disputing for Trozena, but Jupiter settled their disputes by permitting them to be conjointly worshipped there, and by giving the name of Polias or the Protecces of the city to Minerva, and that of king of Trozena to the god of the sea. He also disputed his right for the isthmus of Corinth with Apollo, and Briareus the Cyclopes who was mutually chosen umpire, gave the isthmus to Neptunus, and the promontory to Apollo. Neptune, as being god of the sea, was entitled to more power than any of the other gods, except Jupiter. Not only the ocean, rivers, and fountains, were subjected to him, but he also could cause earthquakes at his pleasure, and raise islands from the bottom of the sea with a blow of his trident. The
worship of Neptune was established in almost every part of the earth, and the Lybiams in particular venerated him above all other nations, and looked upon him as the first and greatest of the gods. The Greeks and the Romans were also attached to his worship, and they celebrated their Isthmian games and Corinthia with the greatest solemnity. He was generally represented sitting in a chariot made of a shell, and drawn by sea-horses, or dolphins. Sometimes he is drawn by winged horses, and holds his trident in his hand, and stands up as his chariot flies over the surface of the sea. Homer represents him as issuing from the sea, and in three steps crossing the whole horizon. The mountains and the forests, says the poet, trembled as he walked; the whales, and all the fishes of the sea appear round him, and even the sea herself seems to feel the presence of her god. The ancients generally sacrificed a bull and a horse on his altars, and the Roman soothsayers always offered to him the gall of the victims, which in taste resembles the bitterness of the sea-water. The amours of Neptune are numerous. He obtained, by means of a dolphin, the favours of Amphitrite, who had made a vow of perpetual celibacy; and he placed among the constellations the fish which had persuaded the goddess to become his wife. He also married Venilia and Salacia, which are only the names of Amphitrite, according to some authors, who observe that the former word is derived from venire, alluding to the continual motion of the sea. Salacia is derived from satum, which signifies the sea, and is applicable to Amphitrite. Neptune became a horse to enjoy the company of Ceres. [Vid. Arion.] To deceive Thoephile, he changed himself into a ram. [Vid. Thoephile.] He assumed the form of the river Enipeus to gain the confidence of Tyro, the daughter of Samnon, by whom he had Pelias and Neleus. He was also father of Phorcus and Polyphemus by Thocea; of Lycus, Nycteus, and Euphemus, by Celeo; of Chryses by Chrysegenia; of Anax by Astypalea; of Deceus and Helen by Antiope; of Leuconoe by Themisto; of Agenor and Bellerophon by Eurynome, the daughter of Nyus; of Antas by Alcyone the daughter of Atlas; of Abas by Arethusa; of Actor and Dictys by Agemone the daughter of Augias; of Megareus by Gnope daughter of Epopes; of Cynus by Harpalyce; of Taras, Otus, Ephinantes, Dorus, Alesus, &c. The word Neptune is often used metaphorically by the poets, to signify sea-water. In the Consulalia of the Romans, horses were led through the streets finely equipped and crowned with garlands; as the god in whose honour the festivals were instituted, had produced the horse, an animal so beneficial for the use of mankind. Pass. 1, 2, &c.—Cicer. Nat. 7, &c.—Varro de L. L. 4.—Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 26. 1, 2, 25.—Hesiod. Theog.—Ovid. Am. 1, v. 17; &c. 1, 2, 3, &c.—Apollod. 1, 2, &c.—Ovid. Met. 6. v. 117, &c.—Herodot. 2, c. 50, l. 1, c. 189.—Macrob. Saturn. 1, c. 17.—Aug. de


NEREIDS, nymphs of the sea, daughters of Nereus and Doris. They were fifty, according to the greater number of mythologists, whose names are as follows: Saco, Amphitrite, Proto, Galatea, Thoe, Eucladia, Eudora, Galena, Glauce, Theseis, Spio, Cynomaeth, Melita, Thalia, Agave, Eumelina, Erato, Pasithaea, Doto, Eunice, Nesia, Dynamene, Phoressa, Protomeia, Actea, Panope, Doris, Cymatolege, Hippothoe, Cymo, Eione, Hynophone, Cymo tosco, Neso, Europone, Prona, Themisto, Glauconome, Haimedae, Pontoporia, Evagora, Liagora, Polynome, Laomedon, Lyimaessa, Autonoe, Menippe, Evarne, Psamathe, Nemertes. In those which Homer mentions, to the number of 30, we find the following names different from those spoken of by Hesiod: Halia, Limmoria, Iera, Amphitroee, Dexamene, Amphimone, Callianira, Apeudes, Calliosa, Clymene, Janira, Nassa, Mera, Orthiya, Amathene, Apollodora, who mentions 45, mentions the following names different from the others: Glaucothoe, Prote medusa, Pione, Plesaura, Calypso, Cranto, Neomeris, Dejanira, Polynoe, Melia, Dione, Isca, Dero, Elomolpe, Ione, Ceto. Hyginus, and others, differ from the preceding authors in the following names: Drimo, Xantho, Ligen, Phyllodice, Cydippe, Lycorion, Gielo, Beroe, Epithra, Opis, Asia, Deepsea, Arethusa, Crenis, Eurydice, and Leucothoe. The Nereides were venerated as the rest of the deities; they had altars chiefly on the coasts of the sea, where the piety of mankind made offerings of milk, oil, and honey, and often of the flesh of goats. When they were on the sea shore, they generally resided in grottos and caves, which were adorned with shells, and shaded by the branches of vines. Their duty was to attend upon the more powerful deities of the sea, and to be subservient to the will of Neptune. They were particularly fond of alcyons, and as they had the power of ruffling or calming the waters, they were always addressed by sailors, who implored their protection, that they might grant them a favourable voyage and a prosperous return. They are represented as young and handsome virgins, sitting on dolphins and holding Neptune's trident in their hand, or sometimes garlands of flowers, &c. Orphei Acano, 23.—Catull. de Rapt. Pel.—Ovid. Met. 11. v. 301, &c.—Stat. 2, Sylv. 2, l. 3, Sylvia. 1. Pass. 2. c. 1.—Apollod. 1, c. 2 & 9.—Hesiod. Theog.—Homer. Il.—Hy ginus, &c. 

NEREUS, one of the daughters of Priaist. NEREIDS, a name given to Achilles, as son of Thetis, who was one of the Nereides. Horat. ep. 17. v. 6. 

NEREUS, a deity of the sea, son of Oceanus and Terra. He married Doris, by whom he had 50 daughters, called the Nereides. [Vid. Nereides.] Nereus was generally represented as an old man with a long flowing beard, and hair of an azure colour. The chief place of his
residence was in the Ægean sea, where he was surrounded by his daughters, who often danced in choruses round him. He had the gift of prophecy, and informed those that consulted him with the different fates that attended them. He acquainted Paris with the consequences of his elopement with Helen, and it was by his directions that Hercules obtained the golden apples of the Hesperides; but the sea-god often evaded the importunities of inquirers by assuming different shapes, and totally escaping from their grasp. The word Nereus is often taken for the sea itself. Nereus is sometimes called the most ancient of all the gods. Hesid. Theog.—Hymn.—Homer. II. 18.—Apollod.—Orph. Argon.—Horat, 1, od. 13.—Eurip. in Iphig.

Nerio, or Nerîène, the wife of Mars. Bell. G. c. 21.

Neriphus, a desert island near the Thracian Ætolian.

Neritos, a mountain in the island of Ithaca, as also a small island in the Ionian sea, according to Mela. The word Neritos is often applied to the whole island of Ithaca, and Ulysses, the king of it, is called Neritus dus, and his ship Nerita navis. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 171.—Plin. 4.—Mela, 2, c. 7.

Nerîum, a town of Calabria, now called Nardo.

Nerius, a silversmith in the age of Horace, 2 Sat. 3, v. 69.—An usurer in Nero's age, who was so eager to get money, that he married as often as he could; and as soon destroyed his wives by poison, to possess himself of their estates. Pers. 2, v. 14.

Nero, Claudius Domitius Caesar, a celebrated Roman emperor, son of Calius Domitius Ahenobarbus and Agrippina the daughter of Germanicus. He was adopted by the emperor Claudius, A. D. 50, and four years after he succeeded to him on the throne. The beginning of his reign was marked by acts of the greatest kindness and clemency, by affability, complaisance, and popularity. The object of his administration seemed to be the good of his people, and when he was desired to sign his name to a list of malefactors that were to be executed, he exclaimed, I wish to leave I could not write. He was an enemy to flattery, and when the senate had liberally commended the wisdom of his government, Nero desired them to keep their praises till he deserved them. These promising virtues were soon discovered to be artificial, and Nero displayed the propensities of his nature. He delivered himself from the sway of his mother, and at last ordered her to be assassinated. This unnatural act of barbarity, might astonish some of the Romans, but Nero had his devoted adherents, and when he declared that he had taken away his mother's life to save himself from ruin, the senate applauded his measures, and the people signified their approbation. Many of his courtiers shared the unhappy fate of Agrippina, and Nero sacrificed to his fury or caprice all such as obstructed his pleasure, or diverted his inclination. In the night he generally sallied out from his palace, to visit the meanest taverns, and all the scenes of debauchery which Rome contained. In this nocturnal riot he was fond of insulting the people in the streets, and his attempts to offer violence to the wife of a Roman senator, nearly cost him his life. He also turned actor, and publicly appeared on the Roman stage in the meanest characters. In his attempts to excel in music, and to conquer the disadvantages of a hoarse, rough voice, he moderated his meals, and often passed the day without eating. The celebrity of the Olympian games attracted his notice. He passed into Greece, and presented himself as a candidate for the public honour. He was defeated in wrestling, but the flattery of the spectators adjudged him the victory; and Nero returned to Rome with all the pomp and splendour of an eastern conqueror, drawn in the chariot of Augustus, and attended by a band of musicians, actors, and stage dancers from every part of the empire. These private and public amusements of the emperor were indeed innocent, his character was injured and not the lives of the people. But his conduct soon became more abominable, he disguised himself in the habit of a woman, and was publicly married to one of his ennuchs. This violence to nature and decency was soon exchanged for another; Nero resumed his sex, and celebrated his nuptials with one of his meanest catamites, and it was on this occasion that one of the Romans observed that the world would have been happy, if Nero's father had had such a wife. But now his cruelty was displayed in a more supulative degree, and he sacrificed to his wantonness his wife Octavia Poppaea, and the celebrated writers, Seneca, Lucan, Petronius, &c. The Christians also did not escape his barbarity. He had heard of the burning of Troy, and as he wished to renew that dismal scene, he caused Rome to be set on fire in different places. The conflagration became soon universal, and during nine successive days the fire was unextinguished. All was desolation; nothing was heard but the lamentations of mothers whose children had perished in the flames, the groans of the dying, and the continual fall of palaces and buildings. Nero was the only one who enjoyed the general consternation. He placed himself on the top of a high tower, and he sang on his lyre the destruction of Troy, a dreadful scene which his barbarity had realized before his eyes. He attempted to avert the public odium from his head, by a feigned commiseration of the miseries of his subjects. He began to repair the streets and the public buildings at his own expense. He built himself a celebrated palace, which he called his golden house. It was profusely adorned with gold, with precious stones, and with whatever was rare and exquisite. It contained spacious fields, artificial lakes, woods, gardens, orchards, and whatever could exhibit beauty and grandeur. The entrance of this edifice could admit a large colossus of the emperor 120 feet high, the galleries were each a mile long, and the whole was covered with
Nero's reign, and this he observed with such sanctity, that, when two members of the senate were killed, A.D. 68, in the 32d year of his age, after a reign of 13 years and eight months. Rome was filled with acclamation at the intelligence, and the citizens, more strongly to indicate their joy, wore caps, such as were generally used by slaves who had received their freedom. Their vengeance was not only exercised against the statues of the deceased tyrant, but his friends were the object of the public resentment; and many were crushed to pieces in such a violent manner, that one of the senators, amid the universal joy, said that he was afraid they should soon have cause to wish for Nero. The tyrant, as he expired, begged that his head might not be cut off from his body, and exposed to the insolence of an enraged populace; but that the whole might be burned on the funeral pile. His request was granted by one of Galba's freedmen, and his obsequies were performed with the usual ceremonies. Though his death seemed to be the source of universal gladness, yet many of his favourites lamented his fall, and were grieved to see that their pleasures and amusements were stopped by the death of the patron of debauchery and extravagance. Even the king of Parthia sent ambassadors to Rome to condole with the Romans; and to beg that they would honour and revere the memory of Nero. His statues were also crowned with garlands of flowers, and many believed that he was not dead, but that he would soon make his appearance, and take a due vengeance upon his enemies. It will be sufficient to observe, in finishing the character of this tyrannical emperor, that the name of Nero is even now used emphatically to express a barbarous and unfeeling oppressor. Pliny calls him the common enemy and the fury of mankind, and in this he has been followed by all writers, who exhibit Nero as a pattern of the most execrable barbarity and unpardonable wantonness.

—Plut. in Galb.—Suet. in vita.—Plin. 7, c. 8, &c.—Dio. 64.—Aurel. Victor.—Tacit. Ann.

Claudius, a Roman general sent into Spain to succeed the two Scipios. He suffered himself to be imposed upon by Asdrubal, and was soon after succeeded by young Scipio. He was afterwards made a consul, and intercepted Asdrubal, who was passing from Spain into Italy with a large reinforcement for his brother Annibal. An engagement was fought near the river Metaurus, in which 56,000 of the Carthaginians were left in the field of battle, and great numbers taken prisoners, 207 B.C. Asdrubal, the Carthaginian general, was also killed, and his head cut off and thrown into his brother's camp by the conquerors. Appian. in Han.—Oros. 4.—Liv. 27, &c.—Horat. 4, od. 4, v. 37.—Flor. 2, c. 6.—Val. Max. 4, c. 1.

Another, who opposed Cicero when he wished to punish with death such as were accessory to Catiline's conspiracy. A son of Germanicus, who was ruined by Sejanus, and banished from Rome by Tiberius. He died in the place of his exile. His death was voluntary, according to some. Sueton. in Tiber. —The Nerons were of the Claudian family, which, during the republican times of Rome, was honoured with twenty-eight consulships, five dictatorships, six triumphs, seven censorshipes, and two oviations. They assumed the surname of Nero, which, in the language of the Sabines, signifies strong and warlike.

Nerónia, a name given to Artaxata by Tiridates, who had been restored to his kingdom by Nero, whose favours he acknowledged by calling the capital of his dominions after the name of his benefactor.

Neroniana Thermae, baths at Rome, made by the emperor Nero.

Nertobrigia, a town of Spain.

Nerva Cocceius, a Roman emperor after the death of Domitian, A. D. 96. He rendered himself popular by his mildness, his generosity, and the active part he took in the management of affairs. He suffered no statutes to be raised to his honour, and he applied to the use of the government all the gold and silver statues which flattery and hatred had erected to his predecessor. In his civil character he was the patron of good manners, of sobriety, and temperance. He forbade the mutilation of male children, and gave no countenance to the law which permitted the marriage of an uncle with his niece. He made a solemn declaration that no senator should suffer death during his reign, and this he observed with such sanctity, that, when two members of the
Senato had conspired against his life, he was satisfied to tell them that he was informed of their wicked machinations. He also conducted them to the public spectacles, and sat himself between them, and when a sword was offered to him, according to the usual custom, he desired the conspirators to try it upon his body. Such goodness of heart, such confidence in the self-conviction of the human mind, and such reliance upon the consequence of his lenity and indulgence, conciliated the minds of all his subjects. Yet, as envy and danger are the constant companions of greatness, the pretorian guards at last mutinied, and Nerva nearly yielded to their fury. He uncovered his aged neck in the presence of the incensed soldiery, and bade them wreak their vengeance upon him, provided they spared the life of those to whom he was indebted for the empire, and whom his honour commanded him to defend. His seeming submission was unavailing, and he was at last obliged to surrender to the fury of the soldiers, some of his friends and supporters. The infirmities of his age, and his natural timidity, at last obliged him to provide himself against any future mutiny or tumult, by choosing a worthy successor. He had many friends and relations, but he did not consider the agrandisement of his family; and he chose for his son and successor, Trajan, a man of whose virtues and greatness of mind he was fully convinced. This voluntary choice was approved by the acclamations of the people, and the wisdom and prudence which marked the reign of Trajan, showed how discerning was the judgment, and how affectionate were the intentions of Nerva, for the good of Rome. He died on the 27th of July, A.D. 96, in his 72d year, and his successor showed his respect for his merit and for his character by raising him altars and temples in Rome, and the provinces; and by ranking him in the number of the gods. Nerva was the first Roman emperor who was of foreign extraction, his father being a native of Crete.—Plin. p. 196.—Dios. 69.—M. Cocceius, a consul in the reign of Tiberius. He starved himself, because he would not be concerned in the extravagance of the emperor. A celebrated lawyer, consul with the emperor Vespasian. He was father to the emperor of that name.

Nerva, a warlike people of Belgic Gaul, who continually upbraided the neighbouring nations for submitting to the power of the Romans. They attacked J. Cesar, and were totally defeated. Lucan. 1, v. 428.—Caes. B. G. 9.

Nerulum, an inland town of Lucania. Liv. 9, c. 20.

Nerium, or Artabrums, a promontory of Spain, now Cape Finisterre. Strab. 3.

Nesactum, a town of Istria at the mouth of the Aria, now Castel Nuone.

Nereus, one of the Nereides. Virg. G. 4, v. 509.

Nemáchus, the father of Hippomedon, a native of Argos, who was one of the seven chiefs who made war against Thebes. Hygin. 70.—Schol. Stat. Th. 1, v. 44.


Nessus, a celebrated Centaur, son of Ixion and the cloud. He offered violence to Dejanira, whom Hercules had entrusted to his care, with orders to carry her across the river Evenus. [Vid. Dejanira.] Hercules saw the distress of his wife from the opposite shore of the river, and immediately he let fly one of his poisoned arrows, which struck the centaur to the heart. Nessus, as he expired, gave the tunic he then wore to Dejanira, assuring her, that from the poisoned blood which had flowed from his wounds, it had received the power of calling a husband away from unlawful loves. Dejanira received it with pleasure, and this mournful present caused the death of Hercules. [Vid. Hercules.] Apolod. 2, c. 7.—Ovid. ep. 9.—Senec. in Herc. fur.—Paus. 3, c. 26.—Diod. 4—A river. Vid. Nestus.

Nestócles, a famous satura of Greece, rival to Phidias.

Nestor, a son of Neleus and Chloris, nephew to Pelias, and grandson to Neptune. He had eleven brothers, who were all killed, with his father, by Hercules. His tender age detained him at home, and was the cause of his preservation. The conqueror spared his life, and placed him on the throne of Pylos. He married Eurydice, the daughter of Clymenus, or, according to others, Anaxibia the daughter of Atreus. He early distinguished himself in the field of battle, and was present at the nuptials of Pirithous, when a bloody battle was fought between the Lapiths and Centaurs. As king of Pylos and Messenia he led his subjects to the Trojan war, where he distinguished himself among the rest of the Grecian chiefs, by eloquence, address, wisdom, justice; and an uncommon prudence of mind. Homer displays his character as the most perfect of all his heroes, and Agamemnon exclaims, that if he had ten generals like Nestor, he should soon see the walls of Troy reduced to ashes. After the Trojan war, Nestor retired to Greece, where he enjoyed, in the bosom of his family, the peace and tranquillity which were due to his wisdom and to his old age. The manner and the time of his death are unknown; the ancients are all agreed that he lived three generations of men, which length of time some suppose to be 300 years, though more probably, only 50, allowing 50 years for each generation. From that circumstance, therefore, it was usual among the Greeks, and the Latins, who very much, to have a long and happy life to their friends, to wish them to see the years of Nestor. He had two daughters, Pliside and Polycaste; and seven sons, Persicena, Staticus, Aretus, Echephron, Pisistratus, Antilochus, and Trasimedes. Nestor was one of the Argonauts, according to Valerius Flaccus 1, v. 560, &c.—Diotys. Cret. 1, c. 13, &c.—Homer. II. 1, Sc. Od. 3 & 11. 1—Hygin. fab. 10 & 273.—Paus. 5, c. 26. l. 4, c.
NICTERATUS, a Greek ecclesiastical historian, whose works were edited by Dusenius, 2 vols. Paris, 1630.

NICTÉAS, one of the Byzantine historians, whose works were edited, fol. Paris, 1647.

NICETERIA, a festival at Athens, in memory of the victory which Minerva obtained over Neptune, in their dispute about giving a name to the capital of the country.

NICIA, a city. Vide Nicia.

NICIAS, an Athenian general, celebrated for his valour and for his misfortunes. He early conciliated the good will of the people by his liberality, and he established his military character by taking the island of Cythera from the power of Lacedaemon. When Athens determined to make war against Sicily, Nicias was appointed, with Alcibiades and Lamachus, to conduct the expedition, which he reprobated as impolitic, and as the future cause of calamities to the Athenian power. In Sicily he behaved with great firmness, but he often blamed the quick and incon siderate measures of his colleagues. The success of the Athenians remained long doubtful, Alcibiades was recalled by his enemies to take his trial, and Nicias was left at the head of affairs. Syracuse was surrounded by a wall, and, though the operations were carried on slowly, yet the city would have surrendered, had not the sudden appearance of Gythippus, the Corinthian ally of the Sicilians, cheered up the courage of the besieged at the critical moment. Gythippus proposed terms of accommodation to the Athenians, which were refused; some battles were fought, in which the Sicilians obtained the advantage, and Nicias at last, tired of his ill success, and grown despotic, demanded of the Athenians a reinforcement or a successor. Demosthenes, upon this, was sent with a powerful fleet, but the advice of Nicias was despised, and the admiral, by his eagerness to come to a decisive engagement, ruined his fleet and the interest of Athens. The fear of his enemies at home prevented Nicias from leaving Sicily, and when, at last, a continued series of ill success obliged him to comply, he found himself surrounded on every side by the enemy, without hope of escaping. He gave
himself up to the conquerors, with all his army, but the assurances of safety which he had received soon proved vain and false, and he was no sooner in the hands of the enemy than he was shamefully put to death with Demosthenes. His troops were sent to quarrizes, where the plague and hard labour diminished their numbers and aggravated their misfortunes. Some suppose that the death of Nicias was not violent. He perished about 143 years before Christ, and the Athenians lamented in him a great and valiant, but unfortunate general. *Plut. in vit. C. Nep. in Aticb.* *Theoed.* 4, *c. Diod.* 15. A grammarian of Rome, intimate with Cicero. — A man of Nicias, who wrote an history of philosophers.

A physician of Pyrrhus, king of Epirus, who made an offer to the Romans of poisoning his master for a sum of money. The Roman general disdained his offers, and accustomed Pyrrhus with his treachery. He is often called Cines. — A painter in the age of Alexander. *Elian.* V. H. 2, c. 31.

Nicippus, a daughter of Pelops, who married Themelus. — A daughter of Thespius. *Apol.*

Nicippus, a tyrant of Cos, one of whose sheep brought forth a lion. *Elian.* V. H. 1, c. 29.

Nico, one of the Tarentine chiefs who conspired against the life of Anniab. *Lit.* 30. A celebrated architect and geometrician. He was father to the celebrated Galen, the prince of physicians. — One of the slaves of Craterus. — The name of an ass which Augustus met before the battle of Actium, a circumstance which he considered as a favourable omen. — The name of an elephant remarkable for his fidelity to king Pyrrhus.

Nicoclares, a Greek comic poet in the age of Aristophanes.

Nicocles, a familiar friend of Phocion, condemned to death. *Plut.* — A king of Salamis, celebrated for his contest with a king of Phocisia, to prove which of the two was most effeminate. — A king of Paphos, who reigned under the protection of Ptolemy, king of Egypt. He revolted from his friend to the king of Persia, upon which Ptolemy ordered one of his servants to put him to death, to strike terror into the other dependent princes. The servant, unwilling to murder the monarch, advised him to kill himself. Nicocles obeyed, and all his family followed his example. 310 years before the Christian era. An ancient Greek poet, who called physicians a happy race of men, because light published their good deeds to the world, and the earth hid all their faults and imperfections. — A king of Cyprus, who succeeded Evagoras on the throne, 37 years before Christ. It was with him that the philosopher Isocrates corresponded. — A tyrant of Sicia, deposed by means of Aratus, the Achaeon.

Nicocles, a tyrant of Cyrene. — An author at Athens. — A king of Salamis in Cyprus, who made himself known by the valuable collection of books which he had. *Athen.* 1.

Nicocreon, a tyrant of Salamis, in the age of Alexander the Great. He ordered the philosopher Anarchus to be broken to pieces in a mortar.

Nicodemos, an Athenian appointed by Conon over the fleet which was going to the assistance of Artaxerxes. — A tyrant of Italy, &c. — An ambassador sent to Pompey by Aristobulus.


Nicodorus, a son of Hercules and Nica. — An Athenian who invaded Egin, &c.

Nicolaus, a philosopher. — A celebrated Syracusan, who endeavoured, in a pathetic speech, to dissuade his countrymen from offering violence to the Athenian prisoners who had been taken with Nicias, their general. His eloquence was unavailing. — An officer of Ptolemy against Antigonus. — A peripatetic philosopher and historian in the Augustan age.

Nicomachia, a daughter of Themistocles.

Nicomachus, the father of the philosopher Aristotle. — One of Alexander's friends. — An excellent painter. — A Pythagorean philosopher. — A Lacedaemonian general, conquered by Timotheus. — A writer in the fifth century, &c.

Nicomedeis 1st, a king of Bithynia, about 278 years before the Christian era. It was by his exertions that this part of Asia became a monarchy. He behaved with great cruelty to his brothers, and built a town which he called by his own name, Nicomedia. *Justin.* — *Paus.* — The 2d, was ironically named Philopater, because he drove his father Prusias from the kingdom of Bithynia, and caused him to be assassinated, B.C. 149. He reigned 59 years. Mithridates laid claim to his kingdom, but all their disputes were decided by the Romans, who deprived Nicomedes of the province of Paphigonia, and his ambitious rival of Cappadocia. He gained the affections of his subjects by a courteous behaviour, and by a mild and peaceful government. *Justin.* — The 3d, son and successor of the preceding, was dethroned by his brother Socrates, and afterwards by the ambitious Mithridates. The Romans re-established him on his throne, and encouraged him to make reprisals upon the king of Pontus. He followed their advice, and he was, at last, expelled another time from his dominions, till Sylla came into Asia, who restored him to his former power and influence. *Strab.* — *Appian.*

The 4th of that name, was son and successor of Nicomedes 3d. He passed his life in an easy and tranquil manner, and enjoyed the peace which such seclusion with the Romans had procured him. He died B.C. 75, without issue, and left his kingdom, with all his possessions to the Roman people. *Strab.* 12. — *Appian.* — *Mithrid.* *Justin.* 38, c. 2, &c. — *Flor.* 3, c. 3. — A celebrated geometrician in the age.
of the philosopher Eratosthenes. He made himself known by his useful machines, &c.—
An engineer in the army of Mithridates.
One of the preceptors of the emperor M. Antoninus.

NICOMEDIA, a town of Bithynia, founded by Nicomedes I. It was the capital of the country, and it has been compared, for its beauty and greatness, to Rome, Antiocch, or Alexandria. It became celebrated for being the residence of the emperor Constantine and most of his imperial successors. Some suppose that it was originally called Astacus and Olbia, though it was generally believed that they were all different cities. 


Plin. 5, &c. —Strab. 12, &c. 

Nico, a pirate of Phare, in Peloponnesus, &c. Polygen. —A native of Tarentum. 

Nico.

NICONIA, a town of Pontus.

NICOPHANES, a famous painter of Greece, whose pieces are mentioned with commendations. 

Plin. 35, c. 10. 

NICOPHRON, a comic poet of Athens, some time after the age of Aristophanes.

NICOPOLIS, a city of Lower Egypt. —A town of Armenia, built by Pompey the Great, in memory of a victory which he had there obtained over the forces of Mithridates. Another, in Thrace, built on the banks of the Nestus by Trajan, in memory of a victory which he obtained there over the barbarians. —A town of Epirus, built by Augustus after the battle of Actium. —Another, near Jerusalem, founded by the emperor Vespasian. —Another, in Mæsia. —Another, in Dacia, built by Trajan to perpetuate the memory of a celebrated battle. —Another, near the bay of Issus, built by Alexander.

NICOSTRATA, a courtezian who left all her possessions to Sylla. —The same as Carmenta.

NICOSTRATUS, a man of Argos, of great strength. He was fond of imitating Hercules, by clothing himself in a lion's skin. —One of Alexander's soldiers. He conspired against the king's life. —A dramatic actor of Ionia. 

A comic poet of Argos. —An orator of Macedonia, in the reign of the emperor M. Antoninus. —A son of Menelaus and Helen. 

A general of the Achaenians, who defeated the Macedonians.

NICOTELA, a celebrated woman of Messenia, who said that she became pregnant of Aristomenes by a serpent. 

Paus. 4, c. 14. 

NICOTELA, a Christian drunkard, &c.

NIGER. —A friend of M. Antony, sent to him by Octavia. —A surname of Clitus, whom Alexander killed in a fit of drunkenness. —A river of Africa, falling into the Atlantic ocean. —C. Pescennius Justus, a celebrated governor in Syria, well known by his valour in the Roman armies, while yet a private man. At the death of Pertinax, he was declared emperor of Rome, and his claims to that elevated situation were supported by a sound understanding, prudence of mind, moderation, cou-

rage, and virtue. He proposed to imitate the actions of the venerable Antonius, of Trajan, of Titus, and M. Aurelius. He was remarkable for his fondness for ancient discipline, and never suffered his soldiers to drink wine, but obliged them to wash their thirst with water and vinegar. He forbade the use of silver or gold utensils in his camp, all the bakers and cooks were driven away, and the soldiers ordered to live, during the expedition they undertook, merely upon biscuits. In his punishments, Niger was inexorable; he condemned ten of his soldiers to be beheaded in the presence of the army, because they had stolen and eaten a fowl. The sentence was heard with groans; the army interfered; and, when Niger consented to diminish the punishment, for fear of kindling rebellion, he yet ordered the criminals to make each a restoration of ten fowls to the person whose property they had stolen; they were, besides, ordered not to light a fire the rest of the campaign, but to live upon cold aliments, and to drink nothing but water. Such great qualifications in a general seemed to promise the restoration of ancient discipline in the Roman armies, but the death of Niger frustrated every hope of reform. Severus, who had also been invested with the imperial purple, marched against him; some battles were fought, and Niger was, at last, defeated, A. D. 194. His head was cut off, and fixed to a long spear, and carried in triumph through the streets of Rome. He reigned about one year. 

Herodian.

NIGER or NIGRIS, (Nisus,) a river of Africa, which rises in Æthiopia, and falls by three mouths into the Atlantic, little known to the ancients, and not yet satisfactorily explored by the moderns. 

Plin. 5, c. 1 & 8. —Mela, 1, c. 4. 1. 3. c. 10. —Ptol. 4, c. 6. 

P. NIGIDIUS FIGULUS, a celebrated philosopher and astrologer at Rome, one of the most learned men of his age. He was intimate with Cicero, and gave him his most unbiased opinions concerning the conspirators who had leagued to destroy Rome with Catiline. He was made pretor, and honoured with a seat in the senate. In the civil wars he followed the interest of Pompey, for which he was banished by the conqueror. He died in the place of his banishment, 47 years before Christ. 

Cic. ad fam. 4. —Lecan. 1, v. 639. 

NIGHTS, a people of Africa, who dwell on the banks of the Niger.

NILEUS, a son of Codrus, who conducted a colony of Ionians to Asia, where he built Ephesus, Miletus, Priene, Colophon, Myus, Teos, Lebedos, Clazomenae, &c. 

Paus. 7, c. 2, &c. 

A philosopher who had in his possession all the writings of Aristotle.

NILUS, a king of Thessalia, who gave his name to the river which flows through the middle of Egypt, and falls into the Mediterranean sea. The Nile, anciently called Ægyptus, is one of the most celebrated rivers in the world. Its sources were unknown to the ancients, and the moderns are equally ignorant
of their situation, whence an impossibility is generally meant by the proverb of Nili capit quarta. It flows through the middle of Egypt, in a northern direction, and when it comes to the town of Cercasorum, it then divides itself into several streams, and falls into the Mediterranean by seven mouths. The most eastern canal is called the Pelusian, and the most western is called the Canopic mouth. The other canals are the Sebennytic, that of Sais, the Mendesian, Bolbitic, and Bucolic. They have all been formed by nature, except the two last, which have been dug by the labours of men. The island which the Nile forms by its division into several streams is called Delta, from its resemblance to the fourth letter of the Greek alphabet. The Nile yearly overflows the country, and it is to those regular inundations that the Egyptians are indebted for the fertile produce of their lands. It begins to rise in the month of May for 100 successive days, and then decreases gradually the same number of days. If it rises no higher than 16 cubits, a famine is generally expected, but if it exceeds this by many cubits it is of the most dangerous consequences; houses are overturned, the cattle are drowned, and a great number of insects are produced from the mud, which destroy the fruits of the earth. The overflowings of the Nile which remained unknown to the ancients, though searched with the greatest application, are owing to the heavy rains which regularly fall in Ethiopia in the months of April and May, and which rush down like torrents upon the country, and lay it all under water. These causes, as some people suppose, were well known to Homer, as he seems to show it by saying, that the Nile flowed down from heaven. Strab. 17. — Mela. 1, c. 9. l. 3, c. 9. — Seneca. quast. Nat. 4. — Lucre. 1, 2, &c. Claudian. ep. de Nilo. — Virg. Æn. 6, v. 800. l. 9, v. 31. — Dio. 1, &c. — Herodot. 2. — Lucret. 6, v. 712. — Ammian. 22. — Paus. 10, c. 32. — Plin. 5, c. 10. — One of the Greek fathers, who flourished A. D. 440. His works were edited at Rome, fol. 2 vols. 1668 and 1678.

NINNIUS, a tribune who opposed Clodius the enemy of Cicero.

NINNIAS. Vid. Ninias.

Ninus, a son of Belus who built a city to which he gave his own name, and founded the Assyrian monarchy, of which he was the first sovereign, B. C. 2059. He was very warlike, and extended his conquests from Egypt to the extremities of India and Bactriana. He became enamoured of Semiramis the wife of one of his officers, and he married her after her husband had destroyed himself through fear of his powerful rival. Ninus reigned 52 years, and, at his death, he left his kingdom to the care of his wife Semiramis, by whom he had a son. The history of Ninus is very obscure and even fabulous according to the opinion of some. Ctesias is the principal historian from whom it is derived, but little reliance is to be placed upon him, when Aristotle deems him unworthy to be believed. Ninus after death received divine honours, and became the Jupiter of the Assyrians, and the Hercules of the Chaldeans. Ctesias. — Dio. 3. — Justin. 1, c. 1. — Herodot. 2. — A celebrated city, the capital of Assyria built on the banks of the Tigris by Ninus and called Nineveh in Scripture. It was, according to the relation of Diodorus Siculus, fifteen miles long, nine broad, and forty-eight in circumference. It was surrounded by large walls 100 feet high, on the top of which three chariots could pass together a-breast, and defended by 1500 towers, each 200 feet high. Ninus was taken by the united armies of Cyzaxares and Nabopolassar king of Babylon, B. C. 606. Strab. 1. — Dio. 2. — Herodot. 1, c. 185, &c. — Paus. 8, c. 33. — Lucian.

NINYUS, a son of Ninus and Semiramis, king of Assyria, who succeeded his mother who had voluntarily abdicated the crown. Some suppose, that Semiramis was put to death by her own son, because she had encouraged him to commit incest. The reign of Ninyas is remarkable for its luxury and extravagance. The prince left the care and the government to his favourites and ministers, and gave himself up to pleasure, riot, and debauchery, and never appeared in public. His successors imitated the example of his voluptuousness, and therefore their name is little known till the age of Sardanaapalus. Justin. 1, c. 2. — Dio. 1, &c.

NISOE, a daughter of Talantus king of Lydia by Euryansassa or Dione. She married Amphion the son of Jesus, by whom she had ten sons and ten daughters according to Hesiod, or two sons and three daughters according to Herodotus. Homer and Propertius say, that she had six daughters and as many sons, and Ovid, Apollodorus, &c. according to the more received opinion, support, that she had seven sons and seven daughters. The sons were Sipylos, Minytus, Talantus, Agenor, Pha- dimus, Damasichthon, and Ismenus; and those of the daughters Cleodoxa, Ethedea or Thera, Astyoche, Pthusa, Pelopia or Chloris, Asticrates, and Oggyia. The number of her children increased her pride, and she had the imprudence not only to prefer herself to Latona, who had only two children, but she even insulted her, and ridiculed the worship which was paid to her, observing that she had a better claim to altars and sacrifices than the mother of Apollo and Diana. This insolence provoked Latona. She intreated her children to punish the arrogant Niobe. Her prayers were heard, and immediately all the sons of Niobe expired by the darts of Apollo, and all the daughters except Chloris were equally destroyed by Diana; and Niobe, struck at the suddenness of her misfortunes, was changed into a stone. The carcasses of Niobe's children, according to Homer, were left unburied in the plains for nine successive days, because Jupiter changed into stones all such as attempted to inter them. On the tenth day they were honoured with a funeral by the gods. Homer. II. 24. — Ælian. V. H 12, c. 36. — Apollod. 3, c. 5.
Ovid. Met. fab. 5.—Strab. I. 45.—Horat. 4, od. 6.—Propert. 2, el. 6.—A daughter of Phoronius, king of Peloponnesus, by Laodice. She was beloved by Jupiter, by whom she had a son called Argus, who gave his name to Argia or Argolis, a country of Peloponnesus. Paus. 2, c. 22.—Apollod. 2, c. 1. 1. 3, c. 8.

Niphæus, a man killed by horses, &c. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 570.

Niphètes, a mountain of Asia, which divides Armenia from Assyria. The sources of the Tigris were in its neighbourhood. Virg. G. 3, v. 30.—Strab. 11. —Mela, 1, c. 15.—A river of Armenia, falling into the Tigris. Horat. 2, od. 9.—Lucan. 3, v. 243.

Niphe, one of Diana's companions. Ovid. Met. 3, v. 245.

Nissus, a king of Naxos, son of Charops and Aigla, celebrated for his beauty. He was one of the Grecian chiefs during the Trojan war. Homer. Ël. 2.—Horat. 2, od. 20.


Nisera, a naval station on the coasts of Megaris. Strab. 9.


Nisè, a sea nymph. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 826.

Nisias, a town of Mesopotamia, built by a colony of Macedonians on the Tigris, and celebrated as being a barrier between the provinces of Rome and the Persian empire during the reign of the Roman emperors. It was sometimes called Antiochia Mygdonica. Joseph. 20, c. 2.—Strab. 11.—Ammian. 25, &c.

Nisus, a son of Hyrtacus, born on mount Ida near Troy. He came to Italy with Æneas, and signalized himself by his valour against the Rutulians. He was joined in the closest friendship with Euryalus, a young Trojan, and with him he entered in the dead of night the enemy's camp. As they were returning victorious, after much bloodshed, they were perceived by the Rutulians; who attacked Euryalus. Nisus in endeavouring to rescue his friend from the enemy's darts, perished himself with him, and their heads were cut off and fixed on a spear, and carried in triumph to the camp. Their death was greatly lamented by all the Trojans, and their great friendship, like that of a Pylades and an Orestes, or of Theseus and Pirithous, is become proverbial. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 176, &c.—A king of Dulichium, remarkable for his probity and virtue. Homer. Od. 18.—A king of Megara, son of Mars, or more probably of Pandion. He inherited his father's kingdom with his brothers, and received as his portion the country of Megara. The peace of the brothers was interrupted by the hostilities of Minos, who wished to avenge the death of his son Androgeus, who had been murdered by the Athenians. Megara was besieged, and Attica laid waste. The fate of Nisus depended totally upon a yellow lock, which, as long as it continued on his head, according to the words of an oracle, promised him life, and success to his affairs. His daughter Scylla (often called Nisia Virgo,) saw from the walls of Megara the royal besieger, and she became desperately enamoured of him. To obtain a more immediate interview with this object of her passion, she stole away the fatal hair from her father's head as he was asleep; the town was immediately taken, but Minos disregarded the services of Scylla, and she threw herself into the sea. The gods changed her into a lark, and Nisus assumed the nature of the hawk, at the very moment that he gave himself death, not to fall into the enemy's hands. These two birds have continually been at variance with each other, and Scylla, by her apprehensions at the sight of her father, seems to suffer the punishment which her perfidy deserved. Apollod. 3, c. 15.—Paus. 1, c. 19.—Strab. 9.—Ovid. Met. 8, v. 6, &c.—Virg. G. 1, v. 404, &c.

Nisyros, an island in the Ægean sea, at the west of Rhodes, with a town of the same name. It was originally joined to the island of Cos, according to Pliny, and it bore the name of Porphyris. Neptune who was supposed to have separated them with a blow of his trident, was worshipped there, and called Nisyreus. Apollod. 1, c. 6.—Strab. 10.

Nitétis, a daughter of Apries, king of Egypt, &c. Polyen. 8.

Nòtôcôs, a celebrated queen of Babylon, who built a bridge across the Euphrates, in the middle of that city, and dug a number of reservoirs for the superfluous waters of that river. She ordered herself to be buried over one of the gates of the city, and placed an inscription on her tomb, which signified that her successors would find great treasures within, if ever they were in need of money, but that their labours would be but ill repaid if ever they ventured to open it without necessity. Cyrus opened it through curiosity, and was struck to find within these words, If thy avowance had not been insatiable, thou never wouldst have violated the monuments of the dead. Herodot. 1, c. 185.—A queen of Egypt who built a third pyramid.

Nítria, a country of Egypt with two towns of the same name, above Memphis.

Nívaria, an island in the west of Africa, supposed to be Teneriff, one of the Canaries. Plin. 6, c. 32.

Nóas, a river of Thrace falling into the Inter. Herodot. 4, c. 46.

Nóco, a Trojan killed by Turnus. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 767.

Noctiluc, a surname of Diana. She had a temple at Rome, on mount Palentine. Varro de L. L. 4.—Horat. 4, od. 6.

Nòla, an ancient town of Campania, which became a Roman colony before the first Punic war. It was founded by a Tuscan, or according to others, by an Eubran colony. It is said that Virgil introduced the name of Nola in his Georgics; but that when he was refused a glass of water by the inhabitants as he passed through the city, he totally blotted it out of his
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poem, and substituted the word ora, in the 225th line of the Second book of his Georgics. Nola was besieged by Annibal, and bravely defended by Marcellus. Augustus died there on his return from Neapolis to Rome. Bells were first invented there in the beginning of the fifth century, from which reason they have been called Notae or Campanae in Latin. Paterc. 7, c. 9.—SuBin. in Aug.—Sil. 12, v. 161. —A. Gelius, 7, c. 20.

NOME, a town of Sicily. Diod. 11.—Sil. 14, v. 266.

Noméntanus, an epitaph applied to L. Cassius as a native of Nomèntum. He is mentioned by Horace as a mixture of luxury and dissipation. Horat. 1, Sat. 1, v. 102, & alibi.

Nomades, a name given to all those uncivilized people who had no fixed habitation, and who continually changed the place of their residence, to go in quest of fresh pasture, for the numerous cattle which they tended. There were Nomades in Scythia, India, Arabia, and Africa. Those of Africa were afterwards called Numidians, by a small change of the letters which composed their name. Herodot. 1, c. 15, l. 4, c. 187.—Strab. 7. Mela, 2, c. 1. l. 3, c. 4.—Virg. G. 3, v. 343.—Paus. 8, c. 43.

Nomentum, a town of the Sabines in Italy. The dictator Q. Servilius Priscaeu, gave the Veientes and Fidenates battle there A. U. C. 312, and totally defeated them. Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 905.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 773.

Nomii, mountains of Arcadia.

Nomius, surname given to Apollo, because he fed the flocks of king Admetus in Thessaly. Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 23.

Nonachis, a town of Arcadia, which received its name from a wife of Lycon. There was a mountain of the same name in the neighbourhood. Evander is sometimes called Nonacris heros, as being an Arcadian by birth, and Atalanta Nonaceria, as being a native of the place. Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 97. Met. 8, fab. 10.—Paus. 8, c. 17, &c.

Nonius, a Roman soldier, imprisoned for paying respect to Galba's statues, &c. Tacit. Hist. 1, c. 56.—A Roman who exhorted his countrymen after the fatal battle of Pharsalia, and the flight of Pompey, by observing that eight standards (aquilae) still remained in the camp, to which Cicero answered, Recte, si nobis cum gravis bellum esset. Nonius Marcellus, a grammarian, whose treatise de varia significatione verborum was edited by Mecerc, 8vo. Paris, 1614. His paraphrase on John was edited by Heinsius, 8vo. L. Bat. 1627.

Nopia, or Cnopia, a town of Beotia, where amphitheatras had a temple.

Nora, a place of Asia, where Eumenes retired for some time, &c.

Norax, a son of Mercury and Eurythea, who led a colony of Iberians into Sardinia. Paus. 10, c. 17.

Norsa, a town of the Volsci. Liv. 2, c. 56. C. Norbanus, a young and ambitious Roman, who opposed Sylla, and joined his interest to that of young Mariús. In his consulship he marched against Sylla, by whom he was defeated, &c. Plut.—A friend and general of Augustus employed in Macedonia against the republicans. He was defeated by Brutus, &c.

Noricum, a country of ancient Illyricum, which now forms a part of modern Bavaria and Austria. It extended between the Danube and part of the Alps and Vindelicia. Its savage inhabitants were who were once governed by kings, made many incursions upon the Romans, and were at last conquered under Tiberius and the country became a dependent province in the reign of Dioclesian. Noricum was divided into two parts, Ripense and Medtiteraean. The iron that was drawn from Noricum was esteemed excellent, and whence Noricum ensis to express the goodness of a sword. Dionys. Perig.—Strab. 4.—Plin. 34, c. 14.—Tacit. Hist. 3, c. 5.—Horat. 1, od. 16, v. 5.

Northippus, a Greek tragic poet.

Northia, a name given to the goddess O Fortune among the Etrurians. Liv. 7, c. 3.

Notius, a son of Deucalion.—A surname of Darius, king of Persia, from his illegitimacy.

Nohon, a Greek physician, whose book d omnium morborum curatione was edited in 12mo. Argent. 1568.

Notium, a town of Aethlia near the Cayster. It was peopled by the inhabitants of Colophon who left their ancient habitations because Notium was more conveniently situated in being on the sea shore.

Notus, the south wind, called also Auster.

Novæ, (Tabernæ), the new shops built in the forum at Rome, and adorned with the shields of the Cimbri. Cic. Orat. 2, c. 66. —The Vetere tabernæ were adorned with those of the Samnites. Liv. 9, c. 40.

Novaria, a town of Cisalpine Gaul, now Novara in Milan. Tacit. Hist. 1, c. 70.

Novatus, a man who severely attacked the character of Augustus, i. dier a fictitious name. The emperor discovered him, and only fined him a small sum of money.

Novium, a town of the Ubii, on the west of the Rhine, now called Nuys, near Cologne. Tacit. Hist. 4, c. 26, &c.

Noviodunum, a town of the Eedu in Gaul, taken by J. Caesar. It is pleasantly situated on the Ligeris, and now called Novion, or as others suppose, Nevers. Cæs. Bel. G. 2, c. 12.

Noviomagus or Nesmaus, a town of Gaul, now Nimeguen in Normandy, another called also Nemetés, now Spire.—Another in Batavia, now Nimeguen, on the south side of the Waal.

Novià, a town of Spain, now Noya.

Novium Comum, a town of Insubria, on the lake Larius, of which the inhabitants were called Novocomenses. Cic. ad Div. 13, c. 55.

Nonnus, a Greek writer of the 5th century, known by his Dionysiaca; a wonderful collection
of heathen mythology and erudition, edited 4to. Antwerp, 1569. His paraphrase on John was edited by Heinsius, 8vo. L. Bat. 1627.

Nox, one of the most ancient deities among the heathens, daughter of Chaos. From her union with her brother Erebus, she gave birth to the Day and the Light. She was also the mother of the Parcae, Hesperides, Dreams, of Discord, Death, Momus, Fraud, &c. She is called by some of the poets the mother of all things, of gods as well as of men, therefore she was worshipped with great solemnity by the ancients. She had a famous statue in Diana's temple at Ephesus. It was usual to offer her a black sheep, as she was the mother of the furies. The cock was also offered to her, as that bird proclaims the approach of day, during the darkness of the night. She is represented as mounted on a chariot and covered with a veil bespangled with stars. The constellations generally went before her as her constant messengers. Sometimes she is seen holding two children under her arms, one of which is black, representing death or rather night; and the other white, representing sleep or day. Some of the moderns have described her as a woman veiled in mourning, and crowned with poppies, and carried on a chariot drawn by owls and bats. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 950.—Ovid. Fast. 1, v. 455.—Paus. 10, c. 38.—Hesiod. Theog.

Nuceria, a town of Campania taken by Annaibal. It became a Roman colony under Augustus. Lucan. 2, v. 472.—Liv. 27, c. 3.—A town of Umbria.

Numithones, a people of Germany, possessing the country now called Mecklenburgh and Pomœrania. Tacit. G. 40.

Numa Marcius, a man made governor of Rome by Tullus Hostilius.

Numa Pompilius, a celebrated philosopher of Cures. He married Tatia the daughter of Tatius the king of the Sabines, and at her death he retired into the country to devote himself more freely to literary pursuits. At the death of Romulus, the Romans fixed upon him to be their new king, and two senators were sent to acquaint him with the decisions of the senate and of the people. Numa refused their offers, and it was not but at the repeated solicitations and prayers of his friends, that he was prevailed upon to accept the royalty. The beginning of his reign was popular, and he dismissed the 300 body guards which his predecessor had kept around his person, observing that he did not distrust a people who had compelled him to reign over them. He was not, like Romulus, fond of war and military expeditions; but he applied himself to tame the ferocity of his subjects, to inculcate in their minds a reverence for the deity, and to quell their dissensions by dividing all the citizens into different classes. He established different orders of priests, and taught the Romans not to worship the deity by images; and from his example no graven or painted statues appeared in the temples or sanctuaries of Rome for upwards of 160 years. He encouraged the report which was spread of his paying regular visits to the nymph Egeria, and made use of her name to give sanction to the laws and institutions which he had introduced. He established the college of the vestals, and told the Romans that the safety of the empire depended on the preservation of the sacred aneyle or shield, which, as was generally believed, had dropped down from heaven. He dedicated a temple to Janus, which, during his whole reign, remained shut, as a mark of peace and tranquillity at Rome. Numa died after a reign of 43 years, in which he had given every possible encouragement to the useful arts, and in which he had cultivated peace, B. C. 672. Not only the Romans, but also the neighbouring nations were eager to pay their last offices to a monarch whom they revered for his abilities, moderation, and humanity. He forbad his body to be burnt according to the custom of the Romans; but he ordered it to be buried near mount Janiculum, with many of the books which he had written. These books were accidentally found by one of the Romans about 400 years after his death, and as they contained nothing new or interesting, but merely the reasons why he had made innovations in the form of worship and in the religion of the Romans, they were burnt by order of the senate. He left behind one daughter called Pompilia, who married Numa Marcius, and became the mother of Ancus Martius, the fourth king of Rome. Some say that he had also four sons, but this opinion is ill founded. Plut. in vitæ. Varro.—Liv. 1.—Phn. 13 & 14, &c.—Flor. 1, c. 2.—Virg. Æn. 6 & 9.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 2 & 17.—Val. Max. 1, c. 2.—Dionys. Hal. 2, c. 59.—Ovid. Fast. 3, &c.—One of the Rutulian chiefs killed in the night by Nisus and Euryalus. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 454.

Numana, a town of Picenum in Italy. Mela. 2, c. 4.

Numantia, a town of Spain near the sources of the river Durus, celebrated for the long war which it maintained against the Romans. The inhabitants obtained some advantages over the Roman forces till Scipio Africanus was empowered to finish the war, and to see the destruction of Numantia. He began the siege with an army of 60,000 men, and was bravely opposed by the besieged, who were no more than 4000 men able to bear arms: both armies behaved with uncommon valour, and the courage of the Numantines was soon changed into despair and fury. Their provisions began to fail, and they fed upon the flesh of their horses, and afterwards of that of their dead companions, and at last were necessitated to draw lots to kill and devour one another. The melancholy situation of their affairs obliged some to surrender to the Roman general. Scipio demanded them to deliver themselves up on the morrow; they refused, and when a longer time had been granted to their petitions, they retired and set fire to their houses, and all destroyed themselves, B. C. 133, so that not even one remained to adorn the triumph of the conqueror. Some historians, however, deny that, and sup-
port that a number of Numantines delivered themselves into Scipio's hands, and that 50 of them were drawn in triumph at Rome, and the rest sold as slaves. The fall of Numantia was more glorious than that of Carthage or Corinthis, though inferior to them. The conqueror obtained the surname of Numantius. Flor. 2, c. 58.—Appian. Iber.—Paterc. 2, c. 3.—Cic. 1, Off.—Strab. 3.—Mela, 2, c. 6.—Plut.

Numantia, a woman accused under Tiberius of making her husband insaæ by enchantments, &c. Tacit. 4, c. 22.

Numanus Remulus, a Roman who accused the Trojans of effeminacy. He had married the younger sister of Turus, and was killed by Ascanius during the Rutulian war. Virg. Æn. 2, v. 592, &c.

Numènus, a follower of the doctrines of Plato and Pythagoras, born at Apamea in Syria. He flourished in the reign of M. Antoninus.

Numenia, or Neomenia, a festival observed by the Greeks at the beginning of every lunar month, in honour of all the gods, but especially of Apollo, or the sun, who is justly deemed the author of light, and of whatever distinction is made in the months, seasons, days, and nights. It was observed with games and public entertainments which were provided at the expense of rich citizens, and which were always frequented by the poor. Solemn prayers were offered at Athens during the solemnity for the prosperity of the republic. The demigods as well as the heroes of the ancients, were honoured and invoked in the festival.

Numenius, a philosopher who supposed that Chaos from which the world was created was animated by an evil and maleficient soul. He lived in the second century.

Numèntana Via, a road at Rome which led to mount Sacer through the gate Viminalis. Liv. 3, c. 52.

Numèria, a goddess at Rome who presided over numbers. Aug. de Civ. D. 4, c. 11.

Numérianus, M. Aurelius, a son of the emperor Carus. He accompanied his father into the east with the title of Caesar, and at his death he succeeded him with his brother Carinus, B. C. 282. His reign was short. Eight months after his father's death, he was murdered in his litter by his father-in-law, Arrius Aper, who accompanied him in an expedition. The murderer who hoped to ascend the vacant throne, continued to follow the litter as if the emperor was alive, till he found a proper opportunity to declare his sentiments. The stench of his body soon discovered his perfidy, and he was sacrificed to the fury of the soldiers. Numerianus has been admired for his learning as well as his moderation. He was naturally an eloquent speaker, and in poetry he was inferior to no writer of his age.—A friend of the emperor Severus.

Numerius, a man who favoured the escape of Marius to Africa, &c.—A friend of Pompey, taken by J. Caesar's adherents, &c. Plut.

Númicia Via, one of the great Roman roads which led from the capital to the town of Brundusium.

Númícus, a small river of Latium near Lavinium, where the body dead of Æneas was found, and where Anno, Dido's sister, drowned herself. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 150, &c.—Sil. 1, 359.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 358, &c. Fast. 3, v. 643.—A friend of Horace, to whom he addressed 1 ep. 6.

Numída, a surname given by Horace, 1 ed. 36, to one of the generals of Augustus, from his conquests in Numidia. Some suppose that it is Pomponius, others Plotius.

Numídia, an inland country of Africa, which now forms the kingdom of Algiers and Biskulgerid. It was bounded on the north by the Mediterranean sea, south by Gæstulia, west by Mauritania, and east by a part of Libya, which was called Africa Prænia. The inhabitants were called Nomades, and afterwards Nomides. It was the kingdom of Masinissa, who was the occasion of the third Punic war, on account of the offence he had received from the Carthaginians. Jugurtha reignet there, as also Juba the father and son. It was conquered, and became a Roman province, of which Sallust was the first governor. The Numidians were excellent warriors, and in their expeditions they always endeavoured to engage with the enemy in the night time. They rode without saddles or bridles, whence they have been called infrari. They had their wives in common as the rest of the barbarian nations of antiquity. Sallust. in Jug.—Flor. 2, c. 15.—Strab. 2 & 17.—Mela, 1, c. 4, &c.—Ovid. Met. 15, v. 734.


Numistria, a town of the Bruttii in Italy. Liv. 45, c. 17.

Numitor, a son of Procas, king of Alba, who inherited his father's kingdom with his brother Amulius, and began to reign conjointly with him. Amulius was too avaricious to bear a colleague on the throne: he expelled his brother, and that he might more safely secure himself, he put to death his son Lausus, and consecrated the daughter Ilia to the service of the goddess Vesta, which demanded perpetual celibacy. These great precautions were rendered abortive. Ilia became pregnant, and though the two children whom she brought forth were exposed in the river by order of the tyrant, their life was preserved, and Numitor was restored to his throne by his grandsons, and the tyrannical usurper was put to death. Dionys. Hal.—Liv. 1, c. 3.—Plut. in Romul.—Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 55, &c.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 768.—A son of Phorucus who fought with Turnus against Æneas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 342.—A rich and dissolute Roman in the age of Juvenal 7, v. 74.

Numitorius, a Roman who defended Virginius, to whom Appius wished to offer violence. He was made military tribune.


Nuncorius, a son of Sesostris, king of Egypt, who made an obelisk, some ages after brought to Rome. Plin. 36, c. 11.—He is called Pheron by Herodotus.

Nundina, a goddess whom the Romans invoked when they named their children. This
happened the ninth day of their birth, whence the name of the goddess, Nona dies.

NYMPHIDUS. Vide Ferus.

NURSE, a town of Italy. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 744.


NYRSIA, a town of Picenum, whose inhabitants are called Nurisini. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 716. 

Martial, 13, ep. 20.

NYTIA, a town of Illyricum. Polyb. 2.

NYCTEIS, a daughter of Nycteus, who was mother of Labdacus. —A patronymic of Antiope the daughter of Nycteus, mother of Amphion and Zethus by Jupiter, who had assumed the shape of a satyr to enjoy her company. Ovid. Met. 6, v. 110.

NYCTELEUS, a surname of Bacchus. Paus. 1, c. 40.—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 15.

NYCTEUS, a son of Hyrieus and Clonia. A son of Chthonius. —A son of Neptune by Celene, daughter of Atlas, king of Lesbos, or of Thebes according to the more received opinion. He married a nymph of Crete called Polyxo or Amalthaea, by whom he had two daughters Nyctimene and Antiope. The first of these disgraced herself by her criminal amours with her father, into whose bed she introduced herself by means of her nurse. When the father knew the incest he had committed, he attempted to stab his daughter, who was immediately changed by Minerva into an owl. Nycteus made war against Epopeus, who had carried away Antiope, and died of a wound which he had received in an engagement, leaving his kingdom to his brother Lycus, whom he entrusted to continue the war, and punish Antiope for her immodest conduct. [Vid. Antiope.] Paus. 2, c. 6.—Hygin. fab. 157 & 204.—Ovid. Met. 2, v. 590, &c. 1, 6, v. 110, &c.

NYCTIMENE, a daughter of Nycteus. Vide Nycteus.

NYCTIMUS, a son of Lycaon, king of Arcadia. He died without issue, and left his kingdom to his nephew Arcas, the son of Callisto. Paus. 8, c. 4.

NYMBAEA, a lake of Peloponnesus in Lacedaonia. Id. 3, v. 23.

NYMPH, certain female deities among the ancients. They were generally divided into two classes, nymphs of the land and nymphs of the sea. Of the nymphs of the earth, some presided over woods and were called Dryades and Hamadryades; others presided over mountains, and were called Oreades; some presided over hills and dales, and were called Nepae, &c. Of the sea nymphs some were called Naiades, Potamides, &c. These presided not only over the sea, but also rivers, fountains, streams, and lakes. The nymphs fixed their residence not only in the sea, but also on mountains, rocks, in woods or caverns, and their grottos were beautified by evergreens and delightful and romantic scenes. The nymphs were immortal according to the opinion of some mythologists; others supposed that, like men, they were subject to mortality, though their life was of long duration. They lived for several thousand years according to Hesiod; or, as Plutarch seems obscurely to intimate, they lived about 920 years. The number of the nymphs is not precisely known. There were above 3000, according to Hesiod, whose power was extended over the different places of the earth, and the various functions and occupations of mankind. They were worshipped by the ancients, though not with so much solemnity as the superior deities. They had no temples raised to their honour, and the only offerings they received were milk, honey, oil, and sometimes the sacrifice of a goat. They were generally represented as young and beautiful virgins, veiled up to the middle, and sometimes held a vase, from which they seemed to pour water. Sometimes they had grass, leaves, and shells, instead of vases. It was deemed unfortunate to see them naked, and such sight was generally attended by an immediate delirium, to which Properius seems to allude in this verse, wherein he speaks of the innocence and simplicity of the primitive ages of the world:

Nec fuerat nudas pena videre Deas.

The nymphs were generally distinguished by an epithet which denoted the place of their residence; thus the nymphs of Sicily were called Sicelides; those of Corycus, Corycides, &c. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 320. 1, 5, v. 412. 1, 9, v. 651, &c. Fast. 3, v. 769.—Paus. 10, c. 3.—Plut. de Orac. def.—Orpheus Arg.—Hesiod. Theog.—Prop. 3, el. 12.—Homer. Od. 14.

NYMPHEUM, a port of Macedonia. Cer. bel. civ. —A promontory of Ephirus on the Ionian sea. A place near the walls of Apollonia, sacred to the nymphs, where Apollo had also an oracle. The place was also celebrated for the continual flames of fire which seemed to rise at a distance from the plains. It was there that a sleeping satyr was once caught and brought to Sylia as he returned from the Mithridatic war. This monster had the same features as the poets ascribe to the satyr. He was interrogated by Sylia, and by his interpreters, but his articulations were unintelligible, and the Roman spurned from him a creature which seemed to partake of the nature of a beast, more than that of a man. Plut. in Sylia.—Div. 41. —Plin. 5. —Strab. 7.—A city of Taurica Chersonesus. —The building at Rome where the nymphs were worshipped bore also this name, being adorned with the statues and with fountains and water-falls which afforded an agreeable and refreshing coolness.

NYMPHEUS, a man who went into Caria at the head of a colony, &c. Polyen. 6.

NYMPHIDUS, a favourite of Nero, who said that he was descended from Caligula. He was raised to the consular dignity, and soon after disputed the empire with Galba. He was slain by the soldiers, &c. Tacit. Ann.

NYMPHIS, a native of Heraclea, who wrote an history of Alexander's life and actions, divided into 24 books. Ælian. 7, de Anim.

NYMPHODORUS, a writer of Amphipolis. —A Syracusan who wrote an history of Sicily.

NYMPHOLEPTES, of NYMPHOMANES, possessed by the nymphs. This name was given to the inhabitants of mount Citheron, who believed that
they were inspired by the nymphs. Plut. in Arist.

Nymphon, a native of Colophon, &c.

Nysus, a general of Dionysus, the tyrant who took Syracuse, and put all the inhabitants to the sword. Diod. 16.

Nysa, or Nysa, a town of Ethiopia, at the south of Egypt, or, according to others, of Arabia. This city, with another of the same name in India, was sacred to the god Bacchus, who was educated there by the nymphs of the place, and who received the name of Dionysus, which seems to be compounded of Διός & Νυσα, the name of his father, and that of the place of his education. The god made this place the seat of his empire and the capital of the conquered nations of the east. Diod. 3 & 4.—Mel. 3, c. 7.

—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 15, &c.—Ital. 7, v. 198.—Curt. 5, c. 10.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 803.—According to some geographers there were no less than ten places of the name of Nysa. One of these was on the coast of Egypt, famous for its vines, which grew in such an uncommon manner, that if a twig was planted in the ground in the morning, it immediately produced grapes, which were full ripe in the evening.—A city of Thrace.—Another seated on the top of mount Parnassus, and sacred to Bacchus. Juv. 7, v. 63.

Nysaus, a surname of Bacchus, because he was worshipped at Nysa.—A son of Dionysus of Syracuse. C. Nep. in Dom

Nysas, a river of Africa, rising in Ethiopia. Nysia, a small island of Africa.

Nysibades, a name given to the nymphs of Nysa, to whose care Jupiter entrusted the education of his son Bacchus. Ovid. Met. 3, v. 314, &c.

Nysiros, an island. Vid. Nysus.

Nysa, a sister of Mithridates the Great. Plut.

OARUS, a river of Sarmatia, falling into the Palus Mazotis. Herod. 4.

Oakes, the original name of Artaxerxes Memnon.

OaXES, a town about the middle of Libya, at the distance of seven days journey from Thebes in Egypt. There were two other cities of that name very little known. Herodot. 3, c. 26.

OAXE, a river of Crete which received its name from OaXes, the son of Apollo. Virg. Ecl. 1, v. 66.

OAXES, a town of Crete, where Etearchus reigned, who founded Cyrene.—A son of Apollo and the nymph Anchiale.

OELTROXUS, a quasitot pot to death by Galba's orders, &c. Tacit.

Ocala or Ocula, a town of Bucotia. Homer. 2, 1.—A daughter of Mantineus, who married Aias, son of Lynceus and Hypermnestra, by whom she had Acrisius and Proetus. Apollod. 2, c. 2.

Ocalia, a woman who presided over the sacred rites of Vestia for 57 years with the greatest sanctity. She died in the reign of Tiberius, and the daughter of Domitius succeeded her. Tacit. Ann. 2, c. 36.

Oceanides and Oceanitides, sea nymphs, daughters of Oceanus, from whom they received their name, and of the goddess Theuya. They were 3000 according to Apollodorus. Hesiod speaks of the eldest of them, and reckons 41. Hyginus mentions 16. The Oceanides, as the

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rest of the inferior deities, were honoured with libations and sacrifices. The Argonauts before they proceeded to their expedition, made an offering of flour, honey, and oil, on the sea shore, to all the deities of the sea, and sacrificed bulls to them, and entreated their protection. When the sacrifice was made on the sea shore, the blood of the victim was received in a vessel, but when it was in open sea, the blood was permitted to run down into the waters. When the sea was calm, the sailors generally offered a lamb or a young pig, but if it was agitated by the winds and rough, a black bull was deemed the most acceptable victim. Homer. Od. 3.—Horat.—Apollon. Arg.—Virg. G. 4, v. 341.—Hesiod. Theog.—Apollod. 1.

Oceanus, a powerful deity of the sea, and of Caes and Terra. He married Theuya, by whom he had the most principal rivers, such as the Alpheus, Peneus, Strymon, &c. with a number of daughters, who were called from him Oceanides. [Vid. Oceanides.] According to Homer, Oceanus was the father of all the gods; and on that account, he received frequent visits from the rest of the deities. He is generally represented as an old man, with a long flowing beard, and sitting upon the waves of the sea. He often holds a pike in his hand, while ships under sail appear at a distance, or a sea monster stands near him. Oceanus presided over every part of the sea, and even the rivers were subjected to his power. The ancients were superstitious in their worship to Oceanus and re-

Oclesius, an ancient philospher of Lucania. *Vid. Lucanus.*

OceIon, a town of Gaul. *Ces. Bell. G. 1, c. 10.*

Ocha, a mountain of Eubea, and the name of Eubea itself. - A sister of Ochus buried alive by his orders.

Ochesus, a general of Ætolia.

Ochus, a surname given to Artaxerxes, the third king of Persia. *Vid. Artaxerxes.*

A man of Cyzicus, who was killed by the Argonauts. *Placc. 3.* A prince of Persia, who refused to visit his native country, for fear of giving all the women each a piece of gold. *Plut.*-A river of India, or of Bactriana. *Plin. 6 & 31.* A king of Persia. He exchanged his name for that of Darius. *Vid. Darius Nethus.*

Ocnus, a son of the Tiber and of Manto, who assisted Æneas against Turnus. He built a town which he called Mantus, after his mother's name. Some suppose that he is the same as Bianor. *Verg. Ecl. 9, En. 10, v. 198.*

A man remarkable for his industry. He had a wife as remarkable for her profusion; she always consumed and lavished away whatever the labours of her husband had earned. He is represented as twisting a cord, which an ass standing by eats up as soon as he makes it, whereas the proverb of the cord of Ocnus, often applied to labour which meets no return, and which is totally lost. *Propret. 4, cl. 3, v. 21.*

*Plin. 35, c. 11.-Paus. 10, c. 29.*

OcricuLum, a town of Umbria, near Rome. *Cic. pro Mil.*

Ocriion, a king of Rhodes, who was reckoned in the number of the gods after death. *Plut. in Græc. quest.*

Ocricia, the wife of Corniculus, was one of the attendants of Thaenag, the wife of Tarqunius Priscus. As she was throwing into the flames, as offerings, some of the meats that were served on the table of Tarquin, she suddenly saw in the fire what Ovid calls **obsorui forma territius.** She informed the queen of it, and when by her orders she had approached near it, she conceived a son, who was called Servius Tulius, and who, being educated in the king's family, afterwards succeeded to the vacant throne. Some suppose that Vulcan had assumed that form which was presented to the eyes of Ocria, and that the god was the father of the 6th king of Rome. *Plut. de fort. Rom.-Plin. 56, c. 27.-Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 677.*

Octacillus, a slave who was manumitted, and who afterwards taught rhetoric at Rome. He had Pompey the Great in the number of his pupils. *Suet. in Rhet.-Martial. 10, ep. 79.*

Octavia, a Roman lady, sister to the emperor Augustus, and celebrated for her beauty and virtues. She married Claudius Marcellus, and after his death M. Antony. Her marriage with Antony was a political step to reconcile her brother and her husband. Antony proved for one time attentive to her but he soon after despaired her for Cleopatra; and when she attempted to withdraw him from this unlawful amour by going to meet him at Athens, she was secretly rebuked, and totally banished from his presence. This affront was highly resented by Augustus; and though Octavia endeavoured to pacify him by paliating her husband's behaviour, he resolved to revenge her cause by arms. After the battle of Actium and the death of Antony, Octavia, forgetful of the injuries she had received, took into her house all the children of her husband, and treated them with uncommon tenderness. Marcellus, her son by her first husband, was married to a niece of Augustus, and publicly intended as a successor to his uncle. His sudden death plunged all his family into the greatest grief. Virgil, whom Augustus patronized, undertook upon himself to pay a melancholy tribute to the memory of a young man whom Rome regarded as her future father and patron. He was desired to repeat his composition in the presence of Augustus and of his sister. Octavia burst into tears as soon as the poet began, but when he mentioned *Tu Marcellus eris,* she swooned away. This tender and pathetic encomium upon the merit and the virtues of young Marcellus, was liberally rewarded by Octavia, and Virgil received 10,000 sesterces for every one of the verses. Octavia had two daughters by Antony, Antonia Major and Antonia Minor. The elder married L. Domitius Ahenobarbus, by whom she had Cn. Domitius, the father of the emperor Nero by Agrippina, the daughter of Germanicus. Antonia Minor, who was as virtuous and as beautiful as her mother, married Drusus, the son of Tiberius, by whom she had Germanicus, and Claudius, who reigned before Nero. The death of Marcellus continually preyed upon the mind of Octavia, who died of melancholy about ten years before the Christian era. Her brother paid great regard to her memory, by pronouncing himself her funeral oration. The Roman people also showed their respect for her virtues by their wish to pay her divine honours. *Sueton. in Aug.-Plut. in Anton. &c.*-A daughter of the emperor Claudius by Messalina. She was betrothed to Silanus, but by the intrigues of Agrippina, she was married to the emperor Nero in the 16th year of her age. She was soon after divorced on pretence of barrenness, and the emperor married Poppæa, who exercised her enmity upon Octavia by causing her to be banished into Campania. She was afterwards recalled at the instance of the people, and Poppæa, who resolved on her ruin, caused her again to be banished to an island, where she was ordered to kill herself by opening her veins. Her head was cut off and carried to Poppæa. *Suet. in Claud. 27. in Ner. 7 & 35.-Tacit. Ann. 12.*

Octaviánus, or Octavius Cæsar, the nephew of Cæsar the dictator. After the battle of Actium, and the final destruction of the Roman republic, the servile senate bestowed upon him the title and surname of Augustus, as expressive of his greatness and dignity. *Vul. Augustus.*
Octavius, a Roman officer who brought Persus, King of Macedonia, a prisoner to the consul. He was sent by his countrymen to be guardian to Ptolemy Eupator, the young king of Egypt, where he behaved with the greatest arrogance. He was assassinated by Lysias, who was before regent of Egypt. The murderer was sent to Rome.—A man who opposed Metellus in the reduction of Crete, by means of Pompey. He was obliged to retire from the island.—A man who banished Cinna from Rome, and became remarkable for his probity and fondness of discipline. He was seized and put to death by order of his successful rival Marius and Cinna.—A Roman who boasted of being in the number of Caesar's murderers. His assertions were false, yet he was punished as if he had been accessory to the conspiracy.—A lieutenant of Crassus in Parthia. He accompanied his general to the tent of the Parthian conqueror, and was killed by the enemy as he attempted to hinder them from carrying away Crassus.—A governor of Cilicia. He died in his province, and Lucullus made applications to succeed him, &c.—A tribune of the people of Rome, whom Tib. Gracchus, his colleague, deposed.—A commander of the forces of Antony against Augustus.—An officer who killed himself, &c.—A tribune of the people, who debarred a woman of Pontus from her husband. She proved unfaithful to him, upon which he murdered her. He was condemned under Nero. Tacit. Ann. & Hist.—Plut. in Vittis.—Flor. Liv. &c.—A poet in the Augustan age intimate with Horace. He also distinguished himself as an historian. Horat. 1, Sat. 10 v. 82.

Octoauris, a village in the modern country of Switzerland, now called Martigny. Cas. B. G. 3, c. 1.

Octogesia, a town of Spain, a little above the mouth of the Iberus, now called Mequinenza. Cas. B. G. 1, c. 61.

Octolophum, a place of Greece. Liv. 31.

Ocyalus, one of the Phaeacians.

Ocyere, one of the Harpies, who infected whatever she touched. The name signifies swift flying. Hesiod. Theog.—Apollod. 1, c. 9.—A daughter of Thaumas.—A daughter of Danaus.

Ocyroe, a daughter of Chiron, who had the gift of prophecy. She was changed into a mare. [Vid. Mete. 638, &c.—A woman carried away by Apollo, as she was going to a festival at Miletus.

ODEMATUS, a celebrated prince of Palmyra. He early inured himself to bear fatigues, and by hunting leopards and wild beasts, he accustomed himself to the labours of a military life. He was faithful to the Romans, and when Aurelian had been taken prisoner by Sapor, king of Persia, Odenatus warmly interested himself in his cause, and solicited his release by writing a letter to the conqueror, and sending him presents. The king of Persia was offended at the liberty of Odenatus; he tore the letter and ordered the presents which were offered to be thrown into a river. To punish Odenatus, who had the impudence, as he observed, to pay homage to so great a monarch as himself, he ordered him to appear before him, on pain of being devoted to instant destruction with all his family, if he dared to refuse. Odenatus disdained the summons of Sapor, and opposed force to force. He obtained some advantages over the troops of the Persian monarch, and took his wife prisoner, with a great and rich booty. These services were seen with gratitude by the Romans, and Gallienus, the then reigning emperor, named Odenatus as his colleague on the throne, and gave the title of Augustus to his children, and to his wife the celebrated Zenobia. Odenatus, invested with new power, resolved to signalize himself more conspicuously by conquering the northern barbarians; but his exultation was short, and he perished by the dagger of one of his relations, whom he had slightly offended in a domestic entertainment. He died at Emessa, about the 267th year of the Christian era. Zenobia succeeded to all his titles and honours.

Odessus, a river with a mountain of the same name, near the Euxine sea, in Asia Minor. Ovid. 1, Trist. 9, v. 37.

Ogenius, a celebrated hero of antiquity, who flourished about 70 years before the Christian era in the northern parts of ancient Germany, or the modern kingdom of Denmark. He was at once a priest, a soldier, an apostle, a monarch, and a conqueror. He imposed upon the credulity of his superstitious countrymen, and made them believe that he could raise the dead to life, and that he was acquainted with futurity. When he had extended his power, and increased his fame by conquest and by persuasion, he resolved to die in a different manner from other men. He assembled his friends, and with the sharp point of a lance, he made on his body nine different wounds in the form of a circle, and as he expired, he declared he was going into Scythia, where he should become one of the immortal gods. He further added, that he would prepare bliss and felicity for such of his countrymen as lived a virtuous life, who fought with intrepidity, and who died like heroes in the field of battle. These injunctions had the desired effect; his countrymen superstitiously believed him, and always recommended themselves to his protection whenever they engaged in a battle, and they entreated him to receive the souls of such as had fallen in war.

Oidites, a son of Ixion, killed by Mopsas at the nuptials of Pirithous. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 457.—A prince killed at the nuptials of Andromache. Id. ib 5, v. 97.

Odogers, a king of the Heruli, who destroyed the western empire of Rome, and called himself king of Italy, A. D. 476.

Odomanti, a people of Thrace. Liv. 43, c. 4.

Odones, a people of Thrace.

Odrysae, an ancient people of Thrace, pe-
between Abdera and the river Ister. The epithet of Oarysius is often applied to a Thracian. Ovid. Met. 15, v. 554.

Odysses, one of the gods of Thrace. Odyssaea, one of Homer’s epic poems, in which he describes, in 24 books, the adventures of Ulysses on his return from the Trojan war, with other material circumstances. The whole of the action comprehends no more than 55 days. It is not so esteemed as the Iliad of that poet. Vid. Homerus.

Odysses, a promontory of Sicily on the west of Cape Pachin.

Eagrus and Eager, the father of Orpheus by Calliope. He was king of Thrace, and from him the Hebrus, one of the rivers of the country, has received the appellation of Eagrius; though Servius, in his commentaries, disputes the explanation of Diodorus, by asserting that the Eagrius is a river of Thrace, whose waters supply the streams of the Hebrus. Ovid. in lib. 484.—Apollon. 1, Arg.—Virg. G. 4, v. 524.—Ital. 5, v. 463.—Died.

Œa, now Tripoli, a town of Africa. Plin. 5, c. 4.—Sil. Ital. 3, 257.—A place in the island of Eginus. Herod. 5, c. 83.

Œanthe and Œanthia, a town of Achaia, where Venus had a temple. Paus. 10, c. 58.

Œax, a son of Nauplius and Clymene. He was brother to Palamedes. Hygfin. fab. 117.

Œbalia, the ancient name of Laconia, which it received from Œbalus. Paus. 3, c. 1.—Apollod. 3, c. 10.—A country of Italy, in whose territories Tarentum was built by a colony of Laconians. Virg. G. 4, v. 125.—Sil. 12, v. 431.

Œalus, a son of Argalus or Cyncortas, who was king of Laconia. He married Gorgoephage, the daughter of Perseus, by whom he had Hippocoon, Tyndareus, &c. Paus. 3, c. 1.—Apollod. 3, c. 10.—A son of Teon and the nymph Sibethia, who reigned in the neighbourhood of Naepolis, in Italy. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 734.

Œbœas, a satrap of Cyprus. Polyen. 7.—A groom of Darius, son of Hystaspes. He was the cause that his master obtained the kingdom of Persia, by his artifice in making his horse neigh first. [Vid. Darius 1st.] Herodot. 3, c. 63.—Justin. 1, c. 10.

Œdos, a Grecian hero, to whom the Grecians raised a statue, and conferred great honours upon.

Œchalia, a country of Peloponnesus in Laconia, with a small town of the same name. This town was destroyed by Hercules, while Eurystus was king over it, from which circumstance it is often called Eurypolips.—A small town of Eubœa. Virg. Æn. 8, v. 291.—Ovid. Herod. 9, Met. 9, v. 136.

Œclides, a patronymic of Amphiarautus, son of Ecleus. Ovid. Met. 8, fab. 7.


Œdipus, a fountain of Thebes in Boeotia.
this: What animal in the morning walks upon four feet, at noon upon two, and in the evening upon three? This was left for (Edipus to explain; he came to the monster and said, that man, in the morning of life, walks upon his hands and his feet; when he has attained the years of manhood, he walks upon his two legs; and in the evening, he supports his old age with the assistance of a staff. The monster was mortified at the true explanation, and dashed his head against a rock and perished. (Edipus ascended the throne of Thebes, and married Jocasta, by whom he had two sons, Polynices and Eteocles, and two daughters, Ismena and Antigone. Some years after, the Theban territories were visited with a plague; and the oracle declared that it should cease only when the murderer of king Laius was banished from Boeotia. As the death of Laius had never been examined, and the circumstances that attended it never known, this answer of the oracle was of the greatest concern to the Thebans; but (Edipus, the friend of his people, resolved to overcome every difficulty by the most exact inquiries. His researches were successful, and he was soon proved to be the murderer of his father. The melancholy discovery was rendered the more alarming, when (Edipus considered, that he had not only murdered his father, but that he had committed incest with his mother. In the excess of his grief he put out his eyes, as unworthy to see the light, and banished himself from Thebes, or, as some say, was banished by his own sons. He retired towards Attica, led by his daughter Antigone, and came near Colonos, where there was a grove sacred to the Furies. He remembered that he was doomed by the oracle to die in such a place, and to become the source of prosperity to the country in which his bones were buried. A messenger upon this was sent to Theseus, king of the country, to inform him of the resolution of (Edipus. When Theseus arrived, (Edipus acquainted him with a prophetic voice, that the gods had called him to die in the place where he stood; and to show the truth of this, he walked himself, without the assistance of a guide, to the spot where he must expire. Immediately the earth opened, and (Edipus disappeared. Some suppose that (Edipus had not children by Jocasta, and that the mother murdered herself as soon as she knew the incest which had been committed. His tomb was near the Areopagus, in the age of Pausanias. Some of the ancient poets represent him in hell, as suffering the punishment which crimes like his seemed to deserve. According to some, the four children which he had were by Euriganea, the daughter of Periphas, whom he married after the death of Jocasta. Apollod. 3, c. 5.—Hygin. fab. 66, &c.—Eurip. in Phoeniss. &c.—Sophoc. Edip. Tyr. & Col. Antig. &c.—Hesiod. Theog. 1.—Homer. Od. 11.—Paus. 9, c. 5, &c.—Stat. Theb. Suecci in Edip.—Pindar. Olymp. 2.—Diod. 4.—Athen. 6, & 10.

ŒNF, a daughter of Danaus.
on condition that all who entered the list, should agree to lay down their life if conquered. Many had already perished, when Pelops, son of Tantalus, proposed himself. He previously bribed Myrrtilus the charioteer of Enomenus, by promising him the enjoyment of the favours of Hippodamia, if he proved victorious. Myr-
tilus gave his master an old chariot, whose axle-tree broke on the course, which was from Pisa to the Corinthian isthmus, and Enomenus was killed. Pelops married Hippodamia, and became king of Pisa. As he expired, Eno-
menus entreated Pelops to revenge the perfidy of Myrrtilus, which was executed. Those that had been defeated when Pelops entered the lists, were Marmax, Alcathons, Euryalus, Eurymachus, Capetus, Lasius, Acritas, Chaldodon, Lycurgus, Tricolonus, Prias, Ariat-

ENON, a part of Locris on the bay of Co-
rinth. 

ENION, an ancient name of the island Eginia. It is also called Enopia.—Two vil-
lages of Attica are also called Enona, or rather Enoe. 

ENONE, a nymph of mount Ida, daughter of the river Cebrenus in Phrygia. As she had received the gift of prophecy, she foretold to Paris, whom she married before he was dis-
covered to be the son of Priam, that his voyage into Greece would be attended with the most serious consequences, and the total ruin of his country, and that he should have recourse to his medicinal knowledge at the hour of death. All these predictions were fulfilled, and Paris, when he had received the fatal wound, ordered his body to be carried to Enone, in hopes of being cured by her assistance. He expired as he came into her presence, and Enone was so struck at the sight of his dead body, that she bathed it with her tears, and stabbed herself to the heart. Dictys. Cret.—Ovid. de Rom. Amor, v. 457. Herod. 5.—Lucan. 9. 

ENOPIA, one of the ancient names of the island Eginia. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 473. 

ENOPIDES, a mathematician of Chios. 

ENOPION, a son of Ariadne by Theseus, or, according to others, by Baccus. He married Helice, by whom he had a daughter called Hero, or Meropé, of whom the giant Orion be-
came enamoured. The father, unwilling to give his daughter to such a lover, and afraid of provoking him by an open refusal, evaded his applications, and at last put out his eyes when he was intoxicated. Enopion received the island of Chios from Rhadamantus, who had conquered most of the islands of the Aegean sea, and his tomb was still seen there in the age of Pausanias. Some suppose, and with more probability, that he reigned not at Chios, but at Eginia, which from him was called Enopia. Plut. in Thes.—Apollod. 1, c. 4.— 

Diod.—Paus. 7, c. 4.—Apollod. Rhod. 3. 

ENOPTA, among the Athenians a kind of censor, who watched to repress all unlawful debaucheries which could creep into feasts; he died the guilty before the court of Areopagus. Enopta properly signifies, the inspector of wives, 

ENÔTRI, the inhabitants of Enotria. 

ENOTRIA, a part of Italy which was after-
wards called Lucania. It received this name from Enotrus the son of Lycaon, who settled there with a colony of Arcadians. The Eno-
trians afterwards spread themselves into Umbria, and as far as Latium, and the country of the Sabines, according to some writers. The name of Enotria is sometimes applied to Italy. That part of Italy where Enotrus settled was before inhabited by the Ausones. Dions. Hal. 8, c. 11.—Paus. 1, c. 3.—Virg. Æn. 1, v. 236. l. 7, v. 85.—Ital. 8, v. 220. 

ENOTRIDE, a name of Ischia and Pontia, two little islands on the other side of Lu-
cania, where several Romans were banished under the reign of the emperors. 

ENOTRUS, a son of Lycaon of Arcadia. He passed into Magna Graecia with a colony, and gave the name of Enotria to that part of the country where he settled. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 85. 

ENÔUS, small islands near Chios. — Others on the coast of the Peloponnesus, near Messenia. Met. 2, c. 17. 

ENÔUS, a son of Lycurynus, killed at Sparta, where he accompanied Hercules. 

ENOE, an island of Boeotia, formed by the Asopus. 

ETA, a celebrated mountain between Thes-
saly and Macedonia, upon which Hercules burnt himself. Its height has given occasion to the poets to feign that the sun, moon, and stars, rose behind it. Mount Òta, properly speaking, is a long chain of mountains which runs from the straita of Thermopyle and the gulf of Malia in a western direction to mount Pindus, and from thence to the bay of Am-
bra. The straits or passes of mount Òta, are called the straits of Thermopylia from the hot baths and mineral waters which are in the neighbourhood. These passes are not more than 25 feet in breadth. Apoc. 2, c. 7. 

—Paus. 10, c. 20, &c.—Ovid. Herod. 9, Met. 2, v. 216, 19, v. 204, &c.—Virg. Écl. 8.—Plin. 25, c. 5.—Seneca in Med. Lucan. 3, &c.—A small town at the foot of mount Òta near Thermopylia. 

CYTÔUS or CETYM, a town of Laonia, which received its name from Cytius, one of the heroes of Argos. Serapie had a temple there. Paus. 3, c. 25. 

ETUS or OÔUS, a giant, son of Alæus a bro-
er of Ephialta. 

OPELLUS, a man whom, though unpollished, Horace represents as a character exemplary for wisdom, economy, and moderation. Horat. 2, Sat. 2, v. 2. 

OTT, a nation of Germany. Tacit de Germ. 

OG, a giant of an immense size, whom Syrians made a god. 

OOGOLOPALIS, a navigable river flowing fr

the Alps.
iate him from Ajax, the son of Telamon. He had also another son called Medon, by a courte-
sian called Rhene. Oileus was one of the Ar-
gonauts. Virg. Æn. 1. v. 45.—Apollon. 1.—Hu-
gin, fab. 14 & 18.—Homer. Il. 13 & 15.—Apoll. 3. c. 10.

Olans, one of the mouths of the Po.—A mountain of Armenia.

Olanus, a town of Lesbos.

Olaster, a people of India. Phars. 3. v. 249.—Plin. 6. c. 20.

Olba, of Olbus, a town of Cilicia.

Olbia, a town of Sarmatia at the confluence of the Hypanis and the Borysthenes, about 12 miles from the sea, according to Pliny. It was afterwards called Borysthenes and Miletopolis, because people by a Milesian colony. Strab. 7.—Plin. 4. c. 12.—A town of Bithynia. Met. 1. c. 19.—A town of Gallia Narbonensis. Id. 2. c. 5.—The capital of Sardinia. Claudian.


Olbus, one of the allies of Olta. Val. Flacc. 6. v. 639.

Olchium, of Olciniun, a town of Dal-

Olears, or Olibus, one of the Cyclades, 
about 16 miles in circumference, separated from Pares by a straight of seven miles. Virg. Æn. 3. v. 126.—Ovid. Met. 7. v. 469.—Strab. 10.

Oleatrum, a town of Spain.

Olen, a Greek poet of Lycia, who flourished some time before the age of Orpheus, and composed many hymns, some of which were regularly sung at Delphi on solemn occasions. Some suppose that he was the first who established the oracle of Apollo at Delphi, where he first delivered oracles. Herodot. 4. c. 35.

Olenus, a man who married Lethaea, a 
beautiful woman who preferred herself to the goddesses. She and her husband were changed into stones by the deities. Ovid. Met. 10. v. 68.

Olenus, or Olenum, a town of Peloponne-
sus, between Patra and Cylene. The goat
Amalthaea, which was made the constellation by Jupiter, is called Olena, from its residence there. Ovid. Met. 3.—Strab. 8.—Apollod. 1. c. 16.—Another in Ætolia.

Olenius, a Lessian killed by his wife. Val. Flacc. 2. v. 164.

Olecys, a mountain of Galatia

Olegris, a town of Peloponnese.

Odysys, a promontory near Megara.

Olenthus, a town of Macedonia.

Oleoros, now Antiparos, one of the Cy-
lades.

Oletingi, a town of Lusitania. Met. 3. c. 1.

Oleippo, now Lisbon, an old town of Spain, on the Tagus, called by some Ulysses, is sup-
poused to have been built by Ulysses. It was 
surnamed Felicia Julia. Ptol. 4. c. 22.—Met. 3. c. 1.

Ollon, a town of Magnesia, in Thessaly.

Olapedes, a people of Spain. T. L. 31.

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T. OLLIUS, the father of Poppaea, destroyed on account of his intimacy with Sejanus, &c. Tacit. Ann. 13, c. 45.
Ollovico, a prince of Gaul, called the friend of the republic by the Roman senate. Cat. Beil. G. 7, c. 31.
Olma, a promontory of Meganisa.
Olophyxus, a town of Macedonia on mount Athos. Herodot. 7, c. 22.
Olophon, now Alcesta, a town of Magnesia.
Olpe, now Forte Castri, a strong town of Epirus.
Olus, a town of Crete, on the west of the island.
Olympium, a place in Delos.—Another in Syracuse.
Olympia (Orum), celebrated games which received their name either from Olympia, where they were observed, or from Jupiter Olympus, to whom they were dedicated. They were, according to some, instituted by Jupiter after his victory over the Titans, and first observed by the Idai Dactyli, B. C. 1433. Some attribute the institution to Pelops, after he had obtained a victory over Enomaus, and married Hippodamia; but the more probable, and indeed the more received opinion is, that they were first established by Hercules in honour of Jupiter Olympus, after a victory obtained over Augias, B. C. 1222. Strabo objects to this opinion by observing, that if they had been established in the age of Homer, the poet would have undoubtedly spoken of them, as he is in every particular careful to mention the amusements and diversions of the ancient Greeks. But they were neglected after their first institution by Hercules, and no notice was taken of them, according to many writers, till Iphitus, in the age of the lawgiver of Sparta, renewed them, and instituted the celebration with greater solemnity. This re-institution, which happened B. C. 384, forms a celebrated epoch in Grecian history, and is the beginning of the Olympiads. [Vid. Olympias.] They, however, were neglected for some time after the age of Iphitus, till Corebas, who obtained a victory B. C. 776, re-instituted them to be regularly and constantly celebrated. The care and superintendence of the games were entrusted to the people of Elis, till they were excluded by the Pisanae B. C. 364, after the destruction of Pisa. These obtained great privileges from this appointment; they were in danger neither of violence nor war, but they were permitted to enjoy their possessions without molestation, as the games were celebrated within their territories. Only one person superintended till the 50th Olympiad, when two were appointed. In the 1053 Olympiad, the number was increased to 12, according to the number of the tribes of Elis. But in the following Olympiad, they were reduced to eight, and afterwards increased to ten, which number continued till the reign of Adrian. The presidents were obliged solemnly to swear that they would act impartially, and not take any bribes, or discover why they rejected some of the combatants. They generally sat naked, and held before them the crown which was prepared for the conquerer. There were also certain officers to keep good order and regularity, called advra, much the same as the Roman lictors, of whom the chief was called advarumper. No women were permitted to appear at the celebration of the Olympian games, and whoever dared to trespass this law, was immediately thrown down from a rock. This, however, was sometimes neglected, for we find not only women present at the celebration, but also some among the combatants, and some rewarded with the crown. The preparations for these festivals were great. No person was permitted to enter the lists, if he had not regularly exercised himself ten months before the celebration at the public gymnasia of Elis. No unfair dealings were allowed; and whoever attempted to bribe his adversary, was subjected to a severe fine. No criminals, nor such as were connected with impious and guilty persons, were suffered to present themselves as combatants; and even the father and relations were obliged to swear, that they would have recourse to no artifice which might decide the victory in favour of their friends. The wrestlers were appointed by lot. Some little balls superscribed with a letter, were thrown into a silver urn, and such as drew the same letter, were obliged to contend one with the other. He who had an odd letter remained the last, and he often had the advantage, as he was to encounter the last who had obtained the superiority over his adversary. In these games were exhibited running, leaping, wrestling, boxing, and the throwing of the quoit, which was called altogether περικήροις, or quinquentium. Besides these, there were horse and chariot races, and also contentions in poetry, eloquence, and the fine arts. The only reward that the conqueror obtained, was a crown of olive; which, as some suppose, was in memory of the labours of Hercules, which were accomplished for the universal good of mankind, and for which the hero claimed no other reward but the consciousness of having been the friend of humanity. So small and trifling a reward, stimulated courage and virtue, and was more the source of great honours than the most unbounded treasures. The statues of the conquerors, called Olympionices, were erected at Olympia in the sacred wood of Jupiter. Their return home was that of a warlike conqueror; they were drawn in a chariot by four horses, and every where received with the greatest acclamations. Their entrance into their native city, was not through the gates, but, to make it more grand and more solemn, a breach was made in the walls. Painters and poets were employed in celebrating their names; and indeed the victories severally obtained at Olympia, are the subjects of the most beautiful odes of Pindar. The combatants were naked; a scarf was originally tied round their waist; but when it had entangled one of the adversaries, and been the cause that he lost the victory, it was laid aside, and no regard was paid to decency. The olympic games were observed.
OLYMPIA, a surname of Juno.—A surname of Lucina.

OLYMPIA, a certain space of time which elapsed between the celebration of the Olympic games. The Olympic games were celebrated after the expiration of four complete years, whereas some have said that they were observed every fifth year. This period of time was called Olympiad, and became a celebrated era among the Greeks, who computed their time by it. The custom of reckoning time by the celebration of the Olympic games, was not introduced at the first institution of these festivals, but to speak accurately, only the year in which Coraxus obtained the prize. This Olympiad, which has always been reckoned the first, fell, according to the accurate and learned computations of some of the moderns, exactly 776 years before the Christian era, in the year of the Julian period 3938, and 23 years before the building of Rome. The games were exhibited at the time of the full moon, next after the summer solstice; therefore the Olympiads were of unequal length, because the time of the full moon differs 11 days every year, and for that reason they sometimes began the next day after the solstice, and at other times four weeks after. The computations by Olympiads ceased, as some suppose, after the 364th, in the year 440 of the Christian era. It was universally adopted, not only by the Greeks, but by many of the neighbouring countries, though still the Pythian games served as an epoch to the people of Delphi and to the Boeotians, the Nemean games to the Argives and Arcadians, and the Isthmian to the Corinthians and the inhabitants of the Peloponnesian isthmus. To the Olympiads, history is much indebted. They have served to fix the time of many momentous events, and indeed before this method of computing time was observed, every page of history is mostly fabulous, and filled with obscurity and contradiction, and no true chronological account can be properly established and maintained with certainty. The mode of computation, which was used after the suppression of the Olympiads, and of the consular fasti of Rome, was more useful, as it was more universal; but while the era of the creation of the world prevailed in the east, the western nations in the 6th century began to adopt with more propriety the Christian epoch, which was propagated in the 3rd century, and at last, in the 10th, became legal and popular.

—A celebrated woman who was daughter of a king of Epirus, and who married Philip, king of Macedonia, by whom she had Alexander the Great. Her haughtiness, and, more probably, her infidelity, obliged Philip to repudiate her, and to marry Cleopatra, the niece of king Attalus. Olympias was sensible of this injury, and Alexander showed his disapprobation of his father's measures by retiring from the court to his mother. The murder of Philip, which soon followed this disgrace, and which some have attributed to the intrigues of Olympias, was productive of the greatest extravagancies. The queen paid the highest honour to her husband's murderer. She gathered his mangled limbs, placed a crown of gold upon his head, and laid his ashes near those of Philip. The administration of Alexander, who had succeeded his father, was, in some instance, offensive to Olympias, but, when the ambition of her son was concerned, she did not scruple to declare publicly, that Alexander was not the son of Philip, but that he was the offspring of an enormous serpent who had supernaturally introduced himself into her bed. When Alexander was dead, Olympias seized the government of Macedonia, and, to establish her usurpation, she cruelly put to death Ari- deus, with his wife Eurydice, as also Nicanor, the brother of Cassander, with 100 leading men of Macedon, who were inimical to her interest. Such barbarities did not long remain unpunished; Cassander besieged her in Pydna, where she had retired with the remains of her family, and she was obliged to surrender after an obstinate siege. The conqueror ordered her to be accused and to be put to death. A body of 200 soldiers were ordered to put the bloody commands into execution, but the splendour and majesty of the queen disarmed their courage, and she was at last massacred by those whom she had cruelly deprived of their children, about 316 years before the Christian era. Justin, 7, c. 6. l. 9, c. 1.—Plut. in Alex. Curt.—Paus.—A fountain of Arcadia, which flowed for one year, and the next was dry. Paus. 8, c. 29.

OLYMPIODORUS, a musician, who taught Epaminondas music. C. Nep.—A native of Thebes, in Egypt, who flourished under Theodosius 2d, and wrote an history, in Greek, of Honorius, besides an account of an embassy to some of the barbarian nations of the north, &c. His style is censured by some as low and unworthy of an historian. The commentaries of Olympiodorus on the Metam of Aristotle, were edited apud Ald. 1550, in fol.—An Athenian officer, present at the battle of Platea, where he behaved with uncommon courage and valour. But

OLYMPII, (gods) were the same as the gods Consentes. Vid. Consentes.
Olympus, a surname of Jupiter at Olympia, where the god had a celebrated temple and statute, which passed for one of the seven wonders of the world. It was the work of Phidias.

A native of Carthage, called also Nemesis. Vid. Nemesisianus. A favourite at the court of Honorius, who was the cause of Stilicho's death.

Olympus, a physician of Cleopatra queen of Egypt, who wrote some historical treatises. Plut. in Anton. — A poet and musician, disciple to Marsyas, before the Trojan war.

Another, in the age of king Midas, often confounded with the former. — A son of Hercules and Euboe. A mountain of Macedonia and Thessaly. The ancients supposed that it touched the heavens with its top; and from that circumstance, they have placed the residence of the gods there, and have made it the court of Jupiter. It is about one mile and a half in perpendicular height, and is covered with pleasant woods, caves, and grottos. On the top of the mountain, according to the notions of the poets, there was no wind, no rain, no clouds, but an eternal spring. Homer. Il. 1, &c.— Virg. Æn. 2, 6, &c.— Ovid. Met. Lucan. 5.— Mele, c. 3. — Strab. 8. — A mountain of Mysia, called the Mysian Olympus, a name it still preserves. — Another, in Elyia.

Another, in Arcadia. — And another, in the island of Cyprus. Some suppose the Olympus of Mysia and of Cilicia to be the same. — A town on the coast of Lycia.

Olympus, a daughter of Thespis.

Olynythus, a celebrated town and republic of Macedonia, on the isthmus of the peninsula of Pallene. It became famous for its flourishing situation, and for its frequent disputes with the Athenians, Lacedaemonians, and king Philip. Cic. in Ver. — Plut. de Ir. con. &c.— Mele, 2, c. 2.— Herod. 1, c. 127.

Olyras, a river near Thermopylae.

Olyzon, a town of Thessaly.

Omadius of Omphagius, surnames of Bacchus.

Omarius, a Lacedaemonian sent to Darius, &c. Curt. 3, c. 13.

Ombri and Tentys, two-neighbouring cities of Egypt, whose inhabitants are always in discord one with another. Jug. 15, v. 33.


Ombria or Umbría, a country of Italy, separated from Etruria by the Tiber, and bound of the north by the Adriatic sea, in the middle by the Nar, on the east by Picenum and the country of the Sabines. It takes its name from the frequent rains with which it is inundated, or from the shadow of the Apennines to which it is exposed. Ombria includes several important villages, its inhabitants after having been a long time enemies to the Romans, became their allies towards the year of Rome 404. Catul. 40, v. 11. — Strab. 5. — Plin. 3, c. 12. — Dion. Hal.

Omois or Homole, a mountain of Thessaly. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 675. — There were some festivals called Homoleia, which were celebrated in Boeotia in honour of Jupiter, surnamed Homoleus.

Omphagia, a festival in honour of Bacchus. The word signifies the eating of raw flesh. Vid. Dionysia.

Omivaga, one of the surnames of Diana.

Omphale, a queen of Lydia, daughter of Jardanus. She married Tmolus, who, at his death, left her mistress of his kingdom. Omphale had been informed of the great exploits of Hercules, and wished to see so illustrious a hero. Her wish was soon gratified. After the murder of Eurytus, Hercules fell sick, and was ordered to be sold as a slave, that he might recover his health and the right use of his senses. Mercury was commissioned to sell him, and Omphale bought him, and restored him to liberty. The hero became enamoured of his mistress, and the queen favoured his passion, and had a son by him, whom some call Agelaus, and others Lamon. From this son were descended Gyges and Cresus; but this opinion is different from the account which makes these Lydian monarchs spring from Alceus, a son of Hercules, by one of the female servants of Omphale. Hercules is represented by the poets as so desperately enamoured of the queen, that to conciliate her esteem, he spins by her side among her women, while she covers herself with the lion's skin, and arms herself with the club of the hero, and often strikes him with her sandals for the uncouth manner with which he holds the distaff, &c. Their fondness was mutual. As they once traveled together, they came to a grotto on mount Tmolus, where the queen dressed herself in the habit of her lover, and obliged him to appear in a female garment. After they had supped, they both retired to rest in different rooms, as a sacrifice on the morrow to Bacchus required. In the night, Faunus, or rather Pan, who was enamoured of Omphale, introduced himself into the cave. He went to the bed of the queen, but the lion's skin persuaded him that it was the dress of Hercules, and therefore he repaired to the bed of Hercules, in hopes to find there the object of his affections. The female dress of Hercules deceived him, and he laid himself down by his side. The hero was awakened, and kicked the intruder into the middle of the cave. The noise awoke Omphale, and Faunus was discovered lying on the ground, greatly disappointed and ashamed. Orbis. Fert. 2, v. 305, &c. — Apollod. 1, c. 9, l. 2, c. 7. — Ducd. 4. — Propert. 3, c. 11, v. 17.

Omphalos, a place of Crete, sacred to Jupiter.

Omphalomantia, a kind of divination which is practised by means of an umbilical rope.

Omphis, that is to say benefactor, one of the names of Osiris. — A king of the Indies who submitted to Alexander the Great. Quint. Curt. 8, c. 12.

Onium or Öneum, a promontory and town of Dalmatia. Liv. 43, c. 19.

Onarus, a priest of Bacchus, who is sup-
posed to have married Ariadne after she had been abandoned by Theseus. Plut. in Thes.

Onasimus, a sophist of Athens, who flourished in the reign of Constantine.

Onatas, a famous statuary of Ægina. Paus. 8, c. 42.


Onchestus, a town of Bootia, founded by Onchestus, a son of Neptune. Paus. 9, c. 26.

Onchestites, a wind thus called by the people of Italy, because it blew from Onchesmus, a port of Ephesus. They call it also Onchenites and Onchestites. C. ad Att. 7, op. 2.—Pluton.

Onchestus, a surname of Neptune.

Onicus or Cenus, son of Apollo, was the possessor of the horse Orion.

Onesimus, a Macedonian nobleman, treated with great kindness by the Roman emperors. He wrote an account of the life of the emperor Probus and of Carus, with great precision and elegance.

Onesiphorus, a son of Hercules. Apollod.

Onkios, a king of Salamis, who revolted from the Persians.

Onesander, an Athenian officer, who attempted to murder the garrison which Demetrius had stationed at Athens, &c. Polyb. 5.

Onesicritus, a cynic philosopher of Ægina, who went with Alexander into Asia, and was sent to the Indian Gymnosophists. He wrote an history of the king's life, which had been censured for the romantic, exaggerated, and improbable narrative it gives. It is asserted that Alexander, upon reading it, said, that he should be glad to come to life again for some time, to see what reception the historian's work met with. Plut. in Alex.—Curt. 9, c. 10.

Ovinium, a place of Peloponnesus.

Onoba, a town near the columns of Hercules. Met. 3, c. 1.

Onobala, a river of Sicily.

Onocentauri, deformed spirits which they represented to be of an immense size, half man and half beast.

Onocchus, a river of Thessaly, falling into the Peneus. It was dried up by the army of Xerxes. Herodot. 7, c. 196.

Onomacritus, a soothsayer of Athens. It is generally believed, that the Greek poem, on the Argonautic expedition, attributed to Orpheus, was written by Onomacritus. The elegant poems of Museus are also, by some, supposed to be the production of his pen. He flourished about 516 years before the Christian era, and was expelled from Athens by Hipparchus, one of the sons of Pisistratus. Hes. in, c. 4. A Locrian, who wrote concerning laws, &c. Aristoc. 2, Polit.

Onoparchus, a Phocean general, distinguished during the sacred war. He died 353 B. C. A man to whose care Autogonus entrusted the keeping of Eumenes. C. Nep. in Eum.

Onomastorides, a Lacedemonian ambassador sent to Darius, &c. Curt. 3, c. 13.
veterate enemy to C. Gracchus and his adherents, and behaved, during his consulship, like a dictator. He was accused of bribery, and banished. He died of want at Derrachium. Cic. pro Sext. Planc. et in Pis. Plut.—A Roman, who killed one of the Cimbri in single combat.—A rich usurer at Rome in the age of Horace 2, Sat. 3, v. 142.

Opitergini, a people near Aquileia, on the Adriatic. Their chief city is called Opitergum. Lucan. 4, v. 416.

Orites, a native of Argos, killed by Hector in the Trojan war. Homer. II.

Opia, a vestal virgin, buried alive for her incontinence.

Oppia lex, by C. Oppius, the tribune, A. U. C. 540. It required that no woman should wear above half an ounce of gold, have party-coloured garments, or be carried in any city or town, or to any place within a mile's distance, unless it was to celebrate some sacred festivals or solemnities. This celebrated law which was made while Annibal was in Italy, and while Rome was in distressed circumstances, created discontent, and, 18 years after, the Roman ladies petitioned the assembly of the people that it might be repealed. Cato opposed it strongly, and made many satirical reflections upon the women for their appearing in public to solicit votes. The tribune Valerius, who had presented their petition to the assembly, answered the objections of Cato, and his eloquence had such an influence on the minds of the people, that the law was instantly abrogated with the unanimous consent of all the comitia, Cato alone excepted. Liv. 33 & 34.—Cie de Orat. 3.

Oppianus, a Greek poet of Cilicia in the second century. His father's name was Agesilaus, and his mother's Zenodota. He wrote some poems, celebrated for their elegance and sublimity. Two of his poems are now extant, five books on fishing, called alisitcum, and four on hunting, called cymegetcum. The emperor Caracalla was so pleased with his poetry, that he gave him a piece of gold for every verse of his Cymegeticon; from which circumstance the poem received the name of the golden verses of Oppian. The poet died of the plague in the 30th year of his age. His countrymen engraved on his tomb, that the gods had hastened to call back Oppian in the flower of youth, only because he had already excelled all mankind. The best edition of his works is that of Schneider, 8vo. Argent. 1776.

Oppidius, a rich old man introduced by Horace, 2, Sat. 3, v. 168, as wisely dividing his possessions among his two sons, and warning them against those follies and that extravagance which he believed he saw rising in them.

C. Oppius, a friend of Julius Caesar, celebrated for his life of Scipio Africanus and of Pompey the Great. In the latter, he paid not much regard to historical facts, and took every opportunity to defame Pompey, to extol the character of his patron, Cesar. In the age of Suetonius, he was deemed the true author of the Alexandrian, African, and Spanish wars, which some attribute to Cesar, and others to A. Hiriatus.—An officer sent by the Romans against Mithridates. He met with ill success, and was sent in chains to the king, &c.—A Roman who saved his aged father from the dagger of the triumvirs.

Ope, (Ope) a daughter of Culus and Terra, the same as the Rhea of the Greeks, who married Saturn, and became mother of Jupiter. She was known among the ancients by the different names of Cybele, Bona Dea, Magna Mater, Thysa, Tellus, Prosperpina, and even of Juno and Minerva; and the worship which was paid to these apparently several deities, was offered merely to one and the same person, mother of the gods. The word Ope, seems to be derived from Opus; because the goddess, who is the same as the earth, gives nothing without labour.

Tatius built her a temple at Rome. She was generally represented as a matron, with her right hand opened, as if offering assistance to the helpless, and holding a loaf in her left hand. Her festivals were called Opalia, &c. Var. de L. L. 4.—Diomys. Hal. 2, &c.—Tibull. el. 4, v. 68.

Opus, (opus) a city of Locris, on the Asopus, destroyed by an earthquake. Strab. 9.—Mela, 2, c. 3.

Optatus, one of the fathers, whose works were edited by Du Pin, fol. Paris, 1700.

Optimus Maximus, epithets given to Jupiter, to denote his greatness and omnipotence.

Ora, a town of India, aken by Alexander.

One of Jupiter's mistresses.

Oraclum, an answer of the gods to the questions of men, or the place where those answers were given. Nothing is more famous than the ancient oracles of Egypt, Greece, Rome, &c. They were supposed to be the will of the gods themselves; and they were consulted, not only upon every important matter, but even in the affairs of private life. To make peace or war, to introduce a change of government, to plant a colony, to enact laws, to raise an edifice, to marry, were sufficient reasons to consult the will of the gods. Mankind in consulting them, showed that they wished to pay implicit obedience to the command of the divinity, and, when they had been favoured with an answer, they acted with more spirit and with more vigour, conscious that the undertaking had met with the sanction and approbation of heaven. In this, therefore, it will not appear wonderful, that so many places were sacred to oracular purposes. The small province of Bocota could once boast of her 25 oracles, and Peloponnese of the same number. Not only the chief of the gods gave oracles, but, in process of time, heroes were admitted to enjoy the same privileges, and the oracles of a Trophonius and an Antinous were soon able to rival the fame of Apollo and of Jupiter. The most celebrated oracles of antiquity were those of Dodona, Delphi, Jupiter Ammon, &c. [Vid. Dodona, Delphi, Ammon.]

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The temple of Delphi seemed to claim a superiority over the other temples; its fame was once more extended, and its riches were so great that not only private persons, but even kings and numerous armies, made it an object of plunder and of rapine. The manner of delivering oracles was different. A priestess at Delphi [Vid. Pythia] was permitted to pronounce the oracles of the god, and her delivery of the answers was always attended with acts of apparent madness and desperate fury. Not only women, but even doves, were the ministers of the temple of Dodona, and the suppliant votary was often startled to hear his questions readily answered by the decayed trunk, or the spreading branches of a neighbouring oak. Ammon conveyed his answer in a plain and open manner, but Amphithaurus required many abductions and preparatory ceremonies, and he generally communicated his oracles to his suppliants in dreams and visions. Sometimes the first words that were heard, after issuing from the temple, were deemed the answers of the oracles, and sometimes the nodding or shaking of the head of the statue, the motions of fishes in a neighbouring lake, or their reluctance in accepting the food which was offered to them, were as strong and valid as the most express and the minutest explanations. The answers were also sometimes given in verse, or written on tablets, but their meaning was always obscure, and often the cause of disaster to such as consulted them. Ctesus, when he consulted the oracle of Delphi, was told that, if he crossed the Halys, he must destroy a great empire: he supposed that that empire was the empire of his enemy, but unfortunately it was his own. The words of Crede, Aedida, Romanus vincere posse, which Pirithus received when he wished to assist the Tarentines against the Romans, by a favourable interpretation for himself, proved his ruin. Nero was ordered, by the oracle of Delphi, to beware of 73 years; but the pleasing idea that he should live to that age rendered him careless, and he was soon convinced of his mistake, when Galba, in his 73rd year, had the presumption to de-throne him. It is a question among the learned, whether the oracles were given by the inspiration of evil spirits, or whether they proceeded from the imposture of the priests. Imposture, however, and forgery, cannot long flourish, and falsehood becomes its own destroyer; and, on the contrary, it is well known how much confidence an enlightened age, therefore much more the cedulous and the superstitious, places upon dreams and romantic stories. Some have strongly believed, that all the oracles of the earth ceased at the birth of Christ, but the supposition is false. It was, indeed, the beginning of their decline; but they remained in repute, and were consulted, though perhaps not so frequently, till the fourth century, when Christianity began to triumph over paganism. The oracles often suffered themselves to be bribed. Alexander did it, but it is well known that Ly- sander failed in the attempt. Herodotus, who first mentioned the corruption which often prevailed in the oracular temples of Greece and Egypt, has been severely treated for his remarks by the historian Pintarch. Demosthenes is also a witness of the corruption, and he observed, that the oracles of Greece were serviceably subservient to the will and pleasure of Philip king of Macedon, as he beautifully expresses it by the word \( \phi \lambda \pi \tau \pi \xi \zeta \epsilon \nu \). If some of the Greeks, and other European and Asiatic countries, paid so much attention to oracles, and were so fully persuaded of their veracity, and even divinity, many of their leading men and of their philosophers were apprised of the deceit, and paid no regard to the command of priests, whom money could corrupt, and interposition silence. The Egyptians showed themselves the most superstitious of mankind, by their blind acquiescence to the imposition of the priests, who persuaded them that the safety and happiness of their life depended upon the mere motions of an ox, or the tamesness of a crocodile. Homer. II. Od. 10.—Herodot. 1 & 2.—Xenoph. Memor.—Strab. 5, 7, &c.—Paus. 1, &c.—Plut. de Defect. Orac. de Aeg. & de Hor. Malign. —Cic. de Div. 1, c. 19.—Justin. 24, c. 6.—L. 57.—Attian. V. H. 6.—C. Nep. in Lys. —Arist. ph. in Equit. & Plut.—Demost. Phil.—Ovid. Met. 1.

Orca, a small country of Peloponnesus. Paus. 2, c. 30.—Certain solemn sacrifices of fruits offered in the fourth seasons of the year, to obtain mild and temperate weather. They were offered to the goddesses who presided over the seasons, who attended upon the sun, and who received divine worship at Athens.

Orasus, a man who killed Poylemy, the son of Pythus.

Orates, a river of European Scythia. Ovid. ex Pont. 4, e. 10, v. 47. As this river is not now known, Vossius reads—Orates, a river which is found in Scythia. Val. Flacc. 4, v. 719.—Theocyd. 4.

Orbeus, a mountain of Thrace or Macedonia.

Orbilius Putillus, a grammarian of Benevenum, who was the first instructor of the poet Horace. He came to Rome in the consulsip of Cicero, and there, as a public teacher, acquired more fame than money. He was naturally of a severe disposition, of which his pupils often felt the effects. He lived almost to his 100th year, and lost his memory some time before his death. Suet. de Illust. Gr. 9.—Horat. 2, ep. 1, v. 71.

Orbitania, a town of the Sammites. Liv. 24, c. 20.

Orbona, a mischievous goddess at Rome, who, as it was supposed, made children die. Her temple at Rome was near that of the gods Lares. Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 25.—Plin. 2, c. 7.

Oracles, islands on the northern coasts of Britain, now called the Orkneys. They were unknown till Britain was discovered to be an island by Agricola, who presided there as governor. Tacit. in Agric.—Jur. 2, v. 161.

Orchalius, an eminence of Bactia, near Haliartus called also Alapecons. Plut. in Lys.
Orchamus, a king of Assyria, father of Leucchos, by Eurynome. He buried his daughter alive for her amours with Apollo. *Ovid* Met. 4, v. 212.

Orchia lex, by Orchius the tribune, A. U. C. 566. It was enacted to limit the number of guests that were to be admitted at an entertainment; and it also enforced, that during supper, which was the chief meal among the Romans, the doors of every house should be left open.

Orchomenus, or Orchomenum, a town of Bœotia, at the west of the lake Copais. It was anciently called Mineiæa, and from that circumstance, the inhabitants were often called Minyans of Orchomenos. There was at Orchomenos a celebrated temple, built by Eteocles, son of Cephisus, sacred to the Graces, who were from thence called the Orchomenian goddesses. The inhabitants founded Teos in conjunction with the Ionians, under the sons of Codrus Plin. 4, c. 8.—Herc. 1, c. 146.—Paus. 9, c. 37.—Strab. 9.—A town of Arcadia at the north of Martineia. *Homer. II.* 2.—A town of the Thessaly, with a river of the same name. Strab.—A son of Lycaon, king of Arcadia, who gave his name to a city of Arcadia, &c. Paus. 8.—A son of Minyas, king of Bœotia, who gave the name of Orchomenians to his subjects. He died without issue, and the crown devolved to Clymenus, the son of Presbon, &c. Paus. 9, c. 36.

Orcus, one of the names of the god of hell, the same as Pluto, though confounded by some with Charon. He had a temple at Rome. The word Orcus is generally used to signify the infernal regions. *Horat.* 1, od. 29, &c.—*Virg. En.* 4, v. 502, &c.—*Ovid.* Met. 14, v. 116.

Orcynia, a place of Cappadocia, where Eumenes was defeated by Antigonus.

Ordessus, a river of Scythia which falls into the Ister. *Hercot.*

Ordivices, the people of North Wales in Britain, mentioned by Tacit. Ann. 12, c. 53.

Ornaës, nymphs of the mountains, (opog. mooms,) daughters of Phoroneus and Hecate. Some call them Orestiades, and give them Jupiter for father. They generally attended upon Diana, and accompanied her in hunting. *Virg. En.* 1, v. 504.—*Homer. II.* 6.—Strab. 10.—*Ovid Met.* 8, v. 787.

Oreas, a son of Hercules and Chryseis.

Orestes, a people of Epirus. They received their name from Orestes, who fled to Epirus when cured of his insanity. *Lucan.* 3, v. 249.

—Of Macedonia. *Liv.* 33, c. 34.

Orestes, a son of Agamemnon and Clytemnestra. When his father was cruelly murdered by Clytemnestra and *Ægïsthus,* young Orestes was saved from his mother's dagger by means of his sister Electra, called Laodicea by Homer, and he was privately conveyed to the house of Strophius, who was king of Phocis, and who had married a sister of Agamennon. He was tenderly treated by Strophius, who carefully educated him with his son Pylaides. The two young princes soon became acquainted and from their familiarity, arose the most inviolable attachment and friendship. When Orestes was arrived to years of manhood, he visited Mycenæ, and avenged his father's death by assassinating his mother Clytemnestra and her adulterer *Ægïsthus.* The manner in which he committed this murder is variously reported.—According to *Æschylus,* he was commissioned by Apollo to avenge his father, and therefore he introduced himself, with his friend Pylades, at the court of Mycenæ, pretending to bring the news of the death of Orestes from king Strophius. He was at first received with coldness, and when he came into the presence of *Ægïsthus,* who wished to inform himself of the particulars, he murdered him, and soon Clytemnestra shared the adulterer's fate. Euripides and Sophocles mention the same circumstance.—*Ægïsthus* was assassinated after Clytemnestra, according to Sophocles; and in Euripides, Orestes is represented as murdering the adulterer, while he offers a sacrifice to the nymphs. This murder, as the poet mentions, irritates the guards who were present; but Orestes appeases their fury by telling them who he is, and immediately he is acknowledged, king of the country. Afterwards he avenges his mother, at the instigation of his sister Electra, after he has avenged her for her infidelity and cruelty to her husband. Such meditated murders receive the punishment which, among the ancients, was always supposed to attend parricide. Orestes is tormented by the Furies, and exiles himself to Argos, where he is still pursued by the avengeful goddesses. Apollo himself purifies him, and he is acquitted by the unanimous opinion of the Areopagites, whom Minerva herself instituted on this occasion, according to the narration of the poet *Æschylus,* who flatters the Athenians in his tragic story, by representing them as passing judgment, even upon the gods themselves. According to Pausanias, Orestes was purified of the murder, not at Delphi, but at Træzene, where still was seen a large stone at the entrance of Diana's temple, upon which the ceremonies of purification had been performed by nine of the principal citizens of the place. There was also, at Megalopolis in Arcadia, a temple dedicated to the Furies, near which Orestes cut off one of his fingers with his teeth: in a fit of insanity. These different traditions are confirmed by Euripides, who says that Orestes, after the murder of his mother, consulted the oracle of Apollo at Delphi, where he was informed that nothing could deliver him from the persecutions of the Furies, if he did not bring into Greece Diana's statue, which was in the Taurica Chersonesus; and which, as it is reported by some, had fallen down from heaven. This was an arduous enterprise. The king of the Chersonesus always sacrificed on the altars of the goddess all such as entered the borders of his country. Orestes and his friend were both carried before Thoas, the king of the place, and were doomed to be sacrificed. Iphigenia was then priestess of Diana's temple, and it was her office to immolate these strangers.
The intelligence that they were Grecians delayed the preparations, and Iphigenia was anxious to learn something about a country which had given her birth. [Vid. Iphigenia.] She even interested herself in their misfortunes, and offered to spare the life of one of them, provided he would convey letters to Greece from her hand. Pylades gave way to the pressing entreaties of his friend, and consented to carry the letters of Iphigenia to Greece. These were addressed to Orestes himself, and therefore these circumstances soon led to a total discovery of the connexions of the priestess with the man whom she was going to immolate. Iphigenia was convinced that he was her brother Orestes; and when the causes of their journey had been explained, she resolved, with the two friends, to fly from Chersonesus, and to carry away the statue of Diana. Their flight was discovered, and Thoas prepared to pursue them, but Minerva interfered, and told him, that all had been done by the will and approbation of the gods. Some suppose, that Orestes came to Cappadocia from Chersonesus, and that there he left the statue of Diana at Comana. Others contradict this tradition, and according to Pan sanias, the statue of Diana Orthia was the same as that which had been carried away from the Chersonesus. Some also suppose, that Orestes brought it to Aricia, in Italy, where Diana’s worship was established. After these celebrated adventures, Orestes ascended the throne of Argos, where he reigned in perfect security, and married Hermione, the daughter of Mene laus, and gave his sister to his friend Pylades. The marriage of Orestes with Hermione is a matter of dispute among the ancients. All are agreed that she had been promised to the son of Agamemnon, but Menelaus had married her to Neoptolemus, the son of Achilles, who had shown himself so truly interested in his cause during the Trojan war. The marriage of Hermione with Neoptolemus displeased Orestes; he remembered that she had been early promised to him, and therefore he resolved to recover her by force or artifice. This he effected by causing Neoptolemus to be assassinated, or assassinating him himself. According to Ovid’s epistle of Hermione to Orestes, Hermione had always been faithful to her first lover, and even it was by her persuasions that Orestes removed her from the house of Neoptolemus. Hermione was dissatisfied with the partiality of Neoptolemus for Andromache, and her attachment for Orestes was increased. Euripides, however, on others, speak differently of Hermione’s attachment to Neoptolemus; she loved him so tenderly, that she resolved to murder Andromache, who seemed to share in a small degree the affections of her husband. She was ready to perpetrate the horrid deed when Orestes came into Epirus, and she was easily persuaded by the foreign prince to withdraw herself in her husband’s absence, from a country which seemed to contribute so much to her sorrows. Orestes, the better to secure the affections of Hermione, assassinated Neoptolemus, [Vid. Neoptolemus.] and retired to his kingdom of Argos.

His old age was crowned with peace and security, and he died in the 90th year of his age, leaving his throne to his son Tisamenes by Hermione. Three years after, the Heracleides recovered the Peloponnesus, and banished the descendants of Menelaus from the throne of Argos. Orestes died in Arcadia, as some suppose, by the bite of a serpent; and the Laconians, who had become his subjects at the death of Menelaus, were directed by an oracle to bring his bones to Sparta. They were some time after discovered at Tegea, and his stature appeared to be seven cubits, according to the traditions mentioned by Herodotus and others. The friendship of Orestes and of Pylades became proverbial, and the two friends received divine honours among the Scythians, and were worshipped in temples. Paus. 1. 2, 4, &c.—Paterc. 1. c. 1 & 3.—Poll. 1. &c.—Strab. 9 

2.—Ovid. Herod. 8. Ex Post. 3. el. 2. Met. 15, in Ib.—Euripid. in Orest. Andr. &c.; Iphig. Sophoc. in Electr. &c.—Assyl. in Eum. Agam. &c.—Herod. 1. c. 69.—Hygin. fab. 120 & 261—Plut. in Lycici. Dictys. 6, &c.—Pindar. Pyth. 2. —Plin. 33.—Virg. Alex. 3, &c.—Homer. Od. 3, &c.—Teets on Lyceophor.—A son of Aechelous. Apollod.—A man sent as ambassador by Attica, king of the Huns, to the emperor Theodosius. He was highly honoured at the Roman court, and his son Augustus was the last emperor of the western empire.—A governor of Egypt under the Roman emperors.

Orestes was a town of Arcadia, about 18 miles from Sparta. It was founded by Orestheus, a son of Lycaon, and originally called Ostethesum, and afterwards Orestum, from Orestes, the son of Agamemnon, who came there. Paus. 8, c. 8.—Euripid.


Orestides, the descendants or subjects of Orestes, the son of Agamemnon. They were driven from the Peloponnesus by the Heraclidae, and came to settle in a country, which, from them, was called Orestida, at the south-west of Macedonia. Some suppose that that part of Greece originally received its name from Orestes, who fled and built there a city, which gave its founder’s name to the whole province. Thucyd. 2.—Liv. 31.

Orestilla (Aurelia), the mistress of Catiline. Cic. ad Dic. 7, c. 7.

Orietx, a people of Asiatic Sarmatia, on the Euxine sea.

Oretani, a people of Spain.

Oretilla, a woman who married Caligula, by whom she was soon after banished.

Oreum, one of the principal towns of Euboea.

Oreus, a surname of Bacchus, taken from the worship they rendered him on mountains.

Orga, or Orgas, a river of Phrygia falling into the Maeander.

Organa, a surname of Minerva.

Orgessum, a town of Macedonia. Liv. 31, c. 27.

Orgetorix, one of the chief men of the Helvetii while Caesar was in Gaul.

Orgia, festivals in honour of Bacchus. They
are the same as the Bacchanalia, Dionysia, &c., which were celebrated by the ancients to commemorate the triumph of Bacchus in India. *Vid. Dionysia.*

Oribasius, a celebrated physician, greatly esteemed by the emperor Julian, in whose reign he flourished. He abridged the works of Galenus, and was one of the most respectable writers on physic, at the request of the emperor. He accompanied Julian into the east, but his skill proved ineffectual in attempting to cure the fatal wound which his benefactor had received. After Julian's death, he fell into the hands of the barbarians, the best edition of his works is that of Dundas, 4to. L. Bat. 1743.

Oricum, or Oricus, a maritime town of Macedonia, founded by a colony from Colchis, according to Pliny. It had a celebrated harbour, and was greatly esteemed by the Romans on account of its situation, but it was not well defended. The tree which produces the turpentine grew there in abundance. *Vig. En. 10, v. 136.—Liv. 24, c. 40.—Plin. 2, c. 89.* Cat. Bell. Civ. 3, c. 1, &c.

Oriens, in ancient geography, is taken for all the most eastern part of the world, such as Parthia, India, Assyria, &c.

Origen, a Greek writer, as much celebrated for the easiness of his manner, his humility, and modesty, as for his learning, and the sublimity of his genius. He was surnamed Adamantus from his austerity; and became so rigid a Christian, that he made himself an eunuch, by following the literal sense of a passage in the Greek testament, which speaks of the voluntary eunuchs of Christ. He suffered martyrdom in his 69th year, A.D. 234. His works were excellent and numerous, and contained a number of homilies, commentaries on the holy scriptures, and different treatises, besides the *Hexapla,* so called from its being divided into six columns, the first of which contained the Hebrew text, the second the same text in Greek characters, the third the Greek version of the Septuagint, the fourth that of Aquila, the fifth that of Symmachus, and the sixth Theodotion's Greek version. This famous work first gave the hint for the compilation of our Polyglot bibles. The works of Origen have been learnedly edited by the Benedictine monks, though the whole is not yet completed, in four vols. fol. Paris, 1733, 1740, and 1759. The Hexapla was published in 8vo. at Lips. 1769, by Car. Frid. Bahrdt.

Origo, a courtezan in the age of Horace. *Horat. 1, Sat. 2, v. 53.*

Orinus, a river of Sicily.

Orizonates, a general of Darius at the battle of Arbela, &c. *Curt. 4.*

Orion, a celebrated giant, sprung from the urine of Jupiter, Neptune, and Mercury. These three gods, as they travelled over Bœotia, met with great hospitality from Hyrieus, a peasant of the country, who was ignorant of their dignity and character. They were entertained with whatever the cottage afforded; and when Hyrieus had discovered that they were gods, because Neptune told him to fill up Jupiter's cup with wine, after he had served it before the rest, the old man welcomed them by the voluntary sacrifice of an ox. Pleased with his piety, the gods promised to grant him whatever he required, and the old man, who had lately lost his wife, to whom he had promised never to marry again, desired them that, as he was childless, they would give him a son without another marriage. The gods consented, and they ordered him to bury in the ground the skin of the victim, into which they had all three made water. Hyrieus did as they commanded, and when, nine months after, he dug for the skin, he found in it a beautiful child, whom he called Urion, *ab urina.* The name was changed into Orion, by Ovid, the corruption of L.m. His gigantic stature, however, displeased *Önopion,* king of Chios, whose daughter *Hero* or *Merope* he demanded in marriage. The king, not to deny him openly, promised to make him his son-in-law, as soon as he delivered his island from wild beasts. This task, which *Önopion* deemed impracticable, was soon performed by Orion, who eagerly demanded his reward *Önopion,* on pretence of complying, intoxicated his illustrious guest, and put out his eyes on the sea shore, where he had laid himself down to sleep. Orion, finding himself blind when he awoke, was conducted by the sound to a neighbouring forge, where he placed one of the workmen on his back, and by his directions, went to a place where the rising sun was seen with the greatest advantage. Here he turned his face towards the luminary, and, as it is reported, immediately recovered his eyesight, and hastened to punish the perfidious cruelty of *Önopion.* It is said that Orion was an excellent workman in iron, and that he fabricated a subterraneous palace for *Vulcan.* Aurora, whom Venus had inspired with love, carried him away into the island of Delos, to enjoy his company with greater security; but Diana, who was jealous of this, destroyed Orion with her arrows. Some say, *Önopion* had provoked Diana's resentment by offering violence to *Opis,* one of her female attendants; or, according to others, because he had attempted the virtue of the goddess herself. According to Ovid, Orion died of the bite of a scorpion, which the earth produced to punish his vanity, in boasting that there was not on earth any animal which he could not conquer. Some say that Orion was son of Neptune and Euryale, and that he had received from his father the privilege and power of walking over the sea without wetting his feet. Others make him son of *Terra,* like the rest of the giants. He had married a nymph called *Sidon* before his connexion with the family of *Önopion;* but *Sidon* was the cause of her own death, by boasting herself fairer than Juno. According to Diodorus, Orion was a celebrated hunter, superior to the rest of mankind by his strength and uncommon stature. He built the port of *Zancus,* and fortified the coast of *Siily.*
against the frequent inundations of the sea, by
heaping a mound of earth, called Pelorum, on
which he built a temple to the gods of the sea.
After death, Orion was placed in heaven, where
one of the constellations still bears his name.
The constellation of Orion, placed near the feet
of the bull, was composed of 17 stars in the
form of a man holding a sword, which has given
to the poets often to speak of Orion's sword.
As the constellation of Orion, which
risesthe 9th day of March, and
several about the 21st of June, is generally supposed to
be accompanied, at its rising, with great rains
and storms, it has acquired the epithet of aquos-
us, given it by Virgil. Orion was buried in the
island of Delos, and the monument which the
people of Tanagra, in Boeotia, showed as con-
taining the remains of this celebrated hero, was
nothing but a cenotaph. The daughters of
Orion distinguished themselves as much as their
father; and when the oracle had declared that
Boeotia should not be delivered from a
dreadful pestilence before two of Jupiter's chil-
dren were immolated on the altars, they joy-
fully accepted the offer, and voluntarily sacri-
fied themselves for the good of their country.
Their names were Menippe and Metioche.
They had been carefully educated by Diana,
and Venus and Minerva had made them very
rich and valuable presents. The deities of hell
were struck at the patriotism of the two females,
and immediately two stars were seen to arise
from the earth, which still smoked with the
blood, and they were placed in the heavens in
the form of a crown. According to Ovid,
their bodies were burned by the Thebans, and
from their ashes arose two persons, whom the
gods soon after changed into constellations.

\[ \text{Diod. 4. } - \text{Homer. Od. 5, &c.} - \text{-Virg. Æn. 3, v. 517.} - \text{Apollod. 1, c. 4.} - \text{-Ovid. Met. 8 & 13.} - \text{Fast. 5, &c.} - \text{-Hygin. fab 125, & P. A. 2, c. 44, &c.} - \text{-Propert. 2, cl. 13.} - \text{-Virg. Æn. 1, &c.} - \text{-Horat. 2, od. 13. I. 3. od. 4 & 27.} - \text{-Epod. 10, &c.} - \text{-Lucan. 1, &c.} - \text{-Catull. de Beren. Palephat. 1.} - \text{-Parthen. Erotic. 20.} - \text{Orion. a centaur, killed at the nuptials of Pí-
risous.} - \text{Orius, a prince of Spain, who put Hamil-
car to flight, &c.} - \text{Orissula Livia, a Roman matron taken}
away from Piso, &c. - \text{Oa'tis, a people of India, who submitted to
Alexander, &c.} - \text{Oríthvía, a daughter of Erechtheus, king
of Athens, by Praxithea. She was courted and
carried away by Boears, king of Thrace, as she
crossed the Ilissus, and became mother of Cleo-
patra, Chione, Zetes, and Calais. Apollon. 1,}
\[ \text{-Apollod. 3, c. 15.} - \text{-Orpheus. -Ovid. Ætn. 6, v. 706.} - \text{Fast. 5, v. 204. -Paus. 1, c. 19. I. 5, c.}
\[ \text{One of the Nereides. - A daughter of}
Cecrops, who bore Eupрусus to Macedon.}
One of the Amazons, famous for her warlike
spirit. Justin. 2, c. 4. - \text{Orítas, one of the hunters of the Calydo-
nian boar. Ovid. Met. 8, fab. 8.} - \text{Oríthvus, son of Phineus.}

\[ \text{Oríundus, a river of Illyricum. Liv. 44, c. 31.} - \text{Oríus, a centaur killed by Hercules.} - \text{Ormenus, a king of Thessaly, son of Cera-
plus. He built a town which was called Om-
neum. - A man who settled at Rhodes.}
\[ \text{-A son of Eurypius, &c.}

\[ \text{Ornea, a town of Argolis.} - \text{Ornetia, feasts of Priapus, celebrated at Or-
ea and Colophon. This god had none but
married women for his ministers.} - \text{Orneus, a centaur, son of Ixion and the}
Cloud. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 302. - A son of Erechtheus, king of Athens, who built Ornea in Peloponnesus. Paus. 2, c. 25. - \text{Ornithére, a north wind which blows in the}
spring. Colum. 11, c. 2. - \text{Ornithon, a town of Phoenicia, between}
Tyre and Sidon. - \text{Ornitus, a friend of Æneas, killed by Ca-
milla in the Rutulian wars. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 677.}

\[ \text{Ornites, an inhabitant of Cyzica, killed by
the Argonauts. Val. Flacc. 35, v. 173.}

\[ \text{Ornosphèdes, a Partian driven from his
country by Artabanus. He assisted Tiberius,
and was made governor of Macedonia, &c.}
Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 37. - \text{Ornyton, a son of Sysiplus, king of Co-
rinth. Paus. 9, c. 17.}

\[ \text{Orondas, now Hauran, a town of Pisida.}
T. L. 38, c. 18. - \text{Orôda, a town of Euboea.}

\[ \text{Orôdes, a prince of Parthia, who murdered his
brother Mithridates, and ascended his
throne. He defeated Crassus, the Roman tri-
umphir, and poured melted gold down the throat
of his fallen enemy, to reproach him of his ava-
rice and ambition. He followed the interest of}
Cassius and Brutus at Philippi. It is said,
that when Orodes became old and infirm, his
thirty children applied to him, and disputed in
his presence, their right to the succession.—
Phraates, the eldest of them, obtained the crown
from his father, and to hasten him out of the
world, he attempted to poison him. The poi-
son had no effect, and Phraates, still deter-
mind on his father's death, strangled him
with his own hands about 37 years before the Chris-
tian era. Orodes had then reigned about fifty
years. Justin. 42, c. 4. - Paterc. 2, c. 30. -
Another king of Parthia, murdered for his cru-
elty. Josephus 18. 7. - A son of Artabanus,
king of Armenia. Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 33. -
One of the friends of Æneas in Italy, killed by Me-

\[ \text{Oretoès, a Persian governor of Sardis, fa-
mous for his cruel murder of Polycrates. He}
died B. C. 521. - \text{Oromásde, or Orómase, the prince or god
of wealth, according to Zoroaster, who allowed
another chief author of evil, named Arimanes.}

\[ \text{Oromedon, a lofty mountain in the island of}
Cos. - \text{Orontas, a relation of Artaxerxes, sent to}
Cyprus, where he made peace with Evagoras,
&c. Polyben. 7. - \text{Orontes, a satrap of Mysia, B. C. 383, who}

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rebelled from Artaxerxes, &c. Id. — A governor of Armenia. Id. — A king of the Lyceans during the Trojan war, who followed Aeneas, and perished in a shipwreck. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 117. l. 6, v. 34. — A river of Syria, rising in Caesolysia, and falling after a rapid and troubled course, into the Mediterranea, below Antioch. According to Strabo, who mentions some fabulous accounts concerning it, the Orontes disappeared under ground for the space of five miles. Dionys. Perig. — Ovid. Met. 2, v. 248. — Strab. 16. — Paus. 8, c. 20.

ORPHERNES, a man who seized the kingdom of Cappadocia. He died B. C. 154.

ORPUS, a town of Boeotia on the borders of Attica, near the Eupirus, which received its name from Oropus, a son of Macedon. It was the frequent cause of quarrels between the Boeotians and the Athenians, whence some have called it one of the cities of Attica, and was at last confirmed in the possession of the Athenians by Philip, king of Macedon. Amphiaraurus had a temple there. Paus. 1, c. 34. — Strab. 9. — A small town of Eubea. — Another in Macedonia.

OROSIUS, a writer, A. D. 416, who published an universal history in 7 books, from the creation to his own times, in which, though learned, diligent, and pious, he betrayed a great ignorance of the knowledge of historical facts, and of chronology. The best edition is that of Havercamp, 4to. L. Bat. 1767.

ORPHEUS, a son of Æger by the muse Calliope. Some suppose him to be the son of Apollo, to render his birth more illustrious. He received a lyre from Apollo, or, according to some, from Mercury, upon which he played with such a masterly hand that even the most rapid rivers ceased to flow; the savage beasts, of the forest forgot their wildness, and the mountains came to listen to his song. All nature seemed charmed and animated, and the nymphs were his constant companions. Euridyce was the only one who made a deep impression on the melodious musician; and their nuptials were celebrated. Their happiness, however, was short; Aristæus became enamoured of Euridyce, and, as she fled from her pursuer, a serpent, that was lurking in the grass, bit her foot, and she died of the poisoned wound. Her loss was severely felt by Orpheus, and he resolved to recover her or perish in the attempt. With his lyre in his hand, he entered the infernal regions, and gained an easy admission to the palace of Pluto. The king of hell was charmed with the melody of his strains, and according to the beautiful expressions of the poets, the wheel of Ixion stopped, the stone of Sisyphus stood still, Tantalus forgot his perpetual thirst, and even the Furies relented. Pluto and Proserpine were moved with his sorrow, and consented to restore him Euridyce, provided he beforehand looking behind till he had come to the extremest borders of hell. The conditions were gladly accepted, and Orpheus was already in sight of the upper regions of the air when he forgot his promises, and turned back to look at his long lost Euridyce. He saw her, but she instantly vanished from his eyes. He attempted to follow her, but he was refused admission, and the only comfort he could find was to soothe his grief at the sound of his musical instrument in grottos or on the mountains. He totally separated himself from the society of mankind, and the Thracian women whom he had offended by his coldness to their amorous passion, or according to others by his unnatural gratifications, and impure indulgences, attacked him while they celebrated the orgies of Bacchus, and after they had torn his body to pieces they threw his head into the Hebrus, which still articulated the words Euridyce! Euridyce! as it was carried down the stream into the Ægean sea. Orpheus was one of the Argonauts, of which celebrated expedition he wrote a poetical account still extant. This is doubted by Aristotle, who says according to Cicero, that there never existed an Orpheus, but that the poems which pass under his name, are the compositions of a Pythagorean philosopher named Cercopas.

According to some of the moderns, the Argonautica, and the other poems attributed to Orpheus, are the production of the pen of Onomacritus, a poet who lived in the age of Pisishtatus tyrant of Athens. Pausanias, however, and Diodoros Siculus speak of Orpheus as a great poet and musician, who rendered himself equally celebrated by his knowledge of the art of war, by the extent of his understanding, and by the laws which he enacted. Some maintained that he was killed by a thunderbolt. He was buried at Pieria in Macedonia, according to Apollodorus. The inhabitants of Dion boasted that his tomb was in their country; and the people of mount Libethrus in Thrace, claimed the same honour, and further observed that the nightingales which built their nests near his tomb, sang with greater melody than all other birds. Orpheus, as some report, after death received divine honours, the muse gave him an honourable burial to his remains, and his lyre became one of the constellations in the heavens. The best edition of Orphea is that of Gesner, 8vo. Lips. 1764: Dioch. 1, &c. — Paus. 1, &c. — Apollod. 1, c. 9, &c. — Cie. de Nat. D. 1, c. 38. — Apolloni. 1. — Virg. Æn. 6, v. 643. G. 4, v. 437, &c. — Hygin. fab. 14, &c. — Ovid. Met. 10, fab. 1, &c. l. 11, fab. 1. — Plauto Pol. 10. — Horat. 1, od. 13 & 35. — Orpheus.

ORPESUS, a mountain of Spain. Strab. 3.

ORPSIICA, feasts of Bacchus, were called thus because Orpheus had them brought from Egypt to Greece.

ORPHEUS, one of the horses of Pluto.

ORSEID, a daughter of Cinyras.

ORSETA, a nymph who married Helen.

APOLLO.

ORSELLA, a Persian who fled to Alexander, when Beses murdered Carius. Curt. 5, c. 31. — ORSILICHUS, a son of Idomenes, killed
R and city, killed Paus. in the battle of Arbeia. Curt. 10, c. 1.

Oriesophus, a man of Megara, who was prevented from obtaining a prize at the Olympic games because his clothes were entangled as he ran. This circumstance was the cause that for the future, all the combatants were obliged to appear naked. Paus. 1, c. 44.

M. Ortales, a grandson of Hortensius, who was induced to marry by a present from Augustus, who wished that ancient family not to be extinguished. Tacit. Ann. 2, c. 37.—Val. Max. 3, c. 5.

Orthogoras, a man who wrote a treatise on India, &c. Eth. de Anim.—A musician in the age of Epaminondas.—A tyrant of Sicyon.

Orthes, a town of Magnesia.

Ortheea, a daughter of Hyacinthus.—Apollon.

Orthia, a surname of Diana at Sparta. In her sacrifices it was usual for boys to be whipped. [Vid. Diamastigosis.] Plut. in Theb. &c.

Orthrus, or Orthos, a dog which belonged to Geryon. He had two heads, and was sprung from the union of Echidna and Typhon. He was destroyed by Hercules. Hesiod. Theog. Apollod. 2, c. 5.

Ortygia, a grove near Ephesus. Tacit. Ann. 3, c. 61.—A small island of Sicily, within the bay of Syracuse, which formed once one of the four quarters of that great city. It was in this island that the celebrated fountain Arethusa arose. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 694.—An ancient name of the island of Delos. Some suppose that it received this name from Latona, who fled thither when changed into a quail (oprus) by Jupiter, to avoid the pursuits of Juno. Diana was called Ortygia as being born there. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 651.—Virg. Æn. 3, v. 124.

Ortygius, a Rutulian killed by Theseus. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 573.

Orus, or Horus, one of the gods of the Egyptians, son of Osiris and of Isis. He assisted his mother in avenging his father, who had been murdered by Typhon. Orus was skilled in medicine, he was acquainted with futurity, and he made the good and the happiness of his subjects the sole object of his government. He was the emblem of the sun among the Egyptians, and he was generally represented as an infant, swathed in variegated clothes. In one hand he holds a staff, which terminates in the head of a hawk, in the other a whip with two thongs. Herodot. 2.—Plut. de Iud. & Os.—Diod. 1.—The first king of Troezen. Paus. 2, c. 30.

Oryander, a satrap of Persia &c. Polycen. 7.

Oryx, a place of Arcadia, ca he Ladon. Paus. 5, c. 25.
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there was also a race exhibited, in which only young men, whose parents are both alive, were permitted to engage. It was usual for them to run from the temple of Bacchus, to that of Minerva, which was on the sea shore.

Osci, a people between Campania and the country of the Volsci, who assisted Turnus against Æneas. Some suppose that they are the same as the Opici, the word Osci, being a diminutive or abbreviation of the other. *Virg. Æn.* 7, v. 730.

Oscius, a mountain with a river of the same name in Thrace.

Oscus, a general of the fleet of the emperor Otho.

Osbres, a general of the Parthians, mortally wounded by Cassius. *Cic. ad Att.* 6. ep. 10.

Osca, now Huesca, a town of Spain in Aragon. *T. L.* 54, c. 10.

Osimius, a king of Clusium who assisted Æneas against Turnus. *Virg. Æn.* 10, v. 653.

Osiris, a great deity of the Egyptians, son of Jupiter and Niobe. All the ancients greatly differ in their opinions concerning this celebrated god, but they all agree that as king of Egypt, he took particular care to civilize his subjects, to polish their morals, to give them good and salutary laws, and to teach them agriculture. After he had accomplished a reform at home, Osiris resolved to go and spread civilization in the other parts of the earth. He left his kingdom to the care of his wife Isis and of her faithful minister Hermes or Mercury. The command of his troops at home was left to the trust of Hercules, a warlike officer. In his expedition Osiris was accompanied by his brother Apollo, and by Anahis, Macedo, and Pan. His march was through Ethiopia, where his army was encreased by the addition of the Satyrs, a hairy race of monsters who made dancing and playing on musical instruments their chief study. He afterwards passed through Arabia and visited the greatest part of the kingdoms of Asia and of Europe, where he enlightened the minds of men by introducing among them the worship of the gods, and a reverence for the wisdom of a supreme being. At his return home Osiris found the minds of his subjects roused and agitated. His brother Typhon had raised seditions, and endeavoured to make himself popular. Osiris, whose sentiments were always of the most pacific nature, endeavoured to convince his brother of his ill conduct, but he fell a sacrifice to the attempt. Typhon murdered him in a secret apartment, and cut his body to pieces, which were divided among the associates of his guilt. Typhon, according to Plutarch, shut up his brother in a coffe and threw him into the Nile. The enquiries of Isis discovered the body of her husband on the coasts of Phoenicia, where it had been conveyed by the waves, but Typhon stole it as it was carrying to Memphis, and he divided it among his companions as was before observed. This cruelty incensed Isis; she avenged her husband's death, and, with her son Osris, she defeated Typhon and the partizans of his conspiracy. She recovered the mangled pieces of her husband's body, the genitals excepted, which the murderer had thrown into the sea; and to render him all the honour which his humanity deserved, she made as many statues of wax as there were mangled pieces of his body. Each statue contained a piece of the flesh of the dead monarch, and Isis, after she had summoned in her presence one by one, the priests of all the different deities in her dominions, gave them each a statue, intimating that in doing that she had preferred them to all the other communities of Egypt, and she bound them by a solemn oath that they would keep secret that mark of her favour, and endeavour to shew their sense of it by establishing a form of worship, and paying divine honours to the remains of their prince. They were further directed to choose whatever animals they pleased to represent the person and the divinity of Osiris, and they were enjoined to pay the greatest reverence to that representative of divinity, and to bury it when dead with the greatest solemnity. To render their establishment more popular, each sacerdotal body had a certain portion of land allotted to them to main tain them, and to defray the expences which necessarily attended the sacrifices and ceremonial rites. That part of the body of Osiris which had not been recovered was treated with more particular attention by Isis, and she or dered that it should receive honours more solemn and at the same time more mysterious than the other members. [Vid. Phallic.] As Osiris had particularly instructed his subjects in cultivating the ground, the priest chose the ox to represent him, and paid the most super stitious veneration to that animal. [Vid. Apis.] Osiris, according to the opinion of some mythologists, is the same as the sun, and the adoration which is paid by different nations to an Anubis, a Bacchus, a Dionysius, a Jupiter, a Pan, &c. is the same as that which Osiris received in the Egyptian temples. Isis also after death received divine honours as well as her husband, and as the ox was the symbol of the sun, or Osiris, so the cow was the emblem of the moon or of Isis. Nothing can give a clearer idea of the power and greatness of Osiris than this inscription which has been found on some ancient monuments: *Satur the youngest of all the gods was my father. I am Osiris who conducted a large and numerous army as far as the desarts of Indus, and travelled over the greatest part of the world, and visited the streams of the Iskher, and the remote shores of the ocean, diffusing benevolence to all the inhabitants of the earth. Osiris was generally represented with a cap on his head 1 ke a mitre with two horns; he held a stick in his left hand, and in his right a whip, with three thongs. Sometimes he appears with the head of a hawk, as that bird, by its quick and piercing eyes, is a proper emblem of the sun. *Plut. in Isid. & Os. Herodot.* 2, c. 144.—Diod. 1.—Homer. *Od.* 12.—*Elian. de Anim.* 3.—Lucian. de Dea Syr.—*Plin.* 8.—A Persian general who lived 450. B. C.—A friend of Turnus killed in the Rutubian war. *Virg. Æn.* 12, v. 458.
Osathma, little figures which they hung up at the image of Saturn to render themselves favourable to him. — *Feasts* in honour of Bacchus, or in honour of Io and Erigona, in which they balanced themselves, either with a rope tied to a tree, or with a girt. 

Oscines, augurs, thus called after the noise of birds from which they took their auguries.

Osi, a people of Germany. *Tac. de Germ.* 28, c. 43.

Osci, a people of Italy who inhabited a country situated between Campania and the country of the Volsci. Some people confound them with the Opici of which they pretend that Osci is the abbreviation. Ancient authors often make mention of the bon mots, and keen projections of this people, and pretend that the word (obscene) is a derivation of their name obscenum, (as oscenum.) *Tac. An.* 4, c. 14. — *Ct. ad fam.* 7, ep. 1. — *T. L.* 10, c. 20. — *Strab.* 5. — *Plin.* 5, c. 5. — *Enedd.* 7, v. 730.

Osismi, a people of Gallia Celtica. *Mel.* 3, c. 2.


Osrigëne, a country of Mesopotamia, which received this name from one of its kings called Oshroes.

Ossa, a lofty mountain of Thessaly, once the residence of the Centaurs. It was formerly joined to mount Olympus, but Hercules, as some report, separated them, and made between them the celebrated valley of Tempe. This separation of the two mountains was more probably effected by an earthquake, which happened as fabulous accounts represent about 1825 years before the Christian era. Ossa was one of those mountains which the giants, in their wars against the gods, heaped up one on the other, to scale the heavens with more facility. *Mel.* 2, c. 3. — *Ouid. Met.* 1, v. 155. l. 2, v. 225. l. 7, v. 224. — *Fast.* 1, v. 307. l. 3, v. 441. — *Strab.* 9. — *Lucan.* 1 & 6. — *Virg.* G. 1, v. 281. — *A town of Macedonia.*

Osirillogo, a goddess whom the Romans invoked against fractures and sprains. They also called her Ompanga.

Ossuaria, an urn where they kept the bones of the dead, which the fire had not consumed.

Ostredes, a neighbouring island of Lipari.

Ostia, a town built at the mouth of the river Tiber by Ancus Martius, king of Rome, about 15 miles distant from Rome. It had a celebrated harbour, and was so pleasantly situated, that the Romans generally spent a part of the year there as in a country seat. There was a small tower in the port like the Pharos of Alexandria built upon the wreck of a large ship which had been sunk there, and which contained the obelisks of Egypt with which the Roman emperors intended to adorn the capital of Italy. In the age of Strabo the sand and mud deposited by the Tiber had choked the harbour, and added much to the size of the holy islands which sheltered the ships at the entrance of the river. Ostia and her harbours called Portus became gradually separated and are now at a considerable distance from the sea. *Plow.* 1, c. 4. — *Livy.* 1, c. 33. — *Mela.* 2, c. 4. — *Suet.* — *Plin.*

Osforius Scapula, a man made governor of Britain. He died A. D. 55. *Tacit.*

Ostracina, a town of Egypt on the confines of Palatine.

Ostracismus, a kind of judgment in use at Athens, thus called from a Greek word which signifies shell, because the citizens gave their sufferings in writing, the name of the accused on a shell.

Osymandias, a magnificent king of Egypt in a remote period.

Otacius, a Roman consul sent against the Carthaginians, &c.

Otanes, a noble Persian, one of the seven who conspired against the usurper Smerdis. It was through him that the usurpation was first discovered. He was afterwards appointed by Darius over the sea coast of Asia minor. He took Byzantium. *Herodot.* 3, c. 70, &c.

Otho, M. Sallius, a Roman emperor, descended from the ancient kings of Etruria. He was one of Nero's favourites, and as such he was raised to the highest offices of the state, and made governor of Pannonia by the interest of Seneca, who wished to remove him from Rome, lest Nero's love for Poppea should prove his ruin. After Nero's death, Otho conso- lidated the favour of Galba the new emperor; but when he did not gain his point, and when Galba had refused to adopt him as his successor, he resolved to make himself absolute without any regard to the age or dignity of his friend. The great debts which he had contracted encouraged his avarice, and he caused Galba to be assassinated, and he made him- self emperor. He was acknowledged by the senate and the Roman people, but the sudden revolt of Vitellius in Germany rendered his situation precarious, and it was mutually re- solved that their respective right to the empire should be decided by arms. Otho obtained three victories over his enemies, but in a general engagement near Brixellum, his forces were defeated, and he stabbed himself when all hopes of success were vanished, after a reign of about three months, on the 20th of April A. D. 69. It has been justly observed that the last moments of Otho's life were those of a philo- sopher. He comforted his soldiers who lamented his fortune, and he expressed his concern for their safety when they earnestly solicited to pay him the last friendly offices before he stab- bled himself, and he observed that it was better that one man should die, than that all should be involved in ruin for his obstinacy. His nephew was pale and distressed, fearing the anger and haughtiness of the conqueror, but Otho comforted him, and observed, that Vitellius would be glad and affectionate to the friends and relations of Otho since Otho was not ashamed to say, that in the time of their greatest enmity, the mother of Vitellius had received every
friendy treatment from his hands. He also burnt the letters which by falling into the hands of Vitellius might provoke his resentment against those who had favoured the cause of an unfortunate general. These noble and humane sentiments in a man who was the associate of Nero's shameful pleasures, and who stained his hand in the blood of his master, have appeared to some wonderful, and passed for the features of policy and not of a naturally virtuous and benevolent heart. *Plut. in vita.—

Suet.—Tact., Hist. c. 50, &c.—Ju. 2, v. 90.—

Roscius, a tribune of the people, who, in Cicero's consulship, made a regulation to permit the Roman knights at public spectacles to have the 14 first rows after the seats of the senators. This was opposed with violence by some, but Cicero ably defended it, &c. *Horat.*

Ep. 4, v. 10.—The father of the Roman emperor Otho, was the favourite of Claudius.

Othryades, one of the 300 Spartans who fought against 300 Argives, when those two nations disputed their respective right to Thrysea. Two Argives, Alcinor and Cronicus, and Othryades survived the battle. The Argives went home to carry the news of their victory, but Othryades, who had been reckoned among the number of the slain on account of his wounds, recovered himself and carried some of the spoils of which he had stripped the Argives, into the camp of his countrymen; and after he had raised a trophy, and had written with his own blood the word vict on his shield, he killed himself, unwilling to survive the death of his countrymen. *Val. Mar. 3, c. 2.—Plut.*

Parall.—*A patronymic given to Pantheus, the Trojan priest of Apollo, from his father Othryas. *Virg. En. 2, v. 319.*

Othryones, a Thracian who came to the Trojan war in hopes of marrying Cassandra. He was killed by Idomeneus. *Homer.*

Othrys, a mountain, or rather a chain of mountains in Thessaly. *Strab. 9.—Herodot. 7, c. 129.—Virg. En. 7, v. 675*

Otreus, a king of Phrygia in the age of Jason.

Otreda, a small town on the confines of Bithynia.

Otus and Ephialtes, sons of Neptune. *Vir. Aloides.*

Otus, a prince of Paphlagonia, who revolted from the Persians, to Agesilus.

P. Ovidius Naso, a celebrated Roman poet born at Sulmo. As he was intended for the bar, his father sent him early to Rome, and removed him to Athens in the sixteenth year of his age. The progress of Ovid in the study of eloquence was great, but the father's expectations were frustrated; his son was born a poet, and nothing could deter him from pursuing his natural inclination, though he was often reminded that Homer lived and died in the greatest poverty. Every thing he wrote was expressed in poetical numbers, as he himself says, et quod tentabam scribere versus erat. A lively genius and a fertile imagination soon gained him admirers; the learned became his friends; Virgil, Propertius, Tibullus, and Horace honoured him with their correspondence, and Augustus patronized him with the most unbounded liberality. These favours, however were but momentary, and the poet was soon after banished to Tomos on the Euxine sea, by the emperor. The true cause of this sudden exile is unknown. Some attributed it to a shameful amour with Livia the wife of Augustus; while others support that it arose from the knowledge which Ovid had of the unpardonable incest of the emperor with his daughter Julia. These reasons are indeed merely conjectural, the cause was of a very private and very secret nature, of which Ovid himself is afraid to speak. It was, however, something improper in the family and court of Augustus.

In his banishment, Ovid betrayed his pusillanimity, and however afflicted and distressed his situation was, yet the flattery and impatience which he showed in his writings are a disgrace to his pen, and expose him more to ridicule than pity. Though he prostituted his pen and his time to adulation, yet the emperor proved dead to all entreaties, and refused to listen to his most ardent friends at Rome, who wished for the return of the poet. Ovid, who undoubtedly wished for a Brutus to deliver Rome of her tyrannical Augustus, continued his flattery even to meanness; and when the emperor died, he was so mercenary as to consecrate a small temple to the departed tyrant, on the shore of the Euxine, where he regularly offered frankincense every morning.

Tiberius proved as regardless as his predecessor, to the entreaties which were made for Ovid, and the poet died in the 7th or 8th year of his banishment, in the 59th year of his age, A. D. 17, and was buried at Tomos. In the year 1508 of the Christian era, the following epitaph was found at Stain, in the modern kingdom of Austria.

Hic citus est vates quem Divi Cesaris ira
Augusti putris celere jussit humo.
Scep mius voluit patrius occupare terris,
Sepel frustra! Hunc illi fata dedere locum.

This, however, is an imposition to render celebrated an obscure corner of the world, which never contained the bones of Ovid. The greatest part of his poems are remaining. His *Metamorphoses* in 15 books are extremely curious, on account of the many different mythological facts and traditions which they relate, but they can have no claim to an epic poem. His *Fasti* were divided into 12 books, the same number as the constellations in the zodiac; but of these six have perished, and the learned world have reason to lament the loss of a poem, which must have thrown so much light upon the religious rites and ceremonies, festivals and sacrifices of the ancient Romans, as we may judge from the six that have survived the ravages of time and barbarity. *His Tristia,
which are divided into five books, contain much elegance and softness of expression, as also his Elegies on different subjects. The Heroides are nervous, spirited, and diffuse, the poetry excellent, the language varied, but the expressions are often too wanton and indelicat. His three books of Amorum, and the same number de Arte Amandi, with the other de Remedio Amoris, are written with great elegance, and contain many flowery descriptions; but the doctrine which they hold forth is dangerous, and they are to be read with caution. His Ibis, which is written in imitation of a poem of Callimachus of the same name, is a satirical performance. Besides these, there are extant some fragments of other poems, and among these some of a tragedy called Medea. The talents of Ovid as a dramatic writer have been disputed, and some have observed, that he who is so often void of sentiment, was not born to shine as a tragedian. Ovid has attempted perhaps too many sorts of poetry at once. On whatever he has written, he has totally exhausted the subject and left nothing unsaid. He everywhere paints nature with a masterly hand, and gives strength to the most vulgar expressions. His Fasti, are perhaps the best written of all his poems, and after them we may fairly rank his love verses, his Heroides, and after all his Metamorphoses, which were not totally finished when Augustus sent him into banishment. His Epistles from Pontus are the language of an abject and pusillanimous flatterer. However critics may censure the indelicacy and the inaccuracies of Ovid, it is to be acknowledged that his poetry contains great sweetness and elegance. The best editions of Ovid’s works, are those of Burman, 4 vols. 4to. Amtst. 1727; of L. Bat. 1670, in 8vo. and of Utrecht, in 12mo. 4 vols. 1713. Ovid. Trist. 3 & 4, &c. — Patroc. 2.— Martial, 3 & 8.— A man who accompanied his friend Cassius when banished from Rome by Nero. Martial, 7, ep. 43. Ovinia lex, was enacted to permit the censors to elect and admit among the number of the senators the best and the worthiest of the people.

Ovinius, a freedman, &c.
Oxarés, the brother of Darius, greatly honoured by Alexander. — Another Persian, who favoured the cause of Alexander. Curt.
Oxidát, a Persian whom Darius condemned to death. Alexander took him prisoner, and some time after made him governor of Media. He became oppressive and was removed. Curt. 8, c. 3, l. 9, c. 8.
Oximes, a people of Europea Sarmatia.
Oxion, a nation of Germans, whom superstitious traditions represented as having the countenance human, and the rest of the body like that of beasts. Tacit. de Ger.
Oxus, a large river of Bactriana. — Another in Scythia.
Oxyares, a king of Bactriana, who surrendered to Alexander.
Oxycâus, an Indian prince in the age of Alexander, &c.
Oxyrace, a nation of India. Curt. 9, c. 4.
Oxylus, a leader of the Heraclidae, when they recovered the Peloponnesus. He was rewarded with the kingdom of Elis. Paus. 5, c. 4.
Oxyzthnés, a king of Athens, B. C. 1149.— He reigned 12 years.
Oxyphoros, a son of Cinyras and Metharme. Oxyrhnchus, a town of Egypt on the Nile.
Oxnes, a Persian, imprisoned by Craterus, because he attempted to revolt from Alexander. Curt. 9, c. 10.
Ozole or Ozoli, a people who inhabited the eastern parts of Ætolia, which were called Ozolea. This tract of territory lay at the north of the bay of Corinth, and extended about 12 miles northward. They received their name from the bad stench (ωρίς) of their bodies and of their clothing, which was the raw hides of wild beasts. The name of Ozole, on account of its indelicate signification, highly displeased the inhabitants, and they exchanged it soon for that of Ætolians. Paus. 16, c. 38.— Herodot 6, c. 38.

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Pacatianus, Titus Julius, a general of the Roman armies who proclaimed himself emperor in Gaul, about the latter part of Philip’s reign. He was soon after defeated, A. D. 249, and put to death, &c.
Pachinus, or Pachynus, now Passaro, a promontory of Sicily, projecting about two miles into the sea, in the form of a peninsula, at the south-east corner of the island, with a small harbour of the same name. Strab. 6.— Mela, 2, c. 7.— Virg. Æn. 3, v. 699.— Paus. 5, c. 25.

M. Pacconius, a Roman put to death by Tibérius, &c. Suet. in Tib. 61.— A stoic philosopher, son of the preceding. He was banished from Italy by Nero, and he retired from Rome with the greatest composure and indifference. Arrian, 1, c. 1.
PACORUS, the eldest of the thirty sons of Orodes, king of Parthia, sent against Crassus, whose army he defeated, and whom he took prisoner. He took Syria from the Romans, and supported the republican party of Pompey, and of the murderers of Julius Cæsar. He was killed in a battle by Ventidius Bassus, B. C. 39, on the same day (9th of June) that Crassus had been defeated. Flor. 4, c. 9.—Horat. 3, od. 6, v. 9.—A king of Parthia, who made a treaty of alliance with the Romans, &c.—Another, intimate with King Decebalius.

PACTOLUS, a celebrated river of Lydia, rising in mount Tmolus, and falling into the Hermus after it has watered the city of Sardes. It was in this river that Midas washed himself when he turned into gold whatever he touched, and from that circumstance, it ever after rolled golden sands, and received the name of Chrysorrhoas. It is called Tmolis by Pliny. Strabo observes that it had no golden sand in his age. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 142.—Strab. 18.—Ovid. Met. 11, v. 86.—Herodot. 5, c. 110.—Plin. 35, c. 8.

PACTYS, a Lydian entrusted with the care of the treasures of Croesus at Sardes. The immense riches which he could command corrupted him, and to make himself independent, he gathered a large army. He laid siege to the citadel of Sardes, but the arrival of one of the Persian generals soon put him to flight. He retired to Cumæ, and afterwards to Lesbos, where he was delivered into the hands of Cyrus. Herodot. 1, c. 134, &c.—Paus. 2, c. 35.

PACTYES, a mountain of Ionia, near Ephesus. Strab. 14.

PACUVIUS, M. a native of Brandusium, son of the sister of the poet Ennius, who distinguished himself by his skill in painting, and by his poetical talents. He wrote satires and tragedies which were represented at Rome, and of some of which the names are preserved, as Periboea, Hermione, Atalanta, Iphise, Teucer, Antiope, &c. Orestes was considered as the best finished performance; the style, however, though rough, and without either purity or elegance, deserved the commendation of Cicero and Quintilian, who perceived strong rays of genius and perfection frequently beaming through the clouds of the barbarity and ignorance of the times. The poet in his old age retired to Tarrentum, where he died in his 90th year, about 151 years before Christ. Of all his compositions, about 457 scattered lines are preserved in the collections of Latin poets. Cic. de Horat. 2, ad Hæren. 2, c. 27.—Horat. 2, ep. 1, v. 56.—Quintil. 10, c. 1.

PADAEI, an Indian nation, who devoured their sick before they died. Herodot. 3, c. 99.

PADINUM, now Bondeno, a town on the Po, where it begins to branch into different channels. Plin. 3, c. 15.

PADOVA, a town called also Patavium, in the country of the Venetians, founded by Antenor, immediately after the Trojan war. It was the native place of the historian Livy. The inhabitants were once so powerful, that they could levy an army of 20,000 men. Strab. 5.—Mela. 2, c. 4.—Virg. Æn. 1, v. 231.

PADUS, (now called the Po,) a river in Italy, known also by the name of Eridanus, which forms the northern boundary of the territories of Italy. It rises in mount Vesulus, one of the highest mountains of the Alps, and after it has collected in its course the waters of above thirty rivers, discharges itself in an eastern direction into the Adriatic sea by seven mouths, two of which only, the Plana or Volano, and the Padusa, were formed by nature. It was formerly said, that it rolled gold dust in its sands, which was carefully searched by the inhabitants. The consul C. Flaminius Nepos and P. Furius Philus, were the first Roman generals who crossed it. The Po is famous for the death of Phaeton, who, as the poets mention, was thrown down there by the thunderbolts of Jupiter. Ovid. Met. 2, v. 256, &c.—Mela. 2, c. 4.—Lucan. 2, &c.—Virg. Æn. 9, v. 680.—Strab. 5.—Plin. 37, c. 2.

PADUS, the most southern mouth of the Po, considered by some writers as the Po itself. [Vid. Padus.] It was said to abound in swans, and from it there was a cut to the town of Ravenna. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 455.

PEAN, a surname of Apollo, derived from the word pean, an hymn which was sung in his honour, because he had killed the serpent Python, which had given cause to the people to exclaim, Io Pean! The exclamation of Io Pean! was made use of in speaking to the other gods, as it often was a demonstration of joy. Jul. 6, v. 171.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 538. l. 14, v. 720.—Lucan. 1, &c.—Strab. 13.

PEDARETUS, a Spartan who, on not being elected in the number of the 300 sent on an expedition, &c. declared, that, instead of being mortified, he rejoiced that 300 men better than himself could be found in Sparta. Plut. in Luc.

PEDIUS, a lieutenant of J. Cæsar in Spain, who proposed a law to punish with death all such as were concerned in the murder of his patron, &c.

PEMANI, a people of Belgic Gaul.

PEON, a Greek historian. Plut. in Thés.

A celebrated physician who cured the wounds which the gods received during the Trojan war. From him, physicians are sometimes called Paonii, and herbs serviceable in medicinal processes, Paonii herba. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 769.—Ovid. Met. 15, v. 535.

PEONES, a people of Macedonia, who inhabited a small part of the country called Peonia. Some believe that they were descended from a Trojan colony. Paus. 5, c. 1.—Herodot. 5, c. 13, &c.

PEONIA, a country of Macedonia at the west of the Strymon. It received its name from Peon, a son of Endymion, who settled there. Liv. 42, c. 51. l. 45, c. 29.—A small town of Attica.

PEONIDES, a dame given to the daughters of Pierus, who were defeated by the Muses, because their mother was a native of Peonia. Ovid. Met. 5, ult. fab.
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Páros, a small town of Arcadia.

Pássos, a town of the Hellespont, called also Apessa. It is situated at the north of Lampacussus, when it was destroyed, the inhabitants migrated to Lampacussus, where they settled. They were of a Milean origin. Strab. 13.— Homer. 12. 2.

Pásium, a town of Lucania, called also Nep-tunia, where the soil produced roses which blossomed twice a year. Virg. G. 4, v. 119.— Ovid. Met. 15, v. 708.

Paxovium, a town of Pannonia.

Cicérrna Pássus, the husband of Arria. [Vid. Arria.]—A governor of Armenia, under Nero.—A Roman who conspired with Catilina against his country. — A man drowned as he was going to Egypt to collect money. Propert. 3, el. 7, v. 5.

Págásses, or Págása, a town of Magnesia, in Macedonia, with an harbour and a promontory of the same name. The ship Argo was built there, as some suppose; and according to Propertius, the Argonauts set sail from that harbour. From that circumstance, not only the ship Argo, but also the Argonauts themselves, were ever after distinguished by the epithet of Pagassus. Pliny confounds Pagassae with Delostritis, but they are different, and the latter was peopled by the inhabitants of the former, who preferred the situation of Delostritis for its conveniences. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 1, 18, v. 349. — Lucan. 2, v. 713. L. 6, v. 400. — Mela. 2, c. 3 & 7. — Strab. 9. - Propert. 1, el. 20, v. 17. — Plinii. 4, c. 8. — Apollon. Rhod. 1, v. 238, &c

Págásses, a Trojan killed by Camilla. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 670.

Págus, a mountain of Æolia. Paus. 7, c. 5.

Páláium, or Páláium, a town of the Thracian Chersonesus. — A small village on the Palatine hill, where Rome was afterwards built.

Pálæa, a town of Cyprus.—Of Cephalenia.

Pálaspolis, a small island on the coast of Spain.

Pálsmón, or Pálsmon, a sea deity, son of Athamas and Ino. His original name was Melicerta, and he assumed that of Pálsmon, after he had been changed into a sea deity by Neptune. [Vid. Melicerta.]—A noted grammarian at Rome in the age of Tiberius, who made himself ridiculous by his arrogance and luxury. Jun. 6, v. 451. — Martial, 2, ep. 86. — A son of Neptune who was among the Argonauts. Apollon. Pálaspáthos, a town of Cyprus.

Pálaspáthos, an ancient Greek philosopher, whose age is unknown, though it can be ascertained that he flourished between the times of Aristotle and Augustus. He wrote five books Re incredibilitibus, of which only the first remains, and in it he endeavours to explain fabulous and mythological traditions by historical facts. The best edition of Pálaspáthus is that of J. Frid. Fischer, in 3vo. Lips. 1775.—An heroic poet of Athens, who wrote a poem on the creation of the world. — A disciple of Aristotle, born at Abidos.—An historian of Egypt.

Pálaspólis, a town built in Italy by a Greek colony.

Pálæste, a village of Epirus. Lucan. 5, v. 460.

Pálæstina, a province of Syria, &c. Herod. 1, c. 105.

Pálæstus, an ancient name of the river Strymon.

Pálamedés, a Grecian chief, son of Nauplius, king of Euboea, by Clymene. He was sent by the Greek princes who were going to the Trojan war, to bring Ulysses to the camp; who, to withdraw himself from the expedition, pretended insanity, and the better to impose upon his friends, used to harness different animals to a plough, and sow salt instead of barley into the furrows. The deceit was soon perceived by Palamedes; he knew that the regret to part from his wife Penelope, whom he had lately married, was the only reason of the pretended insanity of Ulysses; and to demonstrate this, Palamedes took Telemachus, whom Penelope had lately brought into the world, and put him before the plough of his father. Ulysses showed that he was not insane, by turning the plough a different way, not to hurt his child. This having been discovered, Ulysses was obliged to attend the Greek princes to the war, but an immoral enmity arose between Ulysses and Palamedes. The king of Ithaca resolved to take every opportunity to distress him; and when all his expectations were frustrated, he had the meanness to bribe one of his servants, and to make him dig a hole in his master's tent, and there conceal a large sum of money. After this, Ulysses forged a letter in Phrygian characters, which king Priam was supposed to have sent to Palamedes. In the letter the Trojan king seemed to entreat Palamedes to deliver into his hands the Grecian army, according to the conditions which had been previously agreed upon when he received the money. This forged letter was carried by means of Ulysses before the princes of the Grecian army. Palamedes was summoned, and he made the most solemn protestations of innocence, but all was in vain, the money that was discovered in his tent, served only to corroborate the accusation. He was found guilty by all the army, and stoned to death. Homer is silent about the miserable fate of Palamedes, and Pausanias mentions that it had been reported by some, that Ulysses and Diomedes had drowned him in the sea as he was fishing on the coast. Philostrates, who mentions the tragical story above related, adds, that Achilleus and Ajax buried his body with great pomp on the sea shore, and that they raised upon it a small chapel, where sacrifices were regularly offered by the inhabitants of Troas. Palamedes was a learned man as well as a soldier, and according to some, he composed the alphabet of Cadmus by the addition of the four letters ë, æ, x, ð, during the Trojan war. To him also is attributed the invention of dice and backgammon; and it is said, that he was the first who regularly ranged an army in a
of battle, and who placed centinels round the
"camp, and excited their vigilance and at-
tention by giving them a watch-word. Hygin.
feb. 95, 103, &c.—Apoll. 2, &c.—Dicty. Cret.
c. 15.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 56 & 308.—Paus.
c. 56.

Pa
tia, a town of Spain. Mela, 2, c. 6.

Palatini mons, a celebrated hill, the
largest of the seven hills on which Rome was
built. It was upon it that Romulus laid the
first foundation of the capital of Italy, in a qua-
drangle form, and there also he kept his
court, as well as Tullus Hostilius, and Augustus,
and all the succeeding emperors, from
which circumstance the word Palatium has ever
since been applied to the residence of a mon-
arch or prince. The Palatine hill received its
name from the goddess Palatia, or from the Pa-
latinia, who originally inhabited the place, or
from balare or palare, the bailings of sheep,
which were frequent there; or perhaps from
the word palante, wandering; because Evander,
when he came to settle in Italy, gathered all
the inhabitants, and made them all one society.

Dis. Cos. 53.—Ital. 12, v. 709.—Juv. 9, v. 23.

—Martial, 1, ep. 71.—Varro de L. L. 4, c. 3.

—Cic. in Catil. 1.—Apollo, who was worship-
ised on the Palatine hill, was also called Pala-
tinus. His temple there had been built by
Augustus, who had enriched it with a library,
valuable for the various collections of Greek and
Latin manuscripts which it contained. Horat.
c. 1, ep. 3, v. 17.

Palantium, a town of Arcadia.
Paleis, or Pale, a town in the island of Ce-
phallenia. Paus. 6, c. 15.

Pales, the goddess of sheepfolds and of pas-
tures among the Romans. She was worshipped
with great solemnity at Rome, and her festi-
vials, called Palilia, were celebrated the very
day that Romulus began to lay the founda-
tion of the city of Rome. Virg. G. 3, v. 1
& 294.—Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 722, &c.—Pater. 1,
c. 8.

Palfurius Sura, a writer removed from
the senate by Domitian, who suspected him

Palici, or Palisci, two deities, sons of Ju-
piter by Thalia, whom Aschylus calls Ατην, in
a tragedy which is now lost, according to the
words of Macrobius. The nymph Ατην, when
pregnant, entrusted her lover to remove her
from the pursuits of Juno. The god concealed
her in the bowels of the earth, and when the
time of her delivery was come, the earth opened
and brought into the world two children, who
received the name of Palici, απο του παλι
ικεναιαι, because they came again into the world
from the bowels of the earth. These deities were
worshipped with great ceremonies by the Sici-
lians, and near their temple were two small
lakes, which were supposed to have sprung out
of the earth, at the same time that they were
born. Near these pools it was usual to take
the most solemn oaths, by those who wished to
decide controversies and quarrels. If any of

the persons who took the oaths perjured them-
selves, they were immediately punished in a su-
pernatural manner, and those whose oath, by
the deities of the place, was sincere, departed
unhurt. The Palici had also an oracle which
was consulted upon great emergencies, and
which rendered the truest and most unequivocal
answers. In a superstitious age, the altars of
the Palici were stained with the blood of hu-
mansacrifices; but this barbarous custom was
soon abolished, and the deities were satisfied
with their usual offerings. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 385.—Ovid. Met. 5, v. 506.—Diod. 2.—Macrob.
Saturn. c. 10.—Ital. &c.

Palilia, a festival celebrated by the Romans,
in honour of the goddess Palilia. The cere-
mony consisted in burning heaps of straw, and
in leaping over them. No sacrifices were of-
erred, but the purifications were made with the
smoke of horses' blood, and with the ashes of a
cake which had been taken from the belly of his
mother, after it had been sacrificed, and with
the ashes of beans. The purification of the flocks
was also made with the smoke of sulphur, of
the olive, the pine, the laurel, and the rose-
mary. Offerings of mild cheese, boiled wine,
and cakes of millet, were afterwards made to
the goddess. This festival was observed on the
21st of April, and it was during the cele-
bration that Romuius first began to build his
city. Some call this festival Parilia, quasi un
porriendo, because the sacrifices were offered to
the divinity for the fecundity of the flocks

Pallnurus, a skillful pilot of the ship of
Aeneas. He fell into the sea in his sleep, and
was three days exposed to the tempests and
agitation of the sea, and at last came safe to
the sea-shore, where the cruel inhabitants of
the place murdered him to obtain his clothes.
His body was left unburied on the sea-shore; and
as, according to the religion of the ancient Ro-
mans, no person was supposed to cross the Styg-
ian lake before 100 years were elapsed, if his
remains had not been decently buried, we find
Aeneas, when he visited the infernal regions,
speaking to Pallnurus, and assuring him, that
though his bones were deprived of a funeral,
yet the place where his body was exposed,
should soon be adorned with a monument, and
bear his name, and accordingly a promontory
was called Pallnurus. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 513. I. 5,
v. 480, &c. l. 6, v. 341.—Ovid. de Rom. 577.

—Mela, 2, c. 4.—Strab.

Paliscorum, or Palicorum Stagnum, a

Pallades, certain virgins who were conse-
crate to Jupiter by the Thebans of Egypt.
Strab. 17.

Palladium, a celebrated statue of Pallas.
It was about three cubits high, and represented
the goddess as sitting and holding a pike in her
right hand, and in her left a distaff and a
spindle. It fell down from heaven near the
tent of Ilius, as that prince was building the ci-
tadel of Ilium. Some nevertheless, suppose
that it fell at Tessinus in Phrygia, or according
to others, Dardanus received it as a present from his mother Electra. There are some authors who maintain, that the Palladium was made with the bones of Pelops by Abaris; but Apollodorus seems to say, that it was no more than a piece of clockwork which moved of itself. However discordant the opinions of the ancient authors be about this famous statue, it is universally agreed, that on its preservation depended the safety of Troy. This fatality was well known to the Greeks during the Trojan war, and therefore Ulysses and Diomedes were commissioned to steal it away. They effected their purpose, and if we rely upon the authority of some authors, they were directed how to carry it away by Helenus, the son of Priam, who proved, in this, unfaithful to his country, because his brother Deiphobus, at the death of Paris, had married Helen, of whom he was enamoured. Minerva was displeased with the violence which was offered to her statue, and, according to Virgil, the Palladium itself appeared to have received life and motion, and by the flashes which started from its eyes, and its sudden springs from the earth, it seemed to show the resentment of the goddess. The true Palladium, as some authors observe, was not carried away from Troy by the Greeks, but only one of the statues of similar size and shape, which were placed near it, to deceive whatever sacrilegious persons attempted to steal it. The Palladium, therefore, as they say, was conveyed safe from Troy to Italy by Aneas, and it was afterwards preserved by the Romans with the greatest secrecy and veneration in the temple of Vesta, a circumstance which none but the vestal virgins knew. Herod. i. c. 14, &c.—Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 422, &c.—Dictys. Cret. c. 5.—Apollod. 3, c. 12.—Dimyus. Hal. 1, &c.—Homer. II. 10.—Virg. Aen. 2, v. 166. 1, 9, v. 151.—Plut. de Rob. Rom.—Lucan. 9.—Darev. Phryg. June 3, v. 139.

PALLADIUS, a Greek physician, whose treatise on fevers was edited, 8vo. L. Bat. 1745.

PALLANTIDAE, a town of Italy. Virg. Aen. 8, v. 54.

PALLANTHUS, a patronymic of Aurora, as being related to the giant Pallas. Ovid. Met. 9, fab. 12.

PALLANTIDES, the fifty sons of Pallas, the son of Pandion, and the brother of Aegaeus. They were all killed by Theseus, the son of Aegaeus, whom they opposed when he came to take possession of his father's kingdom. This opposition they showed in hopes of succeeding to the throne, as Aegaeus left no children, except Theseus, whose legitimacy was even disputed, as he was born at Troezen. Plut. in Them.—Paus. 1.

PALLAS, a freedman of Claudius, famous for the power and the riches he obtained. He advised the emperor, his master, to marry Agrippina, and to adopt her son Nero for his successor. It was by his means and those of Agrippina, that the death of Claudius was hastened, and that Nero was raised to the throne. Nero forget to whom he was indebted for the crown. He discarded Pallas, and some time after caused him to be put to death, that he might make himself master of his great riches, A. D. 61 Tacit. Ann. 12, c. 53.

PALLAS, (autis,) a daughter of Jupiter, the same as Minerva. The goddess received this name either because she killed the giant Pallas, or perhaps from the spear which she seems to brandish in her hands, (παλλαξαρ.) For the functions, power, and character of the goddess. Vit. Minerva.

PALLAS, (anti,) a son of King Evander, sent with some troops to assist Aneas. He was killed by Turnus, the king of the Rutuli, after he had made a great slaughter of the enemy Virg. Aen. 8, v. 104, &c.—One of the giants, son of Tartarus and Terra. He was killed by Minerva, who covered herself with his skin, whence, as some suppose, she is called Pallas, Apollod. 3, c. 12.—A son of Crius and Eurybia, who married the nymph Styx, by whom he had Victory, Valor, &c. Hesid. Theog.—A son of Lycoa.—A son of Pandion, father of Clytus and Butes. Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 17.—Apollod.

PALLAS, a small peninsula of Macedonia formerly called Phlegra, situate above the bay of Thermae on the Ægean sea, and containing five cities, the principal of which is called Pallene. It was in this place, according to some of the ancients, that an engagement happened between the gods and the giants. Virg. G. 4, v. 321.—Ovid. Met. 15, v. 337.—A village of Attica, where Minerva had a temple, and where the Pallantides chiefly resided. Herodot. 1, c. 161.—Plut. in Them.

PALMA, a governor of Syria.

PALMYRA, the capital of Palmyrene, a country on the eastern boundaries of Syria, now called Theodemor, or Tasmor. It is famous for being the seat of the celebrated Zenobia, and of Odenatus, in the reign of the emperor Aurelian. It is now in ruins, and the splendour and magnificence of its porticoes, temples, and palaces, are now daily examined by the curious and the learned.

PALPHURIUS, one of the flatterers of Domitian. Jun. 4, v. 53.

PAMISOS, a river of Thessaly.

PAMMENES, an Athenian general, sent to assist Megalopolis, against the Martineans, &c.—An astrologer.

PAMONN, a son of Priam and Hecuba. Apollod.


PAMPHILUS, a celebrated painter of Mace donia, in the age of Philip. He was founder of the school for painting at Sicyon, and he made a law which was observed not only in Sicyon, but all over Greece, that none but the children of noble and dignified persons should be permitted to learn painting. Apelles was one of his pupils. Diog.

PAMPHOS, a Greek poet, supposed to have lived before Hesiod's age.

PAMPHYLA, a Greek woman, who wrote a
general history in 33 books, in Nero's reign. This history, so much commended by the ancients, is lost.

PAMPHYLIA, a province of Asia Minor, anciently called Mopsopia, and bounded on the south by a part of the Mediterranean, called the Pamphylian sea, west by Lycian, north by Pisidia, and east by Cilicia. It abounded with pastures, vines, and olives. It was peopled by a Grecian colony. Strab. 14.—Mela, 1.—Paus. 7, c. 3.—Plin. 5, c. 26.

Pan, was the god of shepherds, of huntsmen, and of all the inhabitants of the country. He was the son of Mercury by Dypore, according to Homer. Some give him Jupiter and Callisto for parents, others Jupiter and Ybis or Oneis. Lucian, Hyginus, &c. support that he was the son of Mercury and Penelope, the daughter of Icarus, and that the god gained the affections of the princess under the form of a goat, as she tended her father's flocks on mount Taygetus, before her marriage with the king of Lithaca. Some authors maintain that Penelope became mother of Pan, during the absence of Ulysses in the Trojan war; and that he was the offspring of all the suitors which frequented the palace of Penelope, whence he received the name of Pan, which signifies all or every thing. Pan was a monster in appearance; he had two small horns on his head, his complexion was ruddy, his nose flat, and his legs, thighs, tail, and feet, were those of a goat. The education of Pan was entrusted to a nymph of Arcadia, called Sinoe, but the nurse, according to Homer, terrified at the sight of such a monster, fled away and left him. He was wrapped up in the skin of beasts by his father, and carried to heaven, where Jupiter and the gods long entertained themselves with the oddity of his appearance. Bacchus was greatly pleased with him, and gave him the name of Pan. The god of shepherds chiefly resided in Arcadia, where the woods and the most rugged mountains were his habitation. He invented the flute with seven reeds, which he called Syrinx, in honour of a beautiful nymph of the same name, to whom he attempted to offer violence, and who was changed into a reed. He was continually employed in receiving the neighbouring nymphs, and often with success. Though deformed in his shape and features, yet he had the good fortune to captivate Diana, and of gaining her favour, by transforming himself into a beautiful white goat. He was also enamoured of a nymph of the mountains called Echo, by whom he had a son called Lynx. He also paid his addresses to Omphale, queen of Lydia, and it is well-known in what manner he was received. [Vid. Omphate.] The worship of Pan was well established, particularly in Arcadia, where he gave oracles on mount Lycaus. His festivals, called by the Greeks Lycae, were brought to Italy by Evander, and they were well known at Rome, by the name of the Lupercalia. [Vid. Lupercalia.] The worship, and the different functions of Pan, are derived from the mythology of the ancient Egyptians. This god was one of the eight great gods of the Egyptians, who ranked before the other 12 gods, whom the Romans called Consentes. He was worshipped with the greatest solemnity all over Egypt. His statues represented him as a goat, not because he was really such, but this was done for mysterious reasons. He was the emblem of fecundity, and they looked upon him as the principle of all things. His horns, as some observe, represented the rays of the sun; and the brightness of the heavens was expressed by the vivacity and theuddiness of his complexion. The star which he wore on his breast, was the symbol of the firmament; and his hairy legs and feet denoted the inferior parts of the earth, such as the woods and plants. Some suppose that he appeared as a goat, because, when the gods fled into Egypt, in their war against the giants, Pan transformed himself into a goat, an example which was immediately followed by all the deities. Pan, according to some, is the same as Faunus, and he is the chief of all the Satyrs. Plutarch mentions, that in the reign of Tiberius, an extraordinary voice was heard near the Echiuades in the Ionian sea, which exclaimed, Isat the great Pan was dead. This was readily believed by the emperor, and the astrologers were consulted, but they were unable to explain the meaning of so supernatural a voice, which probably proceeded from the imposition of one of the courtiers who attempted to terrify Tiberius. In Egypt, in the town of Mence, which word also signifies a goat, there was a sacred goat kept, with the most ceremonious sanctity. The death of this animal was always attended with the greatest solemnities, and like that of another Apis, became the cause of an universal mourning. As Pan usually terrifed the inhabitants of the neighbouring country, that kind of fear which often seizes men, and which is only ideal and imaginary, has received from him the name of panic fear. This kind of terror has been exemplified not only in individuals, but in numerous armies, such as that of Brennus, which was thrown into the greatest consternation at Rome, without any cause or plausible reason. Ovid, Fast. 1, v. 396. 1. 2, v. 277. Met. 1, v. 689.—Virg. G. 1, v. 17. Æn. 8, v. 343. G. 3, v. 392.—Juuv. 2, v. 142.—Paus. 6, c. 30.—Varro de L. L. 5, c. 3.—Liv. 1, c. 5.—Dionys. Hal. 1.—Herodot. 2, c. 46 & 145, &c.—Diod. 1.—Orpheus. Hymn. 10.—Homer. Hymn in Pan.—Lucian. Dial. Merc. et Pan.—Apollod. 1, c. 4.

PANACEA, a goddess, daughter of Æsculapius, who presided over health. Lucan. 9, v. 918.

PANETRIUS, a stoic philosopher of Rhodes, 138 B. C. He studied at Athens for some time, of which he refused to become a citizen, observing, that a good and modest man ought to be satisfied with one country. He came to Rome, where he reckoned among his pupils Laelius and Scipio the second Africanus. To
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The latter he was attached by the closest ties of friendship and familiarity; he attended him in his expeditions, and partook of all his pleasures and amusements. To the interest of their countrymen at Rome, the Rhodians were greatly indebted for their prosperity, and the immunities which they for some time enjoyed. Panæus wrote a treatise on the duties of man, whose merit can be ascertained from the encomiums which Cicero bestows upon it. Cic. de offic. &c.—A tyrant of Leontini in Sicily.

B. C. 613.

Panæres, a general of Crete, defeated by Metellus, &c.

Panariste, one of the waiting women of Berenice, the wife of king Antiochus.

Panathenaea, festivals in honour of Minerva the patronesses of Athens. They were first instituted by Erichtheus or Orpheus, and called Athana, but Theseus afterwards renewed them; and caused them to be celebrated and observed by all the tribes of Athens, which he had united into one, and from which reason the festivals received their name. Some suppose that they are the same as the Roman Quinquatria, as they are often called by that name among the Latins. In the first years of the institution, they were observed only during one day, but afterwards the time was prolonged, and the celebration was attended with greater pomp and solemnity. The festivals were two; the great Panathenaea a eukata, which were observed every 5th year, beginning on the 22d of the month called Hecatombaeon, or 7th of July, and the lesser Panathenaea, which were kept every 3d year, or rather annually, beginning on the 21st or 20th of the month called Thargelion, corresponding to the 5th or 5th day of the present month of May. In the lesser festivals there were three games, conducted by ten presidents chosen from the ten tribes of Athens, who continued four years in office. On the evening of the first day there was a race with torches, in which men on foot, and afterwards on horseback, contended. The same was also exhibited in the greater festivals. The second combat was gymnical, and exhibited a trial of strength and bodily dexterity. The last was a musical contention, first instituted by Pericles. In the songs they celebrated the generous undertaking of Harmodius and Aristogiton, who opposed the Pisistratide, and of Thrasybulus, who delivered Athens from its thirty tyrants. Phrynis of Mytilene was the first who obtained the victory, by playing upon the harp. There were besides other musical instruments, on which they played in concert, such as flutes, &c. The poets contended in four plays, called from their number πετραλαογια. The last of these was a satire. There was also at Sunium an imitation of a naval fight. Whoever obtained the victory in any of these games was rewarded with a vessel of oil, which he was permitted to dispose of in whatever manner he pleased, and it was unlawful for any other person to transport that commodity. The conqueror also received a crown of the olives which grew in the groves of Academus, and were sacred to Minerva, and called μωρεαι, from μωρός, deals, in remembrance of the tragical end of Hallirhodus the son of Neptune, who cut his own leg when he attempted to cut down the olive which had given the victory to Minerva in preference to his father, when these two deities contended about giving a name to Athens. Some suppose that the word is derived from μωρός, a part, because these olives were given by contribution by all such as attended at the festivals. There was also a dance called Pyrrhichia, performed by young boys in armour, in imitation of Minerva, who thus expressed her triumph over the vanquished Titans. Gladiators were also introduced when Athens became tributary to the Romans. During the celebration, no person was permitted to appear in dyed garments, and if any one transgressed, he was punished according to the discretion of the president of the games. After these things, a sumptuous sacrifice was offered, in which every one of the Athenian boroughs contributed an ox, and the whole was concluded by an entertainment for all the company with the flesh that remained from the sacrifice. In the greater festivals, the same rites and ceremonials were usually observed, but with more solemnity and magnificence. Others were also added, particularly the procession, in which Minerva's sacred πεπλος, or garment, was carried. This garment was woven by a select number of virgins, called εργατεια, from ergon, work. They were superintended by two of the αργηβοις, or young virgins, not under eleven years of age, nor above seventeen, whose garments were white and set off with ornaments of gold. Minerva's πεπλος was of a white colour, without sleeves and embroidered with gold. Upon it were described the achievements of the goddess, particularly her victories over the giants. The exploits of Jupiter and the other gods were also represented there, and from that circumstance men of courage and bravery are said to be aειων πεπλου, worthy to be portrayed in Minerva's sacred garment. In the procession of the πεπλος, the following ceremonials were observed. In the ceramicus, without the city, there was an engine built in the form of a ship, upon which Minerva's garment was hung as a sail, and the whole was conducted, not by beasts, as some have supposed, but by subterraneous machines, to the temple of Ceres Eleusinia, and from thence to the citadel, where the πεπλος was placed upon Minerva's statue, which was laid upon a bed woven or strewed with flowers, which was called πλακε. Persons of all ages, of every sex and quality, attended the procession, which was led by old men and women, carrying olive branches in their hands, from which reason they were called Σαλλωθοροι, bearers of green boughs. Next followed men of full age, with shields and spears. They were attended by the μετεκοι, or foreigners, who carried small boats as a token of their foreign origin, and from that account they were called σαλλωθοροι, boar bearers. After them came the women attended by the

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wives of the foreigners called δευφοροι, because they carried water pots. Next to these came young men crowned with millet and singing hymns to the goddess, and after them followed select virgins of the noblest families, called κανηφοροι, basket bearers, because they carried baskets, in which were certain things necessary for the celebration, with whatever utensils were also requisite. These several necessaries were generally in the possession of the chief manager of the festival called αρχιεωρος, who distributed them when occasion offered. The virgins were attended by the daughters of the foreigners, who carried umbrellas and little seats, from which they were named διφοροφοροι, seat carriers. The boys, called παιμαικα as it may be supposed led the rear clothed in coats generally worn at processions. The necessaries for this and every other festival were prepared in a public hall erected for that purpose, between the Pirean gate and the temple of Ceres. The management and the care of the whole was entrusted to the νομοφέλεις, or people employed in seeing the rites and ceremonies properly observed. It was also usual to set all prisoners at liberty, and to present golden crowns to such as had deserved well of their country. Some persons were also chosen to sing some of Homer's poems, a custom which was first introduced by Hipparchus the son of Pisistratus. It was also customary in this festival and every other quinquennial festival, to pray for the prosperity of the Plataeans, whose services had been so conspicuous at the battle of Marathon.

PANCHEA, or Panchaia, an island of Arabia Felix, where Jupiter had a magnificent temple. — A part of Arabia Felix, celebrated for the myrrh, frankincense, and perfumes which it produced. Virg. G. 2. v. 138. i. 4. v. 379. — Ovid. Met. 1. v. 309. &c. — Diod. 5.

PANDA, two deities at Rome, who presided one over the openings of roads; and the other over the opening of towns. Varro de P. R. 1.

PANDAMA, a girl of India favoured by Hercules, &c. Polygen. 1.

PANDARIA, a small island of the Tyrrhenian sea.

PANDARUS, a son of Lycaon, who assisted the Trojans in their war against the Greeks. He went to the war without a chariot, and therefore he generally fought on foot. He broke the truce which had been agreed upon between the Greeks and Trojans, and wounded Memelaus and Diomedes, and shewed himself brave and uncommonly courageous. He was at last killed by Diomedes; and Æneas, who then carried him in his chariot, by attempting to revenge his death nearly perished by the hand of the furious enemy. Dictys. Cret. 2. c. 35. — Homer. II. 2 & 5. — Hygin. fab. 112. — Virg. Aen. 5. v. 495. — Strab. 14. — A son of Alcanor, killed with his brother Bitias by Turnus. Virg. Aen. 9. v. 735. — A native of Crete punished with death for being accessory to the theft of Tantalus. What this theft was is unknown. Some, however suppose, that Tantalus stole the ambrosia and the nectar from the tables of the gods to which he had been admitted, or that he carried away a dog which watched Jupiter's temple in Crete, in which crime Pandarus was concerned, and for which he suffered. Pandarus had two daughters Camiro and Clytua, who were also deprived of their mother by a sudden death, and left without friends or protectors. Venus had compassion upon them, and she fed them with milk, honey, and wine. The goddesses were all equally interested in their welfare. Juno gave them wisdom and beauty, Diana a handsome figure and regular features, and Minerva instructed them in whatever domestic accomplishments can recommend a wife. Venus wished still to make their happiness more complete, and when they were come to nubile years the goddess prayed Jupiter to grant them kind and tender husbands. But in her absence the Harpies carried away the virgins, and delivered them to the Eumides to share the punishment which their father suffered. — Par. 10, c. 30. — Pindar.

PANDARUS or PANDAREUS, a man who had a daughter called Philomela. She was changed into a nightingale, after she had killed by mistake, her son Itylus, whose death she mourned in the greatest melancholy. Some suppose him to be the same as Pandion, king of Athens.

PANDATES, a friend of Datames at the court of Artaxerxes. C. Nep. in Dat.

PANDEmus, one of the surnames of the god of love, among the Egyptians and the Greeks, who distinguished two Cupids, one of whom was the vulgar called Pandemus, and another of a purer and more celestial origin. Plut. in Eros.

PANDIA, a festival at Athens established by Pandion, from whom it received its name; or because it was observed in honour of Jupiter, who can τα παντα διηγεν, move and turn all things as he pleases. Some suppose that it concerned the moon, because it does παντοτε τεωτικ, move incessantly, by shewing itself day and night, rather than the sun which never appears but in the day time. It was celebrated after the Dionysia, because Bacchus is sometimes taken for the sun or Apollo, and therefore the brother, or, as some will have it, the son of the moon.

PANDION, a king of Athens, son of Erichthon and Pasithaea, who succeeded his father, B. 1437. He became father of Procne and C. Philomela, Erechtthus and Butes. During his reign there was such an abundance of corn, wine, and oil, that it was publicly reported that Bacchus and Minerva had personally visited Attica. He waged a successful war against Labdacus king of Boeotia, and gave his daughter Procne in marriage to Tereus, king of Thrace, who had assisted him. The treatment which Philomela received from her brother-in-law, Tereus, [Vid. Philomela.] was the source of infinite grief to Pandion, and he died through excess of sorrow, after a reign of 40 years. There was also another Paumon, son of Cecrops 2d.
by Matiada, who succeeded to his father, B. C. 130. He was driven from his paternal dominions, and fled to Pylas, king of Megara, who gave him his daughter Pelia in marriage, and resigned his crown to him. Pandion became father of four children, called from him Pandionides, AEGUS, Pallas, Nius, and Lyca. The eldest of these children recovered his father's kingdom. Some authors have confounded the two Pandions together in such an indiscriminate manner, that they seem to have been only one and the same person. Many believe that Philomela and Procne were the daughters not of Pandion the 1st, but of Pandion the 2d. Ovid. Met. 6, v. 767. Apollod. 3, c. 15. Paus. 1, c. 5. Higin. fab. 48. A son of Phineus and Cleopatra, deprived of his eye-sight by his father. Apollod. 3, c. 15. A son of Aegyptus and Hephsestiana. A king of the Indies in the age of Augustus.

Pandora, a celebrated woman, the first mortal female that ever lived, according to the opinion of the poet Hesiod. She was made with clay by Vulcan at the request of Jupiter, who wished to punish the impiety and artifice of Prometheus, by giving him a wife. When this woman of clay had been made by the artist, and received life, all the gods vied in making her presents. Venus gave her beauty and the art of pleasing; the Graces gave her the power of captivating; Apollo taught her how to sing; Mercury instructed her in eloquence; and Minerva gave her the most rich and splendid ornaments. From all these valuable presents, which she had received from the gods, the woman was called Pandora, which intimates that she had received every necessary gift, παν ὄροφον. Jupiter after gave her a beautiful box, which she was ordered to present to the man who married her; and by the commission of the god, Mercury conducted her to Prometheus. The artful mortal was sensible of the deceit, and as he had always distrusted Jupiter, as well as the rest of the gods, since he had stolen fire away from the sun to animate his man of clay, he sent away Pandora without suffering himself to be captivated by her charms. His brother Epimetheus was not possessed of the same prudence and sagacity. He married Pandora, and when he opened the box which she presented to him, there issued from it a multitude of evils and distempers, which dispersed themselves all over the world, and which from that fatal moment, have never ceased to afflict the human race. Hope was the only one who remained at the bottom of the box, and it is she alone who has the wonderful power of easing the labours of man, and of rendering his troubles and his sorrows less painful in life. Hesiod. Theog. & Dies. Apollod. 1, c. 7. Paus. 1, c. 24. Higin. 14. A daughter of Erechtheus king of Athens. She was sister to Protagena, who sacrificed herself for her country at the beginning of the Boeotian war.

PANOPIS or PANOPÉA, one of the Nereides, whom sailors generally invoked in storms. Her name signifies, giving every assistance, or seeing every thing. Hesiod. Theog. — Virg. Æn. 5, v. 825. — One of the daughters of Thespius. Apollod. 2, c. 7. — A town of Phocis. Ovid. Met. 3, v. 19.

PANOPUS, a son of Phocus and Asterodia, who accompanied Amphitryon when he made war against the Teleboans. He was father to Epeus, who made the celebrated wooden horse at the siege of Troy. Paus. 2, c. 29. — Apollod. 2, v. 4. — A town of Phocis, between Orchomenos and the Cephisus. Paus. 10, c. 4. — Strab. 9.

PANOPION, a Roman saved from death by the uncommon fidelity of his servant. When the assassin came to murder him as being proscribed, the servant exchanged clothes with his master, and let him escape by a back door. He afterwards went into his master's bed, and suffered himself to be killed as if Panopion himself. Val. Max.

PANOPOLIS, the city of Pan, a town of Egypt, called also Chemmis. Pan had there a temple, where he was worshipped with great solemnity, and represented in a statue fascino longissimo et erecto. Diod. 5. — Strab. 17.

PANORUS, a town of Sicily, built by the Phoenicians, on the north-west part of the island, with a good and capacious harbour. It was the strongest hold of the Carthaginians in Sicily, and it was at last taken with difficulty by the Romans. Mela, 2, c. 7. — Ital. 14, v. 262. — A town of the Thracian Chersonesus.

— A town of Ionia, near Ephesus. — Another in Crete. — La Macedonia. — Acaia.


PANSA C. VIBIUS, a Roman consul, who with A. Hirtius pursued the murderers of J. Caesar, and was killed in a battle near Mutina. On his death-bed he advised young Octavius to unite his interest with that of Antony, if he wished to revenge the death of Julius Caesar, and from his friendly advice soon after rose the celebrated second triumvirate. Some suppose that Pansa was put to death by Octavius himself, or through him, by the physician Glicon, who poured poison into the wounds of his patient. Pansa and Hirtius were the two last consuls who enjoyed the dignity of chief magistrates of Rome, with full power. The authority of the consuls afterwards dwindled into a shadow. Patern. 2, c. 6. — Dio. 46. — Ovid. Trist. 3, el. 3. — Plut. & Appian.

PANTAGNOSTUS, a brother of Polycrates, tyrant of Samos. Polygen. 1.

PANTAYGAS, a small river on the eastern coast of Sicily, which falls into the sea, after running a short space in rough cascades over rugged stones and precipices. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 689. — Ital. 14, v. 232.

PANTALEON, a king of Pisa, who presided at the Olympic games, B. C. 664, after excluding the Eleusis, who on that account expelled the Olympiad from the Fasti, and called it the 2nd Anaphy. They had called for the same reason the 8th the 1st Anaphy, because the Pisans presided.

PANTALOON, a man appointed over Ætolia by Demetrius, &c. Plut.

PANTHEUS, a friend of Cleomenes, king of Sparta, &c. Plut.

PANTHIDES, a man who married Italia, the daughter of Themistocles.

PANTHEA, the wife of Abradates, celebrated for her beauty and conjugal affection. She was taken prisoner by Cyrus, who refused to visit her, lest he should be ensnared by the power of her personal charms. She killed herself on the body of her husband, who had been slain in a battle, &c. Vid. Abradates. — Xenophon. Cyrop.

PANTHENON, a celebrated temple at Rome, built by Agrippa, in the reign of Augustus, and dedicated to all the gods, whence the name pastry. It was struck with lightning some time after, and partly destroyed. Hadrian repaired it, and it still remains at Rome, converted into a Christian temple, the admiration of the curious. Plin. 36, c. 13. — Marcell. 16, c. 10.

PANTHELUS or PANTHUS, a Trojan, son of Olyryas the priest of Apollo. When his country was burnt by the Greeks, he followed the fortunes of Æneas, and was killed. Virg. Æn. 2, v. 485.

PANTHIONIDES, a patronymic of Euphorbus, the son of Ponthus. Pythagoras is sometimes called by that name, as he asserted that he was Euphorbus, during the Trojan war. Horut. 1, od. 28, v. 10. — Ovid. Met. 15, v. 161. — A Spartan general, killed by Pericles at the battle of Tanagra.

PANTHECAEUM, a town of Taurica Chersonesus, built by the Milesians, and governed some time by its own laws, and afterwards subdued by the kings of Bosporus. It was, according to Strabo, the capital of the European Bosporus. Mithridates the Great died there. Plin. — Strab.

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PANTICAPÆUS, a river of European Scythia, which falls into the Borysthenes. Herodot. 4, c. 54.

PANTILIBUS, a buffalo ridiculed by Horut. 1, Sat. 10, v. 79.

PANTIPUS, an ancient Greek, uncle to the historian Herodotus. He celebrated Hercules in one of his poems, and the Ionians in another, and was universally esteemed.

PANTHUS, a river of Macedonia.

PAPAEUS, a name of Jupiter among the Scythians.

PAPPHAS, a king of Ambraica, killed by a lioness deprived of her whelps. Ovid. in lb. v. 502.

PAPHA, a surname of Venus, because the goddess was worshipped at Paphos. — An ancient name of the island of Cyprus.

PAPHAIONIA, a country of Asia Minor, si-
tute at the west of the river Halys, by which it was separated from the Cappadocians. It was divided on the west from the Bithynians, by the river Parthenius. Herodot. 1, c. 72.—Strab. 4.—Mela.—Plin.

PAPHOS, a famous city of the island of Cyprus, founded, as some suppose, about 1184 years before Christ, by Agapenor, at the head of a colony from Arcadia. The goddess of beauty was particularly worshipped there, and all male animals were offered on her altars, which, though 100 in number, daily smoked with the profusion of Arabian frankincense. The inhabitants were very effeminate and lascivious, and the young virgins were permitted by the laws of the place to get a dowry by prostitution. Strab. 8. &c.—Mela, 2, c. 7.—Herod. Od. 8.—Virg. Aen. 1, v. 419, &c. 1, 10, v. 51 &c.—Herod. 1, od. 3.

PAPHEUS, a son of Pygmalion, by a statue which had been changed into a woman by Venus. Vid. Pygmalion. Ovid. Met. 10, v. 297.

PAPIS EX, de peregrinis, by Papirius the tribune, A. U. C. 688, which required that all strangers should be driven away from Rome. It was afterwards confirmed and extended by the Julian law.—Another, called Papia Poppea, because it was enacted by the tribunes, M. Papirius Mutilus, and Q. Poppeus Secundus, who had received consular power from the consuls for six months. It was called the Julian law after it had been published by order of Augustus, who himself was of the Julian family. Vid. Julia lex de Mortandatis ordinibus.—Another to empower the high priest to choose 20 virgins for the service of the goddess Vesta.—Another in the age of Augustus. It gave the patron a certain right to the property of his client, if he had left a specified sum of money, or if he had not three children.

PAPIANUS, a man who proclaimed himself emperor some time after the Gordians. He was put to death.

PAPIAS, an easy Christian writer, who first propagated the doctrine of the Millennium. There are remaining some historical fragments of his.


PAPIANUS, a tribune who conspired against Caligula.—A man who destroyed himself, &c. Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 49.

PAPRIA, the wife of Paulus Aemilius. She was divorced. Plut.

PAPRIUS, a centurion engaged to murder Piso, the pro-consul of Africa. Tacit. Hist. 4, c. 49.—A patrician, chosen rex sacrorum, after the expulsion of the Tarquins from Rome.

A Roman who wished to gratify his unnatural desires upon the body of one of his slaves called Publius. The slave refused, and was inhumanly treated. This called for the interference of justice, and a decree was made, which forbade any person to be detained in fetters, but only for a crime that deserved such a treatment, and only till the criminal had suffered the punishment which the laws directed. Creditors also had a right to arrest the goods, and not the person of their debtors. Liv. 3, c. 28.—Carbo, a Roman consul who under took the defence of Opinius, who was accused of condemning and putting to death a number of citizens on mount Aventinus without the formalities of a trial. His client was acquitted.

Censor, a man who first erected a sun-dia. in the temple of Quirinus at Rome, B. C. 293; from which time the days began to be divided into hours.—A dictator who ordered his master of horse to be put to death, because he had fought and conquered the enemies of the republic without his consent. The people interfered, and the dictator pardoned him. Censor made war against the Sabines and conquered them, and also triumphed over the Samnites. His great severity displeased the people. He flourished about 380 years before the Christian era. Liv. 9, c. 14.—One of his family sur named Praxestatus, from an action of his whist he wore the praetexta, a certain gown for young men. His father, of the same name, carried him to the senate-house, where affairs of the greatest importance were then in debate before the senators. The mother of young Papirius wished to know what had passed in the senate, but Papirius, unwilling to betray the secrets of that august assembly, amused his mother by telling her, that it had been considered whether it would be more advantageous to the republic to give two wives to one husband, than two husbands to one wife. The mother of Papirius was alarmed, and she communicated the secret to the other Roman matrons, and on the morrow they assembled in the senate, petitioning that one woman might have two husbands, rather than one husband two wives. The senators were astonished at this petition, but young Papirius unravelled the whole mystery, and from that time it was made a law among the senators, that no young man should for the future be introduced into the senate-house, except Papirius. This law was carefully observed till the age of Augustus, who permitted children of all ages to hear the debates of the senators.—Carbo, a friend of Cnina and Marius. He raised cabals against Silla and Pompey, and was at last put to death by order of Pompey, after he had rendered himself odious by a tyrannical consulsip, and after he had been proscribed by Silla. A consul defeated by the armies of the Cimbri.—Crassus a dictator who triumphed over the Samnites.

A consul murdered by the Gauls, &c.—A son of Papirius Cursor, who defeated the Samnites, and dedicated a temple to Romulus Quirinus.—Maso, a consul who conquered Sardinia and Corsica, and reduced them into the form of a province. At his return to Rome he was refused a triumph, upon which he introduced a triumphal procession, and walked with his victorious army to the capitol, wearing a crown of myrtle on his head. His example was afterwards followed by such generals as were refused a triumph by the Roman senate. Vid. Mar. 3, c. 6.

PAPRIA LEX, by Papirius Carbo, A. U. C. 62. It required that in passing or rejecting
laws in the comitia, the votes should be given on tablets. —Another by the tribune Papirius, which enacted, that no person should consecrate any edifice, place, or thing, without the consent and permission of the people. —Another A. U. C. 563, to diminish the weight, and increase the value of the Roman æs. —Another A. U. C. 421, to give the freedom of the city to the citizens of Acerra. —Another A. U. C. 623. It was proposed, but not passed. It recommended the right of choosing a man tribune of the people as often as he wished.

Pappius, a philosopher and mathematician of Alexandria, in the reign of Theodosius the Great.


Parabysbon, a tribunal at Athens, where causes of inferior consequence were tried by 11 judges. Paus. 1, c. 40.

Paradibus, a town of Syria or Phoenicia. Ptol. 5, c. 23.

Parrake, a place between Media and Persia, where Antigonus was defeated by Eumenes. C. Nep. in Eum. 8.

Parænionium, a town of Egypt at the west of Alexandria. Ovid. Met. 9, v. 712.

Paralii, a division of the inhabitants of Attica; they received this name from their being near the coast Paræ and Alan.

Paralus, a friend of Dion, by whose assistance he expelled Dionysius. —A son of Péricles. His premature death was greatly lamented by his father. Plut.

Parasia, a country at the east of Media.

Parasius, a son of Philonimia by a shepherd. He was exiled on Erymanthus by his mother, with his twin brother Lycastus. Their lives were preserved.

Parce, powerful goddesses who presided over the birth and the life of mankind. They were three in number, Clotho, Lachesis, and Atropos, daughters of Nox and Erebus, according to Hesiod, or of Jupiter and Themis, according to the same poet in another poem. Some make them daughters of the sea. Clotho, the youngest of the sisters, presided over the moment in which we are born, and held a distaff in her hand. Lachesis spun out all the events and actions of our life, and Atropus, the eldest of the three, cut the thread of human life with a pair of scissors. Their different functions are well expressed in this ancient verse:

Clotho colum netin, Lachesis net, a Atropos occat.

The name of the Parcae, according to Varro, is derived a partu or parturiente, because they presided over the birth of men, and by corruption the words parcae is formed from parta or partus. The power of the Parcae was great and extensive. Some suppose that they were subjected to none of the gods but Jupiter, whilst others support that even Jupiter himself was obedient to their commands, and indeed we see the father of the gods in Homer’s Iliad unwilling to see Patroclus perish, yet obliged by the superior power of the Fates to abandon him to his destiny. According to the more received opinions, they were the arbiters of the life and death of mankind, and whatever good or evil befals us in the world, immediately proceeds from the Fates or Parcae. Some make them ministers of the king of hell, and represent them as sitting at the foot of his throne, others represent them as placed on radiant thrones, amongst the celestial spheres, clothed in robes spangled with stars, and wearing crowns on their heads. According to Pausanias, the names of the Parcae were different from those already mentioned. The most ancient of all, as the geographer observes, was Venus Urania, who presided over the birth of men, the second was Fortune, Ithia was the third. To these some add a fourth, Proserpine, who often disputes with Atropos the right of cutting the thread of human life. The worship of the Parcae was well established in some cities of Greece, and though mankind were well convinced that they were inexorable, and that it was impossible to mitigate them, yet they were eager to show a proper respect to their divinity, by raising them temples and statues. They received the same worship as the Furies, and their votaries yearly sacrificed to them black sheep, during which solemnity the priests were obliged to wear garlands of flowers. The Parcae were generally represented as three old women with chaplets made with wool, and interwoven with the flowers of the Narcissus. They were covered with a white robe, and fillet of the same colour, bound with chaplets. One of them held a distaff, another the spindle, and the third was armed with scissors, with which she cut the thread which her sisters had spun. Their dress is differently represented by some authors. Clotho appears in a variegated robe, and on her head is a crown of seven stars. She holds a distaff in her hand reaching from heaven to earth. The robe which Lachesis wore, was variegated with a great number of stars, and near her were placed a variety of spindles. Atropos was clothed in black; she held scissors in her hand, with claws of thread of different size, according to the length and shortness of the lives, whose destinies they seemed to contain. Hyginus attributes to them the invention of these Greek letters, α, β, η, τ, ν, and others the care of the secretaries of heaven, and the keepers of the archives of eternity. The Greeks call the Parcae by the different names of μορφά, αρτα, κόρων, ευμακράνθη, which are expressive of their power and of their inexorable decrees. Hesiod, Theog. & scw. Her. —Paus. 1, c. 40. 1. 3. c. 11. 1. 5. c. 15.—Homer. Il. 20. Od. 7.—Theocrit. 1.—Callimach. in Dion. —Elian. Anim. 10.—Plin. Nat. 10. Nep. 7.—Eurip. in Iphig. —Plut. de facie in urbe Lycis. —Hygin. in prof. sb. p. fab. 277.—Varro.—Orph. hymn. 58.—Apollon. 1, 3c.—Claudian de rapt. Prose. —Lyco. Æsop. & Tatt. 3c.—Horat. 2, od. 6, 3c.
PARIS, the son of Priam, king of Troy, by Hecuba, called also Alexander. He was destined even before his birth, to become the ruin of his country, and when his mother in the first months of her pregnancy had dreamed that she should bring forth a torch which would set fire to her palace, the soothsayers foretold the calamities which might be expected from the impropriety of her future son, and which would end in the destruction of Troy. Priam, to prevent so great and so alarming an evil, ordered his slave Archelaus to destroy the child as soon as born. The slave, either touched with humanity or influenced by Hecuba, did not destroy him, but was satisfied to expose him on mount Ida, where the shepherds of the place found him, and educated him as their own son. Some attribute the preservation of his life before he was found by the shepherds, to the motherly tenderness of the she-bear who suckled him. Young Paris, though educated among shepherds and peasants, gave early proofs of courage and intrepidity, and from his care in protecting the flocks of mount Ida against the rapacity of the wild beasts, he obtained the name of Alexander, (helper or defender.) He gained the esteem of all the shepherds, and his graceful countenance and manly deportment recommended him to the favour of Æneus, a nymph of Ida, whom, he married, and with whom he lived with the most perfect tenderness. Their conjugal peace was soon disturbed. At the marriage of Pelus and Thetis, the goddess of discord, who had not been invited to partake of the entertainment, shewed her displeasure, by throwing into the assembly of the gods who were at the celebration of the nuptials, a golden apple, on which were written the words, Detur pulchreor. All the goddesses claimed it as their own; the contention at first became general, but at last only three, Juno, Venus, and Minerva, wished to dispute their respective right to beauty. The gods, unwilling to become arbiters in an affair of so tender and so delicate a nature, appointed Paris to adjudge the prize of beauty to the fairest of the goddesses, and indeed the shepherd seemed properly qualified to decide so great a contest, as his wisdom was so well established, and his prudence and sagacity so well known. The goddesses appeared before the judge without any covering or ornament, and each tried by promises and entreaties, to gain the attention of Paris, and to influence his judgment. Juno promised him a kingdom; Minerva military glory; and Venus, the fairest woman in the world for his wife, as Ovid expresses it, Heroid. 17, v. 118.

Uniques cum regnum; bellis dare altae laudem; Tyndaridis conjuga; Tertis d sit, eris.

After he had heard their several claims and promises, Paris adjudged the prize to Venus, and gave her the golden apple, to which perhaps, she was the best entitled, as the goddess of beauty. This decision of Paris in favour of Venus, drew upon the judge and his family, the resentment of the two other goddesses. Soon after Priam proposed a contest among his sons and other princes, and promised to reward the conqueror with one of the finest bulls of mount Ida. His emissaries were sent to procure the animal, and it was found in the possession of Paris, who reluctantly yielded it up. The shepherd was desirous of obtaining again this favourite animal, and he went to Troy and entered the lists of the combatants. He was received with the greatest applause, and obtained the victory over his rivals, Nestor, the son of Neleus; Cycnus, son of Neptune; Polites, Helenus, and Deiphobus, sons of Priam. He also overthrew Hector himself, and the prince, enraged to see himself conquered by an unknown stranger, pursued him closely, and Paris must have fallen a victim to his brother's resentment, had he not fled to the altar of Jupiter. This sacred retreat preserved his life, and Cassandra, the daughter of Priam, struck with the similarity of the features of Paris with those of her brothers, enquired his birth and his age. From these circumstances she soon discovered that he was her brother, and as such she introduced him to her father and to her brothers. Priam acknowledged Paris as his son, forgetful of the alarming dreams which had influenced him to meditate his death, and all jealousy ceased among the brothers. Paris did not long suffer himself to remain inactive, he equipped a fleet, as if willing to redeem Beaione, his father's sister, whom Hercules had carried away and obliged to marry Telamon, the son of Aëchus. This was the pretended motive of his voyage, but the causes were far different. Paris collected that he was to be the husband of the fairest of women, and if he had been led to form those expectations while he was an obscure shepherd of Ida, he had now every plausible reason to see them realized since he was acknowledged the son of the king of Troy. Helen was the fairest woman of the age, and Venus had promised her to him. On these grounds, therefore, he visited Sparta, the residence of Helen, who had married Menelaus. He was received with every mark of respect, but he abused the hospitality of Menelaus, and while the husband was absent in Crete, Paris persuaded Helen to elope with him, and to fly to Asia. Helen consented, and Priam received her into his palace without difficulty, as his sister was then detained in a foreign country, and as he wished to show himself as hostile as possible to the Greeks. This affair was soon productive of serious consequences. When Menelaus had married Helen, all her suitors had bound themselves by a solemn oath to protect her person, and to defend her from every violence, [Vid. Helen] and therefore the injured husband reminded them of their engagements, and called upon them to recover Helen. Upon this all Greece took up arms in the cause of Menelaus. Agamemnon was chosen general of all the combined forces, and a regular war was begun. [Vid. Troja.] Paris,
meanwhile, who had refused Helen to the petitions and embassies of the Greeks, armed himself with his brothers and subjects to oppose the enemy; but the success of the war was neither hindered nor accelerated by his means. He fought with little courage, and at the very sight of Menelaus, whom he had so recently injured, all his resolution vanished, and he retired from the front of the army, where he walked before like a conqueror. In a combat with Menelaus, which he undertook by means of his brother Hector, Paris must have perished had not Venus interfered, and stolen him from the resentment of his adversary. He nevertheless wounded in another battle Machaon, Euryphlius, Diomedes, and according to some opinions, he killed with one of his arrows the great Achilles. [Vid. Achillæ.] The death of Paris is differently related; some suppose that he was mortally wounded by one of the arrows of Philoctetes, which had once been in the possession of Hercules, and that when he found himself languid on account of his wounds, he ordered himself to be carried to the feet of Οἰνον, whom he had basely abandoned, and who in the years of his obscurity had foretold him that he would solicit her assistance in his dying moments. He expired before he came into the presence of Οἰνον, and the nymph, still mindful of their former loves, threw herself upon his body and stabbed herself to the heart, after she had plentifully bathed it with her tears. According to some authors, Paris did not immediately go to Troy when he left the Peloponnesus, but he was driven on the coasts of Egypt, where Proteus, who was king of the country, detained him, and when he heard of the violence which had been offered to the king of Sparta, he detained Helen at his court, but permitted Paris to retire. [Vid. Helenæ.] Dicyt. Cret. 1, 3, &c. — Apollod. 3, c. 12. — Homer. Il. — Ovid. Heroid. 5, 16, &c. — Quint. Cæs. 10, v. 290. — Horat. Od. 3. — Eurip. in Iphig. — Hygin. fab. 92 & 273. — Verg. Æn. 1, &c. — Zitania. V. H. 12, c. 42. — Paus. 10, c. 27. — C. de Div. — Lycothyr. & Tets. in Lyc. — A celebrated player at Rome, in the good graces of the emperor Nero, &c. Tacit. Ann. 13, c. 19, &c.

PARISIADS, a king of Pontus in the age of Alexander the Great. — Another, king of Bosporus.

PARISI, a people and a city of Celtic Gaul, now called Paris, the capital of the kingdom of France. Cas. Bel. G. 6, c. 3.

PARISES, a river of Pannonia, falling into the Danube.

PARIUM, a town of Asia Minor, where Archilochus was born, as some say. Strab. 10.

PARMA, a town of Italy, near Cremona. The poet Cassius, and the critic Macrobius, were born there. It was made a Roman colony, A. U. C. 569. The inhabitants were called Parmenenses. Cic. Philipp. 14. — Mart. 14, ep. 55. — Liv. 39, c. 55. — Strab. 5. — Horat. 1. 38. 4.

PARMENIDES, a Greek philosopher of Elis, who flourished about 505 years before Christ. He was the pupil of Xenophaenes, or Axaminander, according to some. He maintained that there were only two elements, fire and the earth; and he taught that the first generation of men was produced from the sun. He first discovered that the earth was round, and that it was placed in the centre of the universe. There were, as he supposed, only two sorts of philosophy—one founded on reason, and the other on opinion. He digested this unpopular system in verses, of which a few fragments remain. Dig.

PARMENIO, a celebrated general in the armies of Alexander, who enjoyed the king's confidence, and was more attached to his person as a man than as a monarch. When Darius king of Persia offered Alexander all the country which lies at the west of the Euphrates, with his daughter Statira in marriage, and ten thousand talents of gold, Parmenio took occasion to observe, that he would without hesitation accept of these conditions if he were Alexander; So would I, were I Parmenio, replied Alexander. This friendship so true and inviolable, was sacrificed to a moment of resentment and suspicion; and Alexander, who had too eagerly listened to a slight and perhaps a false accusation, ordered Parmenio and his son to be put to death, as if guilty of treason against his person. Parmenio was in the 70th year of his age, B. C. 330. He died in the greatest popularity; and it has been judiciously observed, that Parmenio obtained many victories without Alexander, but Alexander not one without Parmenio. Curt. 7. &c. — Plut. in Alex.

PARNASSUS, a mountain of Phocis, anciently called Larissas, from the root of Deucalion, λαρβας, which was carried there in the universal deluge. It received the name of Parnassus from Parnassus, the son of Neptune, by Cleobula, and was sacred to the Muses, and to Apollo and Bacchus. The soil was barren but the valleys and the green woods that covered its sides, rendered it agreeable and fit for solitude and meditation. Parnassus is one of the highest mountains of Europe, and it is easily seen from the citadel of Corinth, though at the distance of about 80 miles. According to the computation of the ancients, it is one day's journey round. At the north of Parnassus, there is a large plain about eight miles in circumference. The mountain, according to the poets, had only two tops, called Hyampas and Tithorea, on one of which the city of Delphi is situated. Strab. 8. & 9. — Melo, 2, c. 3. — Ovid. Met. 1, &c. — Lucan. 5 & 5. — Paus. 10, c. 6. — A son of Neptune, who gave his name to a mountain of Phocis.


PARNESUS, a mountain of Asia, near Bacchiana.

PARNI, a tribe of the Scythians, who in vaded Patitha.

PARON and HERACLIDES, two youths killed a man who had insulted their father.

PARORIA, a town of Thrace. Liv. 30. 27. — A town of Peloponnesus.
Paros, a celebrated island among the Cyclades, about seven miles and a half distant from Naxos, and 38 from Delos. According to Pliny, it is half as large as Naxos, that is, about 36 or 37 miles in circumference, a measurement which some of the moderns have extended to 50 and even to 80 miles. It has borne the different names of Pactia, Minoa, Hiera, Demetrias, Zycnthus, Calloa, and Hyleassa. It received the name of Paros, which it still bears, from Paros, a son of Jason, or as some maintain, of Parthasius. The island of Paros was rich and powerful, and well known for its famous marble, which was always used by the best statuaries. The best quarries were those of Marpesus, a mountain where still caverns of the most extraordinary depth are seen by modern travellers, and admired as the sources from whence the labyrinth of Egypt, and the porticoes of Greece received their splendour. According to Pliny, the quarries were so uncommonly deep, that in the clearest weather the workmen were obliged to use lamps, from which circumstance the Greeks have called the marble Lychnites, worked by the light of lamps. Paros is also famous for the fine cattle which it produces, and for its partridges and wild pigeons. The capital city was called Paros. It was first peopled by the Phoenicians, and afterwards a colony of Cretans settled in it. The Athenians made war against it, because it had assisted the Persians in the invasion of Greece, and took it, and it became a Roman province in the age of Pompey. Archilochus was born there. The Parian marbles, perhaps better known by the appellation of Arundelian, were engraved in this island in capital letters, B. C. 264, and as a valuable chronicle preserved the most celebrated epochs of Greece from the year 1382, B. C. These valuable pieces of antiquity were procured originally by M. de Petris, a Frenchman, and afterwards purchased by the Earl of Arundel, by whom they were given to the university of Oxford, where they are still to be seen. Prideaux published an account of all the inscriptions in 1676. Mela, 2, c. 7. — Strab. 5. — C. Nep. in Milt. & Alc. — Virg. En. 103, v. 7. l. 3, v. 125. — Ovid. Met. 3, v. 419. l. 7, v. 466. — Plin. 3, c. 14, &c. — Diod. 3, & Thucyd. 1. — Herodot. 2, &c.

Parthasius, a town of Arcadia, founded by Parthasius, the son of Jupiter. The Arcadians are sometimes called Parthasians, and Arcas Parthasius. Virg. An. 8, v. 334. — Ovid. Met. 8, v. 315. — Paus. 8, c. 27.

Parthasius, a famous painter of Ephesus in the age of Zeuxis, about 415 years before Christ. He was a great master of his profession, and particularly excelled in strongly expressing the violent passions. He was blessed with a great genius, and much invention, and he was particularly happy in his designs. He acquired himself great reputation by his pieces, but by none more than that in which he allegorically represented the people of Athens with all the injustice, the clemency, the fickleness, timidity; the arrogance and inconsistency, which so eminently characterised that celebrated na-
disdained and apprehensions of the Helots; and when the people had assembled, the Parians discovered that all was known by the voice of a crier, who proclaimed that no man should throw up his cap. The Parians, though apprehensive of punishment, were not visibly treated with greater severity; their calamitous condition was attentively examined, and the Spartans, afraid of another conspiracy, and awed by their numbers, permitted them to sail for Italy, with Phalantus, their ringleader, at their head. They settled in Magna Graecia, and built Tarentum, about 707 years before Christ. Justin, 3, c. 5.—Strab. 6.—Paus. in Laced., &c.—Plut. in Apoph.

PARTHENIA, a river of Peloponnesus, flowing by Elis. Paus. 6, c. 21.

PARTHENION, a mountain of Peloponnesus, at the north of Tegea. Paus.

PARTHENIUS, a river of Paphlagonia, which, after separating Bithynia, falls into the Euxine sea near Sesamum. It received its name either because the virgin Diana (Ἄπαθήδεια) bathed herself there, or perhaps it received it from the purity and mildness of its waters. Herodot, 2, c. 104.—Plin. 6, c. 2.—A mountain of Arcadia, where Telephus had a temple. Atalanta was exposed on its top, and brought up there. Paus. 8, c. 54.—Aelian, V. H. 13.—Apollod. 2, c. 7.—A favourite of the emperor Domitian. He conspired against his imperial master, and assisted to murder him.—A river of European Sarmatia. Ovid. ex Pont. 4, el. 10, v. 49.

A friend of Æneas killed in Italy. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 748.—A Greek writer whose romance de Amatoris Afectionibus, has been edited in 12mo. Basil. 1531.

Parthenon, a temple of Athens, sacred to Minerva. It was destroyed by the Persians, and afterwards rebuilt by Pericles in a more magnificent manner. All the circumstances which related to the birth of Minerva were beautifully and minutely represented in bas-relief, on the front of the entrance. The statue of the goddess was 26 cubits high, and made of gold and ivory. It passed for one of the master-pieces of Phidian. Plin. 34.

Parthenoëaus, a son of Meleager and Atalanta, or according to some, of Milanion and another Atalanta. He was one of the seven chiefs who accompanied Adrastus, the king of Argos, in his expedition against Thebes. He was killed by Amphidicus. Apollod. 3, c. 9.—Paus. 3, c. 12, 1, 9, c. 19.—A son of Talaus.

Parthenope, one of the sirens.—A daughter of Stymphalus. Apollod.—A city of Campania, afterwards called Neapolis, or the new city, when it had been beautified and enlarged by a colony from Euboea. It is now called Naples. It received the name of Parthenope from one of the Sirens, whose body was found on the sea-shore there. Virg. G. 4, v. 564.—Strab. 1 & 5.—Paterc. 1, c. 4.—Homer. Od. 12.

Partia, a celebrated country of Asia, bounded on the west by Media, south by Carmania, north by Hyrcania, and east by Aria, &c containing, according to Ptolemy, 25 large cities, the most capital of which was called Hecatompylos, from its hundred gates. Some suppose that the present capital of the country is built on the ruins of Hecatompylos. According to some authors, the Parthians were Scythians by origin, who made an invasion on the more southern provinces of Asia, and at last fixed their residence near Hyrcania. They long remained unknown and unnoticed, and became successively tributary to the empire of the Assyrians, Medes, and Persians. When Alexander invaded Asia, the Parthians submitted, like the other dependent provinces of Persia, and they were for some time under the power of Eumenes, Antigonus, Seleucus, Nicanor, and Antiochus, till the rapacity and oppression of Agathocles, a lieutenant of the latter, roused their spirit, and fomented rebellion. Arsaces, a man of obscure origin, but blessed with great military powers, placed himself at the head of his countrymen, and laid the foundation of the Parthian empire, about 250 years before the Christian era. The Macedonians attempted in vain to recover it: a race of active and vigilant princes, who assumed the surnames of Assaces, from the founder of their kingdom, increased its power, and rendered it so formidable, that it even disputed the empire of the world with the Romans, and could never be subdued by that nation, which had seen no people on earth unconquered by their arms. It remained a kingdom till the reign of Artabanus, who was killed about the year 229 of the Christian era, and from that time it became a province of the newly-established kingdom of Persia, under Artaxerxes. The Parthians were naturally strong and warlike, and were esteemed the most expert horsemen and archers in the world. The peculiar custom of discharging their arrows while they were retiring full speed, has been greatly celebrated by the ancients, particularly by the poets, who all observe, that their flight was more formidable than their attacks. This manner of fighting, and the wonderful address and dexterity with which it was performed, gained them many victories. They were addicted much to drinking, and to every manner of lewdness, and their laws permitted them to raise children even by their mothers and sisters. Strab. 2, 6, &c.—Lucan. 3, 7, 8, &c.—Curt. 6, c. 11.—Flor. 3, c. 5.—Virg. G. 3, v. 31, &c. Æn. 7, v. 606.—Ovid. Art. Am. 1, &c. Fast. 5, v. 580.—Dio. Cass. 40.—Plut. 6, c. 5.—Plin. 6, c. 25.—Polyb. 5, &c.—Marcellin.—Herodian. 3, &c.

Parthiæ, a province of Parthia.

Parysâdes, a king of Pontus, B. C. 310 Died.—A king of the Cimmerian Bosporus who flourished 234, B. C.

Parysâdes, a Persian princess, wife of Darius Ochos, by whom she had Artaxerxes, Memnon, and Cyrus the younger. She was so extremely partial to her younger son, that she committed the greatest cruelties to encourage his ambition, and she supported him with all her interest in his rebellion against his brother Memnon. The death of Cyrus at the battle of
Cunaxa, was revolted with the greatest barbarity, and Parysatis sacrificed to her resentment all such as she found concerned in his fall. She also poisoned Statira, the wife of her son Artaxerxes, and ordered one of the eunuchs of the court to be slain alive, and his skin to be stretched on two poles before her eyes, because he had, by order of the king, cut off the hand and the head of Cyrus. These cruelties offended Artaxerxes, and he ordered his mother to be confined in Babylon; but they were soon after reconciled, and Parysatis regained all her power and influence till the time of her death. Plut. in Art.—Ctes.

PASARGADA, a town of Persia, near Carmania, founded by Cyrus on the very spot where he had conquered Astyages. The kings of Persia were always crowned there. Strab. 15.

PASERAS, a tyrant of Sicyon in Peloponnesus, father to Abiantidas, &c. Plut. in Art.

PASICLES, a grammarian, &c.

PASICHACES, a king of part of the island of Cyprus. Plut.

PASIPHAE, a daughter of the Sun and of Perses, who married Minos king of Crete. She disgraced herself by her unnatural passion for a bull, which, according to some authors, she was enabled to gratify by means of the artist Daedalus. This celebrated bull had been given to Minos by Neptune, to be offered on his altars. But as the monarch refused to sacrifice the animal on account of his beauty, the god revenged his disobedience by inspiring Pasiphae with an unnatural love for it. This fabulous tradition, which is universally believed by the poets, who observe that the minotaur was the fruit of this infamous commerce, is refuted by some writers, who suppose that the insufficiency of Pasiphae to her husband, was betrayed in her affection for an officer called Taurus, and that Daedalus, by permitting his house to be the asylum of the two lovers, was looked upon as accessory to the gratification of Pasiphae’s lust. From this amour with Taurus, as it is farther remarked, the queen became mother of twins, and the name of Minotaurus arises from the resemblance of the children to the husband and the lover of Pasiphae. Minos had four sons by Pasiphae, Castreus, Deucalion, Glau- cus, and Androgeus, and three daughters, He- cate, Ariadne, and Phaedra. [Vid. Minotaurus.]

Plato de Min.—Plut. in Theb.—Apollon. 2, c. 1.

Virg. Aen. 6, v. 44.—Hygin. fab. 40.—Diod. 4.—Ovid. Heroid. 4, v. 57 & 165.

PASITHEA, one of the Graces. She is also called Aglai. Paus. 9, c. 35.—One of the Nereides. Heroid.—A daughter of Atlas.

PASITRIGUS, a river of Persia.

PASARON, a town of Epirus.


PASUS, a Thessalian in Alexander’s army, &c.

PATARA, a town of Lycia, situate on the eastern side of the mouth of the river Zanthus, with a capacious harbour, a temple, and an oracle of Apollo, surnamed Patarens. The god was supposed by some to reside for the six winter months at Patara, and the rest of the year at Delphi. The city was greatly embellished by Ptolemy Philadelphus, who attempted in vain to change its original name into that of his wife Arsinoe. Liv. 37, c. 15.—Strab. 14.—Paus. 9, c. 41.—Horat. 3, od. 14, v. 64.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 516.—Mela.

PATAVIUM, a city of Italy, called also Padua. [Vid. Padua.] It is the birth-place of Livy, from which reason some writers have denominated Patavinity those peculiar expressions and provincial dialect, which they seem to discover in the historian’s style not strictly agreeable to the purity and refined language of the Roman authors who flourished in or near the Augustan age.

PATERCULUS, a Roman, whose daughter was pronounced the chaste matron at Rome. Plin. 7, c. 55.—Velleius, an historian. Vid. Velleius.

PASITIDHES, one of the Persian Magi, who raised his brother to the throne because he resembled Smerdis, the brother of Cambyses, &c. Herodot. 3, c. 61.

PATOMOS, one of the Cyclades, with a small town of the same name, situate at the south of Icaria, and measuring thirty miles in circumference, according to Pliny, or only eighteen according to modern travellers. It has a large harbour, near which are some broken columns, the most ancient in that part of Greece. The Romans generally banished their culprits there. It is now called Parmosa. Strab.

PATRE, a town at the north-west of Peloponnesus, anciently called Aroe. Diana had there a temple, and a famous statue of gold and ivory. Paus. 7, c. 6.—Ovid. Met. 6, v. 417.—Mel. 2, c. 3.

PATRICA, a Roman authority, which was not mixed with that of the patricians. They had not had any of them since the last one in the time of the republic, and under the first emperors. It was Constantine the Great who created the dignity of Patrica, and he granted it to those who formed his counsel, or who had rendered important services to the empire, after having exercised it in the first ranks. This dignity has been since that time one of the most eminent in the empire.

PATRICIA, a name under which Isis had a temple at Rome.

PATRO, a daughter of Thestius.

PATROA, a surname of Diana amongst the inhabitants of Syconia.

PATROCLES, an officer of the fleet of Seleucus and Antiochus. He discovered several countries, and it is said that he wrote an history of the world. Strab.—Plin. 6, c. 17.

PATROCLUS, a small island on the coast of Attica. Paus. 4, c. 3.

PATROCLUS, one of the Grecian chiefs during the Trojan war, son of Menestheus by Stheneloe, whom some call Philomela, or Polymela. The accidental murder of Clysonymus, the son of Amphidamus, in the time of his youth, obliged him to fly from Opus, where his father reigned. He retired to the court of Peleus, king of Ilithia, where he was kindly received, and
where he contracted the most intimate friend-
ship with Achilles, the monarch's son. When
the Greeks went to the Trojan war, Patroclus
also accompanied them at the express command
of his father, who had visited the court of Pe-
leus, and he embarked with ten ships from
Phthia. He was the constant companion of
Achilles, and he lodged in the same tent; and
when his friend refused to appear in the field of
battle, because he had been offended by Aga-
memnon, Patroclus imitated his example, and
by his absence, was the cause of the overthrow
of many Greeks. But at last Nestor prevailed on
him to return to the war, and Achilles permitted
him to appear in his armour. The valour of
Patroclus, together with the terror which the
sight of the arms of Achilles inspired, soon
routed the victorious armies of the Trojans, and
obliged them to fly within their walls for safety.
He would have broken down the walls of the
city; but Apollo, who interested himself for the
Trojans, placed himself to oppose him, and
Hector, at the instigation of the god, dismounted
from his chariot to attack him, as he attempted
to strip one of the Trojans whom he had slain.
The engagement was obstinate, but at last Pa-
atroclus was overpowered by the valour of Hec-
tor, and the interposition of Apollo. His arms
became the property of the conqueror, and he
would have severed his head from his body,
had not Ajax and Menelaus intervened.
His body was at last recovered and carried to
the Grecian camp, where Achilles received it
with the bitterest lamentations. His funeral
was observed with the greatest solemnity.
Achilles sacrificed near the burning pile twelve
young Trojans, besides four of his horses, and
two of his dogs; and the whole was concluded
by the exhibition of funeral games, in which
the conquerors were liberally rewarded by
Achilles.

The death of Patroclus, as it is de-
scribed by Homer, gave rise to new events;
Achilles forgot his resentment against Agamem-
on, and entered the field to avenge the fall of
his friend, and his anger was gratified only by
the slaughter of Hector, who had more power-
fully kindled his wrath by appearing at the head
of the Trojan armies in the armour which had
been taken from Patroclus. The patronymic of
Achilles is often applied to Patroclus, because
Achilles was his father to Menestes. Dic.
HYGIN. Fab. 179 &c. — Homer. I 7, 9, &c. — Apollod. 3, c. 43.

A hero of Hercules. Apollod. — An officer of
Ptolemy Philadephias.

Patron, an Arcadian at the games exhibited

Patronus Sodalitii, the name of a chief
of the grand college of Sylvain at Rome. They
preserved in their college the household gods,
and the images of emperors.

Patrou, a surname of Jupiter among the
Greeks, represented by his statues as having
three eyes, which some suppose to signify that
he reigned in three different places, in heaven,
on earth, and in hell. Paus. 2.

Patulcius, a surname of Janus, which he
received a patre, because the doors of his temple
were always open in the time of war. Some
suppose, that he received it because he pre-
sided over gates, or because the year began by
the celebration of his festivals. Ovid. Fast. 1,
v. 129.

Paula, the first wife of the emperor Helio-
gabalus. She was daughter of the prefect of the
Pretorian band. The emperor divorced her,
and Paula retired to solitude and obscurity with
composure.

Paulina, a Roman lady who married Saturn-
inus, a governor of Syria, in the reign of the
emperor Tiberius. Her conjugal peace was
disturbed, and violence was offered to her
vir-
tue by a young man called Mundus, who was
enamoured of her, and who had caused her to
come to the temple of Isis by means of the
priests of the goddess, who declared that Anu-
his wished to communicate to her something of
moment. Saturninus complained to the empe-
or of the violence which had been offered to
his wife, and the temple of Isis was overturned,
and Mundus banished, &c. — The wife of the
philosopher Seneca, who attempted to kill
herself, when Nero had ordered her husband to
die. The emperor however prevented her, and
she lived some years after in the greatest me-
ancholy. Tacit. Ann. 15, c. 63, &c. — A sis-
ter of the emperor Adrian. — The wife of the
emperor Mammianus.

Paulinus Pompeius, an officer in Nero's
regn. Suetonius. — A Roman general, the first
who crossed mount Atlas with an army. He
wrote an history of this expedition in Africa
which is lost. Paulinus also distinguished him-
self in Britain, &c. He followed the arms of
Otho against Vitellius. Plin. 5, c. 1. — Vale-
rius, a friend of Vespasion.

Paulus Aemilius, a Roman celebrated for
his victories, and surnamed Macedonius from his
conquest of Macedonia. In the early part of
life, he distinguished himself by his uncommon
application, and by his fondness for military dis-
ципline. His first appearance in the field was
attended with great success, and the barbarians
that had revolted in Spain, were reduced with
the greatest facility under the power of the Ro-
mans. In his first consulsip, his arms were
directed against the Ligurians, whom he totally
subjected. His application for a second con-
sumpliip proved abortive; but when Perseus,
the king of Macedonia, had declared war against
Rome, the abilities of Paulus were remem-
ered, and he was honoured with the consul-
ship about the 60th year of his age. After this
appointment, he behaved with uncommon vi-
gor; and soon a general engagement was fought
near Pydna. The Romans obtained a victory,
and Perseus saw himself deserted by all his
subjects. In two years the conqueror made
himself master of all Macedonia, and soon after
the fugitive monarch was brought into his pre-
sence. Paulus did not exult over his fallen ene-
my; but when he had gently rebuked him for
his temerity in attacking the Romans, he ad-
dressed himself in a pathetic speech to the of-
cers of his army who surrounded him, and feel-
ingly enlarged on the instability of fortune, and
the vicissitude of all human affairs. When he had finally settled the government of Macedo-
nia with ten commissioners from Rome, and after he had sacked seventy cities of Epirus, and
divided the booty among his soldiers, Paulus returned to Italy. He was received with the
usual acclamations; and though some of the seditious soldiers attempted to prevent his
triphial entry into the capitol, yet three days were appointed to exhibit the fruits of his vic-
tories. Perseus, with his wretched family, adorned the triumph of the conqueror, and as
they were dragged through the streets before the chariot of Paulus, they drew tears of com-
passion from the people. The riches which the Romans divided from this conquest were im-
mense, and the people were freed from all taxes till the consulship of Hirtius and Pansa; but
while every one of the citizens received some benefit from the victories of Paulus, the con-
quero himself, was poor, and appropriated for his own use nothing of the Macedonian trea-
sures except the library of Perseus. In the of-
cine, to which he was afterwards elect-
ed, Paulus behaved with the greatest modera-
tion, and at his death, which happened about 168 years before the Christian era, not only the
Romans, but their very enemies confessed, by
their lamentations, the loss which they had sus-
tained. He had married Papiria, by whom he
had two sons, one of whom was adopted by the
family of Maximus, and the other in that of Scipio Africanus. He had also two daughters, one
of whom married a son of Catolic. and the other
Elius Tubero. He afterwards divorced Pap-
ricia, and when his friends wished to reprouse
his conduct in doing so, by observing that she
was young and handsome, and that she had
made him father of a fine family, Paulus re-
plied, that the shoe which he then wore was
new and well made, but that he was obliged to
leave it off, though no one but himself, as he
said, knew where it pinched him. He married
a second wife, by whom he had two sons, whose
sudden death exhibited to the Romans, in the
most engaging view, their father's philosophy
and stoicism. The elder of these sons died five
days before Paulus triumphed over Perseus, and
the other three days after the public proces-
sion. This domestic calamity did not shake the
firmness of the conqueror; yet, before he re-
tired to a private station, he harangued the
people; and in mentioning the severity of for-
tune upon his family, he expressed his wish that
every evil might be averted from the republic
by the sacrifice of the domestic prosperity of an
individual. Plut. in vita.—Lit. 43, &c.—
Justin. 33, c. 1, &c.—Samosatius, an au-
thor in the reign of Gallienus.—Maximus,
Vit. Maximus Fabius.—Egineta, a Greek
physician, whose work was edited and Ad. fol.
1588.—L. Amylius, a consul killed at the
battle of Cannae. Horat. od. 12, v. 38.—Lit.
22, c. 32.—Julius, a Latin poet in the age of
Adrian and Antoninus. He wrote some poeti-
cal pieces recommended by A. Gallius.

PAULUS. Vid. Amylius.
upon him and dispatched him. Some support that Pausanias committed this murder at the instigation of Olympias, the wife of Philip, and of her son Alexander. Died 16.—Justin 9.—

Plut. in Apoph.—A king of Macedonia, deposed by Amyntas, after a year's reign. Died. Another who attempted to seize the kingdom of Macedonia, from which he was prevented by Iphocrates the Athenian. A friend of Alexander the Great, made governor of Sardis. A physician in the age of Alexander. 

Plut.—A celebrated orator and historian, who settled at Rome, A. D. 170, where he died in a very advanced age. He wrote an history of Greece, in ten books, in the Ionian dialect, in which he gives, with great precision and geographical knowledge, an account of the situation of its different cities, their antiquities, and the several curiosities which they contained. He has also interwoven mythology in his historical account, and introduced many fabulous traditions and superstitious stories. In each book the author treats of a separate country, such as Attica, Arcadia, Messenia, Elis, &c. Some suppose that he gave a similar description of Phoenicia and Syria. There was another Pausanias, a native of Cassarea, in Cappadocia, who wrote some declamations, and who is often confounded with the historian of that name. —The best edition of Pausanias is that of Khlinius, fol. Lips. 1696.—A Lacedemonian who wrote a partial account of his country. —A statuary of Apollo, whose abilities were displayed in adorning Apollo's temple at Delphi. Paus. 10. c. 9. —A king of Sparta, of the family of the Eurythridae, who died 397 B. C. after a reign of 14 years. 

PAUSEBASTOS, a precious stone consecrated to Venus, and which they also called Pasiros. 

PAUSIAS, a painter of Sicyon, the first who understood how to apply colours to wood or ivory by means of fire. He made a beautiful painting of his mistress Glycere, whom he represented as sitting on the ground, and making garlands with flowers, and from this circumstance the picture, which was bought afterwards by Lucullus for two talents, received the name of Stephanoplous. Some time after the death of Pausias, the Sicyonians were obliged to part with the picture they possessed to deliver themselves from an enormous debt, and M. Scaurus the Roman bought them all, in which were those of Pausias, to adorn the theatre, which had been built during his edileship. Pausias lived about 350 years before Christ. Plut. 35. c. 11. 

PAUSILYPUS, a mountain near Naples; its name, which in Greek signifies a cessing of sorrow, answers to the beauty of its situation. Its inhabitants show there the tomb of Virgil, a tomb for which they held the greatest veneration. The grotto is a road nearly two miles long, dug under the mountain, an admirable work attributed to the Romans, but which seems to be more ancient than the Roman government itself. Two skilful vent-holes in the arch show a little light. The direction of the grotto is such, that towards the end of October, when the sun sets, it shews itself entirely through it. Stat. 4. Sylv. 4. v. 52. —Plin. 9. c. 55.—Strab. 5.—Senec. ep. 5 & 57. 

PAUSIUS, a god of the cessation of work, the god of repose, opposed by Belloua and Mars. 

PAUVERTAS, an allegorical divinity, daughter of Juixa and Sloth. 

PAVENTIA, a Roman divinity who presided over fear, and whom people invoked to guard themselves against those effects. 

PAX, an allegorical divinity among the ancients. The Athenians raised her a statue, which represented her as holding Plutus the god of wealth in her lap, to intimate that peace gives rise to prosperity and opulence, and they were the first who erected an altar to her honour after the victories obtained by Timothaeus over the Lacedaemonian power, though Plutarch asserts it has been done after the conquests of Cimon over the Persians. She was represented among the Romans with the horn of plenty, and also carrying an olive branch in her hand. The emperor Vespasian built her a celebrated temple at Rome, which was consumed by fire in the reign of Commodus. It was customary for men of learning to assemble in that temple, and even to deposit their writings there, as in a place of the greatest security. Therefore when it was burnt, not only books, but also many valuable things, jewels, and immense treasures were lost in the general conflagration. C. Nep. in Timoth. 2.—Plut. in Cim. — Paus. 9. c. 16. 

PAXOS, a small island between Ithaca and the Echinades in the Ionian sea. 

PEAS, a shepherd, who, according to some, set on fire the pile on which Hercules was burnt. The hero gave him his bow and arrows. Apollod. 2. 

PECILA. Vid. Pscila. 

PECUNIA, a goddess of money, whom the Romans invoked, in order to have an abundance of it. St. Augustine pretended that Pecunia was a surname of Jupiter. De. Civ. Dei. c. 21. 

PDERUS, an illegitimate son of Autenor. Homer. II. 7. 

PEDACA, a woman of whom Horace, 1. Sat. 6. v. 39, speaks of as a contemptible character. 

PEDANI. Vid. Pedum. 

PEDANIIUS, a prefect of Rome, killed by one of his slaves, for having denied him his liberty, &c. Tacit. 14. Ann. c. 42. 

PEDARETUS, a Spartan, who having solicited a situation in a body of 300 people, and not being able to obtain it, said that he rejoiced to find that Sparta had in it 300 citizens better than himself. Plut. in Lyc. 

PEDAS, a town of Caria, near Halicarnassus T. 7. p. 53, 50. 

PEDJECTEDUS, a son of Eucoliou, the son of Lamedon. His mother was one of the Naiads. He was killed in the Trojan war by Euryalus. Homer. II. 6, v. 21. —One of the four horses
of Achilles. As he was not immortal like the other three, he was killed by Sarpedon. Id. 16.—A town near Pylos, in the Peloponnesus.

PRODADIS, a part of Bactriana, through which the Oxus flows. Polyb.

PEDIAS, the wife of Cranias.

PEDIUS BLESSUS, a Roman, accused by the people of Cyrene, of plundering the temple of Æsculapius. He was condemned under Nero, Sc. Tacit. Ann. 14, c. 18.—A nephew of Julius Caesar, who commanded one of his legions in Gaul, Sc.—Poplicola, a lawyer in the age of Horace. His father was one of J. Caesar's heirs, and became consul with Augustus after Pansa's death.


PEDOTROPHA, that is to say, she who nourishes children. They gave this name to Diana because she presided every where to those who nourished them.

PDIANUS ASCONIUS, flourished A. D. 76.

PEDUM, a town of Latium, about 10 miles from Rome, conquered by Camillus. The inhabitants were called Peditani. Liv. 2, c. 39. 1, 8, c. 13 & 14.—Horat. 1, ep. 4, v. 2.

PESO, a fountain at the foot of mount Argaanthus in Bithynia, into which Hylas fell. Propert. 1, c. 20, v. 33.

PEGASIDES, a name given to the muses from the horse Pegasus, or from the fountain which Pegasus had raised from the ground, by striking it with his foot. Ovid. Her. 13, v. 27.

PEGASIS, a name given to Æione by Ovid, (Her. 5,) because she was daughter of the river (πηνος) Cebrenus.

PEGASIUM STAGNUM, a lake near Ephesus, which arose from the earth when Pegasus struck it with his foot.

PEGASOS, a cape of Magnesia, thus called because Argus built it there; he had in this place a temple of Apollo, from whence this god takes the name of Pegasian. It was from thence where the Argonauts embarked. This place has since bore the name of Aphoteus.

PEGASUS, a winged horse sprung from the blood of Medusa, when Perseus had cut off her head. He received his name from his being born, according to Hesiod, near the sources (πηνος) of the ocean. As soon as born he left the earth, and flew up into heaven, or rather, according to Ovid, he fixed his residence on mount Helicon, where, by striking the earth with his foot, he instantly raised a fountain, which has been called Hippocrene. He became the favourite of the Muses; and being afterwards tamed by Neptune or Minerva, he was given to Bellerophon, to conquer the Chimera. No sooner was this fiery monster destroyed, than Pegasus threw down his rider, because he was a mortal, or rather, according to the more received opinion, because he attempted to fly to heaven. This act of temerity in Bellerophon, was punished by Jupiter, who sent an insect to torment Pegasus, which occasioned the melancholy fall of his rider. Pegasus continued his flight up to heaven, and was placed among the constellations by Jupiter. Perseus, according to Ovid, was mounted on the horse Pegasus, when he destroyed the sea monster which was going to devour Andromache. Hesiod. Theog. 282.—Horat. 4, od. 11, v. 20.—Homer. Il. 6, v. 179.—Apollo, 2, c. 3 & 4.—Lycophr. 17.—Paul. 12, c. 3 & 4.—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 785.—Hygin. fab. 57.


PELAGOS, a man killed by a wild boar. Ovid. Met. 8, v. 360.—A son of Aapaus and Metope. —A Phocian, one of whose men conducted Cadmus, and shewed him where, according to the oracle, he was to build a city.

PELAGONIA, one of the divisions of Macedonia at the north. Liv. 26, c. 25. l. 31, c. 28.

PELARGE, a daughter of Potneus, who re-established the worship of Ceres in Bzotia. She received divine honours after death. Paul. 9, c. 25.

PELAGI, a people of Greece, supposed to be one of the most ancient in the world. They first inhabited Argolis in Peloponnesus, which from them received the name of Pelagia, and about 1883 years before the Christian era, they passed into Æmonia, and were afterwards dispersed in several parts of Greece. Some of them fixed their habitations in Epirus, others in Crete, others in Italy, and others in Lesbos. From these different changes of situation in the Pelasgians, all the Greeks are indiscriminately called Pelasgians, and their country Pelasgia, though more properly speaking, it should be confined to Thessaly, Epirus, and Peloponnesus, in Greece. Some of the Pelasgians, that had been driven from Attica, had settled at Lemnos, where some time after they carried some Athenian women, whom they had seized in an expedition on the coast of Attica. They raised some children by these captive females, but they afterwards destroyed them with their mothers, through jealousy, because they differed in manners as well as in language from them. This horrid murder was attended by a dreadful pestilence, and they were ordered, to expiate their crime, to do whatever the Athenians commanded them. This was to deliver their possessions into their hands. The Pelasgians seem to have received their name from Pelagus the first king and founder of their nation. Paul. 8, c. 1.—Strab. 5.—Herodot. 1.—Plut. in Rom.—Virg. Æn. 1.—Ovid. Met.—Placc. —Senec. in Mem. & Agen.

PELAGIUS OF PELASGIOTUS, a country of Greece whose inhabitants are called Pelasgi or Pelasgiote. Every country of Greece, and all Greece in general, is indiscriminately called Pelasgia, though the name should be more particularly confined to a part of Thessaly, situate between the Peneus, the Aliacmon, and the Sperchius. The maritime borders of this part of Thessaly were afterwards called Magneti,
though the sea or its shore still retained the name of Pelagias Sinus, now the gulf of Volos. Pelagia is also one of the ancient names of Epirus, as also of Peloponnesus. *Vid. Pelasgi.*

**Pelasgus,** a son of Terra, or according to others, of Jupiter and Niobe, who reigned in Sicyon, and gave his name to the ancient inhabitants of Peloponnesus.

**Pelethronius,** an epithet given to the La phyte, because they inhabited the town of Pelethronium, at the foot of mount Pelion in Thessaly; or because one of their number bore the name of Pelethronius. It is to them that mankind is indebted for the invention of the bit with which they tamed their horses with so much dexterity. *Vig. G. S. v. 115.—Ovid. Met. 12, v. 552.—Lucan. 6, v. 387.*

**Pelcus,** a king of Thessaly, son of Eaeus and Endeis, the daughter of Chiron. He married Thetis, one of the Nereids, and was the only one among mortals who married an immortal. He was accessory to the death of his brother Phocus, and on that account he was obliged to leave his father's dominions. He retired to the coast of Eurytus, the son of Actor, who reigned at Phthia, or according to the less received opinion of Ovil, he fled to Ceyx, king of Trachinia. He was purified of his murder by Eurytus, with the usual ceremonies, and the monarch gave him his daughter Antigone in marriage. Some time after this Peleus and Eurytus went to the chase of the Calydonian boar, where the father-in-law was accidentally killed by an arrow which his son-in-law had aimed at the beast. This unfortunate event obliged him to banish himself from the court of Phthia, and he retired to Iolchos, where he was purified of the murder of Eurytus, by Acastus, the king of the country. His residence at Iolchos was short; Astydamia, the wife of Acastus, became enamoured of him; and when she found him insensible to her passionate declaration, she accused him of attempts upon her virtue. The monarch partially believed the accusations of his wife, but not to violate the laws of hospitality, by putting him instantly to death, he ordered his officers to conduct him to mount Pelion, on pretence of hunting, and there to tie him to a tree, that he might become the prey of the wild beasts of the place. The orders of Acastus were faithfully obeyed, but Jupiter, who knew the innocence of his grandson Pe lacus, ordered Vulcan to set him at liberty. As soon as he had been delivered from danger, Pel cas assembled his friends to punish the ill treatment which he had received from Acastus. He forcibly took Iolchos, drove the king from his possessions, and put to death the wicked Astydamia. After the death of Antigone, Pel teas courted Thetis, of whose superior charms, Jupiter himself had been enamoured. His pretensions, however, were rejected, and as he was a mortal, the goddess fled from him with the greatest abhorrence, and the more effectually to evade his inquiries, she generally assumed the shape of a bird, or a tree, or of a tigeress. Pe leus became more animated from her refusal, he offered a sacrifice to the gods, and Proteus informed him that to obtain Thetis he must surprise her while she was asleep in her grotto, near the shores of Thessaly. This advice was immediately followed, and Thetis unable to escape from the grasp of Peleus, at last consented to marry him. Their nuptials were celebrated with the greatest solemnity, and all the gods attended, and made them each the most valuable presents. The goddess of discord was the only one of the deities who was not present, and she punished this seeming neglect by throwing an apple into the midst of the assembly of the gods, with the inscription of, *detur pulchrius.* [Vid. *Discordia.*] From the marriage of Peleus and Thetis was born Achilles, whose education was early entrusted to the Centaur Chiron, and afterwards to Pheenix, the son of Amyntor. Achilles went to the Trojan war, at the head of his father's troops, and Peleus gloried in having a son who was superior to all the Greeks in valour and intrepidity. The death of Achilles was the source of grief to Peleus, and Thetis to comfort her husband, promised him immortality, and ordered him to retire into the grottos of the island of Leuce, where he would see and converse with the manes of his son. Peleus had a daughter called Polydora, by Antigone. *Homer. II.— Eurip. in Andr. Catull. de Nep. Pel. et Thet.—Ovid. Heroid. 5, Fast. 2. Met. 11, fab. 7 & 8.—Apollod. 3, c. 12.—Paus. 2, c. 29.—Diod. 4.—Hig. fab. 54.*

**Peliades,** the daughters of Peleus. *Vid. Pelias.*

**Pelias,** the twin brother of Neleus, was son of Neptune by Tyro, the daughter of Salmoneus. His birth was concealed from the world by his mother, who wished her father to be ignorant of her incontinence. He was exposed in the woods, but his life was preserved by shepherds, and he received the name of Pelias, from a spot of the colour of lead in his face. Sometime after this adventure, Tyro married Cretheus, son of AEolus, king of Iolchos, and became mother of three children, of whom AEson was the eldest. Meantime Pelias visited his mother, and was received in her family, and after the death of Cretheus, he unjustly seized the kingdom, which belonged to the children of Tyro, by the deceased monarch. To strengthen himself in his usurpation, Pelias consulted the oracle, and when he was told to beware of one of the descendants of AEolus, who should come to his court with one foot shod, and the other bare, he privately removed the son of AEson, after he had publicly declared that he was dead. These precautions proved abortive. Jason, the son of AEson, who had been educated by Chiron, returned to Iolchos, when arrived to the ages of maturity, and as he had lost one of his shoes in crossing the river Asopus or the Evros, Pelias immediately perceived that this was the son whom he was advised so much to dread. His unpopularity prevented him from acting with violence against a stranger.
whose uncommon dress, and commanding aspect, had raised admiration in his subjects. But his astonishment was excited, when he saw Jason arrive at his palace, with his friends and his relations, and boldly demand the kingdom which he usurped. Peleus was conscious that his complaints were well founded, and therefore to divert his attention, he told him that he would voluntarily resign the crown to him, if he went to Colchis, to avenge the death of Phryxus, the son of Athamas, whom Ἐκέτες had cruelly murdered. He further observed, that the expedition would be attended with the greatest glory, and that nothing but the infinities of old age had prevented him himself from vindicating the honour of his country, and the injuries of his family by punishing the assassin. This, so warmly recommended, was as warmly accepted by the young hero, and his intended expedition was made known all over Greece. [Vid. Jason.] During the absence of Jason, in the Argonautic expedition, Peleus murdered ιΕσον and all his family, but according to the more received opinion of Ovid, ιΕσον was still living when the Argonauts returned, and he was restored to the vigour of youth by the magic of Medea. This sudden change in the vigour and the constitution of ιΕσον, astonished all the inhabitants of Tolchos, and the daughters of Peleus who had received the patronymic of Πελιάδες, expressed their desire to see their father's infinities vanish, by the same powerful arts. Medea, who wished to avenge the injuries which her husband Jason had received from Peleus, raised the desires of the Πελιάδες, by cutting an old ram to pieces, and boiling the flesh in a cauldron, and afterwards turning it into a fine young lamb. After they had seen this successful experiment, the Πελιάδες cut their father's body to pieces, after they had drawn all the blood from his veins, on the assurance that Medea would replenish them by her incantations. The limbs were immediately put into a cauldron of boiling water, but Medea suffered the flesh to be totally consumed, and refused to give the Πελιάδες the promised assistance, and the bones of Peleus did not even receive a burial. The Πελιάδες were four in number, Alcete, Pisdice, Pelopea, and Hippothoe, to whom Hyginus adds Medua. Their mother's name was Anaxibia, the daughter of Bias, or Phlimoche, the daughter of Amphin. After this parricide, the Πελιάδες fled to the court of Acastus, where Acastus, the son-in-law of Peleus, pursued them, and took their prisoner protector. The Πελιάδες died, and were buried in Arcadia. Hyg. fab. 12, 13, & 14. — Ovid. Met. 7, fab. 8 & 9. — Paus. 8, c. 12. — Apollod. 1, c. 9. — Senec. in Med. — Apollon. Arg. 1. — Pauli. Rh. 4. — Deut. 4. — A Trojan chief wounded by Ulysses during the Trojan war. He survived the ruin of his country, and followed the fortune of Αἰενεάς. Virg. Aen. 2, v. 435. — The ship Argos is called Πειλίας ἄρωρ, built of the trees of mount Pelion. — The spear of Achilles. Vid. Pelión.

Πελίδες, a patronymic of Achilles, and Pyr-
Pelopia, a daughter of Niobe.—A daughter of Pelias.—The mother of Cygnus.

Pelopidas, a celebrated general of Thebes son of Hippocles. He was descended of an illustrious family, and was remarkable for his immense possessions, which he bestowed with great liberality to the poor and necessitous. Many were the objects of his generosity, but when Epaminondas had refused to accept his presents, Pelopidas disregarded all his wealth and preferred before it the enjoyment of his friend's conversation and of his poverty. From their friendship and intercourse the Thebans derived the most considerable advantage. No sooner had the interest of Sparta prevailed at Thebes, and the friends of liberty and national independence been banished from the city, than Pelopidas, who was in the number of the exiles, resolved to free his country from foreign slavery. His plan was bold and animated, and his deliberations were slow. Meanwhile Epaminondas, who had been left by the tyrants at Thebes, as being in appearance a worthless and insignificant philosopher, animated the youths of the city, and at last Pelopidas, with eleven of his associates, entered Thebes, and easily massacred the friends of the tyranny, and freed their country from foreign masters. After this successful enterprise, Pelopidas was unanimously placed at the head of the government, and so confident were the Thebans of his abilities as a general and a magistrate, that they successively re-elected him 13 times to fill the honourable office of governor of Boeotia. Epaminondas shared with him the sovereign power, and it was to their valour and prudence that the Thebans were indebted for a celebrated victory at the battle of Leuctra. In a war which Thebes carried on against Alexander tyrant of Pherae, Pelopidas was appointed commander, but his imprudence in trusting himself unarmed into the enemy's camp nearly proved fatal to him. He was taken prisoner, but Epaminondas restored him to liberty. The perfidy of Alexander irritated him, and he was killed bravely fighting in a celebrated battle in which his troops obtained the victory, B.C. 364 years. He received an honourable burial; the Thebans shewed their sense of his merit by their lamentations; they sent a powerful army to revenge his death by the destruction of the tyrant of Pherae and his relations, and his children were presented with immense donations by the cities of Thessaly. Pelopidas is admired for his valour, as he never engaged an enemy without obtaining the advantage. The impoverished state of Thebes before his birth, and after his fall, plainly demonstrates the superiority of his genius and of his abilities, and it has been justly observed, that with Pelopidas and Epaminondas the glory and the independence of the Thebans rose and set. Plut. & C. Nep. in vitam.—Xenoph. Hist. G.—Dict. 15.—Polyb.

Peloponnesiacum Bellum, a celebrated war which continued for 27 years between the Athenians and the inhabitants of Peloponnesus with their respective allies. It is the most famous and the most interesting of all the wars which have happened between the inhabitants of Greece, and for the minutest and circumstantial description which we have of the events and revolutions which mutual animosity produced, we are indebted more particularly to the correct and authentic writings of Thucydides, and of Xenophon. The circumstances which gave birth to this memorable war are these: the power of Athens under the prudent and vigorous administration of Pericles, was already extended over Greece, and it had procured itself admirers and more enemies, when the Corcyreans, who had been planted by a Corinthian colony, refused to pay to their founders those marks of respect and reverence, which among the Greeks every colony was obliged to pay to its mother country. The Corinthians wished to punish that infidelity, and when the people of Epidamnus, a considerable town on the Adriatic, had been invaded by some of the barbarians of Illyricum, the people of Corinth gladly granted to the Epidamnians that assistance which had in vain been solicited from the Corcyreans, their founders and their patrons. The Corcyreans were offended at the interference of Corinth in the affairs of their colony; they manned a fleet and obtained a victory over the Corinthian vessels which had assisted the Epidamnians. The subsequent conduct of the Corcyreans, and their insolence to some of the Elians who had furnished a few ships to the Corinthians, provoked the Peloponnesians, and the discontent became general. Ambassadors were sent by both parties to Athens to claim its protection, and to justify these violent proceedings. The greatest part of the Athenians heard their various reasons with moderation and with compassion, but the enterprising ambition of Pericles prevailed, and when the Corcyreans had reminded the people of Athens, that in all the estates of Peloponnesus they had to dread the most malevolent enemies, and the most insidious of rivals, they were listened to with attention and were promised support. This step was no sooner taken than the Corinthians appealed to the other Grecian states, and particularly to the Lacedaemonians. Their complaints were accompanied by those of the people of Megara and of Eginia, who bitterly inveighed against the cruelty, injustice, and insolence of the Athenians. This had due weight with the Lacedaemonians, who had long beheld with concern and with jealousy, the ambitious power of the Athenians, and they determined to support the cause of the Corinthians. However, before they proceeded to hostilities an embassy was sent to Athens to represent the danger of entering into a war with the most powerful and flourishing of all the Grecian states. This alarmed the Athenians, but when Pericles had eloquently spoken of the resources and the actual strength of the republic, and of the weakness of the allies, the clamours of his enemies were silenced, and the answers which
was returned to the Spartans was taken as a declaration of a war. The Spartans were supported by all the republics of the Peloponnesus except Argos and part of Achaia, besides the people of Megara, Boeotia, Phocis, Locria, Leucas, Ambracia, and Anactorium. The Plateans, the Lesbians, Carians, Chians, Messenians, Acarnanians, Zacynthians, Corcyreans, Dorian, and Thraceans were the friends of the Athenians, with all the Cyclades except Euboea, Samos, Melos, and Thera. The first blow had already been struck, May 7, B. C. 431, by an attempt of the Boeotians to surprise Platea, and therefore Archidamus king of Sparta, who had in vain recommended moderation to the allies, entered Attica at the head of an army of 60,000 men, and laid waste the country by fire and sword. Pericles was at the head of the government, did not attempt to oppose them in the field, but a fleet of 150 ships set sail without delay to ravage the coasts of the Peloponnesus. Megara was also depopulated by an army of 20,000 men, and the campaign of the first year of the war was concluded in celebrating with the most solemn pomp the funerals of such as had nobly fallen in battle. The following year was remarkable for a pestilence which raged in Athens, and which destroyed the greatest part of the inhabitants. The public calamity was still heightened by the approach of the Peloponnesian army, on the borders of Attica, and by the unsuccessful expedition of the Athenians against Epidaurus and in Thrace. The pestilence which had carried away so many of the Athenians, proved also fatal to Pericles, and he died about two years and six months after the commencement of the Peloponnesian war. The following years did not give rise to new events, but the revolt of Lesbos from the alliance of the Athenians was productive of new troubles. Mitylene, the capital of the island, was recovered, and the inhabitants treated with the greatest cruelty. The island of Corcyra became also the seat of new seditions, and those citizens who had been carried away prisoners by the Corinthians, and for political reasons treated with lenity, and taught to despise the alliance of Athens, were no sooner returned home than they raised commotions, and endeavoured to persuade their countrymen to join the Peloponnesian confederates. This was strongly opposed, but both parties obtained by turns the superiority, and massacred with the greatest barbarity all those who obstructed their views. Some time after, Demothenes the Athenian general invaded Aetolia, where his arms were attended with the greatest success. He also fortified Pylos in the Peloponnesus, and gained so many advantages over the confederates, that they sued for peace, which the insolence of Athens refused. The fortune of the war soon after changed, and the Lacedaemonians under the prudent conduct of Brasidas, made themselves masters of many valuable places in Thrace. But this victorious progress was soon stopped by the death of their general, and that of Cleon the Athenian commander, and the pacific disposition of Nicias, who was now at the head of Athens, made overtures of peace and universal tranquillity. Plistoanax, the king of the Spartans, wished them to be accepted, but the intrigues of the Corinthians prevented the discontinuance of the war, and therefore hostilities began anew. But while war was carried on with various success in different parts of Greece, the Athenians engaged in a new expedition; they yielded to the persuasive eloquence of Gorgias of Leontium, and the ambitious views of Alcibiades, and sent a fleet of 20 ships to assist the Sicilian states against the tyrannical power of Syracuse, B. C. 416. This was warmly opposed by Nicias, but the eloquence of Alcibiades prevailed, and a powerful fleet was sent against the capital of Sicily. These vigorous, though impolitic measures of the Athenians, were not viewed with indifference by the confederates. Syracuse, in her distress, implored the assistance of Corinth, and Gyippus was sent to direct her operations, and to defend her against the power of her enemies. The events of battles were dubious, and though the Athenian army was animated by the prudence and intrepidity of Nicias, and the more hasty courage of Demosthenes, yet the good fortune of Syracuse prevailed, and after a campaign of two years of bloodshed, the fleets of Athens were totally ruined, and the few soldiers that survived the destructive siege made prisoners of war. So fatal a blow threw the people of Attica into consternation and despair, and while they sought for resources at home, they severely felt themselves deprived of support abroad, their allies were alienated by the intrigues of the enemy, and rebellion was fomented in their dependent states and colonies on the Asiatic coast. The threatened ruin, however, was timely averted, and Alcibiades, who had been treated with cruelty by his countrymen, and who had for some time resided in Sparta, and directed her military operations, now exerted himself to defeat the designs of the confederates, by inducing the Persians to espouse the cause of his country. But a short time after the internal tranquillity of Athens was disturbed, and Alcibiades, by wishing to abolish the democracy, called away the attention of his fellow-citizens from the prosecution of a war which had already cost them so much blood. This, however, was but momentary; the Athenians soon after obtained a naval victory, and the Peloponnesian fleet was defeated by Alcibiades. The Athenians beheld with rapture the success of their arms, but when their fleet, in the absence of Alcibiades, had been defeated and destroyed near Andros, by Lyssander, the Lacedaemonian admiral, they shewed their discontent and mortification by eagerly listening to the accusations which were brought against their naval leader, to whom they gratefully had acknowledged themselves indebted to their victories. Alcibiades was disgraced in the public assembly, and ten com-
manders were appointed to succeed him in the management of the republic. This change of admirals, and the appointment of Callirratidas to succeed Lysander, whose office had expired with the revolving year, produced new operations. The Athenians fitted out a fleet, and the nations decided the superiority near Arginusae, in a naval battle. Callirratidas was killed, and the Lacedaemonians conquered, but the rejoicings which the intelligence of this victory occasioned, were soon stopped, when it was known that the wrecks of some of the disabled ships of the Athenians, and the bodies of the slain had not been saved from the sea. The admirals were accused in the tumultuous assembly, and immediately condemned. Their successors in office were not so prudent, but they were more unfortunate in their operations. Lysander was again placed at the head of the Peloponnesian forces, instead of Eteonicus, who had succeeded ed to the command at the death of Callirratidas. The age and the experience of this general seemed to promise something decisive, and indeed an opportunity was not long wanting for the display of his military character. The superiority of the Athenians over that of the Peloponnesians, rendered the former insolent, proud, and negligent, and when they had imprudently forsaken their ships to indulge their indolence, or pursue their amusements on the sea shore at Ægospotamos, Lysander, attacked their fleet, and his victory was complete. Of one hundred and eighty sail, only nine escaped, eight of which fled under the command of Conon, to the island of Cyprus, and the other carried to Athens the melancholy news of the defeat. The Athenian prisoners were all massacred, and when the Peloponnesian conquerers had extended their dominion over the states and communities of Europe and Asia, which formerly acknowledged the power of Athens, they returned home to finish the war by the reduction of the capital of Attica. The siege was carried on with vigour, and supported with firmness, and the first Athenian who mentioned capitulation to his countrymen, was instantly sacrificed to the fury and the indignation of the populace, and all the citizens unanimously declared, that the same moment would terminate their independence and their lives. This animated language, however, was not long continued; the spirit of faction was not yet extinguished at Athens, and it proved perhaps more destructive to the public liberty than the operations and assaults of the Peloponnesian besiegers. During four months, negotiations were carried on with the Spartans, by the aristocratical part of the Athenians, and at last it was agreed, that to establish the peace, the fortifications of the Athenian harbours must be demolished, together with the long walls which joined them to the city; all their ships, except 12, were to be surrendered to the enemy; they were to resign every pretension to their ancient dominions abroad; to recall from banishment all the members of the late aristocracy; to follow the Spartans in war, and in the time of the will, to frame their constitution according to the will and the prescriptions of their Peloponnesian conquerors. The terms were accepted, and the enemy entered the harbour, and took possession of the city, that very day on which the Athenians had been accustomed to celebrate the anniversary of the immortal victory, which their ancestors had obtained over the Persians about 76 years before, near the island of Salamis. The walls and fortifications were instantly levelled with the ground, and the conquerors observed that in the demolition of Athens, succeeding ages would fix the era of Grecian freedom. The day was concluded with a festival, and the recitation of one of the tragedies of Euripides, in which the misfortunes of the daughter of Agamemon, who was reduced to misery, and banished from her father's kingdom, excited a kindred sympathy in the bosom of the audience, who melted into tears at the recollection that one moment had likewise reduced into misery and servitude, the capital of Attica, which was once called the common patroness of Greece, and the scourge of Persia. This memorable event happened about 404 years before the Christian era, and 30 tyrants were appointed by Lysander over the government of the city. Xen. Græc. Hist.—Plut. in Lys. Per. Alcib. Nic. & Ages.—Diod. 11, &c.—Aristoph.—Thucyd.—Plut. Arit. Lyssis.—Iscrat.—C. Nep. in Lys. Alcib. &c.—Cic. in off. 1, 24.

PELOPONNESUS, a celebrated peninsula, which comprehends the most southern parts of Greece. It received this name from Pelops, who settled there, as the name indicates (πελοποννήσιον νῆσος, the island of Pelops.) It had been called before, Arga, Pelasgia, and Argolis. Its present name is Morea, which seems to be derived either from the Greek word μορφα, or the Latin morus, which signifies a mulberry tree, which is found there in great abundance. The ancient Peloponnesus was divided into six different provinces, Messenia, Laconia, Elis, Arcadia, Achaia propria, and Argolis, to which some add Sicyon. These provinces all bordered on the sea shore, except Arcadia. The Peloponnesus was conquered some time after the Trojan war, by the Heraclids, who had been forcibly expelled from it. The inhabitants of this peninsula rendered themselves illustrious like the rest of the Greeks by their genius, their fondness for the fine arts, the cultivation of learning, and the profession of arms, but in nothing more than by a celebrated war which they carried on against Athens and her allies for 27 years, and which from them received the name of the Peloponnesian war. [Vid. Peloponnesiacum bellum.] The Peloponnesus Scamander extended 200 miles in length, and 140 in breadth. It was separated from Greece by the narrow isthmus of Corinth, which the emperor Nero attempted in vain to cut, to make a communication between the bay of Corinth, and the Euro-
behind on Tantalus his spoken to the gods who had visited Phrygia, by placing on their table the limbs of his son. The gods perceived his perfidious cruelty, and they refused to touch the meat, except Ceres, whom the recent loss of her daughter had rendered melancholy and inattentive. She ate one of the shoulders of Pelops, and therefore, when Jupiter had compassion on his fate, and restored him to life, he placed a shoulder of ivory instead of that which Ceres had devoured. This shoulder had an uncommon power, and it could heal by its very touch, every complaint, and remove every disorder. Some time after, the kingdom of Tantalus was invaded by Tros, king of Troy, on pretence that he had carried away his son Ganymedes. This rape had been committed by Jupiter himself; the war was nevertheless carried on, and Tantalus, defeated and ruined, was obliged to fly with his son Pelops, and to seek a shelter in Greece. This tradition is confuted by some, who support, that Tantalus did not fly into Greece, as he had been some time before confuted by Jupiter in the infernal regions for his impiety, and therefore Pelops was the only one whom the enmity of Tros persecuted. Pelops came to Pisa, where he became one of the suitors of Hippodamia, the daughter of King Oenomaus, and he entered the lists against the father, who promised his daughter only to him who could out-run him in a chariot race. Pelops was not terrified at the fate of the thirteen who before him had entered the course against Oenomaus, and had, according to the conditions proposed, been put to death when conquered. He previously bribed Myrtillus, the charioteer of Oenomaus, and therefore he easily obtained the victory. [Vid. Oenomaus.] He married Hippodamia, and threw headlong into the sea Myrtillus, when he claimed the reward of his peril. According to some authors, Pelops had received some winged horses from Neptune, with which he was enabled to outrun Oenomaus. When he had established himself on the throne of Pisa, Hippodamia's possession, he extended his conquests over the neighbouring countries, and from him the peninsula, of which he was one of the monarchs, received the name of Peloponnesus. Pelops, after death, received divine honours, and he was as much revered above all the other heroes of Greece, as Jupiter was above the rest of the gods. He had a temple at Olympia, near that of Jupiter, where Hercules consecrated to him a small portion of sand, and offered to him a sacrifice. The place where this sacrifice had been offered was religiously observed, and the magistrates of the country yearly, on coming into office, made there an offering of a black ram. During the sacrifice, the soothsayer was not allowed, as at other times, to have a share of the victim, but

he alone who furnished the wood, was permitted to take the neck. The wood for sacrifices, as may be observed, was always furnished by some of the priests, to all such as offered victims, and they received a price equivalent to what they gave. The white poplar was generally used in the sacrifices made to Jupiter and to Pelops. The children of Pelops by Hippodamia were Pitheus, Trezen, Atreus, Thyrestes, &c. besides some by concubines. The time of his death is unknown, though it is universally agreed, that he survived some time Hippodamia. Some suppose that the Palladium of the Trojans was made with the bones of Pelops. His descendants were called Pelopid. Findar, who in his first Olympic speaks of Pelops, confutes the traditions of his ivory shoulder, and says, that Neptune took him up to heaven to become there cup-bearer to the gods, from which he was expelled, when the impiety of Tantalus wished to make mankind partake of the nectar and the entertainments of the gods. Some suppose that Pelops first instituted the Olympic games in honour of Jupiter, and to commemorate the victory which he had obtained over Oenomaus. [Paus. 5, c. 1, &c. -- Apollod. 2, c. 5. -- Eurip. in Iphig. -- Diod. 3. -- Strab. 8. -- Mela, 1, c. 18. -- Pindar. Ol. 1. -- Virg. G. 3, v. 7. -- Ov. Met. 6, v. 404, &c. -- Hygin. fab. 9, 82, & 83.]

Pelor, one of the men who sprang from the teeth of the dragon, killed by Cadmus. [Paus. 9, c. 5.]

Peloria, a festival observed by the Thessalians, in commemoration of the news which they received by one Pelorius, that the mountains of Tempe had been separated by an earthquake, and that the waters of the lake which lay there stagnated, had found a passage into the Alpheus, and left behind a vast, pleasant, and most delightful plain, &c. [ Athen. 3.]

Pelorum, or Pelorus, one of the three great promontories of Sicily. It lies near the coast of Italy, and received its name from Pelorus, the pilot of the ship which carried Annibal away from Italy. This celebrated general, as it is reported, was carried by the tides into the straits of Charybdis, and as he was ignorant of the coast, he asked the pilot of his ship the name of the promontory which appeared at a distance. The pilot told him it was one of the capes of Sicily, but Annibal gave no credit to his information, and murdered him on the spot, on the apprehension that he would betray him into the hands of the Romans. He was, however, soon convinced of his error, and found that the pilot had spoken with great fidelity, and therefore, to pay honour to his memory, and to atone for his cruelty, he gave him a magnificent funeral, and ordered that the promontory should bear his name, and from that time it was called Pelorium. Some suppose that this account is false, and they observe that it bore that name before the age of Annibal. [Val. Max. 9 c. 6. -- Meis, 2, c. 7. -- Strab. 3. -- Virg. Ann. 3, v. 411, & 6, 87. -- Ovid. Met. 5, v. 356. 1, 13. v. 747. l. 15, v. 706.]

Pelusium, a town of Egypt, situate at the
entrance of one of the mouths of the Nile, called from it Pelusian. It is about twenty stadia from the sea, and it has received the name of Pelusium from the lakes and marshes (*ησιος) which are in its neighbourhood. It was the key of Egypt on the side of Phenicia, as it was impossible to enter the Egyptian territories without passing by Pelusium; and therefore, on that account, it was always well fortified and garrisoned, as it was of such importance for the security of the country. It is now in ruins. Melas, 2, c. 9.—Strab. 17.—Virg. G. 1, v. 226.

PENATES, certain inferior deities among the Romans, who presided over houses and the domestic affairs of families. They were called Penates, because they were generally placed in the innermost, and most secret parts of the house, in penitissima adiam parte, quod, as Cicero says, penitus insident. The place where they stood was afterwards called penautria, and they themselves received the name of Penetrates. It was in the option of every master of a family to choose his Penates, and therefore Jupiter, and some of the superior gods, are often invoked as patrons of domestic affairs. According to some, the gods Penates were divided into four classes; the first comprehended all the celestial, the second the sea gods, the third the gods of hell, and the last all such heroes as had received divine honours after death. The Penates were originally the manes of the dead; but when superstition had taught mankind to pay uncommon reverence to the statues and images of their deceased friends, their attention was soon exchanged for regular worship, and they were admitted by their votaries to share immortality and power over the world with a Jupiter or a Minerva. The statues of the Penates were generally made with wax, ivory, silver, or earth, according to the affluence of the worshipper; and the only offerings they received were wine, incense, fruits, and sometimes the sacrifice of lambs, sheep, goats, &c. In the early ages of Rome, human sacrifices were offered to them, but Brutus, who expelled the Tarquins, abolished this unnatural custom. When offerings were made to them, their statues were crowned with garlands, poppies, or garlick; and besides the monthly day that was set apart for their worship, their festivals were celebrated during the Saturnalia. Some have confounded the Latres and the Penates, but they were different. Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 27.—Ver. 2.—Dionys. 1.

PENDALUM, a promontory of Cyprus.

PENEIA, or PENEIS, an epithet applied to Daphne, as daughter of Peneus. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 452.

PENELIUS, one of the Greeks killed in the Trojan war.

PENELOPÉ, a celebrated princess of Greece, daughter of Icarius, and wife of Ulysses, king of Ithaca. Her marriage with Ulysses was celebrated about the same time that Menelaus married Helen and she retired with her husband to Ithaca, against the inclination of her father, who wished to detain her at Sparta, her native country. She soon after became mother of Telemachus, and was obliged to part with great reluctance from her husband, whom the Greeks obliged to go to the Trojan war. [Vid. Palamedes.] The continuation of the war for ten years, made her sad and melancholy; but when Ulysses did not return, like the other princes of Greece at the conclusion of the war, her fears and anxieties were increased. As she received no intelligence of his situation, she was soon beset by a number of importunate suitors, who wished her to believe that her husband was shipwrecked, and that therefore she ought not longer to expect his return, but forget his loss, in giving herself to one of her numerous admirers. She received their addresses with coldness and disdain; but as she was destitute of power, and a prisoner as it were in their hands, she yet flattered them with hopes and promises, and declared that she would make choice of one of them, as soon as she had finished a piece of tapestry on which she was employed. The work was done in a dilatory manner, and she baffled their eager expectations by undoing in the night what she had done in the daytime. This artifice of Penelope has given rise to the proverb of Penetloe's web, which is applied to whatever labour can never be ended. The return of Ulysses after an absence of 20 years, however, delivered her from fears, and from her dangerous suitors. Penelope is described by Homer as a model of female virtue and chastity, but some more modern writers dispute her claims to modesty and continence, and they represent her as the most debauched and voluptuous of her sex. According to their opinions, therefore, she gratified the desires of her suitors, in the absencé of her husband, and had a son whom she called Pan, as if to shew that he was the offspring of all her admirers. Some however suppose, that Pan was son of Penelope by Mercury, and that he was born before his mother's marriage with Ulysses. The god, as it is said, deceived Penelope under the form of a beautiful goat, as she was tending her father's flocks on one of the mountains of Arcadia. After the return of Ulysses, Penelope had a daughter, who was called Ptolipothée; but if we believe the traditions that were long preserved at Mantinea, Ulysses repudiated his wife for her incontinence during his absence, and Penelope fled to Sparta, and afterwards to Mantinea, where she died and was buried. After the death of Ulysses, according to Hyginus, she married Telegonus, her husband's son by Circe, by order of the goddess Minerva. Some say that her original name was Arnea, or Amirace, and that she was called Penelope when some birds called Penelopes had saved her from the waves of the sea, when her father had exposed her. Icarus had attempted to destroy her, because the oracles had told him that his daughter by Periboea, would be the most dissolute of her sex, and a disgrace to his family. Apolob. c. 10.—Paus. 3, c. 12.—Homer. II. & Od.—Ovid. Heroid. 1, Met.—Aristot. Hst. Anim. 3.—Hygin. fab. 127.—Aristoph. in Avos.—Plin. 37.
Pentheus, a river of Thessaly, rising on mount Pindus, and falling into the Thermeus gulf, after a wandering course between mount Ossa and Olympus, through the plains of Tempe. It received its name from Pentheus, a son of Oceanus and Tethys. The Pentheus anciently inundated the plains of Thessaly, till an earthquake separated the mountains Ossa and Olympus, and formed the beautiful vale of Tempe, where the waters formerly stagnated. From this circumstance, therefore, it obtained the name of Araxes, ab aquo visco. Daphne, the daughter of Pentheus, according to the fables of the mythologists, was changed into a laurel on the banks of this river. This tradition arises from the quantity of laurels which spring near the Pentheus. Ovid. Met. v. 452, &c.—Strab. 9. Mela, 2, c. 3.—Virg. G. 4, v. 516.—Diod. 4. Also a small river of Peloponnesus.

Pendidas, one of Alexander's friends, who went to examine Scythia under the pretence of an embassy. Curt. 6, c. 6.

Pentine Alps, a certain part of the Alps.

Pentapolis, a town of India.—A part of Africa near Cyrene. It received this name on account of the five cities which it contained; Cyrene, Arimino, Berenice, Potlemais or Barce, and Apollonia. Plin. 5, c. 5.

Penthilesa, a queen of the Amazons, daughter of Mars. She came to assist Priam in the last years of the Trojan war, and fought against Achilles, by whom she was slain. The hero was so struck with the beauty of Penthilesa, when he stripped her of her arms, that he even shed tears for having too violently sacrificed her to his fury. Thersites laughed at the partiality of the hero, for which ridicule he was instantly killed. Lycophorion says, that Achilles slew Thersites because he had put out the eyes of Penthilesa when she was yet alive. The rhetor of Lycophorion differs from that opinion, and declares, that it was commonly believed, that Achilles offered violence to the body of Penthilesa when she was dead, and that Thersites was killed because he had reproached the hero of this infamous action in the presence of all the Greeks. The death of Thersites so offended Diomedes, that he dragged the body of Penthilesa out of the camp, and threw it into the Scamander. It is generally supposed, that Achilles was enamoured of the Amazon before he fought with her, and that she had by him a son called Cayster. Dictys. Cret. 3 c. 4.—Paus. 10, c. 31.—Q. Calab. 1.—Virg. En. 1, v. 425. l. 11, v. 662.—Dares. Phug.—Lycoph. in Cyn. 993, &c.—Hug. fab. 112.

Pentheus, son of Echion and Agave, was king of Thebes in Bocota. His refusal to acknowledge the divinity of Bacchus, was attended with the most serious consequences. He bad his subjects to pay adoration to this new god; and when the Theban women had gone out of the city to celebrate the orgies of Bacchus, Pentheus, apprised of the debauchery which attended the solemnity, ordered the god himself, who conducted the religions multitude, to be seized. His orders were obeyed with reluctance; but when the doors of the worish in which Bacchus was confined opened of their own accord, Pentheus became more irritated, and commanded his soldiers to destroy the whole band of the baccharals. This, however was not executed, for Bacchus inspired the monarch with the ardent desire of seeing the celebration of the orgies. Accordingly he hid himself in a wood on mount Citharon, from whence he could see all the ceremonies unperceived. But here his curiosity soon proved fatal; he was descried by the baccharals, and they all rushed upon him. His mother was the first who attacked him, and her example was instantly followed by her two sisters, lno and Autonoce, and his body was torn to pieces. Extripes introduces Bacchus among his priestesses, when Pentheus was put to death; but Ovid, who relates the whole in the same manner, differs from the Greek poet only in saying, that no Bacchus himself, but one of his priests was present. The tree on which the baccharals found Pentheus, was cut down by the Corinthians, by order of the oracle, and with it two statues of the god of wine were made, and placed in the forum. Hug. fab. 184.—Theocrit. 26.—Ovid. Met. 3, fab. 7, 8, &c.—Virg.Æn. 4, v. 469.—Paus. 2, c. 5.—Apollod. 3, c. 5.—Eurip. in Bacch. Senec. in Phaen. at Hipp.

Penthulus, a son of Orestes by Erigone, the daughter of Ægythus, who reigned conjointly with his brother Tisamenus at Argos. He was driven some time after from his throne by the Heraclids, and he retired to Achaia, and thence to Lesbos, where he planted a colony. Paus. 4, c. 21.—Strab. 13.—Pater. 1, c. 1.

Penthylus, a prince of Paphos, who assisted Xerxes with 12 ships. He was seized by the Greeks, to whom he communicated many important things concerning the situation of the Persians, &c.—Herodot. 7, c. 192.

Peparethos, a small island of the Ægean sea, on the coast of Macedonia, about twenty miles in circumference. It abounded in olives, and its wines have always been reckoned excellent. They were not, however, palatable before they were seven years old. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 470.


Pephrĕdo, a sea nymph, daughter of Phorcys and Ceto.

Pera, a country of Judea, near Egypt.—A part of Caria, opposite to Rhodes.—A colony of the Mitylenes in Æolia.

Perasippus, an ambassador sent by Daris to the Lacedemonians, &c.—Curt. 3, c. 13.

Percôte, a city which assisted Priam during the Trojan war. Vit. Percoce.

Percosius, a man acquainted with futurity. He attempted in vain to dissuade his two sons to go to the Trojan war, by telling them that they should perish there.

Percote, a town on the Hellespont, between Abydos and Lamprocus, near the sea shore. Artaxerxes gave it to Themistocles to maintain his wardrobe. It is sometimes called Percopy. Herodot. 1, c. 17.—Hist. 497.
PERDICAS, the fourth king of Macedonia, B.C. 729, was descended from Temenus. He increased his dominions by conquest, and in the latter part of his life, he showed his son Argeus where he wished to be buried, and told him that as long as the bones of his descendants and successors on the throne of Macedonia were laid in the same grave, so long would the crown remain in their family. These injunctions were observed till the time of Alexander, who was buried out of Macedonia. Herodot. 7 & 8.—Justin. 7, c. 2.—Another, king of Macedonia, son of Alexander. He reigned during the Peloponnesian war, and assisted the Lacedaemonians against Athens. He behaved with great courage on the throne, and died B.C. 413, after a long reign of glory and independence, during which he had subdued some of his barbarian neighbours.—Another, king of Macedonia, who was supported on his throne by Iphicrates the Athenian against the intrusions of Pausanias. He was killed in a war against the Illyrians, B.C. 360. Justin. 7, &c.—One of the friends and favourites of Alexander the Great. At the king's death he wished to make himself absolute, and the ring which he had received from the hand of the dying Alexander, seemed in some measure to favour his pretensions. The better to support his claims to the throne, he married Cleopatra, the sister of Alexander, and strengthened himself by making a league with Eumenes. His ambitious views were easily discovered by Antigonus, and the rest of the generals of Alexander, who all wished like Perdiccas to succeed to the kingdom and honours of the deceased monarch. Antipater, Craterus, and Ptolemy, leagued with Antigonus against him, and after much bloodshed on both sides, Perdiccas was totally ruined, and at last assassinated in his tent in Egypt by his own officers, about 321 years before the Christian era. Perdiccas had not the prudence and the address which were necessary to conciliate the esteem and gain the attachment of his fellow soldiers, and this impropriety of his conduct alienated the heart of his friends, and at last proved his destruction. Plat. in Alex.—Diod. 17 & 18.—Curt. 10.—C. Nep. Eum.—Elian. V. H. 12.

PERDIX, a young Athenian, son of the sister of Dædalus. He invented the saw, and seemed to promise to become as great an artist as ever lived. His uncle was jealous of his rising fame, and he threw him down from the top of a tower, and put him to death. Perdix was changed into a bird which bears his name. Hygin. fab. 39 & 273.—Apollod. 3, c. 15.—Ovid. Met. 8, v. 220, &c.

PEREIRA, Vid. Anna.

PERENNIS, a favourite of the emperor Commodus. He is described by some as a virtuous and impartial magistrate, while others paint him as a cruel, violent, and oppressive tyrant, who committed the greatest barbarities to enrich himself. He was put to death for aspiring to the empire. Herodian.
ing. He received no other answer but whatever explanation he wished to place on the Sicilian tyrant’s having, in the presence of his messenger, plucked in a field all the ears of corn which seemed to tower above the rest. Periander understood the meaning of this answer. He immediately surrounded himself with a numerous guard, and put to death the richest and most powerful citizens of Corinth. He was not only cruel to his subjects, but also his family were objects of his vengeance. He committed incest with his mother, and put to death his wife Melissa, upon false accusation. He also banished his son Lyccophron to the island of Corcyra, because the youth pitied the miserable end of his mother, and detested the barbarities of his father. Periander died about 585 years before the Christian æra, and by the meanness of his flatterers, he was reckoned one of the seven wise men of Greece. Though he was tyrannical, yet he patronized the fine arts; he was fond of peace, and he shewed himself the friend and the protector of genius and learning. He used to say, that a man ought solemnly to keep his word, but not to hesitate to break it if ever it clashed with his interest. He said also, that not only crime ought to be punished, but also every wicked and corrupted thought. **Dilog. in vita.** Arist. 5. Polit.—Paus. 2.—A tyrant of Ambracia.

**Periarchus,** a naval commander of Sparta conquered by Conon. **Died.**

**Peribea,** the second wife of Cœnus, king of Calydon, was daughter of Hipponous. She became mother of Tydeus: some suppose that Cœnus debauched her, and afterwards married her. **Hygin. fab. 69.**—A daughter of Alcathous, sold by her father on suspicion that she was courted by Telamon, son of Εη for. king of Αegina. She was carried to Cyprus, where Telamon the founder of Salamis married her. She became mother of Ajax. She also married Theseus, according to some. **Paus. 1.** c. **17 & 42.—Hygin. 97.**—The wife of Polybus, king of Corinth, who educated Edipus as her own child.—A daughter of Eury- medon, who became mother of Nausticus by Neptune.—The mother of Penelope, according to some authors.

**Peribonius,** a noted debauchee, &c. **Juv. 2. v. 16.**

**Pericles,** an Athenian of a noble family, son of Xanthippus and Agariste. He was naturally endowed with great powers, which he improved by attending the lectures of Demon, of Zeno, and of Anaxagoras. Under these celebrated masters he became a commander, a statesman, and an orator, and gained the affections of the people by his uncommon address and well directed liberality. When he took a share in the administration of public affairs, herendered himself popular by opposing Cimon, who was the favourite of the nobility, and to remove every obstacle which stood in the way of his ambition. He lessened the dignity and the power of the court of the Areopagus, whom the people had been taught for ages to respect and to venerate. He also attacked Cimon, and caused him to be banished by the ostracism. Thucydides, also, who had succeeded Cimon on his banishment, shared the same fate, and Pericles remained for 15 years the sole minister, and as it may be said the absolute sov. reign of a republic which always shewed itself so jealous of its liberties, and which distrusted so much the honesty of her magistrates, in his ministerial capacity Pericles did not enrich himself, but the prosperity of Athens was the object of his administration. He made war against the Lacedæmonians, and restored the temple of Delphi to the care of the Phocians, who had been illegally deprived of that honourable trust. He obtained a victory over the Sicyonians near Ne-mea, and waged a successful war against the inhabitants of Samos at the request of his favourite mistress, Aspasia. The Peloponnesian war was fomented by his ambitious views, [ Vid. Peloponnesiacum bellum,] and when he had warmly represented the flourishing state, the opulence, and actual power of his country, the Athenians did not hesitate a moment to undertake a war against the most powerful republics of Greece, a war which continued for 27 years, and which was concluded by the destruction of their empire, and the demolition of their walls. The arms of the Athenians were for some time crowned with success, but an unfortunate expedition raised clamours against Pericles, and the enraged populace attributed all their losses to him, and to make atonement for their ill success, they condemned him to pay 50 talents. This loss of popular favour by republican caprice, did not so much affect Pericles as the recent death of all his children, and when the tide of unpopularity was passed by, he condescended to come into the public assembly, and to view with secret pride the contrition of his fellow citizens, who universally begged his forgiveness for the violence which they had offered to his ministerial character. He was again restored to all his honours, and, if possible, invested with more power and more authority than before, but the dreadful pestilence which had diminished the number of his family, proved fatal to him, and about 429 years before Christ, in his 70th year, he fell a sacrifice to that terrible malady, which robbed Athens of so many of her citizens. Pericles was for 40 years at the head of the administration, 25 years with others, and 15 alone, and the flourishing state of the empire during his government, gave occasion to the Athenians publicly to lament his loss, and venerate his memory. As he was expiring, and seemingly senseless, his friends that stood around his bed expatiated with warmth on the most glorious actions of his life, and the victories which he had won, when he suddenly interrupted their tears and conversation, by saying that in mentioning the exploits that he had achieved, and which were common to him with all generals, they had forgot to mention a circumstance which reflected far greater glory upon him as a minister, a general, and above all as a man. **It is, says he, that not a citizen**
in Athens has been obliged to put on mourning on my account. The Athenians were so pleased with his eloquence that they compared it to thunder and lightning, and as to another father of the gods, they gave him the surname of Olympian. The poets, his flatterers, said that the goddess of persuasion, with all her charms and her attraction, dwelt upon his tongue. When he marched at the head of the Athenian armies, Pericles observed that he had the command of a free nation that were Greeks and citizens of Athens. He also declared that not only the hand of a magistrate, but also his eyes and his tongue should be pure and undefiled. Yet great and venerable as this character may appear, we must not forget the follies of Pericles. His vicious partiality for the countrzan Aspasia, subjected him to the ridicule and the censure of his fellow citizens; but if he triumphed over satire and malevolent remarks, the Athenians had occasion to execute the memory of a man who by his example corrupted the purity and innocence of their morals, and who made licentiousness respectable, and the indulgence of every impure desire the qualification of the soldier as well as of the senator. Pericles lost all his legitimate children by the pestilence, and to call a natural son by his own name he was obliged to repeal a law which he had made against spurious children, and which he had enforced with great severity. This son, called Pericles, became one of the ten generals who succeeded Alcibiades in the administration of affairs, and like his colleagues he was condemned to death by the Athenians, after the unfortunate battle of Arginusae. 

Percy, the son of Néleus, brother to Nestor, killed by Hercules. He was one of the Argonauts, and had received from Neptune the power of changing himself into whatever shape he pleased. Apollod. 

Peridès, a Théban woman, whose son was killed by Túrns in the Rutulian war. Virgil. En. 12, v. 515. 


Perières, a son of Aéolus, or according to others of Cynortas. Apollod. 

Perigéné, an officer of Ptolomy, &c. 

Perigone, a woman who had a son called Mélainippus, by Theseus. She was daughter of Synnis, the famous robber, whom Theseus killed. She married Déonéus the son of Épeius, by consent of Theseus. Plut. 

Perilás, an officer in the army of Alexander the Great. Curt. 10. — A tyrant of Arcos. 

Perilèus, a son of Icarius and Periboea. 

Perilla, a daughter of Ovid the poet. She was extremely fond of poetry and literature. Ovid. Fast. 3, el. 7, v. 1. 

Perillus, an ingenious artist at Athens, who made a brazen bull for Phalaris, tyrant of Agrigentum. This machine was fabricated to put criminals to death by burning them alive, and it was such that their cries were like the roaring of a bull. When Perillus gave it Phalaris, the tyrant made the first experiment upon the donor, and cruelly put him to death by lighting a slow fire under the belly of the bull. Pliny. 34, c. 8. — Ovid. in art. am. 1. v. 633, l. 439. — A lawyer and usurer in the age of Horace. Hwrat. 2, sat. 3, v. 75. 

Permeda, a daughter of Æolus, who married Acheles. — The wife of Licymnius. — A woman skilled in the knowledge of herbs and of enchantments. 

Perimela, a daughter of Hippodamas, thrown into the sea for receiving the addresses of the Acheles. She was changed into an island in the Ionian sea, and became one of the Echinades. 

Périnthos, a town of Thrace, in the Pontois, anciently surnamed Mygdonica. It was afterwards called Heraclea, in honour of Hercules. Mela, 2, c. 2. — Paus. 1, c. 29. — Plinius, 4, c. 11. 

Peripatoëtic, a sect of philosophers at Athens, disciples to Aristotle. They received this name from the place where they were taught, called Peripatex in the Lyceum, or because they received the philosopher's lectures as they walked (περιπατούντες). The Peripatetica acknowledged the dignity of human nature, and placed their summum bonum not in the pleasures of passive sensation, but in the due exercise of the moral and intellectual faculties. The habit of this exercise when guided by reason, constituted the highest excellence of man. The philosopher contended that our own happiness chiefly depends upon ourselves, and though he did not require in his followers that self-command to which others pretended; yet he allowed a moderate degree of perturbation, as becoming human nature, and he considered a certain sensibility of passion totally necessary, as by resentment we are enabled to repel injuries, and the smart which past calamities have inflicted, renders us careful to avoid the repetition. Cic. Acad. 2, &c. 

Periphas, a man who attempted, with Pyrrhus, Priam's palace, &c. Virgil. Æn. 2, v. 476. — A son of Egyptus. Apollod. 2, c. 1. — One of the Lapithae. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 449. — One of the first kings of Attica, before the age of Cecrops, according to some authors. 

Periphiatus, a robber of Aticas, a son of Vulcan, destroyed by Theseus. 

Periphæmus, an ancient hero of Greece, to whom Solon sacrificed at Salamis, by order of the oracle. 

Perisades, a people of Illyricum. 


Peritanus, an Arcadian who enjoyed the company of Helen after her elopement with Paris. 

Peritas, a favourite dog of Alexander the Great, in whose honour the monarch built a city. 

Peritonium, a town of Egypt, on the western side of the Nile, esteemed of great
PERSEUS, a river of Bœotia, rising in mount Helicon, and flowing all round it. It received its name from Perseus the father of a nymph called Aganippe, who also gave her name to one of the fountains of Helicon. The river Perseus as well as the fountain Aganippe, were sacred to the Muses. Strab. 8.—Propert. 2, el. 8.

PEROLA, a Roman who meditated the death of Hannibal in Italy. His father Pacuvius dissuaded him from assassinating the Carthaginian general.

PERPENNA, M. a Roman who conquered Aristonicus in Asia, and took him prisoner. He died B. C. 130.—Another who joined the rebellion of Sertorius, and opposed Pompey. He was defeated by Metellus, and some time after he had the meanness to assassinate Sertorius, whom he had invited to his house. He fell into the hands of Pompey, who ordered him to be put to death. Plut. in Sert.—Paterc. 2, c. 50.—A Greek who obtained the consulate at Rome. Val. Max. 3, c. 4.

PERPERÈNE, a place of Phrygia, where, as some suppose, Paris adjudged the prize of beauty to Venus.

PERRANTHES, a hill of Epirus near Ambracia. Liv. 36, c. 4.

PERREBIA, a part of Thessaly, situate on the borders of the Peneus, extending between the town of Artax and the vale of Tempe. The inhabitants were driven from their possessions by the Lapithæ, and retired into Æolia, where part of the country received the name of Perrebia. Proper. 2, el. 3, v. 33.—Strab. 9.

PERSA or PERSEIS, one of the Oceanides, mother of Æetes, Circe, and Pasiphae by Apollo. Hesiod. Theog.—Apollod. 3.

PERSE, the inhabitants of Persia. Vid. Persia.

PERSÆUS, a philosopher intimate with Antigonus, by whom he was appointed over the Acrocorinth. He flourished B. C. 274.

PERSEE, a fountain near Mycenæ, in Peloponnesus. Paus. 2, c. 16.

PERSEIS, one of the Oceanides.—A patronymic of Hegaste as daughter of Perses. Ovid. Met. 7, v. 69.

PERSÉPHONE, a daughter of Jupiter and Ceres, called also Proserpine. [Vid. Proserpina.]—The mother of Amphion by Jasion.

PERSÉPOLIS, a celebrated city, the capital of the Persian empire. It was laid in ruins by Alexander after the conquest of Darius. The reason of this is unknown. Diodorus says that the sight of about 800 Greeks, whom the Persians had shamefully mutilated, so irritated Alexander, that he resolved to punish the barbarity of the inhabitants of Cercenopolis, and of the neighbouring country, by permitting his soldiers to plunder their capital. Others suppose that Alexander set it on fire at the instigation of Thais, one of his courtezans, when he had passed the day in drinking, and in riot and debauchery. The ruins of Persepolis still astonish the modern traveller by their grandeur and magnificence. Curt. 5, c. 7.—Diod. 17, &c.—Arrian.—Plut. in Alex.—Justin. 14, c. 14.

PERSES, a son of Perseus and Andromeda. From him the Persians, who were originally called Cephenes, received their name. Herodot. 7, c. 61.—A king of Macedonia. Vid. Perseus.

PERSEUS, a son of Jupiter and Danae, the daughter of Acrisius. As Acrisius had confined his daughter in a brazen tower to prevent her becoming a mother, because he was to perish, according to the words of an oracle, by the hands of her daughter's son, Perseus was no sooner born [Vid Danae.] than he was thrown into the sea with his mother Danae. The hopes of Acrisius were frustrated, the slender boat which carried Danae and her son was driven by the winds upon the coasts of the island of Seriphos, one of the Cyclades, where they were found by a fisherman called Dictys, and carried to Polydeuces the king of the place. They were treated with great humanity, and Perseus was entrusted to the care of the priests of Minerva's temple. His rising genius and manly courage, however, soon dispelled Polydeuces, and the monarch, who wished to offer violence to Danae, feared the resentment of her son. Yet Polydeuces resolved to remove every obstacle. He invited all his friends to a sumptuous entertainment, and it was requisite that all such as came, should present the monarch with a beautiful horse. Perseus was in the number of the invited, and the more particularly so as Polydeuces knew that he could not receive from him the present which he expected from all the rest. Nevertheless Perseus, who wished not to appear inferior to the others in magnificence, told the king that as he could not give him a horse, he would bring him the head of Medusa, the only one of the Gorgons who was subject to mortality. The offer was doubly agreeable to Polydeuces, as it would remove Perseus from Seriphos, and on account of its seeming impossibility, the attempt might perhaps end in his ruin. But the innocence of Perseus was patronized by the gods. Pluto lent him his helmet, which had the wonderful power of making its bearer invisible. Minerva gave him her buckler, which was as resplendent as glass, and he received from Mercury, wings and the talara, with a short dagger made of diamonds, and called herpe. According to some it was from Vulcan, and not from Mercury that he received the herpe, which was in form like a scythe. With these arms Perseus began his expedition, and traversed the air, conducted by the goddess Minerva. He went to the Graec.
the sisters of the Gorgons, who, according to the poets, had wings like the Gorgons, but only one eye and one tooth between them all, of which they made use of, each in her turn. They were three in number according to Asclepius and Apollodorus: or only two, according to Ovid and Hesiod. With Plato's helmet, which rendered him invisible, Perseus was enabled to steal their eye and their tooth while they were asleep, and he returned them only when they had informed him where their sisters the Gorgons resided. When he had received every necessary information, Perseus flew to the habitation of the Gorgons, which was situate beyond the western ocean, according to Hesiod and Apollodorus; or in Libya according to Ovid andLucan; or in the deserts of Asiatic Scythia, according to Asclepius, he found these monsters asleep, and as he knew that if he fixed his eyes upon them, he should be instantly changed into a stone, he continually looked on his shield, which reflected all the objects as clearly as the best of glasses. He approached them, and with a courage which the goddess Minerva supported, he cut off Medusa's head with one blow. The noise awoke the two immortal sisters, but Pluto's helmet rendered Perseus invisible, and the attempts of the Gorgons to revenge Medusa's death proved fruitless; the conqueror made his way through the air, and from the blood which dropped from Medusa's head sprang all those innumerable serpents which have ever since infested the sandy deserts of Libya. Chrysaor also with his golden sword, sprung from these drops of blood, as well as the horse Pegasus, which immediately flew through the air and stopped on mount Helicon, where he became the favourite of the Muses. Meantime Perseus had continued his journey across the deserts of Libya, but the approach of night obliged him to alight in the territories of Atlas, king of Mauritania. He went to the monarch's palace, where he hoped to find a kind reception by announcing himself as the son of Jupiter, but in this he was disappointed. Atlas recollected that according to an ancient oracle, his gardens were to be robbed of their fruit by one of the sons of Jupiter, and therefore he not only refused Perseus the hospitality he demanded, but he even offered violence to his person. Perseus finding himself inferior to his powerful enemy, showed him Medusa's head, and instantly Atlas was changed into a large mountain which bore the same name in the deserts of Africa. On the morrow Perseus continued his flight, and as he passed across the deserts of Libya, he discovered on the coasts of Ethiopia, the naked Andromeda, exposed to a sea monster. He was struck at the sight, and offered her father Cepheus to deliver her from instant death if he obtained her in marriage as a reward for his labours. Cepheus consented, and immediately Perseus raising himself in the air, flew towards the monster, which was advancing to devour Andromeda, and he plunged his dagger in his right shoulder, and destroyed it. This happy event was attended with the greatest rejoicings.

Perseus raised three altars to Mercury, Jupiter, and Pallas, and after he had offered the sacrifice of a calf, a bullock, and a heifer, the nuptials were celebrated with the greatest festivity. The universal joy, however, was soon disturbed. Phineus, Andromeda's uncle, entered the palace with a number of armed men, and attempted to carry away the bride, whom he had courted and admired long before the arrival of Perseus. The father and mother of Andromeda interfered, but in vain; a bloody battle ensued, and Perseus must have fallen a victim to the rage of Phineus, had not he defended himself at last with the same arms which proved fatal to Atlas. He shewed the Gorgon's head to his adversaries, and they were instantly turned to stone, each in the posture and attitude in which he then stood. The friends of Cepheus, and such as supported Perseus shared not the fate of Phineus, as the hero had previously warned them of the power of Medusa's head, and of the services which he received from it. Soon after this memorable adventure, Perseus retired to Seriphos, at the very moment that his mother, Danae, fled to the altar of Minerva, to avoid the pursuit of Polydeectes, who attempted to offer her violence. Dictys, who had saved her from the sea, and who, as some say, was the brother of Polydeectes, defended her against the attempts of her enemies, and therefore Perseus, sensible of his merit and of his humanity, placed him on the throne of Seriphos, after he had with Medusa's head turned into stones the wicked Polydeectes, and the officers who were the associates of his guilt. He afterwards restored to Mercury his talara and his wings, to Pluto his helmet, to Vulcan his sword, and to Minerva her shield; but as he was more particularly indebted to the goddess of wisdom for her assistance and protection, he placed the Gorgon's head on her shield, or rather, according to the more received opinion, on heregis. After he had finished these celebrated exploits, Perseus expressed a wish to return to his native country, and accordingly he embarked for the Peloponnesus with his mother and Andromeda. When he reached the Peloponnesian coasts he was informed that Teutamias, king of Larissa, was then celebrating funeral games in honour of his father. This intelligence drew him to Larissa to signalize himself in throwing the quoit, of which, according to some, he was the inventor. But here he was attended by an evil fate, and had the misfortune to kill a man with a quoit which he had thrown in the air. This was no other than his grandfather Acrisius, who on the first intelligence that his grandson had reached the Peloponnesus, fled from his kingdom of Argos to the court of his friend and ally Teutamias, to prevent the fulfilling of the oracle which had obliged him to treat his daughter with so much barbarity. Some suppose with Pausanias, that Acrisius had gone to Larissa to be reconciled to his grandson, whose fame had been spread in every city of Greece, and Ovid maintains that the grandfather was under the strongest obligations to his son-in-law, as through him he had received his king-
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dom, from which he had been forcibly driven by the sons of his brother Proetus. This unfortunate murder greatly depressed the spirits of Perseus; by the death of Acrisius he was entitled to the throne of Argos, but he refused to reign there, and to remove himself from a place which reminded him of the parricide he had unfortunately committed, he exchanged his kingdom for that of Tirynthus, and the maritime coast of Argolis, where Megapenthes the son of Proetus then reigned. When he had finally settled in this part of the Peloponnese, he determined to lay the foundations of a new city, which he made the capital of his dominions, and which he called Mycena, because the pommel of his sword, called by the Greeks 
\[\text{myces},\] had fallen there. The time of his death is unknown, yet it is universally agreed that he received divine honours like the rest of the ancient heroes. He had statues at Mycena, and in the island of Siphnos, and the Athenians raised him a temple, in which they consecrated an altar in honour of Dictys, who had treated Danae and her infant son with so much paternal tenderness. The Egyptians also paid particular honour to his memory, and asserted that he often appeared among them wearing shoes two cubits long, which was always interpreted as a sign of fertility. Perseus had by Andromeda, Alceus, Sthenelus, Nestor, Electryon, and Gorgophone, and after death, according to some mythologists, he became a constellation in the heavens. Herodot. 2, c. 91.

Apololl. 2, c. 4 &c.—Paul. 2, c. 16 & 18. 1, 3, c. 17, &c.—Apololl. Arg. 4.—Ovid. Met. 4, fab. 16, 1, 5, fab. 1, &c.—Lucan, 9, v. 668.—Hygin. fab. 64.—Hesiod. Theog. &c. Sent. Here.—Pind. Pyth. 7, & Olymp. 3.—Ital. 9.—Propert. 2.—Athen. 13.—Homer. 11. 14.—Tzet. in Lyogph. 17:—A son of Nestor and Anaxibia. Apollod. 1, c. 9:—A writer who published a treatise on the republic of Sparta.—A philosopher, disciple to Zeno. Vind. Perseus.

Persus or Perseus, a son of Philip king of Macedonia. He distinguished himself like his father, by his enmity to the Romans, and when he had made sufficient preparations, he declared war against them. His operations, however, were slow and unjust; he wanted courage and resolution, and though he at first obtained some advantages over the Roman armies, yet his avarice and his timidity proved destructive to his cause. When Paulus was appointed to the command of the Roman armies in Macedonia, Perseus showed his inferiority by his imprudent encampments, and when he had at last yielded to the advice of his officers, who recommended a general engagement, and drawn up his forces near the walls of Pydna, B. C. 168, he was the first who ruined his own cause, and by flying as soon as the battle was begun, as left the enemy masters of the field. From Pydna, Perseus fled to Samothrace, but he was soon discovered in his obscure retreat, and brought into the presence of the Roman conqueror, where the meanness of his behaviour exposed him to ridicule and not to mercy. He was carried to Rome, and dragged along the streets of the city, to adorn the triumph of the conqueror. His family were also exposed to the sight of the Roman populace, who shed tears on viewing in their streets, dragged like a slave a monarch who had once defeated their armies, and spread alarm all over Italy, by the greatness of his military preparations, and by his bold undertakings. Persus died in prison, or according to some he was put to a shameful death the first year of his captivity. He had two sons, Philip and Alexander, and one daughter, whose name is not known. Alexander the younger of these was hired to a Roman carpenter, and led the greatest part of his life in obscurity, till his ingenuity raised him to notice. He was afterwards made secretary to the senate. Liv. 40, &c.—Justin, 33, c. 1, &c.—Plut. in Paul.—Flor. 2, c. 12.—Propert. 4, el. 12, v. 39.

Persia, a celebrated kingdom of Asia, which in its ancient state extended from the Hellespont to the Indus, above 2800 miles, and from Ponthus to the shores of Arabia above 2000 miles. As a province, Persia was but small, and according to the description of Ptolemy, it was bounded on the north by Media, west by Susiana, south by the Persian gulf, and east by Carmania. The empire of Persia, or the Persian monarchy, was first founded by Cyrus the Great, about 559 years before the Christian era, and under the succeeding monarchs it became one of the most considerable and powerful kingdoms of the earth. The kings of Persia began to reign in the following order: Cyrus, B. C. 559; Cambyses 529; and after the usurpation of Smerdis for 7 months, Darius 521; Xerxes the Great 485; Artabanus 7 months, and Artaxerxes Longimanus 464; Xerxes II. 425; Sogdianus 7 months, 424; Darius II. or Nothus 423; Artaxerxes II. or Memnon 404; Artaxerxes III. or Ochus 358; Arses or Arogus 337; and Darius III. or Cœ- donmanus 335; who was conquered by Alexander the great 331. The destruction of the Persian monarchy by the Macedonians was easily effected, and from that time Persia became tributary to the Greeks. After the death of Alexander, when the Macedonian empire was divided among the officers of the deceased conqueror, Seleucus Nicanor made himself master of the Persian provinces, till the revolt of the Parthians introduced new revolutions in the east. Persia was partly re-conquered from the Greeks, and remained tributary to the Parthians for near 500 years. After this, the sovereignty was again placed into the hands of the Persians, by the revolt of Artaxerxes, a common soldier, A.D. 229, who became the founder of the second Persian monarchy, which proved so inimical to the power of the Roman emperors, in their national character, the Persians were warlike, they were early taught to ride, and to handle the bow, and by the many exercises of hunting, they were inured to bear the toils and fatigues of a military life. Their national valour, however, soon degenerated, and their want of employment at home soon rendered them unfit for war. In the reign of Xerxes, when the empire of Persia was in
its most flourishing state, a small number of Greeks were enabled repeatedly to repel for three successive days, an almost innumerable army. This celebrated action, which happened at Thermopylae, shews in a strong light the superiority of the Grecian soldiers over the Persians, and the battles that before, and a short time after, were fought between the two nations at Marathon, Salamis, Platea, and Mycale, are again an incontestible proof that these Asiatics had more reliance upon their numbers and upon the splendour and richness of their arms, than upon the valour and the discipline of their troops. Their custom, too prevalent among eastern nations, of introducing luxury in the camp, proved also in some measure destructive to their military reputation, and the view which the ancients give us of the army of Xerxes, of his cooks, stage-dancers, concubines, musicians, and perfumers, is no very favourable sign of the sagacity of a monarch who in a moment could call millions of men to flock to his standard. In their religion the Persians were very superstitious, they paid the greatest veneration to the sun, the moon, and the stars, and they offered sacrifices to fire, but the supreme deity was never represented by statues among them. They permitted polygamy, and it was no incest among them to marry a sister, or a mother. In their punishments they were extremely severe, even to barbarity. The monarch always appeared with the greatest pomp and dignity; his person was attended by a guard of 15,000 men, and he had besides, a body of 10,000 chosen horsemen, called immortal. He styled himself, like the rest of the eastern monarchs, the King of kings, as expressive of his greatness and his power. The Persians were anciently called Cepheus, Achaemenians, and Artæi. They received the name of Persians from Perses, the son of Perseus and Andromeda, who is supposed to have settled among them. Persepolis was the capital of the country. Curt. 4, &c.—Plut. in Artax. Aler, &c.—Mel. 1, &c.—Strab. 2, 13.—Xenop. Cyrop.—Herodot. 1, c. 125, &c.—Apolod. 2.—Marcel. 23.

PERSICUM MARIS, or Persicus Sinus, a part of the Indian ocean on the coast of Persia and Arabia, now called the gulf of Balgora. Persis, a province of Persia bounded by Media, Carmania, Susiana, and the Persian gulf. It is often taken for Persia itself. Aulus Persius Flaccus, a Latin poet of Volaterræ. He was of an equestrian family, and he made himself known by his intimacy with the most illustrious Romans of the age. The early part of his life was spent in his native town, and at the age of sixteen he was removed to Rome, where he studied philosophy under Cornutus the celebrated stoic. He also received the instructions of Palemon the gram- narian, and Virginius the rhetorician. Naturally of a mild disposition, his character was unimpeached, his modesty remarkable, and his benevolence universally admired. He distinguished himself by his satirical humour, and made the faults of the orators and poets of his age the subject of his poems. He did not even spare Nero, and the more effectually to expose the emperor to ridicule, he introduced into his satires some of his verses. The tora mimallonæs implerant cornua bombis, with the three following verses, are Nero's according to some. But though he was so severe upon the vicious and ignorant, he did not forget his friendship for Cornutus, and he showed his regard for his character and abilities by making mention of his name with great propriety in his satires. It was by the advice of his learned preceptor that he corrected one of his poems, in which he had compared Nero to Midas, and at his representation, he altered the words Auriculas asini Mida rex habet, into Auriculas asini quis non habet? Persias were in the 30th year of his age A. D. 62, and left all his books, which consisted of seven hundred volumes, and a large sum of money, to his preceptor, but Cornutus only accepted the books, and returned the money to the sisters and friends of the deceased. The satires of Persius are six in number, blamed by some for obscurity of style and of language. But though they may appear almost unintelligible to some, it ought to be remembered that they were read with pleasure and with avidity by his contemporaries, and that the only difficulties which now appear to the moderns, arise from their not knowing the various characters which they described, the vices which they lashed, and the errors which they censured. The satires of Persius are generally printed with those of Juvenal, the best editions of which will be found to be Hennin. 4to. L. Bat. 1605, and Hawkey, 12mo. Dublin. 1746. The best edition of Persius, separate, is that of Merc Casaubon, 12mo. Lond. 1647.—A man, whose quarrel with Rupilius, is mentioned in a ridiculuous manner by Horat. Sat. 7. He is called Hybrida, as being son of a Greek by a Roman woman.

Pertinax, Publius Helvius, a Roman emperor after the death of Commodus. He was descended of an obscure family, and like his father, who was either a slave, or the son of a manumitted slave, he for some time followed the mean employment of drying wood and making charcoal. His indigence, however, did not prevent him from receiving a liberal education, and indeed he was for some time employed in teaching a number of pupils the Greek and the Roman languages in Etruria. He left this laborious profession for a military life, and by his valour and intrepidity he gradually rose to offices of the highest trust in the army, and was made consul by M. Aurelius for his eminent services. He was afterwards intrusted with the government of Mysia, and at last he presided over the city of Rome as governor. When Commodus was murdered, Pertinax was universally selected to succeed to the imperial throne, and his refusal, and the plea of old age and increasing infirmities, did not prevent his being saluted emperor and Augustus. He acquiesced with reluctance, but
his mildness, his economy, and the popularity
of his administration, convinced the senate and
the people, of the prudence and the justice of
their choice. He forbade his name to be in-
scribed in such places or estates as were part
of the imperial domain, and exclaimed that they
belonged not to him but to the public. He
melted all the silver statues which had been
raised to his vicious predecessor, and he ex-
ploited to public sale, all his concubines, his
horses, his arms, and all the instruments of
his pleasure and extravagance. With the
money raised from these several goods he en-
riched the empire, and was enabled to abolish
all the taxes which Commodus had laid on the
rivers, ports, and highways through the empire.
This patriotic administration gained him the af-
fection of the worthiest and most discerning of
his subjects, but the extravagant and luxurious
raised their clamours against him, and when
Pertinax attempted to introduce among the
pretorian guards that discipline which was so
necessary to preserve the peace and tranquility
of Rome, the flames of rebellion were kindled,
and the minds of the soldiers totally alienated.
Pertinax was apprised of this mutiny, but he
refused to fly at the hour of danger. He
scorned the advice of his friends, who wished
him to withdraw from the impending storm,
and he unexpectedly appeared before the se-
dictious pretorians, and without fear or con-
cern, boldly asked them whether they, who were
bound to defend the person of their prince and
emperor, were come to betray him and to shed
his blood. His undaunted assurance and his
intrepidity, would have had the desired effect,
and the soldiers had already begun to retire,
when one of the most sedulous advanced and
darted his javelin at the emperor's breast, ex-
claiming, the soldiers send you this. The rest im-
mediately followed the example, and Pertinax
muffling up his head, and calling upon Jupiter
to avenge his death, remained unmoved and was
instantly dispatched. His head was cut off
and carried upon the point of a spear as in
triumph to the camp. This happened on the
28th of March, A. D. 193. Pertinax reigned
only 87 days, and his death was the more
universally lamented as it proceeded from a
seditionous tumult, and robbed the Roman em-
pire of a wise, virtuous, and benevolent em-
peror. Dio.—Herodian.—Capital.

Petra, a capital city of Arabia Petraea.
Strab. 16.—A town of Sicily, whose inhabi-
tants are called Petrini and Petrenses. Cic. in
Verr. 1, c. 39.—Another of Macedonia. Lu-
can. — Another in Elis. — Another near Co-
rinth.

Petr, a capital city of Arabia Petraea.
Strab. 16.—A town of Sicily, whose inhabi-
tants are called Petrini and Petrenses. Cic. in
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Petræa, one of the Oceanides.—A part of
Arabia, which has Syria at the east, Egypt on
the west, Palestine on the north, and Arabia
Felix on the south. This part of Arabia was
rocky, whence it has received its name. It was
for the most part also covered with barren sands,
and was interspersed with some fruitful spots.
Its capital was called Petra.

Petreus, a Roman soldier who killed his
tribune during the Cimbrian wars, because he
hesitated to attack the enemy. He was re-
warded for his valour with a crown of grass
Plin. 22, c. 6.—A lieutenant of C. Antonius,
who defeated the troops of Catiline. He took
the part of Pompey against Julius Caesar.
When Caesar had been victorious in every part
of the world, Petreus, who had retired into
Africa, attempted to destroy himself by fighting
with his friend king Juba in single combat. Ju-
ba was killed first, and Petreus obliged one of
his slaves to run him through. Saltus.—Catil.
—Appian.—Curs. 1, Cin.—A centurion in Ca-
sar's army in Gaul, &c.

Petrinum, a town of Campania. Horat. 1,
ep. 5.

Petronia, the wife of Vitellius. Tacit.
Hist. 2, c. 64.

Petronius, a governor of Egypt appointed

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PETERLAKUS LACUS, a lake near one of the
gates of Rome. Lib. 6, c. 20.

Peteron, a town of Boeotia. Strab. 9.

Peterus, a son of Orneus, and grandson of
Erechtheus. He reigned in Attica, and be-
came father of Mnestheus, who went with the
Greeks to the Trojan war. He is represented
by some of the ancients as a monster, half a man
and half a beast. Apollod. 3, c. 10.—Paus. 10,
c. 35.

Petilia, a town of Magna Graecia, the capi-
tal of Lucania, built, or perhaps only repaired,
by Philoctetes, who, after his return from the
Trojan war, left his country Melibeza, be-
cause his subjects had revolted. Mela, 2, c. 4.

Petilia Lex was enacted by Petilius the tri-
bune, to make an inquiry, and to know how
much money had been obtained from the con-
quests over king Antiochus.

Petilli, two tribunes who accused Scipio
Africanus of extortion. He was acquitted.

Petilius, a prior who persuaded the peo-
dle of Rome to burn the books which had been
found in Numæ's tomb, about four hundred
years after his death. His advice was fol-
lowed. Plut. in Num.—A plebeian decem-
vir, &c.—A governor of the capitol, who stole
away the treasures entrusted to his care. He
was accused, but though guilty, he was acquit-
aced as being the friend of Augustus. Horat. 1,
Sat. 4, v. 94.

Petoniarius, a celebrated mathematician of

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to succeed Gallus. He behaved with great humanity to the Jews, and made war against Candece, queen of Ethiopia. Strab. 17.—A favourite of Nero, put to death by Galba.—A governor of Britain.—A tribune killed in Parthia with Crassus.—A man banished by Nero to the Cyclades, when Piso's conspiracy was discovered. Tacit. An. 15.—Maximus, a Roman emperor. Vid. Maximus.—Arbiter, a favourite of the emperor Nero, and one of the ministers and associates of all his pleasures and his debauchery. He was naturally fond of pleasure, and effeminate, and he passed his whole nights in revels, and the days in sleep. He indulged himself in all the delights and gaieties of life; but though he was the most voluptuous of the age, yet he moderated his pleasures, and wished to appear curious and refined in luxury and extravagance. Whatever he did seemed to be performed with an air of unconcern and negligence; he was affable in his behaviour, and his witticisms and satirical remarks appeared artless and natural. He was appointed proconsul of Bithynia, and afterwards he was honoured with the consulship, in both of which honourable employments he behaved with all the dignity which became one of the successors of a Brutus or a Scipio. With his office he laid down his artificial gravity, and gave himself up to the pursuit of pleasure; the emperor became more attached to him, and seemed fonder of his company, but he did not long enjoy the imperial favours. Tigidinus, likewise one of Nero's favourites, jealous of his fame, accused him of conspiring against the emperor's life. The accusation was credited, and Petronius immediately resolved to withdraw himself from Nero's punishments by a voluntary death. This was performed in a manner altogether uncreditable, A. D. 66. Petronius ordered his veins to be opened, but without the eagerness to terminate his agonies, he had them closed at intervals. Some time after they were opened, and as if he wished to die in the same careless and unconcerned manner as he had lived, he passed his time in discussing with his friends upon trifles, and listened with the greatest avidity to love verses, amusing stories, or laughable epigrams. Sometimes he manumitted his slaves, or punished them with stripes. In this luxurious manner did he spend his last moments till nature was exhausted; and before he expired, he wrote an epistle to the emperor, in which he had described with a masterly hand his nocturnal extravagances, and the daily impurities of his actions. This letter was carefully sealed, and after he had conveyed it privately to the emperor, Petronius broke his signet, that it might not after his death become a snare to the innocent. Petronius distinguished himself by his writings as well as by his luxury and voluptuousness. He is the author of many elegant but obscene compositions still extant; among which is a poem on the civil wars of Pompey and Caesar, superior in some respects to the Pharsalia of Lucan. There is also the feast of Trimalchio, in which he paints with too much licentiousness the pleasures and the debaucheries of a corrupted court and of an extravagant monarch—reflections on the instability of human life—a poem on the vanity of dreams—another on the education of the Roman youth—two treatises, &c. The best editions of Petronius are those of Burman, 4to. Utr. 1709, and Reinesius, 8vo. 1731.

Pettius, a friend of Horace, to whom the poet addressed his 11th episode.


Prunicæs, a Macedonian set over Egypt by Alexander. He received Persia at the general division of the Macedonian empire at the king's death. He behaved with great gue-rardice after he had joined himself to Eumæus. C. Nep. in Eum.—Plut. Curt. 4, c. 8.—An island which was visited by the Argonauts at their return from the conquest of the golden fleece.

Prucético, a part of Italy near Campania, called also Messapia and Calabria. It received its name from Peucetus the son of Lycaon of Arcadia. Strab. 6.—Plin. 3, c. 11.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 513.

Peucini, a nation of Germany, called also Basterna. Tacit. de Germ. 46.

Peulolus, an officer who conspired with Dymnaus against Alexander's life. Curt. 6.—Another, set over Sogdiana. Id. 7.

Pexodorus, a governor of Caria, who offered to give his daughter in marriage to Aridaeus the illegitimate son of Philip. Plut.

Pius, a celebrated sow which infested the neighbourhood of Cromyon. It was destroyed by Theseus as he was travelling from Treszene to Athens to make himself known to his father. Some supposed that the bear of Calydon sprang from this sow. Pheas, according to some authors, was no other than a woman who prostituted herself to strangers, whom she murdered, and afterwards plundered. Plut. in Thes. Strabo 8.

Pheacia, an island of the Ionian sea, near the coast of Epirus, anciently called Scheria, and afterwards Coryra. The inhabitants, called Phæacæ, were a luxurious and dissipate people, from which reason a glutton was generally stigmatized by the epithet of Pheax. When Ulysses was shipwrecked on the coast of Phæacia, Alcibiades was then king of the island, whose gardens have been greatly celebrated. Horat. 1, ep. 15, v. 24.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 719.—Strabo 6 & 7.

Pheax, an inhabitant of the island of Phæacia. Vid. Pheacia.—A man who sailed with Theseus to Crete. An Athenian who opposed Alcibiades in his administration.

Phædrus, one of Niobe's children. Apollod. 3, c. 5.—A Macedonian general, who betrayed Eumæus to Antigonus. A celebrated courier of Greece.

Phædon, an Athenian put to death by the 30 tyrants. A disciple of Socrates. He had been seized by pirates in his younger days, and the philosopher, who seemed to discover some-
thing uncommon and promising in his countenance, bought his liberty for a sum of money, and ever after esteemed him. Phaedon, after the death of Socrates returned to Elis, his native country, where he founded a sect of philosophers called Elean. The name of Phaedon is affixed to one of the dialogues of Plato. Diog. An archon at Athens, when the Athenians were directed by the oracle to remove the bones of Theseus to Attica. Plut. in Theb.

Phaedra, a daughter of Minos and Pasiphae, who married Theseus, by whom she became mother of Acamas and Demophoon. They had already lived for some time in conjugal felicity, when Venus, who hated all the descendants of Apollo, because that god had discovered her amours with Mars, inspired Phaedra with an unconquerable passion for Hippolytus, the son of Theseus, by the amazon Hippolyte. This shameful passion Phaedra long attempted to stifle, but in vain, and therefore, in the absence of Theseus, she addressed Hippolytus with all the impatience of a desponding lover. Hippolytus rejected her with horror and disdain; but Phaedra, incensed on account of the reception she had met, resolved to punish his coldness and refusal. At the return of Theseus she accused Hippolytus of attempts upon her virtue. The credulous father listened to the accusation, and without hearing the defence of Hippolytus, he banished him from his kingdom, and implored Neptune, who had promised to grant three of his requests, to punish him in some exemplary manner. As Hippolytus fled from Athens, his horses were suddenly terrified by a huge sea monster, which Neptune had sent on the shore. He was dragged through precipices and over rocks, and he was trampled under the feet of his horses, and crushed under the wheels of his chariot. When the tragic end of Hippolytus was known at Athens, Phaedra confessed her crime, and hung herself in despair, unable to survive one whose death her wickedness and guilt had occasioned. The death of Hippolytus, and the infamous passion of Phaedra, is the subject of one of the tragedies of Euripides and of Seneca. Phaedra was buried at Troezen, where her tomb was still seen in the age of the geographer Pausanias, near the temple of Venus, which she had built to render the goddess favourable to her inconstant passion. There was near her tomb a myrtle, whose leaves were all full of small holes, and it was reported, that Phaedra had done this with a hair pin, when the vehement of her passion had rendered her melancholy and almost desperate. She was represented in a painting in Apollo's temple at Delphi, as suspended in the air, while her sister Ariadne stood near to her, and fixed her eyes upon her. Plut. in Theb.—Paus. 1, c. 22. l. 2, c. 32.—Ovid. 4.—Hyg. fab. 47 & 243.—Eurip. et Senec. in Hippol.—Virg. Aen. 6, v. 443.—Ovid. Herod. 4.

Phaedra, a village of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 55.

Phaedrus, one of the disciples of Socrates. Cic. de Nat. D. 1.—An Epicurean philosopher.—A Thracian, who became one of the freed-men of the emperor Augustus. He translated into Latin verses the fables of Æsop, in the reign of the emperor Tiberius. They are divided into five books, valuable for their precision, purity, elegance, and simplicity. They remained long buried in oblivion, till they were discovered in the library of St. Remi, at Rheims, and published by Peter Pithou, a Frenchman, at the end of the 16th century. Phaedrus was for some time persecuted by Sejanus, because this corrupt minister believed that he was satirized and abused in the encomiums which the poet every where pays to virtue. The best editions of Phaedrus are those of Burman, 4to. Leyd. 1727; Hoogstraten, 4to. Amst. 1701; and Barbou, 12mo. Paris, 1754.

Phaedra, a daughter of Otanes, who first discovered that Smerdis, who had ascended the throne of Persia at the death of Cambyses, was an impostor. Herod. 3, c. 69.

Phemonoe, a priestess of Apollo.

Phenarete, the mother of the philosopher Socrates. She was a midwife by profession.

Phenias, a peripatetic philosopher, disciple of Aristotle. He wrote an history of tyrants.

Phenena, one of the Graces worshipped at Sparta. Paus. 9, c. 35.

Phennis, a famous prophetess in the age of Antiocbus. Paus. 10, c. 15.

Phessana, a town of Arcadia.—Another of Macedonida.

Phaeton, a son of the Sun, or Phoebus and Clymene, one of the Oceandae. He was son of Cephalus and Aurora, according to Hesiod and Pausanias, or of Tithonus and Aurora, according to Apollodorus. He is, however, more generally acknowledged to be the son of Phoebus and Clymene. Phaeton was naturally of a lively disposition, and a handsome figure. Venus became enamoured of him, and entrusted him with the care of one of her temples. This distinguishing favour of the goddess, rendered him vain and aspiring, and when Epaphus, the son of Io, had told him, to check his pride, that he was not the son of Phoebus, Phaeton resolved to know his true origin, and at the instigation of his mother he visited the palace of the sun. He begged Phoebus, that if he really were his father, he would give him incontestable proofs of his paternal tenderness, and convince the world of his legitimacy. Phoebus swore by the Styx, that he would grant him whatever he required, and no sooner was the oath uttered, than Phaeton demanded him to drive his chariot for one day. Phaeton represented the impropriety of such a request, and the dangers to which it would expose him; but in vain, and as the oath was inviolable, and Phaeton unmoved, the father instructed his son how he was to proceed in his way through the regions of the air. His explicit directions were forgotten, or little attended to, and no sooner had Phaeton received the reins from his father, than he betrayed his ignorance and incapacity of guiding the chariot. The flying horses became sensible of the confusion of their driver, and im-
Phalaris, a tyrant of Agrigentum, who made use of the most excruciating tortures to punish his subjects in the smallest suspicion. Perillus made him a brazen bull, and when he had presented it to Phalaris, the tyrant ordered the inventor to be seized, and the first experiment to be made on his body. These cruelties did not long remain unredressed, the people or Agrigentum revolted in the tenth year of his reign, and put him to death in the same manner as he had tortured Perillus, and many of his subjects, after him, B.C. 532. The brazen bull of Phalaris was found at Carthage, when that city was taken by Scipio, and it was delivered again to the inhabitants of Agrigentum by the Romans. There are now some letters extant written by a certain Abaris to Phalaris with their respective answers, but they are supposed by some to be spurious. The best edition is that of the learned Boyle, Oxon. 1719. *Cic. in Ver. 4, ad Attic. 7, ep. 12, de offic. 2.—Ovid. de am. 1, v. 665.—Juv. 6, v. 81.—Plin. 34, c. 8.—Diss.—Thuc. 4, c. 1.—A Trojan killed by Turnus. *Virg. Aen. 9, v. 762.

Phanias, a famous Messenian, &c. who died B.C. 682.

Phalarus, a river of Beotia, falling into the Cephissus. *Paus. 9, c. 34.

Phalacridon, a town of Thessaaly. *Polyen. 4.

Phaleas, a philosopher and legislator, &c. *Arist.


Phaleris, a Corinthian who led a colony to Epidamnium from Corycia.

Phaleron, or Phalerum, an ancient harbour of Athens, about 25 stadia from the city, which for its situation was not very fit for the reception of many ships.—A place of Thessaaly.

Phalerus, one of the Argonauts. *Orphens.

Phalas, a son of Hercules and Heleconia.

Phallis, festivals observed by the Egyptians in honour of Osiris. They receive their name from phallos simulacrum lignaeum membran virilita. The institution originated in this: after the murder of Osiris, Isis was unable to recover among the other limbs the privities of her husband, and therefore, as she paid particular honour to every part of his body, she distinguished that which was lost with more honour, and paid it more attention. Its representation was called phallus was made with wood, and carried during the sacred festivals which were instituted in honour of Osiris. The people held it in the greatest veneration, it was looked upon as the emblem of fecundity, and the mention of it among the ancients, never conveyed any impure thought or lascivious reflection. The festivals of the phallus were initiated by the Greeks, and introduced in Europe by the Athenians, who made the procession of the phallus part of the celebration of the Dionysia and the god of wine. Those that carried the phallus at the end of a long pole, were called phallapori. They generally appeared among the Greeks, besmeared with the

Phalanthus, a Lacedaemonian, who founded Tarentum in Italy, at the head of the Partheniae. His father's name was Arcas. As he went to Italy he was shipwrecked on the coast, and carried to shore by a dolphin, and from that reason, there was a dolphin placed near his statue in the temple of Apollo at Delphi. [Vid. Partheniae.] He received divine honours after death. *Justin. 3, 4.

Paus. 10, c. 10.—Herat. 2, od. 6.—A town and mountain of the same name in Arcadia. *Paus. 6, c. 55.
dregs of wine, covered with skins of lambs, and wearing on their heads a crown of ivy. Lucian, de Dea. Syr.—Plut. de Isid. & Ostr.


Phallus, one of the four principal gods of impurity; the other three were Priapus, Bacchus, and Mercury.

Phaede, a nymph, daughter of the river Lysis, who had been promised to him who would deliver her from a monster. A young man called Elateus offered himself to kill it, and succeeded, but he died before his marriage. Phaede shed so many tears that the gods, moved with her grief, changed her into a fountain, whose waters flowed with those in the river of her father.

Phahysius, a citizen of Naupactus, who recovered his sight by reading a letter sent him by Escaulipius. Paus. 10, cap. ult.

Phanes, a promontory of the island of Chios famous for its wines. It was called after a king of the same name, who reigned there. Virg. G. 2, v. 98.

Phanare, a town of Cappadocia.

Phanes, a man of Ialikarnassus, who fled from Amasis king of Egypt, to the court of Cambyses king of Persia, whom he advised when he invaded Egypt, to pass through Arabia. Herodot. 3, c. 4.

Phanocles, an elegiac poet of Greece, who wrote a poem on that unnatural sin, of which Orpheus is accused by some. He supported that Orpheus had been the first who disgraced himself by that filthy indulgence. Some of his fragments are remaining.

Phanodemus, an historian who wrote on the antiquities of Attica.

Phalaris, a town of Tessaly.

Phanogoria, a town situated on the Cimmerian Bosphorus.

Phanes, a celebrated Messenian, died 682 years B. C.

Phaneta, a town of Epirus. T. L. 32, c. 28.

Phanes, an ancient king of Chio, who gave his name to a promontory of that island, remarkable for its wines. T. L. 36, c. 43.—Georg. 2, v. 98.—A name under which the inhabitants of Chio worshipped the sun.

Phantasia, a daughter of Nicarchus of Memphis in Egypt. Some have supposed that she wrote a poem on the Trojan war, and another on the return of Ulysses to Ithaca, from which compositions Homer copied the greatest part of his Iliad and Odyssey, when he visited Memphis, where they were deposited.

Phanis, a son of Bacchus, who was among the Argonauts.

Phaon, a boatman of Mitylene, in Lesbos. He received a small box of ointment from Venus, who had presented herself to him in the form of an old woman, to be carried over into Asia, and as soon as he had rubbed himself with what the box contained, he became one of the most beautiful men of his age. Many were captivated with the charms of Phaon, and among others, Sappho, the cele-

brated poetess. Phaon gave himself up to the pleasures of Sappho's company, but however, he so conceived a disdain for her, and Sappho, mortified at his coldness, threw herself into the sea. Some say that Phaon, was beloved by the goddess of beauty, who concealed him for some time among lettuces. Herian says, that Phaon was killed by a man whose bed he was defiling. Herian. V. H. 12.—Ovid. Heroid. 21.—Pallad. de in c. 49.—Athen. 1.—Lucian in Sim. & Polistr.

Phantasia, one of the three Longi children of sleep, metamorphosed themselves into land, into rocks, into a river, and almost every thing which was inanimate.

Phara, a town of Africa, burnt by Scipio's soldiers.

Phracides, a general of the Lacedemonian fleet, who assisted Dionysius the tyrant of Sicily, against the Carthaginians. Polyb. 2.

Phaenogium, a fortress of Armenian Persia.

Phare, or Phere, a town of Crete.—Another in Messenia. Paus. 4, c. 30.

Pharsamnes, a king of Iberia, in the reign of Antoninus, &c. Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 33.

Pharax, a Lacedemonian officer, who attempted to make himself absolute in Sicily.—A Thessalian, whose son, called Cyani-pus, married a beautiful woman called Leoncun, who was torn to pieces by his dogs. Parth.

Pharcadon, a town of Thessaly.

Phare. Vid. Pharos.

Pharia, a surname of Ceres.


Pharnecus, an island of the Aegean sea where Julius Caesar was seized by some pirates.

Pharnabazus, a satrap of Persia, son of a person of the same name, B. C. 409. He assisted the Lacedemonians against the Athenians, and gained their esteem by his friendly behaviour and support. His behaviour, however, to Alcibiades was of the most perfidious nature, and he did not scruple to betray to his mortal enemies the man he had long honoured with his friendship. C. Nep. in Alc.—Plut.—An officer under Eumenes.—A king of Iberia.

Pharnacia, a town of Pontus. Plin. 6, c. 4.—Mother of Cinyras, king of Pontus. Suidas.

Pharnakes, a son of Mithridates, king of Pontus, who favoured the Romans against his father. He revolted against Mithridates, and even caused him to be put to death, according to some accounts. In the civil wars of Julius Caesar and Pompey, he interested himself for neither of the contending parties, upon which Caesar turned his arms against him, and conquered him. It was to express the celerity of his operations in conquering Pharnaces, that the conqueror made use of these words, Veni, vidit, victi. Flor. 3.—Suet. in Cas. 37.—Paterc. 2, c. 53.—A king of Pontus, who made war with Eumenes, B. C. 181.—A king of Cappa-
docia.—A librarian of Atticus. Cic. ad. Att.
Pharybus, a river of Macedonia falling into the Aegean sea. It is called by some Baphyrus.

Pharycades, a town of Macedonia, on the Peneus.

Pharyges, a town of Locris.

Phaselis, a town of Pamphylia, which was long the residence of pirates. Strab. 14.—Lucan. 8, c. 251.—Cic. agr. 2, c. 19.

Phasiana, a country of Asia, near the river Phasis. The inhabitants are of Egyptian origin.

Phasiane, a goddess worshipped in the Pontus, they suppose it is the same as Cybele.

Phasis, a son of Phebus and Ocyroe.—A river of Colchis rising in the mountains of Armenia. It is famous for the expedition of the Argonauts, who entered it, after a long and perilous voyage; from which reason all dangerous voyages have been proverbially intimated by the words of sailing to the Phasis. There were on the banks of the Phasis a great number of large birds, of which, according to some of the ancients, the Argonauts brought some to Greece, and which were called on that account phaeants.

The Phasis was reckoned by the ancients one of the largest rivers of Asia. Martial. 13, ep. 62.—Strab. 11.—Met. 1, c. 19.—Apollod. 1, &c.—Paus. 4, c. 44.—Orpheus.

Phassus, a son of Lycaon.

Phaudea, a town of Pontus.

Phavorinus, a writer, the best edition of whose Greek Lexicon is that in fol. Venet. 1712.

Phyllus, a tyrant of Ambracia, brother to Onomarchus of Phocis, &c. [Vid. Phocis].

Paus. 10, c. 2.

Pha, or Phela, a town of Elia.

Phæacia, an island of the Ionian sea called at first Scheria and afterwards Corcyrus. The Phaeacians, its inhabitants, were naturally dull, effeminate, and so affectious, that the ancients gave them the name of parasites.

Phæax, an inhabitant of the island of Phœacia.—An Athenian who went to Crete with Theseus.

Phæcadum, an inland town of Macedonia. Liv. 31, c. 41.

Phæcasia, one of the Sporades, islands of the Ægean sea. Plin. 4, c. 12.

Phæcaii, divinities particularly honoured at Athens.

Phægeus, or Phlegeus, a companion of Æneas, killed by Turnus. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 765.—Another likewise killed by Turnus. Id. 12, v. 371, &c.—A priest of Bacchus, the father of Alphesiboeus, who purified Alcmæon of his mother’s murder, and gave him his daughter in marriage. He was afterwards put to death by the children of Alcmæon by Callirhoe, because he had ordered Alcmæon to be killed when he attempted to recover a collar, which he had given to his daughter. [Vid. Alcmæon.] Ovid. Met. 9, v. 412.

Phogonius, a surname given to Jupiter, because he had at Dodona (a Phægas) who presided at the oracles, and in which place they believe this god resides.

Phellia, a river of Laconia. Paus 2, c. 20.

PHULLUS, a place of Attica. — A town of Elis, near Olympia.

PHIEMUS, a man introduced by Homer as a musician among Penelope's suitors. Some say that he taught Homer, for which the grateful poet immortalized his name. Homer. Od. — A man, who, according to some, wrote an account of the return of the Greeks from the Trojan war.

PHREMONE, a priestess of Apollo, who is supposed to have invented heroic verses. Paus. 10, c. 6.


PHNEMUS, a town with a lake of the same name in Arcadia, whose waters are unwholesome in the night, and wholesome in the daytime. Virg. Æn. 8, v. 165. — Ovid. Met. 15, v. 332. — A son of Melas, killed by Tydeus. Apoll.


PHNEXS, a surname of Jason, as being a native of Phere.

PHERAVULS, a Persian whom Cyrus raised from poverty to affluence. He afterwards gave up all his possessions to enjoy tranquillity and retirement. Xenoph. Cyr.

PHERECUS, one of the Greeks during the Trojan war. Ovid. Her. 15. — A pilot of the ship of Theseus, when he went to Crete. Plut. in Thes.

PHERES, a comic poet of Athens, in the age of Plato and Aristophanes. He is supposed to have written 21 comedies, of which only a few verses remain. He introduced living characters on the stage, but never abused the liberty which he had taken either by satire or defamation. He invented a sort of verse, which from him has been called Pherecratian. It consisted of the three last feet of an hexameter verse, of which the first was almost a spondee, as for instance, the third verse of Horace's 1, od. 5. Grat. Pyrrha sub atro. — Another descended from Deucalion. Cic. Tull.

PHERECDES, a philosopher of Syros, disciple of Pittacus, one of the first who delivered his thoughts in prose. He was acquainted with the periods of the moon, and foretold eclipses with the greatest accuracy. The doctrine of the immortality of the soul, was first supported by him, as also that of the metempsychosis. Pythagoras was one of his disciples, remarkable for his esteem and his attachment to his learned master. When Pherecydes lay dangerously ill in the island of Delos, Pythagoras hastened to give him every assistance in his power, and when all his efforts had proved ineffectual he buried him, and after he had paid him the last offices, he retired to Italy. Some however suppose, that Pherecydes threw himself down from a precipice as he was going to Delphi, or according to others, he fell a sacrifice to the loathsome disease, B. C. 515, in the 55th year of his age. Dio. — Lactant. — An historian of Leros, named the Athenian. He wrote an history of Attica, now lost, in the 'ge of Darius Hystaspes. — A tragic poet.

PHERNATES, a Persian set over Egypt by Artaxerxes.

Phere, a son of Cretheus and Tyro, who built Phere in Thessaly, where he reigned. He married Clymene, by whom he had Admetus. Apoll. — A son of Medea, stoned to death by the Corinthians on account of the poisonous clothes which he had given to Glauce, Creon's daughter. [Vid. Medea.] Paus. 2, c. 3. — A friend of Æneas killed by Halesus. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 413.


PHERETIMA, the wife of Battus, king of Cyrene, and the mother of Arcesilaus. After her son's death, she recovered the kingdom by means of Amasia king of Egypt, and to avenge the murder of Arcesilaus, she caused all his assassins to be crucified round the walls of Cyrene, and she cut off the breasts of their wives, and hung them up near the bodies of their husbands. It is said that she was devourèd alive by worms, a punishment which, according to some of the ancients, was inflicted by Providence for her unparalleled cruelties. Polyb. 8. — Herodot. 4, v. 204, &c.

PHERINUM, a town of Thessaly.

Pheror, a king of Egypt, who succeeded Sesostris. He was blind, and he recovered his sight by washing his eyes, according to the directions of the oracle, in the urine of a woman who had never had any unlawful connexions. He tried his wife first, but she appeared to have been faithless to his bed, and she was burnt with all those whose urine could not restore sight to the king. He married the woman whose urine proved beneficial. Herodot. 2, c. 111.


PHIÁLIA, at Phigalia, a town of Arcadia.

Phial. 1, c. 3.

PHIÁLUS, a king of Arcadia. Id. ib.

PHICORES, a people near the Palus Meotis. Mela, 1, c. 19.

PHIDIAS, a celebrated statuary of Athens, who died B. C. 432. He made a statue of Minerva at the request of Pericles, which was placed in the Pantheon. It was made with ivory and gold, and measured 39 feet in height. His presumption raised him many enemies, and he was accused of having carved his own image, and that of Pericles on the shield of the statue of the goddess, for which he was banished from Athens by the clamorous populace. He retired to Elis, where he determined to revenge the ill-treatment he had received from his countrymen, by making a statue which should eclipse the fame of that of Minerva. He was successful in the attempt, and the statue he made of Jupiter Olympius was always reckoned the best of all
his pieces, and has passed for one of the wonders
of the world. The people of Elia were so sen-
sible of his merit, and of the honour he had done
to their city, that they appointed his descendants
to the honourable office of keeping clean that
magnificent statue, and of preserving it from
injury. Paus. 9, c. 4.—Cic. de Orat.—Strab. 8.—
Quint. 12.—Plut. in Per.

PHIDIA, a woman. Vid. Phidyle.

PHIDIPPIDES, a celebrated courier, who ran
from Athens to Lacedaemon, about 152 English
miles, in two days, to ask of the Lacedaemo-
nians assistance against the Persians. The Athenians
raised a temple to his memory. Herodot. 6, c. 105.—C. Nep. in Milt.

PHIDITIA, a public entertainment at Sparta,
where much frugality was observed, as the word
(φειδίτια from φειδόμαι param) denotes. Per-
sons of all ages were admitted; the younger fre-
quented it as a school of temperance and so-
briety, where they were trained to good man-
ers and useful knowledge, by the example and
the discourse of the elders.

PHIDON, a man who enjoyed the sovereign
power at Argos, and is supposed to have in-
vented scales and measures, and coined silver at
Ægina. He died B. C. 554. Arist.—Herodot. 5, c. 127.—An ancient legislator of Co-
rinth.

PHIDYLE, a female servant of Horace, to
whom he addressed 3, od. 23.

PHIGALEI, a people of Peloponnesus, near
Messenia. They were naturally fond of drinking,
and negligent of domestic affairs. Paus. 8, c.
39.

PHILA, the eldest daughter of Antipater, who
married Craterus. She afterwards married
Demetrius, and when her husband had lost the
kingdom of Macedon, she poisoned herself.
Plut.

PHILADELPHIA, a town of Lydia.—Ano-
other in Cilicia.

PHILADELPHUS, a king of Paphlagonia, who
followed the interest of M. Antony.—The surname of one of the Ptolemies, king of Egypt
by Antiphrasis, because he destroyed all his
brothers. Vid. Ptolemeus, 2d.

PHILE, a town of Egypt in Thebai.—A
small island of Egypt in the Nile.—One of the
Sporades.

PHILENI, two brothers of Carthage. When
a contest arose between the Cyrenaics and Car-
thaginians, about the extent of their territories, it
was mutually agreed, that at a stated hour, two
men should depart from each city, and the when-
ever they met, there they should fix the boun-
daries of their country. The Phileni accordingly
separated from Carthage, and met the Cyrenaics
when they had advanced far into their territories.
This produced a quarrel, and the Cyrenaics sup-
ported, that the Phileni had left Carthage before
the appointment, and that therefore they must re-
sign, or be buried in the sand. The Phileni
refused, upon which they were overpowered by
the Cyrenaics, and accordingly buried in the
sand. The Carthaginians, to commemorate the
patriotic deeds of the Phileni, who sacrif-
ced their lives, that the extent of their coun-
try might not be diminished, raised two altars
on the place where their bodies had been bur-
ied, which they called Philanormus ara. These
altars were the boundaries of the Carthaginian
dominions, which on the other side extended as
far as the columns of Hercules, which is about
2000 miles, or according to the accurate ob-
servation of the moderns, only 1240 geographi-
cal miles. Sell. de Bell. Jug.

PHILEUS, a son of Ajax by Lyside the daugh-
ter of Coronus, one of the Lapithae. Miltiades,
as some suppose, was descended from him.—
A son of Augeas, who upbraided his father for
not granting what Hercules justly claimed for
keeping his stables. [Vid. Augeas.] He was
placed upon his father's throne by Hercules.

APOLLod.

PHILALETES, that is to say, the friend of
truth, one of the surnames of Jupiter.

PHILAMMON, a celebrated musician, son of
Apollo and Chione.—A man who murdered
Arsinoe, and who was slain by her female at-
tendants.

PHILARCHUS, a hero who gave assistance to
the Phocians when the Persians invaded
Greece.

PHILEMON, a comic poet of Greece, con-
temporary with Menander. He obtained some
poetical prizes over Menander, not so much
by the merit of his composition as by the in-
trigues of his friends. Plautus imitated some
of his comedies. He lived to his 97th year,
and died, as it is reported, of laughing on see-
ing an ass eat figs. B. C. 274.—His son who bore
the same name, wrote 54 comedies, of which
some few fragments remain, which do not seem
to entitle him to great rank among the Greek
comic writers. Val. Max. 9, c. 12.—Quintil.
10.—Plut. de ira coh.—Strab. 14.—A poor
man of Phrygia. [Vid. Bauceis.]—An illegi-
nimate son of Priam.

PHILENE, a town of Attica between Athens

PHILERIUS, an immodest woman whom Philo-
crates the poet lampooned.

PHILEROS, a town of Macedonia. Plin.

PHILESIUS, a leader of the 10,000 Greeks
after the battle of Cunaza.

PHILETERUS, an eunuch made governor of
Pergamus by Lysimachus. He quarrelled with
Lysimachus, and made himself master of Per-
gamus, where he laid the foundations of a
kingdom called the kingdom of Pergamus,
B. C. 283. He reigned there for 20 years, and
at his death he appointed his nephew Eumenes
as his successor. Strab. 13.—Paus. 1, c.
8.—A Cretan general who revolted from
Seleucus, and was conquered, &c. Polygan. 4.

PHILETAS, a grammarian and poet of Cos,
in the reign of king Philip, and of his son
Alexander the Great. He was made preceptor
to Ptolemy Philadephus. The elegies and
epigrams which he wrote have been greatly
commended by the ancients. He was so small
and slender, according to the improbable ac-
counts of Ælian, that he always carried pieces
of lead in his pockets to prevent being blown
away by the wind. Ælian. V. H.
PHILETUS, a faithful steward of Ulysses.

PHILIDAS, a friend of Pelopidas, who favoured the conspiracy formed to expel the Spartans from Thebes. He received the conspirators in his own house.

PHILIDES, a dealer in horses in the age of Hermostocles, &c. Plat. in Them.

PHILINA, a courtezan, mother of Aridaeus, by Philip the father of Alexander.

PHILINUS, a native of Agrigentum, who fought with Annibal against the Romans. He wrote a partial history of the Punic wars. C. Nep. in Amphib. — Polyb.

PHILIPPI or PHILIPPI, certain pieces of money coined in the reign of Philip of Macedonia, and with his image. Horat. 2, ep. 1. v. 284.

PHILIPPI, a town of Macedonia, anciently called Datos, and situate at the east of the Strymon on a rising ground, which abounds with springs and water. It was called Philippia, after Philip, king of Macedonia, who fortified it against the incursions of the barbarians of Thrace, and became celebrated for two battles which were fought there in October, B. C. 42, at the interval of about 20 days, between Augustus and Antony, and the republican forces of Brutus and Cassius, in which the former obtained the victory, Ovid. Met. 15, v. 824.—Flor. 4, c. 7. — Paterc. 2. c. 7, &c. Appian. 2, ev. bell.—Phl. in Anton.—Virg. G. 4, v. 490.

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far in Boeotia, and a general engagement was fought at Charonea. The fight was long and bloody, but Philip obtained the victory. His behaviour after the battle reflects great disgrace on him as a man and as a monarch. In the hour of festivity, and during the entertainment which he had given to celebrate the trophies he had won, Philip sallied from his camp, and with the inhumanity of a brute, he insulted the bodies of the slain, and exulted over the calamities of the prisoners of war. His insolence, however, was checked when Demades, one of the Athenian captives, reminded him of his meanness, by exclaiming: *Why do you, O king, act the part of a Thersites, when you can represent with so much dignity, the elevated character of an Agamemnon!* The reproof was felt, Demades received his liberty, and Philip learned how to gain popularity even among his fallen enemies, by relieving their wants and easing their distresses. At the battle of Charonea, the independence of Greece was extingushed, and Philip, unable to find new enemies in Europe, formed new enterprises, and meditated new conquests. He was nominated general of the Greeks against the Persians, and was called upon as well as from inclination as duty, to revenge those injuries which Greece had suffered from the invasions of Darius, and of Xerxes. But he was stopped in the midst of his warlike preparations; he was stabbed by Pausanias as he entered the theatre at the celebration of the nuptials of his daughter Cleopatra. This murder has given rise to many reflections upon the causes which produced it, and many who consider the recent repudiation of Olympias, and the resentment of Alexander, are apt to investigate the causes of his death in the bosom of his family. The ridiculous honours which Olympias paid to her husband's murderer strengthened the suspicion, yet Alexander declared that he invaded the kingdom of Persia to revenge his father's death upon the Persian satraps and princes, by whose immediate intrigues the assassination had been committed. The character of Philip is that of a sagacious, artful, prudent, and intriguing monarch; he was brave in the field of battle, eloquent and dissimulating at home, and he possessed the wonderful art of changing his conduct according to the disposition and caprice of mankind, without ever altering his purpose, or losing sight of his ambitious aims. He possessed much perseverance, and in the execution of his plans he was always vigorous. The hand of an assassin prevented him from achieving the boldest and the most extensive of his undertakings, and he might have acquired as many sures, and conquered as many nations as his son Alexander did in the succeeding reign, and the kingdom of Persia might have been added to the Macedonian empire, perhaps with greater moderation, with more glory, and with more lasting advantages. The private character of Philip lies open to censure, and raises indignation. The admirer of his virtues is disgusted to find him among the most abandoned prostitutes, and disgracing himself by the most unnatural desires and lascivious indulgences which can make even the most debauched, and the most profligate to blush. He was murdered in the 48th year of his age, and the 24th of his reign, about 336 years before the Christian era. His reign is become uncommonly interesting, and his administration a matter of instruction. He is the first monarch whose life and actions are described with peculiar accuracy and historic faithfulness. Philip was the father of Alexander the Great, and of Cleopatra, by Olympias; he had also by Audaca, an Illyrian, Cyna, who married Amyntas the son of Perdiccas, Philip's elder brother; by Nicasipolis, a Thessalian, Nicaea, who married Cassander; by Philinna, a Larissian dancer, Aridaus, who reigned some time after Alexander's death; by Cleopatra, the niece of Attalus, Caranus, and Europa, who were both murdered by Olympias; and Ptolomy, the first king of Egypt, by Arsinoe, who in the first month of her pregnancy was married to Lagus. Demosth. in Phil. & Olynth.—Justin. 7, &c.—Diod. 16. —Plut. in Alex. Dem. & Apoph. —Iserov, ad Phil. —Curt. 1, &c.—Eschines.—Paus. Beotic. &c.—The last king of Macedonia of that name, was son of Demetrius. His infancy at the death of his father, was protected by Antigonus, one of his friends, who ascended the throne and reigned for 12 years, with the title of independent monarch. When Antigonus died, Philip recovered his father's throne, though only 15 years of age, and he early distinguished himself by his boldness and his ambitious views. His cruelty, however, to Aratus, soon displayed his character in its true light, and to the gratification of every one, and every extravagant propensity, he had the meanness to sacrifice this faithful and virtuous Athenian. Not satisfied with the kingdom of Macedonia, Philip aspired to become the friend of Annibal, and wished to share with him the spoils, which the distresses and continual loss of the Romans seemed soon to promise. But his expectations were frustrated, the Romans discovered his intrigues, and though weakened by the valour and artifice of the Carthaginian, yet they were soon enabled to meet him in the field of battle. The consul Flaminus entered without delay his territories of Macedonia, and after he had obtained a victory over him near Apollonia, and reduced his fleet to ashes, he compelled him to sue for peace. This peaceable disposition was not permanent, and when the Romans discovered that he had assisted their immortal enemy Annibal, with men and money, they appointed T. Q. Flaminus to punish his perfidy, and the violation of the treaty. The Roman consul, with his usual expedition, invaded Macedonia, and in a general engagement, which was fought near Cynocephale, the hostile army was totally defeated, and the monarch saved his life with difficulty by flying from the field of battle. Destitute of resources, without friends either at home or abroad, Philip was obliged to submit to the mercy of the conqueror, and to demand peace by his ambassadors. It was granted with difficulty, the terms were humiliating, but the poverty of Philip obliged him to accept the conditions, however disad-
tageous, and degrading to his dignity. In the midst of these public calamities, the peace of his family was disturbed, and Perses, the eldest of his sons by a concubine, raised seditions against his brother Demetrius, whose condescension and humanity had gained popularity among the Macedonians, and who, from his residence at Rome, as an hostage, had gained the good graces of the senate, and by the modesty and innocence of his manners, had obtained forgiveness from that venerable body for the hostilities of his father. Philip listened with too much avidity to the false accusation of Perses, and when he heard it asserted that Demetrius wished to rob him of his crown, he no longer hesitated to punish with death so unworthy and so ungrateful a son. No sooner was Demetrius sacrificed to credulity, than Philip became convinced of his cruelty and rashness, and to punish the perfidy of Perses, he attempted to make Antigonus, another son, his successor on the Macedonian throne. But he was prevented from executing his purpose by death, in the 32d year of his reign, 179 years before the Christian era. The accession of Demetrius succeeded his father, and with the same ambition, with the same rashness and oppression, renewed the war against the Romans, till his empire was destroyed, and Macedonia became a Roman province. Philip has been compared with his great ancestor of the same name, but though they possessed the same virtues, the same ambition, and were tainted with the same vices; yet the father of Alexander was more sagacious and more intriguing, and the son of Demetrius was more suspicious, more cruel, and more implacable, and according to the pretended prophecy of one of the sibyls, Macedonia was indebted to one Philip for her rise and consequence among nations, and under another Philip, she lamented the loss of her power, her empire, and her dignity.

Polib. 16, &c.—Just. 29, &c.—Plut. in Flam.—Paus. 7, c. 8.—Liv. 31, &c.—M. Julius, a Roman emperor of an obscure family in Arabia, from whence he was surnamed Arabian. From the lowest rank in the army, he gradually rose to the highest offices, and when he was made general of the pretorian guards, he assassinated Gordian to make himself emperor. To establish himself more certainly on the imperial throne, he left Mesopotamia a prey to the continual invasions of the Persians, and hurried to Rome, where his election was universally approved by the senate and the Roman people. Philip rendered his cause popular by his liberality and profusion, and it added much to his splendid and dignity, that the Romans, during his reign, commemorated the foundation of their city, a solemnity which was observed but once every hundred years, and which was celebrated with more pomp and more magnificence than under the preceding reigns. The people were entertained with games and spectacles, the theatre of Pompey was successively crowded during three days and three nights, and 2000 gladiators bided in the circus at once, for the amusement and pleasure of a gazing populace. His

usurpation, however, was short. Philip was defeated by Decius, who had proclaimed himself emperor in Pannonia, and he was assassinated by his own soldiers near Verona, in the 45th year of his age, and the 5th of his reign, A. D. 249. His son, who bore the same name, and who had shared with him the imperial dignity, was also massacred in the arms of his mother. Young Philip was then in the 12th year of his age, and the Romans lamented in him the loss of rising talents, of natural humanity, and endearing virtues. Aurel. Victor.—Zosimus.

A native of Acarnania, physician to Alexander the Great. When the monarch had been suddenly taken ill, after bathing in the Cydnus, Philip undertook to remove the complaint, when the rest of the physicians believed that all medical assistance would be ineffectual. But as he was preparing his medicine, Alexander received a letter from Parmenio, in which he was advised to beware of his physician Philip, as he had conspired against his life. The monarch was alarmed, and when Philip presented him the medicine, he gave him Parmenio’s letter to peruse, and began to drink the potion. The serenity and composure of Philip’s countenance, as he read the letter, removed every suspicion from Alexander’s breast, and he pursued the directions of his physician, and in a few days recovered.

Plut. in Alex.—Curt. 3.—Arr. 2.

A son of Alexander the Great, murdered by order of Olympias.—A governor of Sparta.

A son of Cassander.—A man who pretended to be the son of Perses, that he might lay claim to the kingdom of Macedonia. He was called Pseudophilippus.—A general of Cassander, in Ætolia.—A Phrygian, made governor of Jerusalem by Antiochus, &c.

A son of Herod the Great, in the reign of Augustus.—A brother of Alexander the Great, called also Aridæus. Vide. Aridæus.—A freedman of Pompey the Great. He found his master’s body deserted on the sea shore, in Egypt, and he gave it a decent burial with the assistance of an old Roman soldier, who had fought under Pompey.—The father-in-law of the emperor Augustus.—A Lacedæmonian who wished to make himself absolute in Thebes.

An officer, made master of Parthia, after the death of Alexander the Great.—A king of part of Syria, son of Antiochus Gryphius.

A son of Antipater, in the army of Alexander.—A brother of Lysimachus, who died suddenly after hard working and labour.—An historian of Amphipolis.—A Carthaginian, &c.—A man who wrote an history of Caria.

A native of Megara, &c.—A native of Pamphylia, who wrote a diffuse history from the creation down to his own time. It was not much valued. He lived in the age of Theodosius 2d.

Philiscus, a famous sculptor.—An Athenian who received Cicero when he fled to Macedonia.—An officer of Artaxerxes appointed to make peace with the Greeks.

Philistion, a comic poet of Nicaea in the age of Socrates.—A physician of Locris.

Philistus, a musician of Miletus.
Syracusan, who, during his banishment from his native country, wrote an history of Sicily in 12 books, which was greatly commended. He was afterwards sent against the Syracusans by Dionysius the younger, and he killed himself when overthrown by the enemy, 356 B.C. Plut. in Dion.—Dict. 13.

Philo, an Arcadian maid by whom Hercules had a son. The father exposed his daughter, but she was saved by means of her lover, who was directed to the place where she was doomed to perish, by the chirping of a magpie, which imitated the plaintive cries of a child. Paul. 8. c. 12.

Philo, a Jewish writer of Alexandria. A.D. 40, sent as an ambassador from his nation to Caligula. He was unsuccessful in his embassy, of which he wrote an entertaining account, and the emperor, who wished to be worshipped as a god, expressed his dissatisfaction with the Jews, because they refused to place his statues in their temples. He was so happy in his expressions and elegant in his variety, that he has been called the Jewish Plato, and the book which he wrote on the sufferings of the Jews in the reign of Caius, met with such unbounded applause in the Roman senate, where he read it publicly, that he was permitted to consecrate it in the public library. His works were divided into three parts, of which the first related to the creation of the world, the second spoke of sacred History, and in the third, the author made mention of the laws and customs of the Jewish nation. The best edition of Philo is that of Mangey, 2 vols., fol. London, 1742.—A man who fell in love with his daughter called Proserpine, as she was bathing. He had her by a son, Mercurius Trismegistus. —A man who wrote an account of a journey to Arabia. —A philosopher who followed the doctrines of Carneades, B.C. 100. —Another philosopher of Athens, tutor to Cicero. —A grammarian in the first century. —An architect of Byzantium, who flourished about three centuries before the Christian era. —A Greek Christian writer whose work was edited at Rome, 4to. 1772. —A dialectic philosopher, 260 B.C.

Philobius. Vid. Laodice.

Philobrottes, a mountain of Bœotia. Plut.

Philochorus, a man who wrote an history of Athens in 17 books. He died B.C. 222.

Philocrates, one of the admirals of the Athenian fleet, during the Peloponnesian war. He recommended to his countrymen to cut off the right hand of such of the enemies as were taken, that they might be rendered unfit for service. His plan was adopted by all the 10 admirals except one, but their expectations were frustrated, and instead of being conquerors they were totally defeated at Aegospotamos by Lysander, and Philocrates was put to death with the rest of his colleagues. Plut. in Lyd.—A general of Ptolemy, king of Egypt.

Philocrates, an Athenian, famous for his treachery, &c. —A writer who published an history of Thessaly. —A servant of C. Gracchus. —A Greek orator.

Philoctetes, son of Pean and Demonassa, was one of the Argonauts according to Pausanias and Hyginus, and the arm bearer and particular friend of Hercules. He was present at the death of Hercules, and because he had erected the burning pile on which the hero was consumed, he received from him the arrows which had been dipped in the gall of the hydra, after he had bound himself by a solemn oath not to betray the place where his ashes were deposited. He had no sooner paid the last offices to Hercules, than he returned to Meliboea, where his father reigned. From thence he visited Sparta, where he became one of the numerous suitors of Helen, and soon after, like the rest of those princes who had courted the daughter of Tyndarus, and who had bound themselves to protect her from injury, he was called upon by Menelaus to accompany the Greeks to the Trojan war, and he immediately set sail from Meliboea with seven ships, and repaired to Aulis, the general rendezvous of the combined fleet. He was here prevented from joining his countrymen, and the offensive smell which arose from a wound in his foot, obliged the Greeks, at the instigation of Ulysses, to remove him from the camp, and he was accordingly carried to the island of Lemnos, or as others say to Chryse, where Phimachus, the son of Dolophion, was ordered to wait upon him. In this solitary retreat he was suffered to remain for some time, till the Greeks, on the 10th year of the Trojan war, were informed by the oracle that Troy could not be taken without the arrows of Hercules, which were then in the possession of Philoctetes. Upon this Ulysses, accompanied by Diomedes, or according to others by Pyrrhus, was commissioned by the rest of the Grecian army to go to Lemnos, and to prevail upon Philoctetes to come and finish the tedious siege. Philoctetes recollected the ill-treatment he had received from the Greeks, and particularly from Ulysses, and therefore he not only refused to go to Troy, but he even persuaded Pyrrhus to conduct him to Meliboea. As he embarked, the menes of Hercules forbade him to proceed, but immediately to repair to the Grecian camp, where he should be cured of his wounds, and put an end to the war. Philoctetes obeyed, and after he had been restored to his former health by Aesculapius, or according to some by Machaon, or Podalirius, he destroyed an immense number of the Trojan enemy, among whom was Paris, the son of Priam, with the arrows of Hercules. When by his valour, Troy had been ruined, he set sail from Asia, but as he was unwilling to visit his native country, he came to Italy, where, by the assistance of his Thessalian followers, he was enabled to build a town in Calabria, which he called Petilia. Authors disagree about the causes of the wound which Philoctetes received on the foot. The most ancient mythologists support, that it was the bite of the serpent which Juno had sent to torment him, because he had attended Hercules in his last moments, and had buried his ashes. According to another opinion, the princes of the Grecian
army obliged him to discover where the ashes of Hercules were deposited, and as he had made an oath not to mention the place, he only with his foot struck the ground where they lay, and by this means concluded he had not violated the solemn engagement. For this, however, he was soon after punished, and the fall of one of the poisoned arrows from his quiver upon his foot which had struck the ground, occasioned so offensive a wound, that the Greeks were obliged to remove him from their camp. The sufferings and adventures of Philoctetes are the subject of one of the best tragedies of Sophocles. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 46. — Pindar. Pyth. 1. — Dictys. Cret. 1, c. 14. — Senec. in Herc. — Sophoc. Phil. — Quint. Cæs. 9 & 10. — Hygin. fab. 36, 97, & 106. — Dios. 2 & 4. — Ovid. Met. 13, v. 329. 1, 9, v. 234. — Trist. 5, el. 2. — Cic. Tus. c. 2. — Pioten. Harph. 6.

Philoctus, son of Vulcan.

Philocyprus, a prince of Cyprus in the age of Solon, by whose advice he changed the situation of a city, which in gratitude he called Soli. Plut. in Sol.

Philodamæa, one of the Dnadiæs, mother of Phares by Mercury. Paus. 7, c. 52.

Philodemus, a poet in the age of Cicero, who rendered himself known by his lascivious and indelicate verses. Cic. de Fæsib. 2. — Horat. Sat. 2, v. 121. — A comic poet.

Philodice, a daughter of Inachus, who married Leucippus.

Philegus, one of the horses of the Sun.

Philoigus, a son of Minos, by the nymph Paria, from whom the island of Paros received its name. Hercules put him to death, because he had killed two of his companions. Apollod. 3, c. 1. — A Pythagorean philosopher of Crotone, who first supported that the earth turned round its axis, B. C. 374. Dios. — Cic. de orat. 3. — Plut. — A lawgiver of Thebes.

— A mechanic of Tarentum. — A surname of Ascalapius, who had a temple in Laconia, near the Alopus.

Philologos, a freedman of Cicero. He betrayed his master to Antony, for which he was tortured by Pomponia, the wife of Cicero's brother, and obliged to cut off his own flesh by piece-meal, and to boil and eat it up. Plut. in Sc. &c.

Philomache, the wife of Pelias, king of Iolchos. According to some writers she was daughter to Amphiloch, king of Thessaly.

Philombratus, an archon at Athens, in whose age the state was entrusted to Solon, when torn by factions. Plut. in Sol.

Philomédus, a man who made himself absolute in Phocaea, by promising to assist the inhabitants. Polyen.

Philomela, a daughter of Pandion, king of Athens, and sister to Procne, who had married Tereus, king of Thrace. Procne separated from Philomela, to whom she was particularly attached, spent her time in great melancholy till she prevailed upon her husband to go to Athens, and bring her sister to Thrace. Tereus obeyed his wife's injunctions, but he had no sooner obtained Pandion's permission to conduct Philomela to Thrace, than he became enamoured of her, and resolved to gratify his passion. He dismissed the guards, whom the suspicions of Pandion had appointed to watch his conduct, and he offered violence to Philomela, and afterwards cut off her tongue, that she might not be able to discover his barbarity, and the indignities which she had suffered. He confined her also in a lonely castle, and after he had taken every precaution to prevent a discovery, he returned to Thrace, and he told Procne that Philomela had died by the way, and that he had paid the last offices to her remains. Procne, at this sad intelligence, put on mourning for the loss of Philomela; but a year had scarcely elapsed before she was secretly informed that her sister was not dead; Philomela during her captivity described on a piece of tapestry, her misfortunes and the brutality of Tereus, and privately conveyed it to Procne. She was then going to celebrate the orgies of Bacchus, when she received it; she disguised her resentment, and as during the festivals of the god of wine, she was permitted to rove about the country, she hastened to deliver her sister Philomela from her confinement, and she concerted with her on the best measures of punishing the cruelty of Tereus. She murdered her son Itylus, who was in the sixth year of his age, and served him up as food before her husband during the festival. Tereus in the midst of his repast, called for Itylus, but Procne immediately informed him, that he was then feasting on his flesh, and that instant Philomela, by throwing on the table the head of Itylus, convinced the monarch of the cruelty of the scene. He drew his sword to punish Procne and Philomela, but as he was going to stab them to the heart, he was changed into a hoopoe, Philomela into a nightingale, Procne into a swallow, and Itylus into a pheasant. This tragical scene happened at Daulis in Phocis, but Pausanias and Strabo, who mention the whole of the story, are silent about the transformation, and the former observes, that Tereus, after this bloody repast, fled to Megara, where he destroyed himself. The inhabitants of the place raised a monument to his memory, where they offered yearly sacrifices, and placed small pebbles instead of barley. It was on this monument that the birds called hoopoes were first seen: hence the fable of his metamorphosis. Procne and Philomela died through excess of grief and melancholy, and as the nightingale's and the swallow's voice is peculiarly pluriative and mournful, the poets have embellished the fable by supposing, that the two unfortunate sisters were changed into birds. Apollod. 3, c. 14. — Paus. 1, c. 42. l. 10, c. 4. — Hygin. fab. 43. — Strab. 9. — Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 9 & 10. — Virg. G. b. v. 158. 511. — A daughter of Actor, king of the Myrmidons.

Philomes, a person, who under pretext of assisting the Phocians, usurped the sovereign power in their town. Polyen.

Philomelus, a general of Phocis, who

Philometeor, a surname of Demetrius III. king of Syria, and of Ptolemy VI. king of Egypt.

Philomorax, that is to say, a lover of children, a surname of Diana.

Philo, a general of some Greeks, who settled in Asia.

Philondes, a courier of Alexander, who ran from Susy on to Elis, 160 miles, in nine hours, and returned the same journey in fifteen hours. P. 2, c. 71.

Philonis, a name of Chione daughter of Dedaleon, made immortal by Diana.

Philone, a daughter of Tyndarus, king of Sparta. Apolod.—A daughter of Hobotes, king of Lydia, who married Bellerophon. Id. 2.

Philonome, a daughter of Nyctimus, king of Arcadia, who threw into the Erymanthus two children, whom she had by Mars. The children were preserved. Plut. in Per.

The second wife of Cyuanus the son of Neptune, she became enamoured of Tennes her husband’s son by his first wife Frocles, the daughter of Clytus, and when he refused to gratify her passion, she accused him of attempts upon her virtue. Cyuanus believed the accusation, and ordered Tennes to be thrown into the sea, &c. Paus. 10, c. 14.

Philonomus, a son of Electryon, king of Mycenae.

Philonous, a village of Egypt. Philopator, a surname of one of the Ptolemies, king of Egypt. Vid. Ptolemæus.

Philopon, a general, who with 5000 soldiers defended Pelusium against the Greeks, who invaded Egypt. Dio. 51.

Philopomen, a celebrated general of the Achaean league, born at Megalopolis. His father’s name was Grangis. His education was begun and finished under Cassander, Ecdemus, and Demophanes, and he early distinguished himself in the field of battle, and appeared fond of agriculture and a country life. He proposed himself Epaminondas for a model, and he was not unsuccessful in imitating the prudence and the simplicity, the disinterestedness and activity of this famous Theban. When Megalopolis was attacked by the Spartans, Philopomen, then in the 30th year of his age, gave the most decisive proofs of his valour and intrepidity. He afterwards assisted Antigonus, and was present in the famous battle in which the Aitolians were defeated. Raised to the rank of chief commander, he shewed his ability to discharge that important trust, by killing with his own hand Mechanidas, the tyrant of Sparta, and if he was defeated in a naval battle by Nabis, he soon after repaired his losses by taking the capital of Laconia, B. C. 186, and by polishing the laws of Lycurgus, which had flourished there for such a length of time. Sparta after its conquest became tributary to the Achaians, and Philopomen enjoyed the triumph of having reduced to ruins, one of the greatest and most powerful of the cities of Greece. Some time after the Messenians revolted from the Achaean league, and Philopomen, who headed the Achaians, unfortunately fell from his horse, and was dragged to the enemy’s camp. Dinocrates, the general of the Messenians, treated him with great severity: he was thrown into a dungeon, and obliged to drink a dose of poison. When he received the cup from the hands of the executioner, Philopomen asked him how his countrymen had behaved in the field of battle, and when he heard that they had obtained the victory, he drank the whole with pleasure, exclaiming that this was comfortable news. The death of Philopomen, which happened about 139 years before the Christian era, in his 70th year, was universally lamented, and the Achaians, to revenge his death, immediately marched to Messenia, where Dinocrates, to avoid their resentment, killed himself. The rest of his murderers were dragged to his tomb, where they were sacrificed, and the people of Megalopolis, to shew farther their great sense of his merit, ordered a bull to be yearly offered on his tomb, and hymns to be sung in his praise, and his actions to be celebrated in a panegyrical oration. He had also statues raised to his memory, which some of the Romans attempted to violate, and to destroy, to no purpose, when Mummius took Corinth. Philopomen has been justly called by his countrymen, the last of the Greeks. Plut. in vita.—Justin. 32, c. 4.—Pohy. —A native of Pergamus, who died B. C. 138.

Philostraphus, a famous sophist, born at Lemnos, or according to some at Athens. He came to Rome, where he lived under the patronage of Julia the wife of the emperor Severus, and he was entrusted by the empress with all the papers which contained some account, or anecdotes of Apollonius Thyanaeus, and he was ordered to review them, and with them to compile an history. The life of Apollonius is written with elegance, but the improbable accounts, the fabulous stories, and exaggerated details which it gives, render it disgusting. There is besides, another treatise remaining of his writings, &c. He died A. D. 244. The best edition of his writings, is that of Olearius, fol. Lips. 1709. —His nephew, who lived in the reign of Hellogabalus, wrote an account of sophists.—A philosopher in the reign of Nero.—Another in the age of Augustus.

Philotas, a son of Parmenio, distinguished in the battles of Alexander, and at last accused of conspiring against his life. He was tortured, and stoned to death, or according to some, stuck through with darts by the soldiers, B. C. 330.

Plate. 6, c. 11.—Plut. Arrian.—An officer in the army of Alexander. —Another who was made master of Cilicia, after Alexander’s death. —A physician in the age of Antony. He ridiculed the expenses and the extravagance of this celebrated Roman. Plut.
Philotetha, a town of Colosus.

Philotimus, a freedman of Cicero.

Philotis, a servant maid at Rome, who saved her countrymen from destruction. After the siege of Rome by the Gauls, the Fidenates assembled an army, and marched against the capital, demanding all the wives and daughters in the city, as the conditions of peace. This extraordinary demand astonished the senators, and when they refused to comply, Philotis advised them to send all their female slaves disguised in matron's clothes, and she offered to march herself at the head. Her advice was followed, and when the Fidenates had feasted late in the evening, and were quite intoxicated, and fallen asleep, Philotis lighted a torch as a signal for her countrymen to attack the enemy. The whole was successful; the Fidenates were conquered, and the senate, to reward the fidelity of the female slaves, permitted them to appear in the dress of the Roman matrons.

Philoxenus, an officer of Alexander, who received Cilicia, at the general division of the provinces. A son of Prolemy, who was given to Pelopidas as an hostage. A dithyrambic poet of Cythera, who enjoyed the favour of Dionysius, tyrant of Sicily, for some time, till he offended him by seducing one of his female singers. During his confinement, Philoxenus composed an allegorical poem called Cyclops, in which he had delineated the character of the tyrant under the name of Polyphemus, and represented his mistress under the name of Galatea, and himself under that of Ulysses. The tyrant, who was fond of writing poetry, and of being applauded, removed Philoxenus from his dungeon, but the poet refused to purchase his liberty by saying things unworthy of himself, and applauding the wretched verses of Dionysius, and therefore he was sent to the quarries. When he was asked his opinion at a feast about some verses which Dionysius had just repeated, and which the courtiers had received with the greatest applause, Philoxenus gave no answer, but he ordered the guards that surrounded the tyrant's table to take him back to the quarries. Dionysius was pleased with his pleasantry, and with his firmness, and immediately forgave him. Philoxenus died at Ephesus about 300 years before Christ. Plut. — A celebrated musician of Ionia. A painter of Eretria. A philosopher who wished to have the neck of a crane, that he might enjoy the taste of his aliments longer, and with more pleasure. Arist. eth. 3.

Philoreus, a comic poet.

Philora the queen of the Oceanids, who was met by Saturn in Thrace. The god, to escape from the vigilance of Rhea, changed himself into a horse, to enjoy the company of Philora, by whom he had a son, half a man and half a horse, called Chiron. Philora was so ashamed of giving birth to such a monster, that she entreated the gods to change her nature. She was metamorphosed into a tree, called by her name among the Greeks. Hygin. fab. 138. — The wife of Nauplius.

Philyres, a people near Pontus.

Philyrides, a patronymic of Chiron, the son of Philyra.

Phinx, a son of Agenor, king of Phœnix, or according to some of Neptune, who became king of Thrace, or as the greater part of the mythologists support, of Bithynia. He married Cleopatra, the daughter of Boreas, whom some call Cleobula, by whom he had Plexippus and Pandion. After the death of Cleopatra, he married Idea, the daughter of Dardanus. Idea, jealous of Cleopatra's children, accused them of attempts upon their father's life and crown, or according to some, of attempts upon her virtue, and they were immediately condemned by Phineus to be deprived of their eyes. This cruelty was soon after punished by the gods, Phineus suddenly became blind, and the Harpies were sent by Jupiter to keep him under continual alarm, and to spoil the meats which were placed on his table. He was some time after delivered from these dangerous monsters by his brothers-in-law, Zetes and Calais, who pursued them as far as the Strophades. He also recovered his sight by means of the Argonauts, whom he had received with great hospitality, and instructed in the easiest and speediest way by which they could arrive in Colchis. The causes of the blindness of Phineus are a matter of dispute among the ancients, some supposing that this was inflicted by Boreas, for his cruelty to his grandson, whilst others attribute it to the anger of Neptune, because he had directed the sons of Phryxus how to escape from Colchis to Greece. Many, however, think that it proceeded from his having rashly attempted to develop futurity, while others assert that Zetes and Calais put out his eyes on account of his cruelty to their nephews. The second wife of Phineus is called by some Dia, Furytia, Dnæ, and Idotea. Phineus was killed by Hercules. Arg. 2. — Apollod. 1. c. 9. l. 3. c. 15. — Dict. 4. — Hygin. fab. 19. — Orpheus. — Flacc. — The brother of Cepheus, king of Ethiopia. He was going to marry his niece Andromeda, when her father Cepheus was obliged to give her up to be devoured by a sea monster, to appease the resentment of Neptune. She was, however, delivered by Persus, who married her by the consent of her parents, for having destroyed the sea monster. This marriage displeased Phineus: he interrupted the ceremony, and with a number of attendants, attacked Persus and his friends. Persus defended himself, and turned into stone Phineus, and his companions, by showing them the Gorgon's head. Apollod. 2. c. 1 & 4. — Ovid. Met. 5. fab. 1 & 2. — Hygin. fab. 64. — A son of Melas. — A son of Lycaon, king of Arcadia. — A son of Belus and Anchinoe.

Phinta, a king of Messenia, &c. Paus. 4. c. 4.

Phineus, now Figo, a small island situated between Corsica and Sardinia.
inflame the minds of men, as his name intimates (φοβερός). The other two ministers of
Sommus were Phantasia and Morpheus. Ovid. Met. 11, c. 640.

Phobos, son of Mars, and god of the earth

The ancients offered him sacrifices, and represented
him with the head of a lion. Plut. in Eros.

Phocea, a maritime town of Ionia, in Asia Minor, between Cunæ and Smyrna, founded
by an Athenian colony. It received its name from Phocus, the leader of the colony, or from (pho
cae) sea calves, which are found in great abundance in the neighbourhood. The inhabi
ants called Phocera and Phocescens, were exper
mariners, and founded many cities in different parts of Europe. They left Ionia, when Cy
rus attempted to reduce them under his power and
they came, after many adventures, into Gaul, where they founded Massilia, now called
Marseille. The town of Marseilles is often dis
tinguished by the epithet of Phoceraeus, and its inhabitants called Phocæenses. Phoca was de
clared independent by Pompey, and under the first emperors of Rome it became one of the most flourishing cities of Asia Minor. Meta, 1, c. 17.—Paul. 7, c. 3.—Herodot. 1, v. 100.—
Strab. 14.—Horat. epod. 16.—Ovid. Met. 6, v. 9.

Phocèa, inhabitants of Phocæa, a country of Greece.

Phocenses and Phocici, the inhabitants of Phocis in Greece.

Phocilides, a Greek poet and philosopher of Miletus, about 540 years before the Chris
tian era. The poetical piece now extant, attributed to him, is not of his composition, but
of another poet who lived in the reign of

Adrian.

Phocion, an Athenian celebrated for his
virtues, private as well as public. He was educated in the school of Plato and of Xeno
ocrates, and as soon as he appeared among the statesmen of Athens, he distinguished him
self by his prudence and moderation, his zeal for the public good, and his military abilities.
He often checked the violent and inconsiderate measures of Demosthenes, and when the
Athenians seemed eager to make war against
Philip, king of Macedonia, Phocion observed,
that war should never be undertaken without the strongest and most certain expectations
of victory and success. When Philip endeav
oured to make himself master of Euboea, Pho
cion stopped his progress, and soon obliged
him to relinquish his enterprise. During the
time of his administration he was always in
cline to peace, though he never suffered his

countrymen to become indolent, and to forget
the jealousy and rivalry of their neighbours.
He was 45 times appointed governor of Athens,
and no greater enmity can be passed upon his talents as a minister and statesman, than
that he never solicited that high, though dan
gerous office. In his rural retreat, or at the
head of the Athenian armies, he always ap
peared barefooted, and without a cloak, whence
one of his soldiers had occasion to observe,
when he saw him dressed more warmly than usual, during a severe winter, that since Phocion wore his cloak it was a sign of the most inclement weather. If he was the friend of temperance and discipline, he was not a less brilliant example of true heroism. Philip, as well as his son Alexander, attempted to bribe him, but to no purpose, and Phocion boasted in being one of the poorest of the Athenians, and in deserving the appellation of the Good. It was through him that Greece was saved from an impending war, and he advised Alexander rather to turn his arms against Persia, than to shed the blood of the Greeks, who were either his allies or his subjects. Alexander was so sensible of his merit, and of his integrity, that he sent him 100 talents from the spoils which he had obtained from the Persians, but Phocion was too great to suffer himself to be bribed, and when the conqueror had attempted a second time to oblige him, and to conciliate his favours, by offering him the government and possession of five cities, the Athenian rejected the presents with the same indifference, and with the same independent mind. But not totally to despise the favours of the monarch, he begged him to restore to their liberty four slaves that were confined in the citadel of Sardis. Aniipater, who succeeded in the government of Macedonia after the death of Alexander, also attempted to corrupt the virtuous Athenian, but with the same success as his royal predecessor; and when a friend had observed to Phocion, that if he could so freely spend the generous offer of his patrons, yet he should consider the good of his children, and accept them for their sake, Phocion calmly replied, that if his children were like him they could maintain themselves as well as their father had done, but if they behaved otherwise, he declared that he was unwilling to leave them any thing which might either supply their extravagances, or encourage their debaucheries. But virtues like these could not long stand against the insolence and fickleness of an Athenian assembly. When the Piraeus was taken, Phocion was accused of treason, and therefore, to avoid the public indignation, he fled for safety to Polyperchon. Polyperchon sent him back to Athens, where he was immediately condemned to drink the fatal poison. He received the indignities of the people with uncommon composure, and when one of his friends lamented his fate, Phocion exclaimed: This is no more than what I expected; this treatment the most illustrious citizens of Athens have received before me. He took the cup with the greatest serenity of mind, and as he drank the fatal draught, he prayed for the prosperity of Athens, and bade his friends to tell his son Phocus not to remember the indignities which his father had received from the Athenians. He died about 318 years before the Christian era. His body was deposited of a funeral by order of the ungrateful Athenians, and if it was at last interred, it was by stealth, under a hearth, by the hand of a woman, who placed this inscription over his bones: Keep inviolate, O sacred hearth, the precious remains of a good man, till a better day restores them to the monuments of their forefather when Athens shall be delivered of her frenzy, and shall be more wise. It has been observed of Phocion, that he never appeared elated in prosperity, or dejected in adversity; he never betrayed pusillanimity by a tear, or joy by a smile. His countenance was stern and unpleasant, but he never behaved with severity; his expressions were mild, and his rebukes gentle. At the age of 80 he appeared at the head of the Athenian armies, like the most active officer, and to his prudence and cool valor in every period of life, his citizens acknowledged themselves much indebted. His merits were not buried in oblivion; the Athenians repented of their ingratitude, and honoured his memory by raising him statues, and putting to a cruel death his guilty accusers. Plut. & C. Nep. in s. —Diod. 16.

Phocis, a country of Greece, bounded on the east by Boeotia, and by Locres on the west. It originally extended from the bay of Corinth to the sea of Euboea, and reached on the north as far as Thermopylae, but its boundaries were afterwards more contracted. Phocis received its name from Phocus, a son of Ornyton, who settled there. The inhabitants were called Phocenses, and from thence the epithet of Phocian was formed. Parnassus was the most celebrated of the mountains of Phocis, and Delphi was the greatest of its towns. Phocis is rendered famous for a war which it maintained against some of the Grecian republics, and which has received the name of the Phocian war. This celebrated war originated in the following circumstances:—When Philip, king of Macedonia, had, by his intrigues and well concerted policy, fomented divisions in Greece, and disturbed the peace of every republic, the Greeks universally became discontented in their situation, sickle in their resolutions, and jealous of the prosperity of the neighbouring states. The Amphictyons, who were the supreme rulers of Greece, and who at that time were subservient to the views of the Thebans, the inveterate enemies of the Phocians, shewed the same spirit of fickleness, and, as the rest of their countrymen were actuated by the same fears, the same jealousy and ambition. As the supporters of religion, they accused the Phocians of impiety for ploughing a small portion of land which belonged to the god of Delphi. They immediately commanded, that the sacred field should be laid waste, and that the Phocians, to expiate the crime, should pay a heavy fine to the community. The inability of the Phocians to pay the fine, and that of the Amphictyons to enforce their commands by violence, gave rise to new events. The people of Phocis were roused by the eloquence and the popularity of Philomelus, one of their countrymen; and when this ambitious ringleader had liberally contributed the great riches he possessed to the good of his countrymen, they re-
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solved to oppose the Amphictyonic council by force of arms. He seized the rich temple of Delphi, and employed the treasures it contained to raise a mercenary army. During two years, hostilities were carried on between the Phocians and their enemies, the Thebans and the people of Locris, but no decisive battles were fought; and it can only be observed, that the Phocian prisoners were always put to an ignominious death, as guilty of the most abominable sacrilege and impiety, a treatment which was liberally retaliated on such of the army of the Amphictyons as became the captives of the enemy. The defeat, however, and death of Philomelus, for a while checked their successes, but the deceased general was soon succeeded in the command by his brother called Onomarchus, his equal in boldness and ambition, and his superior in activity and enterprise. Onomarchus rendered his cause popular, the Thessalians joined his army, and the neighbouring states observed at least a strict neutrality, if they neither opposed nor favoured his arms. Philip of Macedonia, who had assisted the Thebans, was obliged to retire from the field with discomfiture, but a more successful battle was fought near Magnesia, and the monarch, by crowning the heads of his soldiers, and telling them that they fought in the cause of Delphi and heaven, obtained a complete victory. Onomarchus was slain, and his body exposed on a gibbet; 6000 were slain, and thrown into the sea, as unworthy of funeral honours, and 3000 were taken alive. This fatal defeat, however, did not ruin the Phocians. Phyllus, the only surviving brother of Philomelus, took the command of their armies, and doubting the pay of his soldiers, he increased his forces by the addition of 900 men from Athens, Lacedaemon, and Achaia. But all this numerous force at last proved ineffectual, the treasures of the temple of Delphi, which had long defrayed the expenses of the war, began to fail, dissensions arose among the reigning leaders of Phocis, and when Philip had crossed the straits of Thermopylae, the Phocians, relying on his generosity, claimed his protection, and implored him to plead their cause, before the Amphictyonic council. His feeble intercession was not attended with success, and the Thebans, the Locrians, and the Thessalians, who then composed the Amphictyonic council, unanimously decreed, that the Phocians should be deprived of the privilege of sending members among the Amphictyons. Their arms and their horses were to be sold for the benefit of Apollo; they were to pay the annual sum of 60,000 talents, till the temple of Delphi had been restored to its ancient splendor and opulence; their cities were to be dismantled, and reduced to distinct villages, which were to contain no more than thirty houses each, at the distance of a furlong from one another, and all the privileges and the immunities of which they were stripped, were to be conferred on Philip, king of Macedonia, for his eminent services in the prosecution of the Phocian war.

The Macedonians were ordered to put these cruel commands into execution. The Phocians were unable to make resistance, and ten years after they had undertaken the sacred war, they saw their country laid desolate, their walls demolished, and their cities in ruins, by the wanton jealousy of their enemies, and the inlexible cruelty of the Macedonian soldiers, B. C. 343. They were not, however, long under this disgraceful sentence; their well known valour and courage recommended them to favour, and they gradually regained their influence and consequence, by the protection of the Athenians and the favours of Philip.

Demosth.—Justin, 3, &c.—Diod. 16, &c.—Plut. in Dem. Leg., &c.—Strab. 5.—Paus. 4, c. 5.

PHOCUS, son of Phocian, was dissolute in his manners, and unworthy of the virtues of his great father. He was sent to Lacedaemon, to imitate there the principles of sobriety, of temperance, and frugality. He cruelties; revenged the death of his father, whom the Athenians had put to death. Plut. in Phocis. &c. Apoph.—A son of Eacous by Psamathe, killed by Telamon. Apollod. 3, c. 12. A son of Ornytion, who led a colony of Corinthians into Phocis. He cured Antiope, a daughter of Nycetus, of insanity, and married her. Paus 2, c. 4.

PHOCYIDES, an ancient poet. Vid. Phocilides.

PHEBE, a name given to Diana, or the Moon, on account of the brightness of that luminary. She became, according to Apollodorus, mother of Asteria and Latona. Vid. Diana.—A daughter of Leucippus and Philodice, carried away, with her sister Hilaria, by Castor and Pollux, as she was going to marry one of the sons of Aphares. Vid. Leucipentes. Apollod. 3, c. 10. Paus. 2, c. 22.

PHEPHEUM, a place near Sparta.

PHERIDAS, a Lacedaemonian general, sent by the Ephori to the assistance of the Macedonians against the Thracians. He seized the citadel of Thebes, for which he was disgraced and banished from the Lacedaemonian army. He died B. C. 377. C. Nep. in Polop.—Diod. 14, &c.

PHEBIENUS, a surname of Eusclapius, &c. as being descended from Phæbus. Virg. Æn. v. 773.

PHÆBUS, a name given to Apollo, or the Sun. This word expresses the brightness and splendour of that luminary (φως θεός). Vid. Apollo.

PHÉBAS, that is to say, inspired by Phæbus, a name of the priestess of Apollo at Delphi. Phers. 5, v. 118.

PHEMOS, a lake of Arcadia.

PHENICIA, or PHÆNICA, a country of Asia, at the east of the Mediterranean, whose boundaries have been different in different ages. Some suppose that the name of Phoenicia, Syria, and Palestine, are indiscriminately used for one and the same country. Phœnica, according to Ptolemy, extended on the north as far as the
Eleuthros, a small river which falls into the Mediterranean sea, a little below the island of Aratus, and it had Peusium, on the territories of Egypt, as its more southern boundary, and Syria on the east. Sidon and Tyre were the most capital towns of the country. The inhabitants were naturally industrious: the invention of letters is attributed to them, and commerce and navigation were among them in the most flourishing state. They planted colonies in different countries, and their manufactures acquired such a superiority over those of others, that among the ancients, whatever was elegant, great, or pleasing, either in apparel or domestic utensils, received the epithet of Sidonian. The Phoenicians were originally governed by kings. They were subdued by the Persians, and afterwards by Alexander, and remained tributary to his successors and the Romans. "They were called Phrygians from Phrynx, son of Agenor, who was one of their kings, or according to others, from the gra numen of palm trees, (ph^onxenēs) which grow in the neighbourhood. Herodot. 4, c. 42. Homer. od. 15. Mela, 1, c. 11. l. 2, c. 7. Strab. 16. Apollod. 3, c. 1. Plin. 2, c. 47. l. 5. c. 12. Curt. 4, c. 2. Virg. Ýen. 1, Ýc. Ovid. Met. 15, v. 283.

**Phrique, a town of Epirus.** Ýiv. 29, c. 12. Phrique. **Phrique.**

**Phrique, a mountain of Boeotia.** Another in Lycia, called also Olympus, with a town of the same name. —A port of Erythra. Li. 56, c. 45. Phrique, one of the Æolian islands. Phrique, a patronymic given to Dido as a native of Phrique. Virg. Ýen. 4, v. 529.

**Phrixus, son of Amyntor king of Argos, by Cleobule or Hippodamia, was preceptor to young Achilles.** When his father proved faithless to his wife, on account of his fondness for a concubine called Clytie, Cleobule, jealous of her husband, persuaded her son Phrixus to ingrati ate himself into the favours of his father's mistress. Phrixus easily succeeded, but when Amyntor discovered his intrigues, he drew a curse upon him, and the son soon after was deprived of his sight by divine vengeance. According to some, Amyntor himself put out the eyes of his son, which so cruelly provoked him, that he meditated the death of his father. Reason and piety, however, prevailed over passion, and Phrixus, not to become a parricide, fled from Argos, to the court of Peleus, king of Phthia. Here he was treated with tenderness, Peleus carried him to Chiron, who restored him to his eye-sight, and soon after he was made preceptor to Achilles, his benefactor's son. He was also associated with the government of many cities, and was king of the Dolopes. He accompanied his pupil to the Trojan war, and Achilles was ever grateful for the instructions and precepts which he had received from Phrixus. After the death of Achilles, Phrixus with others, was commissioned by the Greeks to return into Greece, to bring to the war young Pyrrhus. This commission he performed with success, and after the fall of Troy, he returned with Pyrrhus, and died in Thrace. He was buried, according to Strabo, near Trachinia, where a small river in the neighbourhood received the name of Phrixus. Strab. 9.-Homer. II. 9, &c. —Ovid. in Ib. v. 259. —Apollod. 2, c. 7. —Virg. Ýen. 2, v. 762.—A son of Agenor, by a nymph who was called Telephassa, according to Apollodorus and Moschus, or according to others, Epimedes, Peri medus, or Agriope. He was, like his brothers Cadmus and Cilix, sent by his father in pursuit of his sister Europa, whom Jupiter had carried away under the form of a bull, and when his inquiries proved unsuccessful, he settled in a country which, according to some, was from him called Phoenicia. From him, as some suppose, the Carthaginians were called Phoni. Apollod. 3.—Hygin. fab. 178.

The father of Adonis, according to Hesiod.

The Theban, delivered to Alexander, &c. A native of Tenedos, who was an officer in the service of Eumenes.

**Phloe, one of the horses of Admetus.** A mountain of Arcadia, near Pisa. It received its name from Phloeus, the friend of Hercules, who was buried there. Ovid. 2. Fast. 2, v. 273.


**Phoebus, one of the Centaurs, son of Silenus and Melia, or according to others, of Ixion and the cloud.** He kindly entertained Hercules when he was going against the boar of Eriman thus, but he refused to give him wine, as that which he had belonged to the rest of the Centaurs. Hercules, upon this, without ceremony, broke the cask, and drank the wine. The smell of the liquor drew the Centaurs from the neighbour hood to the house of Phoebus, but Hercules stopped them when they forcibly entered the habitation of his friend, and killed the greatest part of them. Phoebus gave the dead a decent funeral, but he mortally wounded himself with one of the arrows which were poisoned with the venom of the hydra, and which he attempted to extract from the body of one of the Centaurs. Hercules, unable to cure him, buried him when dead, and called the mountain where his remains were deposited, by the name of Phoebus. Apollod. 1.—Paus. 3.—Virg. G. 2, v. 456. Ýen. 8, v. 294. —Diot. 4.—Iulian. 3, 6, & 7. —Stat. Theb. 2.—Ovid. of the friends of Æneas, killed by Turnus. Virg. Ýen. 12, v. 341.

**Phoebus, a son of Paimon, of the Epithet, killed during the Trojan war by Menelaus.** The god Somnus borrowed his features when he deceived Palaurus, and threw him into the sea, on the coast of Italy. Virg. Ýen. 5, v. 842.— A son of Laphitus, who married Hyrmine, the daughter of Epeus, by whom he had Actor, &c. Diot. 2.—Paus. 5, c. 1.—A shepherd of Polybus, king of Corinth. —A man who profaned Apollo's temple, &c. Ovid. Met. 11. v. 414. —A king of Argos. —A native of Syrene, son of Methion, killed by Perseus. Ovid. Met. 5. fab. 3.

**Phoebus, father of Pronoe, wife of Eolus.** Phoebus, or Phoecys, a sea deity, son of Pontus and Terra, who married his sister Celtic.
Phoroneus, a patronymic of Io as sister of Phoroneus. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 625.

Phoroneum, a town of Argolis, built by Phoroneus.

Pho-trinus, an eunuch who was prime minister to Ptolemy, king of Egypt. When Pompey fled to the court of Ptolemy after the battle of Pharsalia, Pho-trinus advised his master not to receive him, but to put him to death. His advice was strictly followed. Julius Caesar some time after visited Egypt, and Pho-trinus raised seditions against him, for which he was put to death. When Caesar triumphed over Egypt and Alexandria, the picture of Pho-trinus and some of the Egyptians, were carried in the procession at Rome. Plut.


Photus, a general of the Phocians, who burnt Lampsacus, &c.—A tyrant of Chalcis, banished by his subjects, &c.

Phra, a name under which the Egyptians worshipped the sun, before they gave it that of Osiris, which signifies author of time.

Phraates 1st, a king of Parthia, who succeeded Arsaces the 3d, called also Phriapatius. He made war against Antiochus, king of Syria, and was defeated in three successive battles. He left many children behind him, but as they were all too young, and unable to succeed to the throne, he appointed his brother Mithridates king, of whose abilities and military prudence he had often been a spectator. Justin. 41, c. 5.

The 2d, succeeded his father Mithridates as king of Parthia, and made war against the Scythians, whom he called to his assistance against Antiochus, king of Syria, and whom he refused to pay, on pretence that they came too late. He was murdered by some Greek mercenaries who had been once his captives, and who had enlisted in his army, B. C. 129. Justin. 42, c. 1. Plut. in Pomp. —The 3d, succeeded his father Pacorus on the throne of Parthia, and gave one of his daughters in marriage to Tigranes, the son of Tigranes king of Armenia. Soon after he invaded the kingdom of Armenia, to make his son-in-law sit on the throne of his father. His expedition was attended with ill success. He renewed a treaty of alliance which his father had made with the Romans. At his return to Parthia, he was assassinated by his sons Orodes and Mithridates. Justin. —The 4th, was nominated king of Parthia by his father Orodes, whom he soon after murdered, as also his own brothers. He made war against M. Antony with great success, and obliged him to retire with much loss. Some time after he was dethroned by the Parthian nobility, but he soon regained his power, and drove the usurper, called Tiridates. The usurper claimed the protection of Augustus the Roman emperor, and Phraates sent ambassadors to Rome to plead his cause, and gain the favours of his powerful judge. He was successful in his embassy; he made a treaty of peace and alliance with the Roman emperor; restored the ensigns and standards which the Parthians had taken from Cras-
sus and Antony, and gave up his four sons with their wives as hostages, till his engagements were performed. Some suppose that Phraates delivered his children into the hands of Augustus to be confined at Rome, that he might reign with greater security, as he knew his subjects would revolt as soon as they found any one of his family inclined to contemnace their rebellion, though at the same time, they scorned to support the interest of any usurper who was not of the royal house of the Arsacida. He was, however, at last murdered by one of hisconcubines, who placed her son, called Phraaticus, on the throne. Vol. Mai. 7, c. 6.—Justin. 42, c. 5.—Dict. Cas. 51, &c.—Plut. in Anton. &c.—
Tact. An. 6, c. 32.—A prince of Parthia in the reign of Tiberius.—A satrap of Parthia. Tact. Ann. 6, c. 42.

Phraaticus, a son of Phraates 4th. He with his mother murdered his father, and took possession of the vacant throne. His reign was short; he was deposed by his subjects, whom he had offended by cruelty, avarice, and oppression.

Phradata, an officer in the army of Darius at the battle of Arbela.

Phragandb, a people of Thrace. Liv. 26, c. 25.

Phraiates, the same as Phraates. Vid. Phraates.

Phranicataes, a general of the Parthian armies, &c.

Phraortes, succeeded his father Deioces on the throne of Media. He made war against the neighbouring nations, and conquered the greatest part of Asia. He was defeated and killed in a battle by the Assyrians, after a reign of 22 years, B. C. 625. PAus.—Herodot. 1, c. 102.—A king of Italy remarkable for his frugality.

Phrasicles, a nephew of Themistocles, whose daughter Nicomacha he married. Plut. in Them.

Phrasimus, the father of Praxithea. Apollod.

Phrasius, a Cyprian soothsayer, sacrificed on an altar by Busiris, king of Egypt.

Phrataphernes, a general of the Massagetae, who surrendered to Alexander. Curt. 3.—A satrap, who, after the death of Darius, fled to Hyrcania, &c. Id.

Phratica, a festival which the Greeks gave at Athens to preserve union and friendship. These festivals were appointed by Solon.

Phratis, one of the surnames of Jupiter among the Athenians.

Phraitus, or Phraeatus, an ancient tribunal of the Athenians, established to judge those who were already banished for murder, having committed it a second time. The accused appeared on the sea, in a place called the Wells, from whence this tribunal takes its name. There he defended himself without throwing the anchor, or quitting his raft. If he was convicted, they inflicted upon him punishments instituted on voluntary murder; if he was innocent, he returned an exile on account of his first murder. Tencer was the first who justified himself in this way, and who proved that he was not guilty of the death of Ajax.

Phraepatius, a king of Parthia, who flourished B. C. 125.

Puricium, a neighbouring town of Thermopolis. T. L. 36, c. 13.

Phrixus, a river of Argolis. There is also a small town of that name in Elis, built by the Minyæ. Herodot. 4, c. 149.

Phronima, a daughter of Etearbus, king of Crete. She was delivered to a servant to be thrown into the sea, by order of her father, at the instigation of his second wife. The servant was unwilling to murder the child, but as he was bound by an oath to throw her into the sea, he accordingly let her down into the water by a rope, and took her out again unhurt. Phronima was afterwards in the number of the concubines of Polymnestus, by whom she became mother of Battus, the founder of Cyrene. Herodot. 4, c. 154.

Phrontis, the pilot of the ship of Menelaus, after the Trojan war, was killed by Apollo. PAus. 10, c. 25.—One of the Argonauts. Apollod. 1.

Phrynôn, a Grecian hero, who, disputing with Pittacus, king of Mitylene, the property of cape Sigea, proposed to him to end this quarre by single combat. Pittacus used a stratagem to conquer his adversary. He enveloped him in a net, and overcome him in the combat by this surprise.

Phra, a Scythian nation.

Pherebron, a name which the Egyptians gave to the Nile at the time of its inundation.

Phrygia, a river of Asia Minor, dividing Phrygia from Caria, and falling into the Hermus.

Phrygia, a country of Asia Minor, generally divided into Phrygia Major and Minor. Its boundaries are not properly or accurately defined by ancient authors, though it appears that it was situated between Bithynia, Lydia, Cappadocia, and Caria. It received its name from the Bryges, a nation of Thrace, or Macedonia, who came to settle there, and from their name, by corruption, arose the word Phrygia. Cybele was the chief deity of the country, and her festivals were observed with the greatest solemnity. The invention of the pipe of reeds, and of all sorts of needlework, is attributed to the inhabitants, who are represented by some authors as stubborn, imprudent, excitable, servile, and voluptuous, and to this Virgil seems to allude, En. 9, v. 617.—Mela, 1, c. 19.—Strab. 2, &c.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 429, &c.—Cic. ad Fam. ep. 16.—Herod. 2, od. 9, v. 16.—PAus. 5, c. 25.—Herodot. 7, c. 73.—A city of Thrace.

Phrygia, feasts in honour of Cybele.

Phryne, a celebrated prostitute who flourished at Athens about 328 years before the Christian era. She was mistress to Praxiteles, who drew her picture. This was one of his best pieces, and it was placed in the temple of Apollo at Delphi. It is said that Apelles painted his Venus Anadyomene after he had seen Phryne on the sea shore naked, and with dishevelled hair. Phryne became so rich by
the liberality of her lovers, that she offered to rebuild at her own expense Thebes, which Alexander had destroyed, provided this inscription was placed on the walls: *Alexander diruit, sed meretris Phryjne refecti.* This was refused. *Plin.*

P. 34, c. 8.—There was also another of the same name who was accused of impiety. When she saw that she was going to be condemned, she unveiled her bosom, which so influenced her judges, that she was immediately acquitted. *Quintil.*

**Phrynicus,** a general of Samos, who endeavoured to betray his country, &c.—A flatterer at Athens.—A tragic poet of Athens, disciple to Thespis. He was the first who introduced a female character on the stage. *Strab.* 14.

**Phrynis,** a musician of Mitylene, the first who obtained a musical prize at the Panathenaea, at Athens. He added two strings to the lyre, which had always been used with seven by all his predecessors, *B. C.* 438. It is said that: he was originally a cook at the house of Hiero, king of Sicily.—A writer in the reign of Commodus, who made a collection in 36 books of phrases and sentences from the best Greek authors, &c.

**Phryno,** a celebrated general of Athens, who died *B. C.* 590.

**Phryxus,** a son of Athamas, king of Thebes, by Nephele. After the repudiation of his mother, he was persecuted with the most inveterate fury by his step-mother Ino, because he was to sit on the throne of Athamas, in preference to the children of a second wife. He was apprised of Ino's intention upon his life, by his mother Nephele, or, according to others, by his preceptor; and the better to make his escape, he secured part of his father's treasures, and privately left Bocotia with his sister Helle, to go to their friend and relation Aëtes, king of Colchis. They embarked on board a ship, or, according to the fabulous account of the poets and mythologists, they mounted on the back of a ram whose fleece was of gold, and proceeded on their journey through the air. The height to which they were carried made Helle giddy, and she fell into the sea. Phryxus gave her a decent burial on the sea shore; and after he had called the place Helleasport from her name, he continued his flight, and arrived safe in the kingdom of Aëtes, where he offered the ram on the altars of Mars. The king received him with great tenderness, and gave him his daughter Chalciope in marriage. She had by him Phrontis, Melias, Argos, Cylindrus, whom some call Cytorus, Catis, Lorus, and Helen. Some time after he was murdered by his father-in-law, who envied him the possession of the golden fleece; and Chalciope, to prevent her children from sharing their father's fate, sent them privately from Colchis to Bocotia, as nothing was to be dreaded there from the jealousy or resentment of Ino, who was then dead. The fable of the flight of Phryxus to Colchis on a ram, has been explained by some, who observe, that the ship on which he embarked was either called by that name, or carried on her prow the figure of that animal. The fleece of gold is explained by recollecting, that Phryxus carried away immense treasures from Thebes. Phryxus was placed amongst the constellations of heaven after death. The ram which carried him to Asia, is said to have been the fruit of Neptune's amour with Theophane, the daughter of Alcis. This ram had been given to Athamas by the gods, to reward his piety and religious life, and Nephele procured it for her children just as they were going to be sacrificed to the jealousy of Ino. The murder of Phryxus was some time after amply revenged by the Greeks. It gave rise to a celebrated expedition which was achieved under Jason, and many of the princes of Greece, and which had for its object the recovery of the golden fleece, and the punishment of the king of Colchis for his cruelty to the son of Athamas. *Diod.* 4.—*Herodot.* 7, c. 197.—*Apollon. Arg.—Orpheus.—*Piacus.—*Strab.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 9.—*Pindar. Pyth.* 4.—*Hygin. fab.* 14, 188, &c.—*Ovid. Herod.* 16. *Met.* 4.

**Phthia,** a town of Phthiotis, at the east of mount Othrys, in Thessaly, where Achilles was born, and from which he is often called *Phthius Hero.* *Horat.* 4, od. 6.—*Ovid. Met.* 13, v. 156.—*Mela,* 2, c. 3.—A nympha of Achaia, beloved by Jupiter, who, to seduce her, disguised himself under the shape of a pigeon. *Pindar. V. H.* 1, c. 13.

**Phthiotis,** a small province of Thessaly, between the Pelasgicus sinus and the Maliacus sinus, Magnesia, and mount Oeta. It was also called Achaia. *Paus.* 10, c. 8.

**Phthises,** a mountain of Caria.

**Phthisus,** a Greek hero who gave his name to a country of Thessaly.

**Phthonos,** envy, which the Grecians had made a deity.

**Phya,** a tall and beautiful woman of Attica, whom Pisistratus, when he wished to re-establish himself a third time in his tyranny, dressed like the goddess Minerva, and led to the city on a chariot, making the populace believe that the goddess herself came to restore him to power. The artifice succeeded. *Herodot.* 1, c. 59.—*Polyjan.* 1, c. 40.


**Phylacus,** a son of Deion, king of Phocis. He married Clymene, the daughter of Mytæus, and founded Phlyace. *Apollod.*

**Phylarchus,** a Greek biographer, who flourished *B. C.* 221.

**Phylas,** a king of Ephrye, son of Antiochus, and grandson of Hercules.

**Phylax,** that is to say guardian, a surname of Hecate.

**Phyle,** a well fortified village of Attica, at little distance from Naples. *C. Nep.* in *Thras.*

**Phyleis,** a daughter of Thespis.

**Phyleus,** one of the Greek captains during the Trojan war.—A son of Augias. He blamed his father for refusing to pay Hercules
what he had promised him for clearing his stables. He was placed on his father's throne by Hercules.

**Phylla**. *Vid. Phylla.*

**Phylla**, the wife of Demetrius Pholoeceus, and mother of Stratonice, the wife of Seleucus. **Phyllaia**, a part of Arcadia.—A place in Thessaly.

**Phyllæus**, a mountain, a country, and town of Macedonia.

**Phyllis**, a daughter of Sithon, or according to others, of Lycurgus, king of Thrace, who received Demophoon, the son of Theseus, who, at his return from the Trojan war, had stopped on her coasts. She became enamoured of him, and did not find him insensible to her passion. After some months of mutual tenderness and affection, Demophoon set sail for Athens, where his domestic affairs recalled him. He promised faithfully to return as soon as a month was expired; but either his dislike for Phyllis, or the irreparable situation of his affairs, obliged him to violate his engagement, and the queen, grown desperate on account of his absence, hanged herself, or according to others, threw herself down a precipice into the sea, and perished. Her friends raised a tomb over her body, where there grew certain trees, whose leaves, at a particular season of the year, suddenly became wet, as if shedding tears for the death of Phyllis. According to an old tradition, mentioned by Servius, Virgil's commentator, Phyllis was changed by the god into an almond tree, which is called phylla by the Greeks. Some days after this metamorphosis, Demophoon revisited Thrace, and when he heard of the fate of Phyllis, he ran and clasped the tree, which, though at that time stripped of its leaves, suddenly shot forth and blossomed as if still sensible of tenderness and love. The absence of Demophoon from the house of Phyllis, has given rise to a beautiful epistle of Ovid, supposed to have been written by the Thracian queen about the fourth month after her lover's departure. *Ovid. Heroid. 2. de Art. Am. 2.*

**Phyllis**, a young Boeotian uncommonly fond of Cygnus, the son of Hyria, a woman of Boeotia. Cygnus slighted his passion, and told him that to obtain a return of affection, he must previously destroy an enormous lion, take alive two large vultures, and sacrifice on Jupiter's altar a wild bull that infested the country. This he easily effected by means of artifice, and by the advice of Hercules he forgot his partiality for the son of Hyria. *Ovid. Met. 7.*

—*Nicand. in Heter. 3.*—A Spartan remarkable for the courage with which he fought against Pyrrhus, king of Epirus.

**Phyllochoe**, one of Cyrene's attendant nymphs. *Verg. G. 4.*

**Phyllis**, a country of Arcadia.—A town of Thessaly, near Larissa, where Apollo had an oracle.

**Phyllus**, a general of Phocion during the Phocian or sacred war against the Thebans. He had assumed the command after the death of his brothers Philomelus and Onomarchus. He is called by some Phyllus. *Vid. Phocis.*

**Physcella**, a town of Macedonia. *Mel. 2.*

**Physcon**, a famous rock of Bœotia, which was the residence of the Sphynx. *Plut.*

**Physca**, a woman of Elis, mother of Narcissus, by Bacchus. *Paus. 5.*

**Physcon**, a surname of one of the Ptolemies who reigned in Egypt, from the great prominence of his belly. (φυσκυς, venter.)

**Physcos**, a town of Caria, opposite Rhodes.

**Physcus**, a river of Asia, falling into the Tygris. The ten thousand Greeks crossed it in their return from Cunaxa.

**Phytalides**, the descendants of Phytalus, a man who hospitably received and entertained Ceres, when she visited Attica. *Plut. in Thes.*

**Phytos**, a general of the people of Rhegium against Dionysius, the tyrant of Sicily. He was taken by the enemy, and tortured, R. C. 387, and his son was thrown into the sea. *Duc. 14.*

**Phyxium**, a town of Elis.

**Pia, of Pialla**, festivals instituted in honour of Adrian, by the emperor Antoninus. They were celebrated at Putecoli, on the second year of the Olympiads.

**Plàsos**, a general of the Pelasgi.

**Piceni**, the inhabitants of Picenum, called also Picentes. They received their name from *picus*, a bird by whose auspices they had settled in that part of Italy. *Ital. 8.*

—*Mel. 2.*

**Picentia**, the capital of Picenum.

**Picentini**, a people of Italy near Lucania. They are different from the Piceni or Picentes, who inhabited Picenum.

**Picenum, or Picenius ager**, a country of Italy near the Umbrians and Sabines. *Horat. 2.*

—*Mart. 1.*

**Picra**, a lake of Africa, which Alexander crossed when he went to consult the oracle of Ammon.

**Picte, of Picti**, a people of Scythia, called also Agathyrsse. They received this name from their painting their bodies with different colours, to appear more terrible in the eyes of their enemies. A colony of these, according to Servius, Virgil's commentator, emigrated to the northern parts of Britain, where they still preserved their name and their savage manners. *Plin. 4.*

**Pictavi, of Pictines**, a people of Gaul. *Casar. 7.*

**Pictavius, a town of Gaul.**

**Fabius Pictor**, a consul under whom silver was first coined at Rome, A. U. C. 485.

**Picumnus, and Pilemnus**, two deities at Rome, who presided over the auspices, that were required before the celebration of nuptials. Pilemnus was supposed to patronize children, as his name seems in some manner to indicate, *quaed pelat mala infantiar.* The manuring of lands was first invented by Picumnus, from which
reason he is called Sterquilinus. Pilumnus is also invoked as the god of bakers and millers, as he is said to have first invented how to grind corn. Turnus boasted of being one of his lineal descendants. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 4.— Varro.

Picus, a king of Latium, son of Saturn, who married Venilia, who is also called Canens, by whom he had Faunus. He was tenderly loved by the goddess Pomona, and he returned a mutual affection. As he was one day hunting in the woods, he met by Circe, who became deeply enamoured of him, and who changed him into a woodpecker, called by the name of picus among the Latins. His wife Venilia was so disconsolate when she was informed of his death, that she pined away. Some suppose that Picus was the son of Pilumnus, and that he gave out prophecies to his subjects, by means of a favourite woodpecker, from which circumstance originated the fable of his being metamorphosed into a bird. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 171, &c.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 326, &c.

Pidorus, a town near mount Athos. Herodot. 7, c. 122.

Pidytes, a man killed by Ulysses during the Trojan war.

Pielus, a son of Neoptolemos, king of Epirus, after his father. Paus. 1, c. 11.

Piera, a fountain of Peloponnesus, between Elis and Olympia. Paus. 5, c. 16.

Pieria, a small tract of country in Thessaly or Macedonia.—A place between Cilicia and Syria.—One of the wives of Danaus, mother of six daughters called Actea, Podarce, Dione, Adyte, Ocypte, and Filarge. Apollod. 2.—The wife of Oxylus, the son of Harmon. Paus. 5, c. 3.—The daughter of Pylias, a Milesian, &c.

Pierides, a name given to the Muses, either because they were born in Piera, in Thessaly; or because they were supposed by some to be the daughters of Piers, a king of Macedonia, who settled in Brotia. Also the daughters of Piers, who challenged the Muses to a trial in music, in which they were conquered, and changed into magpies. It may perhaps be supposed, that the victorious Muses assumed the name of the conquered daughters of Piers, and ordered themselves to be called Pierides, in the same manner as Minerva was called Pallas, because she had killed the giant Pallas. Ovid. Met. 5, v. 300.

Pieris, a mountain of Macedonia. Paus. 9, c. 29.

Pierus, a mountain of Thessaly, sacred to the Muses who were from thence, as some imagine, called Pierides.—A rich man of Thessaly, whose nine daughters called Pierides, challenged the Muses, and were changed into magpies, when conquered. Paus. 9, c. 29.—A river of Achaia, in Peloponnesus.—A town of Thessaly. Paus. 7, c. 22.—A mountain with a lake of the same name in Macedonia.

Píetas, a virtue which denotes veneration for the deity, and love and tenderness to our friends. It received divine honours among the Romans, and was made one of their gods.

Acilius Glabrius first erected a temple to this new divinity, on the spot where a woman had fed with her own milk her aged father, who had been imprisoned by the order of the senate, and deprived of all aliments. Cic. de Div. 1.— Val Max. 3, c. 4.

Pigra, one of the Ionian nymphs who had a temple on the banks of the river Cythere.

Pigres & Mattyas, two brothers, &c. He red.—The name of three rivers.

Pilumnus, the god of bakers at Rome. Vir. Picumnus.

Pimpla, a mountain of Macedonia, on the confines of Thessaly, near Olympus, sacred to the Muses, who on that account are often called Pimplae and Pimplaeides. Horat. 1, od. 26.—Strab. 10.

Pinprina, a town on the Indus.

Pinare, an island of the Ægean sea.

Pinarius & Potitius, two old men of Arcadia, who came with Evander to Italy. They were instructed by Hercules who visited the court of Evander, how they were to offer sacrifices to his divinity, in the morning, and in the evening, immediately at sun-set. The morning sacrifice they punctually performed, but on the evening Potitius was obliged to offer the sacrifice alone, as Pinarius neglected to come till after the appointed time. This negligence offended Hercules, and he ordered, that for the future, Pinarius and his descendants should preside over the sacrifices, but that Potitius, with his posterity, should wait upon the priests as servants, when the sacrifices were annually offered to him on mount Aveugine. This was religiously observed till the age of Appius Claudius, who persuaded the Potitii by a large bribe, to discontinue their sacred office, and to have the ceremony performed by slaves. For this negligence, as the Latin authors observe, the Potitii were deprived of sight, and the family was a little time after totally extinguished. Liv. 1, c. 7.—Virg. Æn. 8, v. 269, &c.—Victor. de orig.

Pinarius, a pretor, who conquered Sardinia, and defeated the Coreans. Cic. de orat. 2.—A river falling into the sea near Issus, after flowing between Cilicia and Syria.

Pindarus, a celebrated lyric poet, of Thebes. He was carefully trained from his earliest years to the study of music and poetry, and he was taught how to compose verses with elegance and simplicity, by Myrtis and Corinna. When he was young, it is said that a swarm of bees settled on his lips, and there left some honey-combs as he reposed on the grass. This was universally explained as a prognostic of his future greatness and celebrity, and indeed he seemed entitled to notice when he had conquered Myrtis in a musical contest. He was not however so successful against Corinna, who obtained five times, while he was competitor, a poetical prize; which, according to some, was rather adjudged to the charms of her person than to the brilliancy of her genius, or the superiority of her composition. In the public assemblies of Greece, where females were not permitted to contend, Pindar was rewarded
with the prize, in preference to every other competitor, and as the conquerors at Olympia were the subject of his compositions, the poet was courted by statesmen and princes. His hymns and odes were repeated before the most crowded assemblies in the temples of Greece, and the priestess of Delphi declared that it was the will of Apollo, that Pindar should receive the half of all the first fruit offerings that were annually heaped on his altars. This was not the only public honour which he received; after his death, he was honoured with every mark of respect, even to adoration. His statue was erected at Thebes in the public place where the games were exhibited, and six centuries after it was viewed with pleasure and admiration, by the geographer Pausanias. The honours which had been paid to him while alive, were also shared by his posterity, and at the celebration of one of the festivals of the Greeks, a portion of the victim which had been offered in sacrifice, was reserved for the descendants of the poet. Even the most invertebrate enemies of the Thebans, shewed regard for his memory, and the Spartans spared the house in which the prince of Lyric poetry had inhabited when they destroyed the houses and the walls of Thebes. The same respect was also paid to him by Alexander the Great, when Thebes was reduced to ashes. It is said that Pindar died at the advanced age of 86, B. C. 435. The greatest part of his works have perished. He had written some hymns to the gods, poems in honour of Apollo, dithyrambs to Bacchus, and odes on several victories obtained at the four greatest festivals of the Greeks, the Olympic, Isthmian, Pythian, and Nemean games. Of all these, the odes are the only compositions extant, admired for sublimity of sentiments, grandeur of expression, energy and magnificence of style, boldness of metaphors, harmony of numbers, and elegance of diction. In these odes which were repeated with the aid of musical instruments, and accompanied by the various inflections of the voice, with suitable attitudes, and proper motions of body, the poet has not merely celebrated the place where the victory was won, but has introduced beautiful episodes, and by unfolding the greatness of his heroes, the dignity of their characters, and the glory of the several republics where they flourished, he has rendered the whole truly beautiful and in the highest degree interesting. Horace has not hesitated to call Pindar inimitable, and his panegyric shall not perhaps appear too offensive, when we recollect that succeeding critics have agreed in extolling his beauties, his excellence, the fire, animation, and enthusiasm of his genius. He has been censured for his affectation in composing an ode, from which the letter S was excluded. The best editions of Pindar are those of Heyne, 4to. Gottingen, 1773; of Glasgow, 12mo. 1744; and of Schmidius, 4to. Witteberg, 1616; Athenæi.—Quintil. 10, c. 1.—Horat. 4, od. 2.—Adiam. V. H. 3.—Paus. 1, c. 8, l. 9, c. 23.—Val. Max. 9, c. 12.—Plut. in Alex.—Curt. 1, c. 3.—A tyrant of Elpehusus, who killed his master at his own request, after the battle of Philippi. Plut. 

PINDASUS, a mountain of Troy.

PINDENISSUS, a town of Cicilia, on the borders of Syria. Cicero, when proconsul in Asia, besieged it for 25 days and took it. Cist. ad. M. Catil. 

PINDUS, a mountain, or rather a chain of mountains, between Thessaly, Macedonia, and Epirus. It was greatly celebrated as being sacred to the Muses and to Apollo. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 570.—Strab. 13.—Verg. Ec. 10.—Lucan. 1, v. 674. l. 6. v. 339.—Mela, 2, c. 3.—A town of Doris in Greece, called also Cyphas. It was watered by a small river of the same name which falls into the Cephissus, near Lilea. Herodot. 1, v. 56.


PINNA, a town of Italy. Sil. 8, v. 513.

PINTHIAS. Phil. Phintihas.

PINTIA, a town of Spain which they suppose is now Valladolid.

PION, one of the descendants of Hercules, who built Piona near the Caycus in Mysia. It is said that smoke issued from his tomb as often as sacrifices were offered to him. Paus. 9, c. 18.

PIONE, one of the Naiades. Apollod. 

PIONIA, a town of Mysia, near the Caycus.

PIREUS, or PIREXUS, a celebrated harbour at Athens, at the mouth of the Cephissus, about three miles distant from the city. It was joined to the town by two long walls, one of which was built by Pericles, and the other by Themistocles. The towers which were raised on the walls to serve as a defence, were turned into dwelling-houses, as the population of Athens gradually increased. It was the most capacious of all the harbours of the Athenians, and was naturally divided into three large basins, called Cantharos, Aphrodissium, and Zea, improved by the labours of Themistocles, and made sufficiently commodious for the reception of a fleet of 400 ships in the greatest security. The walls which joined it to Athens with all its fortifications, were totally demolished when Lyssander put an end to the Peloponnesian war by the reduction of Attica. Paus. 1, c. 1.—Strab. 9.—C. Nop. in Them.—Flor. 3, c. 5.—Justin. 5, c. 8.—Ovid. Met. 6, v. 446.

PIRENE, a daughter of Danus. — A daughter of Ebalus, or according to others, of the Acheolus. She had by Neptune two sons called Leches and Cenchrius, who gave their name to two of the harbours of Corinth. Pirene was so disconsolate at the death of her son Cenchrius, who had been killed by Diana, that she pinched away, and was dissolved by her continual weeping into a fountain of the same name which was still seen at Corinth in the age of Pausanias. The fountain Pirene was sacred to the Muses, and according to some, to the Nereus. Pegasus was then drinking some of its waters when Bellerophon took it to go and conquer the Chimera. Paus. 2, c. 3.—Ovid. Met. 2, v. 240.

PITHIUS, a son of Ixion and the cloud, or M M
PISATES, a town of Elis on the Alpheus at the west of the Peloponnesus, founded by Pius, the son of Perieres, and grandson of Ξελούς. Its inhabitants accompanied Nestor to the Trojan war, and they enjoyed long the privilege of presiding at the Olympic games which were celebrated near their city. This honourable appointment was envied by the people of Elis, who made war against the Pisaeans, and after many bloody battles took their city, and totally demolished it. It was at Pisa that Ξένωνus murdered the suitors of his daughter, and that he himself was conquered by Pelops. The inhabitants were called Pisi. Some have doubtless the existence of such a place as Pisa, but this doubt originates from Pisa's having been destroyed in so remote an age. The horses of Pisaeans were famous. The year on which the Olympic games were celebrated, was often called Pisaeus anumus, and the victory which was obtained there was called Pisaeus omus. Vide Olimp. Strab. 8. — Ovid. Trist. 2, v. 306. L. 4, c. 10, v. 95. — Meta. 2. — Virg. G. 3, v. 180. Stat. Theb. 7, v. 416. — Paus. 6, c. 22.

PISA, a town of Etruria, built by a colony from Pisa in the Peloponnesus. The inhabitants were called Pisenii. Dionysius of Halicarnassus affirms that it existed before the Trojan war, but others support that it was built by a colony of Pisaeans who were shipwrecked on the coast of Etruria at their return from the Trojan war. Pisa was once a very powerful and flourishing city, which conquered the Balears, together with Sardinia and Coraica. The sea on the neighbouring coast was called the bay of Pisa. Vide En. 10, v. 179. — Strab. 8. — Liv. 2, v. 401.

PISUS, a surname of Jupiter at Pisa.

PISANDER, — A Trojan chief killed by Menelaus. — One of Peucetius's suitors, son of Polyctor. Ovid. Heroid. 1. — A son of Antimachus killed by Agamemnon during the Trojan war. — An admiral of the Spartan fleet during the Peloponnesian war. He abolished the democracy at Athens, and established the aristocratical government of the four hundred tyrants. He was killed in a naval battle by Conon the Athenian general near Cnidus, in which the Spartans lost 30 galleys. He died B. C. 394. Died. — A poet of Rhodes who composed a poem called Heracles, in which he gave an account of all the labours and all the exploits of Hercules. He was the first who ever represented his hero armed with a club. Paus. 8, c. 22.

PIŚAUS, a river of Picenum with a town called Pisaurum, which became a Roman colony in the consulship of Claudius Pulcher. The town

according to others, of Dia the daughter of Deioneus. Some make him son of Dia, by Jupiter, who assumed the shape of a horse whenever he paid his addresses to his mistress. He was king of the Lapithae, and as an ambitious prince he wished to become acquainted with Theseus king of Athens, of whose fame and exploits he had heard so many reports. To see him, and at the same time to be a witness of his valour, he resolved to invade his territories with an army. Theseus immediately met him on the borders of Attica, but at the sight of one another the two enemies did not begin the engagement, but struck with the appearance of each other, they stepped between the hostile armies. Their meeting was like that of the most cordial friends, and Pirithous, by giving Theseus his hand as a pledge of his sincerity, promised to repair all the damages which his hostilities in Attica might have occasioned. From that time, therefore, the two monarchs became the best intimate and the most attached of friends, so much, that their friendship, like that of Orestes and Pylades, is become proverbial. Pirithous some time after married Hippodamia, and invited not only the heroes of his age, but also the gods themselves, and his neighbours the Centaurs, to celebrate his nuptials. Mars was the only one of the gods who was not invited, and to punish this neglect, the god of war determined to raise a quarrel among the guests, and to disturb the festivity of the entertainment. Eurytion captivated with the beauty of Hippodamia, and intoxicated with wine, attempted to offer violence to the bride, but was prevented by Theseus and immediately killed. This irritated the rest of the Centaurs, the contest became general, but the valour of Theseus, Pirithous, Hercules, and the rest of the Lapithae, triumphed over their enemies. Many of the Centaurs were slain, with the rest saved their life by sight. [Vid. Lapithus.] The death of Hippodamia left Pirithous very disconsolate, and he resolved, with his friend Theseus, who had likewise lost his wife, never to marry again except to a goddess, or one of the daughters of the gods. This determination occasioned the rape of Helen by the two friends, the lot was drawn, and it fell to the share of Theseus to have the beautiful prize. Pirithous upon this undertook with his friend to carry away Proserpine and to marry her. They descended into the infernal regions, but Pluto, who was apprized of their machinations to disturb his conjugal peace, stopped the two friends, and confined them there. Pirithous was tied to his father's wheel, or according to Hyginus, he was delivered to the Furies to be continually tormented. His punishment, however, was short, and when Hercules visited the kingdom of Pluto, he obtained from Proserpine the pardon of Pirithous, and brought him back to his kingdom safe and unharmed. Some suppose that he was torn to pieces by the dog Cerberus. [Vid Theseus.] Ovid Met. 12, fab. 4. & 5. — Hesiod. in Sent. Her. — Homer. Ili. 2. Paus. 5, c. 590.
Pisistratus, a son of Ixion and the cloud.—
One of the ancestors of the nurse of Ulysses.
Homer. Od. 1.

Pisírus, a king of Etruria about 260 years before the foundation of Rome.

Písías, a general of the Argives in the age of Epaminondas.—A statuary at Athens celebrated for his pieces. Paus.

Platôs, an inland country of Asia Minor, between Phrygia, Pamphylia, Galatia, and Isauria. It was rich and fertile. The inhabitants were called Písidians. Cic. de Div. 1. — Mela, i. c. 2. — Strab. 12.

Písméka, a daughter of Æolus who married Myrmidon.—A daughter of Nestor.—A daughter of Pelas. — The daughter of a king of Methymna in Lesbos. She became enamoured of Achilles when he invaded her father's kingdom, and she promised to deliver the city into his hands if he would marry her. Achilles agreed to the proposal, but when he became master of Methymna, he ordered Písdíc to be stoned to death for her perfidy. Parthen. evot. 21.

Písis, a native of Thespis, who gained uncommon influence among the Thebans, and behaved with great courage in the defence of their liberties. He was taken prisoner by Demetrios, who made him governor of Thespia.

Pístrátrides, the descendants of Pisistratus, tyrant of Athens. Vit. Pisistratus.

Pístrátrides, a man sent as ambassador to the satraps of the king of Persia by the Spartans.

Pístrátrus, an Athenian who early distinguished himself by his valour in the field, and by his address and eloquence at home. After he had rendered himself the favourite of the populace by his liberality, and by the intrepidity with which he had fought their battles, particularly near Salamis, he resolved to make himself master of his country. Every thing seemed favourable to his ambitious views, but Solon alone, who was then at the head of affairs, and who had lately enforced his celebrated laws, opposed him and discovered his duplicity and artful behaviour before the public assembly. Pisistratus was not disheartened by the measures of his relation Solon, but he had recourse to artifice. In returning from his country house, he cut himself in various places, and after he had exposed his mangled body to the eyes of the populace, deplored his misfortunes, and accused his enemies of attempts upon his life, because he was the friend of the people, the guardian of the poor, and the reliever of the oppressed, he claimed a chosen body of 50 men from the populace to defend his person in future from the malevolence and cruelty of his enemies. The unsuspecting people unanimously granted his request, though Solon opposed it with all his influence, and Pisistratus had no sooner received an armed band on whose fidelity and attachment he could rely, than he seized the citadel of Athens, and made himself absolute. The people too late perceived their credulity, yet, though the tyrant was popular, two of the citizens, Megacles and Lycurgus, conspired together against him, and by their means he was forcibly ejected from the city. His house and all his effects were exposed to sale, but there was found in Athens only one man who would buy them. The private dissertations of the friends of liberty proved favourable to the expelled tyrant, and Megacles, who was jealous of Lycurgus, secretly promised to restore Pisistratus to all his rights and privileges in Athens, if he would marry his daughter. Pisistratus consented, and by the assistance of his father-in-law, he was soon enabled to expel Lycurgus, and to re-establish himself. By means of a woman called Phya, whose shape was tall, whose features were noble and commanding, he imposed upon the people, and created himself adherents even among his enemies. Phya was conducted through the streets of the city, and showing herself subservient to the artifice of Pisistratus, she was announced as Minerva, the goddess of wisdom, and the patroness of Athens, who was come down from heaven to re-establish her favourite Pisistratus, in a power which was sanctioned by the will of heaven, and favoured by the affection of the people. In the midst of his triumph, however, Pisistratus found himself unsupported, and some time after, when he repudiated the daughter of Megacles, he found that not only the citizens, but even his very troops, were alienated from him by the influence, the intrigues, and the bribery of his father-in-law. He fled from Athens where he could no longer maintain his power, and retired to Euboea. Eleven years after he was drawn from his obscure retreat, by means of his son Hippias, and he was a third time received by the people of Athens as their master and sovereign. Upon this he sacrificed to his resentment the friends of Megacles, but he did not lose sight of the public good, and while he sought the agrandizement of his family, he did not neglect the dignity and the honour of the Athenian name. He died about 527 years before the Christian era, after he had enjoyed the sovereign power at Athens for 33 years, including the years of his banishment, and he was succeeded by his son Hipparchus. Pisistratus claims our admiration for his justice, his liberality, and his moderation. If he was dreaded and detested as a tyrant, the Athenians loved and respected his private virtues and his patriotism as a fellow citizen, and the opprobrium which generally falls on his head may be attributed not to the severity of his administration, but to the republican principles of the Athenians, who hated and exclaimed against the moderation and equity of the mildest sovereign, while they flattered the pride and gratified the guilty desires of the most tyrannical of their fellow subjects. Pisistratus often refused to punish the insolence of his enemies, and when he had one day been virulently accused of murder, rather than inflict immediate punishment upon the man who had criminated him, he went to the Areopagus, and
there convinced the Athenians that the accusations of his enemies were groundless, and that his life was irreproachable. It is to his labours that we are indebted for the preservation of the poems of Homer, and he was the first, according to Cicero, who introduced them at Athens, in the order in which they now stand. He also established a public library at Athens, and the valuable books which he had diligently collected were carried into Persia when Xerxes made himself master of the capital of Attica. Hipparchus and Hippias, the sons of Pisistratus, who have received the name Pisistratidae, rendered themselves as illustrious as their father, but the flames of liberty were too powerful to be extinguished. The Pisistratidae governed with great moderation, yet the name of tyrant or sovereign was insupportable to the Athenians. Two of the most respectable of the citizens, called Harmodius and Aristogiton, conspired against them, and Hipparchus was dispatched in a public assembly. This murder was not however attended with any advantages, and though the two leaders of the conspiracy who have been celebrated through every age for their patriotism, were supported by the people, yet Hippas quelled the tumult by his uncommon firmness and prudence, and for a while preserved that peace in Athens which his father had often been unable to command. This was not long to continue. Hippias was at last expelled by the united efforts of the Athenians and of their allies of Peloponnesus, and he left Attica, when he found himself unable to maintain his power and independence. The rest of the family of Pisistratus followed him in his banishment, and after they had refused to accept the liberal offers of the princes of Thessaly, and the king of Macedonia, who wished them to settle in their respective territories, the Pisistratidae retired to Sagæum, which their father had in the sumit of his power conquered and bequeathed to his posterity. After the banishment of the Pisistratidae, the Athenians became more than commonly jealous of their liberty, and often sacrificed the most powerful of their citizens, apprehensive of the influence which popularity and a well directed liberality might gain among a sickle and unsettled populace. The Pisistratidae were banished from Athens about 18 years after the death of Pisistratus, B. C. 510. Αἰταν. V. H. c. 14.—Paula, c. 26.—Herodot. 1, c. 59. 1. 6. c. 103.—Cic. de orat. 3.—Val. Max. 1, c. 2.—A son of Nestor. Apollod.—A king of Orchomenos, who rendered himself odious by his cruelty towards the nobles. He was put to death by them, and they carried away his body from the public assembly, by hiding each a piece of his flesh under their garments, to prevent a discovery from the people, of which he was a great favourite. Plut. in Par.—A Theban attached to the Roman interest, while the consul Flaminius was in Greece. He assassinated the pretor of Boetia, for which he was put to death, &c.

Piso, a celebrated family at Rome, which was a branch of the Calpurnians descended from Calpurnius, the son of Numa. Before the death of Augustus, eleven of this family had obtained the consulship, and many had been honoured with triumphs, on account of their victories in the different provinces of the Roman empire. Of this family, the most famous were—Lucius Calpurnius, who was tribune of the people, about 149 years before Christ, and afterwards consul. His frugality procured him the surname of Frugi, and he gained the greatest honours as an orator, a lawyer, a statesman, and an historian. He made a successful campaign in Sicily, and rewarded his son, who had behaved with great virtue during the war, with a crown of gold, which weighed twenty pounds. He composed some annals and harangues, which were lost in the age of Cicero. His style was obscure and inelegant.—Caius, a Roman consul, A. U. C. 685, who supported the consular dignity against the tumults of the tribunes, and the clamours of the people. He made a law to restrain the cabals which generally prevailed at the election of the chief magistrates.—Cneius, another consul under Augustus. He was one of the favourites of Tiberius, by whom he was appointed governor of Syria, where he rendered himself odious by his cruelty. He was accused of having poisoned Germanicus, and when he saw that he was shunned and despised by his friends, he destroyed himself. A. D. 20.—Lucius, a governor of Spain, who was assassinated by a peasant as he was travelling through the country. The murderer was seized and tortured, but he refused to confess the causes of the murder.—Lucius, a private man, accused of having uttered seditious words against the emperor Tiberius. He was condemned, but a natural death saved him from the hands of the executioner.—Lucius, a governor of Rome for twenty years, an office which he discharged with the greatest justice and credit. He was greatly honoured by the friendship of Augustus, as well as of his preceptor, a distinction he deserved, both as a faithful citizen and a man of learning. Some however say, that Tiberius made him governor of Rome, because he had continued drinking with him a night and two days, or two days and two nights according to Pliny. Horace dedicated his poem de arte Poëticœ to his two sons, whose partiality for literature had distinguished them among the rest of the Romans, and who were fond of cultivating poetry in their leisure hours.—Caius, a factious and turbulent youth, who conspired against his country with Catiline. He was among the friends of Julius Caesar.—Caius, a Roman who was at the head of a celebrated conspiracy against the emperor Nero. He had rendered himself a favourite of the people by his private as well as his public virtues, by the generosity of his behaviour, his fondness of pleasure with the voluptuous, and his austerity with the grave and the reserved. He had been marked by some as a proper person to succeed the emperor, but the discovery of the plot by a freedom who was among the conspirators, soon cut him off with all his partizans. He refused
to court the affections of the people and of the army when the whole had been made public, and instead of taking proper measures for his preservation, either by proclaiming himself emperor, as his friends advised, or by seeking a retreat in the distant provinces of the empire, he retired to his own house, where he opened the veins of both his arms, and bled to death. —Lucius, a senator who followed the emperor Valerian into Persia. He proclaimed himself emperor after the death of Valerian, but he was defeated and put to death a few weeks after, A.D. 261, by Valens, &c. —Lucianus, a senator adopted by the emperor Galba. He was put to death by Otho's orders. —A son-in-law of Cicero. —A patrician, whose daughter married Julius Cesar. Hist. v. Tacit. Ann. et Hist. —Val. Max. Liv. —Stoic. —Cic. de offic. &c. —Plut. in Ces. &c.

One of the thirty tyrants appointed over Athens by Lysander.

Pisonev vittal, a place near Baiae in Campania, which the emperor Nero often frequented. Tacit. Ann. 1.

Pissirius, a town of Thrace, near the river Nestus. Herod. 7, c. 109.

Pisone, a surname given to Jupiter by the Romans, signifying boker, because when their city was taken by the Gauls, the god persuaded them to throw down leaves from the Tarpeian hill where they were besieged, that the enemy might from thence suppose, that they were not in want of provisions, though in reality they were near surrendering through famine. This deceived the Gauls, and they soon after raised the siege. Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 350, 394, &c.

Pisus, a son of Aphaereus, or according to others of Perieres. Apollod. 3. —Paus. 5.

Pisuthnes, a Persian strap of Lydia, who revolted from Darius Nothus. His father's name was Hystaspeus. Plut. in Art.

Pitane, a town of Aolia, in Asia Minor. The inhabitants made bricks which swam on the surface of the water. Strab. 13. —Vitr. 2, c. 3. —Mela, 1, c. 18. —Ovid. Met. 7, 357.

Pithicus, a small island on the coast of Etruria, anciently called Aenaria and Ianaria, with a town of the same name, on the top of a mountain. The frequent earthquakes to which it was subject, obliged the inhabitants to leave it. There was a volcano in the middle of the island, which has given occasion to the ancients to say, that the giant Typhon was buried there. Some suppose that it received its name from πιθήκος, monkeys, into which the inhabitants were changed by Jupiter. Ovid. Met. 14, v. 90. —Plut. 3, c. 6. —Pindar. Pyth. 1. —Strab. 1.

Pitheus. Vit. Pitheus.

Pitho, the goddess of persuasion among the Romans, supposed to be the daughter of Mercury and Venus. She was represented with a diadem on her head, to intimate her influence over the hearts of men. One of her arms appears raised, as in the attitude of an orator haranguing in a public assembly, and with the other she holds a thunderbolt and fetters, made with flowers, to signify the powers of reasoning and the attractions of eloquence. A caduceus, as a symbol of persuasion, appears at her feet, with the writings of Demosthenes and Cicero, the two most celebrated among the ancients, who understood how to command the attention of their audience, and to rouse and animate their various passions. —A Roman courtesan. She received this name on account of the allurements which her charms possessed, and of her winning expression.

Pitholæus and Lycofiron, seized upon the sovereign power of Pherie, by killing Alexander. They were ejected by Philip of Macedon. Dio. 16.

Pithiokon, an insignificant poet of Rhodes, who mingled Greek and Latin in his compositions. He wrote some epigrams. Horat. 1, sat. 10, v. 21.

Pithon, one of the body guards of Alexander, put to death by Antiochus.

Pithys, a nymph beloved by Pan. Boreas was also fond of her, but she slighted his addresses, upon which he dashed her against a rock, and she was changed into a pine tree.

Pittacus, a native of Mitylene in Lesbos, was one of the seven wise men of Greece. His father's name was Hyrradius. With the assistance of the sons of Alcæus, he delivered his country from the oppression of the tyrant Melecrus, and in the war with the Athenians waged against Lesbos he appeared at the head of his countrymen, and challenged to single combat Phrynon, the enemy's general. As the event of the war seemed to depend upon this combat, Pittacus had recourse to artifice, and when he engaged, he entangled his adversary in a net, which he had concealed under his shield, and easily dispatched him. He was amply rewarded for this victory, and his countrymen, sensible of his merit, unanimously appointed him governor of their city with unlimited authority. In this capacity Pittacus behaved with great moderation and prudence, and after he had governed his fellow citizens with the strictest justice, and after he had established and enforced the most salutary laws, he voluntarily resigned the sovereign power after he had enjoyed it for 10 years, observing that the virtues and innocence of private life were incompatible with the power and influence of a sovereign. His disinterestedness gained him many admirers, and when the Mityleneans wished to reward his public services by presenting him with an immense tract of territory, he refused to accept more land than what should be contained in the distance to which he could throw a javelin. He died in the 82d year of his age, about 570 years before Christ, after he had spent the last 10 years of his life in literary ease and peaceful retirement. One of his favourite maxims was, that man ought to provide against misfortunes to avoid them, but that if they ever happened he ought to support them with patience and resignation. In prosperity friends were to be acquired, and in the hour of adversity their faithfulness was to be tried. He also observed, that in our actions
it was imprudent to make others acquainted with our designs, for if we failed we had exposed ourselves to censure and to ridicule. Many of his maxims were inscribed on the walls of Apollo's temple at Delphi, to shew to the world how great an opinion the Mityleneans entertained of his abilities as a philosopher, a moralist, and a man. By one of his laws, every fault committed by a man when intoxicated, deserved double punishment. Diog.—Aristot. Polit.—Plut. in symp.—Paus. 10, c. 24. —Zitian. V. H. 2, &c.—Val. Max. 6, c. 5.—A grandson of Porus king of India.

Pitheka, a town near Træzene. Hence the epithet of Pithæus in Ovid. Met. 15, v. 296.

Pittheus, a king of Træzene in Argolis, son of Pelops and Hippodamia. He was universally admired for his learning, wisdom, and application; he publickly taught in a school at Træzene, and even composed a book, which was seen by Pausanius the geographer. He gave his daughter Æthra in marriage to Ægeus, king of Athens, and he himself took particular care of the youth, and education of his grandson Theseus. He was buried at Træzene, which he had founded, and on his tomb was seen, for many ages, three seats of white marble, on which he sat with two other judges, whenever he gave laws to his subjects, or settled their disputes. Paus. 1 & 2.—Plut. in Theæm. Strab. 8.

Pituanius, a matematician in the age of Tiberius, thrown down from the Tarpeian rock, &c.—Tacit. Ann. 2.

Pitulani, a people of Umbria. Their chief town was called Pitulum.

Pityeas, a town of Asia Minor.

Pityassus, a town of Pisidia.

Pityoneus, a small island on the coast of Peloponnesus, near Epidaurus.

Pityusa, a small island on the coast of Argolis. Two small islands in the Mediterranean, near the coast of Spain, of which the larger was called Ebusus, and the smaller Ophlinsa. Mela, 2, c. 7.

Pius, a surname given to the emperor Antoninus, on account of his piety and virtue. A surname given to a son of Metellus, because he interested himself so warmly to have his father recalled from banishment.

Placentia, an ancient town and colony near the Po. Another, near Lusitania.

Placideianus, a gladiator in Horace's age. 2 Sat. 7.

Placidia, a daughter of Theodosius the Great, sister to Honorius and Arcadius. She married Adolphus king of the Goths, and afterwards Constantius, by whom she had Valentinian the 3d. She died A. D. 449.

Placidius, Julius, a tribune of a cohort, who imprisoned the emperor Victorinus, &c.

Plana, a small island of the Tyrrhene sea. Another, on the coast of Gaul, where Tiberius ordered Agrippa, the grandson of Augustus, to be put to death. Tacit. Ann. 1, c. 8. A town on the Rhone.

Plancina, a woman celebrated for her intrigues and her crimes, who married Piso, and was accused with him of having murdered Germanicus, in the reign of Tiberius. She was acquitted either by means of the empress Livia, or on account of the partiality of the emperor for her person. She had long supported the spirits of her husband, during his confinement, but, when she saw herself freed from the accusation, she totally abandoned him to his fate. Subservient in every thing to the will of Livia, she, at her instigation, became guilty of the greatest crimes, to injure the character of Agrippina. After the death of Agrippina, Plancina was accused of the most atrocious villainies, and, as she knew that she could not elude justice, she put herself to death, A. D. 33. Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 26, &c.

L. Plancus Munatius, a Roman, who rendered himself ridiculous by his follies and his extravagance. He had been consul, and had presided over a province in the capacity of governor, but he forgot all his dignity, and became one of the most servile flatterers of Cleopatra and Antony. At the court of the Egyptian queen in Alexandria, he appeared in the character of the meanest stage dancer; and, in comedy, he personated Glauceus, and painted his body of a green colour, dancing on a public stage quite naked, only with a crown of green reeds on his head, while he tied behind his back, the tail of a large sea fish. This exposed him to the public derision, and, when Antony had joined the rest of his friends in censuring him for his unbecoming behaviour, he deserted to Octavius, who received him with great marks of friendship and attention. It was he who proposed in the Roman senate, that the title of Augustus should be conferred on his friend Octavius, as expressive of the dignity and the reverence which the greatness of his exploits seemed to claim. Horace has dedicated 1 od. 7 to him; and he certainly deserved the honour, from the elegance of his letters, which are still extant, written to Cicero. He founded a town in Gaul, which he called Lugdunum. Plut. in Anton. A patrician, proscribed by the second triumvirate. His servants wished to save him from death, but he refused it, rather than to expose their persons to danger. Plangon, a courtezan of Miletus, in Ionia.

Platea, a daughter of Asopus, king of Boeotia. Paus. 9, c. 1, &c.—An island on the coast of Africa, in the Mediterranean. It belonged to the Cyreneans. Herodot. 4, c. 157.

Platea, (arum,) a town of Boeotia, near mount Citheron, on the confines of Megasis and Attica, celebrated for a battle fought there between Mardonius the commander of Xerxes king of Persia, and Pausanias the Lacedaemonian, and the Athenians. The Persian army consisted of 300,000 men, 3000 of which scarcely escaped with their lives by flight. The Grecian army, which was greatly inferior, lost but few men, and among these 91 Spartans, 52 Athenians, and 16 Tegeans were the only
soldiers found in the number of the slain. The plunder which the Greeks obtained in the Persian camp was immense. Pausanias received the tenth of all the spoils, on account of his uncommon valour during the engagement, and the rest were rewarded each according to their respective merit. This battle was fought on the 22d of September, the same day as the battle of Mycale, 479 B. C. and by it Greece was totally delivered for ever from the continual alarms to which she was exposed on account of the Persian invasions, and from that time none of the princes of Persia dared to appear with a hostile force beyond the Hellespont. The Platæans were naturally attached to the interest of the Athenians, and they furnished them with a thousand soldiers when Greece was attacked by Datis, the general of Darius. Platea was taken by the Thebans, after a famous siege, in the beginning of the Peloponnesian war, and destroyed by the Spartan B. C. 427. Alexander rebuilt it, and paid great encomiums to the inhabitants on account of their ancestors, who had so bravely fought against the Persians at the battle of Marathon, and under Pausanias. Herodot. 8, c. 50.—Paus. 9, c. 18. Plut. in Alex. &c.—C. Nep. &c.—Cic. de Offic. 1, c. 18.—Strabo.

Justin.

PLATANUS, a river of Boeotia. Paus. 3, c. 24.

PLATO, a celebrated philosopher of Athens, son of Aristoc and Parectonia. His original name was Aristocles, and he received that of Plato from the largeness of his shoulders. As one of the descendants of Codrus, and as the offspring of a noble, illustrious, and opulent family, Plato was educated with care, his body was formed and invigorated with gymnastic exercises, and his mind was cultivated and enlightened by the study of poetry and of geometry, from which he derived that acuteness of judgment, and warmth of imagination, which have stamped his character as the most subtle and lofty writer of antiquity. He first began his literary career by writing poems and tragedies; but he was soon disgusted with his own productions, when, at the age of 20, he was introduced into the presence of Socrates, and when he was enabled to compare and examine, with critical accuracy, the merit of his compositions with those of his poetical predecessors. He, therefore, committed to the flames these productions of his early years, which could not command the attention or gain the applause of a materer age. During eight years he continued to be one of the pupils of Socrates; and, if he was prevented by a momentary indisposition from attending the philosopher’s last moments, yet he collected from the conversation of those that were present, and from his own accurate observations, the minutest and most circumstantial accounts, which can exhibit, in its truest colours, the concern and sensibility of the pupil, and the firmness, virtues, and moral sentiments, of the dying philosopher. After the death of So-
philosopher lived to an advanced age, and was often heard to say, when his physicians advised him to leave his residence at Athens, where the air was impregnated by the pestilence, that he wouldn't advance one single step to gain the top of mount Athos, where he assured to attain the great longevity which the inhabitants of that mountain were said to enjoy above the rest of mankind. Plato died on his birthday, in the 81st year of his age, about 348 years before the Christian era. His last moments were easy and without pain; and, according to some, he expired in the midst of an entertainment, or, according to Cicero, as he was writing. The works of Plato are numerous; they are all written in the form of a dialogue, except 12 letters. He speaks always by the mouth of others, and the philosopher has no where made mention of himself except once, in his dialogue entitled Phaedon, and, another time, in his apology for Socrates. His writings were so celebrated, and his opinion so respected, that he was called divine; and, for the elegance, melody, and sweetness of his expressions, he was distinguished by the appellation of the Athenian bee. Cicero had such an esteem for him, that, in the warmth of panegyric, he exclaimed errore meh erculo maio curn Platone, quam num istis vera sentire; and Quintilian said, that when he read Plato, he seemed to hear not a man, but a divinity, speaking. His style, however, though admired and commended by the best and most refined of critics among the ancients, has not escaped the censure of some of the moderns; and the philosopher has been blamed, who supports that fire is a pyramid tied to the earth by numbers, that the world is a figure consisting of 12 pentagons, and who, to prove the metempsychosis and the immortality of the soul, asserts, that the dead are born from the living, and the living from the dead. The speculative mind of Plato was employed in examining things divine and human, and he attempted to fix and ascertain, not only the practical doctrine of morals and politics, but the more subtle and abstruse theory of mystical theology. His philosophy was universally received and adopted, and it has not only governed the opinions of the speculative part of mankind, but it continues still to influence the reasoning, and to divide the sentiments of the moderns. In his system of philosophy, he followed the physics of Heraclitus, the metaphysical opinions of Pythagoras, and the morals of Socrates. He maintained the existence of two beings, one self-existent, and the other formed by the hand of a pre-existent creature, god and man. The world was created by that self-existent cause, from the rude indigested mass of matter which had existed from all eternity, and which had ever been animated by an irregular principle of motion. The origin of evil could not be traced under the government of a deity, without admitting a stubborn intractibility and wildness congenial to matter; and from these, consequently, could be demonstrated the deviation from the laws of nature, and from thence the extravagant passions and appetites of men. From materials like these were formed the four elements, and the beautiful structures of the heavens and the earth, and into the active, but irrational principle of matter, the divinity infused a rational soul. The souls of men were formed from the remainder of the rational soul of the world, which had previously given existence to the invisible gods and demons. The philosopher, therefore, supported the doctrine of ideal forms, and the pre-existence of the human mind, which he considered as emanations of the Deity, which can never remain satisfied with objects or things unworthy of their divine original. Men could perceive, with their corporeal senses, the types of immutable things, and the fluctuating objects of the material world; but the sudden changes to which these are continually obnoxious, create innumerable disorders, and hence arises deception, and, in short, all the terrors and miseries of human life. Yet, in whatever situation man may be, he is still an object of divine concern, and to recommend himself to the favour of the pre-existent cause, he must comply with the purposes of his creation, and, by proper care and diligence, he can recover those immaculate powers with which he was naturally endow'd. All science the philosopher made to consist in reminiscence, and in recalling the nature, forms, and proportions, of those perfect and immutable essences, with which the human mind had been conversant. From observations like these, the summit of felicity might be attained by removing from the material, and approaching nearer to the intellectual world, by curbing and governing the passions, which were ever agitated and inflamed, by real or imaginary objects. The passions were divided into two classes; the first consisted of the irascible passions, which originated in pride or resentment, and were seated in the breast: the other, founded on the love of pleasure, was the concupiscible part of the soul, seated in the belly, and inferior parts of the body. These different orders, induced the philosopher to compare the soul to a small republic, of which the reasoning and judging powers were stationed in the head, as in a firm citadel, and of which the senses were its guards and servants. By the irascible part of the soul, men asserted their dignity, repelled injuries, and scorned dangers; and the concupiscible part provided the support and the necessities of the body, and, when governed with propriety, it gave rise to temperance. Justice was produced by the regular dominion of reason, and by the submission of the passions; and prudence arose from the strength, acuteness, and perfection of the soul, without which, all other virtues could not exist. But, amidst all this, w sdom was not easily obtained: at their creation, all minds were not endowed with the same excellence, the bodies which they animated on earth, were not always in harmony with the divine emanation; some might be too weak, others too strong, and on the fifth years of a man's life depended his future consequence, as an effeminat and licentious
education seemed calculated to destroy the purposes of the divinity, while the contrary produced different effects, and tended to cultivate and improve the reasoning and judging faculty, and to produce wisdom and virtue. Plato was the first who supported the immortality of the soul, upon arguments solid and permanent, deduced from truth and experience. He did not imagine that the diseases, and the death of the body, could injure the principle of life and destroy the soul, which of itself, was of divine origin, and of an uncorrupted and immutable essence; which, though inherent for a while in matter, could not lose that power which was the emanation of God. From doctrines like these, the great founder of Platonism concluded, that there might exist in the world a community of men, whose passions could be governed with moderation, and who, from knowing the evils and miseries which arise from ill-conduct might aspire to excellence, and attain that perfection, which can be derived from the proper exercise of the rational and moral powers. To illustrate this more fully, the philosopher wrote a book, well known by the name of the republic of Plato, in which he explains with acuteness, judgment, and elegance, the rise and revolution of civil society; and so respected was his opinion as a legislator, that his scholars were employed in regulating the republics of Arcadia, Elis, and Cnidus, at the desire of those states, and Xenocrates gave political rules for good and impartial government to the conqueror of the east. The best editions of Plato, are those of Frangcof. fol. 1602; and Bi- pont. 12 vols. 8vo. 1788. Plato Dial. &c.—Cic. de offr. 1, &c.—Plut. in Sol. &c.—Senec. ep. quintil. 10, c. 1, &c.—Zell. V. H. 2 & 4. —Paus. 1, c. 30.—Dig.—A son of Lycaon, of Arcadia.—A Greek poet, called the prince of the middle comedy, who flourished B. C. 449. Some fragments remain of his pieces.

Plautianus, a Roman, who became so disinclined at the death of his wife, that he threw himself upon her burning pile. Val. Maxim. 4, c. 6.—Caius, a consul sent against the Primitives, &c.—Aulus, a governor of Britain, who obtained an ovation for the conquest he had obtained there over the barbarians.—One of Otho's friends. He dissuaded him from killing himself.—Lateranus, an adulterer of Messalina, who conspired against Nero, and was capitally condemned.—Aulus, a general who defeated the Umbrians and the Eturians.—Caius, another general, defeated in Lu- sitania.—A man put to death by order of Caracalla.—M. Sylvanus, a tribune, who made a law to prevent seditions in the public assemblies.—Rubellius, a man accused before Nero, and sent to Asia, where he was assassinated.

Plautianus, Fulvius, an African of mean birth, who was banished for his seditious behaviour in the years of his obscurity. In his banishment, Plautianus formed an acquaintance with Severus, who, some years after, ascended the imperial throne. This was the beginning of his prosperity; Severus paid the greatest attention to him, and if we believe some authors, their familiarity and intercourse was carried beyond the bounds of modesty and propriety. Plautianus shared the favours of Severus in obscurity as well as on the throne. He was invested with as much power as his patron at Rome, and in the provinces; and, indeed, he wanted but the name of emperor to be his equal. His table was served with more delicate meats than that of the emperor; when he walked in the public streets he received the most distinguishing honours; and a number of criers ordered the most noble citizens, as well as the meanest beggars, to make way for the favourite of the emperor, and not to fix their eyes upon him. He was concerned in all the rapine and destruction which was committed through the empire, and he enriched himself with the possessions of those who had been sacrificed to the emperor's cruelty or avarice. To complete his triumph, and to make himself still greater, Plautianus married his favourite daughter Plautilla to Caracalla, the son of the emperor, and so eager was the emperor to indulge his inclinations in this, and in every other respect, that he declared he loved Plautianus so much, that he would even wish to die before him. The marriage of Caracalla with Plautilla was attended with serious consequences. The son of Severus had complied with great reluctance, and, though Plautianus was amiable in her manner, commanding in aspect, and of a beautiful countenance, yet the young prince often threatened to punish her haughty and imperious behaviour as soon as he succeeded to the throne. Plautilla reported the whole to her father, and to save his daughter from the vengeance of Caracalla, Plautianus conspired against the emperor and his son. The conspiracy was discovered, and Severus forgot his attachment to Plautianus, and the favours he had heaped upon him, when he heard of his perfidy. The wicked minister was immediately put to death, and Plautilla banished to the island of Lipari with her brother Plautus, where, seven years after, she was put to death by order of Caracalla, A.D. 211. Plautilla had two children, a son, who died in his childhood, and a daughter, whom Caracalla murdered in the arms of her mother. Dion. Cass.

Plautilla, a daughter of Plautianus, the favourite minister of Severus. Vid. Plautianus.—The mother of the emperor Nerva, descended of a noble family.
The plays of Plautus were universally esteemed at Rome, and the purity, the energy, and the elegance of his language, were to other writers, considered as objects of imitation; and Varro, whose judgment is great, and generally decisive, declares, that if the Muses were willing to speak Latin, they would speak in the language of Plautus. In the Augustan age, however, when the Roman language became more pure and refined, the comedies of Plautus did not appear free from inaccuracy. The poet, when compared to the more elegant expressions of a Terence, was censured for his negligence in versification, his low wit, excusable puns, and disgusting obscenities. Yet, however, censured as to language or sentiments, Plautus continued to be a favourite on the stage; if his expressions were not choice or delicate, it was universally admitted that he was more happy than other comic writers in his pictures, the incidents of his plays were more varied, the acts more interesting, the characters more truly displayed, and the catastrophe more natural.

In the reign of the emperor Diocletian, his comedies were still acted on the public theatres, and no greater compliment can be paid to his abilities as a comic writer, and no greater censure can be passed upon his successors in dramatic composition, than to observe, that for 500 years, with all the disadvantage of obsolete language and diction, in spite of the change of manners, and the revolutions of government, he commanded, and received that applause, which no other writer dared to dispute with him. The best editions of Plautus are that of Gronovius, Svo. L. Bat. 1664; that of Barbour, 12mo. in 3 vols. Paris, 1759; that of Emestti, 2 vols. Svo. Lips. 1760; and that of Glasgow, 3 vols. 12mo. 1763. Varro, apud Quintilin. 10. c. 1. Cie de offic. 1. &c. de Orat. 3. &c.—Horat. 2. ep. 1. v. 36. 170. de art poët. 54. & 270.—Elianus, a high priest, who consecrated the capitol in the reign of Vespasian. Tacit. Hist. 4. c. 53.

Pleides, or Vergille, a name given to seven of the daughters of Atlas by Pleione or Phoebus, one of the Oceanides. They were placed in the heavens after death, where they formed a constellation called Pleiades, near the back of the bull in the Zodiac. Their names were Alcyone, Merope, Maia, Electra, Tayeta, Sterope, and Celoeno. They all, except Merope, who married Sisyphus, king of Corinth, had some of the immortal gods for their suitors. On that account, therefore, Merope's star is dim and obscure among the rest of her sisters, because she married a mortal. The name of the Pleiades is derived from the Greek word πλευς, to hold, because that constellation shows the time most favourable to navigators, which is in the spring. The name of Vergilia, they derive from ver, the spring. They are sometimes called Atlantides, from their father, or Hesperides, from the gardens of that name, which belonged to Atlas. Hygin. fab 192. P. 2. 2. c. 21.—Ovid. Met. 15. v. 293. Fast. 5. v. 106 & 170.—Hesiod. opus. 8. d. —Horat. 4. od. 14. Virg. G. 1. v. 136. 1. 4. 233.—Seven poets, who, from their number, have received the name of Pleiades, near the age of Philadelphus Ptolemy, king of Egypt. Their names were Lycophon, Theocritus, Aratus, Nicander, Apollonius, Philicus, and Homerus the younger.

Pleione, one of the Oceanides, who married Atlas, king of Mauritania, by whom she had twelve daughters, and a son called Hyas. Seven of the daughters were changed into a constellation called Pleiades, and the rest into another called Hyades. Ovid. Fast. 5. v. 84.

Pleminruius, a promontory, with a small castle of that name in the bay of Syracuse. Virg. En. 3. v. 693.

Plemrus, a king of Sicily, son of Peramus. His children always died as soon as born, till Ceres, pitying his misfortune, offered herself as a nurse to his wife, as she was going to be brought to bed. The child lived by the care and protection of the goddess, and Plemrus was no sooner acquainted with the dignity of his nurse, than he raised her a temple. Paus. 2. c. 5 & 11.

Pleuarus, a king of Illyricum.

Pleon, a son of Aetolus, who married Xanthepe, the daughter of Dorus, by whom he had Agenor. He founded a city in Aetolia on the Euenus, which bore his name. Apollod. 1. c. 7.—Paus. 7. c. 13.—Ovid. Met. 7. v. 382.

Pleuvarus, one of the Oceanides. Hesiod.

Pleminnus, a son of Thestius, brother to Althaea, the wife of Oeneus. He was killed by his nephew Meleager, in hunting the Calydonian boar. His brother Toxenus shared his fate. His son, Phineus and Cleopatra, brother to Pandion, king of Athens. Apollod. C. Plutus, second C., surname the Elder. He was born at Verona, of a noble family. He distinguished himself in the field; and, after he had been made one of the augurs at Rome, he was appointed governor of Spain. In his public character, he did not neglect the pleasures of literature; the day was employed in the administartion of the affairs of his province, and the
night was dedicated to study. Every moment of time was precious to him; at his meals, one of his servants read to him books valuable for their information, and from them he immediately made copious extracts in a memorandum book. Even while he dressed himself after bathing, his attention was called away from surrounding objects, and he was either employed in listening to another, or in dictating himself. To a mind so earnestly devoted to learning, nothing appeared too laborious, no undertaking too troublesome. He deemed every moment lost which was not dedicated to study, and from these reasons he never appeared at Rome but in a chariot, and, wherever he went, he was always accompanied by his amanuensis. He even censured his nephew, Pliny the Younger, because he had indulged himself with a walk, and sternly observed that he might have employed those moments to better advantage. But, if his literary pursuits made him forget the public affairs; his prudence, his abilities, and the purity and innocence of his character, made him known and respected. He was courted and admired by the emperors Titus and Vespasian, and he received from them all the favours which a virtuous prince could offer, and an honest subject receive. As he was at Misenum, where he commanded the fleet, which was then stationed there, Pliny was surprised at the sudden appearance of a cloud of dust and ashes. He was then ignorant of the cause which produced it, and he immediately set sail in a small vessel for mount Vesuvius, which he at last discovered to have made a dreadful eruption. The sight of a number of boats that fled from the coast to avoid the danger, might have deterred another, but the curiosity of Pliny excited him to advance with more boldness, and, though his vessel was often covered with stones and ashes, that were continually thrown up by the mountain, yet he landed on the coast. The place was deserted by the inhabitants, but Pliny remained there during the night, the better to observe the mountain, which, during the obscurity, appeared to be one continual blaze. He was soon disturbed by a dreadful earthquake, and the contrary wind on the morrow prevented him from returning to Misenum. The irritations of the volcano increased, and at last the fire approached the place where the philosopher made his observations. Pliny endeavoured to fly before it, but though he was supported by two of his servants, he was unable to escape. He soon fell, suffocated by the thick vapours that surrounded him, and the insupportable stench of sulphureous matter. His body was found three days after, and decently buried by his nephew, who was then at Misenum with the fleet. This memorable event happened in the 79th year of the Christian era, and the philosopher who perished by the irritations of the volcano, has been called by some the martyr of nature. He was then in the 56th year of his age. Of the works which he composed, none are extant but his natural history in 37 books. It is a work, as Pliny the Younger says, full of erudition, and as varied as nature itself. It treats of the stars, the heavens, wind, rain, hail, minerals, trees, flowers, and plants; besides an account of all living animals, birds, fishes, and beasts; a geographical description of every place on the globe, and an history of every art and science, of commerce and navigation, with their rise, progress, and several improvements. He is happy in his descriptions as a naturalist; he writes with force and energy, and though many of his ideas and conjectures are sometimes ill-founded, yet he possesses that fecundity of imagination, and vivacity of expression, which are requisite to treat a subject with propriety, and to render an history of nature pleasing, interesting, and above all, instructive. His style possesses not the graces of the Augustan age, it has neither their purity, elegance, nor their simplicity, but is rather cramped, obscure, and sometimes unintelligible. Yet, for all this, it has ever been admired and esteemed, and it may be called a compilation of everything which had been written before his age on the various subjects which he treats, and a judicious collection from the most excellent treatises which had been composed on the various productions of nature. Pliny was not ashamed to mention the authors which he quoted; he speaks of them with admiration, and while he pays the greatest compliment to their abilities, his encomiums show, in the strongest light, the goodness, the sensibility, and the ingenuousness of his own mind. He had written 160 volumes of remarks and annotations on the various authors which he had read; and so great was the opinion in his contemporaries of his erudition and abilities, that a man called Lartius Lucinius offered to buy his notes and observations for the enormous sum of about 3242l. English money. The philosopher, who was himself rich and independent, rejected the offer, and his compilations, after his death, came into the hands of his nephew Pliny. The best editions of Pliny are those of Harduin, 3 vols. fol. Paris, 1723; that of Brotier, 6 vols. 12mo. 1779; and the Variorum 8vo. in 8 vols. Lips. 1778 to 1789. Tacit. Ann. 1, c. 69. L. 13, c. 20. L. 15, c. 53.—Plin. ep. &c.—C. Cæcilius Secundus, surnamed the Younger, was son of L. Cæcilius by the sister of Pliny the Elder. He was adopted by his uncle, whose name he assumed, and whose estates and goods he inherited. He received the greatest part of his education under Quintilian, and at the age of 19 he appeared at the bar, where he distinguished himself so much by his eloquence, that he, with Tacitus, were reckoned the two greatest orators of their age. He did not make his profession an object of gain, like the rest of the Roman orators; but he refused fees from the rich as well as from the poorest of his clients; and declared that he cheerfully employed himself for the protection of innocence, the relief of the indigent, and the detection of vice. He published many of his harangues and orations, which have been lost. When Trajan was invested with the imperial purple,
Pliny was created consul by the emperor. This honour the consul acknowledged in a celebrated panegyric, which, at the request of the Roman senate, and in the name of the whole empire, he pronounced on Trajan. Some time after he presided over Pontus and Bithynia, in the office, and with the power, of pro-consul; and by his humanity and philanthropy the subject was freed from the burden of partial taxes, and the persecution which had been begun against the Christians of his province was stopped when Pliny solemnly declared to the emperor, that the followers of Christ were a meek and inoffensive sect of men, that their morals were pure and innocent, that they were free from all crimes, and that they voluntarily bound themselves by the most solemn oaths to abstain from vice, and to relinquish every sinful pursuit. If he rendered himself popular in his province, he was not less respected at Rome. He was there the friend of the poor, the patron of learning, great without arrogance, affable in his behaviour, and an example of good breeding, sobriety, temperance, and modesty. As a father and a husband his character was amiable; as a subject he was faithful to his prince, and as a magistrate, he was candid, open, and compassionate. His native country shared among the rest his unbounded benevolence, and Comum, a small town of Ineubria, which gave him birth, boasted of his liberality in the valuable and choice library of books which he collected there. He also contributed towards the expenses which attended the education of his countrymen, and liberally spent part of his estate for the advancement of literature, and for the instruction of those whom poverty otherwise deprived of the advantages of a public education. He made his preceptor Quintilian, and the poet Martial, objects of his benevolence; and when the daughter of the former was married, Pliny wrote to the father with the greatest civility, and while he observed that he was rich in the possession of learning, though poor in the goods of fortune, he begged of him to accept, as a dowry for his beloved daughter, 50,000 sesterces, about 300l. I would not, continued he, be so moderate, were I not assured from your modesty, and disinterestedness, that the smallness of the present will render it acceptable. He died in the 52d year of his age, A.D. 113. He had written an History of his own times, which is lost. It is said, that Tacitus did not begin his history till he had found it impossible to persuade Pliny to undertake that laborious task, and indeed what could not have been expected from the panegyrist of Trajan, if Tacitus acknowledged himself inferior to him in delineating the character of the times. Some suppose, but falsely, that Pliny wrote the lives of illustrious men, universally ascribed to Cornelius Nepos. He also wrote poetry, but his verses have all perished, and nothing of his learned works remains, but his panegyric on the emperor Trajan, and 10 books of letters, which he himself collected and prepared for the public, from a numerous and respectable correspondence. These letters contain many curious and interesting facts; they abound with many anecdotes of the generosity and the humane sentiments of the writer. They are written with elegance and great purity, and the reader every where discovers that affability, that condescension and philanthropy, which so egregiously marked the advocate of the Christians. These letters are esteemed by some, equal to the voluminous epistles of Cicero. In his panegyric, Pliny's style is florid and brilliant; he has used, to the greatest advantage, the liberties of the panegyrist, and the eloquence of the courtier. His ideas are new and refined, but his diction is distinguished by that affection and pomposity which marked the reign of Trajan. The best editions of Pliny, are those of Gesner 8vo. Lips. 1770, and of Lallemand 12mo. Paris apud Barbou, and of the panegyric separate, that of Schwartz 4to. 1746, and of the epistles, the Variorum L. Bat. 1669. 8vo. Plin. ep.—Tossius.—Sidius. Plinthink, a town of Egypt on the Mediterranean.

Plistarchus, son of Leonidas of the family of the Eurythoenidae, succeeded on the Spartan throne at the death of Cleombrotus. Herodot. 9, c. 10.—A brother of Cassander.

Plisthanus, a philosopher of Elis, who succeeded in the school of Phaedon. Diggins.

Plisthenes, a son of Atreus king of Argos, father of Menelaus and Agamemnon, according to Hesiod and others. Homer, however, calls Menelaus and Agamemnon sons of Atreus, though they were in reality the children of Plisthenes. The father died very young, and the two children were left in the house of their grandfather, who took care of them and instructed them. From his attention to them, therefore, it seems probable that Atreus was universally acknowledged their protector and father. Ovid. Rem. Am. v. 778.—Dictys. Cret. 1.—Homer. II.

Plistinus, a brother of Faustulus the shepherd, who saved the life of Romulus and Remus. He was killed in a scuffle which happened between the two brothers.

Plistoanax and Plistonax, son of Pausanias, was general of the Lacedemonian armies in the Peloponnesian war. He was banished from his kingdom of Sparta for 19 years, and was afterwards recalled by order of the oracle of Delphi. He reigned 58 years. He had succeeded Plistarchus.

Plistus, a river of Phocis, falling into the bay of Corinth.

Plotus, small islands on the coast of Eetolia.

Plotyna Pompeia, a Roman lady who married Trajan while he was yet a private man. She entered Rome in the procession with her husband when he was saluted emperor, and distinguished herself by the affability of her behaviour, her humanity, and liberal offices to the poor and friendless. She accompanied Trajan in the east, and at his death she brought back his ashes to Rome, and still enjoyed all the honours and titles of a Roman empress under Adrian, who, by her means, had such
Plutarch, a native of Cheronaea, descended of a respectable family. His father, whose name is unknown, was distinguished for his learning and virtues, and his grandfather, called Lamprias, was also as conspicuous for his eloquence and the fecundity of his genius. Under Ammonius, a reputable teacher at Delphi, Plutarch was made acquainted with philosophy and mathematics, and so well established was his character, that he was appointed by his countrymen, while yet very young, to go to the Roman pro-consul in their name, upon an affair of the most important nature. This commission he executed with honour to himself, and with success for his country. He afterwards travelled in quest of knowledge, and after he had visited, like a philosopher and an historian, the territories of Egypt and Greece, he retired to Rome, where he opened a school. His reputation made his school frequented. The emperor Trajan admired his abilities, and honoured him with the office of consul, and appointed him governor of Illyricum. After the death of his imperial benefactor, Plutarch retired from Rome to Cheronaea, where he lived in the greatest tranquillity, respected by his fellow-citizens and raised to all the honours which his native town could bestow. In this peaceful and solitary retreat, Plutarch closely applied himself to study, and wrote the greatest part of his works, and particularly his lives. He died in an advanced old age at Cheronaea, about the 140th year of the Christian era. Plutarch had five children by his wife, called Timoxena, four sons and one daughter. Two of the sons and the daughter died when young, and those that survived were called Plutarch and Lamprias, and the latter did honour to his father's memory, by giving to the world an accurate catalogue of his writings. In his private and public character the historian of Cheronaea was the friend of discipline. He boldly asserted the natural right of mankind, liberty; but he recommended obedience and submissive deference to magistrates, as necessary to preserve the peace of society. He supported, that the most violent and dangerous public factions arose too often from private disputes and from misunderstanding. To render himself more intelligent, he always carried a commonplace book with him, and he preserved with the
greatest care whatever judicious observations fell in the course of conversation. The most esteemed of his works are his lives of illustrious men, of which he examines and delineates the different characters with wonderful skill and impartiality. He neither misrepresents the virtues, nor hides the foibles of his heroes. He writes with precision and with fidelity, and though his dictum is neither pure nor elegant, yet there is energy and animation, and in many descriptions he is inferior to no historian. In some of his narrations, however, he is often too circumstantial, his remarks are often injudicious, and when he compares the heroes of Greece with those of Rome, the candid reader can easily remember which side of the Adriatic gave the historian birth. Some have accused him of not knowing the genealogy of his heroes, and have censured him for his superstitition; yet for all this, he is the most entertaining, the most instructive, and interesting of all the writers of ancient history, and were a man of true taste and judgment asked what book he wished to save from destruction, of all the prose compositions of antiquity, he would perhaps, without hesitation, reply, the Lives of Plutarch. In his moral treatises, Plutarch appears in a different character, and his misguided philosophy, and erroneous doctrines, render some of these inferior compositions puerile and disgusting. They however contain many useful lessons and curious facts, and though they are composed without connexion, compiled without judgment, and often abound with improbable stories, and false reasonings, yet they contain much information, and many useful reflections. The best editions of Plutarch are that of Frankfurt, 2 vols. fol. 1599, and that of Stephens, 6 vols. 8vo, 1572. Plut.—A native of Eretria, during the Peloponnesian war. He was defeated by the Macedonians. Plut. in Phoc.

Plutia, a town of Sicily.

Pluto, son of Saturn and Ops, inherited his father's kingdom with his brothers Jupiter and Neptune. He received as his lot the kingdom of hell, and whatever lies under the earth, and as such he became the god of the infernal regions, of death, and funerals. From his functions, and the place he inhabited, he received different names. He was called Dis Hadis, or Ades, Clytopolos, Agelastos, Orcus, &c. As the place of his residence was obscure and gloomy, all the goddesses refused to marry him; but he determined to obtain by force what was denied to his solicitations. As he once visited the island of Sicily, after a violent earthquake, he saw Proserpine, the daughter of Ceres, gathering flowers in the plains of Enna, with a crowd of female attendants. He became enamoured of her, and immediately carried her away upon his chariot drawn by four horses. To make his retreat more unknown, he opened himself a passage through the earth, by striking it with his trident in the lake of Cyane in Sicily; or, according to others, on the borders of the Cephisus in Attica, Proserpine called upon her attendants for help, but in vain, and she became the wife of her ravisher, and the queen of hell. Pluto is generally represented as holding a trident with two teeth; he has also keys in his hand, to intimate that whoever enters his kingdom can never return. He is looked upon as a hard-hearted and inexorable god, with a grim and dismal countenance, and for that reason no temples were raised to his honour, as to the rest of the superior gods. Black victims, and particularly a bull, were the only sacrifices which were offered to him, and their blood was not sprinkled on the altars, or received in vessels, as at other sacrifices, but it was permitted to run down into the earth, as if it were to penetrate as far as the realms of the god. The Syracusans yearly sacrificed to him black bulls, near the fountain of Cyane, where, according to the received traditions, he had disappeared with Proserpine. Among plants, the cypress, the narcissus, as also the maiden-hair, were sacred to him, and every thing which was deemed inauspicious, particularly the number two. According to some of the ancients, Pluto sat on a throne of sulphur, from which issued the rivers Lethe, Cocytus, Phlegethon, and Acheron. The dog Cerberus watched at his feet, the harpies hovered around him, Proserpine sat on his left hand, and near to the goddess stood the Eumenides, with their heads covered with snakes. The Parcae occupied the right, and they each held in their hands the symbols of their office, the distaff, the spindle, and the scissors. Plato is called by some the father of the Eumenides. During the war of the gods and the Titans, the Cyclops made a helmet, which rendered the bearer invisible, and gave it to Pluto. Persians was armed with it when he conquered the Gorgons. Hesiod. Theog.


Varro. L. i. 4.—Catull. ep. 3.—Virg. G. 4, v. 302. Æn. 6, v. 273. 1. 8, v. 296.—Lucan. 6, v. 715.—Horat. 2, 1. 8 & 18.—Senec. in Herc. fur.

Plutonium, a place of Phrygia.

Plutus, son of Jason or Jasius, by Ceres, the goddess of corn, has been confounded by many of the mythologists with Pluto, though plainly distinguished from him, as being the god of riches. He was brought up by the goddess of peace, and on that account Pax was represented at Athens as holding the god of wealth in her lap. The Greeks spoke of him as of a fickle divinity. They represented him as blind, because he distributed riches indiscriminately; he was lame, because he came slow and gradually; but had wings, to intimate that he flew away with more velocity than he approached mankind. Iacian in Tim.—Paus. 9, c. 16 & 26.—Hygin. P. A.—Aristoph. in Plut.—Diod. 5.

Pluvius, a surname of Jupiter. He was invoked by that name among the Romans, whenever the earth was parched up by continual heat, and was in want of refreshing rains
He had an altar in the temple on the Capitol.


Plurtleia, a festival among the Greeks, in honour of Aglauros, or rather of Minerva, who received from the daughter of Cecrops the name of Aglauros. The word seems to be derived from πλυντερία, to adorn, because, during the solemnity, they undressed the statue of the goddess, and washed it. The day on which it was observed was universally looked upon as unfortunate and insauspicious, and on that account no person was permitted to appear in the temples, as they were purposely surrounded with ropes. The arrival of Alciabides in Athens that day, was deemed very unfortunate; but, however, the success that ever after attended him, proved it to be otherwise. It was customary at this festival to bear in procession a cluster of figs, which intimated the progress of civilization among the first inhabitants of the earth, as figs served them for food after they had found a dislike for acorns.

Pirus, a village of Egypt.

Pncus, a son of Lixon and of Nicia, who resembled Juno.

Pnyx, a place of the Athenians, consecrated to the assemblies of the people.

Poblicius, a lieutenant of Pompey in Spain.

Podalirius, a son of Æsculapius and Epione. He was one of the pupils of the Cen-taur Chiron, and he made himself under him such a master of medicine, that during the Trojan war the Greeks invited him to their camp, to stop a pestilence which had baffled the skill of all their physicians. Some, however, suppose, that he went to the Trojan war, not in the capacity of a physician in the Grecian army, but as a warrior, attended by his brother Machaon, in 50 ships, with soldiers from Æchalias, Ithome, and Trica. At his return from the Trojan war, Podalirius was ship-wrecked on the coast of Caria, where he cured of the falling sickness a daughter of the king of that place. He fixed his habitation there, and built two towns, one of which he called Smyrna, by the name of his wife. The Carians, after his death, built him a temple, and paid him divine honours. Dicvts Cret.—Q. Smyrn. 6 & 3.—Ovid. de Art. Am. 2. Trist. el. 6.—Paus. 3.—A Rutulian engaged in the wars of Æneas and Turnus. Verg. Æn. 12, v. 304.

Podance, a daughter of Danaus.

Podarce, a son of Iphiclus, of Thessaly, who went to the Trojan war.——The first name of Priam. When Troy was taken by Hercules, he was redeemed from slavery by his sister Hesione, and from thence received the name of Priam. Vid. Priamus.

Podarces, a general of Mantinea, in the age of Epaminondas. Paus. 8, c. 9.

Podarge, one of the Harpies, mother of two of the horses of Achilles, by the Zephyrs. The word intimates the swiftness of her feet.

Podargus, a charioteer of Hector.

Podasimus, one of the daughters of Egyptus.

Podes, a son of Easion, killed by the blow of a javelin thrown at hazard by Menelaus.

Pegan, father of Philoctetes.

Peantia Proles, Philoctetes, son of Pegan.

Pean, son of Thaumus, was among the Argonauts.——The father of Philoctetes. The son is often called Peantia Proles, on account of his father. Ovid. Met. 13, v. 45.

Pecile, a celebrated portico at Athens, which received its name from the variety (ποινυκος) of paintings which it contained. It was there that Zeno kept his school, and the Stoics also received their lessons there, whence their name, a τοα, a porch. The Pecile was adorned with pictures of gods and benefactors, and among many others was the siege and sack of Troy, the battle of Theseus against the Amazons, the fight between the Lacedaemonians and Athenians at (Enos in Argolis, and of Atticus, the great friend of Athens. The only reward which Miltiades obtained after the battle of Marathon was to have his picture drawn more conspicuously than that of the other officers that fought with him, in the representa-tion which was made of the engagement, which was hung up in the Pecile, in commemoration of that celebrated victory. C. Nep. in Milt. & in Attic. 3.—Paus. 1.—Plin. 55.

Pén, a name given to the Carthagians. It seems to be a corruption of the word Pheni or Phænices, as the Carthaginians were of Phœ-nician origin.


Pceonia, a part of Macedonia, Vid. Pæo-

Poeus, a part of mount Pindus.

Pogon, a harbour of the Trojanians, on the coast of the Peloponnese. It received this name on account of its appearing to come forward before the town of Troæzen as the beard (ποιων) does from the chin. Strab. 6.—Mela, 2.

Pola, a city of Istria, founded by the Col-chians. Mela, 2, c. 3.


Polemocrati, a queen of Thrace, who fled to Brutus after the murder of Cesar. She retired from her kingdom because her subjects had lately murdered her husband.

Polemón, a youth of Athens, son of Philo-stratus. He was much given to debauchery and extravagance, and spent the greatest part of his life in riot and drunkenness. He once, when intoxicated, entered the school of Xenocrates, while the philosopher was giving his pupils a lecture upon the effects of intempe-rance, and he was so struck with the eloquence of the academician, and the force of his arguments, that from that moment he renounced the dissipated life he had led, and applied himself totally to the study of philosophy. He was then in the 30th year of his age, and from that time he never drank any other liquor but water, and after the death of
Xenocrates he succeeded in the school where his reformation had been effected. He died about 270 years before Christ, in an extreme old age. *Diog. in v.*.—*Horat. 2*, sat. 3, v. 234.—A son of Zeno the rhetorician, made king of Pontus by Antony. He attended his patron in his expedition against Parthia. After the battle of Actium he was received into favour by Augustus, though he had fought in the cause of Antony. He was killed some time after by the barbarians near the Palus Meotis, against whom he had made war. *Strab. Dict.*—His son of the same name was confirmed on his father's throne by the Roman emperors, and the province of Cilicia was also added to his kingdom by Claudius. An officer in the army of Alexander, &c. *Curt. 7*, c. 1, &c.—A rhetorician at Rome, who wrote a poem on weights and measures, still extant. He was master to Persius, the celebrated satirist, and died in the age of Nero.

A sophist of Laodicea, in Asia Minor, in the reign of Adrian. He was often sent to the emperor with a embassy by his countrymen, which he executed with great success. He was greatly favoured by Adrian, from whom he exacted much money. In the 56th year of his age he starved himself alive, as he laboured with the gout. He wrote declamations in Greek.

**POLIENOR, a Centaur, killed by Hercules.**

**POLIIS, a surname of Minerva, as protectress of cities.**

**POLICTHUS, son of Lycaon.**

**POLICIA, a festival at Thebes in honour of Apollo, who was represented there with grey hair, (πολιος) contrary to the practice of all other places. The victim was a bull, but when it happened once that no bull could be found, an ox was taken from the cart, and sacrificed. From that time the sacrifice of labouring oxen was deemed lawful, though before it was looked upon as a capital crime.**

**POLIES, a surname of Jupiter, protector of towns.**

**POLIOCRÊTES, (destroyer of cities,) a surname given to Demetrius, son of Antigonus. *Plut. in Demetri.***

**POLISMA, a town of Tross, on the Simois.**

**POLISTRATUS, an Epicurean philosopher, born the same day as Hippocldides, with whom he always lived in the greatest intimacy. They both died at the same hour. *Diog.—Val. Max. 1.***

**POLITÈS, a son of Priam and Hecuba, killed by Pyrrhus in his father's presence. *Virg. Æn. 2*, v. 526, &c.—His son, who bore the same name, followed Æneas into Italy, and was one of the friends of young Ascanius. *Id. 5*, v. 544.**

**POLITÓRION, a city of the Latins, destroyed by the Romans, before Christ, 639.**

**POLIOUCHOS, that is to say, he who guards cities, a surname of Minerva, among the Spartans.**

**POLIUS, that is to say, beautiful and white, a surname of Jupiter.**

**POLLÆNEA, a prostitute, &c. *Jul. 2*, v. 68.**

**POLLA ARGENTARIA, the wife of the poet Lucan.** She assisted her husband in correcting the three first books of his Pharsalia.

**POLLENTIA, a town of Liguria in Italy, famous for wool.** There was a celebrated battle fought there between the Romans and Alaric, king of the Huns, about the 40th year of the Christian era, in which the former, according to some, obtained the victory. *Met. 2*, c. 7.

**POLLIO, C. ASINIUS, a Roman consul, under the reign of Augustus, who distinguished himself as much by his eloquence and writings, as by his exploits in the field. He defeated the Dalmatians, and favoured the cause of Antony against Augustus. He patronized with great liberality the poets Virgil and Horace, who have immortalized him in their writings. He was the first who raised a public library at Rome, and indeed his example was afterwards followed by many of the emperors. In his library were placed the statues of all the learned men of every age, and Varro was the only person who was honoured there during his life-time. He was with J. Cesar when he crossed the Rubicon. He was greatly esteemed by Augustus when he had become one of his adherents, after the ruin of Antony. Pollio wrote some tragedies, orations, and a history, which was divided into 17 books. All these compositions are lost, and nothing remains of his writings except a few letters to Cicero. He died in the 80th year of his age, A. D. 4. He is the person in whose honour Virgil has inscribed his fourth eclogue. Pollio, as a reconciliation was effected between Augustus and Antony during his consulship, the poet, it is supposed, makes mention of a son of the consul born about this time, and is lavish in his excursions into futurity, and his predictions of future prosperity. *Pat. 2*, c. 86.—*Horat. 2*, od. 1. Sat. 10. 1. 1.—*Virg. Eccl. 3 & 4.—*Val. Mar. 8*, c. 13.—*Quint. 10.*—A man accused of sedition before Tiberius, and acquitted. He afterwards conspired against Nero, &c. *Tacit. 6*, c. 9. 15, c. 56.—One of the friends of Augustus, who used to feed his fishes with human flesh. This cruelty was discovered when one of his servants broke a glass in the presence of Augustus, who had been invited to a feast. The master ordered the servant to be seized; but he threw himself at the feet of the emperor, and begged him to interfere, and not to suffer him to be devoured by fishes. Upon this, the causes of his apprehension were examined, and Augustus, astonished at the barbarity of his favourite, caused the servant to be dismissed, all the fish-ponds to be filled up, and the crystal glasses of Pollio to be broken to pieces.—A man who poisoned Britannicus at the instigation of Nero. An historian in the age of Constantine the Great.—A sophist in the age of Pompey the Great.—A friend of the emperor Vespasian.

**POLLIUS, a commander of the Lacedaemonian fleet defeated at Navos, B. C. 377. *Died.***

**POLLIUS FELIX, a friend of the poet**
Statius, to whom he dedicated his second Sylva.

PolyupeX, now Final, a town of Liguria.

Polyuilia, a daughter of L. Vetus, put to death by order of Nero, &c. Tacit. 16 Ann. c. 10 & 11.

Polyux, a son of Jupiter by Leda, the wife of Tyndarus. He was brother to Castor. [Vid. Castor.]—A Greek writer, who flourished A.D. 186, in the reign of Commodus, and died in the 58th year of his age. He taught rhetoric at Athens, and wrote an useful work called Onomasticon, of which the best edition is that of Hemsterhusius, 2 vols. fol. Amst. 1706.

Polytis, a king of Thrace, in the time of the Trojan war.

Polyus, a celebrated Grecian actor.—A sophist of Agrigentum.

Polusca, a town of Latium, formerly the capital of the Volsci. The inhabitants are called Politustini. Lib. 2, c. 59.

Polyenus, a native of Macedonia, who wrote eight books in Greek of stratagems, which he dedicated to the emperors Antoninus and Verus, while they were making war against the Parthians. He wrote also other books which have been lost, among which was an history with a description of the city of Thebes. The best editions of his stratagems are those of Massius, 8vo. L. Bat. 1690, and of Mursinna, 12mo. Berlin 1756.—A friend of Philopenem.

Polyynus, a mountain of Macedonia, near Pindus.

Polyarchus, the brother of a queen of Cyrene, &c. Polyen. 8.

Polybydas, a general after the death of Agesipolis the Lacedemonian. He reduced Olynthus.

Polybius, or Polybas, a king of Corinth, who married Periboea, whom some have called Merope. He was son of Mercury by Chthonophyle, the daughter of Sicyon, king of Sicyon. He permitted his wife, who had no children, to adopt and educate as her own son, Edipus, who had been found by his shepherds exposed in the woods. He had a daughter called Lysiana, whom he gave in marriage to Talaus, son of Bias, king of Argos. As he had no male child, he left his kingdom to Adrastus, who had been banished from his throne, and who had fled to Corinth for protection. Hygin. fab. 66.

Paus. 2, c. 6.—Apollod. 3, c. 5.

Polybius, a native of Megalopolis, in Peloponnessus, son of Lycortas. He was early initiated in the duties, and made acquainted with the qualifications of a statesman, by his father, who was a strong supporter of the Achaeans league, and under him Philopomen was taught the art of war. In Macedonia he distinguished himself by his valour against the Romans, and when Perseus had been conquered, he was carried to the capital of Italy as a prisoner of war. But he was not long buried in the obscurity of a dungeon. Scipio and Fabius were acquainted with his uncommon abilities as a warrior, and as a man of learning, and they made him their friend by kindness and attention. Polybius was not insensible of their merit; he accompa-

ied Scipio in his expeditions and was present at the taking of Carthage and Numantia. In the midst of his prosperity, however, he felt the distresses of his country, which had been reduced into a Roman province, and like a true patriot, he relieved its wants, and eased its servitude, by making use of the influence which he had acquired by his acquaintance with the most powerful Romans. After the death of his friend and benefactor Scipio, he retired from Rome, and passed the rest of his days at Megalopolis, where he enjoyed the comforts and honours which every good man can receive from the gratitude of his citizens, and from the self-satisfaction which attends a humane and benevolent heart. He died in the 82d year of his age, about 124 years before Christ, of a wound which he had received by a fall from his horse. He wrote an universal history in Greek, divided into forty books, which began with the wars of Rome with the Carthaginians, and finished with the conquest of Macedonia by Paulus. The greatest part of this valuable history is lost; the five first books are extant, and of the twelve following the fragments are numerous. The history of Polybius is admired for its authenticity; and he is, perhaps, the only historian among the Greeks, who was experimentally and professedly acquainted with the military operations and the political measures of which he makes mention. He has been recommended in every age and country as the best master in the art of war, and nothing can more effectually prove the esteem in which he was held among the Romans, than to mention that Brutus, the murderer of Caesar, perused his history with the greatest attention, epitomized it, and often retired from the field where he had drawn his sword against Octavius and Antony, to read the instructive pages which described the great actions of his ancestors. Polybius, however great and entertaining, is sometimes censured for his unnecessary digressions, for his uncouth and ill-digested narrations, for his negligence, and the inaccurate arrangement of his words. But every where there is instruction to be found, information to be collected, and curious facts to be obtained; and it reflects no much honour upon Livy for calling the historian, from whom he has copies' whole books almost word for word, without gratitude or acknowledgment, *hand magnum spennendus auctor.* Dionysius also, of Halicarnassus, is one of his most violent accusers; but the historian has rather exposed his ignorance of true criticism, than discovered inaccuracy or inelegance. The best editions of Polybius are those of Gronovius, 3 vols. 8vo. Amst. 1760, and of Ernesti, 3 vols. 8vo. 1764. *Plut. in Phl. in Præc.* Lit. 30, c. 45.—Paus. 8, c. 30.—A freedman of Augustus. Suet.—A physician.—A soothsayer of Corinth.

Polybrea, a daughter of Amyclas and Diomedes, sister to Hyacinthus. Paus. 3, c. 19


Polyboites, one of the giants who made war against Jupiter. He was killed by Neptune, who crushed him under a part of the island of

POLYÇAIÁN, a son of Lelex. He received divine honours after death with his wife Messene, at Lacedaemon, where he had reigned. Paus. 4, c. 1, &c. —A son of Butes, who married a daughter of Hyllus.

POLYCARPUS, a famous Greek writer, born at Smyrna, and educated at the expense of a rich but pious lady. Some suppose that he was St. John's disciple. He became bishop of Smyrna, and went to Rome to settle the festival of Easter, but to no purpose. He was condemned to be burnt at Smyrna, A. D. 167. His epistle to the Philippians is simple and modest, yet replete with useful precepts and rules for the conduct of life. The best edition of Polycarp's epistle is that of Oxon. 8vo. 1708, being annexed to the works of Ignatius.

POLYCASTE, the youngest of the daughters of Nestor. According to some authors, she married Telemachus, when he visited her father's court in quest of Ulysses.

POLYCHARES, a rich Messenian, said to have been the cause of the war which was kindled between the Spartans and his countrymen, which was called the first Messenian war.

POLYCLEA, the mother of Thessalus, &c.

POLYCLÉES, an Athenian in the time of Demetrius, &c. Polyb. 5. —A famous athlete, often crowned at the four solemn games of the Greeks. He had a statue in Jupiter's grove at Olympia. Paus. 6, c. 1.

POLYCLÉTUS, a celebrated statuary of Sicyon, about 232 years before Christ. He was universally reckoned the most skilful artist of his profession among the ancients, and the second rank was given to Phidias. One of his pieces, in which he had represented the body-guard of the king of Persia, was so happily executed, and so nice and exact in all its proportions, that it was looked upon as a most perfect model, and accordingly called the Rule. He was acquainted with architecture. Paus. 2 & 6. —Quint. 12, c. 10. —Another who lived about 30 years after. —A favourite of the emperor Nero, put to death by Galba.

POLYCLITUS, an historian of Larissa.

POLYCÔTRES, a tyrant of Samos, well known for the continual flow of good fortune which always attended him. He became very powerful, and made himself master, not only of the neighbouring islands, but also of some cities on the coast of Asia. He had a fleet of a hundred ships of war, and was so universally respected, that Amasis, the king of Egypt, made a treaty of alliance with him. The Egyptian monarch, however, terrified by his continued prosperity, advised him to chequer his enjoyments, by relinquishing some of his most favourite objects. Polycrates complied, and threw into the sea a beautiful seal, the most valuable of his jewels. The voluntary loss of so precious a seal, afflicted him for some time, but a few days after, he recovered as a present a large fish, in whose belly the jewel was found. Amasis no sooner heard this, than he rejected all alliance with the tyrant of Samos, and observed, that sooner or later his good fortune would vanish. Some time after Polycrates visited Magnesia on the Maeander, where he had been invited by Orastes, the governor. He was shamefully put to death 522 years before Christ, merely because the governor wished to terminate the prosperity of Polycrates. The daughter of Polycrates had dissembled her father from going to the house of Orastes, on account of the bad dreams which she had had, but her advice was despised. Paus. 8, c. 14. —Strab. 14. —Herodot. 3, c. 39, &c. —A sophist of Athens, who, to engage the public attention, wrote a panegyric on Busiris and Clytemnesta. Quintil. 2, c. 17. —An ancient statistician.

POLYCRÊTA, or POLYCRÎTA, a young woman of Naxos, who became the wife of Diogenes, the general of the Erythreans, &c. Polyb. 8. —Another woman of Naxos, who died through excess of joy. Plat. de Clar. Mul.

POLYCRITUS, a man who wrote the life of Dionysius, the tyrant of Sicily.

POLYCTOR, the husband of Stygna, one of the Danaiides. Apollod. 2, c. 1. —The father of Pisander, one of Penelope's suitors. —An athlete of Elis. It is said that he obtained a victory at Olympia by bribing his adversary, who was superior to him in strength and courage. Paus. 5, c. 21.

POLYDĂMAS, a Trojan, son of Antenor by Theano, the sister of Hecuba. He married Lycaste, a natural daughter of Priam. He is accused by some of having betrayed his country to the Greeks. Dares. Phry. —A son of Panthus, born the same night as Hector. He was inferior to none of the Trojans except Hector, who fought against the Greeks. He was at last killed by Ajax, after he had slaughtered a great number of the enemy. Dictys. Cret. 1, &c. —Homer. II. 12, &c. —A celebrated athlete, who imitated Hercules in whatever he did. He killed a lion with his fist, and it is said that he could stop a chariot with his hand in its most rapid course. He was one day with some of his friends in a cave, when on a sudden, a large piece of rock came tumbling down, and while all fled away, he attempted to receive the falling fragment in his arms. His prodigious strength, however, was insufficient, and he was instantly crushed to pieces under the rock. Paus. 6, c. 5. —One of Alexander 's officers intimate with Parmenio. Curt. 4, c. 15.

POLYDAMNA, the wife of Thonus, king of Egypt. It is said that she gave Ulen a certain powder, which had the wonderful power of driving away care and melancholy. Homer. Od. 4, v. 228.

POLYDECTES, a king of Sparta, of the family of the Procloiades. He was son of Eunomus. Paus. 3, c. 7. —A son of Magnes, king of the island of Serifos. He received with great kindness Danae and her son Perseeus, who had been exposed on the sea by Acrisius. [Vid. Perseus.]
He took particular care of the education of Perseus; but when he became enamoured of Danae, he removed him from his kingdom, apprehensive of his resentment. Some time after he paid his addresses to Danae, and when she rejected him, he prepared to offer her violence. Danae fled to the altar of Minerva for protection, and Dictys, the brother of Polydectes, who had himself saved her from the sea, waters, opposed her ravisher, and armed himself in her defence. At this critical moment Perseus arrived, and with Medusa's head he turned into stones Polydectes, with the associates of his guilt. The crown of Seriphos was given to Dictys, who had shown himself so active in the cause of innocence. Ovid. Met. 5, v. 242.—Hygin. fab. 63, &c.—A sculptor of Greece. Pin.

Polydeucea, a fountain of Laconia, near Therapne. Strab. 9.

Polydora, a daughter of Peleus, king of Thessaly, by Antigone, the daughter of Euerytion. She married the river Sperchius by whom she had Mnestheus. Apollod.—One of the Oceanides. Hesiod.—A daughter of Melanippe, king of Calydon, who married Potisesias. She killed herself when she heard that her husband was dead. The wife of Potisesias is more commonly called Laodamia. [Vid. Protesilaus.] Paus. 4, c. 2.—A daughter of Pericles.—An island near the Propontis.

Polydeemon, an Assyrian prince, killed by Perseus. Ovid. Met. 5, fab. 3.

Polydorus, a son of Alcamenes, king of Sparta. He put an end to the war which had been carried on during twenty years between Messenia and his subjects; and during his reign, the Lacedaemonians planted two colonies, one at Crotone, and the other at Locri. He was universally respected. He was assassinated by a nobleman, called Polemarchus. His son Eurycrates succeeded him 724 years before Christ. Paus. 3.—Herodot. 7, c. 214.—A celebrated carver of Rhodes. Plin. 34.—A son of Hippomedon, who went with the Epigoni to the second Theban war. Paus. 2.—A son of Cadmus and Hermione, who married Nucteis, by whom he had Labdacus, the father of Laius. He had succeeded to the throne of Thebes, when his father had gone to Illyricum. Apollod. 3.—A brother of Jason of Phere, who killed his brother, and seized upon his possessions. Diod. 15.—A son of Priam by Hecuba, or according to others by Laothoe, the daughter of Altes, king of Pessinos. As he was young and inexperienced when Troy was besieged by the Greeks, his father removed him to the court of Polynestor, king of Thrace, and also entrusted to the care of the monarch a large sum of money, and the greatest part of his treasures, till his country was freed from foreign invasion. No sooner was the death of Priam known in Thrace, than Polynestor made himself master of the riches which were in his possession, and to ensure them the better, he assassinated young Polydorus, and threw his body into the sea, where it was found by Hecuba. [Vid. Hecuba.] According to Virgil, the body of Polydorus was buried near the shore by his assassin, and there grew on his grave a myrtle, whose boughs dropped blood, when Æneas, going to Italy, attempted to tear them from the tree. [Vid. Polynestor.] Virg. Æn. 3, v. 22, &c.—Apollod. 3, c. 12.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 432.—Homer. II, 20.—Dictys. Crest. 2, c. 18.

Polyanus, born at Macedonia, published eight Greek books on Strategem, which he dedicated to the emperors Antoninus and Verus. At the time when they made war with the Parthians; he also composed the history of the town of Thebes, and several other works which are destroyed. The best editions of his Strategems are that of Mavricius, Amsterdam, 1690; and that of Mursinna, 1756.—A friend of Philopomen.

Polygus, a surname of Mercury.

Polygontus, a celebrated painter of Thessos, about 422 years before the Christian era. His father's name was Aglaophon. He adorned one of the public portraits of Athens with his paintings, in which he had represented the most striking events of the Trojan war. He particularly excelled in giving grace, liveliness, and expression to his pieces. The Athenians were so pleased with him, that they offered to reward his labours with whatever he pleased to accept. He declined this generous offer, and the Amphietyon council, which was composed of the representatives of the principal cities of Greece, ordered that Polygontus should be maintained at the public expense wherever he went. Quint. 12, c. 10.—Plin. 33 & 34.—Plut. in Cim.—Paus. 10, c. 25, &c.

Polygonus, and Telegonus, sons of Proteus and Coronis, were killed by Hercules. Apollod.

Polyhymnia and Polynymia, one of the Muses, daughter of Jupiter and Mnemosyne. She presided over singing and rhetoric, and was deemed the inventress of harmony. She was represented veiled in white, holding a sceptre in her left hand, and with her right raised up, as if ready to harangue. She had a crown of jewels on her head. Hesiod. Theog.—Plut. in Sympos.—Horat. 1, od. 1.—Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 9.

Polypius, a physician who brought back to life Glaucus, the son of Minos, by applying to his body a certain herb, with which he had seen a serpent restore to life another which was dead. [Vid. Glaucus.] Apollod. 3, c. 3.—A son of Hercules by one of the daughters of Thestius. Apollod.—A dithyrambic poet, painter, and musician.

Polylas, a son of Hercules and Eurybia.

Polymene, an officer appointed to take care of Egypt after it had been conquered by Alexander. Curt. 4, c. 8.

Polymede, a daughter of Autolycus, who married Jason, by whom she had Jason. She survived her husband only a few days. Apollod. 1, c. 13.

Polymemon, one of Priam's illegitimate children.
POLYMELA, one of Diana's companions. She was daughter of Phylas. She had a son by Mercury. Homer. II. 16. — A daughter of Aelous, seduced by Ulysses. — A daughter of Actor. She was the first wife of Peleus, the father of Achilles.

POLYMESTES, a Greek poet of Colophon. Paus. 1. c. 14. — A native of Thera, father of Battus or Aristotle, by Phronima, the daughter of Etearchus, king of Daxus. Herodot. 4. c. 50.

POLYMESTOR, a king of the Thracian Chersonesus, who married Ilione, the eldest of Priam's daughters. When the Greeks besieged Troy, Priam sent the greatest part of his treasures, together with Polydorus, the youngest of his sons, to Thrace, where they were entrusted to the care of Polymnestor. The Thracian monarch paid every attention to his brother-in-law; but when he was informed that Priam was dead, he murdered him to become master of the riches which were in his possession. At that time, the Greeks were returning victorious from Troy, followed by all the captives, among whom was Hecuba, the mother of Polydorus. The fleet stopped on the coasts of Thrace, where one of the female captives discovered on the shore the body of Polydorus, whom Polymnestor had thrown into the sea. The dreadful intelligence was immediately communicated to the mother, and Hecuba, who recollected the frightful dreams which she had had on the preceding night, did not doubt but that Polymnestor was the cruel assassin. She resolved to revenge her son's death, and immediately she called out Polymnestor, as if wishing to impart to him a matter of the most important nature. The tyrant was drawn into the snare, and was no sooner introduced into the apartments of the princeess, than the female captives rushed upon him, and put out his eyes with their pins, while Hecuba murdered his two children, who had accompanied him. According to Euripides, the Greeks condemned Polymnestor to be banished into a distant island for his perfidy. Hyginus, however, relates the whole differently, and observes, that when Polydorus was sent to Thrace, Ilione, his sister, took him instead of her son Deiphilus, who was of the same age, apprehensive of her husband's cruelty. The monarch was unacquainted with the imposition; he looked upon Polydorus as his own son, and treated Deiphilus as the brother of Ilione. After the destruction of Troy, the conquerors, who wished the house and family of Priam to be totally exterminated, offered Electra, the daughter of Agamemnon, to Polymnestor, if he would destroy Ilione and Polydorus. The monarch accepted the offer, and immediately dispatched his own son Deiphilus, whom he had been taught to regard as Polydorus. Polydorus, who passed as the son of Polymnestor, consulted the oracle after the murder of Deiphilus, and when he was informed that his father was dead, his mother a captive in the hands of the Greeks, and his country in ruins, he communicated the answer of the god to Ilione, whom he had always regarded as his mother. Ilione told him the measures she had pursued to save his life, and upon this he avenged the perfidy of Polymnestor, by putting out his eyes. Eurip. in Hercub. — Hygin. fab. 1. v. Virg. Aen. 3. v. 43, &c.

Ovid. Met. 13, 440, &c. — A young Memelian, who took a bare in running, and afterwards obtained a prize at the Olympic games.

POLYMUS, a Grecian, who shewed Bacchus the way to Hell, when he descended there to carry away Semele.

POLYCES, a son of Cepdus, king of Thebes, by Jocasta. He inherited his father's throne with his brother Eteocles, and it was mutually agreed between the two brothers, that they should reign each a year alternately. Eteocles first ascended the throne by right of seniority; but when the year was expired, he refused to resign the crown to his brother. Polynices, upon this, fled to Argos, where he married Argia, the daughter of Adrastus, the king of the country, and levied a large army, at the head of which he marched against Thebes. The command of this army was divided among seven celebrated chiefs, who were to attack the seven gates of the city of Thebes. The battle was decided by a single combat between the two brothers, who both killed one another. [Vid. Eteocles.] 

Achill. sept. ante Theb. — Eurip. Phœbus. — Seneca in Thet. — Dion. 4. — Hygin. fab. 68, &c. — Paus. 2. c. 20. 1, 3. 5. — Apollod. 3. c. 5.

POLYNEES, one of the Nereides. Apollod. 1. c. 2.

POLYPÉMON, a famous thief, called also Procrustes, who plundered all the travellers about the Cephusis, and near Eleusis in Attica. He was killed by Theseus. Paus. 1, c. 38. — Ovid. in I6. 409. — Dion. 4. — Plut. in Thes.

POLYPERCHON, one of the officers of Alexander. Antipater, at his death, appointed him governor of the kingdom of Macedonia, in preference to his own son Cassander. Polyperchon, though old, and a man of experience, shewed great ignorance in the administration of the government. He became cruel not only to the Greeks, or such as opposed his ambitious views, but even to the helpless and innocent children and friends of Alexander, to whom he was indebted for his rise and military reputation. He was killed in a battle, 309 B. C.


POLYPHAGUS, that is to say, a great eater, a surname of Jupiter.

POLYPHÆMUS, a celebrated Cyclops, king of all the Cyclops in Sicily, and son of Neptune and Thoosa, the daughter of Phorcys. He is represented as a monster of strength, of a tall stature, and one eye in the middle of the forehead. He fed upon human flesh, and kept his flocks on the coast of Sicily, when Ulysses, at his return from the Trojan war, was driven there. The Grecian prince, with twelve of his companions, visited the coast, and were seized by the Cyclops, who confined them in his cave; and daily devoured two of them. Ulysses would have shared the fate of his companions, had he not intoxicated the Cyclops, and put out his eye.

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with a firebrand while he was asleep. Polyphemus was awakened, by the sudden pain; he stopped the entrance of his cave, but Ulysses made his escape by creeping between the legs of the rams of the Cyclops, as they were led out to feed on the mountains. Polyphemus became enamoured of Galatea, but his addresses were disregarded, and the nymph shunned his presence. The Cyclops was more earnest, and when he saw Galatea surrender herself to the pleasures of Acis, he crushed his rival with a piece of a broken rock. *Theor. 1.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 772.*— *Homer. od. 19.— Eurip. in Cyclop.—Hygin. fab. 125.—Virg. *Æn.* 3, v. 619, &c.—One of the Argonauts, son of Eolus and Hippea. *Hygin. 14.*

Polyphantes, one of the Heraclids, who killed Cephphontes, king of Messenia, and usurped his crown. *Hygin. fab. 137.*—One of the Theban generals, under Eteocles. *Æschyl. Sept. ante Theb.*

Polyphetes, a son of Pirithous and Hippodamia. *Homer. II. 2.—Paus. 10, v. 26.*—A son of Apollo by Python.—*One of the Trojans whom Æneas saw when he visited the infernal regions. Virg. *Æn.* 6, v. 484.*

Polyphemon, an artist of Colophon, who married Ædon, the daughter of Pandrastus.

Polytton, a friend of Alcibiades, with whom he profaned the mysteries of Ceres. *Paus. 1, c. 2.*

Polytemus, a river of Sogdiana. *Curt. 6, c. 4.*

Polyphon, a man sent by the Lacedemonians with an army against the Arcadians. He was killed at Orchomenus. *Did. 15.*

Polyxena, a daughter of Priam and Hecuba, celebrated for her beauty and accomplish- ments. Achilles became enamoured of her, and solicited her hand, and their marriage would have been consummated, had not Hector, her brother, opposed it. Polyxena, according to some authors, accompanied her father when he went to the tent of Achilles to redeem the body of his son Hector. Some time after, the Grecian hero came into the temple of Apollo, to obtain a sight of the Trojan princess, but he was murdered there by Paris; and Polyxena, who had returned his affection, was so afflicted at his death, that she went and sacrificed herself on his tomb. Some however suppose, that that sacrifice was not voluntary, but that the manes of Achilles appeared to the Greeks as they were going to embark, and demanded them the sacrifice of Polyxena. The prince, who was in the number of the captives, was, upon his, dragged to her lover's tomb, and there immolated by Neoptolemus, the son of Achilles. *Ovid. Met. 13, fab. 5, &c.—


Polyxenidas, a Syrian general who flourished B.C. 192.

Polyxenus, one of the Greek princes during the Trojan war. His father's name was Agasthenes. *Homer. II. 2.—Paus. 5, c. 3.*—A son of Medea by Jason.—A young Athenian who became blind.—A general of Dionysius from whom he revolted.

Polyxas, a priestess of Apollo's temple in Lemnos. She was also nurse to queen Hypsipyle. It was by her advice that the Lemnian women murdered all their husbands. *Apollon. 1.—Flacc. 2.—Hygin. fab. 15.*—One of the Atlantides.—A native of Argos, who married Telephorus, son of Hercules. She followed him to Rhodes, after the murder of his uncle Licymnus; and when he departed for the Trojan war with the rest of the Greek princes, she became the sole mistress of the kingdom. After the Trojan war, Helen fled from Peloponnesus to Rhodes, where Polyxas reigned. Polyxas detained her, and to punish her as being the cause of a war in which Telephorus had perished, she ordered her to be hanged on a tree by her female servants, disguised in the habit of Furies. [Vir. Helens.] *Paus. 5, c. 19.*—The wife of Nycteus.—One of the wives of Danaus.

Polyxenus, a Greek poet of Rhodes. He had written a poem on the origin and birth of Bacchus, Venus, the Muses, &c. Some of his verses are quoted by Athenæus. *Hygin. P. A. 2, c. 14.*

Pomaxethres, a Parthian soldier, who killed Crassus according to some. *Plut.*

Pometia, Pometi, and Pometia Susa, a town of Italy, totally destroyed by the Romans, because it had revolted. *Virg. *Æn.* 6, v. 775.

Pometina, one of the tribes of the people at Rome.

Pomona, a nymph at Rome, who was supposed to preside over gardens, and to be the goddess of all sorts of fruit-trees. She had a temple at Rome, and a regular priest, called Flamen Pomanalis, who offered sacrifices to her divinity, for the preservation of fruit. She was generally represented as sitting on a basket full of flowers and fruits, and holding a bough in one hand, and apples in the other. Pomona was particularly delighted with the cultivation of the earth; she disdained the toils of the field, and the fatigues of hunting. Many of the gods of the country endeavoured to gain her affection, but she received their addresses with coldness. Vertumnus was the only one who, by assuming different shapes, and introducing himself in her company, under the form of an old woman, prevailed upon her to break her vow of celibacy, and to marry him. This deity was unknown among the Greeks. *Ovid. Met. 14, v. 668, &c.*

Pomonalis Flamen, a priest of Pomona at Rome.

Pompea, a daughter of Sextus Pompey, by Scribonia. She was promised to Marcellus, but
she married Scribonius Libo.—A daughter of Pompey the Great, Julius Caesar’s third wife. She was accused of incontinence, because Clodius had introduced himself in woman’s clothes into the room where she was celebrating the mysteries of Cybele. Caesar repudiated her upon this accusation. Plut.—The wife of Annaeus Seneca, was the daughter of Pompeius Paulinus.—There was a portico at Rome, called Pompeia, much frequented by all orders of people. Ovid. art. am. v. 67.—Mart. 11, ep. 48.

Pompeianus Jupiter, a large statue of Jupiter, near Pompey’s theatre, whence it received its name. Plin. 34, c. 7.

Pompeianus, a Roman knight of Antioch, raised to offices of the greatest trust under the emperor Aurelius, whose daughter Lucilla he married. He lived in great popularity at Rome, and retired from court when Commodus succeeded to the imperial crown. He ought, according to Julian’s opinion, to have been chosen and adopted as successor by M. Aurelius.—A general of Maxentius, killed by Constantine.—A Roman, put to death by Caracalla.

Pompeii of Pompeii, a town of Campania, built, as some suppose, by Hercules. It was partly demolished by an earthquake, A. D. 63, and afterwards rebuilt. Sixteen years after, it was swallowed up by another earthquake, which accompanied one of the eruptions of mount Vesuvius. Herculaneum, in its neighbourhhood, shared the same fate. The people of the town were then assembled in a theatre, where public spectacles were exhibited. Vid. Herculaneum. Strab. 6.—Mela, 2, c. 4.—Dio.

Pompeius, a consul who carried on war against the Numantines, and made a shameful treaty. He is the first of that noble family of whom mention is made. Flor. 2, c. 18.—Cneus, a Roman general, who made war against the Marsi, and triumphed over the Piceni. He declared himself against Cinna and Marius, and supported the interest of the republic. He was summoned Strabo, because he squinted. While he was marching against Marcus, a plague broke out in his army, and raged with such violence, that it carried away 11,000 men in a few days. He was killed by a flash of lightning, and as he had behaved with cruelty while in power, the people dragged his body through the streets of Rome, with an iron hook, and threw it into the Tiber. Patro. 2.—Plut. in Pom.—Rufus, a Roman consul with Sylla. He was sent to finish the Marian war, but the army mutinied at the instigation of Pompeius Strabo, whom he was to succeed in command, and he was assassinated by some of the soldiers. Appian. Civ. 1.—A general who succeeded Metellus in Spain, and was the occasion of a war with Numantia. Another general, taken prisoner by Mithridates. Sextus, a governor of Spain, who cured himself of the gout by placing himself in corn above the knee. Plin. 22, c. 25.—Rufus, a grandson of Sylla. A tribute of the soldiers in Nero’s reign, deprived of his office when Piso’s conspiracy was discovered. Tacit.—A consul praised for his learning and abilities. Ovid. ex pont. 4, ep. 1.—A son of Theophranes of Mitylene, famous for his intimacy with Pompey the Great, and for his writings. Tacit. Ann. 6.—A tribune of a pretorian cohort under Galba. —A Roman knight put to death by the emperor Claudius, for his adultery with Messalina. Tacit. 11. Ann.—Cneus surnamed Magnus, from the greatness of his exploits was son of Pompeius Strabo, and Lucilia. He early distinguished himself in the field of battle, and fought with success and bravery under his father, whose courage and military prudence he imitated. He began his career with great popularity; the beauty and elegance of his person gained him admirers, and by pleading at the bar, he displayed his eloquence, and received the most unbounded applause. In the disturbances which agitated Rome, by the ambition and avarice of Marius and Sylla, Pompey followed the interest of the latter, and by levying three legions for his service, he gained his friendship and his protection. In the 26th year of his age, he conquered Sicily, which was in the power of Marius and his adherents, and in 40 days he regained all the territories of Africa, which had forsaken the interest of Sylla. This rapid success astonished the Romans, and Sylla, who admired and dreaded the rising power of Pompey, recalled him to Rome. Pompey immediately obeyed, and the dictator, by saluting him with the appellation of the Great, showed to the world what expectations he formed from the nature of
age of his victorious lieutenant. This sounding title was not sufficient to gratify the ambition of Pompey; he demanded a triumph, and when Sulla refused to grant it, he emphatically exclaimed, that the sun shone with more ardour at his rising than at his setting. His assurance gained what petitions and entreaties could not obtain, and he was the first Roman knight who, without an office under the appointment of the senate, marched in triumphant procession through the streets of Rome. He now appeared, not as a dependent, but as a rival of the dictator, and his opposition to his measures totally excluded him from his will. After the death of Sulla, Pompey supported himself against the remains of the Marian faction, which were headed by Lepidus. He defeated them, put an end to the war which the revolt of Sertorius in Spain had occasioned, and obtained a second triumph, though still a private citizen, about 73 years before the Christian era. He was soon after made consul, and in that office he restored the tribunial power to its original dignity, and in 40 days removed the pirates from the Mediterranean, where they had reigned for many years, and by their continual plunder and audacity, almost destroyed the whole naval power of Rome. While he prosecuted the piratical war, and extirpated these maritime robbers in their obscure retreats in Cilicia, Pompey was called to greater undertakings, and by the influence of his friends at Rome, and of the tribune Manilius, he was empowered to finish the war against two of the most powerful monarchs of Asia, Mithridates, king of Pontus, and Tigranes, king of Armenia. In this expedition Pompey showed himself nowise inferior to Lucullus, who was then at the head of the Roman armies, and who resigned with reluctance an office which would have made him the conqueror of Mithridates, and the master of all Asia. His operations against the king of Pontus were bold and vigorous, and in a general engagement the Romans so totally defeated the enemy, that the Asiatic monarch escaped with difficulty from the field of battle. [Vid. Mithridaticum bellum.] Pompey did not lose sight of the advantages dispatch would ensure; he entered Armenia, received the submission of king Tigranes, and after he had conquered the Albanians and Iberians, visited countries which were scarce known to the Romans, and, like a master of the world, disposed of kingdoms and provinces, and received homage from twelve crowned heads at once; he entered Syria, and pushed his conquests far over the Red Sea. Part of Arabia was subdued, Judaea became a Roman province, and when he had now nothing to fear from Mithridates, who had voluntarily destroyed himself, Pompey returned to Italy, with all the pomp and majesty of an eastern conqueror. The Romans dreaded his approach; they knew his power, and his influence among his troops, and they feared the return of another tyrannical Syria. Pompey, however, banished their fears; he disbanded his army, and the conqueror of Asia entered Rome as a private citizen. This modest and prudent behaviour gained him more friends and adherents, than the most unbounded power aided with profusion and liberality. He was honoured with a triumph, and the Romans, for three successive days, gazed with astonishment on the riches and the spoils which their conquests had acquired in the east, and they were uncommonly delighted with the sight of the different nations, habits, and treasures, which preceded the conqueror's chariot. But it was not this alone which gratified the ambition, and flattered the pride of the Romans; the advantages of their conquests were more lasting than an empty show, and when 20,000 talents were brought into the public treasury, and when the revenues of the republic were raised from 50 to 85 millions of drachmae, Pompey became more powerful, more flattered, and more envied. To strengthen himself, and to triumph over his enemies, Pompey soon after united his interest with that of Caesar and Crassus, and formed the first triumvirate, by solemnly swearing, that their attachment should be mutual, their cause common, and their union permanent. The agreement was completed by the marriage of Pompey with Julia, the daughter of Caesar, and the provinces of the republic were arbitrarily divided among the triumvirs. Pompey was allotted Africa and the two Spain, while Crassus repaired to Syria, to add Parthia to the empire of Rome, and Caesar remained satisfied with the rest, and the continuation of his power as governor of Gaul for five additional years, but this powerful confederacy was soon broken; the sudden death of Julia, and the total defeat of Crassus in Syria, shattered the political bands which held the jarring interest of Caesar and Pompey united. Pompey dreaded his father-in-law, and yet he affected to despise him, and by suffering anarchy to prevail at Rome, he convinced his fellow citizens of the necessity of investing him with dictatorial power. But while the conqueror of Mithridates was as a sovereign at Rome, the adherents of Caesar were not silent. They demanded that either the consulship should be given to him, or that he should be continued in the government of Gaul. This just demand would perhaps have been granted, but Caesar opposed it; and when Pompey sent for the two legions he had sent to Caesar, the breach became more wide, and civil war inevitable. Caesar was now perfectly preparing to meet his enemies, while Pompey remained indolent, and gratified his pride in seeing all Italy celebrate his recovery from an indisposition by universal rejoicings. But he was soon roused from his inactivity, and it was now time to find his friends, if any thing could be obtained from the caprice and the fickleness of a people which he had once delighted and amused, by the exhibition of games and spectacles in a theatre which could contain 20,000 spectators. Caesar was now near Rome; he had crossed the Rubicon, which was a declaration of hostilities, and Pompey, who had once boasted that he could raise legions to his na-
Cæsar erected a monument on his remains, and the emperor Adrian, two centuries after, when he visited Egypt, ordered it to be repaired at his own expense, and particular honour to the memory of a great and good man. The character of Pompey, in that of an intriguing and artful general, and the 

Achilles, the spirit, of which he had been invested with discretionary power, the senate had entreated him to protect the republic against the usurpation and tyranny of Cæsar; and Cato, by embracing his cause, and appearing in his camp, seemed to indicate, that he was the friend of the republic, and the asserter of Roman liberty and independence. But Cæsar was now master of Rome, and in sixty days all Italy acknowledged his power, and the conqueror hastened to Spain, there to defeat the interest of Pompey, and to alienate the hearts of his soldiers. He was too successful, and when he had gained to his cause the western parts of the Roman empire, Cæsar crossed Italy and arrived in Greece, where Pompey had retired, supported by all the power of the east, the wishes of the republican Romans, and by a numerous and well-disciplined army. Though superior in numbers, he refused to give the enemy battle, while Cæsar continually harassed him, and even attacked his camp. Pompey repelled him with great success, and he might have decided the war if he had continued to pursue the enemy while their confusion was great, and their escape almost inevitable. Want of provisions obliged Cæsar to advance towards Thessaly; Pompey pursued him, and in the plains of Pharsalia the two armies engaged. The whole was conducted against the advice and approbation of Pompey, and by suffering his troops to wait for the approach of the enemy, he deprived his soldiers of that advantage which the army of Cæsar obtained by running to the charge with spirit, vigour, and animation. The cavalry of Pompey soon gave way, and the general retired to his camp, overwhelmed with grief and shame. But here there was no safety, the conqueror pressed on every side, and Pompey disguised himself, and fled to the sea coast, whence he passed to Egypt, where he hoped to find a safe asylum, till better and more favourable moments returned, in the court of Ptolemy, a prince whom he had once protected and ensured on his throne. When Ptolemy was told that Pompey claimed his protection, he consulted his ministers, and had the baseness to betray, and to deceive him. A boat was sent to fetch him on shore, and the Roman general left his galley, after an affectionate and tender parting with his wife Cornelia. The Egyptian sailors sat in sullen silence in the boat, and when Pompey disembarked, Achilles and Septimius assassinated him. His wife, who had followed him with her eyes to the shore, was a spectator of the bloody scene, and she hastened away from the bay of Alexandria, not to share his miserable fate. He died B. C. 48, in the 58th, or 49th year of his age, the day after his birth-day. Artis head was cut off, and sent to Cæsar, who turned away from it with horror, and shed a flood of tears. The body was left for some time naked on the sea-shore, till the humanity of Philip, one of his freed-men, and an old soldier, who had often followed his standard to victory, raised a burning pile, and deposited his ashes under a mound of earth. Cæsar erected a monument on his remains, and the emperor Adrian, two centuries after, when he visited Egypt, ordered it to be repaired at his own expense, and particular honour to the memory of a great and good man. The character of Pompey, in that of an intriguing and artful general, and the artis probis, and animo invicem causarum Sallust, short and laconic as it may appear, is the best and most descriptive picture of his character. He wished it to appear that he obtained all his honours, and dignity from merit and virtue, and as the free and unprejudiced favours of the Romans, while he secretly claimed them by faction and intrigue, and he who wished to appear the patron, and an example of true discipline and ancient simplicity, was not ashamed publicly to bribe the populace to gain an election, or to support his favourites. Yet amidst all this dissimulation, which was perhaps but congenial with the age, we perceive many other striking features: Pompey was kind and clement to the conquered, and generous to his captives, and he buried at his own expense Mithridates, with all the pomp and solemnity with which the greatness of his power, and the extent of his dominions seemed to claim. He was an enemy to flattery, and when his character was impeached by the malevolence of party, he condescended, though consul, to appear before the censorial tribunal, and to shew that his actions and measures were not subservive of the peace and independence of the people. In his private character he was as remarkable, he lived with great temperance and moderation, and his house was small, and not ostentatiously furnished. He destroyed with great prudence the papers which were found in the camp of Sertorius, lest mischievous curiosity should find cause to accuse the innocent, and to meditate their destruction. With great disinterestedness he refused the presents which princes and monarchs offered to him, and he ordered them to be added to the public revenue. He might have seen a better fate, and terminated his days with more glory, if he had not acted with such imprudence when the flames of civil war were first kindled; and he reflected with remorse, after the battle of Pharsalia, upon his want of usual sagacity and military prudence, in fighting at such a distance from the sea, and in leaving the fortified places of Dyrrachium to meet in the open plain an enemy which was without provisions, without friends, and without resources. The misfortunes which attended him after the conquest of Mithridates, are attributed by Christian writers to his impiety in profaning the temple of the Jews, and in entering with the insolence of a conqueror the Holy of Holies, where even the sacred person of the high priest of the nation was not admitted but upon the most solemn occasions. His duplicity of behaviour in regard to Cicero is deservedly censured, and he should not have violently sacrificed to party and sedition a Ro-
man, whom he had ever found his firmest friend and adherent. In his meeting with Lu-
cullus he cannot but be taxed with pride, and
hemighthavepaidmoredeferenceandmore ho-
nour to a general, who was as able and more
entitled than himself to finish the Mithridatic war.
Pompey married four different times. His first matrimonial connexion was with An-
tisia, the daughter of the pretor Antistius, whom
hedivorcedwithgreatreluctancetomarry.
Eumelia, the daughter-in-law of Sylla.
Eumelia died in child-bed, and Pompey's mar-
rriage with Julia, the daughter of Cesar, was
at me step more of policy than affection. Yet Julia
loved Pompey with great tenderness, and
her death in child-bed was the signal of
war between her husband and her father.
He afterwards married Cornelia, the
dughter of Metellus Scipio, a woman com-
mended for her virtues, beauty, and accom-
plishments. _Plut. in vita._—_Flor._ 4.—_Paterc._
2, c. 29.—_Dis. Cass._—_Lucan._—_Appian._—_Ces.
bell. Civ._—_Cic. Orat. 68, ad Attic. &c._—_Eutrop._
—_The two sons of Pompey the Great, called
Cneius and Sextus, were masters of a powerful
army, when the death of their father was
known. They prepared to oppose the con-
quering, but Cesar pursued them with un-
common vigour and success, and at the battle of
Munda they were defeated, and Cneius was
left among the slain. Sextus fled to Sicily,
where he for some time supported himself;
but the murder of Cesar gave rise to new
events, and if Pompey had been as prudent and
as sagacious as his father, he might have be-
come perhaps as great and formidable.
He treated with the triumvirs as an equal, and
when Augustus and Antony had the impu-
rience to trust themselves without arms and
without attendants in his ship, Pompey, by
following the advice of his friend Menas, who
wished him to cut off the illustrious persons who
were masters of the world, and now in his
power, might have made himself as absolute as
Cesar; but he refused, and observed it was
unbecoming the son of Pompey to act with
such duplicity. This friendly meeting of
Pompey with two of the triumvirs was not pro-
ductive of advantages to him; he wished to
have no superior, and hostilities began. Pom-
pney was at the head of 330 ships, and appeared
so formidable to his enemies, and so confident
of success in himself, that he called himself
the son of Neptune, and the lord of the sea.
He was however, soon defeated in a naval en-
gagement by Octavius and Lepidus, and of all
his numerous fleet only 17 sail accompanied his
flight to Asia. Here for a moment he raised
seditions, but Antony ordered him to be seized,
and put to death about 35 y ears before the
Christian era. _Plut. in Anton. &c._—_Paterc._ 2,
c. 55, &c.—_Flor._ 4, c. 2, &c.—_Trogus._ [Vid.
_Trogus._] Sextus Festus, a Latin grammarian,
of whose treatise de verborum significantiue, the
best edition is in 4to. Amst. 1699.

**POMPILIUS NUMA,** the second king of Rome.

[Vid. Num.] The descendants of the monarch
were called **Pompiius Sauguis,** an expression
applied by Hiero to the Pisos. _Art. Poet._ v.
292.—_A grammarians of Syria,** who opened
a school at Rome, and had Cicero and Cesar
among his pupils. _Sueton._

**POMPIA,** a daughter of Numa Pompiilius.
She married Numa Martius, by whom she had
Ancus Martius, the fourth king of Rome.

**POMPIUS,** a fisherman of Ionia. He carried
into Miletus, Ocyroe the daughter of Choesias,
of whom Apollo was enamoured, but before he
had reached the shore the god changed the boat
into a rock, Pompeii into a fish of the
same name, and carried away Ocyroe._ _Plin._
6, c. 9 & 32.

**POMPISCUUS,** an Arcadian. _Polyen._ 5.

**POMPONIA,** the wife of Q. Cicero, sister to
Pompius Atticus. She punished with the
greatest cruelty, Philologus, the slave who had
betrayed her husband to Antony, and she or-
dered him to cut his flesh by piece-meal, and
afterwards to boil it and eat it in her presence.
—_A daughter of Pompionius Greicus, &c._
—_Another matron banished from Rome by
Domitian, and recalled by Nerva._

**POMPONUS,** the father of Numa, advised his
son to accept of the regal dignity which the
Roman ambassadors offered to him._—_A
celebrated Roman, intimate with Cicero. He
was surnamed Atticus, from his long residence
at Athens. [Vid. Atticus._—_Flaccus, a man
appointed governor of Moesia and Syria by
Tiberius, because he had continued drinking
and eating with him for two days without in-
terruption. _Suet. in Tib._ 42._—_A tribune of
the people in the time of Servilius Ahala the
consul.—_Labeo, a governor of Moesia ac-
cused of ill management in his province. He
destroyed himself by opening his veins. Tacit.
Ann. 6, v. 29._—_Mela, a Spaniard, who wrote
a book on geography. [Vid. Mela._—_A pro-
consul of Africa accused by the inhabitants of
his province and acquitted, &c._—_A Roman
who accused Manlius, the dictator of cruelty.
He triumphed over Sardina, of which he was
made governor. He escaped from Rome, and
the tyranny of the triumvirs, by assuming the
habit of a pretor, and by travelling with his
servants disguised in the dress of dictors with
their fasces.—_Secundus, an officer in Ger-
many in the age of Nero. He was honoured
with a triumph for a victory over the barba-
rians of Germany. He wrote some poems
greatly celebrated by the ancients for their
beauty and elegance, They are lost.—_A
friend of C. Gracchus. He was killed in at-
tempting to defend him. _Plut. m Gracce._
—_An officer taken prisoner by Mithridates._
A dissolute youth, &c._ Horat. 1. Sat. 4, v.
52.

**POMPOLIANUS,** a Roman put to death by
Domitian. He had been before made consul
by Vespasian.

**POMPINTUS,** a part of the country of the
Volsci.

C. **POMPITUS,** a Roman officer who con-
quered the Allobrogues after the defeat of Ca-
tiline.

**POMPS,** a king of Arcadia. _Paus._ 8, c. 5.
Pons Ælius, was built by the emperor Adrian at Rome. It was the second bridge of Rome in following the current of the Tiber. It is still to be seen, the largest and most beautiful in Rome.—Emylius, an ancient bridge at Rome, originally called Sublicius, because built with wood (sublicia). It was raised by Ancus Martius, and dedicated with great pomp and solemnity by the Roman priests. It was rebuilt with stones by Æmilius Lepidus, whose name it assumed. It was much injured by the overflowing of the river, and the emperor Antoninus, who repaired it, made it all over with white marble. It was the last of all the bridges of Rome, in following the course of the river, and some vestiges of it may still be seen.—Aniena, was built across the river Anio about three miles from Rome. It was rebuilt by the enuch Neros, and called after him, when destroyed by the Goths.—Cestus, was built in the reign of Tiberius by a Roman called Cestius Gallus, from whom it received its name, and carried back from an island of the Tiber to which the Fabricius conducted.— Aurelianus, was built with marble by the emperor Antoninus.—Armoniensis, was built by Augustus, to join the Flaminian by the Æmilian road.—Bajanum, was built at Baiae in the sea by Caligula. It was supported by boats, and measured about six miles in length.—Janiculensis received its name from its vicinity to mount Janiculum. It is still standing.—Milius, was about one mile from Rome. It was built by the censor Ælius Scaurus. It was near it that Constantine defeated Maxentius.—Fabricius, was built by Fabricius, and carried to an island of the Tiber.—Gardius, was built by Agrippa.—Palatini, near mount Palatine, was also called Senatorius, because the senators walked over it in procession when they went to consult the Sibylline books. It was begun by M. Fulvius, and finished in the censorship of L. Mummus, and some remains of it are still visible.—Trajani, was built by Trajan across the Danube, celebrated for its bigness and magnificence. The emperor built it to assist more expeditiously the provinces against the barbarians, but his successor destroyed it, as he supposed that it would be rather an inducement for the barbarians to invade the empire. It was raised on 20 piers of hewn stones, 150 feet from the foundation, 60 feet broad, and 170 feet distant one from the other, extending in length above a mile. Some of the pillars are still standing.—Another was built by Trajan over the Tagus, part of which still remains. Of temporary bridges, that of Caesar over the Rhine was the most famous.—The largest single arched bridge known is over the river Elaver in France, called Pons Veneris Privatis. The pillars stand on two rocks, at the distance of 195 feet. The arch is 84 feet high above the water.—Suffragorum was built in the Campus Martius, and received its name, because the populace were obliged to pass over it whenever they delivered their suffrages at the election of magistrates and officers of the state.—Tirensis, a bridge of Latium between Arpinum and Minturnae.—Triumphal, was on the way to the Capitol, and passed over by those who triumphed.—Nara- biensis, joined two mountains near Nasimia built by Augustus, of stupendous height, 60 miles from Rome; one arch of it remains, about 100 feet high.

Pontia, a Roman matron who committed adultery, &c. Tactit. Ann. 13.—A mother famous for her cruelty. Martial. 1, ep. 34.—A surname of Venus at Hermione. Paus. 2, c. 34.—A woman condemned by Nero as guilty of a conspiracy. She killed herself by opening her veins. She was daughter of Petronius, and wife of Bolanus. Jun. 6, v. 637.

Ponticum mare, the sea of Pontus, generally called the Euxine.

Ponticus, a poet of Rome, contemporary with Propertius. Propert. 1, el. 7.—A man in Juvenal's age, fond of boasting of the antiquity and great actions of his family, yet without possessing himself one single virtue.


Pontines, a friend of Cicero.—A tribute of the people, who refused to rise up when Caesar passed in triumphal procession. He was one of Caesar's murderers, and was killed at the battle of Mutina. Sueton. in Ces. 73.—Cic. 10. ed sam.—A mountain of Argolis, with a river of the same name. Paus. 2, c. 73.

Pontius Auffidians, a Roman citizen, who upon hearing that violence had been offered to his daughter, punished her and her ravisher with death. Val. Max. 6. c. 1.—Heronnius, a general of the Samnites, who surrounded the Roman army under the consuls T. Veturius and P. Posthumius. As there was no possibility of escaping for the Romans, Pontius consulted his father what he could do with an army that were prisoners in his hands. The old man advised him either to let them go untouched, or put them all to the sword. Pontius rejected his father's advice, and spared the lives of the enemy, after he had obliged them to pass under the yoke with the greatest ignominy. He was afterwards conquered, and obliged in his turn to pass under the yoke. Fabius Maximus defeated him, when he appeared again at the head of another army, and he was afterwards shamefully put to death by the Romans after he had adorned the triumph of the conqueror.

Lis.—Cominius, a Roman who gave information to his countrymen, who were besieged in the capitol, that Camillus had obtained a victory over the Gauls. Plut. A Roman slave, who told Sylla in a prophetic strain, that he brought him success from Bocora. —One of the favourites of Albucilla. He was degraded from the rank of a senator. Tacit.—Titus, a Roman centurion, whom Cicero de Senect. mentions as possessed of uncommon strength.

Pontus, a kingdom of Asia Minor, bounded on the east by Colchis, west by the Halye, north by the Euxine sea, and south by part of
Armenia. It was divided into three parts according to Ptolemy, Pontus Galaticus, Pontus Polemoniacus, and Pontus Cappadocius. It was governed by kings, the first of whom was Artabazus, either one of the seven Persian noblemen who murdered the usurper Smerdis, or one of their descendants. The kingdom of Pontus was in its most flourishing state under Mithridates the Great. When J.Cæsar had conquered it, it became a Roman province, though it was often governed by monarchs who were tributary to the power of Rome. Under the emperors a regular governor was always appointed over it. Pontus produced castors, whose testicles were highly valued among the ancients for their salutary quality in medicinal processes. Virg. G. 1, v. 58.—Mela, 1, c. 1 & 19.—Strab. 12.—Cic. pro Leg.—Man.—Appian.—Ptol. 5, c. 6.—A part of Mysia in Europe on the borders of the Euxine sea, where Ovid was banished. Ovid. de Pont.—An ancient deity, father of Phorcys, Thaumas, Ne- reus, Eurybia, and Ceto, by Terra. He is the same as Oceanus. Apollod. 1, c. 2.

Pontus Euxinus, a celebrated sea, situate at the west of Colchis between Asia and Europe, at the north of Asia Minor. It is called the Black sea by the moderns. Vid. Euxinus.

M. Popilius, a consul who was informed, as he was offering a sacrifice, that a sedition was raised in the city against the senate. Upon this he immediately went to the populace in his sacerdotal robes, and quenched the multitude with a speech. He lived about the year of Rome 404. Liv. 9, c. 21.—Val. Max. 7, c. 8.

Lænas, a Roman ambassador to Antiochus, king of Syria. He was commissioned to order the monarch to abstain from hostilities against Pontus, king of Egypt, who was an ally of Rome. Antiochus wished to evade him by his answers, but Popilius, with a stick which he had in his hand, made a circle round him on the sand, and bade him in the name of the Roman senate and people not to go beyond it before he spoke decisively. This boldness intimidated Antiochus; he withdrew his garrisons from Egypt, and no longer meditated a war against Pontus. Val. Max. 6, c. 4.—Liv. 45, c. 12.—Paterc. 1, c. 10.—A tribune of the people who murdered Cicero, to whose eloquence he was indebted for his life when he was accused of parricide. Plut.—A pretor who banished the friends of Tiberius Gracchus from Italy.—A Roman consul, who made war against the people of Numantia, on pre- tence that the peace had not been firmly established. He was defeated by them.—A senator who alarmed the conspirators against Cæsar, by telling them that the whole plot was discovered.—A Roman emperor. Vid. Nepotianus.

Poplicola, one of the first consuls. Vid. Publicola.

Poppea Sabina, a celebrated Roman matron, daughter of Titus Orellus. She married a Roman knight called Rufus Crispinus, by whom she had a son. Her personal charms and the elegance of her figure, cattivated Otho, who was then one of Nero's favourites. He carried her away and married her; but Nero, who had seen her, and had often heard her accomplishments extolled, soon deprived him of her company, and sent him out of Italy, on pretence of presiding over one of the Roman provinces. After he had taken this step, Nero repudiated his wife Octavia, on pretence of barrenness, and married Poppea. The cruelty and avarice of the emperor did not long permit Poppea to share the imperial dignity, and though she had already made him father of a son, he began to despise her, and even to use her with barbarity. She died of a blow which she received from his foot, when many months advanced in her pregnancy, about the 65th year of the Christian era. Her funeral was performed with great pomp and solemnity, and statues raised to her memory. It is said that she was so anxious to preserve her beauty and the elegance of her person, that 500 asses were kept on purpose to afford her milk in which she used daily to bathe. Even in her banishment she was attended by 50 of these animals for the same purpose, and from their milk she invented a kind of ointment, or pomatum, to preserve beauty, called poppeacrum from her. Plin. 11, c. 41.—Dio. 62.—Juv. 6.—Suet. in Ner. & Oth. Taet. 13 & 14.—A beautiful woman at the court of Nero. She was mother to the preceding. Tacit. Ann. 11, c. 1, &c.

Poppeus Sabinus, a Roman of obscure origin, who was made governor of some of the Roman provinces. He destroyed himself, &c. Tacit. 6, Ann. 39.—Sylvanus, a man of consular dignity, who brought to Vespasian a body of 600 Dalmatians.—A friend of Otho.

Populonia, a town of Etruria, destroyed in the civil wars of Sylla. Strab. 5.—Verg. En. 10, v. 172.

Porata, now the Pruth, a river of Dacia throws itself into the Danube, below Axiopti.

Porcia, a sister of Cato of Utica, greatly commended by Cicero.—A daughter of Cato of Utica, who married Bibulus, and after his death, Brutus. She was remarkable for her prudence, philosophy, courage, and conjugal tenderness. She gave herself a heavy wound in the thigh, to see with what fortitude she could bear pain; and when her husband asked her the reason of it, she said, that she wished to try whether she had courage enough to share not only his bed, but to partake of his most hidden secrets. Brutus was astonish'd at her constancy, and no longer detained from her knowledge the conspiracy which he and many other illustrious Romans had formed against J. Cæsar. Porcia wished them success, and though she betrayed fear, and fell into a swoon the day that her husband was gone to assassinate the dictator, yet she was faithful to her promise, and dropped nothing which might affect the situation of the conspirators. When Brutus was dead, she refused to survive him, and attempted
to end her life as a daughter of Cato. Her friends attempted to terrify her; but when she saw that every weapon was removed from her reach, she swallowed burning coals, and died about 42 years before the Christian era. Valerius Maximus says, that she was acquainted with her husband's conspiracy against Caesar when she gave herself the wound. Val. Mai. 3, c. 2, l. 2, c. 6. - Plut. in Brut. &c.

Porcia lex, de civitate, by M. Porcius the tribune, A. U. C. 453. It ordained that no magistrate should punish with death, or scourge with rods, a Roman citizen when condemned, but only permit him to go into exile.

M. Porcius Latro, a celebrated orator, who killed himself when labouring under a quartan ague, A. U. C. 750. - Cicero. He had, on a Roman senator who joined the conspiracy of Catiline. - A son of Cato at Utica, given much to drinking.

Pordobrax, one of the forty Gauls, whom Mithridates ordered to be put to death, and to remain unburi'd for conspiring against him. His mistress at Pergamus buried him against the orders of the monarch. Plut. de virt. mul.

Porphyris, one of the names of the island of Cyprus.

Pohina, a river of Peloponnesus. Paus. 8, c. 15.

Pohosilene, an island near Lesbos. Strab. 13.

Porphyrius, a son of Caelus and Terra, one of the giants who made war against Jupiter. He was so formidable, that Jupiter, to conquer him, inspired him with love for Juno, and while the giant endeavoured to obtain his wishes, he, with the assistance of Hercules, overpowered him. Horat. 3, od. 4. - Mart. 13, ep. 78. - Apollod. 1, c. 6. - Plut. de virt. mul.

Porphyrius, a Platonick philosopher of Tyre. He studied eloquence at Athens under Longinus, and afterwards retired to Rome, where he perfected himself under Plotinus. Porphyry was a man of universal information, and, according to the testimony of the ancients, he excelled his contemporaries in the knowledge of history, mathematics, music, and philosophy. He expressed his sentiments with elegance and with dignity, and while other philosophers studied obscurity in their language, his style was remarkable for its simplicity and grace. He applied himself to the study of magic, which he called a theurgic or divine operation. The books that he wrote were numerous, and some of his smaller treatises are still extant. His most celebrated work, which is now lost, was against the religion of Christ, and in this theological contest he appeared so formidable, that most of the fathers of the church have been employed in confuting his arguments, and developing the falsehood of his assertions. He has been universally called the greatest enemy which the Christian religion had, and indeed his doctrines were so pernicious, that a copy of his book was publicly burnt by order of Theodosius, A. D. 388. Porphyry resided for some time in Sicily, and died at the advanced age of 71, A. D. 304. The best edition of his life of Pythagoras is that of Kuster, 4to. Amst. 1707, that of his treatise De Abstinentia, is De Rhoeer. Trag. ad Rh. 8vo. 1767, and that De Antro Nympharum, is 8vo. Trag. ad Rh. 1765. - A Latin poet in the reign of Constantine the Great.

Porhine, entrails of victims, which the priests threw into the fire, after having looked into them, in order to draw presages from them.

Porhime, one of the attendants of Carmeante when she came from Arcadia. Ovid. 1. Fast. v. 653.

Porsenna of Porsena, a king of Etruria, who declared war against the Romans, because they refused to restore Tarquin to his throne and his royal privileges. He was at first unsuccessful, the Romans were defeated, and Porsenna would have entered the gates of Rome, had not Cocles stood at the head of a bridge, and supported the fury of the whole Etrurian army, while his companions behind were cutting off the communication from the opposite shore. This act of bravery astonished Porsenna; but when he had seen Mutilus Scævola enter his camp with an intention to murder him, and when he had seen him burn his hand without emotion, to convince him of his fortitude and intrepidity, he no longer dared to make head against a people so brave and so generous. He made a peace with the Romans, and never after supported the claims of Tarquin. The generosity of Porsenna's behaviour to the captives was admired by the Romans, and to reward his humanity they raised a brazen statute to his honour. Liv. 2, c. 9, &c. - Plut. in Public. - Flor. 1, c. 10. - Horat. ep. 16. - Virg. Æn. 8, v. 646. - Porta Capena, a gate at Rome, which leads to the Appian road. Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 192. - Aurelia, a gate at Rome which received its name from Aurelius, a consul who made a road which led to Pisa, all along the coast of Etruria. - Asinaria, led to mount Caelius. It received its name from the family of the Asini. - Carmentalis, was at the foot of the capitol, built by Romulus. It was afterwards called Sceletara, because the 300 Fabi marched through when they went to fight an enemy, and were killed near the river Cremera. - Janus was near the temple of Janus. - Esquiline was also called Metia, Taurica, or Libitinensis, and all criminals who were going to be executed generally passed through, as also dead bodies which were carried to be burnt on mount Esquiline. - Flaminia, called also Fumentana, was situate between the capitol and mount Quirinalis, and through it the Flaminian road passed. - Fontinalis, led to the Campus Martius. It received its name from the great number of fountains that were near it. - Navalis was situate near the place where the ships came from Ostia. - Viminalis, was near mount Viminalis. - Trigemina, called also Ostiensia, led to the town of Ostia. - Catularia, was near the Carmental Porta, at the foot of mount Viminalis.

Collatina, received its name from its leading to Collatia. - Collina, called also Quirinalis.
Agenusia, and Salaria, was near Quirinalia.

Mons. Annibal rode up to this gate and threw a spear into the city. It is to be observed, that at the death of Romulus there were only three or four gates at Rome, but the number was increased, and in the time of Pliny there were thirty-seven, when the circumference of the walls was thirteen miles and two hundred paces.


Portmos, a town of Euboea. Demosth.

Portumnalia, festivals of Portumnus at Rome, celebrated in a very solemn and lugubrious manner. Varro, de L. L. 5, c. 3.

Portumnus, a sea deity. Vid. Melicerta;

Porus, the god of plenty at Rome. He was son of Metis or Prudence. Plato.-A king of India when Alexander invaded Asia. The conqueror of Darius ordered him to come and pay homage to him as a dependent prince of Porus scorned his commands, and declared he would go and meet him on the frontiers of his kingdom sword in hand, and immediately he marched a large army to the banks of the Hydaspes. The stream of the river was rapid, but Alexander crossed it in the obscurity of the night, and defeated one of the sons of the Indian monarch. Porus himself renewed the battle; but the valour of the Macedonians prevailed, and the Indian prince retired covered with wounds, on the back of one of his elephants. Alexander sent one of the kings of India to demand him to surrender, but Porus killed the messenger, excusing, is not this the voice of the wretch who has abandoned his country! and when he at last was prevailed upon to come before the conqueror, he approached him as an equal. Alexander demanded of him how he wished to be treated; like a king, replied the Indian monarch. This magnanimous answer so pleased the Macedonian conqueror, that he not only restored him his dominions, but he encreased his kingdom by the conquest of new provinces, and Porus, in acknowledgment of such generosity and benevolence, became one of the most faithful and attached friends of Alexander, and never violated the assurances of peace which he had given him. Porus is represented as a man of uncommon stature, great strength, and proportionable dignity. Plut. Alex. Philon. 2. c. 10.-Curt. 8, c. 8, &c.-Cass. Cons. Honor. 4.


Possidium, a promontory and town of Ionia, where Neptune had a temple. Strab. 14.

Possidon, a name of Neptune among the Greeks.

Possidonia, a town of Lucania, founded by a colony of Dorians.

Possidonium, a town and temple of Neptune, situated in Italy, on the most elevated ground in the strait of Messena.

Possidonius, a philosopher of Apameia. He lived at Rhodes for some time, and afterwards came to Rome, where he died in his 84th year. Cicero became one of his pupils. Strab. 14.

Another philosopher, born at Alexandria in Egypt.

Postoia, a native of Magnesia, who wrote an history of the Amazons.

Posthumia, a vestal virgin, accused of adultery and acquitted.-The wife of Servius Sulpicius Galba, a daughter of Sylla.

Posthumius Alsineus, a man who suffered himself to be bribed by Jugurtha, against whom he had been sent with an army.-A writer at Rome, whom Cato ridiculed for composing an history in Greek, and afterwards offering apologies for the inaccuracies and inelegance of his expressions.-Tibero, a master of Arsat to the dictator Eumilius Mancerus. He was himself made dictator in the war which the Romans waged against the Volsci, and he punished his son with death for fighting against his orders, A. U. C. 312. Liv. 4, c. 23.

Portius, a consul sent against the Sammites. He was taken in an ambush by Pontius the enemy's general, and obliged to pass under the yoke with all his army. He saved his life by a siaseneable treaty, and when he returned to Rome, he persuaded the Romans not to reckon as valid the engagements he had made with the enemy, as it was without their advice. He was given up to the enemy because he could not perform his engagements; but he was released by Pontius for his generous and patriotic behaviour. -Aulus, a dictator who defeated the Latinus and the Volsci.-Tubero, another dictator who defeated the Aequi and Volsci.

Lucius, a consul sent against the Sammites. A general who defeated the Sabines, and was the first who obtained an ovation. -A man poisoned by his wife. -A general who conquered the Aequi, and who was stoned by the army, because he refused to divide the promised spoils Flor. 22.

Lucius, a Roman consul, who was defeated by the Boi. He was left among the slain, and his head was cut off from his body, and carried in triumph by the barbarians to their temples, where they made with the skull a sacred vessel to offer libations to their gods. Marcus Crassus Latianus, an officer proclaimed emperor in Gaul, A. D. 260. He signed with great popularity, and gained the affection of his subjects by his humanity and moderation. He took his son of the same name as a colleague on the throne. They were both assassinated by their soldiers, after a reign of six years. -Megisthus, a consul against the Sammites and Tarentines. Quintus, a man put to death by Antony. -A soothsayer in the age of Silla. -Spurius, an enemy of Tib. Graccius. Albus, a Roman decemvir, sent to Athens to collect the most salutary laws of Solon, &c. Liv. 3, c. 31.

Sylvius, a son of Aeneas and Sylvia.

Postverta, a goddess at Rome, who pre-


Pomfides, nymphs who presided over rivers and fountains, as their name implies. 

Pomamon, a philosopher of Alexandria, in the age of Augustus. He wrote several treatises, and confined himself to the doctrine of no particular sect of philosophers. 

Potamos, a town of Attica, situated near the cape Sunium. Strab. 9. 

Potentia, a town of Picenum. T. L. 39, c. 44. 

Potinus, a tutor to Ptolemy, king of Egypt. He advised the monarch to murder Pompey, when he claimed his protection after the battle of Pharsalia. He stirred up commotions in Alexandria, when Cæsar came there, upon which the conqueror ordered him to be put to death. Lucan. 8, v. 483. 

Potthos, one of the deities of the Samothracians. Plin. 36, c. 5. 

Potidea, a town of Macedonia, situate in the peninsula of Pallene. It was founded by a Corinthian colony, and became tributary to the Athenians, from whom Philip of Macedonia took it. The conqueror gave it to the Olycuthians to render them more attached to his interest. Cassander repaired and enlarged it, and called it Cassandria, a name which it still preserves, and which has given occasion to Livy to say, that Cassander was the original founder of that city. Liv. 44, c. 11. —Demosth. Olynth. —Strab. 7. —Paus. 5, c. 23. 

Potidæa, a town of Ætolia. T. L. 28, c. 8. 

Potina, a goddess at Rome, who presided over children's potions. Varr. 


Potniades, goddesses who were inspired with fury. 

Potnæa, a town of Bæotia, where Bacchus had a temple. The Potnians, having once murdered the priest of the god, were ordered by the oracle, to appease his resentment, yearly to offer on his altars a young man. This unnatural sacrifice was continued for some years, till Bacchus himself substituted a goat, from which circumstance he received the appellation of Ægobolus and Ægopaghus. There was here a fountain whose waters made horses run mad as soon as they were touched. There were also here certain goddesses called Potniades, on whose altars, in a grove sacred to Ceres and Proserpine, victims were sacrificed. It was also usual at a certain season of the year, to conduct into the grove young pigs, which were found the following year in the groves of Dodona. The mares of Potnia destroyed their master Glaucus, son of Sisyphus. Vid. Glaucus. Pas. 9, c. 8. —Verg. G. 3, v. 267. —Ælian. V. H. 15, c. 25. —A town of Magnesia. 

Prachium, a town of Asia Minor, on the Hellespont. 

Presia, a courtezan at Rome, who in- 

fluenced Cethegus, and procured Asia as a consular province for Lucullus. Plut. in Luc. 

Præneseste, a town of Latium, about 21 miles from Rome, built by Teleomenus, son of Ulysses and Circe, or according to others, by Cæcillus the son of Vulcan. There was a celebrated temple of Fortune there, as also an oracle which was long in great repute. Cie. de Div. 2, c. 41. —Verg. Æn. 7, v. 680. —Horat. 3, od. 4. 

Presos, a small town of Crete, destroyed in a civil war by one of the neighbouring cities. 

Presia, a nation of India. Curt. 9, c. 8. 

Prætor, one of the chief magistrates at Rome. The office of Praetor was first instituted A. U. C. 388, by the senators, who wished by some new honour to compensate for the loss of the consulship, of which the plebeians had claimed a share. The Praetor received his name a praecendo. Only one was originally elected, and another A. U. C. 501. One of them was totally employed in administering justice among the citizens, whence he was called Praetor urbanus, and the other appointed judges in all causes which related to foreigners. In the year of Rome 520, two more Praetors were created to assist the consul in the government of the provinces of Sicily and Sardinia, which had been lately conquered, and two more when Spain was reduced into the form of a Roman province, A. U. C. 531. Sylla the dictator added two more, and Julius Cæsar increased the number to ten, and afterwards to 16, and the second triumvirate to 64. After this their numbers fluctuated, being sometimes 18, 16, or 12, till in the decline of the empire, their dignity decreased, and their numbers were reduced to three. In his public capacity the Praetor administered justice, protected the rights of widows and orphans, presided at the celebration of public festivals, and in the absence of the consul, assembled or prorogued the senate as he pleased. He also exhibited shows to the people, and in the festivals of the Bona Dea, where no males were permitted to appear, his wife presided over the rest of the Roman matrons. Feasts were announced and proclaimed by him, and he had the power to make and repeal laws, if it met with the approbation of the senate and people. The questors were subject to him, and in the absence of the consuls, he appeared at the head of the armies, and in the city he kept a register of all the freedmen of Rome, with the reasons for which they had received their freedom. In the provinces the Praetor appeared with great pomp; six lictors with the fasces walked before them, and when the empire was increased by conquest, they divided like the consuls their government, and provinces were given them by lot. When the year of their Praetorship was elapsed, they were called pro-prætors, if they still continued at the head of their province. At Rome the Praetors appeared also with much pomp; two lictors preceded them; they wore the praetexta, or the white
robe with purple borders; they sat in curule chairs, and their tribunal was distinguished by a sword and a spear, while they administered justice. The tribunal was called prætorium. When they rode they appeared on white horses at Rome, as a mark of distinction. The Pra
tor who appointed judges to try foreign causes, was called prætor perigrinus. The Prætors Cereales appointed by Julius Cæsar, were em-
plored in providing corn and provisions for the city. They were on that account also
called frumentarii.

Prætorius, a name ironically applied to As. Sempronius Rufus, because he was disa-
pointed in his solicitations for the praetorship, as being too dissolute and luxurious in his manners. He was the first who had a stork brought to his table. Horat. 2, Sat. 2, v. 50.

Prætutium, a town of Picenum. Ital. 15, v. 566.

Præsiane, now Verdant, a large island, situated at the mouth of the Indus. Plin. 6, c. 20.

Præsias, a lake situated between Thrace and Macedonia, in which neighbourhood they dug mines of silver. Herod. 5, c. 17.

Præsii, a people of India. Quid. 9, c. 2.

PrætellæLEX, was enacted by Pratellus the
tribune, A. U. C. 398, to curb and check the ambitious views of men who were lately
dvanced in the state. Liv. 7, v. 15.

Prætinas, a Greek poet of Phlius, contem-
porary with Æchylus. He was the first among the Greeks who composed satires, which were represented as farces. Of these 32 were acted, as also 18 of his tragedies, one of which only obtained the poetical prize. Some of his verses are extant, quoted by Athenæus. Paus. 2, c. 13.

Præthagoras, an Athenian writer, who pub-
lished an history of the kings of his own country. He was then only 19 years old, and three years after he wrote the life of Constan
tine the Great. He had also written the life of Alexander, all now lost.

Præxiæs, a celebrated statuary of Athens. Paus. 10, c. 18.

Præxidæmus, a famous athlete of Ægina. Paus. 6, c. 18.

Præxidace, a goddess among the Greeks, who presided over the execution of enterprises and who punished all evil actions. Paus. 9, c. 33.

Præxila, a lyric poetess of Sicyn, who flourished about 492 years before Christ. Paus. 3, c. 13.

Præxiphænæs, a Rhodian who wrote a
learned commentary on the obscure passages of Sophocles.—An historian. Dog.

Præxis, a surname of Venus at Megara. Paus. 1, c. 43.

Præxitéses, a famous sculptor of Magna Græcia, who flourished about 324 years before the Christian era. He chiefly worked on Parian marble, on account of its beautiful whiteness. He carried his art to the greatest perfection, and was so happy in copying nature, that his

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statues seemed to be animated. The most fa-
mous of his pieces was a Cupid, which he gave
to Phryne. This celebrated courtezan, who
wished to have the best of all the statues of
Praxiteles, and who could not depend upon her
own judgment in the choice, alarmed the
sculptor, by telling him his house was on fire.
Praxiteles upon this shewed his eagerness to
save his Cupid from the flames, above all his
other pieces; but Phryne restrained his fears,
and by discovering her artifice obtained the
favourite statue. The sculptor employed his
chisel in making a statue of this beautiful
courtezan, which was dedicated in the temple
of Delphi, and placed between the statues of
Archidamus, king of Sparta, and Philip, king
of Macedon. He also made a statue of Venus,
at the request of the people of Cos, and gave
them their choice of the goddess, either naked
or veiled. The former was superior to the
other in beauty and perfection, but the inha-
bilants of Cos preferred the latter. The Cui-
rians, who did not wish to patronize modesty
and decorum with the same eagerness as the
people of Cos, bought the naked Venus, and
it was so universally esteemed, that Nicomedes,
king of Bithynia, offered the Cnidians to pay
an enormous debt, under which they laboured,
if they would give him their favourite statue.
This offer was not accepted. Paus. 1, c. 40. 1,
8. 9.—P. 7, c. 34 & 36.

Præxithæa, a daughter of Phiramis and
Diogenea. She married Erechtheus, king of
Athens, by whom she had Cercrops, Pandarus,
and Metion, and four daughters, Procris,
Creusa, Chthonia, and Orithyia. Apollod. 3, c.
15.—A daughter of Thestius, mother of
some children by Hercules.—Id. 2, c. 7.
—A daughter of Erechtheus sacrificed by
order of the oracle.

PræxvÆnæs, a son of Agenor. Paus. 3, c.
2.

Prælius, a lake of Toscanus, now called
Costigliona. Civ. Mil. 27.—P. 3, c. 5.

Præxasæps, a person who put Smerus to
death, by order of king Cambyses. Herodot.
3, c. 30.

Præximides, a patronymic applied to Paris,
as being son of Priam. It is also given to
Hector, Deiphobus, and all the other children
of the Trojan monarch. Ovid. Herod.—Virg.
En. 3, v. 299.

Præximæus, the last king of Troy, was son of
Laomedon, by Styrmo, called Placia by some
When Hercules took the city of Troy, [Vid.
Laomedon.] Priam was in the number of his
prisoners, but his sister Hesione redeemed him
from captivity, and he exchanged his original
name of Podarces for that of Priam, which signi-
ifies bought or transmest. [Vid. Podarces.] He
was also placed on his father’s throne by Hercules,
and he employed himself with uncommon dil-
geence in repairing, fortifying, and embellishing
the city of Troy. He had married, by his father’s
orders, Arista, whom now he divorced for
Hecuba, the daughter of Dimas, or Cissæus, a
neighbouring prince. He had by Hecuba, 12
children according to Cicero, or according to Homer, 19; the most celebrated of whom are Hector, Paris, Deiphobus, Helenus, Pammon, Polites, Antilus, Hippipous, Troilus, Creusa, Laodice, Polyxena, and Cassandra. Besides these, he had many others by some concubines. Their names, according to Apollodorus, are Melampus, Gorgythion, Philemon, Glauclus, Agathon, Evagoras, Hippothous, Chersidamas, Hippodamas, Mestor, Atas, Dorcylus, Drypos, Lycaon, Astygonus, Bias, Evander, Chromius, Telestas, Melius, Cebiron, Laodocus, Idomeneus, Archemachus, Echepliron, Hyperion, Ascanius, Arhetus, Democoon, Dejoptes, Echemou, Clovius, Egeionus, Hipyrichus, Lysithous, Polymedon, Medusa, Lysinachus, Medesicaste, and Aristodeme. After he had reigned for some time in the greatest prosperity, Priam expressed a desire to recover his sister Hesione, whom Hercules had carried into Greece, and married to Telamon, his friend. To carry this plan into execution, Priam manned a fleet, of which he gave the command to his son Paris, with orders to bring back Hesione. Paris, to whom the goddess of beauty had promised the fairest woman in the world, [Vid. Paris.] neglected in some measure his father's injurious, and as if to make reprisals upon the Greeks, he carried away Helen, the wife of Menelaus, king of Sparta, during the absence of her husband. Priam beheld this with satisfaction, and he countenanced his son by receiving in his palace the wife of the king of Sparta. This rage kindled the flames of war; all the suitors of Helen, at the request of Menelaus, [Vid. Menelaus.] assembled to revenge the violence offered to his bed, and a fleet, according to some, of 140 ships, under the command of the 69 chiefs that furnished them, set sail for Troy. Priam might have averted the impending blow, by the restoration of Helen; but this he refused to do, when the ambassadors of the Greeks came to him, and he immediately raised an army to defend himself. Troy was soon besieged, frequent skirmishes took place, in which the success was various, and the advantages on both sides incon siderable. The siege was continued for ten successive years, and Priam had the misfortune to see the greatest part of his children massacred by the enemy. Hector, the eldest of these, was the only one upon whom now the Trojans looked for protection and support; but he soon fell a sacrifice to his own courage, and was killed by Achilles. Priam severely felt his loss, and as he loved him with the greatest tenderness, he wished to ransom his body, which was in the enemy's camp. The gods, according to Homer, interested themselves in favour of old Priam. Achilles was prevailed upon by his mother, the goddess Thetis, to restore Hector to Priam, and the king of Troy passed through the Grecian troop conducted by Mercury, the messenger of the gods, who with his rod had made him invisible. The meeting of Priam and Achilles was solemn and affecting: the conqueror paid to the Trojan monarch that attention and reverence which was due to his dignity, his years, and his misfortunes; and Priam in a suppliant manner addressed the prince, whose favours he claimed, and kissed the hands that had robbed him of the greatest and the best of his children. Achilles was moved by his tears and entreaties; he restored Hector, and permitted Priam a truce of twelve days for the funeral of his son. Some time after, Troy was betrayed into the hands of the Greeks by Antenor and Æneas, and Priam upon this, resolved to die in the defence of his country. He put on his armour, and advanced to meet the Greeks, but Hecuba, by her tears and entreaties, detained him near an altar of Jupiter, whither she had fled for protection. While Priam yielded to the prayers of his wife, Polites, one of his sons, fled also to the altar before Neoptolemus, who pursued him with fury. Polites, wounded and overcome, fell dead at the feet of his parents; and the aged father, fired with indignation, vented the most bitter invectives against the Greek, who paid no regard to the sanctity of altars and temples, and he raised his spear, which he darted upon him. The spear, hurled by the feeble hand of Priam, touched the buckler of Neoptolemus, and fell to the ground. This irritated the son of Achilles; he seized the grey hair of Priam, and without compassion or reverence for the sanctity of the place, he plunged his dagger into his breast. His head was cut off, and the mutilated body was left among the heaps of slain. Diety. Cret. 1, &c.—Dares. Phryg.—Herodot. 2.—Paus. 10, c. 27.—Hom. II, 22, &c.—Eurip. in Trobad.— Cic. Tusc. 1.—Q. Smyrn. 1.—Virg. Æn. 2, v. 507 &c.—Horat. od. 10, v. 14.—Hygin. fab. 110.—Q. Calaber. 15.

Priapus, a deity among the ancients, who presided over gardens, and the parts of generation in the sexes. He was son of Venus by Mercury or Adonis, or, according to the more received opinion, by Bacchus. The goddess of beauty, who was enamoured of Bacchus, went to meet him as he returned victorious from his Indian expedition, and by him she had Priapus, who was born at Lampscus. Priapus was so deformed in all his limbs, particularly the genitals, by means of Juno, who had assisted at the delivery of Venus, that the mother, ashamed to give birth to such a monster, ordered him to be exposed on the mountains. His life was, however, preserved by shepherds, and he received the name of Priapus, proper deformitatem et membris virilis magnitudinem. He soon became a favourite of the people of Lampascus, but he was expelled by the inhabitants on account of the freedom he took with their wives. This violence was punished by the son of Venus; and when the Lampasceniens had been afflicted with a disease in the genitals, Priapus was recalled, and temples erected to his honour. Festivals were also celebrated, and the people, naturally idle and indolent, gave themselves up to every lasciviousness and impurity during the celebration. His worship was also introduced in Rome: but the Romans revered him more as a god of orchards and gardens, than as the patron of licentiousness. A crown, painted with different colours, was offered to him in the spring, and in the summer a garland of ears of corn. An ass was
Priapus, generally sacrificed to him, because that animal, by its braying, awoke the nymph Lotis, to whom Priapus was going to offer violence. He is generally represented with an human face and the ears of a goat; he holds a stick in his hand, with which he terrifies birds, as also a club to drive away thieves, and a scythe to prune the trees, and cut down the corn. He was crowned with the leaves of the vine, and sometimes with laurel or rocket. The last of these plants is sacred to him, as it is said to raise the passions and excite love. Priapus is often distinguished by the epithet of phallicus, fascinus, Italicus, or rusticus, or vulcanus, which are all expressive of his deformity. Catull. ep. 19 & 20. — Colum. 2. &c. Cult. Hort.—Horat. 1 Sat. 1.—Tibull. 1. el. 1, v. 18.—Ovid. Fast. 1, v. 415. l. 6, v. 319.—Virg. Eccl. 7. 3, v. 111.—Paus. 9, c. 31.—Hygin. fab. 160.—Did. 1.—A town of Asia Minor near Lampscasus. Priapus was the chief deity of the place and from him the town received its name, because he had taken refuge there when banished from Lampscasus. Strab. 12.—Meis, c. 19.

Priapina, a surname of Diana.

Priamus, an Argonaut. Hygin.

Piéne, a maritime town of Asia Minor at the foot of mount Mycale, one of the twelve independent cities of Ionia. It gave birth to Bias, one of the seven wise men of Greece. It had been built by an Athenian colony. Paus. 7, c. 2. l. 8, c. 24.—Strab. 12.

Prima, a daughter of Romulus and Her- silia.

Primno, a nymph, daughter of Oceanus and Thetis.

Pridos, grandson of Tantalus, killed by Amycus.

Piron, a place at Carthage.

Priscilla, a woman praised for her conjugal affection by Statius 5, Silv. 1.

Priscus Servilius, a dictator at Rome who defeated the Verentes and the Fidenates. A surname of the elder Tarquin, king of Rome. [Fid. Tarquinii.]—A governor of Syria, brother to the emperor Philip. He proclaimed himself emperor in Macedonia when he was informed of his brother’s death, but he was soon after conquered and put to death by Decius, Philip’s murderer.—A friend of the emperor Severus.—A friend of the emperor Julian, almost murdered by the populace.—Helvidius, a questor in Achaea during the reign of Nero, remarkable for his independent spirit, &c. Tacit. Hist. 4, c. 6.—An officer under Vitellius.—One of the emperor Adrian’s friends.—A friend of Domitian.—An orator whose dissipated and luxurious manners Horace ridicules, 2 Sat. 7, v. 9.

Pristis, the name of one of the ships that engaged in the naval combat which was exhibited by Aeneas at the anniversary of his father’s death. She was commanded by Mnesheus. Virg. Aen. 1, v. 116.

Privernum, a Rutulian killed by Capys in the wars between Aeneas and Turnus. Virg. Aen. 9, v. 576.

Privernum, a town of the Volsci in Italy, whose inhabitants are called Privernates. It became a Roman colony. Liv. B, c. 10.—Virg. Aen. 11, v. 540.

Proa, a divinity of the ancient Germans, who presided over justice.

Proba, the wife of the emperor Probus.—A woman who opened the gates of Rome to the Goths.

Probus, M. Aurelius Severus, a native of Sirmium in Pannonia. His father was originally a gardener, who, by entering the army, rose to the rank of a military tribune. His son obtained the same office in the 22d year of his age; and he distinguished himself so much by his probity, his valour, his intrepidity, moderation, and clemency, that at the death of the emperor Tacitus, he was invested with the imperial purple by the voluntary and uninfluenced choice of his soldiers. His election was universally approved by the Roman senate and the people, and Probus, strengthened on his throne by the affection and attachment of his subjects, marched against the enemies of Rome in Gaul and Germany. Several battles were fought, and after he had left 400,000 barbarians dead in the field, Probus turned his arms against the Sarmatians. The same success attended him; and after he had quelled and terrified to peace the numerous barbarians of the north, he marched through Syria against the Blemmyes in the neighbourhood of Egypt. The Blemmyes were defeated with great slaughter, and the military character of the emperor was so well established, that the king of Persia sued for peace by his ambassadors, and attempted to buy the conqueror’s favours with the most splendid presents. Probus was then feasting upon the most common food when the ambassadors were introduced; but without even casting his eyes upon them, he said, that if their master did not give proper satisfaction to the Romans, he would lay his territories desolate, and as naked as the crown of his head. As he spoke, the emperor took off his cap, and shaved the baldness of his head to the ambassadors. His condition was gladly accepted by the Persian monarch, and Probus retired to Rome to convince his subjects of the greatness of his conquests, and to claim from them the applause which their ancestors had given to the conqueror of Macedonia, or the destroyer of Carthage, as he passed along the streets of Rome. His triumph lasted several days, and the Roman populace were long entertained with shows and combats. But the Roman empire, delivered from its foreign enemies, was torn by civil discord, and peace was not re-established till three usurpers had been severally defeated. While his subjects enjoyed tranquillity, Probus encouraged the liberal arts; he permitted the inhabitants of Gaul and Ilyricum to plant vines in their territories, and he himself repaired 70 cities in different parts of the empire which had been reduced to ruins. He also attempted to drain the waters which were stagnated in the neighbourhood of Sirmium, by conveying them to the sea by artificial canals. His armies were employed in this laborious undertaking; but as they were unac-
Procopius, a celebrated officer of a noble family in Cilicia. He was related to the emperor Julian, and lived with him in great intimacy. He was universally admired for his integrity, but he was not desirous of ambition or pride. After he had signalized himself under Julian and his successor, he retired from the Roman provinces among the barbarians in the Thracian Chersonesus; and some time after, he suddenly made his appearance at Constantinople, when the emperor Valens had marched into the east, and he proclaimed himself master of the eastern empire. His usurpation was universally acknowledged, and his victories were so rapid, that Valens would have resigned the imperial purple, had not his friends in ured. But now fortune changed; Procopius was defeated in Phrygia, and abandoned by his army. His head was cut off, and carried to Valentinian in Gaul, A. D. 366. Procopius was slain the 424 year of his age, and he had usurped the title of emperor for about eight months. — A Greek historian of Cæsarea, in Palestine, secretary to the celebrated Belisarius, A. D. 534. He wrote the history of the reign of Justinian, and greatly celebrated the hero whose favours and patronage he enjoyed. This history is divided into eight books, two of which give an account of the Persian war, two of the Vandals, and four of the Goths, to the year 553, which was afterwards continued in five books by Agathias till 559. Of this performance the character is great, though perhaps the historian is often too severe on the emperor. The works of Procopius were edited in 2 vols. folio, Paris, 1662.

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criffes under the name of Quirinus. Plut. in Rom.—Llt. 1, c. 16.—Geganius, a Roman consul.—Plautius, a Roman who conquered the Hernici.—A friend of Vitellius.—A consul under Nerva.—A man accused of extortion.—An African in the age of Aurelius. He published a book entitled De Regiminibus, or Religionibus, on foreign countries, &c.—An officer, who proclaimed himself emperor in Gaul, in the reign of Probos. He was soon after defeated, and exposed on a gibbet. He was very debauched and licentious in his manners, and had acquired riches by piratical excursions.

PRODICE, one of the Hyades.

PRODILCUS, sophist and rhetorician of Cos, about 396 years before Christ. He was sent as ambassador by his countrymen to Athens, where he publicly taught, and had among his pupils, Euripides, Socrates, Tharamenes, and Isocrates. He travelled from town to town in Greece, to procure admirers, and get money. He made his auditors pay to hear him harangue, which has given occasion to some of the ancients to speak of the orations of Prodicus, for fifty drachmas. In his writings, which were numerous, he composed a beautiful episode, in which virtue and pleasure were introduced, to attempt to make Hercules one of their votaries. The hero at last yielded to the charms of virtue, and rejected pleasure. This has been imitated by Lucian. Prodicus was at last put to death by the Athenians, on pretence that he corrupted the morals of their youth.


PROFUNDA JUNO, Proserpine, goddess of hell.

PROFUNDS JUPITER, Pluto, god of hell.

PROTIDES, the daughters of Prætus, king of Argolis, were three in number, Lysippe, Iphinoe, and Iphianassa. They became insane for neglecting the worship of Bacchus, or according to others, for preferring themselves to Juno, and they ran about the fields believing themselves to be cows, and flying away not to be harnessed to the plough or the chariot. Prætus applied to Melampus to cure his daughters of their insanity, but he refused to employ him when he demanded the third part of his kingdom as a reward. This neglect of Prætus was punished; the insanity became contagious; and the monarch at last promised Melampus two parts of his kingdom and one of his daughters, if he would restore them and the Argian women to their senses. Melampus consented, and after he had wrought the cure, he married the most beautiful of the Protides. Some have called them Lysippe, Ipponoe, and Cyrianassa. Apolloc. 2, c. 3.—Virg. EcL. 6.—Ovid. Met. 15.—Lactant. ad Stat. Theb. 1 & 3.

PRÆTUS, a king of Argos, son of Abas and Ocalea. He was twin brother to Acrisius, with whom he quarrelled, even before their birth. This dissention between the two brothers increased with their years. After their father's death they both tried to obtain the kingdom of Argos, but the claims of Acrisius prevailed, and Prætus left Peloponnesus, and retired to the court of Jubaetes, king of Lycia, where he married Stenobœa, called by some Antea, or Antipe. He afterwards returned to Argolis, and by means of his father-in-law, he made himself master of Tirythnus. Stenobœa had accompanied her husband to Greece, and she became by him mother of the Pretilides, and of a son called Megapenthes, who, after his father's death, succeeded on the throne of Tirythnus. [Vid. Stenobœa.]—Homer. II. 6.—Apollo. 2, c. 2.

PROCVON, a star near Sirius, or the dog-star, before which it generally rises in July. Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 44.

PHOGNE, a daughter of Pandion, king of Athens, by Zeuxippe. She married Tereus, king of Thrace, by whom she had a son called Itylus, or Itys. Vid. Philomela.

PLOLAUS, a native of Elis, father to Philanthus and Lampus, by Lysippe. Paus. 5, c. 2.

PROMACHUS, one of the Epigon, son of Parthenopeus. Paus. 2, c. 20.—A son of Poeples, daughter of Eryx, king of Sicily. Id. 8, c. 34.—An athlete of Palleue.—A son of Aeson, killed by Pelias. Apollod.

PROMATHIAS, an historian of Heraclea.

PROMATHION, a man who wrote an history of Italy. Plut. in Rom.

PROMÊDON, a native of the island of Naxos, &c.

PROMENA, one of the priestesses of the temple of Dodon. It was from her that Herodotus received the tradition that two dove had flown from Thebes in Egypt, one to Dodona, and the other to the temple of Jupiter Ammon, where they gave oracles. Herodot. 2, c. 55.

PROMETHEE JUGUM & ANTRUM, a place on the top of mount Caucanus, in Albania.

PROMETHEUS, a son of Iapetus by Clymene, one of the Oceanides. He was brother to Atlas, Menætus, and Epimetheus, and surpassed all mankind in cunning and fraud. He ridiculed the gods, and deceived Jupiter himself. He sacrificed two bulls, and filled their skins, one with the flesh, and the other with the bones, and asked the father of the gods, which of the two he preferred as an offering. Jupiter became the dupe of his artifice, and chose the bones; and from that time the priests of the temples have ever been ordered to burn the whole victims on the altar, the flesh and the bones altogether. To punish Prometheus and the rest of mankind, Jupiter took fire away from the earth, but the son of Iapetus outwitted the father of the gods. He climbed the heavens by the assistance of Minerva, and stole fire from the chariot of the sun, which he brought down upon the earth, at the end of a ferula. This provoked Jupiter the more; he ordered Vulcan to make a woman of clay, and after he had given her life, he sent her to Prometheus, with a box of the richest and most valuable presents which she had received from the gods. [Vid. Pandora.] Prometheus, who suspected Jupiter, took no notice of Pandora or her box, but he
made his brother Epimetheus marry her, and the god, now more irritable, ordered Mercury, or Vulcan according to Æschylus, to carry this artful mortal to mount Caucasus, and there tie him to a rock, where for thirty thousand years the vulture was to feed upon his liver, which was never diminished, though continually devoured. He was delivered from this painful confinement about thirty years afterwards by Hercules, who killed the bird of prey. The vulture, or according to others, the eagle, which devoured the liver of Prometheus, was born from Typhon and Echidna. According to Apollodorus, Prometheus made the first man and woman that ever were upon the earth, with clay, which he animated by means of the fire which he had stolen from heaven. On this account, therefore, the Athenians raised him an altar in the grove of Academus, where they yearly celebrated games in his honour. During these games, there was a race, and he who carried a burning torch in his hand without extinguishing it, obtained the prize. Prometheus, as it is universally credited, had received the gift of prophecy, and all the gods, and even Jupiter himself, consulted him as a most infallible oracle. To his mankind are indebted for the invention of many of the useful arts; he taught them the use of plants, with their physical power, and from him they received the knowledge of taming horses and different animals, either to cultivate the ground, or for the purposes of luxury. *Hesiod. Theog.*—

**Apollos.** 1 & 2.—*Paus.** 1, c. 30. l. 5, c. 11.—

**Hygin. fab.** 144.—*Æschyl. in Prom.*—*Virg. Ecl.* 6.—*Ovid. Met.* 1, v. 82.—*Horat.** 1, od. 3.—

**Promethus and Promethides,** a patronymic applied to the children of Prometheus as to Deucalion, &c. *Ovid. Met.* 10, v. 390.

**Prometheus and Damascithon** two sons of Codrus who conducted colonies into Asia Minor. *Paus.** 1, c. 3.

**Prometheus,** a warrior overcome into the Argonautic Idas.

**Promitor,** a Roman god who presided over expenses.


** Pronapides,** an ancient Greek poet of Athens, who was, according to some, preceptor to Homer. It is said that he first taught the Greeks how to write from the left to the right, contrary to the custom of writing from the right to the left, which is still observed by some of the eastern nations.

** Pronax,** a brother of Asdrastus, king of Argos, son of Talaus and Lysimache. *Paus.** 3, c. 18.

** Prones,** one of the sons of Priam.

** Pronoe,** a daughter of Phorbus, mother of Pleuron and Calydon, by Æolus.

** Pronomus,** a Thesban, who played so skilfully on the flute, that the invention of that musical instrument is attributed to him. *Paus.* 9, c. 12.

** Pronous,** a son of Philegas, killed by the sons of Alcmene.

** Pronuba,** a surname of Juno, because she presided over marriages.

** Proopsius,** that is to say foresight, a surname of Apollo.

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** Propontis,** a sea which has a communication with the Euxine, by the Thracian Bosporus, and with the Ægean by the Hellespont, now called the sea of Marmora. It is about 300 miles in circumference, and received its name from its vicinity to Pontus. *Mela.* 1, c. 19.—*Strab.* 2.

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** Propertius,** (Sextus Aurelius,) a Latin poet born at Mevania, in Umbria. His father was a Roman knight, whom Augustus proscripted, because he had followed the interest of Antony. He came to Rome, where his genius and poetical talents soon recommended him to the notice of the great and powerful. Mecenas, Gallus, and Virgil became his friends, and Augustus his patron. Mecenas wished him to attempt an epic poem, of which he proposed the emperor for hero; but Propertius refused, observing that his abilities were unequal to the task. He died about 19 years before Christ, in the 40th year of his age. His works consist of four books of elegies, which are written with so much spirit, vivacity, and energy, that many authors call him the prince of the elegiac poets among the Latins. His poetry, though elegant, is not free from faults, and the many lascivious expressions which he uses, deservedly expose him to censure. Cynthia, who is the heroine of all his elegies, was a Roman lady, whose real name was Hostia, or Hostilia, of whom the poet was deeply enamoured. The best edition is that of Santenius, 4to. *Traj. ad Rh.* 1780, and when published together with Catullus, and Tibullus, those of Gravius, Bvo. *Utr.* 1680, of Vulpius, 4 vols. *Patavii,* 1737, 1749, 1755, and the edition of Barbou, 12mo. Paris, 1754. *Ovid. Trist.* 2, v. 465. l. 4, el. 10, v. 53. *de art am.* 3, v. 333.—*Martial* 8, ep. 73, l. 14. ep. 189.—*Quintil.* 10, c. 1.—*Plin.* 6, l. 9, ep. 22.

** Propetides,** some women of Cyprus, severely punished by Venus, whose divinity they had despised. They sent their daughter to the sea shore, where they prostituted themselves to strangers. The poets have feigned, that they were changed into stones, on account of their insensibility to every virtuous sentiment. *Justin.* 18, c. 5.—*Ovid. Met.* 10, v. 232.

** Propontis,** a sea which has a communication with the Euxine, by the Thracian Bosporus, and with the Ægean by the Hellespont, now called the sea of Marmora. It is about 300 miles in circumference, and received its name from its vicinity to Pontus. *Mela.* 1, c. 19.—*Strab.* 2.

** Propylea,** a surname of Diana. She had a temple at Eleusis in Attica.

** Propugnator,** a surname of Diana. She had a temple at Eleusis in Attica.

** Pronuba,** a surname of Juno, because she presided over marriages.

** Pronopsius,** that is to say foresight, a surname of Apollo.
Proserpina, a daughter of Ceres by Jupiter, called by the Greeks Persephone. She was so beautiful, that the father of the gods himself became enamoured of her, and deceived her by changing himself into a serpent, and folding her in his wreaths. Proserpine made Sicily the place of her residence, and delighted herself with the beautiful views, the flowery meadows, and limpid streams, which surrounded the plains of Enna. In this solitary retreat, as she amused herself with her female attendants in gathering flowers, Pluto carried her away into the infernal regions, of which she became the queen. [Vid. Pluto.] Ceres was so disconsolate at the loss of her daughter, that she travelled all over the world, but her inquiries were in vain, and she never would have discovered whither she had been carried, had not she found the girdle of Proserpine on the surface of the waters of the fountain Cyane, near which the ravisher had opened himself a passage to his kingdom by striking the earth with his trident. Ceres soon learned from the nymph Arethusa that her daughter had been carried away by Pluto, and immediately she repaired to Jupiter, and demanded of him to punish the ravisher. Jupiter in vain attempted to persuade the mother, that Pluto was not unworthy of her daughter, and when he saw that she was inflexible for the restitution of Proserpine, he said that she might return on earth, if she had not taken any aliment in the infernal regions. Her return, however, was impossible: Proserpine, as she walked in the Elysian fields, had gathered a pomegranate from a tree, and eaten it, and Ascalaphus was the only one who saw it, and for his discovery the goddess instantly turned him into an owl. Jupiter, to appease the resentment of Ceres and soothe her grief, permitted that Proserpine should remain six months with Pluto in the infernal regions, and that she should spend the rest of the year with her mother on earth. As queen of hell, and wife of Pluto, Proserpine presided over the death of mankind, and, according to the opinion of the ancients, no one could die, if the goddess herself, or Atropos, her minister, did not cut off one of the hairs from the head. From this superstitious belief, it was usual to cut off some of the hairs of the deceased, and to stir it at the door of the house, as an offering for Proserpine. The Sicilians were very particular in their worship to Proserpine, and as they believed that the fountain Cyane had risen from the earth at the very place where Pluto had opened himself a passage, they annually sacrificed there a bull, of which they suffered the blood to run into the waters. Proserpine was universally worshipped by the ancients, and she was known by the different names of Core, Theogamia, Libitina, Hecate, Juno Inferna, Anthesia, Cotyto, Deoris, Libera, &c. Plut. in Luc.—Paus. 8, c. 37. l. 9, c. 31.—Ovid. Met. 5, fab. 6. Fast. 4. v. 417.—Virg. Æn. 4, v. 698. l. 5, v. 138.—Strab. 7.—Diod. 5.—Cic. in Verr. 4.—Liv. 146.—Hesiod. Theog.
Tethys, or according to some, of Neptune and Phenice. He had received the gift of prophecy from Neptune, and from his knowledge of futurity, mankind received the greatest services. He generally resided in the Carpathian sea, and, like the rest of the gods, he reposed himself on the sea shore, where such as wished to consult him generally resorted. He was difficult of access, and when consulted he refused to give answers, by immediately assuming different shapes, and eluding the grasp, if not properly secured in fetters. Aristocles was in the number of those who consulted him, as also Hercules. Some suppose that he was originally a king of Egypt, known among his subjects by the name of Ceset, and they assert that he had two sons, Teleamon and Polygonus, who were both killed by Hercules. He had also some daughters, among whom were Cabira, Eidothes, and Rhetia. Homer. Od. 4, v. 360.


Protènos, a Bochian who went to the Trojan war.

Protèus, a Greek at the Trojan war.— A Spartan who endeavoured to prevent a war with the Thebans.

Prothoüs, a son of Lynçon.— A son of Agrinus.

Proto, one of the Nereids.

Protoy, a daughter of Calydon, by Aëola, the daughter of Amythaon. She had a son called Oxilus by Mars. Apolod. 1.

Protoy, a painter of Rhodes, who flourished about 326 years before Christ. He was originally so poor that he painted ships to maintain himself. His countrymen were ignorant of his ingenuity before Apelles came to Rhodes, and offered to buy all his pieces. This opened the eyes of the Rhodians, they became sensible of the merit of their countryman, and liberally rewarded him. Protoy was employed for seven years in finishing a picture of Joveus, a celebrated huntsman, supposed to have been the son of Apollo, and the founder of Rhodes. During all this time the painter lived only upon lupines and water, thinking that such alms would leave him greater flights of fancy; but all this did not seem to make him more successful in the perfection of his picture. He was to represent in the piece a dog panting, and with froth at his mouth, but this he never could do with satisfaction to himself; and when all his labours seemed to be without success, he threw his sponge upon the piece in a fit of anger. Chance alone brought to perfection what the labour of art could not do; the fall of the sponge upon the piece represented the froth at the mouth of the dog in the most perfect and natural manner, and this piece was universally admired. Protoy was very exact in his representations, and copied nature with the greatest nicety, and this was blamed as a fault by his friend Apelles. When Demetrius besieged Rhodes, he refused to set fire to a part of the city which might have made him master of the whole, because he knew that Protoy was then working in that quarter. When the town was taken, the painter was found closely employed in a garden in finishing a picture; and when the conqueror asked him, why he shewed not more concern at the general calamity; he replied, that Demetrius made war against the Rhodians, and not against the fine arts. Pan. 1, c. 3.— Pith. 35, c. 10.— Elian. V. H. 12.— Jur. 3, v. 120. — Plut. in Dem.— One of Caligula’s favourites, famous for his cruelty and extravagance.

Protogonía, a daughter of Deucalion and Pyrrha. She was beloved by Jupiter, by whom she had Æthlius, the father of Endymion. Apolod. 1, c. 7. — Pan. 5, c. 1.— Hygin. fab. 155.

Protoméus, one of the Nereids, called Protomelia by Hesiod.

Proxénos, a Boetian of great authority at Thebes, in the age of Xenophon. Polyaeus.— A writer who published historical accounts of Sparta.

Prudensius Aurelius Clemens, a poet who flourished A. D. 392, and was successively a soldier, an advocate, and a judge. His poems are numerous and all theological, devoid of the elegance and purity of the Augustan age, and yet greatly valued. The best editions are the Delphin, 4to. Paris 1687, that of Celarius, 12mo. Hale 1703, and that of Parma, 2 vols. 4to. 1788.

Prumnedes, a king of Corinth.

Prusa, a town of Bithynia, built by king Prusias, from whom it received its name.

Prusius, Dion, flourished A. D. 105.

Prusias, a king of Bithynia, who flourished 221 B. C.— Another, surnamed Venator, who made an alliance with the Romans when they waged war with Antiochus, king of Syria. He gave a kind reception to Annibal, and by his advice he made war against Eumenes, king of Pergamus, and defeated him. Eumenes, who was an ally of Rome as well as Prusias, complained before the Romans of the hostilities of the king of Bithynia. Q. Flaminius was sent from Rome to settle the disputes of the two monarchs, and he was no sooner arrived in Bithynia, than Prusias, to gain his favour, prepared to deliver to him, at his request, the celebrated Carthagian, to whom he was indebted for all the advantages he had obtained over Eumenes; but Annibal prevented it by a voluntary death. Prusias was obliged by the Roman ambassador to make a restitution of the provinces he had conquered, and by his meanness he continued to enjoy the favours of the Romans. When some time after he visited the capital of Italy, he appeared in the habit of a manumitted slave, calling himself the freedman of the Romans; and when he was introduced into the senate-house, he saluted the senators by the name of visible deities, of savours, and deliverers. Such abject behaviour rendered him contemptible not only in the eyes of the Romans, but of his subjects, and when he returned home the Bithynians revolted, and placed his son Nicomedes on the throne. The banished monarch fled to Nicomedia, where he
was assassinated near the altar of Jupiter, about 149 years before Christ. Some say that his son became his murderer. Prusias, according to Polybius, was the meanest of monarchs, without honesty, without morals, virtue, or principle; he was cruel and cowardly, intemperate and voluptuous, and an enemy to all learning. He was naturally deformed, and he often appeared in public in the habit of a woman, to render his deformities more visible. 

Polyb.—Liv.—Justin. 31, &c.—C. Nep. in Annib.—Plut. in Flam. &c.

Pyrmno, one of the Oceaniaes.

Prytanes, certain magistrates at Athens, who presided over the senate, and had the privilege of assembling it when they pleased, festival's excepted. They generally met in a large hall, called pryтанεum, where they gave audiences, offered sacrifices, and feasted together with all those who had rendered signal service to their country. The Prytanes were elected from the senators, which were in number 500, 50 of which were chosen from each tribe. When they were elected, the names of the 10 tribes of Athens were thrown into one vessel, and into another were placed nine black beans and a white one. The tribe whose name was drawn with the white bean, presided the first, and the rest in the order in which they were drawn. They presided each for 33 days, as the year was divided into 10 parts; but it is unknown what tribe presided the rest of those days which were supernumerary. When the number of tribes was increased to 12, each of the Prytanes presided one full month. —Some of the principal magistrates of Corinth were also called Prytanes.

Prytanis, a king of Sparta, of the family of the Prodicleae. Paus. 2, c. 36.—One of the friends of Ανεας killed by Turnus. Virg. Aen. 9, 787.

Psamathe, one of the Nereides, mother of Phocus by Αρκους, king of Αἰγίνα. Apollod. 3, c. 12.—Ovid. Met. 11, v. 398.—A daughter of Crotus, king of Argos. She became mother of Λένυς by Apollo, and, to conceal her shame from her father, she exposed her child, which was found by dogs and torn to pieces. Paus. 1, c. 43.—A town of Thebes. Placc. 1, v. 364.

Psamathor, a town and part of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 25.

Psammmitus, succeeded his father Αμασις on the throne of Egypt. Cambyses made war against him, and as he knew that the Egyptians paid the greatest veneration to cats, the Persian monarch placed some of these animals at the head of his army, and the enemy unable to defend themselves, and unwilling to kill those objects of adoration, were easily conquered. Psammmitus was twice beaten at Pelusium and in Memphis, and became one of the prisoners of Cambyses, who treated him with great humanity. Psammmitus however raised seditions against the Persian monarch, and attempted to make the Egyptians rebel, for which he was put to death by drinking bull's blood. He had reigned about six months. He flourished about 525 years before the Christian era. Herodot. 3, c. 10, &c.

Psammaticus, a king of Egypt. He was one of the 12 princes who shared the kingdom among themselves; but as he was more popular than the rest, he was banished from his dominions, and retired into the marshes near the sea-shore. A descent of some of the Greeks upon Egypt proved favourable to his cause; he joined the enemies, and defeated the 11 princes who had expelled him from the country. He rewarded the Greeks, by whose valour he had recovered Egypt; he allotted them some territory on the sea coast, patronized the liberal arts, and encouraged commerce among his subjects. He made useless enquiries to find the sources of the Nile, and he stopped, by bribes and money, a large army of Scythians that were marching against him. He died 617 years before the Christian era, and was buried in Minerva's temple at Sais. During his reign there was a contention among some of the neighbouring nations about the antiquity of their language. Psammaticus took a part in the contest. He confined two young children, and fed them with milk; the shepherd to whose care they were entrusted, was ordered never to speak to them, but to watch diligently their articulations. After some time the shepherd observed that whenever he entered the place of their confinement they repeatedly exclaimed Beboe, and he gave information of this to the monarch. Psammaticus made enquiries, and found that the word Beboe, signified bread in the Phoenician language, and from that circumstance, therefore, it was universally concluded that the language of Phoenicia was of the greatest antiquity. Herodot. 2, c. 28, &c.—Polygen. 8.—Strab. 16.

—A son of Gordius, brother to Periander, who held the tyranny at Corinth for three years, B. C. 584. Aristot.

Psammis, or Plamuthisis, a king of Egypt. B. C. 376.

Psaphis, a town on the confines of Attica and Boeotia. There was there an oracle of Amphiaras.

Psapho, a Libyan who taught a number of birds which he kept to say, Psapho is a god, and afterwards gave them their liberty. The birds did not forget the words which they had been taught, and the Africans paid divine honours to Psapho, Αἰλιαν.

Pescas, one of Diana's attendant nymphs. Ovid. Met. 3.

Psil, a surname of Bacchus, taken from a Greek word which signifies he goes, because wine makes those active who drink it with moderation.

Psityros, that is to say he who speaks much.—A surname of Venus and Cupid.

Psophis, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 24—Ovid. Met. 5, v. 607.—A river and town of Elis.—A daughter of Αργος.—A town of Arcadia.—Another of Libya.

Pyrsis, a nymph whom Cupid married and carried into a place of bliss, where he long enjoyed her company. Venus put her to death.
because she had robbed the world of her son; but Jupiter, at the request of Cupid, granted immortality to Psyche. The word signifies the soul, and this personification of Psyche is posterior to the Augustan age, though still it is connected with ancient mythology. Psyche is generally represented with the wings of a butterfly, to intimate the lightness of the soul, of which the butterfly is the symbol, and on that account, among the ancients, when a man had just expired, a butterfly appeared fluttering about, as if rising from the mouth of the deceased.

Psychomancia, a kind of divination which consisted to invoke the souls of the dead.

Psychrus, a river of Thrace. When sheep drank of its waters they were said always to bring forth black lambs. Aristot.

Psyllis, a people of Lybia near the Syrtes, very expert in curing the venemous bite of serpents. Herodot. 4, c. 173.—Paus. 9, c. 28. n.

Pterelaus, a name under which Cephalus attempted to seduce his wife Pocria.

Pteria, a well fortified town of Cappadocia. It was in the neighbourhood, according to some, that Ceresus was defeated by Cyrus. Herodot. 1, c. 76. n.

Ptolemaia, a town of Syressos in the borders of Bocotia. Lucan. 6, v. 652.

Pterelaus, a son of Taphius, presented, with immortality by Neptune, provided he kept on his head a yellow lock. His daughter cut it off, and he died. He reigned at Taphos in Attica, &c.

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Ptolemaia, a town of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 27.

Ptolemaia, a certain place at Athens dedicated to exercise and study. Cic. 5, de fin.

Ptolemaia, or surnamed Lagus, a king of Egypt, son of Arsinoe, who, when pregnant by Philip of Macedonia, married Lagus, a man of mean extraction. ["Itis, Lagus."] Ptolemy was educated in the court of the king of Macedonia, he became one of the friends and associates of Alexander, and when that monarch invaded Asia, the son of Arsinoe attended him as one of his generals. During the expedition, he behaved with uncommon valor; he killed one of the Indian monarchs in single combat, and it was to his prudence and courage that Alexander was indebted for the reduction of the rock Aornus. After the conqueror's death, in the general division of the Macedonian empire, Ptolemy obtained as his share the government of Egypt, with Libya, and part of the neighbouring territories of Arabia. In this appointment the governor soon gained the esteem of the people by acts of kindness, by benevolence and clemency, and though he did not assume the title of independent monarch till nineteen years after, yet he was so firmly established, that the attempts of Perdiccas to drive him away from his possessions proved abortive, and Ptolemy, after the murder of his rival by Grecian soldiers, might have added the kingdom of Macedonia to his Egyptian territories. He made himself master of Cilicia, Phenicia, and the neighbouring coast of Syria, and when he had re-

duced Jerusalem, he carried above 100,000 prisoners to Egypt to people the extensive city of Alexandria, which became the capital of his dominions. After he had rendered these prisoners the most attached and faithful of his subjects by his liberality and the grant of privileges, Ptolemy assumed the title of king of Egypt, and soon after reduced Cyprus under his power. He made war with success against Demetrius and Antigonus, who disputed his right to the provinces of Syria; and from the assistance he gave to the people of Rhodes against their common enemies, he received the name of Soter. While he extended his dominions, Ptolemy was not negligent of the advantages of his people. The bay of Alexandria being dangerous of access, he built a tower to conduct the sailors in the obscurity of the night, ["Vid. Pharos"] and that his subjects might be acquainted with literature he laid the foundation of a library, which, under the succeeding reigns, became the most celebrated in the world. He also established in the capital of his dominions a society called museum, of which the members maintained at the public expense were employed in philosophical researches, and in the advancement of science and the liberal arts. Ptolemy died in the 84th year of his age, after a reign of 39 years, about 284 years before Christ. He was succeeded by his son Ptolemy Philadelphia, who had been his partner on the throne the last ten years of his reign. Ptolemy Lagus has been commended for his abilities, not only as a sovereign, but as a writer; and among the many valuable compositions which have been lost, we are to lament an history of Alexander the Great, by the king of Egypt, greatly admired and valued for elegance and authenticity. All his successors were called Ptolemies from him. Paus. 10, c. 7.—Justin. 13, &c.—Polyb. 47, &c.—Arri. 3, 26.—Pint. in Alex.—The second, son of Ptolemy the first, succeeded his father on the Egyptian throne, and was called Philadelphia by Antiphras, because he killed two of his brothers. He shewed himself worthy in every respect to succeed his great father, and conscious of the advantages which arise from an alliance with powerful nations, he sent ambassadors to Italy to solicit the friendship of the Romans, whose name and military reputation had become universally known for the victories which they had just obtained over Pyrrhus and the Tarentines. His ambassadors were received with marks of the greatest attention, and immediately after four Roman senators came to Alexandria, where they gained the admiration of the monarch and of his subjects, and by refusing the crowns of gold and rich presents which were offered to them, convinced the world of the virtue and of the disinterestedness of their nation. But while Ptolemy strengthened himself by alliances with foreign powers, the internal peace of his kingdom was disturbed by the revolt of Magas his brother, king of Cyrene. The sedition however was stopped, though kindled by Antiochus king of Syria, and the death of the rebellious prince re-established peace for some time in the family of Philadelphia. Antiochus
the Syrian king married Berenice the daughter of Ptolemy, and the father, though old and infirm, conducted his daughter to her husband's kingdom, and assisted at the nuptials. Philadelphus died in the 64th year of his age, 264 years before the Christian era. He left two sons and a daughter, by Arsinoe the daughter of Lysimachus. He had afterwards married his sister Arsinoe, whom he loved with uncommon tenderness, and to whose memory he began to erect a celebrated monument. [Vid. Dinocrates.] During the whole of his reign Philadelphus was employed in exciting industry, and in encouraging the liberal arts, and useful knowledge among his subjects. The inhabitants of the adjacent countries were allured by promises and presents to increase the number of the Egyptian subjects, and Ptolemy could boast of reigning over 33,339 well peopled cities. He gave very possible encouragement to commerce, and by keeping two powerful fleets, one in the Mediterranean, and the other in the Red sea, he made Egypt the mart of the world. His army consisted of 200,000 foot, 40,000 horse, besides 300 elephants and 2000 armed chariots. With justice therefore he has been called the richest of all the princes and monarchs of his age, and indeed the remark is not false when it is observed, that at his death he left in his treasury 750,000 Egyptian talents, a sum equivalent to two hundred millions sterling. His palace was the asylum of learned men, whom he admired and patronized. He paid particular attention to Euclid, Theocritus, Callimachus, and Lycoophon, and by increasing the library, which his father had founded, he shewed his taste for learning, and his wish to encourage genius. This celebrated library at his death contained 200,000 volumes of the best and choicest books, and it was afterwards increased to 700,000 volumes. Part of it was burnt by the flames of Caesar's fleet, when he set it on fire to save himself, a circumstance however, not mentioned by the general, and the whole was again magnificently repaired by Cleopatra, who added to the Egyptian library that of the kings of Pergamus. It is said that the Old Testament was translated into Greek during his reign, a translation which has been called Septuagint, because translated by the labours of seventy different persons. Entrop.—Justin 17, c. 2, &c.—Lit. —Plut.—Theocrit.—Athén. 12.—Plin. 13, c. 12.—Diod. 42.—Gellius 6, c. 17.—The third, succeeded his father Philadelphus on the Egyptian throne. He early engaged in a war against Antiochus Theus, for his unkindness to Berenice the Egyptian king's sister, whom he had married with the consent of Philadelphus. With the most rapid success he conquered Syria and Cilicia, and advanced as far as the Tigris, but a sedition at home stopped his progress, and he returned to Egypt loaded with the spoils of conquered nations. Among the immense riches which he brought he had above 2500 statues of the Egyptian gods, which Cambyses had carried away into Persia when he conquered Egypt. These were restored to the temples, and the Egyptians called their sovereign Evergetes, in acknowledgment for his clemency, beneficence, and religious zeal for the gods of his country. The last years of Ptolemy's reign were passed in peace, if we except the refusal of the Jews to pay the tribute of twenty silver talents which their ancestors had always paid to the Egyptian monarchs. He also interested himself in the affairs of Greece, and assisted Cleomenes the Spartan king against the leaders of the Achaean league; but he had the mortification to see his ally defeated, and even a fugitive in Egypt. Evergetes died 221 years before Christ, after a reign of twenty-five years, and, like his two illustrious predecessors, he was the patron of learning, and indeed he is the last of the Lagides who gained popularity among his subjects by clemency, moderation, and humanity, and who commanded respect even from his enemies, by valour, prudence, and reputation. It is said that he deposited fifteen talents in the houses of the Athenians to be permitted to translate the original manuscripts of Eschylus, Euripides, and Sophocles. Plut. in Cleom. &c.—Pokýs. 2.—Justin 26, &c.—The fourth, succeeded his father Evergetes on the throne of Egypt, and received the surname of Philopater by Antiphrasia, because according to some historians, he destroyed his father by poison. He began his reign with acts of the greatest cruelty, and he successfully sacrificed to his avarice his own mother, his wife, his sister, and his brother. He received the name of Tiphon, from his extravagance and debauchery, and that of Galtus, because he appeared in the streets of Alexandria like one of the bacchantes, and with all the gestures of the priests of Cybele. In the midst of his pleasures Philopater was called to war against Antiochus king of Syria, and at the head of a powerful army he soon invaded his enemy's territories, and might have added the kingdom of Syria to Egypt, if he had made a prudent use of the victories which attended his arms. In his return he visited Jerusalem, but the Jews prevented him forcibly from entering their temple, for which insolence to his majesty the monarch determined to extirpate the whole nation. He ordered an immense number of Jews to be exposed in a plain, and trodden under the feet of elephants, but by a supernatural instinct the generous animals turned their fury not on those that had been devoted to death, but upon the Egyptian spectators. This circumstance terrified Philopater, and he behaved with more than common kindness to a nation which he had so lately devoted to destruction. In the latter part of his reign the Romans, whom a dangerous war with Carthage had weakened and rendered active, renewed, for political reasons, the treaty of alliance which had been made with the Egyptian monarchs. Philopater at last, weakened and enervated by intemperance and continual debauchery, died in the thirty-seventh year of his age, after a reign of seventeen years, 234 years before the Christian era. His death was immediately followed by the murder of the companions of his voluptuousness and extravagance, and their carcasses were dragged with the greatest ignominy through.
the streets of Alexandria. Polyb.—Justin, 30, &c.—Plut. in Clem.—The fifth, succeeded his father Philopater as king of Egypt, though only in the 4th year of his age. During the years of his minority he was under the protection of Sosigius and Aristomenes, by whose prudent administration Antiochus was dispossessed of the provinces of Coelosyria and Palestine, which he had conquered by war. The Romans also renewed their alliance with him after their victories over Annibal, and the conclusion of the second Punic war. This flattering embassy induced Aristomenes to offer the care of the patronage of the young monarch to the Romans, but the regent was confirmed in his honourable office, and by making a treaty of alliance with the people of Achais, he convinced the Egyptians that he was qualified to wield the sceptre and to govern the nation. But now that Ptolemy had reached his fourteenth year, according to the laws and customs of Egypt, the years of his minority had expired. He received the surname of Epiphanes, or illustrious, and was crowned at Alexandria with the greatest solemnity, and the faithful Aristomenes resigned into his hands an empire which he had governed with honour to himself, and with credit to his sovereign. Young Ptolemy was no sooner delivered from the shackles of a superior, than he betrayed the same vices which had characterized his father; the counsels of Aristomenes were despised, and the minister who for ten years had governed the kingdom with equity and moderation, was sacrificed to the caprice of the sovereign, who abhorred him for the salutary advice which his own vicious inclinations did not permit him to follow. His cruelties raised seditions among his subjects, but these were twice quelled by the prudence and the moderation of one Polycrates, the most faithful of his corrupt ministers. In the midst of his extravagance Epiphanes did not forget his alliance with the Romans; above all others he shewed himself eager to cultivate friendship with a nation from whom he could derive so many advantages, and during their war against Antiochus he offered to assist them with money against a monarch, whose daughter Cleopatra he had married, but whom he hated on account of the seditions he had raised in the very heart of Egypt. After a reign of twenty-five years, 180 years before Christ, Ptolemy was poisoned by his ministers, whom he had threatened to rob of their possessions, to carry on a war against Seleucus king of Syria. Liv. 35, c. 13. &c.—Justin, &c.—The sixth, succeeded his father Epiphanes on the Egyptian throne, and received the name of Philometor, on account of his hatred against his mother Cleopatra. He was in the sixth year of his age when he ascended the throne, and during his minority the kingdom was governed by his mother, and at her death by an eunuch who was one of his favourites. He made war against Antiochus Epiphanes, king of Syria, to recover the provinces of Palestine and Coelosyria, which were part of the Egyptian dominions, and after several successes he fell into the hands of his enemy, who detained him in confinement.

During the captivity of Philometor, the Egyptians raised to the throne his younger brother Ptolemy Evergetes, or Physcon, also son of Epiphanes, but he was no sooner established in his power than Antiochus turned his arms against Egypt, drove the usurper, and restored Philometor to all his rights and privileges as king of Egypt. This artful behaviour of Antiochus, was soon comprehended by Philometor, and when he saw that Ptolemy, the key of Egypt, had remained in the hands of his Syrian ally, he recalled his brother Physcon, and made him partner on the throne, and concerted with him how to repel their common enemy. This union of interest in the two royal brothers incensed Antiochus; he entered Egypt with a large army but the Romans checked his progress, and obliged him to retire. No sooner were they delivered from the impending war than Philometor and Physcon, whom the fear of danger had united, began with mutual jealousy to oppose each other's views. Physcon was at last vanquished by the superior power of his brother, and as he could find no support in Egypt, he immediately repaired to Rome. To excite more effectually the compassion of the Romans, and to gain their assistance, he appeared in the meanest dress, and took his residence in the most obscure corner of the city. He received an audience from the senate, and the Romans settled the dispute between the two royal brothers, by making them independent of one another, and giving the government of Libya and Cyrene to Physcon, and confirming Philometor in the possession of Egypt, and the island of Cyprus. These terms of accommodation were gladly accepted, but Physcon soon claimed the dominion of Cyprus, and in this he was supported by the Romans, who wished to aggrandize themselves by the diminution of the Egyptian power. Philometor refused to deliver up the island of Cyprus, and to call away his brother's attention he fomented the seeds of rebellion in Cyrene. But the death of Philometor 145 years before the Christian era, left Physcon master of Egypt, and all the dependent provinces. Philometor has been commended by some historians for his clemency and moderation. Died.—Liu.—Polyb.—The seventh Ptolemy, surnamed Physcon, on account of the prominence of his belly, ascended the throne of Egypt after the death of his brother Philometor, and as he had reigned for some time conjointly with him, [Vid. Ptolemaeus Sixth] his succession was approved, though the wife and the son of the deceased monarch laid claims to the crown. Cleopatra was supported in her claims by the Jews, and it was at last agreed that Physcon should marry the queen, and that her son should succeed on the throne at his death. The novels were accordingly celebrated, but on that very day the tyrant murdered Cleopatra's son in her arms. He ordered himself to be called Evergetes, but the Alexandrians refused to do it, and stigmatized him with the appellation of Kastringetes, or evil doer, a surname which he observed by his tyranny and oppression. A series of barbarity rendered him odious, but as no one
attempted to rid Egypt of her tyranny, the Alexandrians abandoned their habitations, and fled from a place which continually streamed with the blood of their massacred fellow-citizens. If their migration proved fatal to the commerce and prosperity of Alexandria, it was of the most essential service to the countries where they retired; and the numbers of Egyptians that sought a safer asylum in Greece and Asia, introduced among the inhabitants of those countries the different professions that were practised with success in the capital of Egypt. Physcon endeavoured to repeople the city which his cruelty had laid desolate, but the fear of sharing the fate of the former inhabitants, prevailed more than the promise of riches, rights, and immunities. The king at last disgusted with Cleopatra, repudiated her and married her daughter by Philometor, called also Cleopatra. He still continued to exercise the greatest cruelty upon his subjects, but the prudence and vigilance of his ministers kept the people in tranquillity, till all Egypt revolted when the king had basely murdered all the young men of Alexandria. Without friends or support in Egypt, he fled to Cyprus, and Cleopatra, the divorced queen, ascended the throne. In his banishment Physcon dreaded lest the Alexandrians should also place the crown on the head of his son, by his sister Cleopatra, who was then governor of Cyrene, and under these apprehensions he sent for the young prince, called Memphitis, to Cyprus, and murdered him as soon as he reached the shore. To make the barbarity more complete, he sent the limbs of Memphitis to Cleopatra, and they were received as the queen was going to celebrate her birthday. Soon after this he invaded Egypt with an army, and obtained a victory over the forces of Cleopatra, who being left without friends or assistance, fled to her eldest daughter Cleopatra, who had married Deme- trius, king of Syria. This decisive blow restored Physcon to his throne, where he continued to reign for some time, hated by his subjects, and feared by his enemies. He died at Alexandria in the sixty-seventh year of his age, after a reign of twenty-nine years, about 116 years before Christ. Some authors have ex- trolled Physcon for his fondness for literature; they have observed, that from his extensive knowledge he was called the philologist, and that he wrote a comment upon Homer, besides an history in twenty-four books, admired for its elegance, and often quoted by succeeding authors whose pen was employed on the same subject. Died.—Justin. 38, &c.—Athen. 2. — Porphy. — The eighth, surnamed Lathyrus, from an excessiveness like a pea on the nose, succeeded his father Physcon as king of Egypt. He had no sooner ascended the throne than his mother Cleopatra, who reigned conjointly with him, expelled him to Cyprus, and placed the crown on the head of his brother Ptolemy Alexander, her favourite son. Lathyrus, banished from Egypt, became king of Cyprus, and soon after he appeared at the head of a large army, to make war against Alexander Jannaeus, king of Judea, through whose assistance and intrigue he had been expelled by Cleopatra. The Jewish monarch was conquered, and 50,000 of his men were left on the field of battle. Lathyrus, after he had exercised the greatest cruelty upon the Jews, and made vain attempts to recover the kingdom of Egypt, retired to Cyprus till the death of his brother Alexander restored him to his native dominions. Some of the cities of Egypt refused to acknowledge him as their sovereign, and Thebes, for its obstinacy, was closely besieged for three successive years, and from a powerful and populous city it was reduced to ruins. In the latter part of his reign Lathyrus was called upon to assist the Romans with a navy for the conquest of Athens, but Lucullus, who had been sent to obtain the wanted supply, though received with kingly honours, was dismissed with evasive and unsatisfactory answers, and the monarch refused to part with troops which he deemed necessary to preserve the peace of his kingdom. Lathyrus died 81 years before the Christian era, after a reign of thirty-six years since the death of his father Physcon, eleven of which he had passed with his mother Cleopatra on the Egyptian throne, eighteen in Cyprus, and seven after his mother's death. He was succeeded by his only daughter Cleopatra, whom Alexander the son of Ptolemy Alexander, by means of the dictator Sylla, soon after married and murdered. Joseph. Hist.— Justin. 39.—Plut. in Luc. — Appian. in Mithrid. — The ninth, Vid. Alexander Ptolemy first; — for the tenth Ptolemy, Vid. Alexander Ptolemy second; — for the eleventh, Vid. Alexander Ptolemy third. — The twelfth, the illegitimate son of Lathyrus, ascended the throne of Egypt at the death of Alexander third. He received the surname of Auletes, because he played skilfully on the flute. His rise shewed great marks of prudence and circumcision, and as his predeces- sor by his will had left the kingdom of Egypt to the Romans, Auletes knew that he could not be firmly established on his throne, without the approbation of the Roman senate. He was successful in his applications, and Cesar, who was then consul, and in want of money, established his succession, and granted him the alliance of the Romans after he had received the enormous sum of about a million and 162,500 sterlings. But these measures rendered him unpopular at Rome, and when he had suffered the Romans quietly to take possession of Cyprus the Egyptians revolted, and Auletes was obliged to fly from his kingdom and seek protection among the most powerful of his allies. His complaints were heard at Rome at first with indifference, and the murder of one hundred noblemen of Alexandria, whom the Egyptians had sent to justify their proceedings before the Roman senate, rendered him unpopular and suspected. Pompey, however, supported his cause, and the senators decreed to re-establish Auletes on his throne, but as they proceeded slowly in the execution of their plans, the monarch retired from Rome to Ephesus, where he lay concealed for some time in the temple of Diana. During his absence from
Alexandria, his daughter Berenice had made himself absconed, and established herself on the throne by a marriage with Archelaus, a priest of Belona's temple at Comana, but she was soon driven from Egypt when Gabinius, at the head of a Roman army, approached to replace Auletes on his throne. Auletes was no sooner restored to power than he sacrificed to his ambition his daughter Berenice, and behaved with the greatest ingratitude and perfidy to Rabrius a Roman, who had supplied him with money when expelled from his kingdom. Auletes died four years after his restoration, about 51 years before the Christian era. He left two sons and two daughters, and by his will ordered the eldest of his sons to marry the eldest of his sisters, and to ascend with her the vacant throne. As these children were young the dy- monarch recommended them to the protection and paternal care of the Romans, and accordingly Pompey the Great was appointed by the senate to be their patron and their guardian. Their reign was as turbulent as that of their predecessors, and it is remarkable for no uncommon events, only we may observe that the young queen was the Cleopatra who so soon after became so celebrated as being the mistress of J. Caesar, the wife of M. Antony, and the last of the Egyptian monarchs of the family of Lagus. Cic. pro Ra- bir.—Strab. 17.—Appian de Civ.—The thirteenth, surnamed Dibynous or Bacchus, ascended the throne of Egypt conjointly with his sister Cleopatra, whom he had married, ac- cording to the directions of his father Auletes. He was under the care and protection of Pome- pye the Great, [Vid. Ptol.annus twelfth] but the wickedness and avarice of his ministers soon obliged him to drive away his sister from the throne, and to reign independent. He was then in the thirteenth year of his age when his guardian, after the fatal battle of Pharsalia, came to the shores of Egypt, and claimed his protection. He refused to grant the required assistance, and by the advice of his ministers, he basely murdered Pompey after he had brought him to shore under the mask of friendship and cordiality. To curry the favour of the con- queror of Pharsalia, Ptolemy cut off the head of Pompey, but Caesar turned with indignation from such perfidy, and when he arrived at Alex- andria he found the king of Egypt as faithless to his cause as to that of his fallen enemy. Caesar sat as judge to hear the various claims of the brother and sister to the throne; and to sat- isfy the people, he ordered the will of Auletes to be read, and confirmed Ptolemy and Cleopa- tra in the possession of Egypt, and appointed the two younger children masters of the island of Cyprus. This fair and candid decision might have left no room for dissatisfaction, but Pto- lemy was governed by cruel and avaricious mi- nisters, and therefore he refused to acknow- ledge Caesar as a judge or mediator. The Ro- man enforced his authority by arms, and three victories were obtained over the Egyptian forces. Ptolemy, who had been for some time a prisoner in the hands of Caesar, now headed his armies, but a defeat was fatal, and as he at- tempted to save his life by flight, he was drown- ed in the Nile, about 46 years before Christ, and three years and eight months after the death of Auletes. Cleopatra, at the death of her brother, became sole mistress of Egypt, but as the Egyptians were no friends to female govern- mers—Caesar obliged her to marry her younger brother Ptolemy, who was then in the eleventh year of his age. Appian. Civ.—Cesar in Alex. —Strab. 17.—Joseph. Ant.—Dio.—Plut. in Art. &c.—Sueton. in Ces.—A Plien king of Cyrene, was the illegitimate son of Ptolemy Physcon. After a reign of twenty years he died, and as he had no children, he made the Romans heirs of his dominions. The Romans presented his subjects with their independence. Liv. 70. — Ceraunus, a son of Ptolemy Soter, by Eurydice the daughter of Antipater. Unable to succeed to the throne of Egypt, Ceraunus fled to the court of Seleucus, where he was received with uncommon attention. Seleucus was then king of Macedonia, an empire which he had lately acquired by the death of Lysimachus in a battle in Phrygia, but his reign was short; and Ceraunus perfidiously murdered him and as- cended his throne, 280, B. C. The murderer, however, could not be firmly established in Ma- cedonia, as long as Arsinoe the widow, and the children of Lysimachus were alive, and entitled to claim his kingdom as the lawful possession of their father. To remove these obstacles Cerau- nus made offers of marriage to Arsinoe, who was his own sister. The queen at first refused, but the protestations and solemn promises of the usurper at last prevailed upon her to con- sent. The nuptials, however, were no sooner celebrated, than Ceraunus murdered the two young princes, and confirmed his usurpation by rapine and cruelty. But now three powerful princes claimed the kingdom of Macedonia as their own; Antiochus, the son of Seleucus; Antigonus, the son of Demetrius, and Pyrrhus, the king of Epirus. These enemies, however, were soon removed; Ceraunus conquered An- tigonus in the field of battle, and stopped the hostilities of his two other rivals by promises and money. He did not long remain inactive; a barbarian army of Gauls claimed a tribute from him, and the monarch immediately march- ed to meet them in the field. The battle was long and bloody. The Macedonians might have obtained the victory if Ceraunus had shewn more prudence. He was thrown down from his elephant, and taken prisoner by the enemy, who immediately tore his body to pieces. Pto- lemy had been king of Macedonia only eighteen months. Justin. 24, &c.— Paus. 10, c. 10. — An illegitimate son of Ptolemy Lathyrus, king of Cyprus, of which he was tyrannically dispos- sessed by the Romans. Cato was at the head of the forces which were sent against Ptolemy by the senate, and the Roman general proposed to the monarch to retire from the throne, and to pass the rest of his days in the obscure office of high priest in the temple of Venus at Paphos. This offer was rejected with the indignation which it merited, and the monarch poisoned himself at the approach of the enemy. The
treasures found in the island amounted to the enormous sum of 1,356,250l. sterling, which were carried to Rome by the conquerors. Plut. in Cat.—Val. Max. 9.—Flor. 3.—A man who attempted to make himself king of Macedonia, in opposition to Perdiccas. He was expelled by Pelopidas.—A son of Pyrrhus king of Epirus, by Antigone, the daughter of Berenice. He was left governor of Epirus when Pyrrhus went to Italy to assist the Tarentines against the Romans, where he presided with great prudence and moderation. He was killed bravely fighting in the expedition which Pyrrhus undertook against Sparta and Argo. An eunuch, by whose friendly assistance Mithridates the great, saved his life after a battle with Lucullus.—A king of Epirus, who died very young as he was marching with an army against the Aetolians, who had seized part of his dominions. Justin. 25.—A king of Chalcidica in Syria, about 30 years before Christ. He opposed Pompey when he invaded Syria, but he was defeated in the attempt, and the conqueror spared his life only upon receiving 1000 talents. Joseph. ant. 13.—A nephew of Antigonus, who commanded an army in the Peloponnese. He revolted from his uncle to Cassander, and some time after, he attempted to bribe the soldiers of Ptolemy Lagus king of Egypt, who had invited him to his camp. He was seized and imprisoned for this treachery, and the Egyptian monarch at last ordered him to drink hemlock.—A son of Seleucus, killed in the celebrated battle which was fought at Issus, between Darius and Alexander the Great.—A son of Juba, made king of Mauritania. He was son of Cleopatra Selene, the daughter of M. Antony and the celebrated Cleopatra. He was put to death by Caius Caligula. Dio.—Tacit. ann. 11.—A friend of Otho.—A favourite of Antiochus, king of Syria. He was surnamed Macrion,—A Jew famous for his cruelty and avarice. He was for some time governor of Jericho, about 135 years before Christ.—A powerful Jew during the troubles which disturbed the peace of Judæa, in the reign of Augustus.—A son of Antony by Cleopatra, surnamed Philadelphus, by his father, and made master of Phœnicia, Syria, and all the territories of Asia Minor which were situated between the Egean and the Euphrates. Plut. in Anton.—A general of Herod, king of Judæa.—A son of Chrysheimans, who visited Cleomenes, king of Sparta, when imprisoned in Egypt.—A governor of Alexandria, put to death by Cleomenes.—A celebrated geographer and astrologer in the reign of Adrian and Antoninus. He was a native of Alexandria, or according to others, of Pelusium, and on account of his great learning, he received the name of most wise, and most divine, among the Greeks. In his system of the world, he places the earth in the centre of the universe, a doctrine universally believed and adopted till the sixteenth century, when it was confuted and rejected by Copernicus. His geography is valued for its learning, and the very useful information which it gives. Besides his system and geography, Ptolemy wrote other books, in one of which he gives an account of the fixed stars, of 1012 of which he gives the certain and definite longitude and latitude. The best edition of Ptolemy's geography, is that of Bertius, fol. Amst. 1618, and that of his treatise de Judiciis Astrologius, by Camerari. 4to. 1535, and of the Harmonica, 4to. Wallis, Oxon. 1638.

Prolemas, a town of the Thebans in Egypt, called after the Ptolemies, who beautified it. There was also another city of the same name in the territories of Cyrene. It was situate on the sea coast, and according to some, it was the same as Barca. [Vid. Barca.]—A city of Palestine, Mela, 1, c. 8. l. 3, c. 8.—Plist. 2, c. 79.—Strab. 14, &c.

Protillus, a stationary of Corycia, pupil to Critias the Athenian. Paus. 6, c. 3.

Protypora, a son which Ulysses had of Penelope after his return from Troy.

Propoagius, one of the dogs of Acteon

Prous, a son of Amphias and Themistus who gave his name to a mountain of Boetia, upon which he built a temple to Apollo, surnamed Prous. The god had also a celebrated oracle on mount Pous. Plut. de orac. def.—Paus. 9, c. 23.—Apollod. 1, c. 9.

Publicius, a Roman freed man so much like Pompey the Great, that they were often confounded together. Val. Max. 9, c. 14.

Publicia lex, forbade any person to play with bad or fraudulent designs.

Publicola, a name given to Publius Valerius, on account of his great popularity. Vid. Valerius.

Pubillia lex, was made by Publius the dictator, A. U. C. 445. It permitted one of the censors to be elected from the plebeians, since one of the consuls was chosen from that body. Liv. 8, c. 12.—Another, by which it was ordained, that all laws should be previously approved by the senators, before they were proposed by the people.

Publius Syrus, a Syrian nàmic poet, who flourished about 44 years before Christ. He was originally a slave sold to a Roman patriarch, called Domitius, who brought him up with great attention, and gave him his freedom when of age. He gained the esteem of the most powerful at Rome, and reckoned J. Caesar among his patrons. He soon eclipsed the poet Læberius, whose burlesque compositions were in general esteem. There remains of Publius, a collection of moral sentences, written in iambics, and placed in alphabetical order, the newest edition of which is that of Patav. Comin. 1740.

Publius, a praenomina, common among the Romans.—Caius, a man who conspired with Brutus against J. Caesar.—A praetor who conquered Palepolis. He was only a plebeian, and though neither consul nor dictator, he obtained a triumph in spite of the opposition of the senators. He was the first who was honoured with a triumph during a praetorship.—A Roman consul who defeated the Latus.
and was made dictator.—A Roman flatterer in the court of Tiberius.—A tribune who accused M. Atilius, &c.

Pudor, the Grecians had it made a divinity. Vid. Icarus.

Pulcheria, a daughter of the emperor Theodosius the Great, famous for her piety, moderation, and virtues.—A daughter of Arcadius, who held the government of the Roman empire for many years. She was mother of Valentinian. Her piety, and her private as well as public virtues, have been universally admired. She died A. D. 452, and was interred at Ravenna, where her tomb is still to be seen.—A sister of Theodosius, who reigned absolute for some time in the Roman empire.

Punicum Bellum, the first Punic war was undertaken by the Romans against Carthage, B. C. 264. The ambition of Rome was the origin of this war. For upwards of 240 years, the two nations had beheld with secret jealousy each other's power, but they had totally eradicated every cause of contention, by settling in three different treaties the boundaries of their respective territories, the number of their allies, and how far one nation might sail in the Mediterranean without giving offence to the other. Sicily, an island of the highest consequence to the Carthaginians as a commercial nation, was the seat of the first dissentions. The Mamertini, a body of Italian mercenaries, were appointed by the king of Syracuse to guard the town of Messana, but this tumultuous tribe, instead of protecting the citizens, basely massacred them and seized their possessions. This act of cruelty raised the indignation of all the Sicilians, and Hiero king of Syracuse, who had employed them, prepared to punish their perfidy, and the Mamertini, besieged in Messana, and without friends or resources, resolved to throw themselves for protection into the hands of the first power that could relieve them. They were however divided in their sentiments, and while some implored the assistance of Carthage, others called upon the Romans for protection. Without hesitation or delay, the Carthaginians entered Messana, and the Romans also hastened to give to the Mamertini, that aid which had been claimed from them with as much eagerness as from the Carthaginians. At the approach of the Roman troops, the Mamertini, who had implored their assistance, took up arms and forced the Carthaginians to evacuate Messana. Fresh forces were poured in on every side, and though Carthage seemed superior in arms and in resources, yet the valour and intrepidity of the Romans daily appeared more formidable, and Hiero, the Syracusan king, who had hitherto embraced the interest of the Carthaginians, became the most faithful ally of the republic. From a private quarrel the war became general. The Romans obtained a victory in Sicily, but as their enemies were masters at sea, the advantages they gained were small and inconsiderable. To make themselves equal to their adversaries, they aspired to the dominion of the sea, and in 60 days timber was cut down, and a fleet of 120 galleys completely manned and provisioned. The success they met by sea were trivial, and little advantage could be gained over an enemy that were sailors by actual practice and long experience. Duilius at last obtained a victory, and he was the first Roman who ever received a triumph after a naval battle. The losses they had already sustained, induced the Carthaginians to sue for peace, and the Romans, whom an unsuccessful descent upon Africa under Regulus, [Vid. Regulus.] had rendered dif fendent, listened to the proposal, and the first Punic war was concluded B. C. 241, on the following terms.—The Carthaginians pledged themselves to pay to the Romans within 20 years, the sum of 3000 Euboic talents; they promised to release all the Roman captives without ransom; to evacuate Sicily, and the other islands in the Mediterranean; and not to molest Hiero king of Syracuse, or his allies. After this treaty the Carthaginians who had lost the dominion of Sardinia and Sicily, made new conquests in Spain, and soon began to repair their losses by industry and labour. They planted colonies, and secretly prepared to revenge themselves upon their powerful rivals. The Romans were not insensible of their successes in Spain, and to stop their progress towards Italy they made a stipulation with the Carthaginians, by which they were not permitted to cross the Iberus, or to molest the cities of their allies, the Saguntines. This was for some time observed, but when Annibal succeeded to the command of the Carthaginian armies in Spain, he spurned the boundaries which the jealousy of Rome had set to his arms, and he immediately formed the siege of Saguntum. The Romans were apprised of the hostilities which had been begun against their allies, but Saguntum was in the hands of the active enemy before they had taken any steps to oppose him. Complaints were carried to Carthage, and war was determined upon by the influence of Anniball in the Carthaginian senate. Without delay or difficulty, B. C. 218, Annibal marched a numerous army of 90,000 foot and 12,000 horse, towards Italy, resolved to carry in the war to the gates of Rome. He crossed the Rhone, the Alps, and the Apennines, with uncommon celerity, and the Roman consuls who were stationed to stop his progress, were severely defeated. The battle of Tребia, and that of the lake of Trasimenum, threw Rome into the greatest apprehensions, but the prudence and the dictatorial measures of the dictator Fabius soon taught them to hope for better times. Yet the conduct of Fabius was universally censured as cowardice, and the two consuls who succeeded him in the command, by pursuing a different plan of operations, soon brought on a decisive action at Cannae, in which 45,000 Romans were left in the field.
of battle. This bloody victory caused so much consternation at Rome, that some authors have declared, that if Annibal had immediately marched from the plains of Cannæ to the city, he would have met with no resistance, but would have terminated a long and dangerous war with glory to himself, and the most inestimable advantages to his country. This celebrated victory at Cannæ left the conqueror master of two camps, and of an immense booty; and the cities which had hitherto observed a neutrality no sooner saw the defeat of the Romans, than they eagerly embraced the interest of Carthage. The news of this victory was carried to Carthage by Mago, and the Carthaginians refused to believe it till three bushels of golden rings were spread before them, which had been taken from the Roman knights in the field of battle. After this Annibal called his brother Asdrubal from Spain with a large reinforcement, but the march of Asdrubal was intercepted by the Romans, his army was defeated, and himself slain. Affairs now had taken a different turn, and Marcellus, who had the command of the Roman legions in Italy, soon taught his countrymen that Annibal was not invincible in the field. In different parts of the world the Romans were making very rapid conquests, and if the sudden arrival of a Carthaginian army in Italy, at first raised fears and apprehensions, they were soon enabled to dispute with their enemies for the sovereignty of Spain, and the dominion of the sea. Annibal no longer appeared formidable in Italy; if he conquered towns in Campania or Magna Græcia, he remained master of them only while his army hovered in the neighbourhood, and if he marched towards Rome the alarm he occasioned was but momentary; the Romans were prepared to oppose him, and his return was therefore the more dishonourable. The conquests of young Scipio in Spain had now raised the expectations of the Romans, and he had no sooner returned to Rome than he proposed to remove Annibal from the capital of Italy by carrying the war to the gates of Carthage. This was a bold and hazardous enterprise, but though Fabius opposed it, it was universally approved by the Roman senate, and young Scipio was empowered to sail to Africa. The conquests of the young Roman were as rapid in Africa as in Spain, and the Carthaginians, apprehensive for the fate of their capital, recalled Annibal from Italy, and preferred their safety at home, to the maintaining of a long and expensive war in another quarter of the globe. Annibal received their orders with indignation, and with tears in his eyes he left Italy, where for 16 years he had known no superior in the field of battle. At his arrival in Africa, the Carthaginian general soon collected a large army, and met his exulting adversary in the plains of Zama. The battle was long and bloody, and though one nation fought for glory, and the other for the dearer sake of liberty, the Romans obtained the victory, and Annibal, who had sworn eternal enmity to the gods of Rome, fled from Carthage after he had advised his countrymen to accept the terms of the conqueror. This battle of Zama was decisive; the Carthaginians sued for peace, which the haughty conquerors granted with difficulty. The conditions were these: Carthage was permitted to hold all the possessions which she had in Africa before the war, and to be governed by her own laws and institutions. She was ordered to make restitution of all the ships and other effects which had been taken in violation of truce that had been agreed upon by both nations. She was to surrender the whole of her fleet, except ten galleys; she was to release and deliver up all the captives, deserters, or fugitives taken or received during the war; to indemnify Masinissa for all the losses which he had sustained, to deliver up all their elephants, and for the future never to tame or break any more of these animals. She was not to make war upon any nation whatever without the consent of the Romans, and she was to reimburse the Romans, to pay the sum of ten thousand talents, at the rate of two hundred talents a year for fifty years, and she was to give up hostages from the noblest families for the performance of these several articles; and till the ratification of the treaty, to supply the Roman forces with money and provisions. These humiliating conditions were accepted 201 B. C. and immediately 4000 Roman captives were released, five hundred galleys were delivered and burnt on the spot, but the immediate execution of 200 talents was more severely felt, and many of the Carthaginian senators burst into tears. During the fifty years which followed the conclusion of the second Punic war, the Carthaginians were employed in repairing their losses by unwearied application and industry; but they found still in the Romans a jealous rival, and a haughty conqueror, and in Masinissa, the ally of Rome, an intriguing and ambitious monarch. The king of Numidia made himself master of one of their provinces; but as they were not able to make war without the consent of Rome, the Carthaginians sought relief by embassies, and made continual complaints in the Roman senate of the tyranny and oppression of Masinissa. Commissioners were appointed to examine the cause of their complaints; but as Masinissa was the ally of Rome, the interest of the Carthaginians was neglected, and whatever seemed to depress their republic, was agreeable to the Romans. Cato, who was in the number of the commissioners, examined the capital of Africa with a jealous eye; he saw it with concern, rising as it were from its ruins; and when he returned to Rome, he declared in full senate, that the peace of Italy would never be established while Carthage was in being. The senators, however, were not guided by his opinion, and the delenda est Carthago of Cato did not prevent the Romans from acting with moderation. But while the senate were debating about the existence of Carthage, and while they considered it as a dependent power, and not as an ally, the wrongs of Africa were without redress, and Masinissa continued his depreda-
Upon this the Carthaginians resolved to do their cause that justice which the Romans had denied them; they entered the field against the Numidians, but they were defeated in a bloody battle by Masinissa, who was then 90 years old. In this bold measure they had broken the peace; and as their late defeat had rendered them desperate, they hastened with all possible speed to the capital of Italy to justify their proceedings, and to implore the forgiveness of the Roman senate. The news of Masinissa's victory had already reached Italy, and immediately some forces were sent to Sicily, and from thence ordered to pass into Africa. The ambassadors of Carthage received evasive and unsatisfactory answers from the senate; and when they saw the Romans landed at Utica, they resolved to purchase peace by the most submissive terms which even the most abject slaves could offer. The Romans acted with the deepest policy; no declaration of war had been made, though hostilities appeared inevitable; and in answer to the submissive offers of Carthage, the consuls replied, that to prevent every cause of quarrel, the Carthaginians must deliver into their hands 300 hostages, all children of senators, and of the most noble and respectable families. The demand was great and alarming, but it was no sooner granted, than the Romans made another demand, and the Carthaginians were told that peace could not continue if they refused to deliver up all their ships, their arms, engines of war, with all their naval and military stores. The Carthaginians complied, and immediately 40,000 suits of armour, 20,000 large engines of war, with a plentiful store of ammunition and missile weapons, were surrendered. After this duplicity had succeeded, the Romans laid open the final resolutions of the senate, and the Carthaginians were then told, that to avoid hostilities, they must leave their ancient habitations, and retire into the island parts of Africa, and found another city, at the distance of not less than ten miles from the sea. This was heard with horror and indignation; the Romans were fixed and inexorable, and Carthage was filled with tears and lamentations. But the spirit of liberty and independence was not yet extinguished in the capital of Africa, and the Carthaginians determined to sacrifice their lives for the protection of their gods, the tombs of their forefathers, and the place which had given them birth. Before the Roman army approached the city, preparations to support a siege were made, and the ramparts of Carthage were covered with stones, to compensate for the weapons and instruments of war which they had ignobly betrayed to the duplicity of their enemies. Asdrubal, whom the despair of his countrymen had banished on account of an unsuccessful expedition against Masinissa, was immediately recalled; and in the moment of danger, Carthage seemed to have possessed more spirit and more vigour, than when Annibal was victorious at the gates of Rome. The town was blocked up by the Romans, and a regular siege begun; two years were spent in useless operations, and Carthage seemed still able to rise from its ruins, to dispute for the empire of the world; but Scipio, the descendant of the great Scipio, who finished the second Punic war, was sent to conduct the siege. The vigour of his operations soon baffled the efforts and the bold resistance of the besieged; the communications which they had with the land were cut off, and the city, which was twenty miles in circumference, was completely surrounded on all sides by the enemy. Despair and famine now raged in the city, and Scipio gained access to the city walls, where the battlements were low and unguarded. His entrance into the streets was disputed with uncommon fury; the houses as he advanced were set on fire to stop his progress; but when a body of 50,000 persons of either sex had claimed quarters, the rest of the inhabitants were disheartened, and such as disdained to be prisoners of war, perished in the flames, which gradually destroyed their habitations, 147 B.C. after a continuation of hostilities for three years. During 17 days Carthage was in flames; and the soldiers were permitted to redeem from the fire whatever possessions they could. But while others profited from the destruction of Carthage, the philosophic general, struck by the melancholy aspect of the scene, repeated two lines from Homer, which contained a prophecy concerning the fall of Troy. He was asked by the historian Polybius, to what he then applied his prediction? To my country, replied Scipio; for you too I dread the vicissitudes of human affairs, and in her turn she may exhibit another Carthage.

This remarkable event happened about the year of Rome 606. The news of this victory caused the greatest rejoicings at Rome; and immediately commissioners were appointed by the Roman senate, not only to raze the walls of Carthage, but even to demolish and burn the very materials with which they were made; and in a few days, that city, which had been once the seat of commerce, the model of magnificence, the common store of the wealth of nations, and one of the most powerful states of the world, left behind no traces of its splendour, of its power, or even of its existence. Polybius.—Orosius.—Appian. de Punic. &c.—Flor. Plut. in Cat. &c.—Strab.—Liv. epit.—Diod. Pudicita, a Roman divinity, of which they had both a patrician and plebeian.

Pellia, a surname of Juno, under which Temple built her a temple at Styphale.
Pugno, one of the sons of Egyptus.
Pulcherclunia, a surname of Venus.
Pulla, Vid. Probe.
Pullus, a surname of Munitorus.
Pulvinor, a bed on which they placed the statues of gods in the ceremony of the Lectisterni.
Pupia lex, de senatu, requires that the senate should not be assembled from the 18th of the calends of February to the calends of the same month, and that before the embassies were either accepted or rejected, the senate should be held no account.
Pupienus, a centurian of Pompey's army, seized by Caesar's soldiers, &c.
a man of an obscure family, who raised himself by his merit to the highest offices in the Roman armies, and gradually became a pretor, consul, prefect of Rome, and a governor of the provinces. His father was a blacksmith. After the death of the Gordians, Papienus was elected with Balbinus to the imperial throne, and to rid the world of the usurpation and tyranny of the Maximini, he immediately marched against these tyrants, but he was soon informed that they had been sacrificed to the fury and resentment of their own soldiers; and therefore he retired to Rome, to enjoy the tranquillity which his merit claimed. He soon after prepared to make war against the Persians, who insulted the majesty of Rome, but in this he was prevented, and was massacred A. D. 236, by the pretorian guards. Balbinus shared his fate. Papienus is sometimes called Maximus. In his private character he appeared always grave and serious; he was the constant friend of justice, moderation, and clemency; and no greater enthusiasm can be passed upon his virtues, than to say, that he was invested with the purple without soliciting for it, and that the Roman senate said, that they had selected him from thousands, because they knew no person more worthy or better qualified to support the dignity of an emperor.

PAPYRUS, a tragic poet in the age of J. Caesar. His tragedies were so pathetic, that when they were represented on the Roman stage, the audience melted into tears, from which circumstance Horace calls them lacrymosa, 1 ep. 1, v. 67.

PAPYRUS, two islands of the Atlantic sea, on the coast of Africa, now called Lancerota and Fortuventura. Plin. 6, c. 31.1. 33, c. 6.

PAPYRUS, one of the giants, son of Terra, whom the Romans found among the images of the Carthaginians in the course of the Punic wars.

PATREES, a maritime town of Campania, between Baie and Naples, founded by a colony from Cumae. It was originally called Dicewarechia, and afterwards Patreces, from the great number of well that are in the neighbourhood. It was much frequented by the Romans, on account of its mineral waters and hot baths. Strab. 5. Varro. L. L. 4, c. 5. Cic. Phil. 8, c. 3. Mela, 2, c. 4. Paus. 8, c. 7.

PAXONIA, an Athenian festival, celebrated in honour of Theseus and his companions, who, after their return from Crete, were entertained with all manner of fruits, and particularly pulse. From this circumstance the Paxones was ever after commemorated by the boiling of pulse, aro eis avna. Some however suppose, that it is observed in commemoration of the Heraclidae, who were entertained with pulse by the Athenians.

PAXONIA, one of the months of the Athenians, in which they celebrated the Pyanepeses. It is the same as the month of Oct. Y

PYCTES, a surname given to Apollo after he had overcome the robber Phorbas.

PYNDIA, a town of Macedonia, originally called Citron, situate between the mouth of the river Aiacon and Lydia. It was in this city that Cassander massacred Olympias, the mother of Alexander the Great, his wife Roxane, and his son Alexander. Pydna is famous for a battle which was fought there, on the 22d of June, B. C. 168, between the Romans under Paulus and king Philip, in which the latter was conquered, and Macedonia soon after reduced into the form of a Roman province. Justin. 14. c. 6.

PYREO, a town of Ionia.

PYREOS, one of the daughters of Ion.

PYGMAEUS, a nation of dwarfs in the extremest parts of India, or according to others, in Ethiopia. Some authors affirm, that they were no more than one foot high, and that they built their houses with egg shells. Aristotle says they lived in holes under the earth and that they came out in the harvest time with hatchets to cut down the corn as if to fell a forest. They went on goats and lambs of proportional stature to themselves, to make war against certain birds, whom some call cranes, which came there yearly from Scythia to plunder them. They were originally governed by a princess, who was changed into a crane, for boasting herself fairer than Juno. Ovid. Met. 6, v. 90. Homer. Il. 3. Strab. 7. Arist. Anim. 8, c. 12. Juv. 13, v. 186. Plin. 4, &c. Mela, 3, c. 8. Suet. in Aug. 83. Philostr. iom. 2, c. 22, mentions that Hercules asleep in the deserts of Africa, after he had conquered Antaeus, and that he was suddenly awakened by an attack which had been made upon his body by an army of these Liliputians, who discharged their arrows with uncommon fury upon his arms and legs. The hero, pleased with their courage, wrapped the greatest number of them in the skin of the Nemæan lion, and carried them to Eurytheus.

PYGMALION, a king of Tyre, son of Belus, and brother of the celebrated Dido, who founded Carthage. At the death of his father, he ascended the vacant throne, and soon became odious by his cruelty and avarice. He sacrificed every thing to the gratification of his predominant passions, and he did not even spare the life of Sichæus, Dido's husband, because he was the most powerful and opulent of all the Phœnicians. This murder he committed in a temple, of which Sichæus was the priest; but instead of obtaining the riches which he desired, Pygmalion was shunned by his subjects, and Dido, to avoid further acts of cruelty, fled away with her husband's treasure, and a large colony, to the coast of Africa, where she founded a city. Pygmalion died in the 50th year of his age, and in the 47th of his reign. Virg. Aen. 1, v. 347, &c. Justin. 18, c. 5. Apollod. 3. Ital. 1. — A celebrated statue of the island of Cyprus. The debauchery of the females of Amathus, of which he was a witness, created in him such an aversion for the fair sex, that he resolved never to marry. The affection which he had denied to the other sex, he liberally bestowed upon the works of his own hands. He became enamoured of a beautiful statue of marble which
he had made, and at his earnest request and prayers, according to the mythologists, the goddess of beauty changed this favourite statue into a woman, whom the artist married, and by whom he had a son called Paphus, who founded the city of that name in Cyprus. *Ovid. Met. 10, fab. 9.*

**Pyliades,** a son of Strophius, king of Phocis, by one of the sisters of Agamemnon. He was educated, together with his cousin Orestes, with whom he formed the most intimate friendship, and whom he assisted to revenge the murder of Agamemnon, by assassinating Clytemnestra and Ægythus. He also accompanied him in Taurica Chersonesus, and for his services, Orestes rewarded him, by giving him his sister Electra in marriage. Pyliades had by her two sons, Medon and Strophius. The friendship of Orestes and Pyliades became proverbial. [*Vid. Orestes.*] *Eurip. in Iphig.* — *Eschyl. in Ag.* &c. — *Paus. 1.*

A celebrated Greek musician in the age of Philiomenus. *Plut. in Phil.* — A mimic in the reign of Augustus, banished, and afterwards recalled.

**Pyke,** a town of Asia, between Cappadocia and Cilicia. *Cie. 5, ad. att.* The word Pyke, which signifies gates, was often applied by the Greeks to any straits or passages which opened a communication between one country and another, such as the straits of Thermopylae, of Persia, Hyrcania, &c.

**Pylemënes,** a Paphlagonian, who came to the Trojan war, and was killed by Menelaus. His son, called Harpaion, was killed by Meriiones. *Dictys. Cret. 2, c. 34. — Homer. II. 2,* &c. — A king of Mæonia, who sent his sons, Mestes and Antipulus, to the Trojan war.

**Pylocrea,** a name given to the Amphiictyonic council, because they always assembled at Pyle, near the temple of Delphi.

**Pyloan,** a son of Neleus and Chloris, killed by Hercules with his brothers. *Apollod. 1,* c. 9.

**Pylartes,** a Trojan killed by Patroclus. *Homer. II.* 16.

**Pylaris,** a daughter of Danaus. *Apollod.*

**Pylas,** a king of Megara. He had the misfortune accidentally to kill his uncle Bias, for which he fled away, leaving his kingdom to Pandion, his son-in-law, who had been driven from Athens. *Apollod. 3,* c. 15. — *Paus.* 1, c. 39.

**Pylen,** a town of Ætolia. *Homer. II.* 2.

**Pylæus,** a Trojan chief, killed by Achilles. — *A son of Clymenus, king of Orchomenos.*

**Pylen, a town of Thessaly.**

**Pylos,** a daughter of Thessus.

**Pylotis,** a surname of Minerva, taken from the custom which they had of putting his image over the gates of towns.

**Pylos,** a town of Messenia, situate on the western coast of the Peloponnese, opposite the island Sphacteria, in the Ionian sea. It was also called Coryphus, from the promontory on which it was erected. It was built by Pylos, at the head of a colony from Megara. The founder was dispossessed of his town by Neleus, and fled into Elis, where he dwelt in a small town, which he also called Pylos. — A town of Elis at the mouth of the river. Alpheus, between the Peneus and the Selleis.

Another town of Elis, called Triphyllacha, from Triphylia, a province of Elis, where it was situate. These three cities, which bore the name of Pylos, disputed their respective right to the honour of having given birth to the celebrated Nestor, son of Neleus. The Pylos, which is situate near the Alpheus, seems to win the palm, as it had in its neighbourhood a small village called Geranus, and a river called Genon, of which Homer makes mention. Findar, however, calls Nestor king of Messenia, and therefore gives the preference to the first mentioned of these three cities. *Apollod. 1,* c. 19. 1. 3, c. 15. — *Paus.* 1, c. 39. — *Strab. 9.* — *Homer. II.* 2, od. 3.

**Pylius,** a town. [*Vid. Pylos.]* — A son of Mars by Democrite, the daughter of Agenor. He was present at the chase of the Calydonian boar. *Apollod. 1.*

**Pyra,** a part of mount Ætna, on which the body of Hercules was burnt. *Liv.* 36, c. 50.

**Pyramcon,** one of Vulcan's workmen in the forges of mount Ætna. The name is derived from two Greek words which signify fire and an anvil. *Virg. Æn.* 8, v. 425.

**Pyracon,** a man killed by Cænæus. *Ovid.* Met. 12, v. 460.

**Pyraïches,** a king of Eubæa. — A king of Paonia during the Trojan war.

**Pyramus,** a youth of Babylon, who became enamoured of Thisbe, a beautiful virgin, who dwelt in the neighbourhood. The flame was mutual, and the two lovers, whom their parents forbade to marry, regularly received each other's addresses, through the chink of a wall which separated their houses. After the most solemn vows of sincerity, they both agreed to elude the vigilance of their friends, and to meet one another at the tomb of Ninos, under a white mulberry tree, without the walls of Babylon. Thisbe came first to the appointed place, but the sudden arrival of a lioness frightened her away; and as she fled into a neighbouring cave, she dropped her veil, which the lioness found and covered with blood. Pyramus soon arrived; he found Thisbe's veil all bloody, and concluding that she had been torn to pieces by the wild beasts of the place, he stabbed himself with his sword. Thisbe, when her fears were vanished, returned from the cave, and at the sight of the dying Pyramus, she fell upon the sword which still reeked with his blood. This tragic scene happened under a mulberry tree, which, as the poets mention, was stained with the blood of the lovers, and ever after bore fruit but of the colour of blood. *Ovid. Met.* 4, v. 55, &c. — *Hygin. fab.* 243. — A river of Cilicia, rising in mount Taurus, and falling into the Pampylian sea. *Dionys. Perig.*

**Pyrena,** a surname of Venus, worshipped by the Gauls.

**Pyreneæ,** a town of Gallia Narbonensis.

**Pyrenæi,** a mountain, or a long ridge of High
mountains, which separate Gaul from Spain, and extends from the Atlantic to the Mediterranean sea. They receive their name from Pyrene, the daughter of Bebycyrus, or from the fire (pyro) which once raged there for several days. This fire was originally kindled by shepherds, and so intense was the heat which it occasioned, that all the silver mines of the mountains were melted and ran down in large rivulets. This account is deemed fabulous by Strabo and others. Diod. 5.—Strab. 3.—Mela. 2, c. 6.—Ital. 3, v. 415.—Liv. 21, c. 60.—Plin. 4, c. 20.

Pyreneus, a king of Thrace, who, during a shower of rain, gave shelter in his house to the nine Muses, and attempted to offer them violence. The goddesses, upon this, took to their wings and flew away. Pyreneus, who attempted to follow them, as if he had wings, threw himself down from the top of a tower, and was killed. Ovid. Met. 5, v. 274.

Pyrene, a daughter of Bebycyrus, king of the southern parts of Spain. Hercules offered violence to her before he went to attack Geryon, and she brought into the world a serpent, which so terrified her, that she fled into the woods, where she was torn to pieces by wild beasts.

—A nymph, mother of Cyrus by Mars.

—A fountain near Corinth. —A small village in Celtic Gaul, near which, according to some, the river Isser took its rise.

Pyres, a Lybian captain killed by Patroclus.

Pyromantia, a divination by means of fire.

Pyrrasus, a town of Thessaly, whose inhabitants went to war with Troy.


Pyrgion, an historian.

Pyrgo, the nurse of Priam's children, who followed Æneas in his flight from Troy. Virg. Æn. v. 645.

Pyrgoteles, a celebrated engraver on gems, in the age of Alexander the Great. He had the exclusive privilege of engraving the conqueror, as Lysippus was the only sculptor who was permitted to make statues of him. Plin. 37.

Pyrgus, a fortified place of Elis in the Peloponnesus.

Pypppe, a daughter of Theopis.

Pyro, one of the Oceanides. Hesiod.

Pyrois, one of the horses of the sun. Ovid. Met. 2, v. 153.

Pyronia, a surname of Diana.

Pyrrha, a daughter of Epiemethus and Pandora, who married Deucalion, the son of Prometheus, who reigned in Thessaly. In her age, all mankind were destroyed by a deluge, and she alone, with her husband, escaped from the general destruction, by saving themselves in a boat which Deucalion had made by his father's advice. When the waters had retired from the surface of the earth, Pyrrha, with her husband, went to the oracle of Themis, where they were directed, to repair the loss of mankind, to throw stones behind their backs. They obeyed, and the stones which Pyrrha threw were changed into women, and those of Deucalion into men.


The name which Achilles bore when he distinguished himself in woman's clothes at the court of Lycomedes. Hygin. fab. 96.—A town of Euboea. Mela. 2, c. 7.—A promontory of Phthiotis, on the bay of Mala.—A town of Lesbos.—A beautiful courtisan at Rome, of whom Horace was long an admirer. Horat. 1, od. 5.

Pyrrhis, a boatman of Ithaca, remarkable for his humanity. He delivered from slavery an old man who had been taken by pirates, and robbed of some pots full of pitch. The old man was so grateful for this kindness, that he gave the pots to his deliverer, after he had told him that they contained gold under the pitch. Pyrrhis upon this, offered the sacrifice of a bull to the old man, and retained him in his house with every act of kindness and attention, till the time of his death. Plut. in quaest. G.—A general of the Ætolians, defeated by Philip, king of Macedon.

Pyrrheus, a place in the town of Ambiana. T. L. 38, c. 5.

Pyrrhicus, a free town of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 21.

Pyrrhon, a patronymic given to the successors of Neoptolemus in Epirus.

Pyrene Castra, a place of Lucania, or Campa Pyrrhus.

Pyrrho, a philosopher of Elis, disciple to Anaxarchus, and originally a painter. His father's name was Plastarchus, or Pistocrates. He was in continual suspense of judgment; he doubted of every thing, never made any conclusions, and when he had carefully examined a subject, and investigated all its parts, he concluded by still doubting of its evidence. This manner of doubting in the philosopher has been called Pyrrhonism, and his disciples have received the appellation of sceptics, inquisitors, examiners, &c. He pretended to have acquired an uncommon dominion over opinion and passions. The former of these virtues he called ataraxia, and the latter matrionutha; and so far did he carry his want of common feeling and sympathy, that he passed with unconcern near a ditch in which his master Anaxarchus had fallen, and where he nearly perished. He was once in a storm, and when all hopes were vanished, and destruction certain, the philosopher remained unconcerned; and while the rest of the crew were lost in lamentations, he plainly told them to look at a pig which was then feeding himself on board the vessel, exclaiming, This is a true model for the wise man. As he shuffled so much indifference in every thing, and declared that life and death were the same thing, some of his disciples asked him, why he did not hurry himself out of the world, because, says he, there is no difference between life and death. When he walked in the streets he never looked behind, or moved from the road for a chariot, even in its most rapid course; and indeed, as some authors re-
Pyrrhus, a son of Achilles and Deidamia, the daughter of king Lycomedes, who received his name from the yellowness of his hair. He was also called Neoptolemus, or new warrior, because he came to the Trojan war in the last years of the celebrated siege of the capital of Troy. [Vid. Neoptolemus.]—A king of Epirus, descended from Achilles, by the side of his mother, and from Hercules by that of his father, and son of Eacides and Phthisa. He was saved when an infant by the fidelity of his servants, from the pursuits of the enemies of his father, who had been banished from his kingdom, and he was carried to the court of Glautias, king of Illyricum, who educated him with great tenderness. Cassander, king of Macedonia, wished to dispatch him, as he had so much to dread from him; but Glautias, not only refused to deliver him up into the hands of his enemy, but he even went with an army, and placed him on the throne of Epirus, though only twelve years of age. About five years after, the absence of Pyrrhus to attend the nuptials of one of the daughters of Glautias, raised new commotions. The monarch was expelled from his throne by Neoptolemus, who had usurped it after the death of Eacides, and being still without resources, he applied to his brother-in-law Demetrius for assistance. He accompanied Demetrius at the battle of Ipsus, and fought there with all the prudence and intrepidity of an experienced general. He afterwards passed into Egypt, where, by his marriage with Antigone, the daughter of Berenice, he soon obtained a sufficient force to attempt the recovery of his throne. He was successful in the undertaking; but to remove all causes of quarrel, he took the usurper to share with him the royalty, and some time after he put him to death under pretence that he had attempted to poison him. In the subsequent years of his reign, Pyrrhus engaged in the quarrels which disturbed the peace of the Macedonian monarchy; he marched against Demetrius, and gave Macedonian soldiers fresh proofs of his valour and activity. By dissimulation he ingratiated himself in the minds of his enemy's subjects; and when Demetrius laboured under a momentary illness, Pyrrhus made an attempt upon the crown of Macedonia, which, if not then successful, soon after rendered him master of the kingdom. This he shared with Lysimachus for seven months, till the jealousy of the Macedonians, and the ambition of his colleague, obliged him to retire. Pyrrhus was meditating new conquests, when the Tarentines invited him to Italy, to assist them against the encroaching power of Rome. He gladly accepted the invitation, but his passage across the Adriatic proved nearly fatal, and he reached the shores of Italy, after the loss of the greatest part of his troops in a storm. At his entrance into Tarentum, B.C. 280, he began to reform the manners of the inhabitants, and by introducing the strictest discipline among their troops, to accustom them to bear fatigue and to despise dangers. In the first battle which he fought with the Romans he obtained the victory, but for this he was more particularly indebted to his elephants, whose bulk and uncommon appearance, astonished the Romans, and terrified their cavalry. The number of the slain was equal on both sides, and the conqueror said, that such another victory would totally ruin him. He also sent Cineas his chief minister, to Rome, and though victorious, he sued for peace. These offers of peace were refused, and when Pyrrhus questioned Cineas about the manners and the character of the Romans, the sagacious minister replied, that their senate was a venerable assembly of kings, and that to fight against them was to attack another Hydra. Another battle was soon after fought near Asculum, but the slaughter was so great, and the valour so conspicuous on both sides, that the Romans and their enemies reciprocally claimed the victory as their own. Pyrrhus still continued the war in favour of the Tarentines, when he was invited into Sicily by the inhabitants, who laboured under the yoke of Carthage, and the cruelty of their own petty tyrants. His fondness of novelty soon determined him to quit Italy; he left a garrison at Tarentum, and crossed over to Sicily, where he obtained two victories over the Carthaginians, and took many of their towns. He was for a while successful, and formed the project of invading Africa, but soon his popularity vanished, his troops became insolent, and he behaved with haughtiness, and shewed himself oppressive, so that his return to Italy was deemed a fortunate event for all Sicily. He had no sooner arrived at Tarentum, than he renewed hostilities with the Romans with great acrimony, but when his army of 80,000 men had been defeated by 20,000 of the enemy, under Curius, he left Italy with precipitation, B.C. 274, ashamed of the enterprise, and mortified by the victories which had been obtained, over one of the descendants of Achilles. In Epirus he began to repair his military character, by attacking Antigonus, who was then on the Macedonian throne. He gained some advantages over his enemy, and was at last restored to the throne of Macedonia. He afterwards Marched against Sparta, at the request of Cleonymus, but when all his vigorous operations were insufficient to take the capital of Laconia, he returned to Argos, where the treachery of Aristaeus invited him. The Argives desired him to retire, and not to interfere in the affairs of their republic, which were confounded by the ambition of two of their nobles. He complied with their wishes, but in the night he marched his forces into the town, and might have made himself master of the place had he not retarded his progress by entering it with his elephants. The combat that ensued was obstinate and bloody,
and the monarch, to fight with more boldness, and to encounter dangers with more facility, exchanged his dress. He was attacked by one of the enemy, but as he was going to run him through in his own defence, the mother of the Argive, who saw her son's danger from the top of a house, threw down a tile, and brought Pyr-
rhys to the ground. His head was cut off, and carried to Antigonus, who gave his remains a magnificent funeral, and presented his ashes to his son Helenus, 272 years before the Christian era. Pyrrhus has been deservedly commended for his talents as a general; and not only his friends, but also his enemies, have been warm in extolling him; and Anniabal declared, that for experience and sagacity, the king of Epirus was the first of commanders. He had chosen Alexander the Great for a model, and in every thing he wished not only to imitate, but to surpass him. In the art of war none were super-
or to him; he made it not only his study as a general, but even he wrote many books on encampments, and the different ways of training up an army, and whatever he did, was by prin-
ciple and rule. His uncommon understanding, and his penetration, are also admired; but the general is severely censured, who has no sooner conquered a country, than he looks for other victories without regarding or securing what he has already obtained, by measures and regulations honourable to himself, and advantageous to his subjects. The Romans passed great en-
comiums upon him, and Pyrrhus was no less struck with their magnanimity and value; so much indeed, that he exclaimed, that if he had soldiers like the Romans, or if the Romans had him for a general, he would leave no corner of the earth unseen, and no nation unconquered. Pyrrhus married many wives, and all for politi-
cal reasons; besides Antigone he had Lanassa the daughter of Agathocles, as also a daughter of Autoleon king of Paonia. His children, as his biographer observes, derived a warlike spirit from their father, and when he was asked by one, to which of them he should leave the king-
dom of Epirus, he replied, to him who has the sharpest sword. Aelian. Hist. an. 10.—Plut. in vita.—Justin. 17, &c.—Liv. 13 & 14.—Horat. 3, Od. 6.—A king of Epirus, son of Ptolemy, murdered by the people of Ambracia. His daughter, called Laudania, or Deidamia, suc-
cceeded him, Paus.—A son of Deedalus.

PYSTE, the wife of Seleucus, taken prisoner by the Gauls, &c. Polygen. 2.

PYTHAGORAS, a celebrated philosopher born at Samos. His father Mnesarchus was a person of distinction, and, therefore, the son received that education which was most calculated to enlighten his mind and invigorate his body. Like his contemporaries, he was early made ac-
quainted with poetry and music; eloquence and astronomy became his private studies, and, in gymnastic exercises, he often bore the palm for strength and dexterity. He first made himself known in Greece, at the Olympic games, where he obtained, in the eighteenth year of his age, the prize for wrestling; and, after he had been admired for the elegance and dignity of his

person, and the brilliancy of his understanding, he retired into the east. In Egypt and Chal-
dea he gained the confidence of the priests, and learned from them the artful policy and the symbolic writings, by which they governed the princes as well as the people, and, after he had spent many years in gathering all the informa-
tion which could be collected from ancient tra-
tition concerning the nature of the gods and the immortality of the soul, Pythagoras revis-
sited his native island. The tyranny of Poly-
crates at Samos disgusted the philosopher, who was a great advocate for national independen-
cience, and, though he was the favourite of the tyrant, he retired from the island, and a second time as-
sisted at the Olympic games. His fame was too well known to escape notice; he was sal-
luted in the public assembly by the name of Sophist, or wise man; but he refused the appell-
al, and was satisfied with that of the philo-
sopher, or the friend of wisdom. "At the Oly-
mpic games," said he, in explanation of this new appellation he wished to assume, "some are attracted with the desire of obtaining crowns and honours, others come to expose their dif-
ferent commodities to sale, while curiosity draws a third class, and the desire of contemplating whatever deserves notice in that celebrated as-
sembly; thus, on the more extensive theatre of the world, while many struggle for the glory of a name, and many pant for the advantages of fortune, a few, and indeed but a few, who are neither desirous of money, nor ambitious of fame, are sufficiently gratified to be spectators of the wonders, the hurry, and the magnificence of the scene." From Olympia the philosopher visited the republics of Elis and Sparta, and re-
tired to Magus Gracia, where he fixed his habitation in the town of Crotone, about the fortieth year of his age. Here he founded a sect which has received the name of the Italian, and he soon saw himself surrounded by a great number of pupils, which the recommendation of his mental, as well as his personal accom-
plishments, had procured. His skill in music and medicine, and his knowledge of mathem-
atics, and of natural philosophy, gained him friends and admirers, and, amidst the volup-
uousness that prevailed among the inhabitants of Crotone, the Samian sage found his instruc-
tions respected, and his approbation courted: the most debauched and effeminate were pleased with the eloquence and the graceful delivery of the philosopher, who boldly upbraided them for their vices, and called them to more virtuous and manly pursuits. These animated harangues were attended with rapid success, and a refor-
mation soon took place in the morals and the life of the people of Crotone. The females were exhorted to become modest, and they left off their gaudy ornaments; the youths were called away from the pursuits of pleasure, and instantly they forgot their intemperance, and paid to their parents that submissive attention and deference which the precepts of Pythagoras required. As to the old, they were directed no longer to spend their time in amassing money, but to improve their understanding, and to seek
that peace and those comforts of mind which frugality, benevolence, and philanthropy, alone can produce. The sober and religious behaviour of the philosopher strongly recommended the necessity and importance of these precepts. Pythagoras was admired for his venerable aspect; his voice was harmonious, his eloquence persuasive, and the reputation he had acquired by his distant travels, and by being crowned at the Olympic games, was great and important. He regularly frequented the temples of the gods, and paid his devotion to the divinity at an early hour; he lived upon the purest and most innocent food, he clothed himself like the priests of the Egyptian gods, and by his continual purification, and regular offerings, he seemed to be superior to the rest of mankind in sanctity. These artful measures united to render him an object not only of reverence, but of imitation. To set himself at a greater distance from his pupils, a number of years was required to try their various dispositions; the most talkative were not permitted to speak in the presence of their master before they had been his auditors for five years, and those who possessed a natural taciturnity were allowed to speak after a probation of two years. When they were capable of receiving the secret instructions of the philosopher, they were taught the use of ciphers and hieroglyphic writings, and Pythagoras might boast that his pupils could correspond together, though in the most distant regions, in unknown characters, and by signs and words they had received, they could discover, though strangers and barbarians, those that had been educated in the Pythagorean school. So great was his authority among his pupils, that, to dispute his word was deemed a crime, and the most stubborn were drawn to coincide with their opinions when they helped their arguments by the words of, the master said so, an expression which became proverbial in jurare in verba magistri. The great influence which the philosopher possessed in his school was transferred to the world; the pupils divide the applause and the approbation of the people with their venerated master, and, in a short time, the rulers and the legislators of all the principal towns of Greece, Sicily, and Italy, boasted in being the disciples of Pythagoras. The Samian philosopher was the first who supported the doctrine of metempsychosis, or transmigration of the soul into different bodies, and those notions he seemed to have imbibed among the priests of Egypt, or in the solitary retreats of the Brachmans. More strenuously to support this chimerical system, he declared he recollected the different bodies his soul had animated before that of the son of Messarchus. He remembered to have been Achelides, the son of Mercury, to have assisted the Greeks during the Trojan war in the character of Euphorbus, [Vid. Euphorbus.] to have been Hermotimus, afterwards a fisherman, and last of all Pythagoras. He forbids his disciples to eat flesh, as also beans, because he supposed them to have been produced from the same purified matter from which, at the creation of the world, man was formed. In his theological system Pythagoras supported that the universe was created from a shapeless heap of passive matter, by the hands of a powerful being, who himself was the mover and soul of the world, and of whose substance the souls of mankind were a portion. He considered numbers as the principles of every thing, and perceived in the universe, regularity, correspondence, beauty, proportion, and harmony, as intentionally produced by the creator. In his doctrines of morality, he perceived in the human mind, propensities common to us with the brute creation; but, besides these, and the passions of avarice and ambition, he discovered the nobler seeds of virtue, and supported that the most ample and perfect gratification was to be found in the enjoyment of moral and intellectual pleasures. The thoughts of the past he considered as always present to us, and he believed that no enjoyment could be had where the mind was disturbed by consciousness of guilt, or fears about futurity. This opinion induced the philosopher to recommend to his followers a particular mode of education. The tender years of the Pythagoreans were employed in continual labour, in study, in exercise, and repose; and the philosopher maintained this well-known and important maxim, that many things, especially love, are best learnt late. In a more advanced age, the adult was desired to behave with caution, spirit, and patriotism, and to remember, that the community and civil society demanded his exertions, and that the good of the public, and not his own private enjoyment, were the ends of his creation. From lessons like these, the Pythagoreans were strictly enjoined to call to mind, and carefully to review, the actions, not only of the present, but of the preceding days. In their acts of devotion, they early repaired to the most solitary places of the mountains, and after they had examined their private and public conduct, and conversed with themselves, they joined in the company of their friends, and early refreshed their body with light and frugal aliments. Their conversation was of the most innocent nature; political or philosophic subjects were discussed with propriety, but without warmth, and, after the conduct of the following day was regulated, the evening was spent with the same religious ceremony as the morning, in a strict and partial self-examination. From such regularity nothing but the most salutary consequences could arise, and it will not appear wonderful, that the disciples of Pythagoras were so much respected and admired as legislators, and imitated for their constancy, friendship, and humanity. The authors that lived in, and after, the age of Alexander, have rather tarnished than brightened the glory of the founder of the Pythagorean school, and they have obscured his fame by attributing to him actions which were dissimilar with his character as a man and a moralist. To give more weight to his exhortations, as some writers mention, Pythagoras retired into a subterraneous cave, where his mother
Pythagoras, an archon at Athens — A native of Massilia, famous for his knowledge of astronomy, mathematics, philosophy, and geography. He also distinguished himself by his travels, and, with a mind that wished to seek information in every corner of the earth, he advanced far into the northern seas, and discovered the island of Thule, and entered that then unknown sea, which is now called the Baltic. His discoveries in astronomy and geography were ingenious, and, indeed, modern navigators have found it expedient to justify and accede to his conclusions. He was the first who established a distinction of climate by the length of days and nights. He wrote different treatises in Greek, which have been lost, though some of them were extant in the beginning of the fifth century. Pythias lived, according to some, in the age of Aristotle. Strab. 2, &c.—Plin. 37.—An Athenian rhetorician, in the age of Demosthenes, who distinguished himself by his intrigues and opposition to the measures of Demosthenes, of whom he observed, that his orations smelt of the lamp. Pythias joined Aetrapter after the death of Alexander the Great. Plut. in Dem. Pythias, a native of Abdera, in Thrace, who obtained a crown at the Olympic games. Pans. 6.

Pythias, a Lydian, famous for his riches, in the age of Xerxes. He kindly entertained the monarch and all his army, when he was marching on his expedition against Greece, and offered him to defray the expenses of the whole war. Xerxes thanked him with much gratitude, and promised to give him whatever he should require. Pythias asked him to dismiss his son from the expedition; upon which the monarch ordered the young man to be cut into two, and one half of the body to be placed on the right hand of the way, and the other on the left, that his army might march between them. Herodot.

Pythia, the priestesses of Apollo at Delphi. She delivered the answers of the god to such as came to consult the oracle, and was supposed to be suddenly inspired by the sulphurous vapours which issued from the hole of a subterraneous cavity within the temple, over which she sat bare on a three-legged stool, called a tripod. In the stool was a small aperture, through which the vapour was exhaled by the priestess, and, at this divine inspiration, her eyes suddenly sparkled, her hair stood on end, and a shivering ran over all her body. In this convulsive state she spoke the oracles of the god, often with loud howlings and cries, and her articulations were taken down by the priest, and set in order. Sometimes the spirit of inspiration was more gentle, and not always violent; yet Plutarch mentions one of the priestesses who was thrown into such an excessive fury, that not only those that consulted the oracle, but also the priests that conducted her to the sacred tripod, and attended her during the inspiration, were terrified, and forsook the temple; and so violent was the fit, that she continued for some days in the most agonizing situation, and at last died. The Pythia, before she placed herself on the tripod, used to wash her whole body, and particularly her hair, in the waters of the fountain Castalæ, at the foot of mount Parnassus. She also shook a laurel tree that grew near the place, and...
PYTHIAS, a Pythagorean philosopher, in
timate with Damon. [Vid. Phintias.]—A
road which led from Thessaly to Temple
Elis.—A comic character. &c.
PYTHON, an Athenian, killed with 420
soldiers, when he attempted to drive the
garrison of Demetrius from Athens, &c. Poly.
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PYTHIONICA, a surname of Venus.
PYTHIS, a daughter of Delphus, the founder
of Delphi.

PYTHIUM, a town of Thessaly. T. L. 42,
c. 33. l. 44, c. 2.

PYTHIUS, a surname of Apollo, who re-
ceived for his having conquered the serpent
Python.

PYTHO, the ancient name of the town
of Delphi, which it received απο του πυθότας,
because the serpent which Apollo killed ήθε
there. It was also called Parnassia Nape.
Vid. Delphi.

PYTHOCTONUS, a surname of Apollo, who
killed the serpent Python.

PYTHOCHARIS, a musician who assuaged
the fury of some wolves by playing on a musical
instrument, &c. Elian.

PYTHOCLES, an Athenian descended from
Aratus. It is said, that on his account, and for
his instructions, Plutarch wrote the life of Ara-
tus.—A man put to death with Phocion.
—A man who wrote on Italy.

PYTHODORUS, an Athenian archon in the age
of Themistocles.

PYTHOLAEUS, the brother of Theba the wife
of Alexander tyrant of Phrea. He assisted
his sister in dispatching her husband. Plut.

PYTHON, a native of Byzantium in the age
of Philip of Macedonia. He was a great favourite
of the monarch who sent him to Thebes, when
that city, at the instigation of Demothenes,
was going to take up arms against Philip.
Plut. in Dem.—Died.—One of the friends of
Alexander put to death by Ptolemy Lagus.
A man who killed Cotys, king of Thrace at the instigation of the Athenians. — That celebrated serpent sprung from the mud and stagnated waters which remained on the surface of the earth after the deluge of Deucalion. Some, however, suppose that it was produced from the earth by Juno, and sent by the goddess, to persecute Latona, who was then pregnant by Jupiter. Latona escaped its fury by means of her lover, who changed her into a quail during the remaining months of her pregnancy, and afterwards restored her to her original shape in the island of Delos, where she gave birth to Apollo and Diana. Apollo, as soon as he was born, attacked the monster, and killed him with his arrows, and in commemoration of the victory which he had obtained, he instituted the celebrated Pythian games. Strab. 8.—Paus. 2, c. 7, l. 10, c. 6.—Hygin.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 438, &c.—Lucan. 5, v. 134.

Pythagoric, an Athenian prostitute, greatly honoured by Harpalus, whom Alexander some time before had intrusted with the treasures of Babylon. He married her; and according to some, she died the very moment that the nuptials were going to be celebrated. He raised her a splendid monument on the road which led from Athens to Eleusis, which cost him thirty talents. Diod. 17.—Paus. 1.—Athen. 15, &c.

Pythonissa, a name given to the priestess of Apollo's temple at Delphi. She is more generally called Pythia. [Vid. Pythia.] The word Pythonissa was commonly applied to women who attempted to explain futurity.

Pytna, a part of Mount Ida.

Pyttalus, a celebrated athlete, who obtained a prize at the Olympic games. Paus. 9, c. 16.

Quaderna, a town of Italy.

Quadi, an ancient nation of Germany, near the country of the Marcomanni, on the borders of the Danube. They rendered themselves celebrated by their opposition to the Romans, by whom they were often defeated, though not totally subdued. Tacit. in Germ. 42.

Quadratus, a surname given to Mercury, because some of his statues were square.—A governor of Syria in the age of Nero.

Quadrifrons, or Quadriceps, a surname of Janus, because he was represented with four heads. He had a temple on the Tarpeian rock, raised by L. Catulus.

Quastores, two officers at Rome, first created A. U. C. 269. They received their name a quaesto, because they collected the revenues of the state, and had the total management of the public treasury. The quaestorship was the first office which could be had in the state. It was requisite that the candidates should be 24 or 25 years of age, or according to some, 27. In the year 332, U. C. two more were added to the others, to attend the consuls, to take care of the pay of the armies abroad, and to sell the plunder and booty which had been acquired by conquest. These were called Peregrini, whilst the others, whose employment was in the city, received the name of Urbani. When the Romans were masters of Italy, four more were created, A. U. C. 439, to attend the pro-consuls and pro-praetors in their provinces, and to collect all the taxes and customs which each particular district owed to the republic. They were called Provinciales. Sylla the dic-

Quadratus, a parte有两个不同的页面，一个是关于昆提亚，一个关于昆蒂卢斯。昆提亚，一个在意大利的城镇。昆帝卢斯，一个在山的伊达。
QUERCENS, a Rutulan who fought against the Trojans. *Virg. Æn.* 9, v. 684.

QUIETALIS, a surname of Pluto taken from the repose which the dead enjoyed in their tombs.

QUIETIS FANUM, a temple without the walls of the city of Rome. Quies was the goddess of rest. Her temple was situated near the Colline gate.

L. QUIETES, an officer under the emperor Trajan, who behaved with great valour in the expeditions which were undertaken by the army which he commanded. He was put to death by Adrian.

QUINTIANUS, a man who conspired against Nero, for which he was put to death.

QUINTILIA, a comedian who refused to betray a conspiracy which had been formed against Caligula.

QUINTILIUS, a name of one of the three colleges of Luperci among the Romans.

QUINTICIUS, T., a Roman consul, who gained some victories over the Æquii and the Volsci, and obtained a triumph for subduing Pannaste.

Casus, a man accused before the Roman people, and vindicated by his father Cincinnatus. — A Roman, celebrated for his frugality. [*Vid. Cincinnatus.*] — A master of horse. — A Roman consul when Annibal invaded Italy. — A brother of Flaminiius, banished from the senate by Cato, for killing a Gaul. — An officer killed by the Carthaginians.

An officer under Dolabella. — Another, who defeated the Latins. — A consul who obtained a victory over the Volsci. — Hirpinus. [*Vid.* Hirpinus.

QUINDA, a town of Cilicia.

QUINDECIMVIRI, an order of priests whom Tarquin the proud appointed to take care of the Sibylline books. They were originally two, but afterwards the number was increased to ten, to whom Sylla added five more, whence their name. [*Vid.* Decemviri et Duumviri.

QUINQUATRA, a festival in honour of Minerva at Rome, which continued during five days. The beginning of the celebration was the 18th of March. The first day's sacrifices and oblations were presented, but, however, without the effusion of blood. On the second, third, and fourth days, shows of gladiators were exhibited, and on the fifth day there was a solemn procession through the streets of the city. On the days of the celebration, scholars obtained holidays, and it was usual for them to offer prayers to Minerva for learning and wisdom, which the goddess patronized; and on their return to school, they presented their master with a gift which has received the name of Minerval. They were much the same as the Panathenaic of the Greeks. Plays were also acted, and disputations were held on subjects of literature. They received their name from the five days which were devoted for the celebration.

QUINQUENALES LUDI, games celebrated by the Chians in honour of Homer every fifth year. There were also some games among the Romans which bore this name.

They are the same as the Actian games. [*Vid.* Actia.

QUINTEX CURSE. [*Vid.* Quintus Curtius.

QUINTILIUS, a name which the Romans gave to the month July, before that of Julius which was substituted in honour of Julius Caesar. They called it Quintilius because it was the fifth month of the year, beginning with March, which was the first month in the ancient Roman calendar.


QUINTILLIANUS Marcus Fabius, a celebrated rhetorician born in Spain. He opened a school of rhetoric at Rome, and was the first who obtained a salary from the state as being a public teacher. After he had remained twenty years in this laborious employment, and obtained the merited applause of the most illustrious Romans, not only as a preceptor, but as a pleader at the bar, Quintilian, by the permission of the emperor Domitian, retired to enjoy the fruits of his labours and industry. In his retirement he assiduously dedicated his time to the study of literature, and wrote a treatise on the causes of the corruption of eloquence. Some time after, at the pressing solicitations of his friends, he wrote his *institutiones oratoriae*, the most perfect and complete system of oratory extant. It is divided into twelve books, in which the author explains from observation, as well as from experience, what can constitute a good and perfect orator, and in this he not only mentions the pursuits and the employments of the rhetorician, but he also speaks of his education, and begins with the attention which ought to be shown him even in his cradle. He was appointed preceptor to the two young princes whom Domitian destined for his successors on the throne, but the pleasures which the rhetorician received from the favours and the attention of the emperor, and from the success which his writings met in the world, were embittered by the loss of his wife, and of his two sons. It is said that Quintilian was poor in his retirement, and that his indigence was relieved by the liberality of his pupil Pliny, the younger. He died A. D. 95. His institutions were discovered in the 1415th year of the Christian era, in an old tower of a monastery at St. Gal, by Poggio Bracciolini, a native of Florence. The best editions of Quintilian are those of Gesner, 4to. Gotting. 1738; of L. Bat. 8vo. *cum notas variorum*, 1663; and of Gibson, 4to. *Oxon.* 1693.

QUINTILIUS VARUS, a Roman governor of Syria. [*Vid.* Varus.] — A friend of the emperor Alexander. — A man put to death by the emperor Severus.

QUINTILLA, a courtesan at Rome, &c. *Juv.* 7, v. 75.

QUINTILLUS, M. Aurelius Claudius, a brother of Claudius, who proclaimed himself emperor, and 17 days after destroyed himself by opening his veins in a bath, when he heard that Aurelian was marching against him, about the 270th year of the Christian era.
QUINTUS, one of the names of Cincinnatus. Pers. 1. v. 73.

QUINTUS CURTIS RUFUS, a Latin historian, who flourished, as some suppose, in the reign of Vespasian or Trajan. He has rendered himself known by his history of the reign of Alexander the Great. This history was divided into ten books, of which the two first, the end of the fifth, and the beginning of the sixth, are lost. The work is admired for its elegance, the purity, and the floridness of the style. It is however blamed for great anachronisms, and glaring mistakes in geography, as well as history. Feinesheimius has written a supplement to Curtius, in which he seems to have made some very satisfactory amends for the loss which the history has suffered, by a learned collection of facts and circumstances from all the different authors who have employed their pen in writing an account of Alexander, and of his Asiatic conquests. Some suppose that the historian is the same with that Curtius Rufus, who lived in the age of Claudius, under whom he was made consul. This Rufus was born of an obscure family, and he attended a Roman questor in Africa, when he was met at Adrumetum by a woman above a human shape, as he was walking under the porticos in the middle of the day. This extraordinary character addressed the indigent Roman, and told him that the day should come in which he should govern Africa with consular power. This strange prophecy animated Rufus, he repaired to Rome, where he gained the favours of the emperor, obtained consular honours, and at last retired as pro-consul to Africa, where he died. The best editions of Curtius are those of Elzevir, 8vo. Amst. 1673; of Snakenburg, 4to. L. Bat. 1724; and of Barbou, 12mo. Paris, 1757. Tacit. Ann. 11, c. 23, &c.

QUINTUS VERANUS, a governor of Cappa-

docia.—Cicero, the brother of Cicero.—Catulus, a Roman consul. —A friend of Caesar.

QUIRINALIA, festivals in honour of Romulus, surnamed Quirinus, celebrated on the 13th of the calends of March.

QUIRINALIS, a hill at Rome, originally called Agonius, and afterwards Collins. The name of Quirinalis it obtained from the inhabitants of king Cures, who settled there under their king Tatius. It was also called Calabinus, from two marble statues of a horse, one of which was the work of Phidias, and the other of Praxiteles. —One of the gates of Rome near mount Quirinalis.

QUIRINALIS FLAMEN, a grand priest of Quirinus.

QUIRINUS, a surname of Mars among the Romans. The name was also given to Romulus when he had been made a god by his superstitions subjects. Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 475.

— Also a surname of the god Janus. Sulpitius, a Roman consul born at Lanuvium. Though descended of an obscure family, he was raised to the greatest honours by Augustus. He was appointed governor of Syria, and was afterwards made preceptor to Caius, the grandson of the emperor. He married Æmilia Lepida, the grand-daughter of Sylla and Pompey, but some time after he shamefully repudiated her. He died A. D. 22. Tacit. Ann. 3, &c.

QUIRITES, a name given to the Roman citizens, because they admitted into their city the Sabines, who inhabited the town of Cures, and who on that account were called Quirites. After this union, the two nations were indiscriminately and promiscuously called by that name. Varro, de L. L. 4.—Liti. 1, c. 13.—Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 479.

RAE

for eloquence and majesty, but Quintilian is not so favourable to his poetry. —An architect in the reign of Domitian, who built a celebrated palace for the emperor, of which the ruins are still seen at Rome.

RAELLA, the wife of Cincinnatus. Liv. 3, c. 26.

RADKLIUS, a tribunal of the people, who declined in the senate against the faction of Clodius. Cic. in Ver. 2, c. 12.—Ad. Quint. Ital. 2, c. 1.

RESACES, an officer of Artaxerxes. He revolted from his master, and fled to Athens.
Roman army \textit{Liv.} 2—\textit{Dionys. Ital.} 5—Plut. in \textit{Cor.}—Val. Max. 1.—\textit{Flor.} 1.

Regillus, Q. Nonius, a Dacian who entered the Roman armies, and was raised to the greatest honours under Valerian. He was elected emperor by the populace, who were dissatisfied with Gallienus, and was soon after murdered by his soldiers, A. D. 262.

Regillus, a small lake of Latium.

Regnum, a town of Germany, which is now believed to be Ratisbona.

Regium Lepidi, now Regio, a town of Italy, at the south of the Po. \textit{Plin.} 3, c. 15.—\textit{Cic. ad Fam.} 2, ep. 5. 1. 13, ep. 7.

Regulator, one of the surnames of Jupiter.

M. Attilius Regulus, a consul during the first Punic war. He reduced Brundisium, and in his second consulship he took 64, and sunk 30, gallies of the Carthaginian fleet, on the coasts of Sicily. Afterwards he landed in Africa, and so rapid was his success, that in a short time he made himself master of about 260 places of consequence on the coast. The Carthaginians sued for peace, but the conqueror refused to grant it, and soon after he was defeated in a battle by Xanthippus, and 30,000 of his men were left on the field of battle, and 15,000 were taken prisoners. Regulus was in the number of the captives, and he was carried in triumph to Carthage. He was sent by the enemy to Rome, to propose an accommodation and an exchange of prisoners; and if his commission was unsuccessful, he was bound by the most solemn oaths to return to Carthage without delay. When he came to Rome, Regulus dissuaded his countrymen from accepting the terms which the enemy proposed; and when his opinion had had due influence on the senate, Regulus retired to Carthage agreeable to his engagements. The Carthaginians were told that these offers of peace had been rejected at Rome by the means of Regulus, and therefore they prepared to punish him with the utmost severity. His eye-brows were cut, and he was exposed for some days to the excessive heat of the meridian sun, and afterwards confined in a barrel, whose sides were every where filled with large iron spikes, till he died in the greatest agonies. His sufferings were heard at Rome, and the senate permitted his widow to inflict whatever punishment she pleased on some of the most illustrious captives of Carthage which were in their hands. She confined them also in presses filled with sharp iron points, and was so exquisite in her cruelty, that the senate at last interfered, and stopped the barbarity of her punishments. Regulus died about 251 years before Christ. \textit{Sil.} 6, v. 319—\textit{Flor.} 2, c. 3.—\textit{Horat.} 3, od. 5.—\textit{Cic. de Off.} 1, c. 13.—\textit{Val. Max.} 1, c. 1. l. 9, c. 2.—\textit{Liv.} ep. 16.—Memmius, a Roman made governor of Greece by Caligula. While Regulus was in his province, the emperor wished to bring the celebrated statue of Jupiter Olympus by Pludiias to Rome; but this was supernaturally prevented, and according to ancient authors, the ship which was to convey it was de-
stayed by lightning, and the workmen who attempted to remove the statue were terrified away by sudden noises. *Div. Cass.*—A man who condemned Sejanus.—Roscius, a man who held the consulship but for one day, in the reign of Vitellius.

REMIGIUS, a nation of Gaul.

REMMIAE LEX de judiciis, was enacted to punish all calumniators. The letter K was marked on their forehead. *Cic. pro Ros.*

REMULUS, a chief of Tubur, whose arms were seized by the Rutulians, and afterwards became part of the plunder which Euryalus obtained. *Virg. Aen.* 9, v. 360.—A friend of Turnus, trampled to death by his horse which Orsilo-clus had wounded. *Id.* 11, v. 636, &c.

REMULUS SYLVIUS, a king of Alba, destroyed by lightning, on account of his impiety. *Ovid. Trist.* 4, v. 50.

REMURIA, festivals established at Rome by Romulus, to appease the manes of his brother Remus. They were afterwards called Lemuria, and celebrated yearly.

REMUS, the brother of Romulus, was exposed together with him by the cruelty of his grandfather. In the contest which happened between the two brothers about building a city, Romulus obtained the preference, and Remus, for ridiculing the rising walls, was put to death by his brother's orders, or by Romulus himself. *Vid. Remulus.* The Romans were afflicted with a plague after this murder, upon which the oracle was consulted, and the manes of Remus appeased by the institution of the Remuria. *Ovid.*—One of the auxiliaries of Turnus against *Eneas.* *Virg. Aen.* 9, v. 330.

RENOMEES. *Vid. Fama.*

REPOTIA, a name which the Romans gave to a repast before marriage.

RESIGENA, a town of Mesopotamia, celebrated for the victory of Gordian on Sapor.

RETHENO, one of the companions of Dion- medes, who were changed into birds because they despised Venus. *Ovid.*


RESUS, a small river of Asia Minor, falling into the Meander.


RHA, now Volga, a large river of Russia. It is on those banks where rhabrus grows.

RHACIA, a promontory in the Mediterranean sea, projecting from the Pyrenean mountains.

RHACIUS, a Cretan prince, the first of that nation who entered Jonia with a colony. He seized Clarois, of which he became the sove- reign. He married Manto, the daughter of Ti- resias, who had been seized on his coasts. *Paus.* 7, c. 5.

RHACOTIS, an ancient name of Alexandria, the capital of Egypt. *Paus.* 5, c. 21.

RHADMANTHUS, a son of Jupiter and Eu- ropa. He was born in Crete, which he aban-doned about the 50th year of his age. He passed into some of the Cyclades, where he reigned with so much justice and impartiality, that the ancients have said, he became one of the judges of hell, and that he was employed in the infernal regions in obliging the dead to confess their crimes, and in punishing them for their offences. Rhadamanthus reigned not only over some of the Cyclades, but over many of the Greek cities of Asia. *Paus.* 8, c. 53.—*Ovid. Met.* 9, v. 433.—*Diod.* 5.—*Plato.* *Homer. Il.* 4, v. 564.—*Virg.* *Aen.* 6, v. 566.

RHADAMISTUS, a son of Pharnasses, king of Iberia. He married Zenobia, the daughter of his uncle Mithridates, king of Armenia, and some time after put him to death. He was put to death by his father for his cruelties, about the year 52 of the Christian era. *Tact. Ann.* 13, c. 37.

RHADIUS, a son of Neleus.

RHATEUM, a city of Phrygia.

RHA'TI or RATTI, an ancient and warlike nation of Etruria. They were driven from their native country by the Gauls, and went to settle on the other side of the Alps. *Plin.* 3, c. 20.—*Justin.* 20, c. 5.

RHATIA, a country at the north of Italy, be- tween the Alps and the Danube, which now forms the territories of the Grisons of Tyrol and part of Italy. It was divided into two parts, Rhatiea prima and Rhatiea secunda. The first ex- tended from the sources of the Rhine to those of the Licus, a small river which falls into the Danube. The other, called also Vindelicia, extended from the Licus to another small river called Oenis, towards the east. The principal towns of Rhatiea were called Curia, Tridentum, Belunum, Felixia. The Rhetians rendered themselves formidable by the frequent invasions they made upon the Roman empire, and were at last conquered by Drusus, the brother of Tiberius, and others under the Roman em- perors. *Strab.* 4.—*Plin.* 3, c. 20, 1, 14, c. 2, &c.—*Herod.* 4, od. 4 & 14.

RHAMNES, a king and augur who assisted Turnus against *Eneas.* He was killed in the night by Nisus. *Virg.* *Aen.* 9, v. 325.

RHAMNUS, a town of Attica, famous for a temple of Amphiarus, and a statue of the god- desse Nemesis, who was from thence called Rhamnusia. *Paus.* 1.—*Plin.* 36.

RHAMNUSIA, a surname of Nemesis. *Vid. Rhamnus.*

RHAMPSINITUS, an opulent king of Egypt, who succeeded Proteus. He built a large tower with stones, at Memphis, where his riches were deposited, and of which he was robbed by the artifice of the architect, &c. *He- rodot.* 2, c. 121, &c.

RHANIES, one of Diana's attendant nymphs. *Ovid.* *Met.* 3.

RHAROS, a plain of Attica, where corn was first sown by Triptolemus. It received its name from the sower's father, who was called Rharos.

RHASCUPORIS, a king of Thrace, who in- vaded the possessions of Cotys, and was put to death by order of Tiberius, &c. *Tact.* *Ann.* 2, c. 64.

RHEA, a daughter of Cadmus and Terra, who
married Saturn, by whom she had Vesta, Ceres, Juno, Pluto, Neptune, &c. Her husband, however, devoured them all as soon as born, as he had succeeded to the throne with the solemn promise that he would raise no male children, or, according to others, because he had been informed by an oracle, that one of his sons would dethrone him. To stop the cruelty of her husband, Rhea consulted her parents, and was advised to impose upon him, or, perhaps, to fly into Crete. Accordingly, when she brought forth, the child was immediately concealed, and Saturn devoured up a stone which his wife had given him as her own child. The fears of Saturn were soon proved to be well founded. A year after, the child, whose name was Jupiter, became so strong and powerful, that he drove his father from his throne. Rhea has been confounded by the mythologists with some of the other goddesses, and some have supposed that it was the same divinity that received adoration under the various names of Vona Dea, Cybele, Dindymens, Magna Mater, Ceres, Vesta, Titha, and Terra, Tellus, &c. Ovid. Fast. 4. v. 197. — Apoll. 1. c. 1, &c. — Sylvia, the mother of Romulus and Remus. She is also called Ili. Ovid. Fast. 7, v. 659.

Rhēas or Rhēb's, a river of Bithynia, flowing from mount Olympus into the Euxine sea. Placc. 7, v. 698.


Rhēgium, a town of Italy, in the country of the Bruttii, opposite Messana, in Sicily, where a colony of Messenians, under Alcidamidas, settled, B.C. 723. It was originally called Rhēgium, and afterwards Rhegium Julium, to distinguish it from Rhegium Lapidii, a town of Cisalpine Gaul. Some suppose that it received its name from the Greek word ῥῆγον, to break, because it is situate on the streights of Charybdis, which were formed when the island of Sicily, as it were, was broken and separated from the continent of Italy. This town has always been subject to great earthquakes, by which it has often been destroyed. Sil. 13. v. 94. — Cic. pro Arch. 3. — Ovid. Met. 14. v. 5 & 48. — Justin. 4, c. 1. — Mel. 2, c. 4. — Strab. 6.

Rhēgūci, a people of the Alps.


Rhēne, a small island of the Ægean, about 200 yards from Delos, 18 miles in circumference. The inhabitants of Delos always buried their dead there, as their own island was consecrated to Apollo, where no dead bodies were to be inhumed. Strabo says, that it was uninhabited, though it was once populous and flourish as the rest of the Cyclades. Plut. De Cret. 1. v. 473. — Ovid. Met. 13. v. 98.

Rhētōgēnes, a prince of Spain, who surrendered to the Romans, and was treated with great humanity.

Rhētico, a mountain of Rhætia.
RHETUS, a warrior killed at the nuptials of Perseus and Andromeda.

RHETHUS, a place in Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 23.

RHEXENOR, a son of Nausithous, king of Phocaea. Homer. Od. 7.—The father of Chalciope, the wife of Ægeus, king of Athens. —A musician who accompanied Antony in Asia.

RHEXIBIUS, an athlete of Opus, who obtained a prize at the Olympic games. Paus. 6.

RHANUS, a Greek poet of Thrace, originally a slave. He wrote an account of the war between Sparta and Messenia, which continued for twenty years, as also an account of the principal revolutions and events which had taken place in Thessaly. Of this poetical composition, nothing but a few verses are extant. He flourished about 200 years before the Christian era. Paus. 4.

RHIDAGO, a river of Hycania. Curt. 6, c. 4.

RHIMOTACES, a king of Thrace, who revolted from Antony to Augustus. He boasted of his attachment to the emperor's person, at an entertainment, upon which Augustus said, Priditionem amo, prolices odi.

RHINOCOLURA, a town situated on the confines of Egypt and Palestine. T. L. 45, c. 11.

RHYNTHON, a Greek poet of Tarentum, in the age of Alexander.

RHION, a promontory of Ætolia. Plin. 4, c. 2.

RHIPHA or RHIPHE, a town of Arcadia. Stat. 4, Theb. v. 286.

RHIPHIS, large mountains at the north of Scythia, where, as some suppose, the Gorgons had fixed their residence. The name of Rhipean was applied to any cold mountain in a northern country, and indeed these mountains seem to have existed only in the imagination of the poets.


RHIOUM. Vid. Rhion.

RHODANUS, a river of Gallia Narbonensis, rising in the Rhodian Alps, and falling into the Mediterranean sea, near Marseilles. It is one of the largest and most rapid rivers of Europe. Mela, 2, c. 5. 1. 3, c. 3.—Ovid. Met. 2, v. 258.—Marcell. 15, &c.—Cæsar. Bell. G. 1, c. 1.—Plin. c. 4.—Strab. 4.

RHODE, a daughter of Neptune. —Of Danaus.

RHODIA, one of the Oceansides. Hesiód.

RHODOată, a daughter of Phraates, king of Parthia, who married Demetrius, when he was in banishment at her father's court. Polyan. 8.

RHODÔPE or RHODÔPS, a celebrated courtezan of Greece, who was fellow-servant with Asop, at the court of a king of Samos. She was carried to Egypt by Xanthus, and her liberty was at last bought by Charaxes of Mitylene, the brother of Sappho, who was enamoured of her, and who married her. She sold her favours at Naukratis, where she collected so much money, that to render her name immortal, she consecrated a number of spits in the temple of Apollo at Delphi. Ælian says, that as Rhodope was one day bathing herself, an eagle carried away one of her sandals, and dropped it near Psmæmaticus, king of Egypt, at Memphis. The monarch was struck with the beauty of the sandal, strict enquiry was made to find the owner, and Rhodope, when discovered, married Psmæmaticus. Herodot. 2, c. 134, &c.—Ovid. Heroid. 15.—Ælian. V. H. 13, c. 33.

RHÔDÔPE, a high mountain of Thrace, extending as far as the Euxine sea, all across the country, nearly in an eastern direction. Rhodope, according to the poets, was the wife of Haimus, king of Thrace, who was changed into this mountain, because she preferred herself to Juno in beauty. Ovid. Met. 6, v. 87, &c.—Virg. Ecl. 8.—Mela, 2, c. 2.—Strab. 7.—Ital. 2, v. 73.—Seneca, in Herc. Oct.

RHODUS, a celebrated island in the Carpathian sea, 120 miles in circumference, at the south of Caria, from which it is distant about 20 miles. Its principal cities were Rhodes, founded about 408 years before the Christian era, Lindus, Camirus, Jalyxus. Rhodes was famous for a celebrated statue of Apollo. [Vid. Colossus.] The Rhodians were originally governed by kings, and were independent, and this government was at last exchanged for democracy and aristocracy. They were naturally given up to commerce, and, during many ages, they were the most powerful nation by sea. Their authority was respected, and their laws were so universally approved, that every country made use of them to decide disputes concerning maritime affairs, and they were at last adopted by other commercial nations, and introduced into the Roman codes. When Alexander made himself master of Asia, the Rhodians lost their independence, but they soon after asserted their natural privileges, under his cruel successors, and continued to hold that influence among nations to which their maritime power and consequence entitled them. They assisted Pompey against Cæsar, and were defeated by Cassius, and became dependent upon the Romans. The island of Rhodes has been known by the several names of Ophiussa, Stadia, Telchinis, Corymbia, Trinacria, Æthra, Asteria, Poessa, Atabyria, Oloessa, Marcia, and Pelagia. It received the name of Rhodes, either on account of Rhode, a beautiful nymph who dwelt there, and who was one of the favourites of Apollo, or because ῥόδος (póðos) grew in great abundance all over the island. Strab. 14.—Homer. II. 2.—Mela, 2, c. 7.—Diod. 5.—Plin. 2, c. 87. 1. 5, c. 31.—Flor. 2, c. 7.—Pindar. Olymp. 7.—Lucan. 8, v. 248.—Cic. pro Manley. in Brut. 13.

RHODUNIA, the top of mount Æta. T. L. 36, c. 16.

RHÆBUS, a horse of Mezentius, whom his master, addressed with the determination to conquer or die, when he saw his son Laurus brought lifeless from the battle. This beautiful
address is copied from Homer, where likewise Achilles addresses his horses. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 861.

RACCUS, one of the Centaurs, who attempted to offer violence to Atalanta. He was killed at the nuptials of Pirithous by Bacchus. Ovid. Met. 12, v. 301. — Virg. G. 2. — One of the giants killed by Bacchus, under the form of a bull, in the war which these sons of the earth waged against Jupiter and the gods. Horat. 2, od. 19, v. 23.

Romanus, a nymphaeum named by Apollo.

RHEUM, or RHETUS, a promontory of Thasos in the Hellespont, near which the body of Ajax was buried. Ovid. Met. 11, v. 197. 4 Fast. v. 279.

RHODUS, now Rhodes, a mountain of the island of Cosica.

RHÔXANUS, or RHÔXĀNA, a mistress of Alexander, daughter of a Persian satrap. Vid. Roxana.

RHÔXANĀ, or RHÔXĀNA, a nation against whom Mithridates made war, &c.

RHÛTĒNI and RHUTĒNI, a people of Gaul.

RHYNĐACUS, a large river of Mycia, in Asia Minor. Plin. 5, c. 32.

Rhymthon, a dramatic writer of Tarentum, who composed 90 plays.

RÝPE, a town of Achaea, at the west of Helice.

Ríkadelum, a village of Germany, now Rigol, near Cologne. Tacit. Hist. 4, v. 71.

RÍPHAI. Vid. Riphai.

RÍPHEES. Vid. Riphes.

Ríphes, a Trojan, who joined Æneas the night that Troy was reduced to ashes, and was at last killed after making a great carnage of the Greeks. He is commended for his love of justice and equity. Virg. Æn. 2, v. 339 & 426.

RÍXAMÆRE, a people of Illyricum. Lit. 45, c. 26.

RÍBÚGO, or RÍBÚGO, a goddess at Rome, particularly worshipped by husbandmen, as she presided over corn. Her festivals, called Robigalia, were celebrated on the 25th of April, and incense was offered to her, as also the entrails of a sheep, and of a dog. She was intrested to preserve the corn from blights. Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 911. — Virg. G. 1, v. 131. — Varro de L. L. 5, de R. R. 1, c. 1.

RÓBUR, Force, daughter of Pallas and Styx.

RODÜMNĀ, now ROANNA, a town of the Edúi, the Loire.

ROMĀ, a city of Italy, the capital of the Roman empire, situate on the banks of the river Tiber, at the distance of about 16 miles from the sea. The name of its founder, and the manner of its foundation, are not precisely known. Romulus, however, is universally supposed to have laid the foundation of that celebrated city, on the 20th of April, according to Varro, in the year 753 before the creation of the world, 3251 years after the birth of Christ, and 431 years after the Trojan war and in the 4th year of the sixth Olympiad. In its original state, Rome was but a small castle on the summit of mount Palatine; and the founder, to give his followers the appearance of a nation, or a barbarian horde, was obliged to erect a standard as a common asylum for every criminal, debtor, or murderer, who fled from their country to avoid the punishment which attended them. From such an assemblage, a numerous body was soon collected, and before the death of the founder, the Romans had covered with their habitations the Palatine, Capitoline, Aventine, Esquiline hills, with mount Collius, and Quirinallis. After many successful wars against the neighbouring states, the views of Romulus were directed to regulate a nation naturally fierce, warlike, and uncivilized. The people were divided into classes, the interests of the whole were linked in a common chain and the labours of the subject, as well as those of his patron, tended to the same end, the aggrandizement of the state. Under the successors of Romulus, the power of Rome was increased, and the boundaries of her dominions extended; while one was employed in regulating the forms of worship, and in inculcating in the minds of his subjects a reverence for the deity, the other was engaged in enforcing discipline among the army, and raising the consequence of the soldiers in the government of the state; and a third made the object of his administration consist in adorning his capital, in beautifying the edifices, and in fortifying all with towers and walls. During 244 years, the Romans were governed by kings, but the tyranny, the oppression, and the violence of the last of these monarchs, and of his family, became so atrocious, that a revolution happened in the state, and the democratical government was established. The monarchical government existed under seven princes, who began to reign in the following order: Romulus, B. C. 753; and after one year's interregnum, Numa, 715; Tullus Hostilius, 672; Ancus Martius, 640; Tarquins Priscus, 616; Servius Tullius, 578; and Tarquin the Proud, 534, expelled 25 years after, B. C. 509; and this regal administration has been properly denominated the infancy of the Roman empire. After the expulsion of the Tarquins from the throne, the Romans became more sensible of their consequence; with their liberty they acquired a spirit of faction, and they became so jealous of their independence, that the first of their consuls who had been the most
zealous and animated in the assertion of their freedom, was banished from the city because he bore the name, and was of the family of the tyrants; and another, to stop their suspicions, was obliged to pull down his house, whose statefulness and magnificence above the rest, seemed incompatible with the duties and the rank of a private citizen. They knew more effectually their power when they had fought with success against Perssena, the king of Etruria, and some of the neighbouring states who supported the claim of the tyrant, and attempted to replace him on his throne by force of arms. A government which is entrusted into the hands of two of the most distinguished of its members, for the limited space of one year, cannot but give rise to great men, glorious exploits, and tremendous seditions. The general who is placed at the head of an army during a campaign, must be active and diligent, when he knows that his power is terminated with the year; and if he has a becoming ambition, he will distinguish his consulship by some uncommon act of valor, before he descends from the dignity of an absolute magistrate to the dependence of a fellow-citizen. Yet these attempts for the attainment of glory, often fail of success; and though the Romans could once boast that every individual in their armies could discharge with fidelity and honour the superior duties of magistrate and consul, there are to be found in their annals many years marked by overthrow, or disgraced by the ill conduct, the oppression, and the wantonness of their generals. [Vit. Consul.] To the fame which their conquests and daily successes had gained abroad, the Romans were not a little indebted for their gradual rise to superiority; and to this may be added the policy of the census, which every fifth year told them their actual strength, and how many citizens were able to bear arms. And indeed it was no small satisfaction to a people who were continually making war, to see, that in spite of all the losses which they might sustain in the field, the increase of the inhabitants of the city was prodigious, and almost incredible, and had Romulus lived after the battle of Actium, he never would have been persuaded, that above four millions of inhabitants were contained within those walls, which in the most flourishing period of his reign, could scarce muster an army of three thousand infantry, and three hundred horse. But when Rome had flourished under the consular government for about 120 years, and had beheld the succession of the conquests of her citizens over the neighbouring states and cities which, according to a Roman historian, she was ashamed to recollect in the summit of her power, an irritation of barbarians rendered their presence very insinuate precarious, and her name was nearly extinguished. The value of an injured individual, [Vit. Camillus,] saved it from destruction, yet not before its buildings and temples were reduced to ashes. This celebrated event, which gave the appellation of another founder of Rome to Camillus, has been looked upon as a glorious era to the Romans. The huts and cottages which Romulus! ...! erected, and all his successors repaired, were totally consumed; and when the city arose again from its ruins, the streets were enlarged, convenience as well as order was observed, taste and regularity were consulted, and the poverty, ignorance, and rusticity of the Romans, seemed to be extinguished with the old habitations. But no sooner were they freed from the fears of their barbarian invaders, than they turned their arms against those states which refused to acknowledge their superiority, or yield their independence. Their wars with Pyrrhus and the Tarentines, displayed their character in a different view; if they before had fought for freedom and independence, they now drew their swords for glory; and here we may see them conquered in the field, and yet refusing to grant that peace for which their conqueror himself had sued. The advantages they gained from their battles with Pyrrhus were many. The Roman name became known in Greece, Sicily, and Africa, and in losing or gaining a victory, the Romans were enabled to examine the manoeuvres, observe the discipline, and contemplate the order and the encampments of those soldiers whose friends and ancestors had accompanied Alexander the Great in the conquest of Asia. Italy became subjected to the Romans at the end of the war with the Tarentines, and that period of time has been called the second age, or the adolescence of the Roman empire. After this memorable era, they tried their strength not only with distant nations, but also upon a new element; and in the long wars which they waged against Carthage, they acquired territory, and obtained the sovereignty of the sea; and though Annibal for 16 years kept them in continual alarms, hoveted round their gates, and destroyed their armies almost before their walls, yet they were doomed to conquer, [Vit. Punicum Bellum, and soon to add the kingdom of Macedonia, [Vit. Macedonicum Bellum,] and the provinces of Asia, [Vit. Mithridaticum Bellum,] to their empire. But while we consider the Romans as a nation subdued their neighbours by war, their manners, their counsels, and their pursuits at home, are not to be forgotten. To be warred was their profession; their assemblies in the Campus Martius were a meeting of armed men, and very properly demanated an army. Yet, while their conquests were so extensive abroad, we find them torn by factions at home, and so far was the resentment of the poorer citizens carried, that what were the enemy at the gates of the city, while all are unwilling to take up arms and to unite in the defence of their common liberty. The senators and the nobles were ambitious of power, and endeavoured to retain in their hands the influence which had been exercised with so much success, and such cruelty by their monarchs. This was the continual occasion of tumults and seditions. The people were jealous of their liberty. The oppression of the nobles irritated them, and the stripes to which they were too often exposed without mercy, was often productive of revolutions. The plebeians, though originally the poorest and most contemptible citizens of an indigent nation, whose food, in the first ages of the em-
pire, was only bread and salt, and whose drink was water, soon gained rights and privileges by their opposition. Though really slaves, they became powerful in the state; one concession from the patricians produced another; and when their independence was boldly asserted by their tribunes, they were admitted to a share in the highest offices of the state; and the laws which forbade the intermarriage of plebeian and patrician families, were repealed; and the meanest peasant could, by valour and fortitude, be raised to the dignity of dictator and consul. It was not till these privileges were obtained by the people from the senate, that Rome began to enjoy internal peace and tranquillity; her battles were then fought with more vigour, her soldiers were more animated, and her sovereignty was more universally established. But the sovereign power which was lodged in the hands of a factious and ambitious citizen, was too often dangerous. The greatest oppression and tyranny was the consequence, and from those causes proceeded the unparalleled slaughter and effusion of blood under a Sylla or a Marius. It has been justly observed, that the first Romans conquered their enemies by valour, temperance, and fortitude; their moderation also, and their justice were well known among their neighbours; and not only private possessions, but even mighty kingdoms and empires were left in their power, to be distributed among a family, or to be ensured in the hands of a successor. They were also chosen umpires to decide quarrels, but in this honourable office they consulted their own interest; they always supported the weaker side, that the more powerful might be reduced, and gradually become their prey. Under J. Caesar and Pompey, the rage of civil war was carried to unprecedented excess; it was not merely to avenge a private injury, but it was a contest for the sovereignty; and though each of the adversaries wore the mask of sincerity, and professed himself to be the supporter of the republic, not less than the abolition of freedom and public liberty was the aim. What Julius began, his adopted son achieved; the ancient spirit of national independence was extinguished at Rome, and after the battle of Actium, the Romans seemed unable to govern themselves without the assistance of a chief, who, under the title of imperator, an appellation given to every commander by his army after some signal victory, reigned with as much power and as much sovereignty as another Tarquin. Under their emperors, the Romans lived a luxurious and indolent life; they had long forgot to appear in the field, and their wars were left be waged by mercenary troops, who fought without spirit or animosity, and who were ever ready to yield to him who bought their allegiance and fidelity with the greatest sums of money. Their leaders themselves were not the most prudent or the most humane; the power which they had acquired by bribery was indeed precarious; and among a people, where not only the highest offices of the state, but even the imperial purple itself are exposed to sale, there cannot be expected much happiness or tranquility in the palace of the emperor. The reigns of the successors of Augustus were distinguished by variety; one was the most abandoned and profligate of men, whom his own vices and extravagance hurried out of the world, while his successor, perhaps the most clement, just, and popular of princes, was sacrificed in the midst of his guards and attendants by the dagger of some offended favourite or disappointed eunuch. Few indeed were the emperors of Rome whose days were not shortened by poison, or the sword of an assassin. If one for some time had the imprudence to trust himself in the midst of a multitude, at last to perish by his own credulity, the other consulted his safety, but with no better success, in the innumerable chambers of his palace, and changed every day, to elude discovery, the place of his retirement. After they had been governed by a race of princes, remarkable for the variety of their characters, the Roman possessions were divided into two distinct empires, by the enterprise of Constantine, A. D. 328. Constantine became the seat of the eastern empire, and Rome remained in the possession of the western emperors, and continued to be the capital of their dominions. In the year 800 of the Christian era, Rome, with Italy, was delivered by Charlemagne, the then emperor of the west, into the hands of the Pope, who still continues to hold the sovereignty, and to maintain his independence under the name of the Ecclesiastical States.—The original poverty of the Romans has often been disguised by their poets and historians, who wished it to appear, that a nation who were masters of the world, had had better beginning than to be a race of shepherds and robbers. Yet it was to this simplicity they were indebted for their successes. Their houses were originally destitute of every ornament; they were made with unequal boards, and covered with mud, and these served them rather as a shelter against the inclemency of the seasons, than for relaxation and ease. Till the age of P_DISPATCH, they despised riches, and many salutary laws were enacted to restrain luxury, and to punish indolence. They observed great temperance in their meals; young men were not permitted to drink wine till they had attained their 30th year, and it was totally forbidden to women. Their national spirit was supported by policy; the triumphant procession of a conqueror along the streets amidst the applause of thousands, was well calculated to promote emulation, and the numbers of gladiators which were regularly introduced, not only in public games and spectacles, but also at private meetings, served to cherish their fondness for war, when they could gaze with pleasure upon wreaths whom they forcibly obliged to murder one another. In their punishments, civil as well as military, the Romans were strict and rigorous; a deserter was severely whipped and sold as a slave, and the degradation from the rank of a soldier and dignity of a citizen, was the most ignominious stigma which could be affixed upon a seditionist mutineer. The transmarine victories of the Romans, proved at last the ruin of their
innocence and bravery. They were fond of the luxury of the Asiatics; they were conquered by the vices and indolence of those nations whom they had subdued, and became as effeminate and as luxurious as their captives. Marcellus was the first who introduced a taste for the fine arts among his countrymen. The spoils and treasures that were obtained in plundering Syracuse and Corinth, rendered the Romans fond of elegance and ornament. Though Cato had despised philosophy, \[\text{\textit{Vit. Corn. \&c.}}\] and declared that war was the only profession of his countrymen, the Romans, by their intercourse with the Greeks, soon became fond of literature; and though they had once banished the sophists of Athens from their city, yet they beheld with rapture their settlement among them, in the principal towns of Italy, after the conquest of Achaia. They soon after began to imitate their polished captives, and to cultivate poetry with success. They had originally rejected with horror a law which proposed the building of a public theatre, and the exhibition of plays, like the Greeks, but they soon proved favourable to the compositions of their countrymen. Livius was the first dramatic writer of consequence at Rome, whose plays began to be exhibited A. U. C. 514. After him Navius and Ennius wrote for the stage; and in a nearer period Plautus, Terence, Catullus, and Afranius, claimed the public attention, and gained the most unbounded applause. Satire did not make its appearance at Rome till one hundred years after the introduction of comedy, and so celebrated was Lucullus in this kind of writing, that he was called the inventor of it. In historical writing, the progress of the Romans was slow and inconsiderable, and for many years they employed the pen of foreigners to compile their annals, till the superior abilities of a Livy were known. In their worship and sacrifices, the Romans were uncommonly superstitious; the will of the gods was consulted on every occasion, and no general marched to an expedition without the previous assurance from the augurs, that the omens were propitious, and his success almost indubitable. Their sanctuaries were numerous; they raised altars not only to the gods, who, as they supposed, presided over their city, but also to the deities of conquered nations, as well as to the different passions and virtues. There were no less than 320 temples at Rome, crowded with statues; the priests were numerous, and each divinity had a particular college of sacerdotal servants. Their wars were declared in the most awful and solemn manner, and prayers were always offered in the temples for the prosperity of Rome, when a defeat had been sustained, or a victory won. The power of the fathers over their children was very extensive, and indeed unlimited; they could sell them or put them to death at pleasure, without the forms of trial, or the interference of the civil magistrates. Many of their ancient families were celebrated for the great men which they had produced; but the vigorous and interested part they took in the management of the republic, exposed them often to danger; and some have observed that the Romans sunk into indolence and luxury when the Corneli, the Fabii, the Aemili, the Marcelli, &c. who had so often supported their spirit, and led them to victory, had been extinguished in the bloody wars of Marius, and of the two triumvirates. When Rome was become powerful, she was distinguished from other cities by the flattery of her neighbours and citizens; a form of worship was established to her as a deity, and temples were raised in her honour, not only in the city, but in the provinces. The goddess Roma was represented like Minerva, all armed and sitting on a rock, holding a pike in her hand, with her head covered with a helmet, and a trophy at her feet.

\[\text{L\textit{i}. 1, &c.---\textit{Cato de R. R.---V\textit{irg. An. G. et Est.---Horat. 2, Sat. 6, &c.---Flor. 1, c. 1, &c.---Potere.---Tact. Annu. Hist.---Titub. 4.---Lucan.---Plut. in Rom. Num. &c.---Cic. de Nat. D. 7, &c.---Plin. 7, &c.---Justin. 43.---Varro de L. L. 7.---Val. Max. 1, &c.---Martial 12, ep. 8.---A daughter of Evander.}---\text{A Trojan won an} who came to Italy with Aeneas.---\text{A daughter of Italus and Leuceria.} It was after one of these females, according to some authors, that the capital of Italy was called Roma.

ROMANI, the inhabitants of Rome. \textit{Vid. Roma.}

\textit{R\textit{om\textit{an\textit{us}}}, an officer under Theodosius.---Another, poisoned by Nero.---A son of} Constands, &c.

\textit{R\textit{om\textit{illius Marcell\textit{us}}}, a Roman centurion in Galba's reign, &c. \textit{Tactit. 1, Hist.}

\textit{R\textit{om\textit{il\textit{a}}, a name given to the fig-tree under which Romulus and Remus were found.} \textit{Ovid. 2. Pas. v. 412.}

\textit{Rom\textit{ulea}, a town of Samnium. \textit{T. L. 10, c. 17.}

\textit{R\textit{om\textit{ulide}, a patronymic given to the Roman people from Romulus their first king, and the founder of the city.} \textit{V\textit{irg. En. 5. v. 638.}

\textit{R\textit{om\textit{ulus}, a son of Mars and Ilia, grandson of Numitor, king of Alba, was born at the same birth with Remus. These two children were thrown into the Tiber, by order of Amulius, who usurped the crown of his brother Numitor, but they were preserved, and according to Florus the river stopped its course, and a she-wolf came and fed them with her milk till they were found by Faustulus, one of the king's shepherds, who educated them as his own children. When they knew their real origin, the twins called Romulus and Remus, put Amulius to death, and restored the crown to their grandfather Numitor. They afterwards undertook to build a city, and to determine which of the two brothers should have the management of it, they had recourse to omens and the flight of birds. Remus went to mount Aventine, and Romulus to mount Palatine. Remus saw first a flight of six vultures, and soon after, Romulus, twelve; and therefore, as his number was greater, he began to lay the foundations of the city, hopeful that it would become a warlike and powerful nation, as the birds from which he had received the omen were fond of prey and slaughter. Ro-}
Romulus marked with a furrow the place where he wished to erect the walls; but their slenderness was ridiculed by Remus, who leaped over them with the greatest contempt. This irritated Romulus, and Remus was immediately put to death, either by the hand of his brother or one of the workmen. When the walls were built, the city was without inhabitants; but Romulus, by making an asylum of a sacred grove, soon collected a multitude of fugitives, foreigners, and criminals, whom he received as his lawful subjects. Yet, however numerous these might be, they were despoiled by the neighbouring inhabitants, and none were willing to form matrimonial connexions with them. But Romulus obtained by force what was denied to his petitions. The Romans celebrated games in honour of the god Consus, and forcibly carried away all the females who had assembled there to be spectators of these unusual exhibitions. These violent measures offended the neighbouring nations; they made war against the ravellers with various success, till at last they entered Rome, which had been betrayed to them by one of the stolen virgins. A violent engagement was begun in the middle of the Roman forum; but the Sabines were conquered, or, according to Ovid, the two enemies laid down their arms when the women had rushed between the two armies, and by their tears and entreaties raised compassion in the bosoms of their parents and husbands. The Sabines left their original possessions and came to live in Rome, where Tatius, their king, shared the sovereign power with Romulus. The introduction of the Sabines into the city of Rome was attended with the most salutary consequences, and the Romans, by pursuing this plan, and admitting the conquered nations among their citizens, rendered themselves more powerful and more formidable. Afterwards Romulus divided the lands which he had obtained by conquest; one part was preserved for religious uses, to preserve temples, and to consecrate altars; the other was appropriated for the expences of the state; and the third part was equally distributed among his subjects, who were divided into three classes or tribes. The most aged and experienced, to the number of one hundred, were also chosen, whom the monarch might consult in matters of the highest importance, and from their age they were called senators, and from their authority patres. The whole body of the people was also distinguished by the name of patricians and plebeians, patron and client, who by mutual interest were induced to preserve the peace of the state, and to promote the public good. Some time after, Romulus disappeared as he was giving instructions to the senators; and the eclipse of the sun, which happened at that time, was favourable to the rumour which asserted that the king had been taken up to heaven, 714 B.C. after a reign of thirty-seven years. This was further confirmed by J. Proculeus, one of the senators, who solemnly declared, that as he returned from Alba, he had seen Romulus in a form above human, and that he had directed him to tell the Romans to pay him divine honours under the name of Quirinus, and to assure them that their city was doomed one day to become the capital of all nations. This report was immediately credited, and the more so as the senators dreaded the resentment of the people, who suspected them of having offered him violence. A temple was raised to him, and a regular priest, called Flamen Quirinalis, was appointed to offer him sacrifices. Romulus was ranked by the Romans among the twelve great gods, and it is not to be wondered that he received such distinguished honours, when the Romans considered him as the founder of their city and empire, and the son of the god of war. He is generally represented as his father, so much that it is difficult to distinguish them. The fable of the two children of Rhea Sylvia being nourished by a she-wolf, arose from Lupus, Faustulus's wife, having brought them up. [Vit. Acca.] Dionys. Hal. 1 & 2.—Liv. 1, c. 4. —Suet.—Just. 43, c. 1 & 2. —Flor. 1, c. 1. —Plut. in Romul.—Val. Max. 3, c. 2, l. 5. —Plut. 15, c. 18, &c.—Verg. Enn. 8, v. 542, 635.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 616 & 845. Fast. 4, &c.—Horat. 3, od. 3.—Juv. 18, v. 272.

R O M U L U S S Y L V I U S, of Alladius, a king of Alba.

Romus, a son of Aeneas by Lavinia. Some suppose that he was the founder of Rome. 

A son of Eamathia.

Roscia lex de theatris, by L. Roscius Otho the tribune, A. U. C. 685. It required that none should sit in the first fourteen seats of the theatre, if they were not in possession of four hundred sestertia, which was the fortune required to be a Roman knight.

Roscius, a Roman actor so celebrated on the stage, that every comedian of excellence and merit has received his name. His eyes were naturally distorted, and he always appeared on the stage with a mask, but the Romans obliged him to act his character without, and they overlooked the deformities of his face, that they might the better hear his elegant pronunciation, and be delighted with the sweetness of his voice. He was accused on suspicion of murder; but Cicero, who had been one of his pupils, undertook his defence, and cleared him of the malevolent aspersions of his enemies, in an elegant oration still extant. Roscius wrote a treatise, in which he compared with great success and much learning, the profession of the orator with that of the comedian. He died about 60 years before Christ. Horat. 2, ep. 1.—Quintil. —Cic. pro Rosc. de orat. 3, de Div. 1, &c.—Tusc. 3, &c.—Plut. in Cis. —A lieutenant of Caesar's army in Gaul.—A friend of Sylla.—A tribune, who made a law to discriminate the knights from the common people at public spectacles.

Rosic Campus, or Rosia, a plain in the country of the Sabines, near the lake Velinus. Virg. Enn. 7, v. 712.

Rosillanuserger, a territory in Etruria.

Rosius, a harbour of Cilicia.—A man made consul only for one day under Vitellius, &c.—Tacit.

Rosilium, now Monterosi, a town of Etruria.
RUTOMAGUS, now Rouen, a town of France on the Seine.

ROXANA, a Persian woman taken prisoner by Alexander. The conqueror became enamoured of her and married her. She behaved with great cruelty after Alexander’s death, and she was at last put to death by Cassander’s order. She was daughter of Darius, or, according to others, of one of his satraps. Curt. 8, c. 4, l. 10, c. 6.—Plut.—A wife of Mithridates the Great, who poisoned herself.

ROXOLANI, a people of European Sarmatia, who proved very active and rebellious in the reign of the Roman emperors.

RUINA, a Roman divinity.

RUEBELLUS, a man who married Julia, the daughter of Drusus, &c.—One of the descendants of Augustus, treacherously put to death by Nero, &c. Tacit.—Plantur, an illustrious Roman, who disgraced himself by his arrogance and ambitious views. Jun. 8, v. 39.

RUI, a town of Apulia, from which the epithet Rufus is derived. Horat. 1, Sat. 5, v. 94.—Virg. G. 1, v. 256.

RUBICON, a small river of Italy which it separates from Cisalpine Gaul. It rises in the Apennine mountains, and falls into the Adriatic sea. By crossing it, and thus transgressing the boundaries of his province, J. Caesar declared war against the senate and Pompey, and began the civil wars. Lucan. 1, v. 185 & 213.—Strabo. 5.—Suet. in Cat. 32.

RUBIENIUS LAPPUS, a tragic poet in the age of Juvenal, conspicuous as much for his great genius as his poverty. Jul. 7, v. 72.

RUBISO, a goddess. Vid. Robigo.

RUBRA SAXA, a place of Etruria, near Veii, at the distance of about eight miles from Rome. Mart. 4, ep. 64, v. 15.

RUBRIA LEX, was enacted after the taking of Carthage, to make an equal division of the lands in Africa.

RUBEUS, a Roman knight accused of treason under Tiberius, &c. Tacit.—A man who fled to Parthia on suspicion that the Roman affairs were ruined.—A friend of Vitellius.


RUBRUM MARIS, (the Red sea) is situate between Arabia, Egypt, and Ethiopia, and is often called Erythraeum mare, or Arubicus sinus.

RUBIS, a town of Calabria, built by a Greek colony. The poet Ennius was born there. Cic. pro Arch.—Ital. 12, v. 396.

RUF, a town of Campania. Virg. Ened. 7, 739.

RUFIIUS, a Roman ridiculed by Horace, Sat. 2, v. 27, for his effeminacy.

RUFFIANUS, a Latin poet.

RUFFIANA, a town of France.

RUFFINUS, a general of Gaul in the reign of Vitellius, &c.

RUFFUS, an officer of the pretorian guards in Nero’s reign.—A soldier presented with a civic crown for preserving the life of a Consul &c.

RUFUSINUS, a general of Theodosius, &c.

RUFUSINUS, now Rouen, a town of Samnium. T. L. 3, c. 25.

RUFUS, a Latin historian. [Vid. Quintus.]]—A friend of Commodus, famous for his avarice and ambition.—One of the ancestors of Sylla, a friend of Trajan. He wrote six books on simples, now lost.—A Latin poet.—Sempronius. Vid. Pratiusin.

RUGIA, now Rugen, an island of the Baltic seas.

RUGII, a nation of Germany. Tacit. de Germ. 43.

RUFILUS, an officer named Rer, for his authoritative manner. He was proscribed by Augustus, and fled to Brutus. Horat. 1, Sat. 7, v. 1.—A writer whose treatises de figura sententiarum, &c. were edited by Runken, 8vo L. Bat. 1768.

RUSCIUS, a town of Gaul.

RUTSCA, a town of Mauritania. Liv. 21, c. 24.

RUSELLE, an inland town of Etruria destroyed by the Romans.

RUSPINA, a town of Africa near Adrumetum.

RUFIUS, a people of Gaul.

RUSTICIUS, a man put to death by Domitian.—A friend of M. Aurelius.

RUTILUS, a deformed old woman who lived near one hundred years, &c. Plin. 7, c. 48.—Jul. 10, v. 294.

RUTILUS, a rich man reduced to beggary by his extravagance. Jul. 11, v. 2.

RUTILUS RUFUS, a Roman consul in the age of Sulla, celebrated for his virtues and writings. He refused to comply with the requests of his friends because they were unjust. When Sulla had banished him from Rome, he retired to Smyrna, amidst the acclamations and praises of the people; and when some of his friends wished him to be recalled home by means of a civil war, he severely reprimanded them, and said, that he wished rather to see his country blush at his exile, than to plunge it into distress by his return. He was the first who taught the Roman soldiers to fabricate their own arms. During his banishment he employed his time in study, and wrote an history of Rome in Greek, and an account of his own life in Latin, besides many other works. Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 563.—Seneca de Benef.—Cic. in Brut.—Val. Max. 2, c. 3, 1, c. 4.—Paterc. 2, c. 9.—A Roman preceptor, who was proposed to have encouraged Mithridates to murder all the Romans who were in his provinces.—Lupus, a prator who fled away with three cohorts from Tarracina. A rhetorician. Quintil. 3, c. 1.—A man who went against Jugurtha.—A friend of Nero.

A poet of Gaul, in the reign of Honorius. According to some, he wrote a poem on mount...
He wrote also an itinerary, published by Barman, in the poet* Latini minoris, L. Bat. 4to. 1731.

RUTUBA, a river of Liguria, falling from the Apennine into the Mediterranean. Lucan. 2, v. 422.

RUTUBUS, a gladiator, &c. Horat. 2, Sat. 7, v. 96.

RUTULI, a people of Latium, known as well as the Latins, by the name of Aborigines. When Æneas came into Italy, Turnus was their king, and they supported him in the war which he made with this foreign prince. The capital of their dominions was called Ardea. Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 883. Met. 14, v. 455, &c.—Virg. Æn. 7, &c.—Plin. 4, c. 5.

RUTUPINUS, a sea-port town on the southern coasts of Britain, abounding in excellent oysters, whence the epithet of Rutupinus. Some suppose that it is the modern town of Dover. Lucan. 6, v. 67.—Juuv. 4, v. 141.

SABACON, or the Sabaean kingdom. A. 461.

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SABAI, a town of Arabia, famous for frankincense, myrrh, and aromatic plants. The inhabitants were called Sabaæi. Strab. 16.—Diod. 3.—Virg. G. 1, v. 57. Æn. 1, v. 420.

SABACHUS, or SABAICON, a king of Æthiopia, who invaded Egypt and reigned there, after the expulsion of king Amasias. After a reign of fifty years he was terrified by a dream, and retired into his own kingdom. Herodot. 2, c. 137, &c.

SABÆA, a people of Arabia.

SABAIA, feasts in honour of Bacchus.

SABAÆNA, a town of Liguria. Sil. 8, v. 461.

—Strab. 4.

SABATHRA, a town of Arabia, now called Sabaæa.

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SABAZIUS, a surname of Bacchus, as also of Jupiter.

SABAS, a king of India

SABELLA, the nurse of the poet Horace. 1 Sat. 9, v. 29.

SABELLI, a people of Italy, descended from the Sabines, or according to some from the Samnites. They inhabited that part of the country which lies between the Sabines and the Marsi. Hence the epithet of Sabellius. Horat. 3, od. 6.—Virg. G. 3, v. 235.

SABELLUS, a Latin poet in the reign of Domitian and Nerva.

JULIA SABINA, a Roman matron, who married Adrian by means of Plotina the wife of Trajan. She is celebrated for her private as well as public virtues. Adrian treated her with the greatest aspersion, though he had received from her the imperial purple; and the empress was so sensible of his unkindness, that she boasted in his presence that she had disdained to make him a father, lest his children should become more obdicious or more tyrannical than he himself was. The behaviour of Sabina at last so exasperated Adrian, that he poisoned her, or, according to some, obliged her to destroy herself. The emperor at that time laboured under a mortal disease, and therefore he was more encouraged to sacrifice Sabina to his resentment, that she might not survive him. Divine honours were paid to her memory. She died after she had been married thirty-eight years to Adrian, A. D. 138.

SABINI, an ancient people of Italy, reckoned among the Aborigines, or those inhabitants whose origin was not known. Some suppose that they were originally a Lacedaemonian colony who settled in that part of the country. The possessions of the Sabines were situated in the neighbourhood of Rome, between the river Nar and the Anio, and bounded on the north by the Apennines and Umbria, south by Latium, east by the Æqui, and Etruria on the west. The greatest part of the contiguous nations were descended from them, such as the Umbrians, the Campanians, the Sabelli, the Osci, Samnites, Hernici, Æqui, Marsi, Brutii, &c. The Sabines are celebrated in ancient history as being the first who took up arms against the Romans, to avenge the rape of their females at a spectacle where they had been invited. After some engagements, the greatest part of the Sabines left their ancient possessions and migrated to Rome, where they settled with their new allies. They were at last totally subdued, about the year of Rome 373, and ranked as Roman citizens. Their chief cities were Cures, Fidenae, Reate, Crussumerium, Corniculum, Nomentum, Collatia, &c. Plin. 3, c. 12.—Liv. 1, c. 9.—Diomys. 2 c. 51.—Strab. 5.—Flor. 1, c. 1. 13, c. 18.—Ital. 8, v. 424.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 775 & 779.—Jun. 10, v. 197.
SABINIANUS, a general who revolted in Africa, in the reign of Gordian, and was defeated soon after, A. D. 240.—A general of the eastern empire, &c.

SABINUS JULIUS, a Latin poet intimate with Ovid. He wrote some epistles and elegies now lost.—A man from whom the Sabines received their name. He received divine honours after death, and was one of those deities whom Æneas invoked when he entered Italy. He was supposed to be of Lacedaemonian origin. Æn. 7, v. 178.—An officer in Cæsar's army, defeated by the Gauls.—Julius, an officer who proclaimed himself emperor in the beginning of Vespasian's reign. He was soon after defeated in a battle, and to escape from the conqueror, hid himself in a subterraneous cave, with two faithful domestics, where he continued unseen for nine successive years. His wife found out his retreat, and spent her time with him, till her frequent visits to the cave discovered the place of his concealment. He was dragged before Vespasian, and by his orders put to death, though his friends interested themselves in his cause, and his wife endeavoured to raise the emperor's pity, by showing him the twins whom she had brought forth in the subterraneous retreat.—Corn. a man who conspired against Caligula, and afterwards destroyed himself.—Titius, a Roman senator, shamefully accused and condemned by Sejanus. His body after execution was dragged through the streets of Rome, and treated with the greatest indignities. His dog constantly followed the body, and when it was thrown into the Tiber, the faithful animal plunged after it and was drowned. Plin. 8, c. 40.—Poppaeus, a Roman consul who presided above twenty-four years over Mæsia, and obtained a triumph for his victories over the barbarians. He was a great favourite of Augustus, and of Tiberius. Tacit. Ann. —Flavius, a brother of Vespasian, killed by the populace. He was well known for his fidelity to Vitellius. He commanded in the Roman armies thirty-five years, and was governor of Rome for twelve.—A friend of Domitian.—A Roman who attempted to plunder the temple of the Jews.—A friend of the emperor Alexander.—A lawyer.

SABIS, a river of Belgic Gaul. Cæs. 

SABRAGUS, a powerful nation of India.

SABURI, a general of Juba, king of Numidia, defeated and killed in a battle. Lucan 4, v. 722.

SABURANUS, an officer of the pretorian guards. When he was appointed to this office by the emperor Trajan, the prince presented him with a sword, saying, Use this weapon in my service as long as my commands are just, but turn it against my own breast, whenever I become cruel or malignant.

SABRATA, a maritime town of Africa. It was a Roman colony. Ital. 3, v. 256.

SABUS, one of the ancient kings of the Sabines; the same as Sabinus. Vid. Sabinus. —A king of Arabia.

SACADAS, a musician and poet of Argos, who obtained three several times the prize at the Pythian games. Plut. de Mus. Pau. 6, c. 14.

SACE, a people of Scythia, who inhabited the country that lies at the east of Bactrians and Sogdiana, and towards the north of mount Imaus. The name of Sace was given in general to all the Scythians, by the Persians. They had no towns, according to some writers, but lived in tents. Ptol. 6, c. 13.—Herodot. 3, c. 93, l. 7, c. 63.

SACER MONS, a mountain near Rome. Vid. Mons Sacer.

SACER LUCUS, a wood of Campania, on the Liris.

SACER PORTUS, or SACRI PORTUS, a place of Italy, near Praeneste, famous for a battle that was fought there between Sylla and Marius, in which the former obtained the victory. Paterc. 2, c. 26.—Lucan. 2, v. 134.

SACRANII, a people of Latium, who assisted Tarsus against Æneas. They were descended from the Pelasgians Virg. Æn. 7, v. 796.

SACRATOR, one of the friends of Tarsus. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 747.

SACRA VIA, a celebrated street of Rome, where a treaty of peace and alliance was made between Romulus and Tatius. It led from the amphitheatre to the capital by the temple of the goddess of Peace, and the temple of Cæsar. The triumphal processions passed through it to go to the capitol. Horat. 4, od. 2, l. 1, sat. 9.

SACRATA LEX, militaris, A. U. C. 411 by the dictator Valerius Corvinus, as some suppose, enacted that the name of no soldier which had been entered in the muster-roll should be struck out but by his consent, and that no person who had been a military tribune should execute the office of dux ordinarium.

M. SACRATIVIR, a friend of Caesar, killed at Dyrrachium, &c. Cæs. bell C.

SACRUM FELLUM, a name given to the wars carried on concerning the temple of Delphi. The first began B. C. 443, and in it the Athenians and Lacedaemonians were auxiliaries on opposite sides. The second war began 357 B. C. and finished nine years after by Phillip of Macedon, who destroyed all the cities of the Phocians. Vid. Phocius.

SADALES, a son of Cotes, king of Thrace, who assisted Pompey with a body of five hundred horsemen. Cæs. bell. C. 3.

SADUS, a river of India.

SADYTES, one of the Mermnades, who reigned in Lydia twelve years after his father Gyges. He made war against the Milesians, for six years. Herodot. 1 c. 16, &c.

SAGALASSUS, now Sadacatan, a town of Triria, on the confines of Phrygia. T. L. 38, c. 15.

SAGANA, a woman acquainted with magic and enchantments. Horat. epodi. 5, v. 25.

SAGARIS, a river of Asia, rising from mount Dindymus in Phrygia, and falling into the Euxine. Ovid. ex Pau. 4, ep. 10, v. 47.—One of the companions of Æneas, killed by Turnus. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 263. l. 9, v. 575.

SAGITTA, an officer who encouraged Piso to
rebel against the emperor Nero, &c. Tacit. Hist. 4, c. 49.

Saguntum of Saguntus, a town of Hispania Tarraconensis at the west of the Iberus, about one mile from the sea-shore, now called Morvedro. It had been founded by a colony of Zaczynthians, and by some of the Rutuli of Ardea. Saguntum is celebrated as being the cause of the second Punic war, and the inhabitants are well known for their attachment to the Romans. Hannibal took it after a siege of about eight months; and the inhabitants, not to fall into the enemy’s hands, burnt themselves with their houses, and all their effects. The conqueror afterwards rebuilt it, and placed a garrison there, with all the noblemen whom he detained as hostages from the several neighbouring nations of Spain. Some suppose that he called it Spartagene. Flor. 2, c. 6.—Liv. 21, c. 9.—Lueau. 3, v. 350.—Strab. 3.—Mela, 2, c. 6.

Saiis, a town in the Delta of Egypt, situate between the Canopic and Sehemytican mouths of the Nile, and anciently the capital of Lower Egypt. There was there a celebrated temple dedicated to Minerva, with a room cut out of one stone, which had been conveyed by water from Elephantis, by the labours of two thousand men in three years. The stone measured on the outside twenty-one cubits long, fourteen broad, and eight high. Osiris was also buried near the town of Saiis. The inhabitants were called Saiite. One of the mouths of the Nile, which is adjoining to the town, has received the name of Saiticum. Strab. 17.—Herod. t. 2, c. 17, &c.

Sal, a town of Thrace, near the mouths of the Hebrus.

Salac, a poor man who pretended to be uncommonly rich, &c. Cic.

Salamina, a name given to a ship at Athens, which was employed by the republic in conveying the officers of state to their different administrations abroad, &c.—A name given to the island of Cyprus, on account of Salamin, one of its capital cities.

Salamis, a daughter of the river Asopus, by Methone. Neptune became enamoured of her, and carried her to an island of the Ægean, which afterwards bore her name, and where she gave birth to a son called Cenchreus. Diod. 4.

Salamis, Salamin, or Salamina, an island in the Saronicus Sinus, on the southern coast of Attica, opposite Eleusis, at the distance of about a league, with a town and harbour of the same name. It is about 50 miles in circumference. It was originally peopled by a colony of Ionians, and afterwards by some of the Greeks from the adjacent islands and countries. It is celebrated for a battle which was fought there between the fleets of the Greeks and that of the Persians, when Xerxes invaded Attica. The enemy’s ships amounted to about 2000, and those of the Peloponnesians to about 380 sail. In this engagement, which was fought on the 20th of October, B. C. 480, the Greeks lost 40 ships, and the Persians about 200, besides an immense number which were taken, with all the ammunition they contained. The island of Salamis was anciently called Sciras, Cythera, or Cenchria, and is now known by the name of Coluri, and its bay of the Gulf of Ena. It is said that Xerxes attempted to join it to the continent. Teucer and Ajax, who went to the Trojan war, where natives on Salamis. Strab. 2.—Herodot. 8, c. 56, &c.—Pliut. & C. Nep. in Them. &c.—Diod. 4.—Val. Max. 3, c. 3.—Paus. 1, c. 35, &c.—Mela, 2, c. 7.

Salamis or Salamina, a town at the east of the island of Cyprus. It was built by Teucer, who gave it the name of the island Salamis, from which he had been banished, about 1270 years before the Christian era. His descendants continued masters of the town for above 800 years. It was destroyed by an earthquake, and rebuilt in the 4th century and called Constantia. Strab. 9.—Herodot. 8, c. 94, &c.—Horat. 1, od. 7, v. 21.—Paterc. 1, c. 1.

Salaria or Salapia, a town of Apulia, where Annibal retired after the battle of Cannae. It was taken from the Carthaginian general by Marcellus. Lucan. 5, v. 377.—Val. Max. 3, c. 8.

Salata, a town of Africa propria, taken by Scipio. Lit. 29, c. 34, &c.

Salaria, a street and gate at Rome which led towards the country of the Sabines. It received the name of Salaria, because salt (salar) was generally conveyed to Rome that way. Mart. 4, ep. 64.

Salarus, a bridge built about four miles from Rome.

Salasti, a people of Cisalpine Gaul, who were in continual war with the Romans. They cut off 10,000 Romans under Appius Claudius, A. U. C. 610, and were soon after defeated, and at last totally subdued and sold as slaves by Augustus.

Salcis, a poet of great merit in the age of Domitian, yet pinched by poverty, though born of illustrious parents, and distinguished by purity of manners and integrity of mind. Juv. 7, v. 80.—Quint. 10, c. 1.

Saliini, a people of Spain. Mela, 3, c. 1.

Salentini, a people of Italy, near Apulia, on the southern coast of Calabria. Their chief towns were Brundusium, Tarentum, and Hydruntum. Ital. 3, v. 579.—Virg. En. 3, v. 400.—Varro de R. R. 1, c. 24.—Strab. 6.—Mela, 2, c. 4.

Salernum, a town of Eturia, on the shores of the Tyrrhenian sea. Lucan. 2, v. 425.—Paterc. 1, c. 16.—Horat. 1, ep. 15.

Salete, an Egyptian name of the second Minerva, daughter of Celus.

Salganea or Salganea, a town of Baetica, on the Euphrates. Liv. 33, c. 57, &c.

Salla, a town of Spain where Prudentia was born. Mela.


Salica, a town of Spain.

Salit, a college of priests at Rome, instituted in honour of Mars, and appointed by Numa, to take care of the sacred shields called
Ancylia, B. C. 709. [Vid. Ancyle.] They were twelve in number; the three elders, among them had the superintendence of all the rest; the first was called presul, the second veter, and the third magister. Their number was afterwards doubled by Tullus Hostilius, after he had obtained a victory over the Pidnates, in consequence of a vow which he had made to Mars. The Salii were all of patrician families, and the office was very honourable. The first of March was the day in which the Salii observed their festivals in honour of Mars. They were generally dressed in a short scarlet tunic, of which only the edges were seen; they wore a large purple coloured belt about the waist, which was fastened with brass buckles. They had on their heads round bonnets with two corners standing up, and they wore in their right hand a small rod, and in their left a small buckler. In the observation of their solemnity they first offered sacrifices, and afterwards went through the streets dancing in measured motions, sometimes all together, or at other times separately, while musical instruments were playing before them. They placed their body in different attitudes, and struck with their rods the shields which they held in their hands. They also sung hymns in honour of the gods, particularly of Mars, Juno, Venus, and Minerva, and they were accompanied in the chorus by a certain number of virgins, habited like themselves, and called Saliae. The Salii instituted by Numa were called Palatini, in contradistinction from the others, because they lived on mount Palatine, and offered their sacrifices there. Those that were added by Tullus were called Collini, Agenates, or Quirinales, from a mountain of the same name, where they had fixed their residence. Their name seems to have been derived a saliendo, or saltando, because, during their festivals, it was particularly requisite that they should leap and dance. Their feasts and entertainments were uncommonly rich and sumptuous, whereas dupes satares is proverbially applied to such repasts as are most splendid and costly. It was usual among the Romans when they declared war, for the Salii to shake their shields with great violence, as if to call upon the god Mars to come to their assistance. Liv. i. c. 20.—Varro de L. L. i. 4, c. 15.—Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 327.—Dimy. 3.—Flor. i. c. 2, &c.—Verg. Æné. 5, v. 283.—A nation of Gaul conquered by the emperor Julian.

SALÎNATOR, a surname common to the family of the Livii, and others.

SALIUS, an Acarnanian at the games exhibited by Æneas in Sicily, and killed in the wars with Turnus. Verg. Æné. 5, v. 298. l. 10. v. 753.

CRISPUS SALLUSTIUS, a Latin historian born at Amaturnum, in the country of the Sabines. He received his education at Rome, and made himself known as a public magistrate in the office of questor and consul. His licentiousness and the depravity of his manners did not escape the censure of the age, and Sallust was degraded from the dignity of a senator, B. C. 50. His amour with Fausta, the daughter of Sylla, was a strong proof of his debauchery; and Milo, the husband, who discovered the adulterer in his house, revenged the violence offered to his bed by beating him with stripes, and selling him his liberty at a high price. A continuation of extravagance could not long be supported by the income of Sallust, but he extricated himself from all difficulties by embracing the cause of Cesar. He was restored to the rank of senator, and made governor of Numidia. In the administration of his province Sallust behaved with uncommon tyranny; he enriched himself by plundering the Africans, and on his return to Rome he built himself a magnificent house, and bought gardens, which from their delightful situation and pleasantness, still preserve the name of the gardens of Sallust. He married Terentia, the divorced wife of Cicero; and from this circumstance, according to some, arose an immortal hatred between the historian and the orator. Sallust died in the 51st year of his age, 35 years before the Christian era. As a writer he is peculiarly distinguished. He had composed a history of Rome, but nothing remains of it except a few fragments, and his only compositions extant are his history of Catiline’s conspiracy, and of the wars of Jugurtha, king of Numidia. In these celebrated works the author is greatly commended for his elegance, the vigour and animation of his sentences; he everywhere displays a wonderful knowledge of the human heart, and paints with a masterly hand what gave rise to the great events which he relates. No one was better acquainted with the vices that prevailed in the capital of Italy, and no one seems to have been more severe against the follies of the age, and the failings of which he himself was guilty in the eyes of the world. His descriptions are uncommonly correct, and his harangues are nervous and animated, and well suited the character and the different pursuits of the great men in whose mouths they are placed. The historian, however, is blamed for tedious and insipid exordiums, which often disgust the reader without improving him; his affectation of old and obsolete words and phrases is also censured, and particularly his unwarrantable partiality in some of his narrations. Though faithful in every other respect, he has not painted the character of Cicero with all the fidelity and accuracy which the reader claims from the historian; and in passing in silence over many actions which reflect the greatest honour on the first husband of Terentia, the rival of Cicero has disgraced himself, and rendered his compositions less authentic. There are two orations or epistles to Caesar concerning the regulation of the state, attributed to him, as also an oration against Cicero, whose authenticity some of the moderns have disputed. The best editions of Sallust, are those of Haverkamp, 2 vol. 410. Amst. 1742; and of Edinburgh, 12mo. 1755. Quintil. 10, c. 1.—Suett. de Gram. in Cas.—Martial. 14, ep. 191.—A nephew of the historian, by whom he was adopted. He imitated the moderation of Macenas, and re-
maintained satisfied with the dignity of a Roman knight, when he could have made himself powerful by the favours of Augustus and Tiberius. He was very effeminate and luxurious. Horace dedicated 2, od. 2, to him. *Tact. Ann. 1. v. 34.*—Secundus Promotus, a native of Gaul, very intimate with the emperor Julian. He is remarkable for his integrity, and the soundness of his counsels. Julian made him prefect of Gaul. There is also another Salus, called Secundus, whom some have improperly confounded with Promotus. Secundus was also one of Julian’s favourites, and was made by him prefect of the east. He conciliated the good graces of the Romans by the purity of his morals, his fondness of discipline, and his religious principles. After the death of the emperor Jovian, he was universally named by the officers of the Roman empire to succeed on the imperial throne; but he refused this great though dangerous honour, and pleaded infirmities of body and old age. The Romans wished upon this to invest his son with the imperial purple, but Secundus opposed it, and observed that he was too young to support the dignity.—A prefect of Rome in the reign of Valentinian.—An officer in Britain.

**Salmacis, a fountain of Caria, near Halicarnassus,** which rendered effeminate and unmanly those who drank of its waters. It was there that Hermaphroditus changed his sex, though he still retained the characteristics of his own. *Ouid. Met. v. 285. l. 19.*—*Higin. fab. 271.*

**Salmantica, now Salamanca, a town of Spain.**

**Salome, a town of Peloponnesus, with a fountain, from which the Enipeus takes its source, and falls into the Alpheus, about 40 stadia from Olympia, which on account of that is called Salomons.** *Ouid. 3. amor. el. 6.*—*v. 48.*

**Salomeus, a king of Elis, son of Aiolus, and Enarete, who married Alcide, by whom he had Tyro.** He wished to be called a god, and to receive divine honours from his subjects; therefore, to imitate the thunder, he used to drive his chariot over a brazen bridge, and darted burning torches on every side, as if to imitate the lightning. This impety provoked Jupiter. Salomeus was struck with a thunderbolt, and placed in the infernal regions near his brother Sisyphus. *Homer. Od. 11. v. 253.*—*Higin. fab. 1. c. 9.*—*Virg. Aen. 6. v. 585.*

**Salmasis, one of the names of the town of Olympia.**

**Salmasus, a town of Asia near the Red Sea.**

**Salmydessus, a bay on the Euxine sea.**

**Salo, a river in Spain.** *Mort. 10. ep. 20.*

**Salome, a queen of Judae.** This name was common to some of the princesses in the family of Herod, &c.

**Salon, a country of Bithynia.**

**Salona, or Solone, a town of Dalmatia, about ten miles distant from the coast of the Adriatic.** It was the native place of the emperor Dioclesian, and he retired there to enjoy peace and tranquillity, after he had abdicated the imperial purple. *Lazar. 4. v. 404.*—*Cza. bell. cit. 9.*—*Mela, 2. c. 3.*

**Saloméa, a celebrated matron who married the emperor Gallienus, and distinguished herself by her private as well as public virtues. She was the patroness of all the fine arts, and to her clemency, mildness, and benevolence, Rome was indebted some time for her peace and prosperity. She accompanied her husband in some of his expeditions, and often called him away from the pursuits of pleasure to make war against the enemies of Rome. She was put to death by the hands of the conspirators, who also assassinated her husband and family, about the year 268 of the Christian era.**

**Salontius, a son of Asinius Pollio.** He received his name from the conquest of Salome by his father. Some suppose that he is the hero of Virgil’s fourth eclogue, in which the return of the golden age is so warmly and beautifully anticipated.

**Salontius, P. Licinius Cornelius, a son of Gallienus, by Saloméa, sent into Gaul, there to be taught the art of war. He remained there some time, till the usurper Postumius arose, and proclaimed himself emperor. Salontius was upon this delivered up to his enemy, and put to death in the tenth year of his age.**

**Salontius, a friend of Cato the censor. The daughter of Censorius married Salontius in his old age.** *Plut.—*A tribute and centurion of the Roman army hated by the populace for his strictness.

**Salfis, a colony of Etruria, whose inhabitants are called Salphines.** *Lit. 5. c. 31.*

**Salsum, a river in Spain.**

**Salvian, one of the fathers of the fifth century, of whose works the best edition is the 12mo. Paris, 1684.**

**Salydienus, an officer in the army of Augustus. He was betrayed by Antony, and put to death.**—*A Latin writer in the age of the emperor Probus.*

**Salvius, a flute player saluted king by the rebellious slaves of Sicily in the age of Marius. He maintained for some time war against the Romans.—A nephew of the emperor Oho.**—*A friend of Pompey.—A man put to death by Domitian.*

**Sals, a goddess of health, daughter of Esculapius, and the same as Hygia.**

**Samaria, a city and country of Palestine.**

**Samnus, a mountain near Mesopotamia, where Hercules was worshipped.**

**Samus, an Indian king defeated by Alexander.** *Died. 17.*

**Same, or Samos, a small island in the Ionian sea near Ithaca, called also Cephalenia.** *Virg. Aen. 3. v. 271.*

**Sama, a daughter of the river Meander.** *Paus. 7. c. 4.*—*A surname of Juno, because she was worshipped at Samos.*

**Samnite, or Amnite, a people of Gaul.**

**Samnites, a people of Italy, who inhabited the country situated between Picenum, Campania, Apulia, and ancient Latium. They dis-
unguished themselves by their implacable hatred against the Romans, in the first ages of that empire, till they were at last totally exterminated, B. C. 272, after a war of 71 years. Their chief town was called Samium, or Samnis. Liv. 7, &c.—Flor. 1, c. 16, &c. 1, 3, c. 18.—Strab. 5.—Lucan. 2.—Eustro. 2.

SAMNIIUM, a town and part of Italy inhabited by the Samnitae. Vit. Samnites.

SAMONTIUM, a promontory of Crete.

SAMOS, an island in the Ægean sea, on the coast of Asia Minor, from which it is divided by a narrow strait, with the same name built B. C. 396. It is about 87 miles in circumference. It has been anciently called Parthenus, Anthemusa, Stephane, Melamphyllus, Anthemusa, Cyparissia, and Dryusa. It was first in the possession of the Legedes, and afterwards of the Ionians. The Samnites were at first governed by kings, and afterwards the form of their government became democratical and oligarchical. Samos was in its most flourishing situation under Polycrates, who had made himself absolute there. The Samians assisted the Greeks against the Persians when Xerxes invaded Europe, and were reduced under the power of Athens, after a revolt by Pericles, B. C. 441. They were afterwards subdued by Eumenes, king of Pergamus, and were restored to their ancient liberty by Augustus. Under Vespasian, Samos became a Roman province. Juno was held in the greatest veneration there; her temple was uncommonly magnificent, and it was even said that the goddess had been born there, on the banks of the Imbrassus. Met. 2, c. 6.—Paul. 7, c. 2 & 4—Plut. in Pers.—Plin. 3, c. 91.—Virg. En. 1, v. 20.—Thucyd. The isles of Samothrace and Cephalenia were also known by the name of Samos.

SAMOSÁTA, a town of Syria, near the Euphrates, below Mount Taurus, where Lucian was born.

SAMOTHRACE, or SAMOTHRACIA, an island in the Ægean sea, opposite the mouth of the Hebrus, on the coast of Thrace, from which it is distant about 32 miles. It was known by the ancient names of Leucosia, Meltis, Electria, Leucania, and Dardania. It was afterwards called Samos, and distinguished from the Samos which lies on the coast of Ionia, by the epithet of Thracian, or by the name of Samothrace. It is about 38 miles in circumference, according to Pliny, or only 20 according to modern travellers. The origin of the first inhabitants of Samothrace is unknown. Some, however, suppose that they were Thracians, and that the place was afterwards peopled by the colonies of the Pelasgians, Samians, and Phoenicians. Samothrace is famous for a deluge which inundated the country, and reached the very top of the highest mountains. This inundation, which happened before the age of the Argonauts, was owing to the sudden overflow of the waters of the Euxine, which the ancients considered merely as a lake. The Samothrarians were very religious; and as all mysteries were supposed to have taken their origin there, the island received the surname of sacred, and was a safe and inviolable asylum to all fugitives and criminals. The island was originally governed by kings, but afterwards the government became democratical. It enjoyed all its rights and immunities under the Romans till the reign of Vespasian, who reduced it with the rest of the islands in the Ægean into the form of a province. Plin. 4, c. 12.—Strab. 10.—Herodot. 7, c. 106, &c.—Virg. Æn. 7, v. 296.—Met. 2, c. 7.—Paus. 7, c. 4.

SAMUS, a son of Anceus and Samia, grandson of Neptune. Paus. 7, c. 4.

SANA, a town of mount Athos, near which Xerxes began to make a channel to convey the sea.

SÁNAGOS, a town of Phrygia.

SYNCHONIÁTHON, a Phoenician historian born at Berutus, or according to others, at Tyre. He flourished a few years before the Trojan war and wrote in the language of his country, an history in nine books which he amply treated of the theology and antiquities of Phoenicia and the neighbouring places. It was compiled from the various records found in cities and the annals which were usually kept in the temples of the gods among the ancients. This history was translated into Greek by Philo, a native of Byblos, who lived in the reign of the emperor Adrian. Some few fragments of this Greek translation are extant.

Some, however, suppose them to be spurious, while others contend that they are true and authentic.

SANCUS, SANCUS, or SANCTUS, a deity of the Sabines introduced among the gods of Rome under the name of Dios Flidius. According to some, Sancus was father to Sabus, or Sabinus, the first king of the Sabines. Ital. 8, v. 421.—Varro de L. L. 4.—Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 213.

SANDACE, a sister of Xerxes.

SANDALIUM, a small island of the Ægean, near Lesbos.—A port of Pisidia.

SANANDAS, a Lydian who advised Creesus not to make war against the Persians.

SANDANUS, a river of Thrace.

SANDROCCOTUS, an Indian of a mean origin. His impertinence to Alexander was the beginning of his greatness; the conqueror ordered him to be seized, but Sandroccotus fled away, and at last laid down overwhelmed with fatigue. As he slept on the ground a lion came to him, and gently licked the sweat from his face. This uncommon tameness of the animal appeared supernatural to Sandroccotus, and raised his ambition. He aspired to the monarchy, and after the death of Alexander he made himself master of a part of the country which was in the hands of Seleucus. Justin. 15, c. 4.

SANGÁLA, a town of India destroyed by Alexander.

SÁNGARIUS, or SANGÁRIS, a river of Phrygia, rising in mount Dindymus, and falling into the Euxine. The daughter of the Sangarius became pregnant of Altes only from the gathering of the boughs of an almond tree on the banks of the river. Hecuba, according to some, is the
daughter of this river. Some of the poets call it Sagiris. Ovid, ex Pomp. 4, el. 10.—Claudian, in Eutrop. 2.—Paus. 7.

Sanguinius, a man condemned for ill languages &c. Tacit. An. 6, c. 7

Sannyrion, a tragic poet of Athens. He composed many dramatic pieces, one of which was called Io, and another Danae. Athen. 9.

Santones, and Santones, a people with a town of the same name in Gaul. Lucem. 1, v. 422.—Martial 3, ep. 96.

Saon, an historian. —A man who first discovered the oracle of Trophonius.

Saphis, or Saphis, a people of Thrace.

Sapor, a king of Persia who succeeded his father Ardashir about the 230th year of the Christian era. Naturally fierce and ambitious, Sapor wished to increase his paternal dominions by conquest; and as the indolence of the emperors of Rome seemed favourable to his views, he laid waste the provinces of Mesopotamia, Syria, and Cilicia; and he might have become master of all Asia, if Odenatus had not stopped his progress. If Gordian attempted to repel him, his efforts were weak; and Philip, who succeeded him on the imperial throne, bought the peace of Sapor with money. Valerian, who was afterwards invested with the purple, marched against the Persian monarch, but he was defeated and taken prisoner. Odenatus do not soon heard that the Roman emperor was a captive in the hands of Sapor, than he attempted to release him by force of arms. The forces of Persia were cut to pieces, the wives and the treasures of the monarch fell into the hands of the conqueror, and Odenatus penetrated, with little opposition, into the very heart of the kingdom. Sapor, soon after this defeat, was assassinated by his subjects, A. D. 273, after a reign of 32 years. He was succeeded by his son called Hormisdas. Marcellin.

The second of that name succeeded his father Hormisdas on the throne of Persia. He was as great as his ancestor of the same name; and by undertaking a war against the Romans, he attempted to enlarge his dominions, and to add the provinces on the west of the Euphrates to his empire. His victories alarmed the Roman emperors, and Julian would have perhaps seized him in the capital of his dominions, if he had not received a mortal wound. Jovian, who succeeded Julian, made peace with Sapor; but the monarch always restless and indefatigable, renewed hostilities, invaded Armenia and defeated the emperor Valens. Sapor died A. D. 380, after a reign of 70 years, in which he had often been the sport of fortune. He was succeeded by Artaxerxes, and Artaxerxes by Sapor the third, a prince who died after a reign of five years, A. D. 389, in the age of Theodosius the Great. Marcellin, &c.

Sappho, or Sapho, celebrated for her beauty, her poetical talents, and her amorous disposition, was born in the island of Lesbos, about 600 years before Christ. Her father's name, according to Herodotus, was Scamanderinnynus, or according to others, Symon, or Semus, or Etarchus, and her mother's name was Cleis. Her tender passions were so violent, that some have represented her attachment with three of her female companions, Telephile, Aththis, and Megara, as criminal, and on that account, have given her the surname of Tribas. She conceived such a passion for Phoon, a youth of Mitylene, that upon his refusal to gratify her desires, she threw herself into the sea from mount Leucus. She had composed nine books in lyric verses, besides epigrams, elegies, &c. Of all these compositions, nothing now remains but two fragments, whose uncommon sweetness and elegance show how meritoriously the praises of the ancients have been bestowed upon a poetess who for the sublimity of her genius was called the tenth Muse. Her compositions were all extant in the age of Horace. The Lesbians were so sensible of the merit of Sappho, that after her death they paid her divine honours, and raised her temples and altars, and stamped their money with her image. The poetess has been censured for writing with that licentiousness and freedom which perhaps much disgraced her character as a woman. The Sapphie verse has been called after her name. Ovid. Heroid. 15. Trit. 2, v. 365.—Horat. 2. Od. 13.—Herodot. 2, c. 135.—Stat. Syr. 3, v. 155.—Elian. V. H. 12, c. 18 & 29.—Plin. 22, c. 8.

Sapfere, a daughter of Darius, the last king of Persia.

Saracena, a country of Arabia inhabited by the Saracens.

Saracori, a people who go to war riding on asses. —Elian. V. H. 12.

Saranges, a river of India, falling into the Hydrastes and thence into the Indus.

Saranxe, a nation who lived near Caucasus. —Plin. 6, c. 16.

Sarapani, a people of Colchis.

Sarapus, a surname of Pittacus, one of the seven wise men of Greece.

Saras, a fortified place of Mesopotamia, on the Tigris.

Sarassephes, a son of Phraates, king of Parthis, sent as an hostage to Augustus, &c.

Sardanapalus, the fortieth and last king of Assyria, celebrated for his luxury and voluptuousness. The greatest part of his time was spent in the company of his eunuchs, and the monarch generally appeared in the midst of his concubines, disguised in the habit of a female, and spinning wool for his amusement. This effeminacy irritated his officers; Belesis and Arases conspired against him, and collected a numerous force to dethrone him. Sardanapalus quitte his voluptuousness for a while, and appeared at the head of his armies. The rebels were defeated in three successive battles, but at last Sardanapalus was defeated and besieged in the city of Ninus for two years. When he despised of success, he burned himself in his palace, with his eunuchs, concubines, and all his treasures, and the empire of Assyria was divided among the conspirators. This famous event happened B. C. 820, according to Eusebius; though Justin and others, with less probability, place it eighty years earlier. Sarda-
napalus was made a god after death. *Herodot.* 2, c. 150.—*Diod.* 2.—*Strab.* 14.—*Cic. Tusc.* 5, c. 35.

SARDI, the inhabitants of Sardinia. Vid. Sardinia.

SARDI or SARDES, a town of Thrace.

SARDINIA, the greatest island in the Mediterranean after Sicily, is situated between Italy and Africa, at the south of Corsica. It was originally called Sandaliotis or Ichnussa, from its resembling the human foot, (*ixvoc*) and it received the name of Sardinia from Sardus, a son of Hercules, who settled there with a colony which he had brought with him from Libya. Other colonies, under Aristeus, Norax, and Iolas, also settled there. The Carthaginians were masters of it till they were dispossessed of it by the Romans in the Punic wars, B. C. 231. Some call it with Sicily, one of the granaries of Rome. The air was very wholesome. *Tact.* Am. 2, c. 83.—*Mela,* 3, c. 7.—*Strab.* 2 & 5.—*Cic. pro Manil. ad Q. frat.* 2, ep. 3.—*Plin.* 3, c. 7.—*Paus.* 10, c. 17.—*Varro de R. R.* —*Val. Max.* 7, c. 6.

SARDINIA, a town of Asia Minor, the capital of the kingdom of Lydia, situate at the foot of Mount Tmolus, on the banks of the Pactolus. It is celebrated for the many sieges it sustained against the Cimmerians, Persians, Medes, Macedonians, Ionians, and Athenians, and for the battle in which, B. C. 262, Antiochus Soter was defeated by Eumenes, king of Pergamum. It was destroyed by an earthquake in the reign of Tiberius, who ordered it to be rebuilt. It fell into the hands of Cyrus, B. C. 548, and was burnt by the Athenians, B. C. 504, which became the cause of the invasion of Attica by Darius. *Plut.* in *Att.* —*Ovid. Met.* 11, v. 137, 152, &c.—*Strab.* 13.—*Herodot.* 1, c. 7, &c.

SARDUS, a son of Hercules, who led a colony to Sardinia, and gave it his name.

SARIASTER, a son of Tigranes, king of Armenia, who conspired against his father, &c.—*Val. Max.* 9, c. 11.

SARIPI, mountains at the east of the Caspian sea.

SARMATIA, an extensive country at the north of Europe and Asia, divided into European and Asiatic. The European was bounded by the ocean on the north, Germany and the Vistula on the west, the Jazyge on the south, and Tanais on the east. The Asiatic was bounded by Hyrcania, the Tanais, and the Euxine sea. The former contained the modern kingdoms of Russia, Poland, Lithuania, and Little Tartary; and the latter, Great Tartary, Circassia, and the neighbouring country. The Sarmatians were a savage uncivilized nation, often confounded with the Scythians, naturally warlike, and famed for painting their bodies to appear more terrible in the field of battle. They were well known for their lewdness, and they passed among the Greeks and Latins by the name of Barbarians. Under the Roman emperors they became very powerful, and dis-
SARRA, a town of Phoenicia, the same as Tyre. It received this name from a small shell-fish of the same name, which was found in the neighbourhood, and with whose blood garments were dyed. Hence came the epithet of Sarra-nus, so often applied to Tyrian colours. Virg. G. 2, v. 506.

SABBASTES, a people of Campania, who assisted Turnus against Æneas. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 738.

SARRON, a king of the Celts, so famous for his learning, that from him philosophers were called Sarronide.

SARSIANA, an ancient town of Umbria, where the poet Plautus was born. The inhabitants are called Sarsinates. Martial 9, ep. 59.—Ital. 8, v. 462.

SASANDA, a town of Caria.

SASON, an island at the entrance of the Adriatic sea, lying between Brundusium and Alon, on the coast of Greece. It is barren and inhabitable.—A river falling into the Adriatic.

SATASPES, a Persian hung on a cross by order of Xerxes, for offering violence to the daughter of Megabyzus. His father's name was Thaspes. Herodot. 4.

SATELE, a people of Thrace, at the east of the Nestus. Herodot. 7, c. 111.

SATIBARZANES, a Persian, made satrap of the Arians by Alexander, from whom he afterwards revolted. Curt. 6 & 7.

SATICULA and SATICULUS, a town near Capua. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 729.

SATIS, a town of Macedonia.

SATNIES, a Trojan captain, killed by Ajax. Satrapēna, a people of Media, under Tiranes.

SATRAYS, a people of Thrace. Herod. 7, c. 111.

SATRACUM, a town of Italy, taken by Camillus.

SATROFACES, an officer in the army of Darius, &c. Curt. 4, c. 9.


SATURBIUM, or SATURUM, a town of Calabria, near Tarentum, whence the epithet of satu-rinianus in Horat. 1 sat. 6.

SATURNIUS, one of Domitian's murderers.

SATURNALIA, festivals in honour of Saturn, celebrated the 16th or the 17th, or according to others, the 18th of December. They were instituted long before the foundation of Rome, in commemoration of the freedom and equality which prevailed on earth in the golden age of Saturn. Some however suppose, that the Saturnalia were first observed at Rome in the reign of Tullus Hostilius, after a victory obtained over the Sabines, while others support that Janus first instituted them in gratitude to Saturn, from whom he had learnt agriculture. Others suppose, that they were first celebrated in the year of Rome 257, after a victory obtained over the Latins by the dictators Posthumius. The Saturnalia were originally celebrated only for one day, but afterwards the solemnity continued for three, four, five, and at last for seven days. The celebration was remarkable for the liberty which universally prevailed. The slaves were permitted to ridicule their masters, and to speak with freedom upon every subject. It was usual for friends to make presents one to another, all animosity ceased, no criminals were executed, schools were shut, war was never declared, but all was mirth, riot, and debauchery. In the sacrifices, the priests made their offerings with their heads uncovered, a custom which was never observed at other festivals. Senec. ep. 18. —Cato de R. R.—Sueton. in Vesp. 19.—Cic. ad Attic. &c.

SATURNIA, a name given to Italy, because Saturn had reigned there during the golden age. Virg. G. 2, v. 173.—A name given to Juno, as being the daughter of Saturn. Virg. G. 2, v. 173. Æn. 3, v. 380.

SATURNIGENA, a surname of Jupiter, son of Saturn.

SATURNINUS, P. SEMPRONIUS, a general of Valerian, proclaimed emperor in Egypt by his troops, after he had rendered himself celebrated by his victories over the barbarians. His integrity, his complaisance, and affability, had gained him the affection of the people, but his fondness of ancient discipline provoked his soldiers, who wantonly murdered him in the 43rd year of his age, A. D. 262.—Sextus Julius, a Gaul intimate with Aurelian. The emperor esteemed him greatly, not only for his private virtues, but for his abilities as a general, and for the victories which he had obtained in different parts of the empire. He was saluted emperor at Alexandria, and compelled by the clamorous army to accept of the purple, which he rejected with disdain and horror. Probus, who was then emperor, marched his forces against him, and besieged him in Apamea, where he destroyed himself when unable to make head against his powerful adversary.—Appuleius, a man who raised a sedition at Rome, intimidated the senate, and tyrannized for three years. Meeting at last with opposition, he seized the capitol, but being induced by the hopes of a reconciliation to trust himself amidst the people, he was suddenly torn to pieces. His sedition has received the name of Appuleiana in the Roman annals. Flor. —Lucius, a seditions tribune, who supported the oppression of Marius. He was at last put to death on account of his tumultuous disposition. Plut. —An officer in the court of Theodosius, murdered for obeying the emperor's orders, &c. —Pompelianus, a writer in the reign of Trajan. He was greatly esteemed by Pliny, who speaks of him with great warmth and approbation, as an historian, a poet, and an orator. Pliny always consulted the opinion of Saturninus before he published his compositions.—Senius, a friend of Augustus and Tiberius. He succeeded Agrippa in the government of the provinces of Syria and Phocnia. —Vitellius, an officer among the friends of the emperor Otho.

SATURNIUS, a name given to Jupiter, Pluto, and Neptune, as being the sons of Saturn.

SATURNUS, a son of Cadmus or Uranus by Terra, called also Tinea, Thea, or Titheia. He was
naturally artful, and by means of his mother he revenged himself on his father, whose cruelty to his children had provoked the anger of Thea. The mother armed her son with a scythe, which was fabricated with the metals drawn from her bowels, and as Coelus was going to unite himself with Thea, Saturn mutilated him, and for ever prevented him from increasing the number of his children, whom he treated with unkindness, and confined in the infernal regions. After this, the sons of Coelus were restored to liberty, and Saturn obtained his father's kingdom by the consent of his brother, provided he did not bring up any male children. Pursuant to his agreement, Saturn always devoured his sons as soon as born, because, as some observe, he dreaded from them a retaliation of his unkindness to his father, till his wife Rhea, unwilling to see her children perish, concealed from her husband the birth of Jupiter, Neptune, and Pluto, and instead of the children, she gave him large stones, which he immediately swallowed without perceiving the deceit. Titan was some time after informed, that Saturn had concealed his male children, therefore he made war against him, dethroned and imprisoned him with Rhea; and Jupiter, who was secretly educated at Crete, was no sooner grown up, than he flew to deliver his father, and to replace him on his throne. Saturn, unmindful of his son's kindness, conspired against him, when he heard that he raised cabals against him, but Jupiter banished him from his throne, and the father fled for safety into Italy, where the country retained the name of Latium, as being the place of his concealment (later).
James, who was then king of Italy, received Saturn with marks of attention; he made him his partner on the throne; and the king of heaven employed himself in civilizing the barbarous manners of the people of Italy, and in teaching them agriculture and the useful and liberal arts. His reign there was so mild and popular, so beneficent and virtuous, that mankind have called it the golden age, to intimate the happiness and tranquillity which the earth then enjoyed. Saturn was father of Chiron the Centaur by Philyra, whom he had changed into a mare, to avoid the importunities of Rhea. The worship of Saturn was not so solemn or so universal as that of Jupiter. It was usual to offer human victims on his altars, but this barbarous custom was abolished by Hercules, who substituted small images of clay. In the sacrifices of Saturn, the priest always performed the ceremony with his head uncovered, which was unusual at other solemnities. The god is generally represented as an old man bent through age and infirmity. He holds a scythe in his right hand, with a serpent that bites his own tail, which is an emblem of time, and of the revolution of the year. In his left hand he holds a child, which he raises up as if instantly to devour it. Tatius, king of the Sabines, first built a temple to Saturn on the Capitoline hill, a second was afterwards added by Tullus Hostilius, and a third by the first consul. On his statues were generally hung fetters, in comme-
memoration of the chains he had worn when imprisoned by Jupiter. From this circumstance, all slaves that obtained their liberty, generally dedicated their fetters to him. During the celebration of the Saturnalia, the chains were taken from the statues, to intiate the freedom and the independence which mankind enjoyed during the golden age. One of his temples at Rome was appropriated for the public treasury, and it was there also that the names of foreign ambassadors were enrolled. 

Satyrus, a king of Bosphorus, who reigned 14 years, &c. His father's name was Spartacus. Diod. 23. — An Athenian who attempted to eject the garrison of Demetrius from the citadel, &c. Polygen. — A Greek actor who instructed Demostenes, and taught him how to have a good and strong delivery. — A man who assisted in murdering Timophanes by order of his brother Timoleon. — A Rhodian sent by his countrymen to Rome, when Eumenes had accused some of the allies of intentions to favour the interest of Macedonia against the republic. — A Peripatetic philosopher and historian who flourished B. C. 148. — A tyrant of Heraclea, 436. — A tyrant of Heraclea, 436. B. C.

Sava, a village of Lyconia. Sauflus Trogus, one of Musselina's favourites, punished by Claudius, &c. Tacit. Ann. 11.

Savo, or Savona, a town with a small river of the same name in Campania. Sauromates, a people in the northern parts of Europe and Asia. They are called Sarmatae by the Latins. Vid. Sarmatia. Saurus, a famous robber of Elia, killed by Hercules. Paus. 6. c. 21.

Savus, a river of peninnusor, rising in Norricum, at the north of Aquileir, and falling into the Da-
A small river of Numidia, falling into the Mediterranean.

SAXANUS, a surname of Hercules.

SAXIICHES, an ancient legislator of Egypt.

SECA, one of the gates of Troy, where the tomb of Laomedon was seen.—Homer. II.

One of the Danaides. Her husband's name was Dayphron.

SECA, a soldier in Caesar's army, who behaved with great courage at Dyrrachium. Lucan. 6 v. 144.—A Latin poet in the reign of Titus and Domitian.—A man who poisoned his own mother. Horat. 2, Sat. 1, v. 53.—A friend of Horace, to whom the poet addressed 1, Ep. 17. He was a Roman knight.

SECVOLA. Vid. Mutius.

SCALDIS, or SCALDlUM, a river of Belgium. Cai.

SCAMANDER, or SCAMANDROS, a celebrated river of Troas, rising at the east of mount Ida, and falling into the sea below Sigeum. It receives the Simois in its course, and towards its mouth it is very muddy, and flows through marshes. This river, according to Homer, was called Xanthus by the gods, and Scamander by men. The waters of the Scamander had the singular property of giving a beautiful colour to the hair or the wool of such animals as bathed in them, and from this circumstance the three goddesses, Minerva, Juno, and Venus, bathed there before they appeared before Paris, to obtain the golden apple. It was usual among all the virgins of Troas to bathe in the Scamander, when they arrived to nubile years, and to offer to the god their virginity in these words, ἄνδρον ἡμας την παρθηνίαν. The god of the Scamander had a regular priest and sacrificers offered to him. Some suppose that the river received its name from Scamander, the son of Corybas. Ælian. Anim. 8, c. 21.—Strab. 1 & 13.—Plin. 5, c. 30.—Mela, 1, c. 18.—Homer. II. 5.—Plut.—Æsch. ep. 10.—A son of Corybas and Demodice, who brought a colony from Crete to Phrygia, and settled at the foot of mount Ida, where he introduced the festival of Cybele, and the dances of the Corybantes. He some time after lost the use of his senses, and threw himself into the river Xanthus, which ever after bore his name. His son-in-law Teucer succeeded him in the government of the colony. Apollod. 3, c. 12.—Diod. 4.

SCAMANDRIA, a town situated on the Scamander. Plin. 4, c. 30.

SCAMANDRIS, one of the generals of Priam, son of Strophius. He was killed by Menelaeus. Homer. II. 5, v. 49.

SCANDARIA, a promontory in the island of Cos. Strab. 14.

SCANDINAVIA, a name given by the ancients to that tract of territory which contains the modern kingdoms of Norway, Sweden, Denmark, &c.

SCANTINIA LEX. Vid. Scatinia.

SCANTILLA, the wife of Didius Julianus. It was by her advice that her husband bought the empire, which was exposed to sale at the death of Pertinax.
some Spartans in the reign of Cleombrotus, and after this they killed themselves, unable to survive the loss of their honour. The father became so disconsolate, that when he was unable to obtain relief from his country, he killed himself on their tomb. _Paus. 9_, c. 13.— _Plut. in Amat._ 3.

_Sciceratus_, a plain at Rome near the Coline gate, where the vestal Minucia was buried alive, when convicted of adultery.—One of the gates of Rome was called Scelerata, because 300 Fabii, who were killed at the river Cremera, had passed through it when they went to attack the enemy.—There was also a street at Rome formerly called Cyprios, which received the name of _Sceleratus vicus_, because there Tulia ordered her postilion to drive her chariot over the body of her father, king Servius. _Liv._ 1, c. 48.

_Schedia_, a small village of Egypt, between the western mouths of the Nile and Alexandria.

_Schelius_, one of Helen’s suitors.

_Scheria_, an ancient name of Corcyra. _Paus._ 2, c. 5.

_Sergenius_, a son of Athamas.—The father of Atalanta.

_Schensus_, or Scheno, a port of Peloponnesus on the Saronic Sinus.—A river of Arcadia.

_Another near Athens._

_Schilitho_, a mountain of Arcadia. _Paus._ 8, c. 14.

_Schilos_, an island in the Ægean sea, opposite mount Pelion, on the coast of Thessaly.

_Schidros_, a town of Magna Graecia.

_Scilus_, a town of Peloponnesus, near Olympia.

_Scinis_, a cruel robber, who tied men to the boughs of trees, which he had forcibly brought together, and which he afterwards unloosed, so that their limbs were torn in an instant from their body. _Ovid. Met._ 7, v. 410.

_Scintii_, a people of Germany.

_Sicione_, a town of Thrace, in the possession of the Athenians. It revolted, and passed into the hands of the Macedonians during the Peloponnesian war. It was built by a Athenian colony in their return from the Trojan war. _Thucyd._ 4.— _Mela._ 2, c. 2.

_Sciaps_, a name applied to the two Scipios, who obtained the surname of Africanus, from the conquest of Carthage. _Virg._ _Æn._ 6, v. 843.

_Scipio_, a celebrated family at Rome, who obtained the greatest honours in the republic. The name seems to be derived from _Scipio_, which signifies a stick, because one of the family had conducted his blind father, and had been to him as a stick. The Scipios were a branch of the Cornelian family. The most illustrious were—_P._ Corn. a man made master of horse by Romulus, &c.—_A._ Roman dictator.—_L. Cornel._ a consul A. _U_. C. 434, who defeated the Etrurians near Volaterra.—_Another consul A. _U_. C. 493.—_Ca. surnamed Asina, was consul A. _U_. C. 492 & 493._ He was conquered in his first consulship in a naval battle and lost 17 ships. The following year he took Aleria inCorsica, and defeated Hanno the Carthaginian general, in Sardinia. He also took 200 of the enemy’s ships, and the city of Pa. normum in Sicily. He was father to Publius and Cneus Scipio. Publius, in the beginning of the second Punic war, was sent with an army to Spain to oppose Annibal; but when he heard that his enemy had passed over into Italy, he attempted, by his quick marches and secret evolutions, to stop his progress. He was conquered by Annibal near the Ticinus, where he nearly lost his life, had not his son, who was afterwards surnamed Africanus, courageously defended him. He again passed into Spain, where he obtained some memorable victories over the Carthaginians, and the inhabitants of the country. His brother Cneus shared the supreme command with him, but their great confidence proved their ruin. They separated their armies, and soon after Publius was furiously attacked by the two Asdrabals and Magos, who commanded the Carthaginian armies. The forces of Publius were too few to resist with success the three Carthaginian generals. The Romans were cut to pieces, and their commander was left on the field of battle. No sooner had the enemy obtained this victory, than they immediately marched to meet Cneus Scipio, whom the revolt of 50,000 Celtiberians had weakened and alarmed. The general, who was already apprised of his brother’s death, secured an eminence, where he was soon surrounded on all sides. After desperate acts of valour he was left among the slain, or, according to some, he fled into a tower, where he was burnt with some of his friends by the victorious enemy. _Liv._ 21, &c.—_Polyb._ 4.— _Flor._ 2, c. 6, &c.— _Eutrop._ 3, c. 3, &c.—_Publius Cornelius, surnamed Africanus, was son of Publius Scipio, who was killed in Spain. He first distinguished himself at the battle of Ticanus, where he saved his father’s life by deeds of uncommon valour and boldness. The battle of Cannae which proved so fatal to the Roman arms, instead of disheartening Scipio, raised his expectations, and he no sooner heard that some of his desperate countrymen wished to abandon Italy, and to fly from the insolence of the conqueror, than with his sword in his hand, and by his firmness and example, he obliged them to swear eternal fidelity to Rome, and to put to immediate death the first man who attempted to retire from his country. In his 21st year Scipio was made an edile, an honourable office, which was never given but to such as had reached their 27th year. Some time after, the Romans were alarmed by the intelligence, that the commanders of their forces in Spain, Publius and Cneus Scipio, had been slaughtered, and immediately young Scipio was appointed to avenge the death of his father and his uncle, and to vindicate the military honour of the republic. It was soon known how able he was to be at the head of an army; the various nations of Spain were conquered, and in four years the Carthaginians were banished from that part of the continent; the whole province became tributary to _R. R._
Rome; New Carthage submitted in one day, and in one battle 54,000 of the enemy were left dead on the field. After these signal victories, Scipio was recalled to Rome, which still trembled at the continual alarms of Annibal, who was at her gates. The conqueror of the Carthaginians in Spain was looked upon as a proper general to encounter Annibal in Italy; but Scipio opposed the measures which his countrymen wished to pursue, and he declared in the senate, that if Annibal was to be conquered, he must be conquered in Africa. These bold measures were immediately adopted, though opposed by the eloquence, age, and experience of the great Fabius, and Scipio was empowered to conduct the war on the coasts of Africa. With the dignity of consul he embarked for Carthage. Success attended his arms; his conquests were here as rapid as in Spain; the Carthaginian armies were routed, the camp of the crafty Asdrubal was set on fire during the night, and his troops totally defeated in a drawn battle. These repeated losses alarmed Carthage; Annibal, who was victorious at the gates of Rome, was instantly recalled to defend the walls of his country, and the two greatest generals of that age met each other in the field. Terms of accommodation were proposed; but in the parley which the two commanders had together, nothing satisfactory was offered, and while the one enlarged on the vicissitudes of human affairs, the other wished to dictate like a conqueror, and recommended the decision of the controversy to the sword. This celebrated battle was fought near Zama, and both generals displayed their military knowledge in drawing up their armies and in choosing their ground. Their courage and intrepidity were not less conspicuous in charging the enemy; a thousand acts of valour were performed on both sides, and though the Carthaginians fought in their own defence, and the Romans for fame and glory, yet the conqueror of Italy was vanquished. About 20,000 Carthaginians were slain, and the same number made prisoners of war, B. C. 202. Only 2,000 of the Romans were killed. This battle was decisive; the Carthaginians sued for peace, which Scipio at last granted on the most severe and humiliating terms. The conqueror after this returned to Rome, where he was received with the most unbounded applause, honoured with a triumph, and dignified with the appellation of Africano. Here he enjoyed for some time the tranquillity and the honours which his exploits merited, but in him also, as in other great men, fortune showed herself inconsistent. Scipio offended the populace in wishing to distinguish the senators from the rest of the people at the public exhibitions, and when he canvassed for the consulship for two of his friends, he had the mortification to see his application slighted, and the honours which he claimed, bestowed on a man of no character, and recommended by no quality or meritorious deed. He retired from Rome no longer to be a spectator of the ingratitude of his countrymen, and in the capacity of lieutenant he accompanied his brother against Antiochus king of Syria. In this expedition his arms were attended with usual success, and the Asiatic monarch submitted to the conditions which the conquerors offered. At his return to Rome, Africanus found the malevolence of his enemies still unabated. Cato, his inveterate rival, raised seditious against him, and the Petili, two tribunes of the people, accused the conqueror of Annibal of extortion in the provinces of Asia, and of living in an indolent and luxurious manner. Scipio condescended to answer to the accusation of his calumniators, the first day was spent in hearing the different charges, but when he again appeared on the second day of his trial, the accused interrupted his judges, and exclaimed, Tribunes and fellow citizens! on this day, this very day, did I conquer Annibal and the Carthaginians: come therefore with me, Romans; let us go to the capitol, and there return our thanks to the immortal gods for the victories which have attended our arms. These words had the desired effect; the tribes, and all the assembly followed Scipio; the court was deserted, and the tribunes were left alone in the seat of judgment. Yet when this memorable day was past and forgotten, Africanus was a third time summoned to appear; but he had fled before the impending storm, and retired to his country-house at Liternum. The accusation was therefore stopped, and the accusers silenced, when one of the tribunes formerly distinguished for his malevolence against Scipio rose to defend him, and declared in the assembly, that it reflected the highest disgrace on the Roman people, that the conqueror of Annibal should become the sport of the populace, and be exposed to the malice and envy of disappointed ambition. Some time after Scipio died in the place of his retreat, about 184 years before Christ, in the forty-eighth year of his age; and so great an aversion did he express, as he expired, for the depravity of the Romans, and the ingratitude of their senators, that he ordered his bones not to be conveyed to Rome. They were accordingly inhumed at Liternum, where his wife Asmilia, the daughter of Paulus Asmilius, who fell at the battle of Cannae, raised a mausoleum upon his tomb, and placed upon it his statue, with that of the poet Ennius, who had been the companion of his peace and of his retirement. If Scipio was robbed during his life time of the honours which belonged to him as conqueror of Africa, he was not forgotten when dead. The Romans viewed his character with reverence; with raptures they read of his warlike actions, and Africanus was regarded in the following ages as a pattern of virtue, of innocence, courage, and liberality. As a general, the fame and the greatness of his conquests explain his character, and indeed we hear that Annibal declared himself inferior to no general that ever lived except Alexander the Great, and Pyrrhus king of Epirus; and when Scipio asked him what rank he would claim if he had conquered him the Carthaginian general answered, If I conquered you Scipio, I would call myself greater than the conqueror of Darius, and the ally of the Tarentines. As an instance of Scipio's continence, ancient authors have faithfully recorded that the
conqueror of Spain refused to see a beautiful princess that had fallen into his hands after the taking of new Carthage, and that he not only restored her inviolate to her parents, but also added immense presents to the person to whom she was betrothed. It was to the artful complaisance of Africanus, that the Romans owed their alliance with Masinissa, king of Numidia, and also that with king Syphax. The friendship of Scipio and Lelius is well known. Polyb. 6.—Plut. —Flor. 2, c. 6.—Cic. in Brut. &c. —Eutrop. 4. —Lucius Cornelius, surnamed Africanus, accompanied his brother Africanus in his expeditions in Spain and Africa. He was rewarded with the consulsipship, A. D. C. 562, for his services to the state, and he was empowered to attack Antiochus king of Syria, who had declared war against the Romans. Lucius was accompanied in this campaign by his brother Africanus; and by his own valour, and the advice of the conqueror of Annibal, he soon routed the enemy, and in a battle near the city of Sardeis he killed 50,000 foot, and 4,000 horse. The peace was soon after settled by the submission of Antiochus, and the conqueror, at his return home, obtained a triumph, and the surname of Africanus. He did not, however, long enjoy his prosperity; Cato, after the death of Africanus, turned his fury against Asiaticus, and the two Pettili, his devoted favourites, presented a petition to the people, in which they prayed that an inquiry might be made to know what money had been received from Antiochus and from his allies. The petition was instantly received, and Asiaticus, charged to have suffered himself to be corrupted by Antiochus, was summoned to appear before the tribunal of Terentius Culeo, who was on this occasion created praetor. The judge, who was an inveterate enemy to the family of the Scipios, soon found Asiaticus, with his two lieutenants and his quastor, guilty of having received, the first, 6,000 pounds weight of gold, and 480 pounds weight of silver, and the others nearly an equal sum, from the monarchs against whom, in the name of the Roman people, they were enjoined to make war. Immediately they were condemned to pay large fines; but while the others gave security, Scipio declared that he had accounted to the public for all the money which he had brought from Asia, and therefore that he was innocent. For this obstinacy Scipio was dragged to prison, but his cousin Nasica pleaded his cause before the people, and the praetor instantly ordered the goods of the prisoner to be seized and confiscated. The sentence was executed, but the effects of Scipio were insufficient to pay the fine, and it was the greatest justification of his innocence, that whatever was found in his house, had never been in the possession of Antiochus or his subjects. This, however, did not totally liberate him; he was reduced to poverty, and refused to accept the offers of his friends and of his clients. Some time after he was appointed to settle the disputes between Eumenes and Seleucus, and at his return, the Romans, ashamed of their severity towards him, rewarded his merit with such uncommon liberality, that Asiaticus was enabled to celebrate games in honour of his victory over Antiochus, for ten successive days, at his own expense. Liv. 38, c. 55, &c. —Eutrop. 4. —Nasica was son of Cneus Scipio, and cousin to Scipio Africanus. He was refused the consulsipship, though supported by the interest and the fame of the conqueror of Annibal, but he afterwards obtained it, and in that honourable office conquered the Boi, and gained a triumph. He was also successful in an expedition which he undertook in Spain. When the statue of Cybele was brought to Rome from Phrygia, the Roman senate delegated one of their body who was the most remarkable for the purity of his manners and the innocence of his life, to go and meet the goddess in the harbour of Ostia. Nasica was the object of their choice, and as such he was enjoined to bring the statue of the goddess to Rome with the greatest pomp and solemnity. Nasica also distinguished himself by the active part he took in confuting the accusations laid against the two Scipios, Africanus and Asiaticus. There was also another of the same name who distinguished himself by his enmity against the Giacchi, to whom he was nearly related. Paterc. 2, c. 1, &c. —Flor. 2, c. 15. —Liv. 29, c. 14, &c. —Publ. Eumenes, son of Paulus the conqueror of Perseus, was adopted by the son of Scipio Africanus. He received the same surname as his grandfather, and was called Africanus the younger, on account of his victories over Carthage. Eumenes first appeared as the Roman armies under his father, and afterwards distinguished himself as a legionsary tribune in the Spanish provinces, where he killed a Spaniard of gigantic stature, and obtained a mural crown at the siege of Intercatia. He passed into Africa to demand a reinforcement from king Masinissa, the ally of Rome, and he was the spectator of a long and bloody battle which was fought between that monarch and the Carthaginians, and which soon produced the third Punic war. Some time after, Eumenes was made edile, and next appointed consul, though under the age required for that important office. The surname which he had received from his grandfather, he was doomed lawfully to claim as his own. He was empowered to finish the war with Carthage, and as he was permitted by the senate to choose his colleague, he took with him his friend Lelius, whose father of the same name had formerly enjoyed the confidence and shared the victories of the first Africanus. The siege of Carthage was already begun, but the operations of the Romans were not continued with vigour. Scipio had no sooner appeared before the walls of the enemy than every communication with the land was cut off, and that they might not have the command of the sea, a stupendous mole was thrown across the harbour with immense labour and expense. This, which might have disheartened the most active enemy, rendered the Carthaginians more eager in the cause of freedom and independence; all the inhabitants, without distinction of rank, age, or sex, employed themselves without cessation to dig another harbour, and to
build and equip another fleet. In a short time
in spite of the vigilance and activity of Æmilia-
us, the Romans were astonished to see another
harbour formed, and fifty galleys suddenly issu-
ing under sail, ready for the engagement. This
unexpected fleet, by immediately attacking the
Roman ships, might have gained the victory,
but the delay of the Carthaginians proved fatal
to their cause, and the enemy had sufficient
time to prepare themselves. Scipio soon got
possession of a small eminence in the harbour,
and by the success of his subsequent opera-
tions he broke open one of the gates of the city
and entered the streets, where he made his way
by fire and sword. The surrender of above
50,000 men was followed by the reduction of
the citadel, and the total submission of Car-
thage, B. C. 147. The captive city was set on
fire, and though Scipio was obliged to demolish
its very walls to obey the orders of the Romans,
yet he wept bitterly over the melancholy and
tragical scene; and in bewailing the miseries of
Carthage, he expressed his fears lest Rome, in
some future age, should exhibit such a dreadful
conflagration. The return of Æmilianus to Rome
was that of another conqueror of Annibal, and
like him he was honoured with a magnificent
triump; and, received the surname of Afric anus.
He was not long left in the enjoyment of his
glory before he was called to obtain fresh ho-
nours. He was chosen consul a second time,
and appointed to finish the war which the Ro-
mans had hitherto carried on without success or
vigorous exertions against Numantia. The fall
of Numantia was more noble than that of the ca-
pital of Africa, and the conqueror of Carthage
obtained the victory only when the enemies
had been consumed by famine, or by self de-
struction, B. C. 133. From his conquests in
Spain, Æmilianus was honoured with a second
triump; and with the surname of Numantinus.
Yet his popularity was short, and by telling the
people that the murder of their favourite, his
brother-in-law, Graccus, was lawful, since he
was turbulent and inimical to the peace of the
republic, Scipio incurred the displeasure of the
tribunes, and he was received with hisses.
His authority, for a moment, quelled their sedition,
when he reproached them of their cowardice,
and exclaimed, Vactious wretches! do you think
that your clamours can intimidate me; me whom the
fury of your enemies never daunted? Is this
the gratitude that you owe to my father Paulus who
conquered Macedonia, and to me? Without my
family ye were slaves. Is this the respect you
owe to your deliverers? Is this your affection?
This firmness silenced the murmurs of the as-
sembly, and some time after Scipio retired from
the clamours of Rome to Caieta, where, with
his friend Lælius, he passed the rest of his time
in innocent pleasures and amusements, in diver-
sions which had pleased them when children;
and the two greatest men that ruled the state
were often seen on the sea-shore picking up
light pebbles, and throwing them on the smooth
surface of the waters. Though fond of retire-
ment and literary ease, yet Scipio often inter-
igated himself in the affairs of the state. His
enemies accused him of aspiring to the dictator-
ship, and the clamours were most loud against
him, when he had opposed the Sempronian law,
and declared himself the patron of the inhabit-
ants of the provinces of Italy. This active part
of Scipio was seen with pleasure by the friends
of the republic, and not only the senate, but also
the citizens, the Latins, and neighbouring states,
conducted their illustrious friend and patron to
his house. It seemed almost the universal wish
that the troubles might be quieted by the elec-
tion of Scipio to the dictatorship, and many pre-
sumed that that honour would be on the morrow
conferred upon him. In this, however, the ex-
pectations of Rome were frustrated; Scipio was
found dead in his bed, to the astonishment of the
world; and those who inquired for the causes
of his sudden death, perceived violent marks on
his neck, and concluded that he had been stran-
gled, B. C. 128. This assassination, as it was
then generally believed, was committed by the
triumvirs, Papirius Carbo, C. Graccus, and
Pulvius Flaccus, who supported the Sempronian
law, and by his wife Sempronia, who is charged
with introducing the murderers into his room.
No inquiries were made after the authors of his
death; Graccus was the favourite of the mob,
and the only atonement which the populace
made for the death of Scipio was to attend his
funeral, and to shew their concern by their cries
and loud lamentations. The second Afric anus
has often been compared to the first of that
name; they seemed to be equally great, and
equally meritorious, and the Romans were un-
able to distinguish which of the two was enti-
tled to a greater share of their regard and admi-
ration. Æmilianus, like his grandfather, was
fond of literature, and he saved from the flames
of Carthage many valuable compositions, written
by Phænician and Punic authors. In the midst
of his greatness he died poor, and his ne-
phew Q. Fabius Maximus, who inherited his
estate, scarce found in his house thirty-two
pounds weight of silver, and two and a half
of gold. His liberality to his brother and to his
sisters deserves the greatest commendations,
and indeed no greater encomium can be passed
upon his character, private as well as public,
when the words of his rival Metellus, who told
his sons, at the death of Scipio, to go and attend
the funeral of the greatest man that ever lived or
should live in Rome. Liv. 44, &c.—Cic. de Se-
cert. orat. in Brut. &c.—Polyb. Appian.—Pa-
ters. 1, c. 12, &c.—Polr. A son of the first Afric anus, taken captive by Antiochus, king of
Syria, and restored to his father without a rans-
omen. He adopted as his son young Æmilianus,
the son of Paulus Æmilius, who was afterwards
surnamed Africanus. Like his father Scipio,
he distinguished himself by his fondness for li-
terature, and his valour in the Roman armies.
—Metellus, the father-in-law of Pompey, ap-
pointed commander in Macedonia. He was pre-
sent at the battle of Pharsalia, and afterwards
retired to Africa with Cato. He was defeated
by Caesar at Thapsus. Plut. Salutio, a mean
person in Caesar’s army in Africa. The general
appointed him his chief commander, either to
ridicule him, or because there was an ancient oracle that declared that the Scipios would ever be victorious in Africa. Plut.—L. Cornelius, a consul, who opposed Sylla. He was at last deserted by his army, and proscribed.—The commander of a cohort in the reign of Vitellius.

Scira, an annual solemnity observed at Athens in honour of Minerva, or, according to others, of Ceres and Proserpine. It received its name either from Sciras, a small town of Attica, or from a native of Eleusis, called Sciras.

Sciradium, a promontory of Attica on the Saronicus Sinus.

Sciras, a name of Ægina. Minerva was also called Sciras.

Sciron, a celebrated thief in Attica, who plundered the inhabitants of the country, and threw them down from the highest rocks into the sea, after he had obliged them to wait upon him and to wash his feet. Theseus attacked him and treated him as he treated travellers. According to Ovid, the earth, as well as the sea, refused to receive the bones of Sciron, which remained for some time suspended in the air, till they were changed into large rocks called Scironia Saxa, situate between Megara and Corinth. There was a road near them, which bore the name of Sciron, naturally small and narrow, but afterwards enlarged by the emperor Adrian. Some suppose that Ino threw herself into the sea from one of these rocks. Sciron had married the daughter of Cychreus, a king of Salamis. He was brother-in-law to Telemon, the son of Æacus. Ovid. 7. Met. v. 444. Herod. 2, v. 69.—Strab. 9.—Mela, 2, c. 13.

Scirrus, a village of Arcadia.—A plain and river of Attica near Megara. Paus. 1, c. 36.

Scodra, a town of Illyria, where Gentius resided. T. L. 43, c. 20.

Scolus, a mountain of Boetia.—A town of Macedonia.

Scombrus, a mountain of Thrace near Rhodope.

Scopas, an architect and sculptor at Ephesus, for some time employed in making the mausoleum which Artemisia raised to her husband, and which was reckoned one of the seven wonders of the world. One of his statues of Venus was among the antiquities with which Rome was adorned. Scopas lived about 430 years before Christ. Paus. 1, c. 43, &c.—Horat. 4, Od. 8.—Vitr. 9, c. 9.—An Ætolian, who raised some forces to assist Ptolemy Epiphanus, king of Egypt, against his enemies Antiochus and his allies. He afterwards conspired against the Egyptian monarch, and was put to death, B. C. 196.—An ambassador to the court of the emperor Domitian.

Scopium, a town of Thessaly.

Scordisci and Scordiscæ, a people of Pannonia and Thrace, well known during the reign of the Roman emperors for their barbarity and uncivilized manners. They were fond of drinking human blood, and they generally sacrificed their captive enemies to their gods. Strab. 7.—Flor. 5, c. 4.

Scotinus, a surname of Heraclitus. Scotussa, a town of Thessaly destroyed by Alexander of Pheræ.

Scibonias, a daughter of Scribonius, who married Augustus after he had divorced Cladia. He had by her a daughter, the celebrated Julia. Scribonia was some time after repudiated, that Augustus might marry Livia. She had been married twice before she became the wife of the emperor. Sueton. in Aug. 62.—A woman who married Crassus.

Scribonianus, a man in the age of Nero. Some of his friends wished him to be competitor for the imperial purple against Vespasian, which he declined.—There were also two brothers of that name, who did nothing without each other's consent.

Scribonius, a man who made himself master of the kingdom of Bosporus.—A physician in the age of Augustus and Tiberius.—A man who wrote annals, A. D. 22. The best edition of Scribonius is that of Patav. 4to. 1653.

Scylaceum, a town of Calabria, built by an Athenian colony. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 553.—Strab. 6.

Scylax, a geographer and mathematician of Caria, in the age of Darius, son of Hystaspes, about 550 years before Christ. He was commissioned by Darius to make discoveries in the east, and after a journey of thirty months, he visited Egypt. Some suppose that he was the first who invented geographical tables. The latest edition of the Periplus of Scylax, is that of Gronovius, 4to. L. Bat. 1697.—Herodot. 4, c. 44.—Strab.—A river of Cappadocia.

Scylla, a daughter of Nisos, king of Megara, who became enamoured of Minos, as that monarch besieged her father's capital. To make him sensible of her passion, she informed him that she would deliver Megara into his hands, if he promised to marry her. Minos consented, and as the prosperity of Megara depended on a golden hair which was on the head of Nisos, Scylla cut it off while her father was asleep, and from that moment the sallies of the Megareans were unsuccessful, and the enemy easily became master of the place. Scylla was disappointed in her expectations, and Minos treated her with such contempt and ridicule, that she threw herself from a tower into the sea, or according to other accounts, she was changed into a lark by the gods, and her father into a hawk. Ovid. Trist. 3, v. 393.—Paus. 2, c. 34.—Propert. 3, el. 19, v. 21.—Hugin. fab. 198.—Virg. G. 1, v. 403, &c.—A daughter of Typhon, or, as some say, of Phorcys, who was greatly loved by Glaucus, one of the deities of the sea. Scylla scorned the addresses of Glaucus, and the god, to render her more propitious, applied to Circe, whose knowledge of herbs and incantations was universally admired. Circe no sooner saw him than she became enamoured of him, and instead of giving him the required assistance, she attempted to make him forget Sylia, but in vain. To punish her rival, Circe poured the juice of some poisonous herbs into the waters of the fountain where Scylla bathed, and no sooner had
the nymph touched the place, than she found every part of her body below the waist, changed into frightful monsters like dogs, which never ceased barking. The rest of her body assumed an equally hideous form. She found herself supported by twelve feet, and she had six different heads, each with three rows of teeth. This sudden metamorphosis so terrified her, that she threw herself into that part of the sea which separates the coast of Italy and Sicily, where she was changed into rocks, which continued to bear her name, and which were universally deemed very dangerous to navigators, as well as the whirlpool of Charybdis on the coast of Sicily. Homer. Od. 12, v. 83.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 60, &c.—Paus. 2, c. 34.—Hygin. fab. 199.—Some authors, as Propert. 4, el. 4, v. 39, and Virg. Ecl. 6, v. 74, with Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 500, have confounded the daughter of Typhon with the daughter of Niusus. Virg. En. 3, v. 424, &c.—A ship in the fleet of Aeneas, commanded by Cloanthus, &c. Virg. En. 5, v. 122.

Scyllaeus, a promontory of Peloponnesus on the coast of Argolis.

Scyllius, a surname of Jupiter.

Scyllis, a celebrated swimmer, who enriched himself by diving after the goods which had been shipwrecked in the Persian ships near Pelium. It is said that he could dive eighty stadia under the water. Herodot. 8, c. 8.

Scyllis, a statuary of Crete before the age of Cyrus king of Persia. Paus.

Scyllus, a town of Achaia, given to Xenophon by the Lacedaemonians.

Scydrus, a monarch who left eighty sons. He called them to his bed-side as he expired, and by enjoining them to break a bundle of sticks tied together, and afterwards separately, he convinced them, that when altogether firmly united, their power would be insuperable, but if ever disunited, they would fall an easy prey to their enemies.

Scyphium, a town in the neighbourhood of Colonoph. Paus. 7, c. 3.

Scyra, a river of Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 25.

Scyros, a rocky and barren island in the Ægean, at the distance of about twenty-eight miles north-east from Euboa, sixty miles in circumference. It was originally in the possession of the Pelasgians and Carians. Achilles retired there not to go to the Trojan war, and became father of Neoptolemus by Deidamia, the daughter of king Lycomedes. Scyros was conquered by the Athenians under Cimon. Homer. Od. 10, v. 508.—Ovid. Met. 7, v. 464. l. 13, v. 156.—Paus. 1, c. 7.—Strab. 9.

Scythe, the inhabitants of Scythia. Vid. Scythia.

Scythes, or Scythia, a son of Jupiter, by a daughter of Tellus. Half his body was that of a man, and the rest that of a serpent. He became king of a country which he called Scythia. Dial. 2.—A son of Hercules and Echidna.

Scythia, a large country situate on the most northern parts of Europe and Asia, from which circumstance it is generally denominated European and Asiatic. The most northern parts of Scythia were uninhabited on account of the extreme coldness of the climate. The more southern in Asia that were inhabited were distinguished by the name of Scythia intra et extra maum, &c. The boundaries of Scythia were unknown to the ancients, as no traveller had penetrated beyond the vast tracts of land which lay at the north, east, and west. Scythia comprehended the modern kingdoms of Tartary, Russia in Asia, Siberia, Muscovy, the Crimean, Poland, part of Hungary, Lithuania, the northern parts of Germany, Sweden, Norway, &c. The Scythis were divided into several nations or tribes; they had no cities, but continually changed their habitations. They injured themselves to bear labour and fatigue; they despised money, and lived upon milk, and covered themselves with the skins of their cattle. The virtues seemed to flourish among them, and that philosophy and moderation which other nations wished to acquire by study, seemed natural to them. Some authors, however, represent them as a savage and barbarous people, who fed upon human flesh, who drank the blood of their enemies, and used the sculls of travellers as vessels in their sacrifices to their gods. The Scythesis made several irruptions upon the more southern provinces of Asia, especially B. C. 624, when they remained in possession of Asia Minor for twenty-eight years, and we find them at different periods extending their conquests in Europe, and penetrating as far as Egypt. Their government was monarchical, and the deference which they paid to their sovereigns was unparalleled. When the king died, his body was carried through every province, where it was received in solemn procession, and afterwards buried. Herodot. 1, c. 4, &c.—Strab. 7.—Diod. 2.—Val. Mar. 5, c. 4.—Justin. 2, c. 1, &c.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 64, l. 2, v. 224.

Scythinus, a Greek poet of Ionia.

Scython, a man changed into a woman.

Scythophōlis, a town of Syria, said to have been built by Bacchus.

Sebast, a town of Judea.—Another in Cilicia.

Sebasta, a town of Armenia.

Sēbennytus, a town of the Delta in Egypt. That branch of the Nile which flows near it has been called the Sebennytic. Plin. 5, c. 10.

Sēbētus, a small river of Campania, whence the epithet Sebēthius, given to one of the nymphs who frequented its borders and became mother of Cebalus by Telon. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 734.

Sebūsiānī, or Seusīsianī, a people of Celtic Gaul.

Sccatāus, an infamous debauchee in the age of Horace. 1 Sat. 4, v. 112.

Secundus Julius, a man who published some harangues and orations in the age of the emperor Titus. A favourite of Nero.—One of the associates of Sejanus.

Sedītāni, or Sedentāni, a people of Spain.

Ital. 3, v. 372.
SEDUNDI, an ancient nation of Belgic Gaul. Cæs. Sedusii, a people of Germany near the Suevi.

Segesta, a town of Sicily founded by Æneas, or, according to some, by Crinthus.

Segesta, a German, friendly to the Roman interest in the time of Germanicus.

Segini, a people with a town of the same name in Belgic Gaul.

Sequana, a prince in the southern parts of Britain, who opposed Caesar by order of Cassivelaunus, &c. Cæs. Bell. G. 5, c. 22.

Segontia, or Seguntia, a town of Hispania Tarraconensis.

Sequintiaci, a people of Belgic Gaul, who submitted to J. Cæsar.

Segovia, a town of Spain, of great power in the age of the Cæsars. There was also another of the same name in Lusitania. Both had been founded by the Celts.

Segorica, a town of Spain. Plut. 3, c. 3.

Sequentium, a town of Britain.

Ælius Sejanus, a native of Vulcinum in Tuscany, who distinguished himself in the court of Tiberius. His father's name was Seius Strabo, a Roman knight, commander of the praetorian guards. His mother was descended from the Junian family. Sejanus first gained the favours of Caius Cæsar, the grandson of Augustus, but afterwards he attached himself to the interest and the views of Tiberius, who then sat on the imperial throne. The emperor, who was naturally of a suspicious temper, was free and open with Sejanus, and while he distrusted others, he communicated his greatest secrets to this favouring favourite. Sejanus improved this confidence, and when he had found that he possessed the esteem of Tiberius, he next endeavoured to become the favourite of the soldiers and the darling of the senate. As commander of the praetorian guards he was the second man in Rome, and in that important office he made use of insinuations and every mean artifice to make himself beloved and revered. His affability and condescension gained him the hearts of the common soldiers, and by appointing his own favourites and adherents to places of trust and honour, all the officers and centurions of the army became devoted to his interest. The views of Sejanus in this were well known; yet to advance with more success, he attempted to gain the affection of the senators. In this he met with no opposition. A man who has the disposal of places of honour and dignity, and who has the command of the public money, cannot but be the favourite of those who are in need of his assistance. It is even said, that Sejanus gained to his views all the wives of the senators, by a private and most secret promise of marriage to each of them, whenever he had made himself independent and sovereign of Rome. Yet however successful with the best and noblest families in the empire, sejanus had to combat numbers in the house of the emperor; but these seeming obstacles were soon removed. All the children and grand-children of Tiberius were sacrificed to the ambition of the favourite under various pretences, and Drusus the son of the emperor, by striking Sejanus, made his destruction sure and inevitable. Livia, the wife of Drusus, was gained by Sejanus, and though the mother of many children, she was prevailed upon to assist her adulterer in the murier of her husband, and she consented to marry him when Drusus was dead. No sooner was Drusus poisoned, than Sejanus openly declared his wish to marry Livia. This was strongly opposed by Tiberius; and the emperor, by recommending Germanicus to the senators for his successor, rendered Sejanus bold and determined. He was more urgent in his demands and when he could not gain the consent of the emperor, he persuaded him to retire to solitude from the noise of Rome, and the troubles of the government. Tiberius, naturally fond of ease and luxury, yielded to his representations, and retired to Campania, leaving Sejanus at the head of the empire. This was highly gratifying to the favourite, but he was not without a master. Prudence and moderation might have made him what he wished to be, but Sejanus offended the whole empire when he declared that he was emperor of Rome, and Tiberius only the dependent prince of the island of Capreae, where he had retired. Tiberius was upon this fully convinced of the designs of Sejanus, and when he had been informed that his favourite had had the meanness and audacity to ridicule him by introducing him on the stage, the emperor ordered him to be accused before the senate. Sejanus was deserted by all his pretended friends, as soon as by fortune; and the man who aspired to the empire, and who called himself the favourite of the people, the darling of the praetorian guards, and the companion of Tiberius, was seized without resistance, and the same day strangled in prison, A. D. 31. His remains were exposed to the fury and insolence of the populace, and afterwards thrown into the Tiber. His children and all his relations were involved in his ruin, and Tiberius sacrificed to his resentment and suspicions, all those who were even connected with Sejanus, or had shared his favours and enjoyed his confidence. Tacit. 3, Ann. &c.—Diæ. 58.—Stat. in Tib.

Seius Strabo, the father of Sejanus, was a Roman knight, and commander of the praetorian guards.


Selene, the wife of Antiochus, king of Syria, put to death by Tigranes, king of Armenia. She was daughter of Physiscon, king of Egypt, and had first married her brother Lathurus, according to the custom of her country, and afterwards, by desire of her mother, her other brother Gryphus. At the death of Gryphus, she had married Antiochus, surnamed Eusebes, the son of Antiochus Cyziceus, by whom she had two sons. According to Appian, she first married the father, and after his death, his son Eusebes. Appian. Syr. &c.

Seleucena of Seleucis, a country of Asia in Syria.
Seleucia, a town of Syria, generally called Pieria, to distinguish it from others of the same name. There were no less than eight other cities which were called Seleucia, and which had all received their name from Seleucus Nicator. They were all situate in the kingdom of Syria, in Cilicia, and near the Euphrates. *Flor.* 3, c. 11.—*Plut. in Dem.*—*Mela,* 1, c. 12.—*Strab.* 11 & 15.—*Plin.* 6, c. 26.

Seleucidae, a surname given to those monarchs who sat on the throne of Syria, which was founded by Seleucus, the son of Antiochus, from whom the word is derived. The era of the Seleucidae begins with the taking of Babylon by Seleucus, *B. C.* 312, and ends at the conquest of Syria by Pompey, *B. C.* 65. The order in which these monarchs reigned, is shewn in the account of Syria. *Vid.* Syria.

Seleucis, a division of Syria. It received its name from Seleucus, who was the founder of the Syrian empire, after the death of Alexander the Great.

Seleucus, 1st, one of the captains of Alexander the Great, surnamed Nicator, or Victorius, was son of Antiochus. After the king's death he received Babylon as his province; but his ambitious views, and his attempt to destroy Eumenes as he passed through his territories, rendered him so unpopular, that he fled for safety to the court of his friend Ptolemy, king of Egypt. He was soon after enabled to recover Babylon, which Antigonus had seized in his absence, and he increased his dominions, by the immediate conquest of Media, and some of the neighbouring provinces. When he had strengthened himself in his empire, Seleucus imitated the example of the rest of the generals of Alexander, and assumed the title of independent monarch. He afterwards made war against Antigonus, with the united forces of Ptolemy, Cassander, and Lysimachus; and after this monarch had been conquered and slain, his territories were divided among his victorious enemies. When Seleucus became master of Syria, he built a city there, which he called Antioch, in honour of his father, and made it the capital of his dominions. He also made war against Demetrius and Lysimachus, though he had originally married Stratonice, the daughter of the former, and had lived in the closest friendship and amity with the latter. Seleucus was at last murdered by one of his domestics, called Ptolemy Ceraunus, a man on whom he bestowed the greatest favours, and whom he had distinguished by acts of the most unabounded liberality. According to Arrian, Seleucus was the greatest and most powerful of the princes who inherited the Macedonian empire after the death of Alexander. His benevolence has been commended; and it has been observed, that he conquered, not to enslave nations, but to make them more happy. He founded a less than 34 cities, in different parts of his empire, which he peoples with Greek colonies, whose national industry, learning, religion, and spirit, were communicated to the indolent and luxurious inhabitants of Asia.
Selinus, a shepherd of Achaia, who for some time enjoyed the favours of the nymph Argyra, without interruption. Argyra was at last disgusted with her lover, and the shepherd died through melancholy, and was changed into a river of the same name. Argyra was also changed into a fountain, and was fond of mingling her waters with those of the Selinus.

Selinus, a town on the southern parts of Sicily, founded A. U. C. 127, by a colony from Megara. It received its name from σέλινος, parthis, which grew there in abundance. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 705.—Paus. 6, c. 19.—A river of Elis, in Peloponnesus.

Another in Achaia.—Another in Sicily.

Selinus, a son of Neptune.

Sellaia, a town of Laconia, where Cleomenes was defeated by the Achaenae, B. C. 222. Scarcely 200 of a body of 5000 Lacedaemonians survived the battle. Ptol.

Seliris, a river of Peloponnesus, falling into the Ionian sea. Homer. II.

Selli, a nation of Epirus.

Selymbria, a town of Thrace.

Semele, a daughter of Cadmus by Hermione, the daughter of Mars and Venus. She was tenderly beloved by Jupiter; but Juno, who was always jealous of her husband's amours, and who hated the house of Cadmus, because they were related to the goddess of beauty, determined to punish this successful rival. She borrowed the girdle of Até, which contained every wickedness, deceit, and perjury, and in the form of Beroe, Semele's nurse, she visited the house of Jupiter's mistress. Semele listened with attention to the artful admonitions of the false Beroe, and was at last persuaded to entreat her lover to come to her arms with the same majesty that he approached Juno. This rash request was heard with horror by Jupiter; but as he had sworn by the Styx to grant Semele whatever she required, he came to her bed attended by the clouds, the lightning, and thunderroars. The mortal nature of Semele could not endure so much majesty, and she was instantly consumed with fire. The child, however, of which she was pregnant, was saved from the flames by Mercury, or, according to others, by Dircæ, one of the nymphs of the Acheleus, and Jupiter placed him in his thigh for the rest of the time which he ought to have been in his mother's womb. This child was called Bacchus, or Dionysus. Semele immediately after death was honoured with immortality, under the name of Thyon. Some, however, suppose, that she remained in the inferior regions till Bacchus her son was permitted to bring her back. There were in the temple of Dianae and Baccæ, two altars raised to the infernal gods, one of which was over an aperture, through which, as Pausanias reports, Bacchus returned from hell with his mother. Semele was particularly worshipped at Brasiae, in Laconia, where, according to a certain tradition, she had been driven by the winds with her son, after Cadmus had exposed her on the sea, to an account of her inconstant amours with Jupiter. The mother of Bacchus, though she received divine honours, had no temples; she had a statue in a temple of Ceres, at Thebes, in Boeotia. Paus. 3, c. 24. 1, c. 5.—Hesiod. Theog.—Homer. II. 14, v. 323.—Orphus Hymn. Eurip. in Bacch.—Apollod. 3, c. 4.—Ovid. Met. 3, v. 254. Fast. 3, v. 715. Diod. 3 & 4.

Seminus, a daughter of Assyria, daughter of the goddess Derceto, by a young Assyrian. She was exposed in a desert, but her life was preserved by doves for one whole year, till Simmas, one of the shepherds of Ninus found her, and brought her up as his own child. Semiramis, when grown up, married Menoneus, the governor of Nineveh, and accompanied him to the siege of Bactra, where, by her advice and prudent directions, she hastened the king's operations, and took the city. These eminent services, but chiefly her uncommon beauty, endeared her to Ninus. The monarch asked her of her husband, and offered him instead, his daughter Sosana; but Menoneus, who tenderly loved Semiramis, refused, and when Ninus had added threats of contempt, he hung himself. No sooner was Menoneus dead, than Semiramis, who was of an aspiring soul, married Ninus, by whom she had a son called Ninus. Ninus was so fond of Semiramis, that at her request he resigned the crown to her, and commanded her to be proclaimed queen and sole empress of Assyria. Of this, however, he had cause to repent: Semiramis put him to death, the better to establish herself on the throne; and when she had no enemies to fear at home, she began to repair the capital of her empire, and by her means Babylon became the most superb and magnificent city in the world. She visited every part of her dominions, and left every where immortal monuments of her greatness and benevo-
venience. To render the roads passable, and communication easy, she hollowed mountains and filled up valleys, and water was conveyed, at a great expense, by large and convenient aqueducts, to barren deserts and unfruitful plains. She was not less distinguished as a warrior; many of the neighbouring nations were conquered, and when Semiramis was once told, as she was dressing her hair, that Babylon had revolted, she left her toilette with precipitation, and though only half-dressed, she refused to have the rest of her head adorned before the sedition was quelled, and tranquility re-established. Semiramis has been accused of licentiousness, and some authors have observed, that she regularly called the strongest and stoutest men in her army to her arms, and afterwards put them to death, that they might not be living witnesses of her incontinence. Her passion for her son was also unnatural, and it was this criminal propensity which induced Ninyas to destroy his mother with his own hands. Some say, that Semiramis was changed into a dove after death, and received immortal honours in Assyria. It is supposed that she lived about 1665 years before the Christian era, and that she died in the 62d year of her age, and the 25th of her reign. Many fabulous reports have been propagated about Semiramis, and some have declared that for some time she disguised herself, and passed for her son Ninyas. Val. Mar. 9. c. 3.—Heric. dot. 1, c. 184.—Divit. 3.—Mela, 1, c. 3.—Strab. 5.—Paterc. 1, c. 6.—Justin. 1, c. 1, &c.—Prop. S. cl. 11, v. 21.—Plut. de Fort. &c.—Ovid. Amor. 1, el. 5, v. 11. Met. 4, v. 58.—Marcell. 14, c. 6.

SEMNONES, a people of Italy, on the borders of Umbria.

SEMNONES, inferior deities of Rome, that were not in the number of the twelve great gods. Among these were Faunus, the Satyrs, Priapus, Vertumnus, Janus, Pan, Silenus, and all such illustrious heroes as had received divine honours after death. The word seems to be the same as sen homines, because they were inferior to the supreme gods, and superior to men.

SEMOBANSANTUS, one of the gods of the Romans, among the Indigetes, or such as were born and educated in their country.

SEMPRONIA, a Roman matron, mother of the two Gracchi, celebrated for her learning, and her private as well as public virtues. Also a sister of the Gracchi, who is accused of having assisted the triumvirs, Carbo, Gracchus, and Flaccus, to murder her husband, Scipio Africanus the younger. The name of Sempronia was common to the female descendants of the family of the Sempronii, Gracchi, and Scipios.

SEMPRONIA, lex de magistratibus, by C. Sempronius Gracchus, the tribune, A. U. C. 630, ordained that no person who had been legally deprived of a magistracy for misdemeanours, should be capable of bearing an office again. This law was afterwards repealed by the author. Another, de civitate, by the same, A. U. C. 630. It ordained that no capital judgment should be passed over a Roman citizen without the concurrence and authority of the senate. There were also some other regulations included in this law. Another, de comitii, by the same, A. U. C. 635. It ordained, that in giving their votes, the centuries should be chosen by lot, and not give it according to the order of their classes. Another, de comitii, by the same, the same year, which granted to the Latin allies of Rome, the privilege of giving their votes at elections, as if they were Roman citizens. Another, de provinciis, by the same, A. U. C. 650. It enacted, that the senators should be permitted before the assembly of the consular comitia, to determine as they pleased the particular provinces which should be proposed to the consuls, to be divided by lot, and that the tribunes should be deprived of the power of interposing against a decree of the senate. Another, called Agraria prima, by T. Sempronius Gracchus, the tribune, A. U. C. 690. It confirmed the lex Agraria Libia, and enacted that all such as were in possession of more land than that law allowed, should immediately resign them, to be divided among the poorer citizens. Three commissioners were appointed to put this law into execution, and its consequences were so violent, as it directly made against the nobles and the senators, that it cost the author his life. Another, called Agraria altera, by the same. It required, that all the ready money which was found in the treasury of Attalus, king of Pergamus, who had left the Romans his heirs, should be divided among the poorer citizens of Rome, to supply them with all the various instruments requisite in husbandry, and that the lands of that monarch should be farmed by the Roman censors, and the money drawn from thence should be divided among the people. Another, frumentaria, by C. Sempronius Gracchus. It required, that a certain quantity of corn should be distributed among the people, so much to every individual, for which it was required that they should only pay the trifling sum of a semisius and a triens. Another, de usura, by M. Sempronius, the tribune, A. U. C. 560. It ordained, that in lending money to the Latins and the allies of Rome, the Roman laws should be observed, as well as among the citizens. Another, de judicibus, by the tribune, C. Sempronius, A. U. C. 630. It required, that the right of judging, which had been assigned to the senatorial order by Romulus, should be transferred from them to the Roman knights. Another, military, by the same, A. U. C. 650. It enacted, that the soldiers should be clothed at the public expense, without any diminution of their usual pay. It also ordered that no person should be obliged to serve in the army before the age of 17.

SEMPRONIUS, (A. ATRATINUS) a senator who opposed the Agrarian law, which was proposed by the consul Cassius, soon after the election of the tribunes. L. Atratinus, a consul, A. U. C. 311. He was one of the first censors, with his colleague in the censorship, Papirius. Caius, a consul summoned before an assembly of the people, because he had fought with ill success against the Volsci. Blascus.
a consul who obtained a triumph for some victories gained in Sicily. — Sophus, a consul against the Equi. He also fought against the Picentes, and during the engagement there was a dreadful earthquake. The soldiers were terrified, but Sophus encouraged them, and observed that the earth trembled only for fear of changing its old masters. — A man who proposed a law, that no person should dedicate a temple or altar without the previous approbation of the magistrates, A. U. C. 449. He repudi- ated his wife because she had gone to see a spectacle without his permission or knowledge. — Rufus, a senator banished from the senatus, because he had killed a crane to serve him as food. — Tiditanus, a man sent against Sardinia by the Romans. — A legionary tribune, who led away from Canne the remaining part of the soldiers who had not been killed by the Carthaginians. He was afterwards consul, and in the field against Anniul with great success. He was killed in Spain. — Tiberius Longus, a Roman consul, defeated by the Carthaginians in an engagement which he had begun against the approbation of his colleague, C. Scipio. He afterwards obtained victories over Hannibal and the Gauls. — Tiberius Gracchus, a consul who defeated the Carthaginians and the Campanians. He was afterwards betrayed by Fulvius, a Lucanian, into the hands of the Carthaginians, and was killed, after he had made a long and bloody resistance against the enemy. Hannibal shewed great honour to his remains; a funeral pile was raised at the head of the camp, and the enemy's cavalry walked round it in solemn procession. — Gracchus, a man who had debauched Julia. [Vid. Gracchus]. — An eunuch made governor of Rome by Caracalla. — Densus, a centurion of a pretorian cohort, who defended the person of Galba against the assassins. He was killed in the attempt. — The father of the Gracchi. [Vid. Gracchus]. — A censor who was also sent as ambassador to the court of Egypt. — A tribune of the people, &c. Tacit. Flor. Liv. Plut. Cas. Appian.

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SEMURIM, a place near Rome, where Apollo had a temple. — An emperor. Vid. Saturninus.

Sena, a town of Umbria, in Italy, on the Adriatic, built by the Senones, after they had made an irruption into Italy, A. U. C. 396, and on that account called Gallica. There was also a small river in the neighbourhood which bore the name of Sena. It was near it that Asdrubal was defeated by Cl. Nero. C. Nep. in Catone. — Sil. 8, v. 454.

Sennatus, the chief council of the state among the Romans. The members of this body, called senators on account of their age, and patres on account of their authority, were of the greatest consequence in the republic. The senate was first instituted by Romulus, to govern the city, and to preside over the affairs of state during his absence. This was continued by his successors; but Tarquin the Second disinclined to consult them; and by having his own council chosen from his favourites, and men who were totally devoted to his interest, he diminished the authority and the consequence of the senators, and slighted the concurrence of the people. The senators whom Romulus created were an hundred, to whom he afterwards added the same number when the Sabines had migrated to Rome. Tarquin the Ancient made the senate consist of 300, and this number remained fixed for a long time; but afterwards it fluctuated greatly, and was increased to 700, and to 900 by J. Caesar, who filled the senate with men of every rank and order. Under Augustus the senators amounted to 1000; but this number was reduced to 300, which being the cause of complaints, induced the emperor to limit the number to 600. The place of a senator was always bestowed upon merit; the monarchs had the privilege of choosing the members; and after the expulsion of the Tarquins, it was one of the rights of the consuls, till the selection of the censors, who from their office seemed most capable of making choice of men whose character was unanswerable, whose morals were pure, and relations honourable. Sometimes the assembly of the people elected senators, but it was only upon some extraordinary occasions; there was also a dictator chosen to fill up the number of the senate, after the battle of Cannae. Only particular families were admitted into the senate; and when the plebeians were permitted to share the honours of the state, it was then required that they should be born of free citizens. It was also required that the candidates should be knights before their admission into the senate. They were to be above the age of 25, and to have previously passed through the inferior offices of questor, tribune of the people, edile, pretor, and consul. Some however suppose, that the senators whom Romulus chose were all old men; yet his successors neglected this, and often men who were below the age of 25, were admitted by courtesy into the senate. The dignity of a senator could not be supported without the possession of 80,000 sesterces, or about 7000l. English money; and therefore such as squandered away their money, and whose fortune was reduced below this sum, were generally struck out of the list of senators. This regulation was not made in the first ages of the republic, when the Romans boasted of their poverty. The senators were not permitted to be of any trade or profession. They were distinguished from the rest of the people by their dress; they wore the laticlave, half boots of a black colour, with a crescent or silver buckle in the form of a C; but this last honour was confined only to the descendants of those hundred senators who have been elected by Romulus, as the letter C seems to imply. They had the sole right of feasting publicly in the capital in ceremonial habits: they sat in curule chairs, and at the representation of plays and public spectacles, they were honoured with particular seats. Whenever they travelled abroad, even on their own business they were maintained at the public expense, and always found provisions for themselves an
their attendants ready prepared on the road; a
privilege that was generally termed free legation.
On public festivals they wore the praetexta, or
long white robe with purple borders. The right
of convocating the senate belonged only to the
monarchs; and after the expulsion of the Tar-
quins, to the consuls, the dictator, master of the
horse, governor of Rome, and tribunes of the
people; but no magistrate could exercise this
privilege except in the absence of a superior offi-
cer, the tribunes excepted. The time of meet-
ing was generally three times a month, on the
calends, nones, and ides. Under Augustus
they were not assembled on the nones. It was
requisite that the place where they assembled
should have been previously consecrated by the
augurs. This was generally in the temple of
Concord, of Jupiter Capitolinus, Apollo, Castor
and Pollux, &c. or in the Curia called Hostilia,
Julia Pompeia, &c. When audience was given
to foreign ambassadors, the senators assembled
without the walls of the city, either in the tem-
pies of Bellona or of Apollo; and the same cer-
emony as to their meeting was also observed
when they transacted business with their gene-
rals, as the ambassadors of foreign nations, and
the commanders of armies while in commission,
were not permitted to appear within the walls
of the city. To render their decrees valid and
authentic, a certain number of members was
requisite, and such as were absent without a
proper cause, were always fined. In the reign
of Augustus, 400 senators were requisite to
make a senate. Nothing was transacted before
sun-rise or after sun-set. In their office, the
senators were the guardians of religion; they
disposed of the provinces as they pleased, they
prorogued the assemblies of the people, they
appointed thanksgivings, nominated their ambas-
dassadors, distributed the public money, and in
short, had the management of every thing poli-
tical or civil in the republic, except the creating
of magistrates, the enacting of laws, and the
declarations of war or peace, which were con-
fined to the assemblies of the people. Rank
was always regarded in their meetings; the
chief magistrates of the state, such as the con-
suls, the pretors, sat first; after these the infe-
terior magistrates, such as the ediles and ques-
tors, and last of all, those that then exercised
no office in the state. Their opinions were ori-
ginally collected each according to his age; but
when the office of censor was instituted, the
opinion of the princeps senatus, or the person
whose name stood first on the censor's list, was
first consulted, and afterwards those who were of
consular dignity, each in their respective order.
In the age of Cicero, the consuls elect were first
consulted; and in the age of Caesar, he was
permitted to speak first till the end of the year,
on whom the consul had originally conferred
that honour. Under the emperors the same
rules were observed, but the consuls were gen-
erally consulted before all others. When any
public matter was introduced into the senate,
which was always called referre ad senatum, any
senator whose opinion was asked, was permit-
ted to speak upon it as long as he pleased, and
on that account, it was often usual for the sena-
tors to protract their speeches till it was too
late to determine. When the question was put,
they passed to the side of that speaker whose
opinion they approved, and a majority of votes
was easily collected, without the trouble of
counting the numbers. This mode of pro-
ceeding was called pedibus in alicujus sententiam ire,
and therefore, on that account, the senators
who had not the privilege of speaking, but only
the right of giving a silent vote, such as bore
some curule honours, and on that account were
permitted to sit in the senate, but not to deli-
berate, were denominated polarii senatores.
After
the majesty
had
been
known, the
matter was determined, and a senatus consultum was
immediately written by the clerks of the house, at
the feet of the chief magistrates, and it was
signed by all the principal members of the
house. When there was not a sufficient num-
er of members to make a senate, the decision
was called senatus authority, but it was of no con-
sequence if it did not afterwards pass into a
senatus consultum. The tribunes of the people,
by the word veto, could stop the debates, and the
decrees of the assembled senate, as also any one
who was of equal authority with him who had
proposed the matter. The senatus cons-
ultus were left in the custody of the consuls, who
could suppress or preserve them; but about the
year of Rome 304, they were always deposited
in the temple of Ceres, and afterwards in the
treasury, by the ediles of the people. The de-
gradation of the senators was made by the cen-
sor by omitting their names when he called over
the list of the senate. This was called praterire.
A senator could be again introduced into the
senate if he could repair his character or for-
tune, which had been the causes why the cen-
sor had lawfully called him unqualified, and had
challenged his opposition. The meeting of the
senate was often sudden, except the particular
times already mentioned, upon any emergency.
After the death of J. Caesar, they were not per-
mitted to meet on the idea of March, which were
called parri dium, because on that day the dic-
tator had been assassinated. The sons of sena-
tors, after they had put on the toga virilis,
were permitted to come into the senate, but this was
afterwards limited. [Fid. Papirius.] The rank
and the authority of the senators, which were
so conspicuous in the first ages of the republic,
and which caused the minister of Pyrrhus to
declare, that the Roman senate was a vene-
rable assembly of kings, dwindled into nothing
under the emperors. Men of the lowest char-
acters were admitted into the senate; the em-
perors took pleasure in robbing this illustrious
body of their privileges and authority, and the
senators themselves, by their meanness and
servility, contributed as much as the tyranny of
the sovereign to diminish their own conse-
quence; and by applauding the follies of a Ne-
or, and the cruelties of a Domitian, they con-
vinced the world, that they no longer possessed
sufficient prudence or authority to be consulted
on matters of weight and importance. In the
election of successors to the imperial purple after
Augustus, the approbation of the senate was consulted, but it was only a matter of courtesy; and the concurrence of a body of men was little regarded who were without power, and under the control of a mercenary army. The title of Clarissimus was given to the senators, under the emperors, and indeed this was the only distinction they had in compensation for the loss of their independence. The senate was abolished by Justinian 13 centuries after its first institution by Romulus.

_SENNA, or SENA, a river of Umbria._ Lucan. 2, v. 407.

_Seneca, L. ANNEUS, a native of Corduba in Spain, who married Helvia, a woman of Spain, by whom he had three sons, Seneca the philosopher, Annaeus Novatus, and Annaeus Mela, the father of the poet Lucan. Seneca made himself known by some declamations of which he made a collection from the most celebrated orators of the age. He left Corduba, and went to Rome, where he became a Roman knight. His son L. ANNEUS SENeca, who was born about six years before Christ, was early distinguished by his extraordinary talents. He was taught eloquence by his father, and received lessons in philosophy from the best and most celebrated stoics of the age. As one of the followers of the Pythagorean doctrines, Seneca observed the most reserved abstinence, and in his meals never eat the flesh of animals; but this he abandoned at the representation of his father, when Tiberius threatened to punish some Jews and Egyptians, who abstained from certain meats. In the character of a pleader, Seneca appeared with great advantage; but the fear of Caligula, who aspired to the name of an eloquent speaker, and who consequently was jealous of his fame, deterred him from pursuing his favourite study, and he sought a safer employment in canvassing for the honours and offices of the state. He was made questor, but the aspersions which were thrown upon him on account of a shameful amour with Julia Livilla, removed him from Rome, and the emperor banished him for some time into Corsica. During this banishment, the philosopher wrote some spirited epistles to his mother, remarkable for elegance of language and sublimity; but he soon forgot his philosophy, and disgraced himself by his flatteries to the emperor, and in wishing to be recalled, even at the expense of his innocence and character. The disgrace of Messalina at Rome, and the marriage of Agrippina with Claudius, proved favourable to Seneca; and after he had remained five years in Corsica, he was recalled by the empress to take care of the education of her son Nero, who was destined to succeed to the empire. In the honourable duty of preceptor, Seneca gained applause; and as long as Nero followed his advice, Rome enjoyed tranquillity, and believed herself safe and happy under the administration of the son of Agrippina. Some, however, are clamorous against the philosopher, and observe, that Seneca initiated his pupil in those unnatural vices, and abominable indulgences, which disgraced him as a monarch and as a man. This may be the language of malevolence, or the insinuation of jealousy. In the corrupted age of Nero, the preceptor had to withstand the clamours of many wicked and profligate ministers; and if he had been the favourite of the emperor, and shared his pleasures, his debauchery, and extravagance, Nero would not perhaps have been so anxious of destroying a man whose examples, from vicious inclinations, he could not follow, and whose salutary precepts his licentious associates forbid him to obey. Seneca was too well acquainted with the natural disposition of Nero, to think himself secure; he had been accused of having amassed the most ample riches, and of having built sumptuous houses, and adorned beautiful gardens, during the four years in which he had attended Nero as a preceptor, and therefore he desired his imperial pupil to accept of the riches, and the possessions which his attendance on his person had procured, and to permit him to retire to solitude and study. Nero refused with artful duplicity, and Seneca, to avoid further suspicions, kept himself at home for some time as if labouring under a disease. In the conspiracy of Piso, which happened some time after, and in which some of the most noble of the Roman senators were concerned, Seneca's name was mentioned by Natalis, and Nero, who was glad of an opportunity of sacrificing him to his secret jealousy, ordered him to destroy himself. Seneca very probably was not necessary to the conspiracy, and the only thing which could be produced against him as a crimination, was trivial and unsatisfactory. Piso, as Natalis declared, had complained that he never saw Seneca, and the philosopher had observed in answer, that it was not proper or conducive to their common interest, to see one another often. He farther pleaded indisposition, and said that his own life depended upon the safety of Piso's person. Seneca was at table with his wife Paulina and two of his friends, when the messenger from Nero arrived. He heard the words which commanded him to destroy himself, with philosophical firmness, and even with joy, and observed, that such a mandate might have long been expected from a man who had murdered his own mother, and assassinated all his friends. He wished to dispose of his possessions as he pleased, but this was refused; and when he heard this, he turned to his friends, who were weeping at his melancholy fate, and told them, that since he could not leave them what he believed to be his own, he would leave at least his own life for an example, an innocent conduct which they might imitate, and by which they might acquire immortal fame. Against their tears and wailings he exclaimed with firmness, and asked them, whether they had not learned better to withstand the attacks of fortune, and the violence of tyranny? As for his wife, he attempted to calm her emotions, and when she seemed resolved to die with him, he said he was glad to find his example followed with so much constancy. Their veins were opened at the same moment, but the life of Paulina was preserved and Nero, who was partial to her, ordered th
blood to be stopped, and from that moment, according to some authors, the philosopher’s wife seemed to rejoice that she could still enjoy the comforts of life. Seneca’s veins bled but slowly, and it has been observed, that the sensible and animated conversation of his dying moments was collected by his friends, and that it has been preserved among his works. To hasten his death he drank a dose of poison, but it had no effect, and therefore he ordered himself to be carried into a hot-bath, to accelerate the operation of the draught, and to make the blood flow more freely. This was attended with no better success, and as the soldiers were clamorous, he was carried into a stove, and suffocated by the steam, on the 12th of April, in the 65th year of the Christian era, in his 53d year. His body was burnt without pomp or funeral ceremony, according to his will, which he had made when he enjoyed the most unbounded favours of Nero. The compositions of Seneca are numerous, and chiefly on moral subjects. He is admired for his refinements and virtuous precepts. His style is nervous, it abounds with ornament, and seems well suited to the taste of the age in which he lived. The desire of recommending himself and his writings to the world, obliged him too often to depreciate the merit of the ancients, and to sink into obscurity. His treatises are, de eva, de consolatione, de Providentia, de tranquillitate animi, de elementis, de sapientia constantia, de oio sapiens, de brevitate vitae, de beneficis, de vita beata, besides his naturales questiones, ludus in Claudium, moral letters, &c. There are also some tragedies ascribed to Seneca. Quintilian supposes that the Medea is his composition, and according to others, the Troas, and the Hippolytus, were also written by him, and the Agamemnon, Hercules furens, Thyestes, and Hercules in Oeta, by his father Seneca the declarer. The best editions of Seneca are those of Antwerp, fol. 1615, and of Gronovius, 3 vols. Amst. 1672; and those of his tragedies are that of Schroder’s, 4to. Delph. 1728, and the 5vo. of Gronovius, L. Bat. 1682. Tacit. Ann. 12, &c.—Div.—Sueton. in Ner. &c.—Quintil.

CLAUDIUS SENECIO, one of Nero’s favourites, and the associate of his pleasure and debauchery.—Tullius, a man who conspired against Nero, and was put to death though he turned informer against the rest of the conspirators. —a man put to death by Domitian, for writing an account of the life of Helvidius, one of the emperor’s enemies.—One of Constantine’s enemies.

SENONES, an uncivilized nation of Gallia Transalpina, who left their native possessions, and under the conduct of Brennus, invaded Italy, and pillaged Rome. They afterwards united with the Umbri, Latins, and Etruscans, to make war against the Romans, till they were totally destroyed by Dolabella. The chief of their towns in that part of Italy where they settled near Umbria, and which from them was called Senogalia, were Fanum Fortunae, Sena, Pisaurum, and Ariminum. [Vid. Cimbr.] Lucan. 1, v. 254.—Sil. 8, v. 454.—Liv.—Flor.—A people of Germany near the Suevus.

SENTIA, a tutelary goddess of infancy among the Romans.

SENTIA LEX, de senatu, by C. Sentius the consul, A. U. C. 734, enacted the choosing of proper persons to fill up the number of senators.

SENTIUS CN. a governor of Syria, under the emperors.—A governor of Macedonia.—Septimius, one of the soldiers of Pompey, who assisted the Egyptians in murdering him.—A Roman emperor. Vid. Severus.—A writer in the reign of the emperor Alexander, of whose life he wrote an account in Latin, or, according to others, in Greek.

SEPTERION, a festival observed once in nine years at Delphi, in honour of Apollo. It was a representation of the pursuit of Python by Apollo, and of the victory obtained by the god.

TT. SEPTIMUM, a Roman knight distinguished by his poetical compositions both lyric and tragic. He was intimate with Augustus as well as Horace, who has addressed the six of his 2 lib. of Odes to him.

L. SEPTIMULIUS, a friend of C. Gracchus. He suffered himself to be bribed by Opimius, and had the meanness to carry his friend’s head fixed to a pole through the streets of Rome.

SEPTRA, a town of Cilicia taken by Cicero when he presided over that province.

SEQUANA, a river of Gaul, which separates the territories of the Belgae and the Celtae. It is now called La Seine. Strab. 4.—Mela, 3, c. 2.—Lucan, 1, v. 425.

SEQUANI, a people of Gaul, near the territories of the Ædui. The country which they inhabited is now called Franche Comté, or Upper Burgundy. Cesar. bell. G.

SEQUINUS, a native of Alba, who married one of his daughters to Curiatius of Alba, and the other to Horatius, a citizen of Rome. The two daughters were brought to bed on the same day, each of three male children.

SERA, a divinity of the Romans.

SERAPIS, a surname given to one of the Scipios, because he resembled a swine herd of that name.—A Greek poet who flourished in the age of Trajan. He was intimate with Plutarch.—An Egyptian put to death by Achilles, when he came at the head of an embassy from Ptolemy, who was a prisoner in the hands of J. Cesar.

SERAPIS, one of the Egyptian deities, supposed to be the same as Osiris. He had a magnificent temple at Memphis, another very rich at Alexandria, and a third at Canopus. The worship of Serapis was introduced at Rome, by the emperor Antoninus Pius, A. D. 146, and the mysteries celebrated on the 6th of May, but with so much licentiousness that the senate were soon after obliged to abolish it. Herodotus, who speaks in a very circumstantial manner of the deities, and of the religion of the Egyptians, makes no mention of the god Serapis. Apollodorus says it is the same as the bull Apis. Paul. 1, c. 18. l. 2, c. 34.—Tacit. Hist. 4, c. 83.—Strab. 17.—Martial 9., ep. 30.
Seres, a nation of Asia, according to Ptolemy, between the Ganges and the eastern ocean. They were naturally of a meek disposition. Silk was brought to Rome from their country, and on that account it received the name of Sericum, and thence a garment or dress of silk is called serica vestis. Heliogabalus, the Roman emperor, was the first who wore a silk dress, which at that time was sold for its weight in gold. It afterwards became very cheap, and consequently was the common dress among the Romans. Some suppose that the Seres are the same as the Chinese. Plut. 6, c. 16.—Horat. 1, od. 29, v. 9.—Lact. 1, v. 19, l. 10, v. 142 & 292.—Ovid. Am. 1, cl. 14, 6, v.—Virg. G. 2, v. 121.

Serronis, a lake between Egypt and Palestine.

Serena, a daughter of Theodotius who married Stilicho. She was put to death, &c.

Serenianus, a favourite of Gallus, the brother of Julian. He was put to death.

Serenus Samonicus, a physician in the age of the emperor Severus and Caracalla. There remains a poem of his composition on medicine, the last edition of which is that of 1706, in 8vo. Amst.—Vibus, a governor of Spain accused of cruelty in the government of his province, and put to death by order of Titus.

Serestus, a sailor in the fleet of Aeneas, from whom the family of the Sergi at Rome were descended. Virg. Æn. 5, v. 121.

Sergia, a Roman matron. She conspired with others to poison their husbands. The plot was discovered, and Sergia, with some of her accomplices, drank poison and died.

Sergiöus, one of the names of Catiline.—A military tribune at the siege of Veii.

Sergius and Sergilöus, a deformed youth, greatly admired by the Roman ladies in Juvenal's age. Jun. 6, v. 105 & seq.

Seriophus, an island in the Ægean sea, about 36 miles in circumference, according to Pliny only 12, very barren and uncultivated. The Romans generally sent their criminals there in banishment, and it was there that Cassius Severus the orator was exiled, and there he died. According to Ælian, the frogs of this island never croaked, but when they were removed from the island to another place, they were more noisy and clamorous than others, hence the proverb of seriphus rana, applied to a man who neither speaks nor sings. This however is found to be a mistake by modern travellers. It was on the coast of Seriphus that the chest was discovered in which Acrisius had exposed his daughter Danaë, and her son Perseus. Strab. 10.—Ælian. Anim. 6, c. 27.—Mela, 2, c. 7.—Apollod. 1, c. 9.—Tacit. Ann. 4, c. 21.—Ovid. Met. 5, v. 242, l. 7, v. 65.

Sermvix, a town of Macedonia. Herv. lott. 7, c. 122.

Serranus, a surname given to Cinнутus, because he was found sowing his fields when told that he had been elected dictator. Liv. 3, c. 26.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 848.—One of the auxiliaries of Turnus, killed in the night by Nius. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 335.—A poet of some merit in Domitian's reign. Jun. 7, v. 80.

Seron, a general of Antiochus Epiphanes.

Quintus Sertorius, a Roman general born at Nursia. His first campaign was under the great Marius, against the Teutones and Cinini. He visited the enemy's camp as a spy, and had the misfortune to lose one eye in the first battle he fought. When Marius and Cinha entered Rome and slaughtered all their enemies, Sertorius accompanied them, but he expressed his sorrow and concern at the melancholy death of so many of his countrymen. He afterwards fled for safety into Spain, when Sulla had proscribed him, and in this distant province he behaved himself with so much address and valour that he was looked upon as the prince of the country. The Lusitanians universally revered and loved him, and the Roman general did not show himself less attentive to their interest, by establishing public schools, and educating the children of the country in the polite arts, and the literature of Greece and Rome. He had established a senate, over which he presided with consular authority, and the Romans who followed his standard, paid equal reverence to his person. They were experimentally convinced of his valour and magnanimity as a general, and the artful manner in which he imposed upon the credulity of his adherents in the garb of religion, did not diminish his reputation. He pretended to hold commerce with heaven by means of a white bird which he had tamed with great success, and which followed him every where, even in the field of battle. The success of Sertorius in Spain, and his popularity among the natives, alarmed the Romans. They sent some troops to oppose him, but with little success. Four armies were found insufficient to crush or even hurt Sertorius; and Pompey and Metellus, who never engaged an enemy without obtaining the victory, were driven with dishonour from the field. But the favourite of the Lusitanians was exposed to the dangers which usually attend greatness. Perpenna, one of his officers who was jealous of his fame, and tired of a superior, conspired against him. At a banquet the conspirators began to open their intentions by speaking with freedom and licentiousness in the presence of Sertorius, whose age and character had hitherto claimed deference from others. Perpenna overthrew a glass of wine as a signal to the rest of the conspirators, and immediately Antonius, one of his officers, stabbed Sertorius, and the example was followed by all the rest, 75 years before Christ. Sertorius has been commended for his love of justice and moderation. The flattering description he heard of the Fortunate Islands when he passed into the west of Africa, almost tempted him to bid adieu to the world, and perhaps he would have retired from the noise of war, and the clamours of envy, to end his days in the bosom of a peaceful and solitary island, had not the stronger calls of ambition and the love of fame prevailed over the
intruding reflections of a moment. It has been observed, that his latter days Sertorius became indolent, and fond of luxury and wanton cruelty; yet we must confess, that in affability, clemency, complaisance, generosity, and military valour, he not only surpassed his contemporaries, but the rest of the Romans. Plut. in vita.—Paterc. 2, c. 30, &c.—Flor. 3, c. 21, &c.—Appian. de Civ.—Val. Mar. 1, c. 2. l. 7, c. 3.

Servator, a surname of Jupiter and Bacchus.

Servexus, a man accused by Tiberius of being privy to the conspiracy of Sejanus.

Servianus, a consul in the reign of Adrian. He was a great favourite of the emperor Trajan.

Servilla, a sister of Cato of Utica, greatly enamoured of J. Caesar, though her brother was one of the most invertebrate enemies of her lover. To convince Caesar of her affection, she sent him a letter filled with the most tender expressions of regard for his person. The letter was delivered to Caesar in the senate house, while they were debating about punishing the associates of Catiline's conspiracy; and when Cato saw it, he exclaimed that it was a letter from the conspirators, and insisted immediately on its being made public. Upon this Caesar gave it to Cato, and the stern senator had no sooner read its contents, than he threw it back with the words of take it drumward. From the intimacy which existed between Servilia and Caesar, some have supposed that the dictator was the father of M. Brutus. Plut. in Ces.—C. Nep. in Attic.—Another sister of Cato, who married Silanus. Id.—A daughter of Thrasae, put to death by order of Nero, with her father. Her crime was the consulting of magicians, only to know what would happen in her family.

Servilia LEX de pecunia repetundis, by C. Servilius the praetor, A. U. C. 653. It punished severely such as were guilty of peculation and extortion in the provinces. Its particulars are not precisely known. —Another, de judicibus, by Q. Servilius Capio, the consul, A. U. C. 647. It divided the right of judging between the senators and the equites, a privilege, which though originally belonging to the senators, had been taken from them and given to the equites. —Another, de civitate, by C. Servilus, ordained that if a Latin accused a Roman senator, so that he was condemned, the accused should be honoured with the name and the privileges of a Roman citizen.

Another, agraria, by P. Servilius Rullus, the tribune, A. U. C. 690. It required the immediate sale of certain houses and lands which belonged to the people, for the purchase of others in a different part of Italy. It required that ten commissioners should be appointed to see it carried into execution, but Cicero prevented its passing into a law by the three orations which he pronounced against it.

Servilius, a Roman consul defeated by Viriathus, in Spain, &c.

Servilius Quintus, a Roman who in his dictatorship defeated the Equi.—Publius, a consul who supported the cause of the people against the nobles, and obtained a triumph in spite of the opposition of the senate, after defeating the Volsci. He afterwards changed his opinions, and very violently opposed the people, because they had illiberally treated him. —A proconsul killed at the battle of Cannae by Annius.—Ahala, a master of horse to the dictator Cinna. When Maelius refused to appear before the dictator to answer the accusations which were brought against him, on suspicion of his aspiring to tyranny, Ahala slew him in the midst of the people, whose protection he claimed. Ahala was accused for his murder, and banished, but this sentence was afterwards repealed. He was raised to the dictatorship.—Marcus, a man who pleaded in favour of Paulus Emilius, &c.—An aurgury proscribed by Lucullus for his inattention in his office. He was acquitted.—A praetor ordered by the senate to forbid Sylla to approach Rome. He was ridiculed and insulted by the conqueror's soldiers.—A man appointed to guard the sea coast of Pontus, by Pompey.—Publius, a proconsul of Asia during the age of Mithridates. He conquered Issaria, for which service he was surnamed Issuristes, and rewarded with a triumph.—A Roman general who defeated an army of Etrurians.—An informer in the court of Tiberius. —A favourite of Augustus.—Geminus, a Roman consul who opposed Annibal with success.—Nonianus, a Latin historian who wrote an history of Rome in the reign of Nero. There were more than one writer of this name, as Pliny speaks of a Servilius remarkable for his eloquence and learning; and Quintilian mentions another equally illustrious for his genius and literary merit.

Servilius Tullius, the sixth king of Rome, was son of Ocrisia, a slave of Cornelius, by Tullius, a man slain in the defence of his country against the Romans. Ocrisia was given by Tarquio to Tanquiz his wife, and she brought up her son in the king's family, and added the name of Servius to that which he had inherited from his father to denote his slavery. Young Servius was educated in the palace of the monarch with great care, and though originally a slave, he raised himself so much to consequence, that Tarquin gave him his daughter in marriage. His own private merit and virtues recommended him to notice not less than the royal favours, and Servius, become the favourite of the people and the darling of the soldiers, by his liberality and complaisance, was easily raised to the throne on the death of his father-in-law. Rome had no reason to repent of her choice. Servius endeared himself still more as a warrior and a legislator. He defeated the Veientes and the Tuscanes, and by a proper act of policy he established the census, which told him that Rome contained about 84 thousand inhabitants. He increased the number of the tribes. He beautified and adorned
the city, and enlarged its boundaries by taking within its walls the hills Quirinalis, Viminalis, and Esquilinus. He also divided the Roman people into tribes; and that he might not seem to neglect the worship of the gods, he built several temples to the goddess of fortune, to whom he deemed himself particularly indebted for obtaining the kingdom. He also built a temple to Diana on mount Aventine, and raised himself a palace on the hill Esquilinus. Servius married his two daughters to his grandsons of his father-in-law; the elder to Tarquin, and the younger to Arunx. This union, as might be supposed, tended to ensure the peace of his family; but if such were his expectations, he was unhappliy deceived. The wife of Arunx, naturally fierce and impetuous, murdered her own husband to unite herself to Tarquin, who had likewise assassinated his wife. These bloody measures were no sooner pursued than Servius was murdered by his own son-in-law, and his daughter Tullia showed herself so inimical to filial gratitude and piety, that she ordered her chariot to be driven over the mangled body of her father, B. C. 534. His death was universally lamented, and the slaves annually celebrated a festival in his honour, in the temple of Diana, on mount Aventine, the day that he was murdered. Tarquinia his wife buried his remains privately, and died the following day. Liv. i. c. 41.—Dionys. Hal. 4.—Flor. 1, c. 6.—Cic. de Div. 1, c. 52.—Val. Mar. 1, c. 6.—Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 601.—Galba, a seditious person who wished to refuse a triumph to Paulus Aemilius after the conquest of Macedonia.—A friend of Sylla, who applied to the consuls for his pardon.—Cornelius, a consul in the first ages of the republic, &c.—Sulpitius, an orator in the age of Cicero and Hortensius. He was sent as ambassador to M. Antony, and died before his return Cicero obtained a statue for him from the senate and the Roman people, which was raised in the Campus Martius. His works are lost. Cic. in Brut. Phil. &c.—Plin. v. 5, ep. 3.—A desirable informer in the Augustan age. Horat. 2. Sat. 1, v. 47.—Honorus Maurus, a learned grammarian in the age of young Theodosius. He wrote Latin commentaries upon Virgil, still extant.

SEAC, a god of the Babylonians.

SEARA, a daughter of Cæleus, king of Eleusis, sister to Triptolemus.

SESOSTRIS, a celebrated king of Egypt some ages before the Trojan war. His father ordered all the children in his dominions who were born on the same day with him to be publicly educated, and to pass their youth in the company of his son. This succeeded in the highest degree, and Sesostris had the pleasure to find himself surrounded by a number of faithful ministers and active warriors, whose education and intimacy with their prince rendered them inseparably devoted to his interest. When Sesostris had succeeded on his father's throne, he became ambitious of military fame, and after he had divided his kingdom into 26 different districts, he marched at the head of a numerous army to make the conquest of the world. Libya, Ethiopia, Arabia, with all the islands of the Red sea, were conquered, and the victorious monarch marched through Asia and penetrated farther in the east than the conqueror of Darius. He also invaded Europe and subdued the Thracians, and that the fame of his conquests might long survive him, placed columns in the several provinces he had subdued; and many ages after, this pompous inscription was read in many parts of Asia, Sesostris, the king of kings, has conquered this territory by his arms. At his return home the monarch employed his time in encouraging the fine arts and in improving the revenues of his kingdom. He erected 100 temples to the gods for the victories he had obtained, and mounds of earth were heaped up in several parts of Egypt, where cities were built for the reception of the inhabitants during the inundations of the Nile. Some canals were also dug near Memphis to facilitate navigation and the communication of one province with another. In his old age, Sesostris, grown infirm and blind, destroyed himself after a reign of 44 years according to some. His mildness towards the conquered has been admired, while some have upbraided him for his cruelty and insolence in causing his chariot to be drawn by some of the monarchs whom he had conquered. The age of Sesostris is so remote from every authentic record, that many have supported, though the actions and conquests ascribed to this monarch are uncertain and totally fabulous Herodot. 2, c. 102, &c.—Diod. 1.—Val. Plin. 5, v. 419.—Plin. 33, c. 3.—Lucan. 10, v. 270—Strab. 16.

SESTUS, a friend of Brutus with whom he fought at the battle of Philippi. Augustus resigned the consulship in his favour, though he still continued to reverence the memory of Brutus.—A governor of Syria.

SESTOS or SESTUS, a town of Thrace on the shores of the Hellespont, exactly opposite Abydos or the Asiatic side. It is celebrated for the bridge which Xerxes built there across the Hellespont, as also for being the seat of the amours of Hero and Leander. Melas. 2, c. 2.—Strab. 13.—Museus. de L. & H.—Verg. G. J., v. 256.—Ovid. Heroid. 18, v. 2—SESTITU, a people of Celtic Gaul. Casar. belll. C.

SETRIBIS, a town of Spain between Cartaglia and Saguntum. There was also a small river of the same name in the neighbourhood. Sit. 16, v. 474.

SETHON, a priest of Vulcan, who made himself king of Egypt after the death of Anythus. He was attacked by the Assyrians, and delivered from this powerful enemy by an immense number of rats, which in one night gnawed their bow strings and thongs, so that on the morrow their arms were found to be useless. From this wonderful circumstance Sethon had a statue which represented him.
with a rat in his hand, with the inscription of
Whoever fixes his eyes upon me, let him be pious.
Herodot. 2. c. 141.

Setia, a town of Campania, celebrated for its vines. Martial, 13, ep. 112.

Severa, Julia Aquilia, a Roman lady, whom the emperor Heliogabalus married. She was soon after repudiated, though possessed of all the charms of mind and body which could captivate the most virtuous.—Valeria, the wife of Valentinian, and the mother of Gratian, was well known for her avarice and ambition. The emperor her husband repudiated her and afterwards took her again. Her prudent advice at last ensured her son Gratian on the imperial throne.—The wife of Philip the Roman emperor.

Severianus, a governor of Macedonia, father-in-law to the emperor Philip.—A general of the Roman armies in the reign of Valentinian, defeated by the Germans.—A son of the emperor Severus.

Severus, Lucius Septimius, a Roman emperor born at Leptis in Africa of a noble family. He gradually exercised all the offices of the state, and recommended himself to the notice of the world by an ambitious mind, and a restless activity, that could, for the gratification of avarice, endure the most complicated hardships. After the murder of Pertinax, Severus resolved to remove Didius Julianus who had bought the imperial purple when exposed to sale by the licentiousness of the pretorians, and therefore he proclaimed himself emperor on the borders of Illyricum, where he was stationed against the barbarians. To support himself in this bold measure, he took as his partner in the empire Albinus, who was at the head of the Roman forces in Britain, and immediately marched towards Rome, to crush Didius and all his partizans. He was received as he advanced through the country with universal acclamations, and Julianus himself was soon deserted by his favourites, and assassinated by his own soldiers. The reception of Severus at Rome was sufficient to gratify his pride; the streets were strewed with flowers, and the submissive senate were ever ready to grant whatever honours or titles the conqueror claimed. In professing that he had assumed the purple only to revenge the death of the virtuous Pertinax, Severus gained many adherents, and was enabled not only to disarm, but to banish the pretorians, whose insolence and avarice were become alarming not only to the citizens, but to the emperor. But while he was victorious at Rome, Severus did not forget that there was another competitor for the imperial purple. Pescennius Niger was in the east at the head of a powerful army, and with the name and ensigns of Augustus. Many obstinate battles were fought between the troops and officers of the imperial rivals, till on the plains of Issus, which had been above five centuries before covered with the blood of the Persian soldiers of Darius, Niger was totally ruined by the loss of 20,000 men. The head of Niger was cut off, and sent to the conqueror, who punished in a most cruel manner all the partisans of his unfortunate rival. Severus afterwards pillaged Byzantium, which had shut her gates against him; and after he had conquered several nations in the east, he returned to Rome, resolved to destroy Albinus, with whom he had hitherto reluctantly shared the imperial power. He attempted to assassinate him by his emissaries; but when this had failed of success, Severus had recourse to arms, and the fate of the empire was again decided on the plains of Gaul. Albinus was defeated, and the conqueror was so elated with the recollection that he had now no longer a competitor for the purple, that he insulted the dead body of his rival, and ordered it to be thrown into the Rhone, after he had suffered it to putrify before the door of his tent, and to be torn to pieces by his dogs. The family and the adherents of Albinus shared his fate; and the return of Severus to the capitol exhibited the bloody triumphs of Marius and Sylla. The richest of the citizens were sacrificed, and their money became the property of the emperor. The wicked Commodus received divine honours, and his murderers were punished in the most wanton manner. Tired of the inactive life he led in Rome, Severus marched into the east, with his two sons Caracalla and Geta, and with uncommon success made himself master of Seleucia, Babylon, and Ctesiphon, and advanced without opposition far into the Parthian territories. From Parthia, the emperor marched towards the more southern provinces of Asia: after he had visited the tomb of Pompey the Great, he entered Alexandria; and after he had granted a senate to that celebrated city, he viewed with the most criticising and inquisitive curiosity the several monuments and ruins which that ancient kingdom contains. The revolt of Britain recalled him from the east. After he had reduced it under his power, he built a wall across the northern parts of the island, to defend it against the frequent invasions of the Caledonians. Hitherto successful against his enemies, Severus now found the peace of his family disturbed. Caracalla attempted to murder his father as he was concluding a treaty of peace with the Britons; and the emperor was so shocked at the unutterable uselessness of his son, that on his return home, he called him into his presence, and after he had upbraided him for his ingratitude and perfidy, he offered him a drawn sword, adding, If you are so ambitious of reigning alone, now imbrue your hands in the blood of your father, and let not the eyes of the world be witnesses of your want of filial tenderness. If these words checked Caracalla, yet he did not shew himself concerned, and Severus, worn out with infirmities which the gout and un easiness of his mind increased, soon after died, exclaiming, that he had been every thing man could wish, but that he was then nothing. Some say that he wished to poison himself, but that when this was denied, he eat to great excess, and soon after expired at York on the 4th of February, in the 211th year of the Christian era, in the sixty-sixth year of his age, after a
Severus has been so much admired for his military talents, that some have called him the most warlike of the Roman emperors. As a monarch he was cruel, and it has been observed that he never did an act of humanity, or forgave a fault. In his diet he was temperate, and he always showed himself an open enemy to pomp and splendour. He loved the appellation of a man of letters, and he even composed an history of his own reign, which some have praised for its correctness and veracity. However cruel Severus may appear in his punishments and in his revenge, many have endeavoured to exculpate him, and observed that there was need of severity in an empire whose morals were so corrupted, and where no less than 3000 persons were accused of adultery in the space of seventeen years. Of him, as of Augustus, some were fond to say, that it would have been better for the world, if he had never been born, or had never died. *Dio.*—Herodian.

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—Quint. —Sulpitius, an ecclesiastical historian, who died A. D. 420. The best of his works is his *Historia Sacra,* from the creation of the world to the consulsip of Sullicio, of which the style is elegant, and superior to that of the age in which he lived. The best edition is in two vols. 4to. *Paterii, 1741.* —An officer under the emperor Julian. —Aquilius, a native of Spain, who wrote an account of his own life in the reign of the emperor Valens. —An officer of Valentinian, &c. —A prefect of Rome, &c. —A celebrated architect employed in building Nero's golden palace at Rome, after the burning of that city. —A mountain of Italy near the Fabar's. *Virg. En. 7,* v. 713.

**SEUTHERS, a man who dethroned his monarch, &c.** —A friend of Perdiccas, one of Alexander's generals. —A Thracian king, who encouraged his countrymen to revolt, &c. This name is common to several of the Thracians.

**SEXTIA, a woman celebrated for her virtue and her constancy, put to death by Nero.**

**SEXTIA LICINIA LEX, de Magistratibus, by C. Licinius and L. Sextius the tribunes, A. U. C. 386.** It ordained that one of the consuls should be elected from among the plebeians. —Another, *de religione,* by the same, A. U. C. 385. It enacted that a decemvirate should be chosen from the patricians and plebeians, instead of the *decemviri sacris faciundis.*
Sextius, a place in Italy where the Cimbri were defeated by Marius.

Sextilia, the wife of Vitellius. She became mother of two children.

Sextillus, a governor of Africa, who ordered Marius when he landed there to depart immediately from his province. Marius heard this with some concern, and said to the messenger, *Go and tell your master that you have seen the exiled Marius sitting on the ruins of Cartagia.*

Plut. in Mar.—A Roman preceptor who was seized and carried away by pirates, &c.—One of the officers of Lucullus.

Sextius, a lieutenant of Caesar in Gaul.

A seditionis tribus in the first ages of the republic. Lucius was remarkable for his friendship with Brutus; he gained the confidence of Augustus, and was consul, A. C. 730. Horace, who was in the number of his friends, dedicated 1 od. 4, to him.—The first plebeian consul.

—A dictator.—One of the sons of Tarquin.

Vid. Tarquinius.

Sextus, a son of Pompey the Great. Vid. Pompeius.—A stoic philosopher, born at Chersonæa in Bootia. Some suppose that he was Plutarch's nephew. He was preceptor to M. Aurelius, and L. Verus.—A governor of Syria.—A philosopher in the age of Antoninus. He was one of the followers of the doctrines of Pyrrho. Some of his works are still extant. The best edition of the treatise of Sextus Pompeius *Festus de verborum significatione* is that of Amst. 4to. 1690.

Sibaris. Vid. Sybaris.

Sib;ini, a people near the Suevi.

Siburtius, a satrap of Arachosia, in the age of Alexander, &c.

Sibylla, certain women inspired by heaven, who flourished in different parts of the world. Their number is unknown. Plato speaks of one, others of two, Pliny of three, *Ælian* of four, and Varro of ten, an opinion which is universally adopted by the learned. These ten Sibyls generally resided in the following places: Persia, Lydia, Delphi, Cumæ in Italy, *Erythrae, Samos, Cumæ in Æolia, Marpessa on the Hellespont, *Ancyra in Phrygia, and Tiberius.*

The most celebrated of the Sibyls is that of Cumæ in Italy, whom some have called by the different names of Amalthaea, Demophile, Hero- philus, Daphnæ, Manto, Phemoneos, and Delphohe. It is said that Apollo became enamoured of her, and that to make her sensible of his passion, he offered to give her whatever she should ask. The Sibyl demanded to live as many years as she had grains of sand in her hand, but unfortunately forgot to ask for the enjoyment of the health, vigour, and bloom, of which she was then in possession. The god granted her request, but she refused to gratify the passion of her lover, though he offered her perpetual youth and beauty. Some time after she became old and decrepit, her form decayed, melancholy paleness and haggard looks succeeded to bloom and cheerfulness. She had already lived about seven hundred years when Æneas came to Italy, and as some have imagined, she had three centuries more to live before her years were as numerous as the grains of sand which she had in her hand. She gave Æneas instructions how to find his father in the infernal regions, and even conducted him to the entrance of hell. It was usual in the Sibyl to write her prophecies on leaves which she placed at the entrance of her cave, and it required particular care in such as consulted her to take up these leaves before they were dispersed by the wind, as their meaning then became incomprehensible. According to the most authentic historians of the Roman republic, one of the Sibyls came to the palace of Tarquin the second, with nine volumes, which she offered to sell for a very high price. The monarch disregarded her, and she immediately disappeared, and soon after returned, when she had burned three of the volumes. She asked the same price for the remaining six books; and when Tarquin refused to buy them, she burned three more, and still persisted in demanding the same sum of money for the three that were left. This extraordinary behaviour astonished Tarquin; he bought the books, and the Sybil instantly vanished, and never after appeared to the world. These books were preserved with great care by the monarch, and called the *Sibylline verses.* A college of priests was appointed to have the care of them; and such reverence did the Romans entertain for these prophetic books, that they were consulted with the greatest solemnity, and only when the state seemed to be in danger. When the capitol was burnt in the troubles of Sylla, the *Sibylline verses* which were deposited there, perished in the conflagration; and to repair the loss which the public seemed to have sustained, Commissioners were immediately sent to different parts of Greece, to collect whatever verses could be found of the inspired writings of the Sibyls. The fate of these *Sibylline verses,* which were collected after the conflagration of the capitol, is unknown. There are now many *Sibylline verses* extant, but they are universally reckoned spurious; and it is evident that they were composed in the second century, by some of the followers of Christianity, who wished to convince the heathens of their error, by assisting the cause of truth with the arms of pious artifice. The word *Sibyl* seems to be derived from ἱώ, θόλος for Διὸς Ἰωβι, and Σωφρονίσαι. *Plut. in Phaed.*—*Ælian.* V. II. 12, c. 35.


Sica, a man who shewed much attention to Cicero in his banishment.

Sicambri or Sygambri, a people of Germany conquered by the Romans. They revolted under Augustus, who marched against them, but did not totally reduce them. Drusus conquered them, and they were carried away from their native country to inhabit some of the more westerly provinces of Gaul. Dio. 54.—Strab. 4.—Horat. 4, Od. 2, v. 36, Od. 14, v. 51.—Tacit. 2, Ann. 26.

Sicani, a people of Spain, who left their un-
tive country and passed into Italy, and afterwards into Sicily, which they called Sicania. They inhabited the neighbourhood of mount Ætna, where they built some cities and villages. Some reckoned them the next inhabitants of the island after the Cyclopes. They were afterwards driven from their ancient possessions by the Siculi, and retired into the western parts of the island. Dionys. Hal. 1.—Ovid. Met. 5 & 13.—Virg. Ecl. 10. Æn. 7, v. 795.—Did. 5. 

Sicânia and Sicâni, an ancient name of Italy, which it received from the Sicani, or from Sicanus, their king, or from Sicanus, a small river in Spain, in the territory where they lived, as some suppose. The name is also given to Sicily. Vid. Sicani. 

Sicca, a town of Numidia. Sal. in Jug. 56. 

Sicélios, (Sicélides, plur.) an epithet applied to the inhabitants of Sicily. The Muses are called Sicélides by Virgil, because Theocritus was a native of Sicily, whom the Latin poet, as writer of Bucolic poetry, professed to imitate. 

Sichæus, called also Sichæras and Aherbas, was a priest of the temple of Hercules in Phcenicia. His father's name was Plisthenes. He married Elisa the daughter of Belus, and sister of king Pygmalion, better known by the name of Dido. He was so extremely rich, that his brother-in-law murdered him to obtain his possessions. This murder, Pygmalion concealed from his sister Dido; and he assured her by telling her, that her husband was gone upon an affair of importance, and that he would soon return. This would have perhaps succeeded had not the shades of Sichæus appeared to Dido, and related to her the cruelty of Pygmalion, and advised her to fly from Tyre, after she had previously secured some treasures which, as he mentioned, were concealed in an obscure and unknown place. According to Justin, Aherbas was the uncle of Dido. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 347, &c.—Paterc. 1, c. 6.—Justin. 18, c. 4. 

Sicilia, the largest and most celebrated island in the Mediterranean sea, at the bottom of Italy. It was anciently called Sicania, Tarnacia, and Triquetra. It is of a triangular form, and has three celebrated promontories, one looking towards Africa, called Lilybaeum; Pachynum looking towards Greece; and Pelorum towards Italy. Sicily is about six hundred miles in circumference, celebrated for its fertility, so much that it was called one of the granaries of Rome, and Pliny says that it rewards the husbandman an hundred fold. Its most famous cities were Syracuse, Messana, Leontini, Lilybaeum, Agrigentum, Gela, Drepanum, Eryx, &c. The highest and most famous mountain in the island is Ætna, whose frequent eruptions are dangerous, and often fatal to the country and its inhabitants, from which circumstance the ancients supposed that the forges of Vulcan and the Cyclopes were placed there. The poets feign that the Cyclopes were the original inhabitants of this island, and that after them it came into the possession of the Sicani, a people of Spain, and at last of the Siculi, a nation of Italy. [Vide Siculi.] The plains of Enna are well known for their excellent honey, and according to Diodorus the hounds lost their scent in hunting, on account of the many odoriferous plants that grew everywhere. Ceres and Proserpine were the chief deities of the place, and it was there, according to poetical tradition, that the latter was carried away by Pluto. The Phoenicians and Greeks settled some colonies there, and at last the Carthaginians became masters of the whole island, till they were dispossessed of it by the Romans in the Punic wars. Some authors suppose that Sicily was originally joined to the continent, and that it was separated from Italy by an earthquake, and that the streights of the Charybdis were formed. The inhabitants of Italy were so fond of luxury, that Siculæ mense became proverbial. Homer. Od. 9, &c.—Justin. 4, c. 1, &c.—Virg. Æn. 3, v. 414, &c.—Ital. 14, v. 11, &c.—Plin. 3, c. 8, &c.—The island of Naxos, in the Ægean, was called little Sicily, on account of its fruitfulness. 

Sicinius Dentátus, a tribune of Rome, celebrated for his valour and the honours he obtained in the field of battle, during the period of forty years, in which he was engaged in the Roman armies. He was present in one hundred and twenty-one battles; he obtained fourteen civic crowns; three mural crowns; eight crowns of gold; eighty-three golden collars; sixty bracelets; eighteen lances; twenty-three horses with all their ornaments, and all as the reward of his uncommon services. He could show the scars of forty-five wounds which he had received all in the breast, particularly in opposing the Sabines when they took the capitol. The popularity of Sicinius became odious to Appius Claudius, who wished to make himself absolute at Rome, and therefore to remove him from the capital, he sent him to the army, by which, soon after his arrival, he was attacked and murdered. Of one hundred men who were ordered to fall upon him, Sicinius killed fifteen, and wounded thirty; and according to Dionyusus, the surviving number had recourse to artifice to overpower him, by killing him with a shower of stones and darts thrown at a distance, about 405 years before the Christian era. For this uncommon courage Sicinius has been called the Roman Achilles. Val. Max. 3, c. 2. —Dionys. 8.—Vellutius, one of the first tribunes in Rome. He raised cabals against Coriolanus, and was one of his accusers. Plut. in Cor.—Sabinus, a Roman general who defeated the Volsci. 

Sicinus, a man privately sent by Themistocles to deceive Xerxes, and to advise him to attack the combined forces of the Greeks. He had been preceptor to Themistocles. Plut.—An island, &c. 

Sicórus, a river of Hispania Tarraconensis rising in the Pyrenean mountains. It war near this river that J. Caesar conquered the partizans and sons of Pompey. Lucan. 4, v. 13, 150, &c. 

Siculi, a people of Italy driven from their possessions by the Opici. They fled into Sicani, or Sicily, where they settled in the terri-
Sidonius Apollinaris, a Christian writer born A.D. 430. He died in the fifty-second year of his age. There are remaining of his compositions some letters and different poems, of which the best edition is that of Labaune, Paris, 4to. 1652.—The epitaph of Sidonius is applied not only to the natives of Sidon, but it is used to express the excellence of any thing, especially embroidery or dyed garments. Carthage is called Sidonia urbs, because built by Sidonians. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 682.

Sigia, a town of Numidia.

Sigeum, or Sigium, a town of Troas, on a promontory of the same name, where the Scamander falls into the sea. It was near Sigéum that the greatest part of the battles between the Greeks and Trojans were fought, as Homer mentions, and there Achilles was buried. Virg. Æn. 2, v. 312. l. 7, v. 294.—Ovid. Met. 12, v. 71.—Lucan. 9, v. 962.—Mela, 1, c. 18.—Strab. 13.—Dictys. Cret. 5, c. 12.

Signia, an ancient town of Latium, whose inhabitants were called Sigini. The wine of Signia was used by the ancients for medicinal purposes. Mart. 13, ep. 116.

Sigovessus, a prince among the Celtae, in the reign of Tarquin.

Sigynt, Signux, or Siginne, of Sigynne, a nation of European Scythia, beyond the Danube. Herodot. 5, c. 9.

Silia, or Syla, a large wood in the country of the Bruttii near the Appennines, abounding with much pitch. Strab. 6.—Virg. Æn. 12, v. 715.

Sila, a town of Campania, called also Teanum. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 727.

Sidon, an ancient city of Phoenicia, the capital of the country, with a famous harbour, now called Sidon. It is situate on the shores of the Mediterranean, at the distance of about fifty miles from Damascus, and twenty-four from Tyre. The people of Sidon are well known for their industry, their skill in commercial affairs, and sea voyages. They however have the character of being dishonest. Their women were peculiarly happy in working embroidery. The invention of glass and linen is attributed to them. The city of Sidon was taken by Ochus, king of Persia, after the inhabitants had burnt themselves and the city, B. C. 531; but it was afterwards rebuilt by its inhabitants. Luc. 3, v. 217. l. 10, v. 141.—Diod. 16.—Justin. 11, c. 10.—Plut. 36, c. 26.—Homer. Od. 15, v. 411.—Mela, 1, c. 12.

Sidioniorum insulæ, islands in the Persian gulf.

Sidonius, is the country of which Sidon was the capital, situated at the west of Syria on the coast of the Mediterranean. Ovid. Met. 2, tab. 19.

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Apennine mountains, and falling into the Tyr-
rhene sea. Its waters, as it is reported, putrefied all leaves that fell into it. Strab. 5.—Melc. 2, c. 4.—Verg. G. 4, v. 146.—Plin. 2, c. 103.

Silenus, a demi-god, who became the nurse, the preceptor, and attendant of the god Bacchus. He was, as some suppose, son of Pan, or according to others of Mercury, or of Terra. Malea in Lesbos was the place of his birth. After death he received divine honours, and had a temple in Elis. Silenus is generally represented as a fat and jolly old man, riding on an ass, crowned with flowers, and always intoxicated. He was once found by some peasants in Phrygia, after he had lost his way and could not follow Bacchus, and he was carried to king Midas, who received him with great attention. He de-
tained him for ten days, and afterwards restored him to Bacchus, for which he was rewarded with the power of turning into gold whatever he touched. Some authors attest, that Silenus was a philosopher, who accompanied Bacchus in his Indian expedition, and assisted him by the soundness of his counsels. From this cir-
cumstance therefore, he is often introduced speaking with all the gravity of a philosopher concerning the formation of the world, and the nature of things. The Fauns in general, and the Satyrs are often called Sileni. Paus. 3, c. 25.—Philost.—Ovid. Met. 4.—Hygin. fab. 191.

—Diod. 3, &c.—Cic. Tusc. 1, c. 46.—Elian. V. H. 3, c. 18.—Verg. Ecl. 6, v. 13.—A Car-
thaginian historian who wrote an account of the affairs of his country in the Greek language.—An historian who wrote an ac-
count of Sicily.

Silenus, a river of Spain.

Silis, a river of Italy, in Venice. Plin. 3, c. 18.

C. Silius Italicus, a Latin poet, who was originally at the bar, where he for some time distinguished himself, till he retired from Rome, more particularly to consecrate his time to study. He was consul the year that Nero was murdered. Pliny has observed, that when Trajan was invested with the imperial purple, Silius refused to come to Rome, and congratulate him like the rest of his fellow-citizens, a neglect which was never resented by the emperor, or insolently mentioned by the poet. Silius was in possession of a house where Cicero had lived, and another in which was the tomb of Virgil; and it has been justly remarked, that he looked upon no temple with greater rever-
ence than upon the sepulchre of the immortal poet, whose steps he followed, but whose fame he could not equal. The birthday of Virgil was yearly celebrated with unusual pomp and solemnity by Silius; and for the partiality, not only to the memory, but to the compositions of the Mantuan poet, he has been called the ape of Virgil. Silius starved himself when labour-
ing under an imposthume which his physicians were unable to remove, in the beginning of Trajan's reign, about the 75th year of his age. There remains a poem of Italicus, on the second

Punic war, greatly commended by Martial. The moderns have not been so favourable in their opinions concerning its merit. The poetry is weak and inelegant, yet the author deserves to be commended for his purity, the authenti-
city of his narrations, and his interesting de-
scriptions. He has every where imitated Vir-
gil, but with little success. Silius was a great collector of antiquities. His son was honoured with the consulship during his father's life-time. The best editions of Italicus will be found to be Drakenborech's, in 4to. Utr. 1717, and that of Cellarius, 8vo. Lips. 1695. Mart. 11, ep. 49, &c.—Caius, a man of consular dignity, greatly loved by Messalina for his comely ap-
pearance and elegant address. Messalina obliged him to divorce his wife, that she might enjoy his company without intermission. Silius was forced to comply, though with great reluct-
tance, and he was at last put to death for the adulteries which the empress obliged him to commit. Tacit.—Suet.—Dio.—A tribune in Cæsar's legions in Gaul.

Silphium, a part of Libya.

Silpià, a town of Spain. T. L. 28, c. 12.

Silvanus, a rural deity, son of an Italian shepherd by a goat. From this circumstance he is generally represented as half a man and half a goat. According to Virgil, he was son of Picus, or, as others report, of Mars, or, according to Plutarch, of Valeria Tusculanaria, a young woman who introduced herself into her father's bed, and became pregnant by him. The worship of Silvanus was established only in Italy, where, as some suppose, he reigned in the age of Evander. This deity was sometimes represented holding a cypress in his hand, be-
cause he became enamoured of a beautiful youth, called Cyprissus, who was changed into a tree of the same name. Silvanus pre-

—Horat. ep. 2.—Dionys. Hal.—A man who murdered his wife Apronia, by throwing her down from one of the windows of his chambers.

—One of those who conspired against Nero.

—An officer of Constantius, who revolted, and made himself emperor. He was assassi-
nated by his soldiers.

Silvres, a nation of France.

Simbrivius or Simbruvius, a lake in the country of the Marsi.

Simēthos or Symēthos, a river of Sicily, in whose neighbourhood the gods Palici were born.

Simile, a grove at Rome, where the orgies of Bacchus were celebrated.

Simillis, one of the courtiers of Trajan, who retired from Rome into the country to enjoy peace and solitary retirement.

Simmias, a philosopher of Thebes, who wrote dialogues.—A grammarian of Rhodes.—A Macedonian suspected of conspiracy against Alexander, on account of his intimacy with Philotas. Curt.
Simo, a comic character.

Simoi, (entis,) a river of Troas, which rises in mount Ida, and falls into the Xanthus. It is celebrated by Homer, and most of the ancient poets, as in its neighbourhood were fought many battles during the Trojan war. It is found to be but a small rivulet by modern travellers, and even some have disputed its existence. Homer, II.—Virg. Æn. 1, v. 104. l. 3, v. 302, &c.—Ovid. Met. 13, v. 324.—Mela, 1, c. 13.

Simoisius, a Trojan prince, son of Anthemion.

Simon, a carrier at Athens, whom Socrates often visited, on account of his great sagacity and genius. He collected all the information he could receive from the conversation of the philosopher, and afterwards published it, with his own observations, in 33 dialogues. He was the first of the disciples of Socrates who attempted to give an account of the opinions of his master concerning virtue, justice, poetry, music, honour, &c. These dialogues were extant in the age of the biographer Diogenes, who has preserved their title. Diog.—The name of Simon was common among the Jews.

Simonides, a celebrated poet of Cos, who flourished 558 years B.C. His father's name was Leoprepis or Theoprepis. He wrote elegies, epigrams, and dramatical pieces, esteemed for their elegance and sweetness, and composed also epic poems, one on Cambyses, king of Persia, &c. Simonides was universally courted by the princes of Greece and Sicily, and, according to one of the fables of Phaedrus, he was such a favourite of the gods, that his life was preserved in an entertainment when the roof of the house fell upon all those who were feasting. He obtained a poetical prize in the 80th year of his age, and he lived to his 90th year. The people of Syracuse erected a magnificent monument to his memory. Simonides, according to some, added the four letters, η, ο, ξ, and ψ, to the alphabet of the Greeks. Some fragments of his poetry are extant. According to some, the grandson of the elegiac poet of Cos was also called Simonides. He flourished a few years before the Peloponnesian war, and was the author of inventions, genealogies, &c. Quinctil. 10, c. 1.—Phaedr. 4, fab. 21 & 24.—Horat. 2, od. 1, v. 38.—Herodot. 5, c. 102.—Cir. de Orat. &c.—Arist.—Pindar. Isth. 2.—Cotull. 1, ep. 39.—Lucian, de Macrob.—Ælian. V. H. 8, c. 2.

Simplicius, a Greek commentator on Aristotle, whose works were all edited, in the 16th century, and the latter part of the 15th, but without a Latin version.

Simules, an ancient poet who wrote some verses on the Tarpian rock. Plut.

Sims, a king of Arcadia after Phialus. Paus. 8, c. 5.

Simyra, a town of Phocinia. Mela, 1, c. 12.

Sind, the islands of the Indian sea.

Sinoë, a people of European Scythia, on the Palus Moeotis. Pluc. 6, v. 86.

Sinoë, a people on the confines of Macedonia and Thrace.

Singara, now Singar, a town situated at the north of Mesopotamia.

Singus, a town of Macedonia.

Sinis, a famous robber. Vide Scinias.

Sinnaecas, a Parthian of an illustrious family, who had conspired against his prince, &c. Tacit. 6, Ann.

Sinnacha, a town of Mesopotamia, where Crassus was put to death by Surena.

Sinoe, a nymph of Arcadia, who brought up Pan.

Simon, a son of Siyaphus, who accompanied the Greeks to the Trojan war, and there distinguished himself by his cunning and fraud, and his intimacy with Ulysses. When the Greeks had fabricated the famous wooden horse, Simon went to Troy, with his hands bound behind his back, and, by the most solemn protestations, assured Priam, that the Greeks were gone from Asia, and that they had been ordered to sacrifice one of their soldiers, to render the wind favourable to their return, and that because the lot had fallen upon him, at the instigation of Ulysses, he had fled away from their camp, not to be cruelly immolated. These false assertions were immediately credited by the Trojans, and Simon advised Priam to bring into his city the wooden horse which the Greeks had left behind them, and consecrate it to Minerva. His advice was followed, and Simon in the night, to complete his perfidy, opened the side of the horse, from which issued a number of armed Greeks, who surprised the Trojans, and pillaged their city. Dares Phryg.—Homer. Od. 8, v. 492. l. 11, v. 521.—Virg. Æn. 2, v. 79, &c.—Paus. 10, v. 27.—Q. Smyrn. 12, &c.

Sineis, a daughter of the Asopus by Methone. She was beloved by Apollo, who carried her away to the borders of the Euxine sea, in Asia Minor, where she gave birth to a son called Syrus. Died. 4.—A sea-port town of Asia Minor, in Pontus, founded by a colony of Milesians. It was long an independent state, till Pharnaces, king of Pontus, seized it. It was the capital of Pontus, under Mithridates, and was the birth-place of Diogenes, the cynic philosopher. It received its name from Sinoe, whom Apollo carried there. Ovid. Pont. 1, el. 3, v. 87.—Strab. 2, &c. 12.—Died. 4.—Mela, 1, c. 19.—The original name of Sinussa.

Sineiris, a governor of Gaul, &c. Sintii, a nation of Thracians, who inhabited Lemnos, when Vulcan fell there from heaven. Homer. II. 1, v. 594.

Sinussa, a town of Campania, originally called Sineope. It was celebrated for its hot baths and mineral waters which cured people of insanity, and rendered women prolific. Ovid. Met. 15, v. 715.—Mela, 2, c. 4.—Strab. 5.—Lin. 42, c. 13.—Mart. 6, ep. 42, l. 11, ep. 8.

Sipinos, one of the Cyclades, situate at the west of Paros, twenty miles in circumference according to Pliny, or, according to modern travellers, forty. Sipinos had many excellent harbours, and produced great plenty of deli-
cious fruit. The inhabitants were very depraved, so that their licentiousness became proverbial. There were some gold mines in Siphnos, of which Apollo demanded the tenth part. When the inhabitants refused to continue to offer part of their gold to the god of Delphi, the island was inundated, and the mines disappeared. The air is so wholesome, that many of the natives live to the 120th year. Paus. 10, c. 11.—Mel. 1, c. 7.—Strab. 10.

SIPONTUM, SIPUS, or SEPUS, a maritime town of Apulia, in Italy, founded by Diomede, after his return from the Trojan war. Strab. 6.—Lucan, 5, v. 377.—Mela, 2, c. 4.

SPYLEM and SPYLUS, a town of Lydia, with a mountain of the same name, near the Meander, formerly called Cerasium. The town was destroyed by an earthquake, with twelve others in the neighbouring, in the reign of Tiberius. Strab. 1 & 12.—Paus. 1, c. 20.—Apollod. 3, c. 5.—Homer. II. 24.—Hygin. fab. 9.—Tacit. Am. 2, c. 47.—One of Niobe's children, killed by Apollo. Ovid. Met. 6, fab. 6.

SIRENES, sea-nymphs who charmed so much with their melodious voices, that all forgot their employments, to listen with more attention, and at last died for want of food. They were daughters of the Achelous, by the muse Calliope, or, according to others, by Melpomene or Terpsichore. They were three in number, Parthenope, Ligeia, and Leucoia, and usually lived in a small island near the cape Pelorus in Sicily. Some authors suppose that they were monsters, and had the body of a woman above the waist, and the rest of the body like a bird; or rather that the whole body was covered with feathers, and had the shape of a bird, except the head, which was that of a beautiful female. This monstrous form they had received from Ceres, who wished to punish them, because they had not assisted her daughter when carried away by Pluto. But according to Ovid, they were so disconsolate at the rape of Proserpine, that they prayed the gods to give them wings, that they might seek her in the sea, as well as by land. The Sirens were informed by the oracle, that as soon as any person passed by them without suffering themselves to be charmed by their songs they should perish; and their melody had prevailed in calling the attention of all passengers, till Ulysses, informed of the power of their voice by Circe, stopped the ears of his companions with wax, and ordered himself to be tied to the mast of his ship, and no attention to be paid to his commands, should he wish to stay and listen to the song. This was a salutary precaution; Ulysses made signs for his companions to stop, but they were disregarded, and the fatal coast was passed with safety. Upon this artifice of Ulysses, the Sirens were so disappointed, that they threw themselves into the sea, and perished. Some authors say, that the Sirens challenged the Musea to a trial of skill in singing, and that the latter proved victorious, and plucked the feathers from the wings of their adversaries, with which they made themselves crowns. The place where the Sirens destroyed themselves, was afterwards called Sirenis, on the coast of Sicily. Virgil, however, En. 5, v. 864, places the Sirenem Scopuli on the coast of Italy, near the island of Caprea. Some suppose that the Sirens were a number of lascivious women in Sicily, who prostituted themselves to strangers, and made them forget their pursuits while drowned in unlawful pleasures. The Sirens are often represented holding, one a lyre, the second a flute, and the third singing. Paus. 10, c. 6.—Homer. Od. 12, v. 167.—Strab. 6.—Am- manian. 29, c. 2.—Hygin. fab. 141.—Apollod. 2, c. 4.—Ovid. Met. 5, v. 555. De Art. Am. 3, v. 311.—Ital. 12, v. 33.

SIRIS, a town of Magna Gracia, at the mouth of a river of the same name. There was a battle fought near it between Pyrrhus and the Romans. Dionys. Periegr. v. 221.—A Town of Peonia, in Thrace.

SIRIUS, the dog-star, whose appearance, as the ancients supposed, always caused great heat on the earth. Virg. En. 3, v. 141.

SIRMIUM, a town of Pannonia, very celebrated during the reign of the Roman emperors.

SISAMNES, a judge flayed alive for his partiality, by order of Cambyses. His skin was nailed on the bench of the other judges, to incite them to act with candour and impartiality. Herodot. 5, c. 25.

SISAPHO, a Corinthian who murdered his brother, because he had put his children to death. Ovid. in lb.

SISENES, a Persian deserter, who conspired against Alexander, &c.

L. SISENNA, an ancient historian among the Romans, B. C. 91. He wrote an account of the republic, of which Cicero speaks with great warmth. Some fragments of his compositions are quoted by different authors. Ovid. Trist. 2, v. 443.—Cic. in Brut. 64 & 67.—Paterc. 2, c. 9.—Corn. a Roman, who, on being reprimanded in the senate for the ill-conduct and depraved manners of his wife, accused publicly Augustus of unlawful commerce with her. Dio. 54.—The family of the Cornellii and Apronii received the surname of Sisenae. They are accused of intemperate loquacity, in the Augustan age, by Horat. 1, Sat. 7, v. 8.

SISIGAMBIS of SISYGAMIS, the mother of Darius, the last king of Persia. She was taken prisoner by Alexander the Great, at the battle of Issus, with the rest of the royal family. The conqueror treated her with uncommon tenderness and attention; he saluted her as his own mother, and what he had sternly denied to the petitions of his favourites and ministers, he often granted to the intercession of Sisygambis. The regard of the queen for Alexander was uncommon; and indeed she no sooner heard that he was dead, than she killed herself, unwilling to survive the loss of so generous an enemy; though she had seen with less concern, the fall of her son's kingdom, the ruin of his subjects, and himself murdered by his servants. She
had also lost in one day her husband and 80 of her brothers, whom Ochus had assassinated to make himself master of the kingdom of Persia. Curt. 4, c. 9, l. 10, c. 5.

Snaocosus, one of the friends of Alexander, entrusted with the care of the rock Aorus. Curt. 8, c. 11.

Sisyphus, a brother of Athamas and Salmo- neus, son of Æolus and Enareta, the most crafty prince of the heroic ages. He married Merope, the daughter of Atlas, or, according to others, of Pandareus, by whom he had several children. He built Ephyre, called afterwards Corinth, and he debauched Tyro, the daughter of Salmoneus, because he had been told by an oracle that his children by his brother's daughter would avenge the injuries which he had suffered from the mal-levolence of Salmoneus. Tyro, however, as Hyginus says, destroyed the two sons whom she had had by her uncle. It is reported that Sisyphus, mistrusting Autolycus, who stole the neighbouring flocks, marked his bulls under the feet, and when they had been carried away by the dishonesty of his friend he confounded and astonished the thief by selecting from his numerous flocks those bulls which by the mark he knew to be his own. The artifice of Sisyphus was so pleasing to Autolycus, who had now found one more cunning than himself, that he permitted him to enjoy the company of his daughter Anticlea, whom a few days after he gave in marriage to Laertes of Ithaca. After his death, Sisyphus was condemned in hell to roll to the top of a hill a large stone, which had no sooner reached its summit than it fell back again into the plain with impetuosity, and rendered his punishment eternal. The causes of this rigorous sentence are variously reported. Some attribute it to his continual depredations in the neighbouring country, and his cruelty in laying heaps of stones on those whom he had plundered, and suffering them to expire in the most agonizing torments. Others, to the insult offered to Pluto, in chaining Death in his palace, and detaining her till Mars, at the request of the king of hell, went to deliver her from confinement. Others suppose that Jupiter inflicted this punishment on him, because he told Aepus where his daughter Æginia had been carried away by her ravisher. The more followed opinion, however, is, that Sisyphus, on his death-bed, entreated his wife to leave his body unburied, and when he came into Pluto's kingdom, he received permission of returning upon earth to punish this seeming negligence of his wife, but, however, on promise of immediately returning. But he was no sooner out of the infernal regions, than he violated his engagements, and when he was at last brought back to hell by Mars, Pluto, to punish his want of fidelity and honour, condemned him to roll a huge stone to the top of a moun- tain. The institution of the Pythian games is by some ascribed to Sisyphus. To he of the blood of Sisyphus was deemed disgraceful among the ancients. Homer. Od. 11, v. 592.— Virg. Æne. 6, v. 616.—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 459. Fast. 4, v. 176. in Ibid. 191.—Paus. 2, &c.—
was coin auditors his poet's In he an insults near accusers. He could Ionian Catul- whom upon Latin by that was an object judges, Anaxagoras, The of the his and not an to to and conspicuously and as and to doctrines. away his mother his Smyr-. Melitus of Christian and one injuries as was luxury as the submision was all Athe- observed, he which In Caucasus, this their he patience, be the simplicity to of. instruct the presence of artifice. to the the riches, nature. and destroy. But superior that attended fellow-citi- Ital. the worshipped Melitus, spi- was celebrated his the and was a duty which ho per- of the Athenians; it was his wish to make his fellow-citi- ans happy, and it was a duty which ho per-

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formed by the special command of the gods, whose authority, said he emphatically to his judges, I regard more than yours. Such language from a man who was accused of a capital crime, astonished and irritated the judges. Socrates was condemned, but only by a majority of three voices; and when he was demanded, according to the spirit of the Athenian laws, to pass sentence on himself, and to mention the death he preferred, the philosopher said, For my attempts to teach the Athenian youth justice and moderation, and to render the rest of my countrymen more happy, let me be maintained at the public expense the remaining years of my life in the Prytanæum, an honour, O Athenians, which I deserve more than the victors of the Olympic games. They make their countrymen more happy in appearance, but I have made them so in reality. This exasperated the judges in the highest degree, and he was condemned to drink hemlock. Upon this he addressed the court, and more particularly the judges who had decided in his favour, in a pathetic speech. He told them that to die was a pleasure, since he was going to hold converse with the greatest heroes of antiquity; he recommended to their paternal care his defenceless children, and as he returned to the prison he exclaimed: I go to die, you to live; but which is the best the divinity alone can know. The solemn celebration of the Delian festivals [Vid. Delia] prevented his execution for thirty days, and during that time he was confined in the prison, and loaded with irons. His friends, and particularly his disciples, were his constant attendants; he conversed with them upon different subjects with all his usual cheerfulness and serenity. He reproved them for their sorrow; and when one of them was uncommonly grieved because he was to suffer though innocent, the philosopher replied, Would you then have me die guilty? With this composition did he spend his last days, he continued to be a preceptor till the moment of his death, and instructed his pupils on questions of the greatest importance; he told them his opinions in support of the immortality of the soul, and reproved with acrimony the prevalent custom of suicide. He disregarded the intercession of his friends, and when it was in his power to make his escape out of prison, he refused it, and asked with his usual pleasantry, where he could escape death; where, says he to Crito, who had bribed the gaoler, and made his escape certain, Where shall I fly to avoid this irrevocable doom passed on all mankind? When the hour to drink the poison was come, the executioner presented him the cup with tears in his eyes. Socrates received it with composure, and after he had made a libation to the gods, he drank it with an unaltered countenance, and a few moments after he expired. Such was the end of a man whom the uninfluenced answer of the oracle of Delphi had pronounced the wisest of mankind. Socrates died about 400 years before Christ, in the 70th year of his age. He was no sooner buried than the Athenians repented of their cruelty; his accusers were universally despised and shunned; one suffered death, some were banished, and others with their own hands put an end to the life, which their severity to the best of the Athenians had rendered inseparable. The actions, sayings, and opinions of Socrates have been faithfully recorded by two of the most celebrated of his pupils, Xenophon and Plato, and every thing which relates to the life and circumstances of this great philosopher, is now minutely known. To his poverty, his innocence, and his example, the Greeks were particularly indebted for their greatness and splendour; and the learning which was universally disseminated by his pupils, gave the whole nation a consciousness of their superiority over the rest of the world, not only in the polite arts, but in the more laborious exercises, which their writings celebrated. The philosophy of Socrates forms an interesting epoch in the history of the human mind. The son of Sophroniscus derided the more abstruse enquiries and metaphysical researches of his predecessors, and by first introducing moral philosophy, he induced mankind to consider themselves, their passions, their opinions, their duties, actions, and faculties. From this it was said, that the founder of the Socratic school drew philosophy down from heaven upon the earth. In his attendance upon religious worship, Socrates was himself an example; he believed the divine origin of dreams and omens, and publicly declared, that he was accompanied by a daemon or invisible conductor, [Vid. Daemon] whose frequent interposition stopped him from the commission of evil, or guilt of misconduct. This familiar spirit, however, according to some, was nothing more than a sound judgment, assisted by prudence and long experience, which warned him at the approach of danger, and from a general speculation of mankind, could foresee what success would attend an enterprise, or what calamities would follow an ill-managed administration. As a supporter of the immortality of the soul, he allowed the perfection of a supreme knowledge, from which he deduced the government of the universe. From the resources of experience as well as nature and observation, he perceived the indiscriminate dispensation of good and evil to mankind by the hand of heaven, and he was convinced that nothing but the most inconsiderate would incur the displeasure of their creator to avoid poverty or sickness, or gratify a sensual appetite, which must at the end harass their soul with remorse and the consciousness of guilt. From this natural view of things, he perceived the relation of one nation with another, and how much the tranquillity of civil society depended upon the proper discharge of these respective duties. The actions of men furnished materials also for his discourse; to instruct them was his aim, and to render them happy was the ultimate object of his daily lessons. From principles like these, which were enforced by the unparalleled example of an affectionate husband, a tender parent, a warlike soldier, and a patriotic citizen in Socrates, soon after the celebrated sects of the Platonists, the Peripatetics, Academicks, Cyrenaicks, Stoicks, &c. arose. Socrates never wrote for the public eye, yet many support that the tragedies of his
pil Euripides, were partly composed by him. He was naturally of a licentious disposition, and a physiognomist observed, in looking in the face of the philosopher, that his heart was the most depraved, immodest, and corrupted, that ever was in the human breast. This nearly cost the satirist his life, but Socrates upbraided his disciples, who wished to punish the physiognomist, and declared that his assertions were true, but that all his vicious propensities had been duly corrected and cured by means of reason. Socrates made a poetical version of Esop's fables, while in prison. 

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LAEROS.---PLATO.---Plata.---Paus. 1, c. 27.---Plut. de op. Phil. &c.---Cic. Tus. 1, c. 41, &c.---Val. Mar. 3, c. 4.---A leader of the Achaeans at the battle of Cunaxa. He was seized and put to death by Artaxerxes. 

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A governor of Cilicia, under Alexander the Great.---A painter.---A Rhodian in the reign of Augustus. He wrote an account of the civil wars.---A scholiast, born A.D. 309, at Constantiopolis. He wrote an ecclesiastical history from the year 309, where Eusebius ended, down to 440, with great exactness and judgment, of which the best edition is that of Reading, fol. Cantab. 1720.---An island on the coast of Arabia.

SOSUS, a young Trojan, killed by Ulysses.---A surname of Mercury. 

Semenis (Julia), mother of the emperor Heligabalus, was made president of a senate of women, which she had elected to decide the quarrels and the affairs of the Roman matrons. She at last provoked the people by her debaucheries, extravagance, and cruelties, and was murdered with her son and family. She was a native of Apames; her father's name was Julius Avitus, and her mother's Masa. Her sister Julia Mammea married the emperor Septimius Severus.

Sogdiana, a country of Asia, bounded on the north by Scythia, east by the Sacae, south by Bactriana, and west by Margiana, and now known by the name of Zagata or Usbec. The people are called Sogdian. The capital was called Marcanda. Herodot. 3, c. 93.---Cart. 7, c. 10.

Sogdianus, a son of Artaxerxes Longimanus, who murdered his elder brother, king Xerxes, to make himself master of the Persian throne. He was but seven months in possession of the crown. His brother Ochus, who reigned under the name of Darius Notthus, conspired against him, and suffocated him in a tower full of warm ashes.

Sol, (the sun) was an object of veneration among the ancients. It was particularly worshipped by the Persians, under the name of Mithras. The Massagetae sacrificed horses to the sun on account of their swiftness. According to some of the ancient poets, Sol and Apollo were two different persons. Apollo, however, and Phoebus and Sol, are universally supposed to be the same deity.

Solis Fons, a celebrated fountain in Libya. 

Vii. Ammon.

Solor, or Soli, a town of Cyprus, built on the borders of the Clarinus by an Athenian co-
before the Christian era. The salutary consequences of the laws of Solon, can be discovered in the length of time they were in force in the republic of Athens. For above 400 years they flourished in full vigour, and Cicero, who was himself a witness of their benign influence, passes the highest encomium upon the legislator, whose superior wisdom framed such a code of regulations. It was the intention of Solon to protect the poorer citizens, and by dividing the whole body of the Athenians into four classes, three of which were permitted to discharge the most important offices and magistracies of the state, and the last to give their opinion in the assemblies, but not have a share in the distinctions and honours of their superiors, the legislator gave the populace a privilege which, though at first small and insignificant, soon rendered them masters of the republic, and of all the affairs of government. He made a reformation in the Areopagus, he increased the authority of the members, and permitted them yearly to inquire how every citizen maintained himself, and to punish such as lived in idleness, and were not employed in some honourable and lucrative profession. He also regulated the Prytaneum, and fixed the number of its judges to 400. The sanguinary laws of Draco were all cancelled, except that against murder, and the punishment denounced against every offender was proportioned to his crime, but Solon made no law against parricide or sacrilege. The former of these crimes, he said, was too horrible to human nature for a man to be guilty of it, and the latter could never be committed, because the history of Athens had never furnished a single instance. Such as had died in the service of their country, were buried with great pomp, and their family was maintained at the public expense; but such as had squandered away their estates, such as refused to bear arms in defence of their country, or paid no attention to the infirmities and distress of their parents, were branded with infamy. The laws of marriage were newly regulated; it became an union of affection and tenderness, and no longer a mercenary contract. To speak with ill language against the dead as well as the living, was made a crime, and the legislator wished that the character of his fellow-citizens should be freed from the aspersions of malice and envy. A person that had no children, was permitted to dispose of his estates as he pleased, and the females were not allowed to be extravagant in their dress or expenses. To be guilty of adultery was a capital crime, and the friend and associate of lewdness and debauchery, was never permitted to speak in public; for, as the philosopher observed, a man who has no shame is not capable of being entrusted with the people. These celebrated laws were engraved on several tables, and that they might be the better known and more familiar to the Athenians, they were written in verse. The indignation which Solon expressed on seeing the tragical representations of Thespis, is well known; and sternly observed, that if falsehood and fiction were tolerated on the stage, they would soon find their way in the common occupations of men. According to Plutarch, Solon was reconciled to Pisistratus, but this seems to be false, as the legislator refused to live in a country where the privileges of his fellow-citizens were trampled upon by the usurpation of a tyrant. Vid. Lycurgus. Plut. in Sol.—Herodot, 1. c. 29.—Dioq. L.—Paus. 1. c. 40.—Cic.
SOLONIUM, a town of Latium on the borders of Etruria. Plut. in Mar.
SOLYMA, or SOLYME, a town of LyDia. The inhabitants, called Silyni, were anciently called Milyades, and afterwards Termili and Lycians. Sarpedon settled among them. Strab. 14.—Homer. Il. 6.—Plin. 5. c. 27 & 29.—An ancient name of Jerusalem. Juv. 6. v. 543.
SOMNUS, son of Erebus and Nox, was one of the infernal deities, and presided over sleep. His palace, according to some mythologists, is a dark cave, where the sun never penetrates. At the entrance are a number of poppies and somniferous herbs. The god himself is represented as asleep on a bed of feathers with black curtains. The dreams stand by him, and Morpheus, as his principal minister, watches to prevent the noise from waking him. Hesid. Thog.—Homer. Il. 14.—Virg. Æn. 6. v. 993.
Sonchis, an Egyptian priest in the age of Solon. It was he who told that celebrated philosopher a number of traditions, particularly about the Atlantic islands, which he represented as more extensive than the continent of Africa and Asia united. This island disappeared, as it is said, in one day and one night. Plut. in Isid. &c.
SONTIATES, a people in Gaul.
Sophater, a philosopher of Apamea, in the age of the emperor Constantine. He was one of the disciples of Iamblicus, and after his death, he was at the head of the Platonic philosophers.
SOPHAX, a son of Hercules who founded the kingdom of Tingis in Mauritania. Strab. 3.
SOPHENE, a country of Armenia, on the borders of Mesopotamia. Lucan. 2. v. 593.
Sophocles, a celebrated tragic poet of Athens, educated in the school of Æschylus. He distinguished himself not only as a poet, but also as a statesman. He commanded the Athenian armies, and in many battles he shared the supreme command with Pericles, and exercised the office of archon with credit and honour. The first appearance of Sophocles as a poet, reflects great honour on his abilities. The Athenians had taken the island of Scyros, and to celebrate that memorable event, a yearly contest for tragedy was instituted. Sophocles on this occasion obtained the prize over many competitors, in the number of whom was Æschylus, his friend and master. This success contributed to encourage the poet; he wrote for the stage with
applause, and obtained the poetical prize twenty
different times. Sophocles was the rival of
Euripides for public praise; they divided the
applause of the populace; and while the former
surpassed in the sublime and majestic, the other
was not inferior in the tender and pathetic. The
Athenians were pleased with their contention,
and as the theatre was at that time an object of
importance and magnitude, and deemed an es-
tential and most magnificent part of the religious
worship, each had his admirers and adherents;
but the two poets, captivated at last by popular
applause, gave way to jealousy and rivalship.
Of 120 tragedies which Sophocles composed, only
seven are extant, Ajax, Electra, Oedipus the
Tyrant, Antigone, the Trachiniae, Philoctetes,
and Oedipus at Colonus. The ingratitude of the
children of Sophocles is well known. They
wished to become immediate masters of
their father's possessions, and therefore, tired of
his long life, they accused him before the Areopagus
of insanity. The only defence the poet
made was to read the tragedy of Oedipus at
Colonus, which he had lately finished, and then he
asked his judges, whether the author of such a
performance could be taxed with insanity? The
father upon this was acquitted, and the child-
ren returned home covered with shame and con-
fusion. Sophocles died in the 91st year of his
age, 406 years before Christ, through excess of
joy, as some authors report, of having obtained
a poetical prize at the Olympic games. Athe-
naeus has accused Sophocles of licentiousness
and debauchery, particularly when he com-
manded the armies of Athens. The best edi-
tions of Sophocles are those of Capperonier, 2
d2mo. 1745; and of Geneva, 4to. 1603. Cie. in Cat.
de Div. 1, c. 25.—Plut. in Cim. &c.—Quin.
til. 1, c. 10. 1. 10, c. 1.—Val. Max. 8, c. 7. 1. 9,
c. 12.—Plin. 7, c. 53.—Athen. 10, &c.
Sophonisba, a daughter of Asdrubal the
Carthaginian, celebrated for her beauty. She
married Syphax, a prince of Numidia, and when
her husband was conquered by the Ro-
mans, and Masinissa, she fell a captive into the
hands of the enemy. Masinissa became en-
moured of her, and married her. This be-
avour displeased the Romans, and Scipio, who
at that time had the command of the armies of
the republic in Africa, rebuked the monarch se-
verely, and desired him to part with Sophonisba.
This was an arduous task for Masinissa; yet he
dreaded the Romans. He entered Sophonisba's
tent with tears in his eyes, and told her that as
he could not deliver her from captivity and the
jealousy of the Romans, he recommended her, as
the strongest pledge of his love and affection
for her person, to die like the daughter of As-
drubal. Sophonisba obeyed, and drank with
uncommon composure and serenity, the cup of
poison which Masinissa sent to hear, about 203
years before Christ. Liv. 30, c. 12.—Sallust in
Jug.—Justin.
Sophron, a comic poet of Syracuse, son of
Agathocles and Damasyllis. His compositions
were so universally esteemed, that Plato is said
to have read them with rapture. Val. Max. 8,
c. 7.—Quintil. 1, c. 10.
Sophronius, the father of Socrates.
Sophronia, a Roman lady whom Maxen-
tius took by force from her husband's house,
and married. Sophronia killed herself when
she saw her affections were abused by the tyr-
ant.
Sophrosyne, a daughter of Dionysius by
Dion's sister.
Sopholis, the father of Hermolaus. Curt. 8,
c. 7.
Sora, a town of the Volsci. Its inhab-
itants were called Sorani. Ital. 8, v. 395.—
Cic. pro Pl.
Soracte and Soracte, a mountain of Etru-
ria, near the Tiber, seen from Rome, though at
the distance of 26 miles. It was sacred to
Apollo, who is from thence surnamed Soractis;
and it is said that the priests of the god could
walk over burning coals without hurting them-
selves. There was, as some report, a fountain
on mount Soracte, whose waters boiled at sun-
rise, and instantly killed all such birds that drank
there. Strab. 5.—Plin. 2, c. 93. l. 7, c. 2.
—Horat. 1. Od. 9.—Verg. Aen. 11, v. 785.—
Ital. 5.
Soranus, a man put to death by Nero. Vid.
Valerius.—The father of Attila, the first wife
of Cato.
Sorex, a favourite of Sylla and the compa-
nion of his debaucheries. Plut.
Sophita, a town of Spain.
Sosia Gallia, a woman at the court of Tibe-
rius, banished, &c.
Sosibius, a grammarian of Laconia, B.C. 255.
He was a great favourite of Ptolemy Philopater,
and advised him to murder his brother, and the
queen his wife, called Arsinoe. He lived to a
great age, and was on that account called Poly-
chrones. He was afterwards permitted to retire
from the court, and spend the rest of his days
in peace and tranquillity, after he had disgraced
the name of minister by the most abominable
crimes, and the murder of many of the royal fa-
mily. His son, of the same name, was preceptor
to king Ptolemy Epiphanes.—The pre-
ceptor of Britannicus, the son of Claudius.
Sosicles, a Greek, who behaved with great
valor when Xerxes invaded Greece.
Sosichares, a noble senator among the Acha-
ians, put to death because he wished his coun-
trymen to make peace with the Romans.
Sosigenes, an Egyptian mathematician, who
assisted J. Cassar in regulating the Roman ca-
nendar. Suec.—Div.—Plin. 18, c. 25.—A
commander of the fleet of Eumenes.—A friend
of Demetrius Poliorcetes.
Sosia, a celebrated bookseller at Rome in the
age of Horace, 1, ep. 20, v. 2.
Sosius, a Lacedemonian in the age of An-
ibil. He lived in great intimacy with the Car-
thaginian, taught him Greek, and wrote the his-
tory of his life. C. Nep. in Annib.
Sosipater, a grammarian in the reign of
Honorius. He published five books of ob-
servations on grammar.—A Syracusan ma-
gistrate.—A general of Philip, king of Macedonia.

Sosis, a seditious Syracusan, who raised tumults against Dion. When accused before the people, he saved himself by flight, and thus escaped a capital punishment.

Sostrates, a tyrant of Syracuse, in the age of Agathocles. He invited Pyrrhus into Sicily, and afterwards revolted from him. He was at last removed by Hermocrates.

Sosius, a consul who followed the interest of Mark Antony.—A governor of Syria.—A Roman of consular dignity, to whom Plutarch dedicated his lives.

Sosthenes, a general of Macedonia, who flourished B. C. 281. He defeated the Gauls under Brennus, and was killed in the battle. Justin. 24, c. 5.—A native of Cnidus, who wrote an history of Iberia. Plut.

Sosistratus, a friend of Hermolaus, put to death for conspiring against Alexander. Curt. —A grammarian in the age of Augustus. He was Strabo's precepto.—A statuary.—An architect of Cnidus, B. C. 284, who built the white tower of Pharos, in the bay of Alexandria. He inscribed his name upon it. Vid. Pharos.—A priest of Venus at Paphos, among the favourites of Vespasion. A favourite of Hercules.—A Greek historian who wrote an account of Etruria.—A poet who wrote a poem on the expedition of Xerxes into Greece. Jur. 10, v. 178.

Sotades, an athlete.—A Greek poet of Thrace. He wrote verses against Philadelphus Ptolemy, for which he was thrown into the sea in a cage of lead. He was called Cinaedus, not only because he was addicted to the abominable crime which the surname indicates, but because he wrote a poem in commendation of it. Some suppose, that instead of the word Socratics in the second satyr, verse the tenth, of Juvenal, the word Sodatics should be inserted, as the poet Sotades and not the philosopher Socrates deserved the appellation of Cinaedus. Obscene verses were generally called Sotadica carmina from him. They could be turned and read different ways without losing their measure or sense, such as the following, which can be read backwards:

Roma tibi subito motibus ibit amor.  
Si bene te tua laus tatat, sua laute tenelis.  
Sola meedere pede, ede, perede melos.

Soter, a surname of the first Ptolemy.—It was also common to other monarchs.

Soteria, days appointed for thanksgivings and the offering of sacrifices for deliverance from danger. One of these was observed at Sicyon, to commemorate the deliverance of that city from the hands of the Macedonians, by Aratus.

Sotericus, a poet and historian in the age of Dioclesian. He wrote a panegyric on that emperor, as also a life of Apollonius Tymanus. His works were greatly esteemed. They are now lost, except some few fragments preserved by the scholiast of Lycolphon.

Sothis, an Egyptian name of the constellation, called Sirius, which received divine honours in that country.

Sotion, a grammarian of Alexandria, B. C. 204.

Sotius, a philosopher in the reign of Tiberius.

Sove, a king of Sparta, who made himself known by his valour, &c.

Sohmen, an ecclesiastical historian who died, 450 A. D. His history extends from the year 324 to 439, and is dedicated to Theodosius the younger, being written in a style of inelegance and mediciety. The best edition is that of Reading, fol. Cantab. 1720.

Spago, the nurse of Cyrus. Justin. 1, c. 4.

Sparta, a celebrated city of Peloponnesus, the capital of Laconia, situate on the Eurotas, at the distance of about 30 miles from its mouth. It received its name from Sparta, the daughter of Eurotas, who married Lacedaemon. It was also called Lacedaemon. Vid. Lacedaemon.

Spartacus, a king of Pontus.—Another, king of Bosphorus, who died B. C. 433. His son and successor of the same name died B. C. 407.—Another who died 284, B. C.—A Thracian shepherd celebrated for his abilities and the victories he obtained over the Romans. Being one of the gladiators who were kept at Capua in the house of Lentulus, he escaped from the place of his confinement with 30 of his companions, and took up arms against the Romans. He soon found himself with 10,000 men equally resolute with himself, and though at first obliged to hide himself in the woods and solitary retreats of Campania, he soon laid waste the country; and when his followers were increased by additional numbers, and better disciplined, and more completely armed, he attacked the Roman generals in the field of battle. Two consuls and other officers were defeated with much loss, and Spartacus, superior in council and abilities, appeared more terrible, though often deserted, by his fickle attendants. Crassus was sent against him, but this celebrated general at first despaired of success. A bloody battle was fought, in which at last the gladiators were defeated. Spartacus behaved with great valour; when wounded in the leg, he fought on his knees, covering himself with his buckler in one hand, and using his sword with the other; and when at last he fell, he fell upon a heap of Romans, whom he had sacrificed to his fury, B. C. 71. In this battle no less than 40,000 of the rebels were slain, and the war totally finished. Flor. 3, c. 20.—Liv. 95.—Eutrop. 6, c. 2.—Plut. in Crass.—Patr. 2, c. 30.—Appian.
Spartani, or Sparta, the inhabitants of Sparta. Vide Sparta, or Lacedaemon.

Spahtian ælius, a Latin historian, who wrote the lives of all the Roman emperors, from J. Caesar to Dioclesian. He dedicated them to Dioclesian, to whom, according to some he was related. Of these compositions only the life of Adrian, Verus, Didius, Julianus, Septimius Severus, Caracalla, and Geta are extant, published among the Scriptores Historiae Augustae. Spartianus is not esteemed as an historian or biographer.

Specia, an ancient name of the island of Cyprus.

Spennius, a Campanian deserter, who rebelled against the Romans, and raised tumults, and made war against Amilcar, the Carthaginian general.

Spedon, a poet of Lacedaemon.

Sperechius, a river of Thessaly, rising on mount Ceta, and falling into the sea in the bay of Maitia, near Anticyra. The name is supposed to be derived from its rapidity (απερικτικής φεστιναρ). Pelus was vowed to the god of this river, the hair of his son Achilles, if ever he returned safe from the Trojan war. Hec. l. 9. c. 198. — Strab. 9. — Homer. Iliad. 23, v. 144. — Apoll. 3, c. 13. — Mela, 2. c. 3. — Ovid. Met. 1. v. 537, l. 2. v. 230, l. 7, v. 230.

Sperma-spñqoi, a people who lived in the extremest parts of Egypt. They fed upon the fruits that fell from the trees.

Sperippus, an Athenian philosopher, nephew, as also successor of Plato. His father's name was Eurymedon, and his mother's Potone. He presided in Plato's school for eight years, and disgraced himself by his extravagance and debauchery. Plato attempted to check him, but to no purpose. He died of the lousy sickness, or killed himself according to some accounts. B. C. 339. Plut. in Lyce.

— Dion. 4. — Val. Max. 4, c. 1.

Sphacteria, three small islands opposite Pylus, on the coast of Messenia. They are also called Sphagie.

Sphexus, an arm-bearer of Pelops, son of Talnus. He was buried in a small island near the isthmus of Corinth, which from him was called Spheria. Paus. 5, c. 10. — A Greek philosopher, disciple to Zeno of Cyprus, 243 B. C. He came to Sparta in the age Agis and Cleomenes, and opened a school there. Plut. in Ag. — Dion.

Sphinx, a monster which had the head and breasts of a woman, the body of a dog, the tail of a serpent, the wings of a bird, the paws of a lion, and an human voice. It sprang from the union of Orthos with the Chimera, or of Typhon with Echidna. The Sphinx had been sent into the neighbourhood of Thebes by Juno, who wished to punish the family of Cadmus, which she persecuted with immortal hatred, and it laid this part of Becta under continual alarms by proposing enigmas, and devouring the inhabitants if unable to explain them. In the midst of their consternation the Thebans were told by the oracle, that the Sphinx would

destroy herself as soon as one of the enigmas she proposed was explained. In this enigma she wished to know what animal walked on four legs in the morning, two at noon, and three in the evening. Upon this, Creon, king of Thebes, promised his crown and his sister Jocasta in marriage to him who could deliver his country from the monster by a successful explanation of the enigma. It was at last happily explained by Æetes, who observed that man walked on his hands and feet when young or in the morning of life, at the noon of life he walked erect, and in the evening of his days he supported his infirmities upon a stick. [Vide Æetes.] The Sphinx no sooner heard this explanation than she dashed her head against a rock and immediately expired. Some mythologists wish to unriddle the fabulous traditions about the Sphinx by the supposition that one of the daughters of Cadmus, or Laius, infested the country of Thebes by her continual depredations, because she had been refused a part of her father's possessions. The lion's paw expressed, as they observe, her cruelty, the body of the dog her lasciviousness, her enigmas, the snares she laid for strangers and travellers, and her wings the dispatch she used in her expeditions. Plut. Hesiod. Theog. v. 386. — Hygin. fab. 68. — Apoll. 3, c. 5. — Plut. in Ædip. — Ovid. in Æt. tyr.

Spio, one of the Nereides. Verg. Æn. 5, v. 826.

Spohrius, a Spartan who attempted to seize the Piraeus.

Sphragidium, a cave on mount Citheron in Boeotia. The nympha of the place were called Sphragitides. Paus. 9, c. 3. — Plut. in Arist.

Siphslius, a favourite of Nero. He refused to assassinate his master, for which he was put to death in a cruel manner.

Spithares, a Corinthian architect, who built Apollo's temple at Delphi. Paus. 10, c. 5.

Spineh, a Roman consul. He was one of Pompey's friends, and accompanied him at the battle of Pharsalia, where he betrayed his meanness by being too confident of victory, and contending for the possession of Caesar's offices and gardens before the actions. Plut.

Spitamenes, one of the officers of king Darius, who conspired against the murderer Bessus, and delivered him to Alexander.

Sphithorates, a satrap of Ionia, son-in-law of Darius. He was killed at the battle of the Granicus. Diod. 17.

Sphithrides, a Persian killed by Citius, as he was going to strike Alexander dead. — A Persian satrap in the age of Ly- sander.

Spleutium, a town of Umbria, which bravely withstood Annibal while he was in Italy. The people were called Spleutians. Mart. 13, ep. 120.

Sporades a number of islands in the Ægean sea. They received their name á σπαράδες.
spargo, because they are scattered here and there, at some distance from Delos, and in the neighbourhood of Crete. Those islands that are contiguous to Delos, and that encircle it, are called Cyclades. *Mela*, 2, c. 7.—*Strab*. 2.

*Spurina*, a mathematician and astrologer, who told J. Caesar to beware of the ides of March. As he went to the senate-house on the morning of the ides, Caesar said to Spurina, *the ides are at last come.* Yes, replied Spurina, but not yet past. Caesar was murdered a few moments after. *Suet. in Caes.* 81.—*Vol. Mar.* 1 & 8.

*Spurinna*, a person common to many of the Romans.—One of Caesar's murderers.

—Larcius, a Roman who defended the bridge over the Tiber against Porsenna's army.—A friend of Otho, &c.

L. *Staberius*, a friend of Pompey set over Apollonia, which he was obliged to yield to Caesar, because the inhabitants favoured his cause. Caesar.—An avaricious fellow who wished it to be known that he was uncommonly rich. *Horat*. 2, *Sat*. 3, v. 89.

*Sable*, a maritime town of Campania, destroyed by Sylla. There was there in the reign of Titus, a dreadful earthquake which proved fatal to Pliny. *Plin.* 3, c. 5.

*Stagira*, a town on the borders of Macedonia, near the bay into which the Strymon discharges itself, at the south of Amphipolis, founded 665 years before Christ. Aristotle was born there, from which circumstance he is called *Stagirites*. *Paus*. 6, c. 4.—*Laert.* in *Sol.*—*Elcin*. V. H. 3.


*Staphylus*, a son of Theseus, or according to others, of Bacchus and Ariadne.

*Statander*, an officer of Alexander, who had Aria at the general division of the provinces.

*Stabile*, a Athenian killed at the battle of Marathon. He was one of the ten pretors.

*Statilia*, a woman who lived to a great age, as mentioned by Seneca, ep. 77.—Another. *Vid. Messalina*.

*Statilius*, a young Roman celebrated for his courage and constancy. He was an inveterate enemy to Caesar, and when Catone murdered himself, he attempted to follow his example, but was prevented by his friends. The conspirators against Caesar wished him to be in the number, but the answer which he gave displeased Brutus. He was at last killed by the army of the triumvirs. *Plut.*—Lucius, one of the friends of Catiline. He joined in his conspiracy, and was put to death.—A young general in the war which the Latins undertook against the Romans. He was killed with 25,000 of his troops.—A general who fought against Antony.—Taurus, a pro-consul of Africa. He was accused of consulting magicians, upon which he put himself to death.

*Statina*, islands on the coast of Campania, raised from the sea by an earthquake.

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*Statira*, a daughter of Darius, who married Alexander. The conqueror had formerly refused her, but when she had fallen into his hands at Issus, the nuptials were celebrated with uncommon splendour. No less than 9000 persons attended, to each of whom Alexander gave a golden cup to be offered to the gods. Statira had no children by Alexander. She was cruelly put to death by Roxana, after the conqueror's death. *Justin*. 12, c. 12.—A sister of Darius, the last king of Persia. She also became his wife, according to the manners of the Persians. She died after an abortion, in Alexander's camp, where she was detained as prisoner. She was buried with great pomp by the conqueror. *Plut. in Alces.*—A wife of Artaxerxes Memmon, poisoned by her mother-in-law, queen Parysatis. *Plut. in Art.*—A sister of Mithridates the Great. *Plut*.

*Statius*, (Cecilius) a comic poet in the age of Ennius. He was a native of Gaul, and originally a slave. His latinity was bad, yet he acquired great reputation by his comedies. He died a little after Ennius. *Cic. de sen*.

Anaeus, a friend of the philosopher Seneca.

—P. Papinius, a poet born at Naples in the reign of the emperor Domitian. His father's name was Statius of Epirus, and his mother's Angelina. Statius has made himself known by two epic poems, the *Thebais* in 12 books and the *Achilleis* in two books, which remained unfinished on account of his premature death. There are besides other pieces composed on several subjects, which are extant, and well known under the name of *Sylva*, divided into four books. The two epic poems of Statius are dedicated to Domitian, whom the poet ranks among the gods. They were universally admired in his age at Rome, but the taste of the time was corrupted, though some of the moderns have called them inferior to no Latin composition except Virgil's. The style of Statius is bombastical and affected, he often forgets a poet to become the declaimer and the historian. In his *Sylva*, which were written generally extempore, are many beautiful expressions and strokes of genius. Statius, as some suppose, was poor, and he was obliged to maintain himself by writing for the stage. None of his dramatic pieces are extant. Martial has satirized him, and what Juvenal has written in his praise, some have interpreted as an illiberal reflection upon him. Statius died about the 100th year of the Christian era. The best editions of his works are that of Barthius, 2 vols. 4to. *Cyc*. 1664, and that of the Variorum, 8vo. *L. Bat*. 1671; and that of the *Thebais*, separate, that of Warrington, 2 vols. 12mo. 1778.

—Domitian, a tribune in the age of Nero, deprived of his office when Piso's conspiracy was discovered.—A general of the Samnites.—An officer of the praetorian guards, who conspired against Nero.

*Stasimocrates*, a statuary and architect in the wars of Alexander, who offered to make a statue of mount Athos, which was rejected by the conqueror, &c.

*Stator*, a surname of Jupiter given him by
Romulus, because he stopped (sto) the flight of the Romans in a battle against the Sabines. The conqueror erected him a temple under that name.

**STELLATIS**, a field remarkable for its fertility, in Campania. *Suet.*

**STELTIO**, a youth turned into an elf by Ceres, because he dared the goddess. *Ovid. Met.* 5, v. 445.


**STENOBOEA.** Vid. Stethneboea.

**STENOCRATES, an Athenian who conspired to murder the commander of the garrison which Demetrius had placed in the citadel, &c. Polyen. 5.**

**STENTOR, one of the Greeks who went to the Trojan war.** His voice alone was louder than that of fifty men together. *Homer. I.* II. 5, v. 794. — *Iliad.* 19, c. 112.

**STEPHANUS, a musician of Media, upon whose body Alexander made an experiment in burning a certain sort of bitumen called napthth.** *Strab.* 16. — *Plut.* in *Aler.* — A Greek writer of Byzantium, known for his dictionary, giving an account of the towns and places of the ancient world, of which the best edition is that of Gronovius, 2 vols. fol. *L. Bat.* 1694.

**STERPE, one of the Pleiades, daughters of Atlas.** She married (Enomaus, king of Pise, by whom she had Hippodanica, &c. — A daughter of Parthaon, supposed by some to be the mother of the Sirens. — A daughter of Cepheus. — A daughter of Pleuron, — of Acatus, — of Danaus, — of Cebiron.

**STEROPES, one of the Cyclops.** *Virg. En.* 8, v. 485.

**STERSICHORUS, a lyric Greek poet of Himera, in Sicily.** He was originally called Tissias, and obtained the name of Steresischorus, from the alterations he made in music and dancing. His compositions were written in the Doric dialect, and comprised in twenty-six books, all now lost except a few fragments. Some say he lost his eyesight for writing invectives against Helen, and that he received it only upon making a recantation of what he had said. He was the first inventor of that fable of the horse and the stag, which Horace and some other poets have imitated, and this he wrote to prevent his countrymen from making an alliance with Phalaris. According to some he was the first who wrote an epithalium. He flourished 556 B. C. and died at Catana in the eighty-fifth year of his age. *Isocr. in Hel.* — *Aristot. rhet.* — *Strab.* 3. — *Lucian in Mac.* — *Cic. in Verr.* 2, c. 35. — *Plut. de Mus.* — *Quintil.* 10, c. 1. — *Paus.* 3, c. 19. I. 10, c. 26.

**STERTINUS, a stoic philosopher ridiculed by Horace 2, Sat. 3.** He wrote in Latin verse two hundred and twenty books, on the philosophy of the stoics.

**STESAGORAS, a brother of Miltiades. Vid. Miltiades.**

**STESILEFTA, a beautiful woman of Athens, &c.**

**STESIMBROTUS, an historian very inconsistent in his narrations.** He wrote an account of Cimon’s exploits. — A son of Epaminondas put to death by his father, because he had fought the enemy without his orders, &c. — A musician of Thasos.

**STHENELLE, a daughter of Acatus.** — A daughter of Danaus.

**STHENELUS, a king of Mycene, son of Persa and Andromeda.** He married Nicippa the daughter of Pelops, by whom he had two daughters, and a son called Eurystheus, who was born by Juno’s influence, two months before the natural time, that he might obtain a superiority over Hercules, as being older. Schemelus made war against Amphitphon, who had killed Electryon and seized his kingdom. He fought with succès, and took his enemy prisoner, whom he transmitted to Eurystheus. *Homer. II.* 19, v. 91. — *Apollo.* 2, c. 4. — One of the sons of Egyptus. — A son of Capaneus. He was one of the Epigon, and of the suitors of Helen. He went to the Trojan war, and was one of those who were shut up in the wooden horse, according to Virgil. *Paus.* 2, c. 10. — *Virg.* 1. *En.* 2 & 10. — A son of Androgeus the son of Minos. Hercules made him king of Thrace. — A king of Argos, who succeeded his father Cretopus. *Paus.* 2. c. 16. — A son of Actor, who accompanied Hercules in his expedition against the Amazons. He was killed by one of these females.

**STHENES, a statuary of Olynthus.** — An orator of Himera, in Sicily, during the civil wars of Pompey. *Plut.* in *Eomp.*

**STHENO, one of the three Gorgons.**

**STHENOKHEA, a daughter of Jobates, king of Lycia, who married Proetus, king of Argos.** She became enamoured of Bellerophon, who had taken refuge at her husband’s court, after the murder of his brother, and when he refused to gratify her criminal passion, she accused him before Proetus of attempts upon her virtue. *Homer.* II. 6, v. 162. — *Hygin. fab.* 57. — Many mythologists call her Antea.

**STILBE, or STILBIA, a daughter of Peneus by Creusa, who became mother of Centaurus and Lapithus, by Apollo. *Diod.* 3.

**STILICNO, a general of the emperor Theodosius the Great.** He behaved with much courage, but under the emperor Honorius he showed himself turbulent and disaffected. As being of barbarian extraction, he wished to see the Roman provinces laid desolate by his countrymen, but in this he was disappointed. Honorius discovered his intrigues, and ordered him to be beheaded, about the year of Christ 408. His family were involved in his ruin.

**STILPO, a celebrated philosopher of Megara, who flourished 336 years B. C. and was greatly esteemed by Ptolemy Soter.** He was naturally addicted to riot and debauchery, but he reformed his manners when he opened a school at Megara. He was universally respected. His school was frequented, and Demetrius, when he plundered Megara, ordered the house of the phi-
losopher to be left safe and unmolested. It is
said that he intoxicated himself when ready to
die, to alleviate the terrors of death. He was one
of the chief of the Stoics. Plut. in Dem.—
Dig. 2. — Seneca de Caus.

STIMICON, a shepherd’s name in Virgil’s
elegues.

STIPHILUS, one of the Lapithæ, killed in the

STOBAEUS, a Greek writer who flourished A.
D. 405. His work is valuable for the
precious relics of ancient literature he has pre-
served. The best edition is that of Aurel. Allob.
fol. 1609.

STECCHADES, an island in the Mediterranean,
on the coast of Gaul.

STOIC, a celebrated sect of philosophers
founded by Zeno of Citium. They received their
name from the portico, σως, where the philoso-
pher delivered his lectures. They preferred
virtue to everything else, and whatever was
opposite to it, they looked upon as the greatest
of evils. They required, as well as the disci-
plines of Epicurus, an absolute command over the
passions, and they supported that man alone, in
the present state of his existence, could attain
perfection and felicity. They encouraged su-
cide, and believed that the doctrine of future
punishments and rewards was unnecessary to
excite or intimidate their followers. Vid. Zeno.

STRABO, a name among the Romans, given
to such as were naturally deformed. Pompey’s
father was distinguished by that name.—A
native of Amasia, on the borders of Cappa-
docia, who flourished in the age of Augustus
and Tiberius. He first studied under Xenar-
chus, the peripatetic, and afterwards warmly
embraced the tenets of the Stoics. Of all his
compositions nothing remains but his geo-
graphy, divided into seventeen books, a work
justly celebrated for its elegance, purity, the
erudition, and universal knowledge of the au-
thor. It contains an account in Greek, of the
most celebrated places of the world, the origin,
the manners, religion, prejudices, and govern-
ment of nations ; the foundation of cities, and
the accurate history of each separate province.
Strabo travelled over great part of the world in
quest of information, and to examine with the
most critical inquiry, not only the situation of
the places, but also the manners of the inhabi-
tants, whose history he meant to write. In the
two first books the author wishes to shew the
necessity of geography; in the third he gives a
description of Spain ; in the fourth of Gaul and
the British isles. The fifth and sixth con-
tain an account of Italy and the neighbouring
islands; the seventh, which is mutilated at the
end, gives a full description of Germany, and
the country of the Getæ, Illyricum, Taurica
Chersonesus, and Epirus. The affrays of Greece
and the adjacent islands are separately treated
in the eighth, ninth, and tenth; and in the
four next, Asia with mount Taurus, India, Per-
sia, Syria, and Arabia; the last book gives an
account of Egypt, Ethiopia, Carthage, and
other places of Africa. Among the books of
Strabo which have been lost, were historical
commentaries. This celebrated geographer
died A. D. 25. The best editions of his geo-
graphy are those of Casaubon, fol. Paris, 1620;
of Amst. 2 vols. fol. 1707.—A Sicilian so clear
sighted that he could distinguish objects at the
distance of 130 miles, with the same ease as if
they had been near.

STRATARCHES, the grandfather of the geo-
grapher Strabo. His father’s name was Dorylaus.

STRA'TO, or STRATON, a king of the island
Aratus, received into alliance by Alexander.
—A king of Sidon dependent upon Darius. Alex-
ander deposed him, because he refused to
surrender. Cirt.—A philosopher of Lamp-
sacus, disciple and successor in the school of
Theophrastus, about 289 years before the Chris-
tian era. He applied himself with uncommon
industry to the study of nature, and after the
most mature investigation he supported that
nature was inanimate, and that there was no
god but nature. He was appointed preceptor
to Ptolemy Philadelphus, who not only revered
his abilities and learning, but also rewarded his
labours with unbounded liberality. He wrote
different treatises, all now lost. — Dig. 5.—
A physician.—A peripatetic philosopher.

—A native of Epirus, very intimate with
Brutus, the murderer of Caesar. He killed his
friend at his own request.—A rich Orchem-
nian who destroyed himself because he could
not obtain in marriage a young woman of Hali-
artus. Plut.—A Greek historian, who wrote
the life of one of the Macedonian kings.—
An athlete of Achaia, twice crowned at the
Olympic games. Paus. 7, c. 23.

STRATOBATES, son of Electryon.

STRATOCLES, an Athenian general at the bat-
tle of Cheronea, &c. Polygen.—A stage player

STRATON. Vid. Stato.

STATORICE, a daughter of Thespisius.—
A daughter of Pleuron.—A daughter of Ari-
rathe, king of Cappadocia, who married Eumen,
king of Pergamus, and became mother of
Attalus. Strab. 13.—A daughter of Demet-
rius Poliorcetes, who married Seleucus, king
of Syria. Antiochus, her husband’s son by a
former wife, became enamoured of her, and
married her by his father’s consent, when the
physicians had told him, that if he did not com-
ply, his son’s health would be impaired. Plut.
in Dem.—Val. Max. 5, c. 7.—A concubine of
Mithridates, king of Pontus. Plut. in Pomp.
—The wife of Antigonus, mother of Demet-
rius Poliorcetes. —A town of Caria.—Ano-
ther in Mesopotamia.—And a third near
mount Taurus.

STRATONICUS, an opulent person in the
reign of Philip, and of his son Alexander.
Plut.—A musician of Athens in the age of
Demosthenes.

STRATOS, a town of Eolis. T. L. 36, c. 11, l.
31, c. 4.—A town of Acrania.

STRONGYLE, one of the islands called
Eolides in the Tyrrhenian sea, near the coast
of Sicily. It had a volcano. Meta, 2, c. 7
—Strab. 6.

STROPHADES, two islands in the Ionian sea,
STYX, a king of Albania, to whom Æneas promised his daughter Medea in marriage, to obtain his assistance against the Argonauts. *Place.* 3, v. 497.

STYX, a daughter of Oceanus and Tethys. She married Pallas, by whom she had three daughters, Victory, Strength, and Valour. *Hesiod.* *Theog.* 363 & 384.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 2.—A celebrated river of hell, round which it flows nine times. According to some writers the Styx was a small river of Nonacris in Arcadia, whose waters were so cold and venomous, that they proved fatal to such as drank them. They even consumed iron, and broke all vessels. The wonderful properties of this water suggested the idea, that it was a river of hell, especially, when it disappeared in the earth a little below its fountain head. The gods held the waters of the Styx in such veneration, that they always swore by them; an oath which was inviolable. If any of the gods had perjured themselves, Jupiter obliged them to drink the waters of the Styx, which lulled them for one whole year in a senseless stupor; for the nine following years they were deprived of the ambrosia and the nectar of the gods, and after the expiration of the years of their punishment, they were restored to the assembly of the deities, and all their original privileges. It is said that this veneration was shewn to the Styx, because it received its name from the nymph Styx, who with her three daughters assisted Jupiter in his war against the Titans. *Herod.* *Theog.* v. 384, 775.—*Homer.* *Od.* 10, v. 513.—*Herod.* *Met.* 6, v. 74.—*Virg.* *Aen.* 6, v. 323, 439, &c.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 3.—*Ovid.* *Met.* 3, v. 29, &c.—*Lucan.* 6, v. 378, &c.—*Paus.* 8, c. 17 & 18.

SUA, a town of Etruria.

SUDANES, a people of Germany.

SUBATRI, a people of Germany over whom Drusus triumphed.

SUBLICUS, the first bridge erected at Rome over the Tiber. *Vit.* *Pons.*

SUBJUGUS, one of the gods of marriage among the Romans.

SUBOTA, small islands near Chios.

SUBURRA, a street in Rome where all the licentious, dissolute, and lascivious Romans and courtezans resorted. It was situate between mount Viminalis and Quirinallus. *Varro,* *de L.* *L.* 4, c. 8.—*Martial,* 6, ep. 66.—*Jun.* 3, v. 5.

SUBSOLAPUS, an east wind.

SUCRO, a river of Hispania Tarraconensis, celebrated for a battle fought there between Sertorius and Pompey, in which the former obtained the victory. *Plut.*—A Rutulian killed by Æneas. *Virg.* *Aen.* 12, v. 503.

SUESA, a town of Campania, called also Aurora, to distinguish it from Suessa Pumetia, the capital of the Volsci. *Strab.* 5.—*Plin.* 3, c. 5.—*Dionys.* *Hal.* 4.—*Liv.* 1 & 2.

SUSSONES, a powerful nation of the Belgic Gaul, reduced by J. Cesar. *Ces. Bel.*, G.

SUETONIUS, C. Paulinus, the first Roman general who crossed mount Atlas with an army. He wrote an account of his expeditions. He.

STYPHAEI, a people of Ethiopia, who feed on sparrows as their name signifies.

STYTHUS, a general of Artaxerxes against the Lacedaemonians, B. C. 393.

STYRNA, a town of Thrace, founded by a Thasian colony.

STYRMION, a daughter of the Scamander who married Laomedon.

STYRMION, a river which separates Thrace from Macedonia, and falls into a part of the Ægean sea, which has been called *Stromyimus sinus.* A number of cranes, as the poets say, resorted on its banks in the summer time. Its eels were excellent. *Mela,* 2, c. 2.—*Apollod.* 2, c. 5.—*Virg.* *G.* 1, v. 120, 1, 4, v. 508. *Aen.* 10, v. 265.—*Ovid.* *Met.* 2, v. 251.

STYMPHALUS, or SYMPHALIS, a part of Macedonia. *Liv.* 45, c. 30. —A surname of Diana.

STYMPHALUS, a king of Arcadia, son of Elatus and Laodice. He made war against Pelops, and was killed in a truce. *Apollod.* 3, c. 9.—*Paus.* 8, c. 4.—A town, river, lake, and fountain of Arcadia, which receives its name from king Stymphalus. The neighbourhood of the lake Stymphalus was infested by a number of voracious birds, which fed upon human flesh, and which were called *Stymphalides.* They were at last destroyed by Hercules, with the assistance of Minerva. Some have confounded them with the Harpies, while others pretend that they never existed but in the imagination of the poets. Pausanias however, supports, that there were carnivorous birds like the Stymphalides in Arabia. *Paus.* 8, c. 4.—*Stat.* *Theb.* 4, 2984.—A lofty mountain of Peloponnesus in Arcadia.

STYON, a daughter of Danaus.

STYRON, a town of Eubæa.

STYRRACION, a mountain of Crete, consecrated to Apollo.
presided over Britain as governor for about twenty years, and was afterwards made consul. He forsook the interest of Otho, and attacked himself to Vitellius.—C. Tranquillus, a Latin historian, son of a Roman knight of the same name. He was favoured by Adrian, and became his secretary, but he was afterwards banished from the court for want of attention and respect to the empress Sabina. In his retirement Suetonius enjoyed the friendship and correspondence of Pliny the younger, and dedicated his time to study. He wrote an history of the Roman kings, divided into three books; a catalogue of all the illustrious men of Rome, a book on the games and spectacles of the Greeks, &c. which are all now lost: The only one of his compositions extant is the lives of the twelve first Caesars, and some fragments of his catalogue of celebrated grammarians. Suetonius, in his lives, is praised for his impartiality and correctness. His expressions, however, are often too indelicate, and it has been justly observed, that while he exposed the deformities of the Caesars, he wrote with all the licentiousness and extravagance with which they lived. The best editions of Suetonius is that of Pitiscus, 4to. 2 vols. Leovard 1714; that of Oudendorp, 2 vols. 8vo. L. Bat. 1751; and that of Ernesti, 8vo. Lips. 1775. Plin. 1, ep. 18. 1. 5, &c.

Suet., a people of Germany who made frequent incursions into the territories of Rome under the emperors. Lucan. 2, v. 51.

SUEVUS, a Latin poet in the age of Augustus.

SUFFENS, a Latin poet in the age of Catullus. He was but of moderate abilities.

SUFFETIUS, or SUFFETIUS. Vid. Metius.

Suida, a Greek writer who flourished A. D. 1100. The best edition of his excellent Lexicon is that of Kuster, 3 vols. fol. Cantab. 1703.

Sullius, an informer in the court of Claudius, banished under Nero by means of Seneca.

SUIONES, a nation of Germany. Tacit. de Germ. c. 44.

Sulci, a town of Sardinia.

Sulcii, an informer whom Horace describes as hoarse with the number of defamations which he daily gave. Horat. 1, Sat. 4, v. 65.

Sulla. Vid. Sylla.

Sulmo, or Sulmona, an ancient town of the Peligni, at the distance of about ninety miles from Rome, founded by one of the followers of Alexander. Ovid was born there. Ovid. passim.—Ital. 8, v. 511. A Latian chief killed in the night by Nius, as he was going with his companions to destroy Euryalus. Virg. Aen. 9, v. 412.

Sulpitia, daughter of Paterculus, who married Fulvius Flaccus. She was so famous for her chastity, that she consecrated a temple to Venus Verticordia, a goddess who was implor'd to turn the hearts of the Roman women to virtue. A poetess in the age of Domitian, against whom she wrote a poem, because she had banished the philosophers from Rome. This composition is still extant. She had also written a poem on conjugal affection, commended by Martial, now lost.

SULPITIUS, by C. Sulpicius the tribune, A. U. C. 665, invested Marius with the full power of the war against Malliades, of which Sylla was to be deprived.—Another de senatu, by Servius Sulpicius the tribune, A. U. C. 665. It required that no senator should owe more than 2000 drachmas.—Another, de civitate, by P. Sulpicius Severio and P. Sempronius Sophus, consuls; A. U. C. 449. It forbade any person to consecrate a temple or altar without the permission of the senate and the majority of the tribunes.—Another to empower the Romans to make war against Philip of Macedon.

SULPITIUS, or SULPICIUS, an illustrious family at Rome, of whom the most celebrated are—Petricus, a man chosen dictator against the Gauls. His troops mutinied when first he took the field, but soon after he engaged the enemy and totally defeated them.—Saviro, a consul who gained the victory over the Equi.—C. Paterculus, a consul sent against the Carthaginians. He conquered Sardinia and Corsica, and obtained a complete victory over the enemy's fleet. He was honoured with a triumph at his return to Rome.—Spurius, one of the three commissioners whom the Romans sent to collect the best laws which could be found in the different cities and republics of Greece. One of the first consuls who received intelligence that a conspiracy was formed in Rome to restore the Tarquins to power, &c.—A priest who died the plague in the first ages of the republic at Rome.—P. Galba, a Roman consul who signalized himself greatly during the war which his countrymen waged against the Achaens and the Macedonians.—Severus, a writer. Vid. Severus.—Publius, one of the associates of Marius, well known for his intrigues and cruelty. He made some laws in favour of the allies of Rome, and he kept about 3000 young men in continual pay, whom he called his ante-senatorial band, and with these he had often the impertinence to attack the consuls in the popular assemblies. He became at last so seditious, that he was proscribed by Sylla's adherents, and immediately murdered. His head was fixed on a pole in the rostrum, where he had often made many seditious speeches in the capacity of tribune.—A Roman consul who fought against Pyrrhus and defeated him.—C. Longus, a Roman consul, who defeated the Samnites, and killed 30,000 of their men. He obtained a triumph for this celebrated victory. He was afterwards made dictator to conduct a war against the Etrurians.—Rufus, a lieutenant of Caesar in Gaul. One of Messalina's favourites, put to death by Claudius. —P. Quirinus, a consul in the age of Augustus.—Camerinus, a pro-consult of
Africa, under Nero, accused of cruelty, &c. — Gallus, a celebrated astrologer in the age of Paulus. He accompanied the consuls in his expedition against Perseus, and told the Roman army that the night before the day on which they were to give the enemy battle, there would be an eclipse of the moon. This explanation encouraged the soldiers, which on the contrary would have intimidated them, if not previously acquainted with the causes of it. Sulpius was universally regarded, and he was honoured a few years after with the consulship. — Apollinaris, a grammarian in the age of the emperor M. Aurelius. He left some letters and a few grammatical observations now lost. Cic. — Luc. — Plut. — Polyb. — Flor. — Eutrop.

Sumes, a name of Mercury among the Carthaginians.

Summanus, a surname of Pluto, as prince of the dead, summanum. He had a temple at Rome, and the Romans believed that the thunderbolts of Jupiter were in his power during the night. Cic. de div. 1, c. 10. — Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 731.

Suniici, a people of Germany on the Eur. of the Rhine.

Sundia, a soothsayer in the army of Eumenes.

Surnium, a promontory of Attica, about forty-five miles distant from the Piraeus. There was there a harbour, as also a small town. Minerva had there a beautiful temple, whence she was called Sunias. There are still extant some ruined of this temple. Plin. 4, c. 7. — Strab. 9. — Paus. 1, c. 1. — Cic. ad Attic. 7, ep. 3. 1, 13, ep. 10.

Suovetaurilia, a sacrifice among the Romans, which consisted of the immolation of a sow, (sus) a sheep, (ovis) and a bull, (taurus) whence the name. It was generally observed every fifth year.

Sumerum mare, a name of the Adriatic sea, because it was situate above Italy. Cic. pro Cluent, &c.

Sura Aemilius, a Latin writer, &c. — Lucinius, a favourite of Trajan, honoured with the consulship. — A writer in the age of the emperor Gallienus. He wrote an history of the reign of the emperor. — A city in the Euphrates. — Another in Iberia.

Surena, a powerful officer in the armies of Orodos, king of Parthia. His family had the privilege of crowning the kings of Persia. He was appointed to conduct the war against the Romans, and to protect the kingdom of Parthia against Crassus, who wished to conquer it. He defeated the Roman triumvir, and after he had drawn him perfidiously to a conference, he ordered his head to be cut off. He afterwards returned to Parthia, mimicking the triumphs of the Romans. Orodos ordered him to be put to death, B. C. 52. Surena has been admired for his valour, his sagacity as a general, and his prudence and firmness in the execution of his plans; but his perfidy, his effeminate manners, and his lasciviousness, have been deservedly censured. Polyen. 7. — Plut. in Car. pares.
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"SYRABITA, an inhabitant of Sybaris. Vid. Sybaris.

SYBOTA, a port of Epirus. Cic. ad Attic. 5. ep. 9.

Sycinnus, a slave of Themistocles, sent by his master to engage Xerxes to fight against the fleet of the Peloponnesians.

Sydra, a town of Cilicia.

Syène, a town of Thebais, on the extremities of Egypt. Juvenal the poet was banished there on pretence of commanding a pretorian cohort stationed in the neighbourhood. It was famous for its quarries of marble. Strab. 1. c. 2.—Mela, 1, c. 9.—Plin. 36, c. 8.—Ovid. ex Pont. 1, el. 5, v. 79. Met. 5, v. 74.

Syennesius, a Cilician, who, with Labinetus of Babylon, concluded a peace between Alyattes, king of Lydia, and Cyaxares, king of Media, while both armies were terrified by a sudden eclipse of the sun, B. C. 515. Herodot. 1, c. 74.

Syennestas, a stratagm of Cilicia, when Cyrus made war against his brother Artaxerxes. He wished to favour both the brothers by sending one of his sons in the army of Cyrus, and another to Artaxerxes.

Sylla, a daughter of Corinthius.

Sylius, a king of Aulus.

Sylla (L. Cornelius), a celebrated Roman of a noble family. The poverty of his early years was relieved by the liberality of the courtezan Nicopolis, who left him heir to a large fortune; and with the addition of the immense wealth of his mother-in-law, he soon appeared one of the most opulent of the Romans. He first entered the army under the great Marius, whom he accompanied in Numidia, in the capacity of quaestor. He rendered himself conspicuous in military affairs; and Bocchus, one of the princes of Numidia, delivered Jugurtha into his hands for the Roman consul. The rising fame of Sylla gave umbrage to Marius, who was always jealous of an equal as well as of a superior; but the ill language which he might use, rather inflamed than extinguished the ambition of Sylla. He left the conqueror of Jugurtha, and carried arms under Catulus. Some time after, he obtained the praetorship, and was appointed by the Roman senate to place Ario-barzanes on the throne of Cappadocia, against the views and interest of Mithridates, king of Pontus; this he easily effected, one battle left him victorious, and before he quitted the plains of Asia, the Roman praetor had the satisfaction to receive in his camp the ambassadors of the king of Parthia, who wished to make a treaty of alliance with the Romans. Sylla received them with haughtiness, and behaved with such arrogance, that one of them exclaimed, Surely this man is master of the world, or doomed to be such! At his return to Rome, he was commissioned to finish the war with the Marsi, and when this was successfully ended, he was rewarded with the consulsiphip, in the 50th year of his age. In this capacity he wished to have the administration of the Mithridatic war; but he found an obstinate adversary in Marius, and he attained the summit of his wishes only when he had entered Rome sword in hand. After he had slaughtered all his enemies, set a price upon the head of Marius, and put to death the tribune Sulpi tus, who had continually opposed his views, he marched towards Asia, and disregarded the flames of discord which he left behind him unextinguished. Mithridates was already master of the greatest part of Greece; and Sylla, when he reached the coast of Peloponnesus, was delayed by the siege of Athens, and of the Piraeus. His operations were carried on with vigour, and when he found his money fail, he made no scruple to take the riches of the temples of the gods, to bribe his soldiers, and render them devoted to his service. His boldness succeeded, the Piraeus surrendered; and the conqueror, as if struck with reverence at the beautiful porticoes where the philosophic followers of Socrates and Plato had often disputed, spared the city of Athens, which he had devoted to destruction, and forgave the living for the sake of the dead. Two celebrated battles at Cheronæa and Orchomenos, rendered him master of Greece. He crossed the Hellespont, and attacked Mithridates in the very heart of his kingdom. The artful monarch, who well knew the valour and perseverance of his adversary, made proposals of peace; and Sylla, whose interest at home was then decreasing, did not hesitate to put an end to a war which had rendered him master of so much territory, and which enabled him to return to Rome like a conqueror, and to dispute with his rival the sovereignty of the republic with a victorious army. Murana was left at the head of the Roman forces in Asia, and Sylla hasted to Italy. In the plains of Campania, he was met by a few of his adherents, whom the success of his rivals had banished from the capital, and he was soon informed, that if he wished to contend with Marius, he must encounter 15 generals, followed by 25 well-disciplined legions. In these critical circumstances he had recourse to artifice; and while he proposed terms of accommodation to his adversaries, he secretly strengthened himself, and saw with pleasure his armies daily increase, by the revolt of soldiers whom his bribes or promises had corrupted. Pompey, who afterwards merited the surname of Great, embraced his cause, and marched to his camp in three legions. Soon after he appeared in the field with advantage; the confidence of Marius decayed with his power, and Sylla entered Rome like a tyrant and a conqueror. The streets were daily filled with dead bodies, and 7000 citizens, to whom the conqueror had promised pardon, were suddenly massacred in the circus. The senate, at that time assembled in the temple of Bellona, heard the shrills of their dying countrymen; and when they enquired into the cause of it, Sylla coolly replied, They are only a few rebels whom I have ordered to be
chastised. If this had been tie last and most diastal scene, Rome might have been called happy; but it was only the beginning of her misfortunes; each succeeding day exhibited a greater number of slaughtered bodies; and when one of the senators had the boldness to ask the tyrant when he meant to stop his cruelties, Sylla, with an air of unconcern answered, that he had not yet determined, but that he would take it into his consideration. The slaughter was continued, a list of such as were proscribed was daily stuck in the public streets. The slave was rewarded to bring his master's head, and the son was not ashamed to imbrue his hands in the blood of his father for money. No less than 4700 of the most powerful and opulent were slain, and Sylla wished the Romans to forget his cruelties in aspiring to the title of perpetual dictator. In this capacity, he made new laws, abrogated such as were inimical to his views, and changed every regulation where his ambition was obstructed. After he had finished whatever the most absolute sovereign may do, from his own will and authority, Sylla abdicated the dictatorial power, and retired to a solitary retreat at Puteoli, where he spent the rest of his days, if not in literary ease and tranquillity, yet far from the noise of arms, in the midst of riot and debauchery. The companions of his retirement were the most base and licentious of the populace, and Sylla took pleasure still to wallow in voluptuousness, though on the verge of life, and covered with infirmities. His in-temperance hastened his end, his blood was corrupted, and an imposthume was bred in his bowels. He at last died in the greatest torments of the lousy disease, about 78 years before Christ, in the 60th year of his age; and it has been observed, that like Marius, on his death-bed, he wished to drown the stings of conscience and remorse, by being in a continual state of intoxication. His funeral was very magnificent; his body was attended by the senate and the vestal virgins, and hymns were sung to celebrate his exploits, and to honour his memory. A monument was erected in the field of Mars, on which appeared an inscription written by himself, in which he said, the good services he had received from his friends, and the injuries of his enemies, had been returned with uncommon usury. The character of Sylla is that of an ambitious, dissimulating, credulous, tyrannical, debauched, and resolute commander. He was revengeful in the highest degree, and the surname of Felix, or the fortunate, which he assumed, shewed that he was more indebted to fortune than to valour for the great fame he had acquired. But in the midst of all this, who cannot admire the moderation and philosophy of a man, who, when absolute master of a republic, which he has procured by his cruelty and avarice, silently abdicates the sovereign power, challenges a critical examination of his administration, and retires to live securely in the midst of thousands whom he has infected and offended? The Romans were pleased and astonished at his abdication; and when the inso- lence of a young man had been vented against the dictator, he calmly answered, This usage may perhaps deter another to resign his power to follow my example, if ever he becomes absolute. Sylla has been commended for the patronage he gave to the arts and sciences. He brought from Asia the extensive library of Apollonius, the Peripatetic philosopher, in which were the works of Aristotle and Theophrastus, and he himself composed twenty-two books of memoirs concerning himself. Cic. in Ver., &c.—C. Nep. in Attic. Patrec. 2, c. 17, &c.—Luc. 75, &c.—Paus. 1, c. 20.—Flor. 3, c. 5, &c. l. 4, c. 2, &c.—Vell. Max. 12, &c.—Polyb. 5.—Justin. 37 & 38.—Eutrop. 5, c. 2.—Plut. in Vita. A nephew of the dictator, who conspired against his country, because he had been deprived of his consulsip in bribery—Another relation who also joined in the same conspiracy.—A man put to death by Nero at Marseilles, where he had been banished.—A friend of Cato, defeated and killed by one of Caesar's lieutenants.—A senator banished from the senate for his prodigality by Tiberius.

SYLLIS, a nymph, mother of Zeuxippus by Apollo.

SYLOES, a promontory of Africa.

SYLÖSON, a man who gave a splendid garment to Darius, son of Hystaspes, when a private man. Darius, when raised on the throne of Persia, remembered the gift of Sylcos with gratitude. Strab. 14.

SYLVAÈNS, a god of the woods. Vid. Silvanus.

SYLVA, or ILIA, the mother of Romulus. Vid. Rhea.—A daughter of Tyrrhenus, whose favourite stag was wounded by Ascanius. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 503.

SYLVIUS, a son of Eneas by Lavinia, from whom afterwards all the kings of Alba were called Sylvi. Virg. Æn. 6, v. 763.

SYMA, or SYME, a town of Asia.—A nymph, mother of Cthonius by Neptune. Dial. 5.

SYMBOLUM, a place of Macedonia on the confines of Thrace.

SYMMACHUS, an officer in the army of Aegis-laus.—A celebrated orator in the age of Theodosius the Great. His father was prefect of Rome. He wrote against the Christians, and ten books of his letters are extant, which have been refuted by Ambrose and Prudentius. The best editions of Symmachus are that of Genev. 8vo. 1598, and that of Paris, 4to. 1604.—A writer in the second century. He translated the bible into Greek, of which few fragments remain.

SYMPLEGÆDES, or CYÂNES, two islands or rocks at the entrance of the Euxine sea. Vid. Cyaneae.

SYMBUS a mountain of Armenia, from which the Araxes flows.

SYNCELLUS, one of the Byzantine historians, whose works were edited in fol. Paris, 1652.

SYNESIUS, a bishop of Cyrene in the age of Theodosius the Younger, as conspicuous for his learning as his piety. He wrote 155 epistles, besides other treatises, in Greek, in a style pure
and elegant, and bordering much upon the poetic. The last edition is in 8vo. Paris, 1605; inferior, however, to the editio princeps by Petavius, fol. Paris, 1612. The best edition of Synges de febribus is that of Bernard, Amst. 1749.

SYNNAS, a town of Phrygia, famous for its marble quarries. It is also called Synnada.

SYNNALAXIS, a nymph of Ionia, who had a temple in Elis.

SYNNIS, a famous robber of Attica. Vid. Synis.

SYNOPE, a town on the borders of the Euxine. Vid. Sinope.

SYPHAX, a king of the Massalaysilii in Libya, who married Sophonisba, the daughter of Asdrubal, and forsook the alliance of the Romans to join himself to the interest of his father-in-law, and of Carthage. He was conquered in a battle by Masiniissa, the ally of Rome, and given to Scipio, the Roman general. The conqueror carried him to Rome, where he adorned his triumph. Syphax died in prison 201 years before Christ, and his possessions were given to Masiniissa. According to some, the descendants of Syphax reigned for some time over a part of Numidia, and continued to make opposition to the Romans. Liv. 24, &c.—Plut.—Flor. 2, c. 6.—Polyb.—Ital. 16, v. 171 & 118.—Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 767.

SYFRHEUM, a town of the Bruttii in Italy. Liv. 30, c. 19.

SYRACES, one of the Sace, who mutilated himself, and by pretending to be a deserter, brought Darius, who made war against his country, into many difficulties.

SYRACOSIA, festivals at Syracuse, celebrated during ten days, in which women were busily employed in offering sacrifices. Another, yearly observed near the lake of Syracuse, where, as they suppose, Pluto had disappeared with Proserpine.

SYRACUSE, a celebrated city of Sicily, founded, about 732 years before the Christian era, by Archias, a Corinthian, and one of the Heraclids. It was divided into four different districts, which were of themselves separate cities, and it was fortified with three citadels, and three folded walls. It had two capacious harbours separated from each other by the island of Ortygia. The greatest harbour was about 5000 paces in circumference, and its entrance 500 paces wide. The people of Syracuse were very opulent and powerful, and though subject to tyrants, they were masters of vast possessions and dependent states. The city of Syracuse was well built, its houses were stately and magnificent; and it has been said, that it produced the best and most excellent of men when they were virtuous, but the most wicked and depraved when addicted to vicious pursuits. The women of Syracuse were not permitted to adorn themselves with gold, or wear costly garments, except such as prostituted themselves. Syracuse gave birth to Theocritus and Archimedes. It was under different governments; and after being freed from the tyranny of Thrasylus, B. C. 446, it enjoyed security for 61 years, till the usurpation of the Dionysii, who were expelled by Timoleon B. C. 343. In the age of the elder Dionysius, an army of 100,000 foot and 10,000 horse, and 400 ships, were kept in constant pay. It fell into the hands of the Romans, under the consul Marcellus, after a siege of three years, B. C. 412. C. i. in. Terr. 2, c. 52 & 53.—Strab. 1 & 6.—C. Nep.—Mel. 2, c. 7.—Liv. 23, &c.—Plut. in Marcell. &c.—Flor. 2, c. 6.—Ital. 14, v. 276.

SYRIA, a large country of Asia, whose boundaries are not accurately ascertained by the ancients. Syria, generally speaking, was bounded on the east by the Euphrates, north by mount Taurus, west by the Mediterranean, and south by Arabia. It was divided into several districts and provinces, among which were Phenicia, Palestine, Mesopotamia, Babylon, and Assyria. It was also called Assyria, and the words Syria and Assyria, though distinguished and defined by some authors, were often used indifferently. Syria was subjected to the monarchs of Persia; but after the death of Alexander the Great, Seleucus, surnamed Nicator, who had received this province as his lot in the division of the Macedonian dominions, raised it into an empire, known in history by the name of the kingdom of Syria or Babylon, B. C. 312. Seleucus died after a reign of 32 years, and his successors, surnamed the Seleucids, ascended the throne in the following order: Antiochus, surnamed Soter, 280 B. C.; Antiochus Theos 261; Seleucus Callinicus, 246; Seleucus Ceraunos, 226; Antiochus the Great, 223; Seleucus Philopator, 187; Antiochus Epiphanes, 175; Antiochus Eupator, 164; Demetrius Soter, 162; Alexander Balas, 150; Demetrius Nicator, 146; Antiochus the Sixth, 144; Didotus Tryphon, 143; Antiochus Sidetes, 139; Demetrius Nicator restored, 130; Alexander Zebina, 127, who was dethroned by Antiochus Grypus, 123; Antiochus Cyzicenus, 112, who takes part of Syria, which he calls Colossia; Philip and Demetrius Eucerus, 93, and in Colossia, Antiochus Pius; Aetas was king of Colossia, 85, Tigranes, king of Armenia, 83; and Antiochus Asiaticus, 69, who was dethroned by Antiochus Grypus, 123; Antiochus Cyzicenus, 112, who takes part of Syria, which he calls Colossia; Philip and Demetrius Eucerus, 93, and in Colossia, Antiochus Pius; Aetas was king of Colossia, 85, Tigranes, king of Armenia, 83; and Antiochus Asiaticus, 69, who was dethroned by Pompey, B. C. 65; in consequence of which, Syria became a Roman province. Herodot. 2, 3, & 7.—Apollon. 1, Arg.—Strab. 12 & 16.—C. Nep. in Dat. —Mel. 1, c. 2.—Pet. 5, c. 6.—Cur. 6.—Dio. Perig. 412.

SYRIACUM MARE, that part of the Mediterranean sea which is on the coast of Phenicia and Syria.

SYRIX, a nymph of Arcadia, daughter of the river Ladon. Pan became enamoured of her, and attempted to offer her violence; but Syrix escaped, and at her own request, was changed by the gods into a reed called Syrix by the Greeks. The god made himself a pipe with the reeds, into which his favourite nymph had been changed. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 691.

SYRNA, a daughter of Damæus, king of Caria, was killed by Podalarus.

SYROPHENIX, the name of an inhabitant of the maritime coast of Syria.
SYROS, one of the Cyclades in the Aegean sea, about 20 miles in circumference, very fruitful in wine and corn of all sorts. The inhabitants lived to a great old age, because the air was wholesome. *Homer. Od. 15*, v. 504.—*Strab. 10.*—*Mela*, 2, c. 7.—A town of Caria. *Paus. 3*, c. 26.

SYRTES, two large sand-banks in the Mediterranean, on the coast of Africa, one of which was near Leptis, and the other near Carthage. As they often changed places, and were sometimes very high or very low under the water, they were deemed most dangerous in navigation, and proved fatal to whatever ships touched upon them. *Mela*, 1, c. 7. l. 2, c. 7.—*Verg. Æn. 4*, v. 41.—*Lucan. 9*, v. 303.—*Sallust. in Jug.*

SYROS, an island. [Vid. Syros.]—A son of Apollo, by Pinope, the daughter of the Apos- pus, who gave his name to Syria. *Plut. in Luc.*—A writer. Vid. *Publius.*

SYSIGAMBI, the mother of Darius. Vid. Sis- ygbambis.

SYSIMETHRES, a Persian satrap who had two children by his mother, an incestuous commerce tolerated by the laws of Persia. He opposed Alexander with 2000 men, but soon surrendered. He was greatly honoured by the conqueror. *Curt.* 8, c. 4.

SYISNAS, the elder son of Datames, who re- volted from his father to Artaxerxes.

SYTHAS, a river of Peloponnesus, flowing through Sicyonia into the bay of Corinth. *Paus.* 2, c. 7.

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THEAUTES, a Phoenician deity, the same as the Saturn of the Latins. *Varro.*


TABRACA, a maritime town of Africa, near Hippo. *Mela*, 1, c. 7.—*Ital. 3*, v. 256.

TABURNUS, a mountain of Campania, which abounded with olives. *Verg. G. 2*, v. 38.

TACARINAS, a Numidian, who commanded an army against the Romans in the reign of Ti- berius. He had formerly served in the Roman legions, but in the character of an enemy, he displayed the most inveterate hatred against his benefactor. After he had severely de- feated the officers of Tiberius, he was at last routed and killed in the field of battle, fighting with uncommon fury, by Dolabella. *Tacit. Ann. 2*, &c.

TACHAMPSO, an island in the Nile, near The- bais. The Egyptians held one half of this island, and the rest was in the hands of the Éthi- opians. *Herodot. 2*.

TACHOS, or TACHUS, a king of Egypt in the reign of Artaxerxes Ochus, against whom he sustained a long war. He was assisted by the Greeks, but his confidence in Agesilaus, king of Lacedaemon, proved fatal to him. Chabrias, the Athenian, had been entrusted with the fleet of the Egyptian monarch, and Agesilaus was left with the command of the mercenary army. The Lacedaemonian disregarded his engagements, and by joining with Nectanebus, who had re- volted from Tachus, he ruined the affairs of the monarch, and obliged him to save his life by flight. Some observe, that Agesilaus acted with that duplicity to avenge himself upon Ta- chus, who had insolently ridiculed his short and deformed stature. The expectations of Tachus had been raised by the fame of Agesilaus; but when he saw the lame monarch, he repeated on the occasion the fable of the mountain which brought forth a mouse, upon which Agesilaus replied with asperity, that though he called him a mouse, yet he soon should find him to be a lion. *C. Nep. in Ages.*

TACINA, a river of Brutium.

TACITA, a goddess who presided over silence. Numa, as some say, paid particular veneration to this divinity.

TACITUS, (C. CORNELIUS) a celebrated Latin historian, born in the reign of Nero. His father was a Roman knight, who had been appointed governor of Belgic Gaul. The native genius, and the rising talents of young Tacitus, were beheld with rapture by the emperor Vespasian, and as he wished to protect and patronize mer- it, he raised the young historian to places of trust and honour. The succeeding emperors were not less partial to Tacitus, and Domitian seemed to forget his cruelties when virtue and innocence claimed his patronage. Tacitus was honoured with the consulship, and he gave proofs of his eloquence at the bar, by support- ing the cause of the injured Africans against the procurator Marius Priscus, and in causing him to be condemned for his avarice and extortion. The friendly intercourse of Pliny and Tacitus has often been admired; and many have ob- served, that the familiarity of these two great men, arose from similar principles, and a perfect conformity of manners and opinions. Yet Tacitus was as much the friend of a republican government, as Pliny was an admirer of the imperial power, and of the short-lived virtues of his patron Trajan. Pliny gained the heart of his adherents by affability, and all the elegant graces which became, the courtier and the favourite,
while Tacitus conciliated the esteem of the world by his virtuous conduct, which prudence and love of honour ever guided. The friendship of Tacitus and Pliny almost became proverbial, and one was scarce mentioned without the other, as the following instance may indicate. At the exhibition of the spectacles in the circus, Tacitus held a long conversation on different subjects with a Roman knight, with whom he was unacquainted; and when the knight asked him whether he was a native of Italy, the historian told him that he was not unknown to him, and that for their distant acquaintance, he was indebted to literature. Then you are, replied the knight, neither Tacitus nor Pliny. The time of Tacitus was not employed in trivial pursuits; the orator might have been now forgotten, if the historian had not flourished. Tacitus wrote a treatise on the manners of the Germans, a composition admired for the fidelity and exactness with which it is executed, though some have declared, that the historian delineated manners and customs with which he was not acquainted, and which never existed. His life of Cn. Julius Agricola, whose daughter he had married, is celebrated for its purity, elegance, and the many excellent instructions and important truths which it relates. His history of the Roman emperors is imperfect; of the 28 years of which it treated, that is, from the 69th to the 96th year of the Christian era, nothing remains but the 69th year, and part of the 70th. His annals were the most extensive and complete of his works. The history of the reign of Tiberius, Caius, Claudius, and Nero, was treated with accuracy and attention; yet we are to lament the loss of the history of the reign of Caius, and the beginning of that of Claudius. Tacitus had reserved for his old age, the history of the reign of Nerva and Trajan; and he also proposed to give to the world an account of the interesting administration of Augustus; but these important subjects never employed the pen of the historian; and as some of the ancients observe, the only compositions of Tacitus were contained in thirty books, of which we have now left only 16 of his annals, and five of his history. The style of Tacitus has always been admired for peculiar beauties; the thoughts are great; there is sublimity, force, weight, and energy; every thing is treated with precision and dignity; yet many have called him obscure, because he was fond of expressing his ideas in few words. This was the fruit of experience and judgment; the history appears copious and diffuse, while the annals, which were written in his old age, are less flowing as to style, more concise, and more heavily laboured. His Latin is remarkable for being pure and classical; and though a writer in the decline of the Roman empire, he has not used obsolete words, antiquated phrases, or barbarous expressions, but with him every thing is sanctioned by the authority of the writers of the Augustan age. In his biographical sketches, he displays an uncommon knowledge of human nature; he paints every scene with a masterly hand, and gives each object its proper size and becoming colours. Affairs of importance are treated with dignity; the secret causes of events and revolutions are investigated from their primeval source; and the historian everywhere shows his reader that he was a friend of public liberty and national independence, a lover of truth, and of the general good and welfare of mankind, and an inveterate enemy of oppression, and of a tyrannical government. The history of the reign of Tiberius is his master-piece; the deep policy, the dissimulation and various intrigues of this celebrated prince, are painted with all the fidelity of the historian, and Tacitus boasted in saying, that he neither would flatten the follies, or maliciously or partially represent the extravagance of the several characters he delineated. Candour and impartiality were his standard, and his claim to these essential qualifications of an historian, have never been disputed. It is said that the emperor Tacitus, who boasted in being one of the descendants of the historian, ordered the works of his ancestor to be placed in all public libraries, and directed that ten copies, well ascertained for accuracy and exactness, should be yearly written, that so great and so valuable a work might not be lost. Some ecclesiastical writers have exclaimed against Tacitus, for the partial manner in which he speaks of the Jews and Christians; but it should be remembered, that he spoke the language of the Romans, and that the peculiarities of the Christians could not but draw upon them the odium and the ridicule of the Pagans, and the imputation of superstition. Among the many excellent editions of Tacitus, these may pass for the best: that of Rome, fol. 1515; that in 8vo. 2 vols. L. Bat. 1673; that in usum Delphi, 4 vols. 4to. Paris, 1682; that of Lips. 2 vols. 8vo. 1714; of Gronovius, 2 vols. 4to. 1721; that of Brotier, 7 vols. 12mo. Paris, 1775; and Barbou's, 3 vols. 12mo. Paris, 1760.

M. Claudius, a Roman elected emperor by the senate, after the death of Aurelian. He would have refused this important and dangerous office, but the pressing solicitations of the senate prevailed, and in the 70th year of his age, he complied with the wishes of his countrymen, and accepted the purple. The time of his administration was very popular; the good of the people was his care, and as a pattern of moderation, economy, temperance, regularity, and impartiality, Tacitus found no equal. He abolished the several brotheis which under the preceding reigns had filled Rome with licentiousness and obscenity; and by ordering all the public baths to be shut at sun-set, he prevented the commission of many irregularities which the darkness of night had hitherto sanctioned. The senators, under Tacitus, seemed to have recovered their ancient dignity, and long lost privileges. They were not only the counsellors of the emperor, but they even seemed to be his masters; and when Florianus, the brother-in-law of Tacitus, was refused the consulship, the emperor said, that the senate, no doubt, could fix upon a more deserving object. As a warrior, Tacitus is inferior to few of the
Romans; and during a short reign of about six months, he not only repelled the barbarians who had invaded the territories of Rome in Asia, but he prepared to make war against the Persians and Scythians. He died in Cilicia as he was on his expedition, of a violent distemper, or according to some, he was destroyed by the secret dagger of an assassin, on the 13th of April, in the 276th year of the Christian era.

Tacitus has been commended for his love of learning, and it has been observed, that he never passed a day without consecrating some part of his time to reading or writing. He has been accused of superstition, and authors have recorded, that he never studied on the second day of each month, a day which he deemed inauspicious and unlucky. *Tacit. Vit.* 12.


Tænærus, a promontory of Laconia, where Neptune had a temple. There was there a large and deep cavern, whence issued a black and wholesome vapour; from which circumstance the poets have imagined, that it was one of the entrances of hell, through which Hercules dragged Cerberus from the infernal regions. This fabulous tradition arises, according to Pan-sanius, from the continual resort of a large serpent near the cavern of Tænærus, whose bite was mortal. This serpent, as the geographer observes, was at last killed by Hercules, and carried to Eryxtheus. The town of Tænærus was at the distance of about forty stadia from the promontory. This town, as well as the promontory, received its name from Tænærus, a son of Neptune. There were some festivals celebrated there called Tænæria, in honour of Neptune, surmounted Tænærus. *Homer. Hymn.* 413. — *Paus.* 3, c. 14. — *Lucan.* 6, v. 646. — *Ovid. Met.* 2, v. 247. 1. 10, v. 13 & 83. — *Paus.* 3, c. 25. — *Apollod.* 2, c. 5. — *Mela.* 2, c. 3. — *Strab.* 8.

Tænia, a part of the lake Mætis. *Plin.* 5, c. 4.


Tæges, a son of Genius, grandson of Jupiter, was the first who taught the 12 nations of the Etrurians the science of augury and divination. It is said, that he was found by a Tuscan ploughman in the form of a clad, and that he assumed an human shape to instruct this nation which became so celebrated for their knowledge of omens and incantations. *Cic.* 2, c. 23. — *Ovid. Met.* 15, v. 558. — *Lucan.* 1, v. 673.

Tægonius, a river of Hispania Tarracó-nensis.

Tagus, a river of Spain, which falls into the Atlantic after it has crossed Lusitania, and now bears the name of Tajo. The sands of the Tagus, according to the poets, were covered with gold. *Mela.* 3, c. 1. — *Ovid. Met.* 2, v. 251. — *Lucan.* 7, v. 753. — *Martial.* 4, ep. 55, &c. — A Latin chief killed by Nisus. *Virg.* En. 9, v. 418. — A Trojan killed by Turnus. Id. 12, v. 513.

Talaius, a son of Bins and Pero, father of

Adrastus by Lysimache. He was one of the Argonauts. *Apollod.* 1, c. 9. 1. 3. c. 6.

Talayra, the river of Phoebe. She is also called Hilaira. *Vid.* Phoebe.

Talètum, a temple sacred to the sun, on mount Taygetus, in Laconia. Horses were generally offered there for sacrifice.

Taltybyrus, a herald in the Grecian camp during the Trojan war, the particular minister and friend of Agamemnon. He brought away Briseis from the tent of Achilles, by order of his master. Taltybyrus died at Ægium in Achaia. *Homer.* II. 1, v. 320, &c. — *Paus.* 7, c. 23.

Talus, a youth, son of the sister of Daedalus, who invented the saw, compasses, and other mechanical instruments. His uncle became jealous of his growing fame, and murdered him privately; or, according to others, he threw him down from the citadel of Athens. Talus was changed into a partridge by the gods. He is also called Calus, Acalus, Perdix, and Taliris. *Apollod.* 3, c. 1. — *Paus.* 1. — *Ovid. Met.* 8. — A son of Enopion. — A son of Ceres, the founder of the Cretan nation. — A friend of Æneas killed by Turnus. *Virg.* En. 12, v. 513.

Tämærus, a mountain of Epirus. Tamus, a native of Memphis, made governor of Ionia, by young Cyrus. After the death of Cyrus, Tamus fled into Egypt, where he was murdered on account of his immense treasures.

Tamyres, a promontory of India, near the Ganges.

Tamesa, a beautiful plain of Cyprus, sacred to the goddess of beauty. It was in this place that Venus gathered the golden apples, with which Hippomanes was enabled to overtake Atalanta. *Ovid. Met.* 10. — *Plin.* 5.

Tampius, a Roman historian.

Tamyras, a river of Phoenicia, between Tyre and Sidon.

Tamyris, a queen. *Vid.* Thomiris.

Tanagra, a famous town of Boeotia, near the Euripus, between the Asopus and Thermodon. It was founded by Pumandros, a son of Charesillas, the son of Jasius who married Tanagra the daughter of Æolus; or, according to some, of the Asopus. Corinna was a native of Tanagra. *Strab.* 9. — *Paus.* 9, c. 20 & 22. — *Aelian.* V. H. 13, v. 25.

Tanagrus, or Tanager, a river of Lucania, in Italy. *Virg.* G. 3, v. 151.

Tana, an eunuch, freed-man to Maccenas. *Horat.* 1, Sat. 1, v. 105. — A river of Scythia, which divides Europe from Asia, and falls into the Palus Mætis after a rapid course, and after it has received the additional streams of many small rivulets. It is now called the Don. *Mela.* 1, c. 19. — *Strab.* 11 & 16. — *Curit.* 6, c. 2. — *Lucan.* 3, 8, &c. — A deity among the Persians and Armenians, who patronized slaves; supposed to be the same as Venus. The daughters of the noblest of the Persians and Armenians prostituted themselves in honour of this deity, and were received with greater regard and affection by their suitors. Artaxerxes, the son of Darius, was the first
who raised statues to Tanais. Strab. 11.—A city of Egypt.—Another on the Bosphorus. Tanais, a river of Numidia. Sal. in Jug. 90. Tanagula, called also Caia Coccia, was the wife of Tarquin, the fifth king of Rome. She was a native of Tarquinia, where she married Lucumon, better known by the name of Tarquin, which he assumed after he had come to Rome, at the representation of his wife, whose knowledge of augury promised him something uncommon. Her expectations were not frustrated; her husband was raised to the throne, and she shared with him the honours of royalty. After the murder of Tarquin, Tanagula raised her son-in-law Servius Tullius to the throne and ensured him the succession. She distinguished herself by her liberality; and the Romans in succeeding ages had such a veneration for her character, that the embroidery she had made, her girdle, as also the robe of her son-in-law, were preserved with the greatest sanctity. Juvenal bestows the appellation of Tanagula on all such women as were impertious, and had the command of their husbands. Lid. 1, c. 34, &c.—Dionys. Hal. 3, c. 59.—Flor. 1, c. 5 & 8.—Ital. 13, v. 818.

Tantalides, a patronymic applied to the descendants of Tantalus.

Tantalus, a king of Lydia, son of Jupiter, by a nymph called Pluto. He was father of Niobe, Pelops, &c. by Dione, one of the Atlanticides, called by some Euryanassa. Tantalus is represented by the poets as punished in hell, with an insatiable thirst, and placed up to the chin in the midst of a pool of water, which, however, flows away as soon as he attempts to taste it. There hangs also above his head, a bough, richly loaded with delicious fruit; which, as soon as he attempts to seize, is carried away from his reach by a sudden blast of wind. According to some mythologists, his punishment is to sit under a huge stone hung at some distance over his head, and as it seems every moment ready to fall, he is kept under continual alarms and never-ceasing fears. The causes of this eternal punishment are variously explained. Some declare that it was inflicted upon him because he stole a favourite dog, which Jupiter had entrusted to his care to keep his temple in Crete. Others say that he stole away the nectar and ambrosia from the tables of the gods when he was admitted into the assemblies of heaven, and that he gave it to mortals on earth. Others support that this proceeds from his cruelty and impiety in killing his son Pelops, and in serving his limbs as food before the gods, whose divinity and power he wished to try, when they had stopped at his house as they passed over Phrygia. There are also others who impute it to his lasciviousness in carrying away Ganymedes to gratify the most unnatural of passions. Pindar. Olym. 1.—Homer. Od. 11, v. 561.—Cic. Tusc. 1, c. 5, L. 4, c. 16.—Eurip. in Iphig. —Propert. 2, el. 1, v. 66.—Horat. 1, Sat. 1, v. 68. —A son of Thyestes, the first husband of Clytemnestra. Paus. 2.—One of Niobe’s children. Ovid. Met. 6 fab. 6.

Tanurius Germanus, a Latin historian intimate with Cicero. Seneca.

Taphius, islands in the Ionian sea, between Achaia and Leucadia. They were also called Teleboiades. They received these names from Taphius and Telebous, the sons of Neptune who reigned there. The Taphians made war against Electrony king of Mycenae and killed all his sons; upon which the monarch promised his kingdom and his daughter in marriage to whoever could avenge the death of his children upon the Taphians. Amphitryon did it with success, and obtained the promised reward. The Taphians were expert sailors, but too fond of plunder and piratical excursions. Homer. Od. 1, v. 181 & 419. l. 15, v. 426.—Apollod. 2, c. 4.

Tanu. 4, c. 12.

Taphius, a son of Neptune by Hippothoe the daughter of Nestor. He was king of the Taphis, to which he gave his name. Strab. 10. Apollod. 2, c. 4.

Taphius of Taphissus, a mountain of Locris on the confines of Aetolia.

Taphobane, an island in the Indian ocean, now called Ceylon. Its inhabitants were very rich, and lived to a great age. Strab. 2.—Ovid. en Pons. 3, el. 5, v. 80.

Tapus, a maritime town of Africa.—A small and lowly situated peninsula on the eastern coast of Sicily. Virg. Æn. 3, v. 689.

Tapyni, a people near Hyrcania.

Taranis, a name of Jupiter among the Gauls. They offered human sacrifices to this god. Lucan. 1, v. 446.

Taras, a son of Neptune, who built Tarentum, as some suppose.

Tarsaco, now Tarascon, a town of the Gauls.

Taraxippus, a deity worshipped at Elis. His statue was placed near the race ground, and his protection was implored, that no harm might happen to the horses during the games. Paus. 6, c. 20, &c.

Tarbelli, a people of Gaul.

Tarcheitus, an impious king of Alba.

Tarchon, an Etrurian chief, who assisted Æneas against the Rutuli. Some suppose that he founded Mantua. Virg. Æn. 8, v. 603.—A prince of Cilicia. Lucan. 9, v. 219.

Tarentum, or Tarentus, a town of Calabria, situate on a bay of the same name, near the mouth of the river Galesus. It was founded, or rather repaired, by a Lacedæmonian colony, about 707 years before Christ, under the conduct of Phalanthus. It was long independent, and could once arm 100,000 foot, and 3,000 horse. The people of Tarentum were very indolent, and as they were easily supplied with all necessaries, as well as luxuries from Greece, they gave themselves up to voluptuousness, so that the delights of Tarentum became proverbial. The war which they supported against the Romans, with the assistance of Pyrrhus, king of Epirus, and which has been called the Tarentine war, is greatly celebrated in history. This war which had been undertaken B. C. 281, by the Romans, to avenge the insults the Tarentines had offered to their
ships, when near their harbours, was terminated after ten years; thirty-thousand prisoners were taken, and Tarentum became subject to Rome. The government of Tarentum was democratic; there were, however, some monarchs who reigned there. It was for some time the residence of Pythagoras, who inspired the citizens with the love of virtue, and rendered them superior to their neighbours, in the cabinet as well as in the field of battle. The large, beautiful, and capacious harbour of Tarentum is greatly commended by ancient historians. Flor. 1, c. 18.—Val. Max. 2, c. 2.—Plut. in Pyr.—Plin. 8, 15, &c.—Liv. 12, c. 15; &c.—Mela, 2, c. 4.—Strab. 6.—Horat. 1, ep. 7, v. 45.—Atian. V. H. 5, c. 20.

TARPEA, a town mentioned by Homor, Il. 5. — A fountain of Lydia.

TARPA, (Spurius Mactius) a critic of Rome in the age of Augustus. He was appointed with four others in the temple of the Muses. In this office he acted with great impartiality, though many taxed him with want of candour. All the pieces that were represented on the Roman stage, had previously received his approbation. Horat. 1, Sat. 10, v. 36.

TARPEIA, the daughter of Tarpeius, the governor of the citadel of Rome, promised to open the gates of the city to the Sabines, provided they gave her their gold bracelets, or, as she expressed it, what they carried on their left hands. Tatus, the king of the Sabines, consented, and, as he entered the gates, to punish her perfidy, he threw not only his bracelet, but his shield upon Tarpeia. His followers imitated his example, and Tarpeia was crushed under the weight of the bracelets and shields of the Sabine army. She was buried in the capitol, which from her has been called the Tarpeian rock, and there afterwards many of the Roman malefactors were thrown down a deep precipice. Plut. in Rom.—Ovid. Fast. 1, v. 261. Amor. 1, el. 10, v. 50.—Liv. 1, c. 11.—Propert. 4, el. 4.—A vestal virgin in the reign of Numa.—One of the warlike females attendants of Camilla in the Rutulian war. Virg. En. 11, v. 656.

TARPEIA LEX, was enacted A. U. C. 269, by Sp. Tarpeius, to empower all the magistrates of the republic to lay fines on offenders. This power belonged before to the consul. The fine was not to exceed two sheep and thirty oxen.

SP. TARPEIUS, the governor of the citadel of Rome, under Romulus. His descendants were called Montani and Capitoline.

TARPEIUS MONS, a hill at Rome, which received its name from Tarpeia, who was buried there. It is the same as the Capitoline hill. Virg. En. 6, v. 39; &c.—TARQUINIUS, a town of Etruria, built by Tarquin, who assisted Aeneas against Turnus. Tarquinius Priscus was educated there, and he made it a Roman colony when he ascended the throne. Strab. 5.—Plin. 2, c. 95.

TARQUINIA, a daughter of Tarquinius Priscus, who married Servius Tullius. When her husband was murdered by Tarquinius Superbus, she privately conveyed away his body by night, and buried it. This preyed upon her mind, and the following night she died. Some have attributed her death to excess of grief, or suicide, while others, perhaps more justly, have suspected Tullia, the wife of young Tarquin, with the murder. — A vestal virgin who, as some suppose, gave the Roman people a large piece of land, which was afterwards called the Campus Martius.

TARQUINIUS PRISCUS, the fifth king of Rome, was son of Demaratus, a native of Greece. His first name was Lucumon but this he changed when, by the advice of his wife Tanaquil, he had come to Rome. He called himself Lucius, and assumed the surname of Tarquinius, because born in the town of Tarquinius, in Etruria. At Rome he distinguished himself so much by his liberality and engaging manners, that Ancus Martius, the reigning monarch, nominated him in his death, the guardian of his children. This was insufficient to gratify the ambition of Tarquin; the princes were young, and a learned oration delivered to the people immediately transferred the crown of the deceased monarch on the head of Lucumon. The people had every reason to be satisfied with their choice; Tarquin reigned with moderation and popularity. He increased the number of the senate, and made himself friends by electing ten new senators from the plebeians, whom he distinguished by the appellation of patres minorum gentium, from those of the patrician body, who were called patres majorum gentium. The glory of the Roman arms, which was supported with so much dignity by the former monarchs, was not neglected in this reign, and Tarquin showed that he possessed vigour and military prudence, in the victories which he obtained over the united forces of the Latins and Sabines, and in the conquest of the twelve nations of Etruria. He repaired, in the time of peace, the walls of the capital, the public places were adorned with elegant buildings and useful ornaments, and many centuries after, such as were spectators of the stately mansions and golden palaces of Nero, viewed with more admiration and greater pleasure the more simple, though not less magnificent, edifices of Tarquin. He laid the foundations of the capitol, and to the industry and the public spirit of this monarch, the Romans were indebted for their aqueducts and subterraneous sewers, which supplied the city with fresh and wholesome water, and removed all the filth and ordure, which in a great city too often breed pestilence and diseases. Tarquin was the first who introduced amongst the Romans the customs of canvass for offices of trust and honour; he distinguished the monarch, the senators and other inferior magistrates with particular robes and ornaments, with ivory chairs and spectacles, and the hatchets carried before the public magistrates were by his order surrounded with bun-
dies of sticks, to strike more terror, and to be viewed with greater reverence. Tarquin was assassinated by the two sons of his predecessor, in the 80th year of his age, 38 of which he had sat on the throne, 578 years before Christ. 

_Dionys. Hal. 3, v. 59._—_Val. Max. 1, c. 4, l. 3, c. 2._—_Flor. 1, c. 5, &c.—_Liv. 1, c. 31._—_Virg. Æn. 6, v. 817._—The second Tarquin, surnamed _Superbus_, from his pride and insolence, was grandson of Tarquinius Priscus. He ascended the throne of Rome after his father-in-law Servius Tullius, and the seventh and last king of Rome. He married Tullia, the daughter of Tullius, and it was at her instigation that he murdered his father-in-law, and seized the kingdom. The crown which he had obtained with violence, he endeavoured to keep by a continuation of tyranny. Unlike his royal predecessors, he paid no regard to the decisions of the senate, or the approbation of the public assemblies, and by wishing to disregard both, he incurred the jealousy of the one and the odium of the other. The public treasury was soon exhausted by the continual extravagance of Tarquin, and to silence the murmur of his subjects he resolved to call their attention to war. He was successful in military operations, the neighbouring cities submitted; but while the siege of Ardea was continued, the wantonness of the son of Tarquin at Rome, for ever stopped the progress of his arms; and the Romans, whom a series of oppressions and barbarities had hitherto provoked, no sooner saw the virtuous Lucretia stab herself, not to survive the loss of her honour, [Vid. _Lucretia._] than the whole city and camp arose with indignation against the monarch. The gates of Rome were shut against him, and Tarquin was forever banished from his throne, in the year of Rome 244. Unable to find support, even from one of his subjects, Tarquin retired among the Etrurians, who attempted in vain to replace him on his throne. The republican government was established at Rome, and all Italy refused any longer to support the cause of an exiled monarch against a nation, who heard the name of Tarquin, king, and tyrant, mentioned with horror and indignation. Tarquin died in the 90th year of his age, about 14 years after his expulsion from Rome. He had reigned about 25 years. Though Tarquin appeared so odious among the Romans, his reign was not without its share of glory. His conquests were numerous; to beautify the buildings and porticoes at Rome was his wish, and with great magnificence and care he finished the capitol, which his predecessor of the same name had begun. He also bought the Sibyline books which the Romans consulted with such religious solemnity. [Vid. Sibyl.] _Cic. pro Flab. &c._—_Liv. 1, c. 46, &c._—_Dionys. Hal. 4, c. 48, &c._—_Flor. 1, c. 7 & 8._—_Plin. 3, c. 41._—_Plut. Val. Mar. 9, c. 11._—_Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 687._—_Virg. Æn. 6, v. 817._—_Europ._—_Collatinus._

Collatinus, one of the relations of Tarquin the Proud, who married Lucretia. [Vid. Collatinus._]

_Sextius, the eldest of the sons of Tarquin the Proud, rendered himself well known by a variety of adventures. When his father besieged Gabii, young Tarquin publicly declared that he was at variance with the monarch, and the report was the more easily believed when he came before Gabii with his body all mangled and bloody with stripes. This was an agreement between the father and the son, and Tarquin had sooner declared that this proceeded from the tyranny and oppression of his father, than the people of Gabii entrusted him with the command of their armies, fully convinced that Rome could never have a more inveterate enemy. When he had thus succeeded, he dispatched a private messenger to his father, but the monarch gave no answer to be returned to his son. Sextius inquired more particularly about his father, and when he heard from the messenger that when the message was delivered, Tarquin cut off with a stick the tallest poppies in his garden, the son followed the example by putting to death the most noble and powerful citizens of Gabii. The town soon fell into the hands of the Romans. The violence which some time after Tarquinus offered to Lucretia, which was the cause of his father's exile, and the total expulsion of his family from Rome. [Vid. _Lucretia._] Sextius was at last killed, bravely fighting in a battle, during the war which the Latins sustained against Rome, in the attempt of re-establishing the Tarquins on their throne. [Vid. _Lucretia._]—_Liv._—A Roman senator who was accessory to Catiline's conspiracy.

_TARQUITIUS_, the name of some subordinate officers in the Roman armies under the emperors, &c._Tat._

_TARQUITUS_, a son of Faunus and Dryope, who assisted Turnus against _Aeneas._ He was killed by _Aeneas._ _Virg. Æn._ 10, v. 550.

_TARRACINA._ _Vid._ Tarracine.

_TARRACINA_ or _ANXUB_, a town of the _Volsci_, in Latium, between Rome and Neapolis. _Strab._ 5.—_Mela, 2, c. 4._

_TARRACO_, a city of Spain, situate on the shores of the Mediterranean, founded by the two Scipios, who planted a Roman colony there. The province of which it was the capital was called Tarracoensis. Hispania Tarracoensis, which was also called by the Romans Hispania _Citerior_, was bounded on the east by the Mediterranean, the ocean on the west, the Pyrenean mountains and the sea of the Cantabri on the north, and Lusitania and Betica on the south. _Martial_, 10, ep. 10._—_Sil. 3, v. 369._

_TARRUTIUS._ _Vid._ Acca Laurentia.

_TARSA_, a Thracian who rebelled under _Tiberius_, &c._Tacet. Ann. 4._

_TARSUS_, a river of _Tross._

_TARSUS_ or _TARSO_, a town of Cilicia, on the Cydnus, founded by tripodolemus and a colony of Argives, or, as others say, by Sardanapalus. Tarus was celebrated for the great men it produced. It was once the rival of Alexandria and Athens in literature and the study of the polite arts. The people of Tarus wished to ingratiate themselves into the favour of _J. Caesar_ by giving the name of Juliapolis to their city, but it was soon lost. _Lucan._ 3, v. 255.—_Mela._ 1, c. 13.—_Strab._ 14.
Tartarus, one of the regions of h e l l , where according to the ancients, the most impious and guilty among mankind were punished. It was surrounded with a brazen wall, and its entrance was continually hidden from the sight by a cloud of darkness, which is represented three times more gloomy than the obscurest night. According to Hesiod, it was a separate prison, at a greater distance from the earth than the earth is from the heavens. Virgil says, that it was surrounded by three impeneetrable walls, and by the impetuous and burning streams of the river Phlegethon. The entrance is by a large and lofty tower, whose gates are supported by columns of adamant, which neither gods nor men can open. In Tartarus, according to Virgil, were punished such as had been disobedient to their parents, traitors, adulterers, faithless miisters, and such as had undertaken unjust and cruel wars, or had betrayed their friends for the sake of money. It was also the place where Ixion, Tityus, the Danaides, Tantalus, Sisyphus, &c. were punished, according to Ovid. Hesiod. Theog. v. 720.—Sil. 13, v. 591.—Virg. En. 6.—Homer. Od. 11.—Ovid. Met. 4, ab. 13.

Tartessus, a town in Spain, near the columns of Hercules, on the Mediterranean. Some suppose that it was afterwards called Carthage, and it was better known by the name of Gades, when Hercules had set up his columns on the extremity of Spain and Africa. There is also a town called Tartessus, in a small island formed by a river of the same name, near Gades in Iberia. Tartessus has been called the most distant town in the extremities of Spain, by the Romans. Mela, 2, c. 6.—Paus. 6, c. 19.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 416.—Strab. 3.

Tarquinius, a rich and powerful Roman who was in love with Acra Laurentia, and he bequeathed all his riches to her.

L. Taruntius Sperina, a mathematician who flourished 61 years B.C.

Pasgetius Cornutus, a prince of Gaul, assassinated in the age of Caesar.

Tatian, one of the Greek fathers, A.D. 172. The best edition of his works is that of Worth, 8vo. Oxon. 1700.

Tatines, a name given to one of the tribes of the Roman people by Romulus in honour of Tatius, king of the Sabines. The Tatines, who were partly the ancient subjects of the king of the Sabines, lived on mount Capitolinus and Quirinalis.

Tatius (Titus), king of Cures among the Sabines, made war against the Romans after the rape of the Sabines. The gates of the city were betrayed into his hands by Tarpeia, and the army of the Sabines advanced as far as the Roman forum, where a bloody battle was fought. The cries of the Sabine virgins at last stopped the fury of the combatants, and an agreement was made between the two nations. Tatius consented to leave his ancient possessions, and with his subjects, the inhabitants of Cures, to come and live at Rome. He shared the royal authority with Romulus, and lived in the greatest union. He was murdered about six years after Lanuvium, B.C. 742, for an act of cruelty to the ambassadors of the Lauretes. This was done by order of his royal colleague, according to some authors. Liv. 1, c. 10, &c.—Plut. in Rom.—Cic. pro Balb.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 804.—Flor. 1, c. 1.

Tatta, a large lake of Fhrygia.

Taulantii, a people in the inland parts of Macedonia. Lucan. 6, v. 16.

Tauns, a mountain in Germany. Tacit. Anm. c. 56.

Taurania, a town of Italy, in the country of the Bruttii.


Tauri, a people of European Sarmatia, who inhabited Taurica Chersonesus. They sacrificed all strangers to Diana. The statue of this goddess, which they believed to have fallen down from heaven, was carried away to Sparta by Iphigenia and Orestes. Strab. 12.—Herodot. 4, c. 99, &c.—Mela, 2, c. 1.—Paus. 3, c. 16.—Eurip. Iphig.—Ovid. ex Pont. 1, el 2 v. 80.

Taurica Chersonesus, a large peninsula of Europe, at the south-west of the Parnus Maeotis, now called the Crimea. It is joined by an isthmus to Scythia, and is bounded by the Cimmerian Bosphorus, the Euxine sea, and the Parnus Maeotis. The inhabitants, called Tauri, were savage and uncivilized nation. Strab. 4.—Plin. 4, c. 12.—Vid. Tauri.

Taurica, a surname of Diana, because she was worshipped by the inhabitants of Taurica Chersonesus.

Tauris, Grecian feasts in honour of Neptune.

Taurini, the inhabitants of Taurinum, a town of Cisalpine Gaul, now called Tauria. Sil. 3, v. 646.

Taurisci, a people of Germany.

Taurium, a town of the Peloponnesus.

Taurinum, a town of Sicily, between Messana and Catana, built by the Zancleans, Sicilians, and Hybleans, in the age of Dionysius the tyrant of Syracuse. The hills in the neighbourhood were famous for the fine grapes which they produced. There is a small river near it called Taurinum. Dio. 17.

Taurus, the largest mountain of Asia, as to extent. One of its extremities is in Caria, and it extends not only as far as the most eastern extremities of Asia, but it also branches in several parts, and runs far in the north. Mount Taurus was well known by several names, particularly in different countries. In Cilicia, where it reaches as far as the Euphrates, it was called Taurus. It was known by the name of Amanus, from the bay of Issus as far as the Euphrates; of Antitaurus, from the western boundaries of Cilicia up to Armenia; of Mounts Matieni, in the country of the Leucosyrians, or Mons Moschicus, at the south of the river Phasis; of Amaranta, at the north of the Phasis; or Caucasus, between the Hyrcanian and Euxine seas; of Hyrcanii Montes, near Hyrcania; of
Imans, in the more eastern parts of Asia. The word Taurus was more properly confined to the mountains that separate Phrygia and Pamphy- lia from Cilicia. The several passes which were opened in the mountain were called Pyle, and hence frequent mention is made in ancient authors of the Armenian Pyle, &c. Mala, 1, c. 15. 1. 3. c. 7 & 8.—Plin. 5, c. 27.—A mountain in Germany. Tacit. Ann. 6, c. 41.—Titus Statilius, a consul distinguished by his intimacy with Augustus, as well as by a theatre which he built, and the triumph he obtained after a prosperous campaign in Africa. He was made prefect of Italy by his imperial friend.—A proconsul of Africa, accused by Agrippina, who wished him to be condemned, that she might become mistress of his gardens. Tacit. Ann. 12, c. 59.—An officer of Minos, king of Crete. He had an amour with Pasiphae, whence arose the fable of the Minotaur, for the son who was born sometime after. [Vid. Minotaurn.] Taurus was vanquished by Theseus, in the games which Minos exhibited in Crete. Plut. in Thes.

Taxila, a large country in India, between the Indus and the Hydaspes.

Taxilus or Taxiles, a king of Taxila, in the age of Alexander. He submitted to the conqueror, who rewarded him with great liberality. Curt. 8, c. 14.—A general of Mithridates, who assisted Archelaus against the Romans in Greece. He was afterwards conquered by Murena, the lieutenant of Sylla.

Taximaquilus, a king in the southern parts of Britain when Cæsar invaded it. Cæs. 5. G.

Taygete or Taygeta, a daughter of Atlas and Pleione, mother of Lacedaemon by Jupiter. She became one of the Pleiades, after death. Hygin. fab. 155 & 192.

Taygetus or Taygeta, a mountain of Laconia, in Peloponnesus, at the west of the river Eurotas. It hung over the city of Lacedaemon, and it is said that once a part of it fell down by an earthquake, and destroyed the suburbs. It was on this mountain that the Lacedaemonian women celebrated the orgies of Bacchus. Meta, 2, c. 3.—Paus. 3, c. 1.—Strab. 8.—Lucan. 5, v. 52.—Virg. G. 2, v. 468.

Teanum, a town of Campania, on the Appian road.

Teaurus, a river of Thrace, rising in the same rock from thirty-eight different sources, some of which are hot, and others cold. Darius raised a column there when he marched against the Scythians, as if to denote the sweetness and salubrity of the waters of that river. Herodot. 4, c. 90, &c.

Teatra, Teate, or Tegeta, a town of Latium.

Techmessa, the daughter of a Phrygian prince, called by some Teuthras, and by others Teleutas. When her father was killed in war by Ajax, son of Telamon, the young princess became the property of the conqueror, and by him she had a son, called Euryssaces. Sophocles, in one of his tragedies, represents Techmessa as moving her husband to pity her tears and entreaties when he wished to stab himself.
Periboea, whom some call Eriboea. Ovid. Met. 13, v. 131.—Sophoc. in Aj.—Pindar Isthm. 6.—Stat. Theb. 6.—Apollod. 1, 2, &c.—Paus. in Cor.—Hygin. fab. 97, &c.

Telemontædes, a patronymic given to the descendants of Telamon.

Teleschines, a people of Rhodes, said to have been originally from Crete. They were the inventors of many useful arts, and, according to Diodorus, passed for the sons of the sea. They were the first who raised statues to the gods. They had the power of changing themselves into whatever shape they pleased, and, according to Ovid, they could poison and fascinate all objects with their eyes, and cause rain and hail to fall at pleasure. The Telchinians insulted Venus, for which the goddess inspired them with a sudden fury, so that they committed the grossest crimes, and offered violence even to their own mothers. Jupiter destroyed them all by a deluge. Diod.—Ovid. Met. 7, v. 365, &c.

Telchina, a surname of Minerva.—Also a surname of Juno in Rhodes, where she had a statue at Ialyssus, raised by the Telchinians, who settled there.

Teleschius, a surname of Apollo among the Rhodians.

Telchis, a son of Eolus, the son of Ægialiæus. He was one of the first kings of the Peloponnesus.

Telca, a surname of Juno in Boeotia.

Telchæa or Telesboæ, a people of Ætolia, called also Taphians; some of whom left their native country, and settled in the island of Capreae. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 735. Vell. Taphiae.

Teledóibides, islands opposite Leucadia. Pind. 4, c. 12.

Telcles of Teleclus, a Lacedæmonian king, of the family of the Ægidae, who reigned 40 years, B.C. 813. Herodot. 7, c. 205.—Paus. 3, c. 2.—A philosopher, disciple of Lacedas, B.C. 214.—A Milesian.

Teleducri, an Athenian comic poet in the age of Pericles.

Telēgónus, a son of Ulysses and Circe, born in the island of Ææa, where he was educated. When arrived to the years of manhood, he went to Ithaca, to make himself known to his father, but he was shipwrecked on the coast, and destitute of provisions, he plundered some of the inhabitants of the island. Ulysses and Telemachus came to defend the property of their subjects against this unknown invader; a quarrel arose, and Telegonus killed his father, without knowing who he was. He afterwards returned to his native country, and, according to Hyginus, he carried thither his father's body, where it was buried. Telemachus and Penelope also accompanied him in his return, and soon after the nuptials of Telegonus with Penelope were celebrated, by order of Minerva. Penelope had by Telegonus a son called Italus, who gave his name to Italy. Telegonus founded Tusculum, in Italy, and, according to some, he left one daughter called Mamillae, from whom the

noble family of the Mamillii at Rome were descended. Horat. 3, od. 29, v. 8.—Ovid. Fast. 3 & 4. Trist. 1, el. 1.—Plut. in Par.—Hygin. fab. 127.—Sci. 7.—A son of Proteus, killed by Hercules.—A king of Egypt, who married Io, after she had been restored to her original form by Jupiter.

Teledys, a name under which they invoked Jupiter in the ceremonies of marriage.

Telemachus, a son of Ulysses and Penelope. He was still in his cradle when his father went with the rest of the Greeks to the Trojan war. At the end of this celebrated war, Telemachus, anxious to see his father, went to seek him, and as the place of his residence, and the cause of his long absence, were then unknown, he visited the court of Menelaus and Nestor to obtain information. He afterwards returned to Ithaca, where the suitors of his mother Penelope had conspired to murder him, but he avoided their snares, and, by means of Minerva, he discovered his father, who had arrived in the island two days before him, and was then in the house of Eumæus. With this faithful servant, and Ulysses, Telemachus concerted how to deliver his mother from the importunities of her suitors, and it was effected with great success. After the death of his father, Telemachus went to the island of Ææa, where he married Circe, or, according to others, Cassipone, the daughter of Circe, by whom he had a son called Latinus. He some time after had the misfortune to kill his mother-in-law Circe, and fled to Italy, where he founded Clusium. Telemachus was accompanied in his visit to Nestor and Menelaus by the goddess of wisdom, under the form of Mentor. It is said, that when a child, Telemachus fell into the sea, and that a dolphin brought him safe to shore, after he had remained some time under water. From this circumstance Ulysses had the figure of a dolphin engraved on the seal which he wore on his ring. Hygin. fab. 95 & 125.—Ovid. Heroid. 1, v. 98.—Horat. 1, ep. 7, v. 41.—Homer. Od. 2, &c.—Lycoph. in Cas.

Telemus, a Cyclops who was acquainted with futurity. He foretold to Polyphemus all the evils which he some time after suffered from Ulysses. Ovid. Met. 13, v. 771.

Teleon, an Athenian, father of the Argonaut Butes.

Telephassa, the mother of Cadmus, Phænix, and Cilix, by Agenor. She died in Thrace, as she was seeking her daughter Europa, whom Jupiter had carried away.

Telephus, a king of Mycia, son of Hercules and Auge, the daughter of Aleus. He was exposed as soon as born on mount Parthenius, but his life was preserved by a goat, and by some shepherds. According to Apollodorus, he was exposed, not on a mountain, but in the temple of Minerva at Tego, or, according to a tradition mentioned by Pausanias, he was left to the mercy of the waves with his mother, by the cruelty of Aleus, and carried by the winds to the mouth of the Cacus, where he was found by Teuthras, king of the country, who married, or rather adopted as his daughter, Auge, and educated her son. Some, however, suppose,

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that Auge fled to Teuthras to avoid the anger of her father, on account of her amour with Hercules. Yet others declare that Aleus gave her to Nauplius, to be severely punished for her incontinence, and that Nauplius, unwilling to injure her, sent her to Teuthras, king of Bithynia, by whom she was adopted. Telephus, according to the more received opinions, was ignorable of his origin, and he was ordered by the oracle, if he wished to know his parents, to go to Mysia. Obedient to this injunction he came to Mysia, where Teuthras offered him his crown, and his adopted daughter Auge in marriage, if he would deliver his country from the hostilities of Idas, the son of Aphaereus. Telephus readily complied, and, at the head of the Myrians, he soon routed the enemy, and received the promised reward. As he was going to unite himself to Auge, the sudden appearance of an enormous serpent separated the two lovers; Auge implored the assistance of Hercules, and was soon informed by the god that Telephus was her own son. When this was known, the nuptials were not celebrated, and Telephus some time after married one of the daughters of king Priam. As one of the sons of the Trojan monarch, Telephus prepared to assist Priam against the Greeks, and with uncommon fury, he attacked them when they landed on his coasts. The carnage was great, and Telephus was victorious, had not Bacchus, who protected the Greeks, suddenly raised a vine from the earth, which entangled the feet of the monarch, and laid him flat on the ground. Achilles immediately rushed upon him, and wounded him so severely, that he was carried away from the battle. The wound was mortal, and Telephus was informed by the oracle, that he alone who had inflicted it, could totally cure it. Upon this, applications were made to Achilles, but in vain; the hero observed, that he was no physician, till Ulysses, who knew that Troy could not be taken without the assistance of one of the sons of Hercules, and who wished to make Telephus the friend of the Greeks, persuaded Achilles to obey the directions of the oracle. Achilles consented, and as the weapon which had given the wound could alone cure it, the hero scraped the rust from the point of his spear, and by applying it to the sore gave it immediate relief. It is said that Telephus showed himself so grateful to the Greeks, that he accompanied them to the Trojan war, and fought with them against his father-in-law. 

Hygin. fab. 101.—Paul. 3. c. 48.—Apollod. 2. c. 7, &c.—Elgin. V. H. 12. c. 42.—Diod. 4.—Ovid. Fast. 1. el. 1, &c.—Philost. her.—Plin.—A friend of Horace, remarkable for his beauty, and the elegance of his person. He was the favourite of Lydias, the mistress of Horace, &c. Horat. 1. od. 12. l. 4, od. 11, v. 21.—A slave who conspired against Augustus. Sueton. in Aug.—L. Verus, wrote a book on the rhetoric of Homer, as also a comparison of that poet with Plato, and other poets, all lost.

Telles, son of Hercules and Lenomnes.
Telos, a small and fertile island of the Egean sea, opposite Troy, at the distance of about twelve miles from Sigeum, and fifty-six miles north from Lesbos. It was anciently called Leucophrys, till Tenes, the son of Cyrus, settled there and built a town which he called Tenedos, from which the whole island received its name. It became famous during the Trojan war, as it was there that the Greeks concealed themselves, the more effectually to make the Trojans believe that they were returned home without finishing the siege. Homer. Od. 3, v. 59.—Diod. 5.—Strab. 13.—Virg. En. 2, v. 21.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 540. l. 12, v. 109.—Mela, 2, c. 7.

Tenes, a son of Cyrus and Proclea. He was exposed on the sea on the coast of Tros, by his father, who had credulously believed his wife Philonome, who had fallen in love with Tenes, and accused him of attempts upon her virtue, when he refused to gratify her passion. Tenes arrived safe in Lencophrys, which he called Tenedos, and of which he became the sovereign. Some time after, Cyrus discovered the guilt of his wife Philonome, and, as he wished to be reconciled to his son whom he had so grossly injured, he went to Tenedos. But when he had tied his ship to the shore, Tenes cut off the cable with a hatchet, and suffered his father's ship to be tossed about in the sea. From this circumstance the hatchet of Tenes became proverbial to intimate a resentment that cannot be pacified. This hatchet was carefully preserved at Tenedos, and afterwards deposited in the temple of Delphi, where it was still seen in the age of Pausanias. Tenes, as some suppose, was killed by Achilles, as he defended his country against the Greeks, and he received divine honours after death. His statue was carried away by Verres Strab. 13.—Paus. 10, c. 14. A general of 3000 mercenary Greeks sent by the Egyptians to assist the Phocicians. Diod. 16.

Tennes, a part of Ethiopia.

Tennes, a king of Sidon, who, when his country was besieged by the Persians, burnt himself and the city together, B. C. 351.

Tennum, a town of Eolia.

Tenos, a small island in the Egean near Andros, called also Hydrussa, from the number of its fountains. It was very mountainous, but it produced excellent wines, universally esteemed by the ancients. Tenos was about fifteen miles in extent. The capital was also called Tenos. Strab. 10.—Mela, 2, c. 7.—Ovid. Met. 7, v. 469.

Tentyra, (plur.) and Tentyris, a small town of Egypt on the Nile.

Tentyra, a place of Thrace, opposite Samsathrace. Ovid. Trist. 1, el. 9, v. 21.

Teos, or Teiros, a maritime town on the coast of Ionia, in Asia Minor, opposite Samos. It was one of the twelve cities of the Ionian confederacy, and gave birth to Anacreon and Hecateus.
who was by some deemed a native of Miletus. According to Pliny, Teos was an island. Augustus repaired Teos, whence he is often called the founder of it in ancient medals. Strab. 14. Mela, 1, c. 17. — Paus. 7, c. 3. — Eikon. V. H. 8, c. 5. — Horat. 1, od. 17, v. 18. — Plin. 5, c. 31.

Teramius, a famous physician, son of Neptune, changed into an insect by the nymphs.

Teredon, a town on the Arabian gulf.

Terena, daughter of Strymon, whom Mars caused to be mother of Triballus.

Terentia, the wife of Cicero. She became mother of M. Cicero, and of a daughter called Tulliola. Cicero repudiated her, because she had been faithless to his bed, when he was banished in Asia. Terentia married Sallust, Cicero's enemy, and afterwards Messala Corvinus. She lived to her 103d, or according to Pliny, to her 117th year. Plut. in Cic. — Val. Max. 8, c. 13. — Cic. ad Attic. 11, ep. 16, &c. — The wife of Scipio Africanus. — The wife of Menenius, with whom it was said that Augustus carried on an intrigue.

Terentia Lex, called also Cassia, frumentaria, by M. Terentius Varro Lucullus, and C. Cassius, A. U. C. 660. It ordered that the same price should be given for all the corn bought in the provinces, to hinder the exactions of the questioners. — Another by Terentius the tribune, A. U. C. 291, to elect five persons to define the power of the consuls, lest they should abuse the public confidence by violence or rapine.

Terentianus, a Roman to whom Longinus dedicated his treatise on the sublime. — Maurus, a writer who flourished A. D. 240. The last edition of his treatise De Literis, Syllabis, & Metris Horatii, is by Mycullus, Francisco 8vo, 1584.

Terentius Publius, a native of Africa, celebrated for the comedies he wrote. He was sold as a slave to Terentius Lucanus, a Roman senator, who educated him with great care, and manumitted him for the brilliancy of his genius. He bore the name of his master and benefactor, and was called Terentius. He applied himself to the study of Greek comedy with uncommon assiduity, and merited the friendship and patronage of the learned and powerful. Scipio, the elder Africanus, and his friend Lelius, have been suspected, on account of their intimacy, of assisting the poet in the composition of his comedies; and the fine language, pure expressions, and delicate sentiments with which the plays of Terence abound, seem perhaps to favour the supposition. Terence was in the 25th year of his age when his first play appeared on the Roman stage. All his compositions were received with great applause; but when the words

Homo sum, humani nil a me alienum puto;

were repeated, the plaudits were reiterated, and the audience, though composed of foreigners, conquered nations, allies, and citizens of Rome, were unanimous in applauding the poet, who spoke with such elegance and simplicity the language of nature, and supported the native independence of man. The talents of Terence were employed rather in translating than in search of originality. It is said that he translated 108 of the comedies of the poet Menander, six of which only are extant, his Andria, Eumoch, Hautoantimormenes, Adelphi, Phormio, and Hezrya. Terence is admired for the purity of his language, and the artless elegance and simplicity of his dictum, and for a continued delicacy of sentiments. There is more originality in Plautus, more vivacity in the intrigues, and more surprise in the catastrophes of his plays; but Terence will ever be admired for his taste, his expressions, and his faithful pictures of nature and manners, and the becoming dignity of his several characters. Quintilian, who candidly acknowledges the deficiencies of the Roman comedy, declares that Terence was the most elegant and refined of all the comedians whose writings appeared on the stage. The time and the manner of his death are unknown. — He left Rome in the 35th year of his age, and never after appeared there. Some suppose that he was drowned in a storm as he returned from Greece, about 159 years before Christ. The best edition of Terence are those of Westerhovius, 2 vols. 4to. 1726; of Edinb. 12mo. 1738; of Cambridge, 4to. 1723; and Hawkey's, 12mo. Dublin, 1745. Cic. ad Attic. 7, ep. 3. — Paterec. 1, c. 17. — Quintil. 10, c. 1. — Horat. 2, ep. 1, v. 59. — Culeo, a Roman senator taken by the Carthaginians, and redeemed by Africanus. When Africanus triumphed, Culeo followed his chariot with a pilus on his head. He was some time after appointed judge between his deliverer and the people of Asia, and had the meanness to condemn him and his brother Asiaticus, though both innocent. Liv. 30, c. 45. — A tribune who wished the number of the citizens of Rome to be increased. — Evocatus, a man who, as it was supposed, murdered Galba. Tacit. Hist. 1, c. 41. — Lentinius, a Roman knight condemned for perjury. — Varro, a writer. — Vid. Varro. — A consul with Æmilius Paulus at the battle of Canna. He was the son of a butcher, and had followed for some time the profession of his father. He placed himself totally in the power of Hannibal, by making an improper disposition of his army. After he had been defeated, and his colleague slain, he retired to Canusium, with the remains of his slaughtered countrymen, and sent word to the Roman senate of his defeat. He received the thanks of this venerable body, because he had engaged the enemy, however improperly, and not deserted of the affairs of the republic. He was offered the dictatorship, which he declined. Plut. — Liv. 22, &c. — An ambassador sent to Philip, king of Macedo-nia. — Massaliola, an edile of the people, &c. — Marcus, a friend of Sejanus, accused before the senate for his intimacy with that discarded favourite. He made a noble defence, and was acquitted. Tacit. Ann. 6.

Terentius, a place in the Campus Martius near the capitol, where the infernal deities had an altar. Ovid. Fast. 1, v. 504.

Tereus, a king of Thrace, son of Mars and
Bistonis. He married Progne, the daughter of Pandion, king of Athens, whom he had assisted in a war against Megara. He offered violence to his sister-in-law Philomela, whom he conducted to Thrace by desire of Progne. 


Tergeste and Tergestum, a town of Italy on the Adriatic sea, made a Roman colony. Met. 2, c. 3, &c.—Dions. Perig. v. 390.—Paterc. 2, c. 110.

Terias, a river of Sicily near Catana. Teribazos, a nobleman of Persia, sent with a fleet against Evagoras, king of Cyprus. He was accused of treason, and removed from office, &c.

Teridae, a concubine of Menelaus. Teridates, a favourite eunuch at the court of Artaxerxes. At his death the monarch was in tears for three days. Ælian. V. H. 12, c. 1.

Terigum, a town of Macedonia. Terminia, or Termes, a town of Hispania Tarraconensis.

Termenus, a robber of Peloponnesus who killed people by crushing their heads against his own. He was slain by Hercules. Plut. in Thes.

Termenus, a river of Arcadia.

Termile, a name of the Lycians. Terminalia, annual festivals at Rome, observed in honour of the god Termenus, in the month of February. It was then usual for peasants to assemble near the principal land marks which separated their fields, and after they had crowned them with garlands and flowers, to make libations of milk and wine, and to sacrifice a lamb or a young pig. They were first established by Numa; and though at first it was forbidden to shed the blood of victims, yet in process of time land-marks were plentifully sprinkled with it. Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 641.—Cic. Phil. 12, c. 10.

Terminalis, a surname of Jupiter, because he presided over the boundaries and lands of individuals before the worship of the god Termenus was introduced. Dions. Hal. 2.

Ternus, a divinity of Rome, who was supposed to preside over bounds and limits, and to punish all unlawful usurpation of land. His worship was first introduced at Rome by Numa, who persuaded his subjects, that the limits of their lands and estates were under the immediate inspection of heaven. His temple was on the Tarpeian rock, and he was represented with a human head without feet or arms, to intimize that he never moved, wherever he was placed. The people of the country assembled once a year with their families, and crowned with garlands and flowers the stones which separated their different possessions, and offered victims to the god who presided over their boundaries. It is said that when Tarquin the Proud wished to build a temple on the Tarpeian rock to Jupiter, the god Termenus refused to give way, though the other gods rejoined their seats with cheerfulness; whence Ovid has said—

Restitit, et magno cum Jove templum tenet.

Dions. Hal. 2.—Ovid. Fast. 2, v. 641.—Plut. in Num.—Liv. 5.—Virg. Æn. 9.

Termes, or Termessus, a town of Pisidia.

Terpander, a lyric poet and musician of Lesbos, 675 B. C. It is said that he appessed a tumult at Sparta by the melody and sweetness of his notes. He added three strings to the lyre, which before his time had only four. Ælian. V. H. 12, c. 50.—Plut. de Mus.

Terpsichore, one of the muses, daughter of Jupiter and Mnemosyne. She presided over dancing, of which she was reckoned the inven- tress, as her name intimates, and with which she delighted her sisters. She is represented like a young virgin crowned with laurel, and holding in her hand a musical instrument. Jul. 7, v. 35.—Apollod. 1.

Terpsichrate, a daughter of Thespius. Terra, one of the most ancient deities in mythology, wife of Uranus, and mother of Oceanus, the Titans, Cyclops, Giants, Thea, Rhea, Theia, Phoebe, Theitis, Mnemosyne. By the Air she had Grief, Mourning, Oblivion, Vengeance, &c. According to Hyginus, she is the same as Tellus. Vid. Tellus.

Terracina, a maritime town of Italy. Terrasidius, a Roman knight in Caesar's army in Gaul.

Terror, an emotion of the mind which the ancients have made a deity, and one of the attendants of the god Mars and of Belona.

Tertia, a sister of Clodius the tribune, &c.—A daughter of Paulus, the conqueror of Perseus.

Tertius Julianus, a lieutenant in Caesar's legions.

Tertullianus, (J. Septimius Florens,) a celebrated Christian writer of Carthage, who flourished A. D. 196. He was originally a pagan, but afterwards embraced Christianity, of which he became an able advocate by his writings, which shewed that he was possessed of a lively imagination, impetuous eloquence, elevated style, and strength of reasoning. The most famous and esteemed of his numerous works are, his Apology for the Christians, and his Prescriptions. The best edition of Tertullian is that of Semlerus, 4 vols. 8vo. Hal. 1770; and of his Apology, that of Havencamp, 8vo. L. Bat. 1718.

Tethys, the greatest of the sea deities, and wife of Oceanus, and daughter of Uranus and Terra. She was mother of the chief rivers of the universe, such as the Nile, the Alpheus, the Mæander, Sinois, Peneus, Evenus, Scamander, &c. and about 3000 daughters called Oceanides. Tethys is confounded by some mythologists with her grand-daughter Theitis, the wife of Peleus, and the mother of Achilles. The word Tethys is poetically used to express.

**Tela,** a surname of Jupiter among the Phœnicians.

**Tetrapolis,** a name given to the city of Antioch, the capital of Syria, because it was divided into four separate districts, each of which resembled a city.

**Tetricus,** a mountain of Italy near the river Fabaris. **Virg. Æn. 7, v. 713.—** A Roman senator, saluted emperor in the reign of Aurelian. He was led in triumph by his successful adversary, who afterwards heaped the most unbounded honours upon him and his son of the same name.

**Teucer,** a king of Phrygia, son of the Scamander by Ida. According to some authors, he was the first who introduced among his subjects the worship of Cybele, and the dances of the Corybantes. The country over which he reigned was from him called Teucria, and his subjects Teucri. His daughter Batea, married Dardanus, a Samothracian prince, who succeeded him in the government of Teucria. **Apollod. 3, c. 12.—** Virg. Æn. 3, v. 108.—A son of Telamon, king of Salamis, by Hesione, the daughter of Laomedon. He was one of Helen's suitors, and accordingly accompanied the Greeks to the Trojan war, where he signalized himself by his valour and intrepidity. It is said that his father refused to receive him into his kingdom, because he had left the death of his brother Ajax unrevenged. This severity of the father did not dishearten the son; he left Salamis, and retired to Cyprus, where, with the assistance of Belus, king of Sidon, he built a town, which he called Salamis, after his native country. He attempted to no purpose to recover the island of Salamis after his father's death. He built a temple to Jupiter in Cyprus, on which a man was annually sacrificed till the reign of the Antonines. Some suppose that Teucer did not return to Cyprus, but that, according to a less received opinion, he went to settle in Spain, and thence to Gallocis. **Homer. II. 8, v. 231.—** Virg. Æn. 1, v. 623.—Apollod. 3, c. 12.—Paus. 2, c. 29.—Justin. 44, c. 3.—Paterc. 1, c. 1.—One of the servants of Phalaris of Agrigentum.

**Teucria,** a name given to the Trojans, from Teucer, their king. **Virg. Æn. 1, v. 42 & 239.**

**Teucria,** a name given to Troy, from Teucer, one of its kings. **Id. 2, v. 26.**

**Teucteri,** a people of Germany. **Tacit. de Germ. c. 22.**

**Teuenssus,** a mountain of Beotia, where Hercules, when young, killed an enormous lion.

**Teuta,** a queen of Illyricum, B.C. 231, who ordered some Roman ambassadors to be put to death. This unprecedented murder was the cause of a war, which ended in her disgrace.

**Teutadamas,** father of Pelasgus.

**Teutamis,** or **Teutamis,** a king of Larissa. He instituted games in honour of his father, where Perseus killed his grandfather Acrisius with a quoit.

**Teutamus,** a king of Assyria, the same as Tithonus, the father of Memnon. **Did. c.**

**Teutas,** or **Teutales,** a name of Mercury among the Gauls. The people offered human victims to this deity. **Lucan. 1, v. 445.—** Cæsar. Bell. G.

**Teuthras,** a king of Mysia, on the borders of the Caycuses. He adopted as his daughter, or according to others, married Auge, the daughter of Alcides when she fled away into Asia from her father, who wished to punish her for her amours with Hercules. Some time after, his kingdom was invaded by Idas, the son of Aphares; and to remove this enemy, he promised Auge and his crown to any one who could restore tranquility to his subjects. This was executed by Telephus, who afterwards proved to be the son of Auge, who was promised in marriage to him by right of his successful expedition. **Apollod. 2, c. 7, &c.—** Paus. 3, c. 27.—Ovid. Trist. 2, v. 19.—Hygin. fab. 100.—** A river's name.** One of the companions of Aeneas in Italy. **Virg. Æn. 10, v. 402.**

**Teutonatus,** a prince of Gaul, among the allies of Rome.

**Teutonii** and **Teutones,** a people of Germany, who with the Cimbri made incursions into Gaul, and cut to pieces two Roman armies. They were at last defeated by the consul Marius, and an infinite number made prisoners. **Vid. Cimbr. Cic. pro Manil. Flor. 3, c. 3.—Plut. in Mars.—Martial, 14, ep. 26.

**Thabenna,** an inland town of Africa. **Hirt. Afr.**

**Thbussum,** a strong place of Phrygia. **T. L. 38, c. 14.**


**Thala,** a town of Africa. **Tacit. Ann. 3, c. 21.**

**Thalamé,** a town of Messenia.

**Thalassiuss,** a beautiful young Roman in the reign of Romulus. At the rape of the Sabines, one of these virgins appeared remarkable for beauty and elegance, and her ravisher, afraid of many competitors, exclaimed, as he carried her away, that it was for Thalassiuss. The name of Thalassiuss was no sooner mentioned, than all were eager to preserve so beautiful a prize for him. Their union was attended with so much happiness, that it was ever after usual at Rome to make use of the word Thalassiuss at nuptials, and to wish those that were married the felicity of Thalassiuss. He is supposed by some to be the same as Hymen, as he was made a deity. **Plut. in Rom.—** Martial, 3, ep. 92.

**Thales,** one of the seven wise men of Greece, born at Miletus in Ionia. He was descended from Cadmus; his father's name was Examius, and his mother's Cleobula. Like the rest of
the ancients, he travelled in quest of knowledge, and for some time resided in Crete, Phœnicia, and Egypt. Under the priests of Memphis he was taught geometry, astronomy, and philosophy, and enabled to measure with exactness the vast height and extent of a pyramid. His discoveries in astronomy were great and ingenious: he was the first who calculated with accuracy a solar eclipse. He discovered the solstices and equinoxes, he divided the heavens into five zones, and recommended the division of the year into 365 days, which was universally adopted by the Egyptian philosophy. Like Homer, he looked upon water as the principle of everything. He was the founder of theIonic sect, which distinguished itself for its deep and abstract speculations under the successors and pupils of the Milesian philosopher, Anaximander, Anaximenes, Anaxagoras, and Archelaus the master of Socrates. Thales was never married, and when his mother pressed him to choose a wife, he said he was too young. The same exhortations were afterwards repeated, but the philosopher eluded them by observing, that he was then too old to enter the matrimonial state. He died in the ninety-sixth year of his age, about 543 years before the Christian era. His compositions on philosophical subjects are lost. *Herodot. 1.* c. 7.—Plato.—Dio. 1.—Cic. de Nat. D. &c.—A lyric poet intimate with Lycurgus. He prepared by his rhapsodies the minds of the Spartans to receive the rigorous institutions of his friend, and inculcated a reverence for the peace of civil society.

Thalostra, or Thalesstris, a queen of the Amazons, who came thirty-five days' journey to meet Alexander in his Asiatic conquests, to raise children by a man whose fame was so great, and courage so uncommon. *Curt.* 6, c. 5.—Strab. 11.

Thales, a Greek poet of Crete, 900 B.C.

Thalia, one of the Muses, who presided over festivals, pastoral and comic poetry. She is represented leaning on a column, holding a mask in her right hand, by which she is distinguished from her sisters, as also by a shepherd's crook. Her dress appears shorter, and not so ornamented as those of the other Muses. *Horat.* 4, Od. 6, v. 25.—Mart. 9, ep. 75.—Plut. in Sump. &c.—*Virg.* Ecl. 6, v. 2.—One of the Nereides. *Hesiod.* Theog.—*Virg.* En. 5, v. 826.—An island in the Tuirrhine sea.

Thallo, one of the hours or seasons which presided over spring.

Thallius, a son of Eurytus, one of Helen's suitors.

Thalsinia, a daughter of Ogyges.

Thamyras, a Cilician who first introduced the art of augury in Cyprus, where it was religiously preserved in his family for many years. *Taci.* 2. Hist. c. 3.

Thamyris, or Thamyris, a celebrated musician of Thrace. His father's name was Philammon, and his mother Arsinoe. He became enamoured of the Muses, and challenged them to a trial of skill. His challenge was accepted, and it was mutually agreed, that the conqueror should be totally at the disposal of his victorious adversary. He was conquered, and the Muses deprived him of his eye-sight and his melodious voice, and broke his lyre. His poetical compositions are lost. Some accused him of having first introduced into the world the unnatural vice of which Sotades is accused. *Homer.* 11, v. 594. 1, v. 599.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 3.—Ovid. *Amor.* 3, el. 7, v. 62.—*Art.* am. 3, v. 399.—*Paus.* 4, c. 33.

Thamyris, one of the petty princes of the Dace, in the age of Darius, &c.—A queen of the Massagetae. *Vid.* Thomyris. —A Trojan killed by Turtus. *Virg.* En. 12, v. 341.

Thamuda, a county of Arabia Felix.

Thaon, one of the giants who waged war against the gods.

Thargelia, festivals in Greece, in honour of Apollo and Diana. They lasted two days, and the youngest of both sexes carried olive branches, on which were suspended cakes and fruits.

Thariades, one of the generals of Antiochus, &c.

Tharops, a son of Æsager, to whom Bacchus gave the kingdom of Thrace, after the death of Lycurus. *Dict.* 4.

Thapsacus, a town of Arabia.

Thasius, or Thasius, a famous soothsayer of Cyprus, who told Busiris, king of Egypt, that to stop a dreadful plague which afflicted his country, he must offer a foreigner to Jupiter. Upon this the tyrant ordered him to be seized and sacrificed to the god, as he was not a native of Egypt. *Ovid.* de art. am. 1, v. 649.—A surname of Hercules, who was worshipped at Thasos.

Thasos, or Thasus, a small island in the Ægean, on the coast of Thrace, opposite the mouth of the Nestus, anciently known by the name of Æria, Odonis, Æthria, Acte, Ogygia, Chryse, and Ceresia. It received that of Thasos from Thaurus the son of Agenor, who settled there when he despaired of finding his sister Europe. It was about forty miles in circumference, and so uncommonly fruitful, that the fertility of Thasos became proverbial. Its wine was universally esteemed. Its marble quarries were also in great repute, as well as its mines of gold and silver. The capital of the island was also called Thasos. *Herodot.* 2, c. 44.—*Melas.* 2, c. 7.—*Paus.* 5, c. 25.—*Elian.* V. H. 4, &c.—*Virg.* G. 2, v. 91.

Thasus, a son of Neptune, who went with Cadmus to seek Europa. He built the town of Thasus in Thrace. Some make him brother of Cadmus.

Thaumantias and Thaumantis, a name given to Iris, the messenger of Juno, because she was the daughter of Thaumas, the son of Oceanus and Terra, by one of the Oceanides. *Hesiod.* Theog.—*Vir.* En. 9, v. 5.—*Ovid.* Met. 4, v. 479. 1. 14, v. 845.

Thaumas, a son of Neptune and Terra, who
married Electra, one of the Oceanides, by whom he had Iris and the Harpies, &c.

Thea, a daughter of Uranus and Terra. She married her brother Hyperion, by whom she had the sun, the moon, Aurora, &c. She is also called This, Tithen, Rhea, Tethys, &c.—One of the Spartæs.

Theagones, a man who made himself master of Megara, &c.—An athlete of Thasos, famous for his strength. His father's name was Timothes, a friend of Hercules. He was crowned above a thousand times at the public games of the Greeks and became a god after death. *Paus.* 6, c. 6 & 11.—Plut.—A Theban officer, who distinguished himself at the battle of Chaeronea. *Plut.*—A writer who published commentaries on Homer's works.


Theano, the wife of Metapontus, son of Sisyphus, presented some twins to her husband, when he wished to repudiate her for her barrenness. The children were educated with the greatest care, and some time afterwards, Theano herself became mother of twins. When they were grown up, she was encouraged to murder the supposititious children who were to succeed to their father's throne in preference to them. *Hygin.* fab. 166.—A daughter of Cissæus, sister to Hecuba, who married Antenor, and was supposed to have betrayed the Palladium to the Greeks, as she was priestess of Minerva. *Homer.* II. 6, v. 298.—*Paus.* 10, c. 27.—*Dictys.* Cret. 5, c. 8.—One of the Danaides. Her husband's name was Phantes. *Apolol.* 2, c. 1.—The wife of the philosopher Pythagoras.

—A poetess of Locris.—A priestess of Athens, who refused to pronounce a curse upon Alcibiades when he was accused of having mutilated all the statues of Mercury. *Plut.*—The mother of Pausanias. She was the first, as it is reported, who brought a stone to the entrance of Minerva's temple to shut up her son, when she heard of his crimes and perfidy to her country.—A daughter of Sceadas, to whom some of the Lacedæmonians offered violence at Eleuctra.—A Trojan matron, who became mother of Mimas by Amycus, the same night that Paris was born. *Virg.* *Ene.* 10, v. 703.

Theanum, a town of Italy. *Vid.* Teanum.

Thearidas, a brother of Dionysius the elder. He was made admiral of his fleet.

Thearius, a surname of Apollo at Troæze. Thearnus, a surname of Apollo at Troæze.

Theatbes, a Greek epigrammatist.

Thēbā, or Thēbe, a town of Cilicia. *Vid.* Thebe.

Thèbes, or *Therme,* a celebrated city, the capital of Bœotia, situated on the banks of the river Ilmenus. The manner of its foundation is not precisely known. Cadmus is supposed to have first begun to find it by building the citadel Cadmea. It was afterwards finished by Amphion and Zethus, but according to Varo, it owed its origin to Ogyges. The government of Thebes was monarchical, and many of the sovereigns are celebrated for their misfortunes, such as Laius, Edipus, Polynices, Eteocles, &c. The war which Thebes supported against the Argives is famous as that of the Epigoni. The Thebans were looked upon as an indolent and sluggish nation, and the words of *Theban pig,* became proverbial, to express a man remarkable for stupidity and inattention. This however was not literally true: under Epaminondas, the Thebans, though before dependent, became masters of Greece, and every thing was done according to their will and pleasure. When Alexander invaded Greece, he ordered Thebes to be totally demolished, because it had revolted against him, except the house where the poet Pindar had been born and educated. Thebes was afterwards repaired by Cassander, the son of Antipater. The monarchical government was abolished there at the death of Xanthus, about *1190 years* before Christ, and Thebes became a republic. It received its name from Thebe the daughter of Asopus, to whom the founder Amphion was nearly related. *Apolol.* 2, c. 4, &c.—*Mela.* 2, c. 3.—*Paus.* 2, c. 6, l. 9, c. 5.—*Strab.* 9.—Plut. in *Petr.*—*Flam.* & *Alex.*—C. Nep. in *Petr.* *Epam.* &c.—*Horat.* *art. Poet.* 394.—*Orid.* *Met.*—A town at the south of Troas, built by Hercules, and also called Placia and Hypopollacia. It fell into the hands of the Cilians, who occupied it during the Trojan war. *Curt.* 3, c. 4.—*Strab.* 11.—An ancient celebrated city of Thébais in Egypt, called also Hecatompylos, on account of its hundred gates, and Diospolis, as being sacred to Jupiter. In the time of its splendour, it extended above twenty-three miles, and upon an emergency could send into the field by each of its hundred gates, 20,000 fighting men, and 200 chariots. Thebes was ruined by Cambyses king of Persia. *Juv.* 15.—*Plin.* 36.—*Tacit.* *Amn.* 2.—*Herodot.* 2 & 3.—*Diod.* 2.—*Homer.* II. 9, v. 381.—*Strab.* 17.—*Mela.* 1, c. 9.—A town of Africa built by Bacchus.—Another in Thessaly.—Another in Phœbius.

Thébaïs, a country in the southern parts of Egypt, of which Thébes was the capital. There have been some poems which have borne the name of Thébaïs, but of these the only one extant is the *Thébaïs of Statius.* It gives an account of the war of the Thebans against the Argives. The poet was twelve years in composing it.—A river of Lydia.—A name given to a native of Thébes.

Thébe, a daughter of the Asopus.—The wife of Alexander, tyrant of Phæra. She was persuaded by Pelopidas to murder her husband.

Théia, a goddess. *Vid.* Thea.

Théias, a son of Belus.

Thélepissa, the second wife of Agenor, called also Telepissa.

Thélpusa, a nymph of Arcadia. *Vid.* Telpusa.

Thélxion, a son of Apis.
THEMISTIOPE, one of the Muses, according to some writers. Cic. de sin.

THEMISION, a tyrant of Eretria.

THEMILLAS, a Trojan, &c. Virg. Æn. 9, v. 576.

THEMIS, a daughter of Ceus and Terra, who married Jupiter against her own inclinations. She became mother of Dice, Irene, Eunomia, the Parce, &c. and was the first to whom the inhabitants of the earth raised temples. Her oracle was famous in Attica in the age of Deucalion, who consulted it with great solemnity, and was instructed how to repair the loss of mankind. She was generally attended by the seasons. Among the moderns she is represented as holding a sword in one hand, and a pair of scales in the other. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 321.

THEMISCYRA, a town of Cappadocia, at the mouth of the Thermodon, belonging to the Amazons. The territories round it bore the same name.

THEMENUS, a son of Aristmachus, better known by the name of Temenus.

THEMISON, a famous physician of Laodica, disciple to Asclepiades. He was founder of a sect called Methodists, because he wished to introduce methods to facilitate the learning and practice of physic. He flourished in the Augustan age. Plin. 29, c. 1. — One of the generals of Antiochus the Great. He was born at Cyprus. Ælian. V. H. 2, c. 41.

THEMISTA, or THEMIS, a goddess, the same as Themis.

THEMISTAGORA, one of the Danaides.

THEMISTIUS, a celebrated philosopher of Paphagnia, in the age of Constantius, greatly esteemed by the Roman emperors, and called the fine speaker, from his eloquent and commanding delivery. He was made a Roman senator, and always distinguished for his liberality and munificence. His school was greatly frequented. He wrote when young, some commentaries on Aristotle, fragments of which are still extant, and thirty-three of his orations. He professed himself to be an enemy to flattery, and though he often deviates from this general rule in his addresses to the emperors, yet he strongly recommends humanity, wisdom, and clemency. The best edition of Themistius, is that of Harduin, fol. Paris, 1684.

THEMISTO, daughter of Hypseus, was the third wife of Athamas, king of Thebes, by whom she had four sons, called Phoön, Leucōn, Schoneus, and Erythros. She endeavoured to kill the children of Iuo, her husband's second wife, but she killed her own by means of Iuo, who lived in her house in the disguise of a servant maid, and to whom she intrusted her bloody intentions. Paus. 9, c. 23.— Apollod. 1, c. 9.— A woman mentioned by Polyænus.—The mother of the poet Homer, according to a tradition mentioned by Pausanias 10, c. 24.

THEMISTOCLES, a celebrated general born at Athens. His father's name was Nocelus, and his mother's Euterpe, or Abrotonum, a native of Halicarnassus, or of Thrace, or Arcanania. The beginning of his youth was marked by vices so flagrant, and an inclination so incorrigible, that his father disinherited him. This, which might have disheartened others, roused the ambition of Themistocles, and the protection which he was denied at home he sought in courting the favours of the populace, and in having a share in the administration of public affairs. When Xerxes invaded Greece, Themistocles was at the head of the Athenian republic, and in this capacity the fleet was entrusted to his care. While the Macedonians under Leonidas were opposing the Persians at Thermopylæ, the naval operations of Themistocles, and the combined fleet of the Peloponnesians were directed to destroy the armament of Xerxes, and to ruin his maritime power. The obstinate wish of the generals to command the Grecian fleet might have proved fatal to the interest of the allies, had not Themistocles freely relinquished his pretensions, and by nominating his rival Eurybiades master of the expedition, shown the world that his ambition could stoop when his country demanded his assistance. The Persian fleet was distressed at Artemisium by a violent storm, and the feeble attack of the Greeks; but a decisive battle had never been fought, if Themistocles had not used threats and entreaties, and even called religion to his aid, and the favourable answers of the oracle to second his measures. The Greeks, actuated by different views, were unwilling to make head by sea against an enemy whom they saw victorious by land, plundering their cities, and destroying all by fire and sword; but before they were dispersed, Themistocles sent intelligence of their intentions to the Persian monarch. Xerxes, by immediately blocking them with his fleet in the bay of Salamis, prevented their escape, and while he wished to crush them all at one blow, he obliged them to fight for their safety, as well as for the honour of their country. This battle, which was fought near the island of Salamis, B. C. 480, was decisive, the Greeks obtained the victory, and Themistocles the honour of having destroyed the formidable navy of Xerxes. Further to ensure the peace of his country, Themistocles informed the Asiatic monarch, that the Greeks had conspired to cut the bridge which he had built across the Hellespont, and to prevent his retreat into Asia. This met with equal success. Xerxes hastened away from Greece, and while he believed, on the words of Themistocles, that his return would be disputed, he left his forces without a general, and his fleets an easy conquest to the victorious Greeks. These signal services to his country, endeared Themistocles to the Athenians, and he was universally called the most warlike and most courageous of all the Greeks who fought against the Persians. He was received with the most distinguishing honours, and by his prudent administration, Athens was soon fortified with strong walls, her Pireus was rebuilt, and her harbours were filled with a numerous and powerful navy, which rendered her the mistress of Greece. Yet in the midst of that glory, the
conqueror of Xerxes incurred the displeasure of his countrymen, which had proved so fatal to many of his illustrious predecessors. He was banished from the city, and after he had sought in vain a safe retreat among the republics of Greece, and the barbarians of Thrace, he threw himself into the arms of a monarch, whose fleets he had defeated; and whose father he had runned. Artaxerxes, the successor of Xerxes, received the illustrious Athenian with kindness; and though he had formerly set a price upon his head, yet he made him one of his greatest favourites, and bestowed three rich cities upon him, to provide him with bread, wine, and meat. Such kindnesses from a monarch, from whom he perhaps expected the most hostile treatment, did not alter the sentiments of Themistocles. He still remembered that Athens gave him birth, and according to some writers, the wish of not injuring his country, and therefore his inability of carrying on war against Greece, at the request of Artaxerxes, obliged him to destroy himself by drinking bull's blood. The manner of his death, however, is uncertain, and while some affirm that he poisoned himself, others declare that he fell a prey to a violent distemper in the city of Magnesia, where he had fixed his residence, while in the dominions of the Persian monarch. His bones were conveyed to Attica, and honoured with a magnificent tomb by the Athenians, who began to repent too late of their cruelty to the savour of his country. Themistocles died in the sixty-fifth year of his age, about 449 years before the Christian era. He has been admired as a man naturally courageous, of a disposition fond of activity, ambitious of glory and enterprise. Blessed with a provident and discerning mind, he seemed to rise superior to misfortunes, and in the midst of adversity, possessed of resources which could enable him to regain his splendour, and even to command fortune. Plut. & C. Nep. in Vita.—Plaut. 1, c. 1. l. 8, c. 52.—Elian. V. H. 2, c. 12. l. 9, c. 18. l. 13, c. 40.—A writer, some of whose letters are extant.

THEMISTOCLES, an historian of Syracuse, in the age of Artaxerxes Mennon.

Theocles, an opulent citizen of Corinth, who liberally divided his riches among the poor. Thrasimenes, a man equally rich with himself, followed the example. Elian. V. H. 14, c. 24.—A Greek statue. Paus. 6, c. 19.

THEOCLES, a Messenian poet and soothsayer, who died, B. C. 671. Paus. 4, c. 15, &c.

THEOCOLOMENUS, a soothsayer of Argolis, descended from Melampus. His father’s name was Thestor. He foretold the speedy return of Ulysses to Penelope, and Telemaeus. Homer. Od. 15, v. 225, &c.—Hygin. fab. 128.

THEOCRITUS, a Greek poet who flourished at Syracuse in Sicily, 282 B. C. His father’s name was Prazoras, and his mother’s Philina. He lived in the age of Ptolemy Philadelphus, whose praises he sang, and whose favours he enjoyed. Theocritus distinguished himself by his poetical compositions, of which thirty idyllia and some epigrams are extant, written in the Doric dialect, and admired for their beauty, elegance, and simplicity. Virgil in his eclogues has imitated and often copied him. Theocritus has been blamed for the many indeciant and obscene expressions which he uses; and while he introduces shepherds and peasants with all the rusticity and ignorance of nature, he often disguises their character by making them speak of high and exalted subjects. It is said he wrote some invectives against Hiero king of Syracuse, who ordered him to be strangled. The best editions of Theocritus are Warton’s, 2 vols. 4to. Oxon. 1770; that of Heinsius, 8vo. Oxon. 1699; that of Valkenaer, 8vo. L. Bat. 1781; and that of Reiske, 2 vols. 4to. Lips. 1760. Quinil. 10, c. 1.—Laert. 5.—A Greek historian of Chios, who wrote an account of Libya. Plut.

THEODMAS, or THEODAMAS, a king of Myasia, in Asia Minor. He was killed by Hercules, because he refused to treat him and his son Hylus with hospitality. Ovid. in lb. v. 438.—Apollod. 2, c. 7.—Hygin. fab. 271.

THEODECTES, a Greek orator and poet of Phaselis in Pamphylia, son of Aristander, and disciple of Isocrates. He wrote fifty tragedies, besides other works, now lost. He had such a happy memory that he could repeat with ease whatever verses were spoken in his presence. When Alexander passed through Phaselis, he crowned with garlands the statue which had been erected to the memory of the deceased poet. Cic. Tus. 1, c. 24. in Orat. 51, &c.—Plut. —Quinil.

THEODORUS, one of the Greek fathers, who flourished A. D. 425, whose works have been edited, 5 vols. fol. Paris 1642, and 5 vols. Hain 1769 to 1774.

THEODORITUS, a Greek ecclesiastical historian, whose works have been best edited, by Reading, fol. Cantab. 1720.

THEODORA, a daughter-in-law of the emperor Maximian, who married Constantius. A daughter of Constantine. A woman who from being a prostitute became empress to Justinian, and distinguished herself by her intrigues and enterprises. The name of Theodora is common to the empresses of the East in a later period.

THEODORUS, a Syracusan of great authority among his countrymen, who severely inveighed against the tyranny of Dionysius. A philosopher, disciple to Aristippus. He denied the existence of a god. He was banished from Cyrene, and fled to Athens, where the friendship of Demetrius Phalarus saved him from the accusations which were carried to the Areopagus against him. Some suppose that he was at last condemned to death for his impiety, and that he drank poison. A preceptor to one of the sons of Antony, whom he betrayed to Augustus. A counsellor in the reign of Honorius. Claudian wrote a poem upon him, in which he praises him with great liberality. A secretary of Valens. He conspired against the emperor and was beheaded. A man who compiled an history of
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Rome. Of this nothing but his history of the
reigns of Constantine and Constantius is extant.

—A comic actor. —A player on the flute in
the age of Demetrius Poliorcetes. —A Greek
poet of Colophon, whose compositions are lost.
—A sophist of Byzantium, called Logodallon
by Plato. —A Greek poet in the age of Cleo-
patra. He wrote a book of metamorphoses,
which Ovid imitated, as some suppose.—An
artist of Samos. He was the first who found
out the art of melting iron, with which he made
statues.—A priest, father of Isocrates.—A
Greek writer, called also Prodamus. The time
in which he lived is unknown. There is a
romance of his composition extant, called the
Amours of Rhodauthe and Dosiscles, the only edi-
tion of which was by Gaulminus, 8vo. Paris 1625.
Theodosiopolis, a town of Armenia, built
by Theodosius, &c.

Theodosius Flavius, a Roman emperor
surnamed Magnus, from the greatness of his ex-
pliants. He was invested with the imperial pur-
ple by Gratian, and appointed over Thrace and
the eastern provinces, which had been in
the possession of Valentinian. The first years
of his reign were marked by different conquests
over the barbarians. The Goths were defeated
in Thrace, and 4000 of their chariots, with an
immense number of prisoners of both sexes,
were the reward of the victory. This glorious
campaign intimidated the inverte enemies of
Rome; they sued for peace, and treaties of all-
iance were made with distant nations, who
wished to gain the favours and friendship of a
prince whose military virtues were so conspicu-
sous. Some conspiracies were formed against
the emperor, but Theodosius totally disregarded
them; and while he punished his competitors
for the imperial purple, he thought himself suf-
ficiently secure in the love and the affection of
his subjects. His reception at Rome was that
of a conqueror; he triumphed over the barba-
rians, and restored peace in every part of the
empire. He died of a dropsy at Milan, in the
sixtieth year of his age after a reign of sixteen
years, the 17th of January, A.D. 395. His
body was conveyed to Constantinople, and bu-
ried by his son Arcadius, in the tomb of Con-
stantine. Theodosius was the last of the em-
perors who was the sole master of the whole
Roman empire. He left three children, Arca-
dius and Honorius who succeeded him, and Pul-
cheria. Theodosius has been commended by
ancient writers as a prince blessed with every
virtue, and debased with no vicious propensities.
Though master of the world, he was a stranger
to that pride and arrogance which too often dis-
grace the monarch; he was affable in his be-
aviour, benevolent, and compassionate, and it was
his wish to treat his subjects as himself was
honoured, and the emperor was fond of pa-
tronizing the cause of virtue and learning. His
zeal as a follower of Christianity has been ap-
plauded by all the ecclesiastical writers, and it
was the wish of Theodosius to support the re-
vealed religion, as much by his example, meek-
ness, and Christian charity, as by his edicts and
ecclesiastical institutions. His wish of ele-
veny, however, in one instance was too openly
betrayed, and when the people of Thessalonica
had unmeaningly perhaps, killed one of his offi-
cers, the emperor ordered his soldiers to put all
the inhabitants to the sword, and no less than
6000 persons, without distinction of age, rank,
or sex, were cruelly butchered in that town in
the space of three hours. This violence irri-
tated the ecclesiastics, and Theodosius was com-
pelled by St. Ambrose to do open penance in
the church, and publicly to make atonement for
an act of barbarity which had excluded him
from the bosom of the church and the commu-
nion of the faithful. In his private character
Theodosius was an example of sobriety and
temperance, his palace displayed becoming gran-
deur, but still with moderation. He never in-
dulged luxury or countenanced superfluities.
He was fond of bodily exercise, and never gave
himself up to pleasure and enervating enjoy-
ments. The laws and regulations which he in-
 troduced in the Roman empire, were of the
most salutary nature. Socrat. 5, &c.—Zosim. 4,
&c.—Ambro. Augustin. Claudian. &c.—The
second, succeeded his father Arcadius as em-
peror of the western Roman empire, though
only in the eighth year of his age. He was go-
vern by his sister Pulcheria, and by his mi-
nisters and eunuchs, in whose hands were the
disposal of the offices of state, and all places
of trust and honour. He married Eudoxia, the
dughter of a philosopher called Leontius, a
woman remarkable for her virtues and piety.
The territories of Theodosius were invaded by
the Persians, but the emperor soon appeared at
the head of a numerous force, and the two hos-
tile armies met on the frontiers of the empire.
The constellation was universal on both sides;
without even a battle, the Persians fled, and no
less than 100,000 were lost in the waters of the
Euphrates. Theodosius raised the siege of Ni-
sibis, where his operations failed of success, and
he averted the fury of the Huns and Vandals by
bribes and promises. He died on the 29th of
July, in the forty-ninth year of his age, A.D.
450, leaving only one daughter Licinia Eudoxia,
whom he married to the emperor Valentinian
the third. The carelessness and inattention of
Theodosius to public affairs is well known. He
signed all the papers that were brought to him
without even opening them or reading them, till
his sister apprised him of his negligence, and
rendered him more careful and diligent, by
making him sign a paper, in which he delivered
into her hands Eudoxia his wife as a slave and
menial servant. The laws and regulations
which were promulgated under him, and se-
lected from the most useful and salutary insti-
tutions of his imperial predecessors, have been
called the Theodosian code. Theodosius was a
warm advocate for the Christian religion, but
he has been blamed for his partial attachment
to those who opposed the orthodox faith. So-
rum.—Socrates, &c.—A lover of Antonina tis

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The mathematician of Tripoli, who flourished 75 B.C. His treatise called Sphaerica, is best edited by Hunt, 8vo. Oxford, 1707. A Roman general, father of Theodosius the great; he died A. D. 376.

Theodota, a courtesan of Elis, in the age of Socrates. A Roman empress, &c.

Theodotian, an interpreter, in the reign of Commodus.

Theodotus, an admiral of the Rhodians, sent by his countrymen to make a treaty with the Romans. A native of Chios, who advised Ptolemy to murder Pompey. He carried the head of the unfortunate Roman to Caesar. He was last put to death by Brutus. A Syracusan accused of a conspiracy against Hieronymus the tyrant of Syracuse. A governor of Bactrians in the age of Antiochus, who revolted and made himself king, B.C. 250. A friend of the emperor Julian. A Phoenician historian. One of the generals of Alexander.

Thenus, (that is to say) the god of wine, a name of Bacchus.

Theognes, a Greek tragic poet.

Theognis, a Greek poet of Megara, who flourished about 549 years before Christ. He wrote several poems, of which only a few sentences are now extant, quoted by Plato and other Greek historians and philosophers. The best edition of Theognis, is that of Blackwall, 1stmo. London, 1706. There was also a tragic poet of the same name, whose compositions were so lifeless and inanimate, that they procured him the name of Chion or snow.


Theone, a daughter of Thestor, sister to Calchas. She was carried away by sea pirates and sold to Icarus, king of Caria, &c. Hygin. fab. 190. A daughter of Proteus, who became enamoured of Canobus, the pilot of a Trojan vessel, &c.

Thoephe, one of the daughters of Leos.

Theophane, a daughter of Bisaltus, whom Neptune changed into a sheep, to remove her from her numerous suitors. The god afterwards assumed the shape of a ram, and under this transformation he had by the nymph a ram with a golden fleece, which carried Phryxus to Colchis. Ovid. Met. 6, c. 177. Hygin. fab. 183.

Theophanes, a Greek historian born at Mitylene. He was very intimate with Pompey, and from his friendship with the Roman general his countrymen derived many advantages. After the battle of Pharsalia he advised Pompey to retire to the court of Egypt. Cic. pro Arch. &c. Patrec. Plus. in Cic. & Pompey. His son M. Pompeius Theophasae was made governor of Asia, and enjoyed the intimacy of Tiberius. The only edition of Theophasae, the Byzantine historian, is at Paris, fol. 1649.

Theophania, festivals celebrated at Delphi in honour of Apollo.


One of the Greek fathers, whose work ad Autolycum is best edited in 12mo, by Wolf, Hamb. 1724. The name of Theophilus is common among the primitive Christians.

Theophrastus, a native of Eresus, in Lesbos, son of a fuller. He studied under Plato, and afterwards under Aristotle, whose friendship he gained, and whose warmest commendations he deserved. His original name was Tyrramus, but this the philosopher made him exchange for that of Euphrastus, to intimate his excellence in speaking, and afterwards for that of Theophrastus, which he deemed still more expressive of his eloquence, the brilliancy of his genius, and the elegance of his language. After the death of Socrates, when the malevolence of the Athenians drove all the philosopher's friends from the city, Theophrastus succeeded Aristotle in the Lyceum, and rendered himself so conspicuous, that in a short time the number of his auditors was increased to two thousand. Not only his countrymen courted his applause, but kings and princes were desirous of his friendship; and Cassander and Ptolemy, two of the most powerful of the successors of Alexander, regarded him with uncommon tenderness. Theophrastus composed many books, and Diogenes has enumerated the titles of above 200 treatises, which he wrote with great elegance and copiousness. Some of these are still extant, among which are his history of stones, his treatise on plants, and his characters, an excellent moral treatise, which was begun in the 99th year of his age. He died loaded with years and infirmities, in the 107th year of his age, B.C. 288, lamenting the shortness of life, and complaining of the partiality of nature, in granting longevity to the crow and to the stag, but not to mankind. To his care we are indebted for the works of Aristotle, which the dying philosopher entrusted to him. The best edition of Theophrastus is that of Heinsius, fol. L. Bat. 1613; and of his characters, that of Needham, 8vo. Cantab. 1712. Cic. Tuscul. 3, c. 28. in Orat. 19, &c. Strab. 13. Digg. in vita. Ellin. V. H. 2, c. 1. 34, c. 20; 1. 8, c. 12. Quintil. 10, c. 1. An officer entrusted with the care of the citadel of Corinth by Antigonus. Polyb.

Theopolimus, a man who with his brother Hiero, plundered Apollo's temple at Delphi, and fled away for fear of being punished. Cic. in Verr. 5.
Theopompus, a king of Sparta, of the family of the Proclidas, who succeeded his father Nicander, and distinguished himself by the many new regulations he introduced. He created the Ephor, and died after a long and peaceful reign, B. C. 723. While he sat on the throne, the Spartans made war against Messenia. Plut. in Leg. — Paus. 3, c. 7. — A famous Greek historian of Chios, disciple of Isocrates, who flourished B. C. 334. All his compositions are lost, except a few fragments quoted by ancient writers. He is compared to Thucydides and Herodotus, as an historian, yet he is severely censured for his satirical remarks and illiberal reflections. He obtained a prize in which his master was a competitor, and he was liberally rewarded for composing the best funeral oration in honour of Mausolus. His father's name was Damasistratus. Dionys. Hal. 1. — Plut. in Leg. — C. Nep. 7. — Paus. 6, c. 18. — Quintil. 10, c. 1. — An Athenian who attempted to deliver his countrymen from the tyranny of Demetrius. Polyb. 5. — A comic poet in the age of Menander. He wrote 24 plays, all lost. — A son of Demaratus, who obtained several crowns at the Olympic games. Paus. 6, c. 10. — An orator and historian of Cnidus, very intimate with J. Caesar. Strab. 14. — A Spartan general, killed at the battle of Tegyra. — A philosopher of Chersones, in the reign of the emperor Philip.

Theoplectus Simocatta, a Byzantine historian, whose works were edited fol. Paris, 1647. — One of the Greek fathers, who flourished, A. D. 1070. His works were edited at Venice, 4 vols. 1754 to 1763.

Theopropis, an epitaph which the Grecians gave to Oracles.

Theorites, a surname of Apollo at Trezene. — It signifies clear-sighted.

Theotimus, a wrestler in the age of Alexander. Paus. 6, c. 17. — A Greek who wrote an history of Italy.

Theoxena, a woman who threw herself into the sea, when unable to escape from the soldiers of king Philip, who pursued her.

Theoxenia, a festival celebrated in honour of all the gods in every city of Greece, but especially at Athens. The Dioscuri established a festival of the same name, in honour of the gods who had visited them at one of their entertainments.

Theoxenius, a surname of Apollo.

Theora, a daughter of Amphion and Niobe. Hygin. fab. 69. — One of the Sporades in the Aegan sea, anciently called Callista. It was first inhabited by the Phoenicians, who were left there under Memhibris by Cadmus, when he went in quest of his sister Europa. It was called Theria by Thera, the son of Auteion, who settled there with a colony from Lacedaemon. Paus. 3, c. 1. — Herodot. 4. — Strab. 8.

Theramnes, a town near Pallene. Herodot. 7 c. 123.

Theramnes, an Athenian philosopher and general in the age of Alcibiades. His father's name was Agnon. He was one of the 50 tyrants at Athens, but he had no share in the cruelties and oppression which disgraced their administration. He was accused by Critias, one of his colleagues, because he opposed their views, and he was condemned to drink hemlock, though defended by his own innocence, and the friendly intercession of the philosopher Socrates. He drank the poison with great composure, and poured some of it on the ground, with the sarcastical exclamation of, This is to the health of Critias. This happened about 404 years before the Christian era. Theramnes has been called Callimachus, on account of the fineness of his disposition. Cic. de orat. 3, c. 16. — Plut. in Aleib. &c. — C. Nep.

Therapea, or Therape, a town of Laconia, at the west of the Eurotas, where Apollo had a temple called Phebeum. It was at a very short distance from Lacedaemon, and indeed some authors have confounded it with the capital of Laconia. It received its name from Therapea, a daughter of Lelex. Paus. 3, c. 14. — Ovid. Fast. 5, v. 223.

Theras, a son of Auteion of Lacedaemon, who conducted a colony to Callista, to which he gave the name of Theria. He received divine honours after death. Paus. 3, c. 1 & 15.

Thrippidas, a Lacedaemonian, &c. Dio. 15.

Theritas, a surname of Mars in Laconia.

Therma, a town of Africa. — A town of Macedonia, afterwards called Thessalonica, in honour of the wife of Cassander. The bay in the neighbourhood of Therme is called Thermon, or Thermaicus sinus, and advances far into the country, so much that Pliny has named it Macedonius sinus, by way of eminence, to intimate its extent. Strab. — Tacit. An. 5, c. 10. — Herodot.

Thermodoxon, a famous river of Cappadocia, in the ancient country of the Amazons, falling into the Euxine sea near Thesmyaca. There was also a small river of the same name in Boeotia, near Tanagra, which was afterwards called Hymon. Strab. 11. — Mele, c. 19. — Paus. 1, c. 1. 9. c. 19. — Plut. in Dem. — Virg. En. 1, v. 639. — Ovid. Met. 2, v. 249, &c.

Thermopylae, a small pass leading from Thessaly into Locris and Phocis. It has a large ridge of mountains on the west, and the sea on the east, with deep and dangerous marshes, being in the narrowest part only 25 feet in breadth. Thermopylae receives its name from the hot baths which are in the neighbourhood. It is celebrated for a battle which was fought there, B. C. 480, on the 7th of August, between Xerxes and the Greeks, in which 300 Spartans resisted for three successive days repeatedly the attacks of the most brave and courageous of the Persian army, which according to some historians, amounted to five millions. There was also another battle fought there between the Romans and Antiochus, king of Syria.
Thermus, a man accused in the reign of Tiberius, &c.—A man put to death by Nero.

A town of Ætolia, the capital of the country.

Therodamas, a king of Scythia, who as some report, fed lions with human blood, that they might be more cruel. Ovid. *ib.* 363.

Therophonos, an epitaph of Apollo.

Theon, a tyrant of Agrigentum, who died 472 B. C.—One of Actaeon's dogs. Ovid.


Theripander, a celebrated poet and musician of Lesbos, about 650 years before the Christian era, who several times obtained the prize in the different musical contests of the Greeks. He was slain by the Ephori at Lacedæmon, because he had added one string more to the lyre. His poetical compositions are lost.

Thersander, a son of Polyxenes and Argia. He accompanied the Greeks to the Trojan war, but he was killed in Mysia by Telephus, before the confederate army reached the enemy's country. *Verg.* *En.* 2, v. 261.—*Apollod.* 3, c. 7.—A son of Sisyphus, king of Corinth.

A musician of Lonia.


Thersippus, a son of Agrius, who drove Æneas from the throne of Calydon.—A man who carried a letter from Alexander to Darius. Curt.—An Athenian author who died 954 B. C.

Thersites, an officer the most deformed and illiberal of the Greeks during the Trojan war. He was fond of ridiculing his fellow-soldiers, particularly Agamemnon, Achilles, and Ulysses. Achilles killed him with one blow of his fist, because he laughed at his mourning the death of Penthesilea. Ovid. *ex Pint.* 4, el. v. 15.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 8.—Homer. *Il.* 2, 215, &c.

Theseas, a patronymic given to the Athenians from Theseus, one of their kings. *Verg.* G. 3, v. 363.

Theseus, a poem written by Codrus, containing an account of the life and actions of Theseus, and now lost. *Juv.* 1, v. 2.

Theseus, king of Athens, and son of Ægeus, by Æthra the daughter of Pittheus, was one of the most celebrated of the heroes of antiquity. He was educated at Træzene in the house of Pittheus, and as he was not publicly acknowledged to be the son of the king of Athens, he for the son of Neptune. When he came to the years of maturity, he was sent by his mother to his father, and a sword was given him, by which he might make himself known to Ægeus in a private manner. [Vid. *Ægeus.*] His journey to Athens was not across the sea, as it was usual with travellers, but Theseus determined to signalize himself in going by land, and encountering difficulties. The road which led from Træzene to Athens was infested with robbers and wild beasts, and rendered impassable, but these obstacles were easily removed by the courageous son of Ægeus. He destroyed Corynetes, Synnis, Sciron, Cercyon, Procrustes, and the celebrated Phæa. At Athens, however, his reception was not cordial. Medea lived there with Ægeus, and as she knew that her influence would fall to the ground if Theseus was received in his father's house, she attempted to destroy him before his arrival was made public. Ægeus was himself to give the cup of poison to this unknown stranger at a feast, but the sight of his sword on the side of Theseus, reminded him of his amours with Æthra. He knew him to be his son, and the people of Athens were glad to find that this illustrious stranger who had cleared Attica from robbers and pirates, was the son of their monarch. The Pallantides, who expected to succeed their uncle Ægeus on the throne, as he had no children, attempted to assassinate Theseus, but they fell a prey to their own barbarity, and were all put to death by the young prince. The bull of Marathon next engaged the attention of Theseus. The labour seemed arduous, but he caught the animal alive, and after he had led it through the streets of Athens, he sacrificed it to Minerva or the god of Delphi. After this, Theseus went to Crete among the seven chosen youths whom the Athenians yearly sent to be devoured by the Minotaur. The wish to deliver his country from so dreadful a tribute, engaged him to undertake this expedition. He was successful, by means of Ariadne the daughter of Minos, who was enamoured of him, and after he had escaped from the labyrinth with a clue of thread, and killed the Minotaur, [Vid. *Minotaurus.*] he sailed from Crete with the six boys and seven maidens, whom his victory had equally redeemed from death. In the island of Naxos, where he was driven by the winds, he had the meanness to abandon Ariadne, to whom he was indebted for his safety. The rejoicings which his return might have occasioned at Athens, were intercepted by the death of Ægeus, who threw himself into the sea, when he saw his son's ship return with black sails, which was the signal of ill-success. [Vid. *Ægeus.*] His ascension on his father's throne was universally applauded, B. C. 1235. The Athenians were governed with mildness, and Theseus made new regulations, and enacted new laws. The number of the inhabitants of Athens was increased by the liberality of the monarch, religious worship was attended with more than usual solemnity, a court was instituted which had the care of all civil affairs, and Theseus made the government democratic, while he
reserved for himself only the command of the armies. The fame which he had gained by his victories and policy, made his alliance courted; but Pirithous, king of the Lapithæ, alone wished to gain his friendship, by meeting him in the field of battle. He invaded the territories of Attica, and when Theseus had marched out to meet him, the two enemies, struck at the sight of each other, rushed between their two armies to embrace one another in the most cordial and affectionate manner, and from that time began the most sincere and admired friendship, which has become proverbial. Theseus was present at the nuptials of his friend, and he was the most eager and courageous of the Lapithæ, in the defence of Hippodamia, and her female attendants, against the brutal attempts of the Centaurs. When Pirithous had lost Hippodamia, he agreed with Theseus, whose wife was also dead, to carry away some of the daughters of the gods. Their first attempt was upon Helen, the daughter of Leda, and after they had obtained this beautiful prize, they cast lots, and she became the property of Theseus. The Athenian monarch entrusted her to the care of his mother Ἐθρα at Aphidnae, till she was of nubile years, but the resentment of Castor and Pollux, soon obliged him to restore her safe into their hands. Helen, before she reached Sparta, became mother of a daughter by Theseus, but this tradition, confirmed by some ancient mythologists, is confuted by others, who affirm, that she was but nine years old when carried away by the two royal friends, and Ovid introduces her in one of his epistles, saying, Ἑκτορίδιοι πασσά τιμοὶ νικήτων. Some time after Theseus assisted his friend in procuring a wife, and they both descended into the infernal regions to carry away Proserpine. Pluto apprized of their intentions, stopped them. Pirithous was placed on his father's wheel, and Theseus was tied to a huge stone, on which he had sat to rest himself. Virgil represents him in this eternal state of punishment, repeating to the shades in Tartarus, the words of Disciplina jusitiam mortis, et non temere divis. Apollo, however, and others declare, that he was not long detained in hell; when Hercules came to steal the dog Cerberus, he tore him away from the stone, but with such violence, that his skin was left behind. The same assistance was given to Pirithous, and the two friends returned upon the earth by the favours of Hercules, and the consent of the infernal deities, not, however, without suffering the most excruciating torments. During the captivity of Theseus in the kingdom of Pluto, Mnestheus, one of the descendants of Erechtheus, ingratiated himself into the favours of the people of Athens, and obtained the crown in preference to the children of the absent monarch. At his return Theseus attempted to eject the usurper, but to no purpose. The Athenians had forgotten his many services, and he retired with great mortification to the court of Lycomedes, king of the island of Scyros. After paying him much atten-
tion, Lycomedes, either jealous of his fame, or bribed by the presents of Mnestheus, carried him to a high rock, on pretence of shewing him the extent of his dominions, and threw him down a deep precipice. Some suppose that Theseus inadvertently fell down this precipice, and that he was crushed to death without receiving any violence from Lycomedes. The children of Theseus after the death of Mnestheus, recovered the Athenian throne, and that the memory of their father might not be without the honours due to a hero, they brought his remains from Scyros, and gave them a magnificent burial. They also raised statues and a temple, and festivals and games were publicly instituted to commemorate the actions of a hero, who had rendered such services to the people of Athens. These festivals were still celebrated with original solemnity in the age of Pausanias and Plutarch, about 1200 years after the death of Theseus. The historians disagree from the poets in their accounts about this hero, and they all suppose, that instead of attempting to carry away the wife of Pluto, the two friends wished to seduce a daughter of Aidos, king of the Molossi. This daughter, as they say, bore the name of Proserpine, and the dog which kept the gates of the palace was called Cerberus, and hence perhaps arises the fiction of the poets. Pirithous was torn to pieces by the dog, but Theseus was confined in prison, from whence he made his escape some time after, by the assistance of Hercules. Some authors place Theseus and his friend in the number of the Argonauts, but they were both detained, either in the infernal regions, or in the country of the Molossi, in the time of Jason's expedition to Colchis. Pact. in vita.—Apollod. 3.—Hygin. fab. 14 & 79.—Paus. 1, c. 2, &c.—Ovid. Met. 7, v. 433. Ib. 412. Fast. 3, v. 473 & 491. Heroid.—Diod. 1 & 4.—Lucan. 2, v. 612.—Homer. Od. 21, v. 293.—Hesiod. in Scut. Herc.—Elidan. V. H. 4, c. 5.—Stat. Theb. 5, v. 432.—Propert. 3.—Lactant. ad Theb. Stat. Philostr. Icon. 1.—Flacc. 2.—Apollon. 1.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 617.—Seneca, in Hippol.—Stat. in Achil. 1.

Theseis, a name given to the people of Athens, because they were governed by Theseus. Theseides, a patronymic applied to the children of Theseus, especially Hippolytus. Ovid. Her. 4, v. 65.

Thesmophora, a surname of Ceres, as lawgiver in whose honour festivals were instituted called Thesmophoria. The Thesmophoria were instituted by Triptolemus, or according to some, by Orpheus, or the daughters of Danaus. The greatest part of the Grecian cities, especially Athens, observed them with great solemnity. The worshippers were free-born women, whose husbands were obliged to defray the expenses of the festival. They were assisted by a priest called περιοικοφόρος, because he carried a crown on his head. There were also certain virgins who officiated, and were maintained at the public expense. The free-
born women were dressed in white robes, to inti-
mate their spotless innocence; they were charged to observe the strictest chastity during thrice or five days before the celebration, and during the four days of the solemnity, and on that account it was usual for them to strew their bed with *agnus castus*, *febraban*, and all such herbs as were supposed to have the power of expelling all venereal propensities. They were also charged not to eat pomegranates, or to wear garlands on their heads, as the whole was to be observed with the greatest signs of seriousness and gravity, without any display of wantonness or levity. It was however usual to jest at one another, as the goddess Ceres had been made to smile by a merry expression when she was sad and melancholy for the recent loss of her daughter Proserpine. Three days were required for the preparation, and upon the eleventh of the month called Pyanepeon, the women went to Eleusis, carrying books on their heads, in which the laws which the goddess had invented were contained. On the 14th of the same month the festival began, on the 16th day a fast was observed, and the women sat on the ground in token of humil-
itation. It was usual during the festival to offer prayers to Ceres, Proserpine, Pluto, and Calligenia, whom some suppose to be the nurse or favourite maid of the goddess of corn, or perhaps one of her surnames. There were some sacrifices of a mysterious nature, and all persons whose offences were small were released from confinement. Such as were initiated at the festival of Eleusis assisted at the Thes-
modoria. The place of high priest was heri-
ditary in the family of Eumolpus. *Od. Met.* 10, v. 451. *Fast.* 4, v. 619.—*Apollod.* 1, c. 4. —*Verg.* *En.* 4, v. 56.—*Sophoc.* in *Edatos*. —*Clem.* Alex. M. (*Thesmodoria*, a name given to the last six Archons among the Athenians, because they took particular care to enforce the laws, and to see justice impartially administered. They were at that time nine in number. **Thespias**, a town of Boeotia, at the foot of mount Helicon, which received its name from *Theophrastos*, the daughter of Asopus, or from Thespis. *Paus.* 9, c. 26.—*Strab.* 9. **Thespia**, the sons of the Thespiades. *Vid.* Thespis. **Thespiades**, a name given to the fifty daugh-
ters of Thespis. [Vid. *Thespis.*] —Also a sur-
name of the nine muses, because they were held in great veneration in Thespias. **Thespis**, a Greek poet of Attica, supposed by some to be the inventor of tragedy, 536 years before Christ. His representations were very rustic and imperfect. He went from town to town upon a cart, on which was erected a temporary stage, where two actors, whose faces where daubed with the lees of wine, entertain-
ed the audience with choral songs, &c. Solon was a great enemy to his dramatic repre-
sentations. *Horat.* art. P. 276.—*Diog.* Thespis of Thespius, a king of Thespius in Boeotia, son of Erechitheus according to some authors. He was desirous that his fifty daugh-
ters should have children by Hercules, and therefore when that hero was at his court he permitted him to enjoy their company. This, which according to some, was effected in one night, passes for the 15th and most arduous of the labours of Hercules, as the two fol-
lowing lines from the *Arcana Arcanissima* in-
dicate

Tertius hinc decimus labor est durissimus, una
Quinquaginta simul struavat nocte puellas.

All the daughters of Thespis brought male children into the world, and some of them twins, particularly Procis the eldest, and the youngest. Some suppose that one of the Thes-
piades refused to admit Hercules to her arms, for which the hero condemned her to pass all her life in continual celibacy, and to become the priestess of a temple he had at Thespia. The children of the Thespiades, called Thes-
piades, went to Sardinia, where they made a settlement with Iolaus, the friend of their fa-
ther. *Apollod.* 2, c. 4.—*Paus.* 9 c. 26 & 27.— *Plut.*

**Thesprotia**, a country of Epirus, at the west of Ambracia, bounded on the south by the sea. It is watered by the rivers Acheron and Cocytus, which the poets, after Homer, have called streams of hell. The oracle of Dodona was in Thesprotia. *Homer.* *Od.* 14, v. 315.— *Strab.* 7, &c.—*Paus.* 1, c. 17.—*Lucan.* 3, v. 179.

**Thesprotus**, a son of Lycaon king of Arc-
cadia. *Apollod.* 3, c. 8.

**Thessalia**, a country of Greece, whose boundaries have been different at different periods. Properly speaking, Thessaly was bounded on the south by the southern parts of Greece, or Grecia propria; east by the Ægean, north by Macedonia and Mygdonia; and west, by Illyricum and Epirus. It was generally di-
vided into four separate provinces, Thessaliotis, Pelasgiotis, Istioteotis, and Phthiotoitis, to which some add Magnesia. It has been severally called *Emonia*, *Pelasigium*, *Argos*, *Hellas*, *Argia*, *Dryopis*, *Pelasgia*, *Pyrrha*, &c. The name of Thessalia is derived from Thessalus, one of its monarchs. Thessaly is famous for a deluge which happened in the age of Deu-
calion. Its mountains and cities are also cele-
brated, such as Olympus, Pelion, Ossa, La-
rissa, &c. The Argonauts were partly natives of Thessaly. The inhabitants of the country passed for a treacherous nation, so that false money was called *Thessalian coin*; and a per-
fidious action, a Thessalian deceit. Thessally was governed by kings, till it became subject to the Macedonian monarchs. The cavalry was universally esteemed, and the people were super-
stitious, and addicted to the study of magic and incantations. Thessaly is now called Janina. *Lucan.* 6, v. 436, &c.—*Diom.* 219.— *Curt.* 3, c. 2.—*Elian.* *V. H.* 3, c. 1.—*Paus.* 4. c. 36. l. 10, c. 1.—*Mela,* 2, c. 2.—*Justin.* 7, c. 6.—*Diod.* 4.

**Thessalion**, a servant of Mentor, of Sidon, &c.
Thessaliottis, a part of Thessaly, at the south of the river Peneus.

Thessalonica, an ancient town of Macedonia, first called Therma, and Thessalonica, after Thessalonica the wife of Cassander. According to ancient writers it was once very powerful, and it still continues to be a place of note. Strab. 7.

Dionys.—Cic. in Piso. c. 17.—Mela, 2, c. 3.—A daughter of Philip, king of Macedonia, sister to Alexander the Great. She married Cassander, by whom she had a son called Antipater who put her to death. Paus. 8, c. 7.

Thessalus, a son of Amon. —A son of Hercules and Calliope, a daughter of Euryphlius. Thessaly received its name from one of these.

A physician who invited Alexander to a feast at Babylon to give him poison. —A physician of Lydia in the age of Nero. He gained the favours of the great and opulent of Rome, by the meanness and servility of his behaviour. He treated all physicians with contempt, and thought himself superior to all his predecessors.

A son of Cimon, who accused Alcibiades, because he imitated the mysteries of Ceres.

A son of Pisistratus. —A player in the age of Alexander.

Thestus, son of Hercules and Epicaste. Apollod. 2, c. 7.

Thete, a sister of Dionysius the elder, tyrant of Syracuse. She married Philozenus, and was greatly esteemed by the Sicilians.

Thesitia, a town of Eotia, situated between Euryus and Achelous. Polyb. 5.

Thesitia, a town of Acarnania.

Thesidi and Thesidae. Vid. Thespiae and Thespiae.

Thesidias, a paternal name of Althaia, daughter of Thestius. Ovid. Met. 8.

Thesidius, the sons of Thestius, Toxeus, and Plexippus. Ovid. Met. 8, v. 286.

Thesius, a fountain in the country of Cyrene.

Thestius, a son of Parthaon, father to Toxeus, Plexippus, and Althaia. —A king of Thespia. [Vid. Thespius.] The sons of Thestius were killed by Meleager at the chase of the Calydonian boar.


Thestyli, a country woman mentioned in Theocritus and Virgil.

Thetis, one of the sea deities, daughter of Nereus and Doris, often confounded with Tethys, her grand-mother. She was courted by Neptune and Jupiter, but when the gods were informed that the son she should bring forth must become greater than his father, their addresses were stopped, and Peleus the son of Aeacus, was permitted to solicit her hand. Thetis refused him, but the lover had the artifice to catch her when asleep, and by binding her strongly, he prevented her from escaping from his grasp in assuming different forms. When Thetis found that she could not elude the vigilance of her lover, she consented to marry him, though much against her inclu-
THOAS, a king of Taurica, Chersonesus in the age of Orestes and Pylades. He would have imolated these two celebrated strangers on Diana's altars, according to the barbarous customs of the country, had they not been delivered by Iphigenia. [Vid. Iphigenia.] According to some, Thoas was the son of Borysthenes.—A king of Lemnos, son of Bacchus and Ariadne the daughter of Minos. He had been made king of Lemnos by Rhadamanthus. He was still alive when the Lemnians decided to kill all the males in the island, but his life was spared by his only daughter Hypsipyle, in whose favour he had resigned the crown. Hypsipyle obliged her father to depart secretly from Lemnos, to escape from the fury of the women, and he arrived safe in a neighbouring island which some call Chios, though many suppose that Thoas was assassinated by the enraged females, before he had left Lemnos. Some mythologists confound the king of Lemnos with that of Chersonesus, and suppose that they were one and the same man. According to their opinion, Thoas was very young when he retired from Lemnos, and after that he went to Taurica, Chersonesus, where he settled. *Flacc. 8, v. 206.—Hygin. fab. 74, 120.—Ovid. in lb. 384. Heroid. 6, v. 114.—Stat. Theb. 5, v. 292 & 486.—Apollon. Rhod. 1, v. 209 & 615.—Apollod. 1, c. 9. 1. 3, c. 6.—Eurip. in Iphig._A son of Andromon and Gorge, the daughter of Oeneus. He went to the Trojan war with 15 or rather 40 ships. *Homer. II. 2, &c.—Diog. Cret. 1.—*Hygin. fab. 97.—*A famous huntsman. *Diod. 4.—*A son of Icarus. *Apollod. 3, c. 10.—*A son of Jason and Hypsipyle, queen of Lemnos. *Stat. Theb. 6, v. 312.—*A son of Ornytion, grandson of Sisyphus.—*A king of Assyria, father of Adonis and Myrrha, according to *Apollod. 3, c. 14.—*A man who made himself master of Miletus.—*An officer of Eetolia, who strongly opposed the views of the Romans, and favoured the interest of Antiochus, B. C. 193.—*One of the friends of Eneas in Italy, killed by Halesus. *Virg. En. 10, v. 415.

Thoεs, one of the Nereides. *Hesiod._One of the horses of Aedmenus. *One of the Amazons, &c.

Thomyrus, called also Tamyrus, Tameris, Thamyris, and Tomeris, was queen of the Massisae. After her husband's death, she marched against Cyrus, who wished to invade her territories, cut his army to pieces, and killed him on the spot. The barbarous queen ordered the head of Cyrus to be cut off and thrown into a vessel full of human blood, with the insulting words of *salia te sanguine quem sitati. Her son had been conquered by Cyrus before she marched herself at the head of her armies. *Herodot. 1, c. 205.—*Justin. 1, c. 8.

Thròlus, a town of Africa.

Thon, an Egyptian physician, &c.

Thònes, a courtezan of Egypt.

Thoon, a Trojan chief killed by Ulysses. *Ovid. Met. 13, v. 259.—*One of the giants who made war against Jupiter. *Apollod. 1, c. 6.


Thòoutes, one of the Grecian heralds.

Thorania, a general of Metellus, killed by Sertorius. *Plut._

Thorax, a mountain near Magnesia, in Ionia.—*A Lacedaemonian officer who served under Lysander, and was put to death by the Ephori.—*A man of Larissa, who paid much attention to the dead body of Antigonus, &c. *Plut. in Lys. &c.

Thoría, ex. agraria, by Sp. Thorius, the tribune. It ordained that no person should pay any rent for the land which he possessed. It also made some regulations about grazing and pastures.

Thorax, a mountain of Argolis. It received its name from Sharnai, a nymph who became mother of Buphagus, by Japetus. The mountain was afterwards called Cocygia, because Jupiter changed himself there into a cuckoo. *Paus. 8, c. 27.

Thorius, a river of Sardinia. *Paus. 10, c. 17.

Thoth, an Egyptian deity, the same as Mercury.

Thous, a Trojan chief, &c.—One of Atreus' dog.

Thrace, a daughter of Titan.

Thrácæ, the inhabitants of Thrace. *Vid. Thracia.

Thrácia, a large country of Europe, at the south of Scythia, bounded by mount Hemus. It had the Ægean sea on the south, on the west Macedonia and the river Strymon, and on the east the Euxine sea, the Propontis, and the Hellespont. Its western boundaries extended as far as the Ister, according to Pliny and others. The Thracians were looked upon as a cruel and barbarous nation; they were naturally brave and warlike, addicted to drinking and venereal pleasures, and they sacrificed without the smallest humanity their enemies on the altars of their gods. Their government was originally monarchical, and divided among a number of independent princes, Thrace is barren, as to its soil. It received its name from Thrax, the son of Mars, the chief deity of the country. The first inhabitants lived upon plunder, and on the milk and flesh of sheep. It forms now the province of Romania. *Herodot. 4, c. 99. 1. 5, c. 3.—Strab. 1, &c.—*Verg. Æn. 3, &c.—*Mela, 2, c. 2, &c.—*Paus. 9, c. 29, &c.—*Ovid. Met. 11, v. 92. 1. 13, v. 563, &c.—*C. Nep. in Ale. 11.

Thrace, an illustrious family at Delphi destroyed by Philomelus, because they opposed his views.

Thracia, a town of Phocis. *Paus. 10, c. 9.

Thrásæus or Thræsius, a soothsayer. [Vid. Thasius.]—Pæus, a stoic philosopher of Patavium in the age of Nero, famous for his independence and generous sentiments; he died A.D. 66.

Thrasibèus, succeeded his father Theron, a tyrant of Agrigentum. He was conquered by Hiero, and soon after put to death.

THRASO, a painter. — A favourite of Hieronymus, who espoused the interest of the Romans. He was put to death by the tyrant.

THREUS, a son of Hercules and Pe-none.

Thriambus, one of the surnames of Bacchus. Thronium, a town of Phocis. — Another of thebesprota.

Thryo, a Grecian feast in honour of Apollo. Thryon, a town of Messenia, near the Alpheus.

Thryus, a town of Peloponnesus, near Elis. Thucydides, a celebrated Greek historian, born at Athens. His father's name was Olorus, and among his ancestors he reckoned the great Miltiades. His youth was distinguished by an eager desire to excel in the vigorous exercises and gymnastic amusements, which called the attention of his contemporaries, and when he had reached the years of manhood, he appeared in the Athenian armies. During the Peloponn-esian war he was commissioned by his countrymen to relieve Amphipolis; but the quick march of Brasidas, the Lacedaemonian general, defeated his operations, and Thucydides, unsuccess-ful in his expedition, was banished from Athens. This happened in the eighth year of this celebrated war, and in the place of his banishment the general began to write an impartial history of the important events which had happened during his administration, and which still continued to agitate the several states of Greece. This famous history is continued only to the twenty-first year of the war, and the re-maining part of the time, to the demolition of the walls of Athens, was described by the pen of Theopompus and Xenophon. Thucydides wrote in the Attic dialect, as possessed of more vigour, purity, elegance, and energy. He spared neither time nor money to procure authentic materials; and the Athenians, as well as their enemies, furnished him with many valuable communications, which contributed to throw great light on the different transactions of the war. His history has been divided into eight books, the last of which is imperfect, and suppos-ed to have been written by his daughter. The character of this interesting history is well known, and the noble emulation of the writer will ever be admired, who shed tears when he heard Herodotus repeat his history of the Per-sian wars at the public festivals of Greece. The historian of Halicarnassus has often been com-pared with the son Olorus, but each has his peculiar excellence. Sweetness of style, grace, and elegance of expression, may be called the characteristics of the former, while Thucydides stands unequalled for the fire of his descriptions, the conciseness, and at the same time, the strong and energetic manner of his narratives. His rela-tions are authentic, as he himself was inter-ested in the events he mentions; his impar-tiality is indubitable, as he no where betrays the least resentment against his countrymen, and the factious partizans of Cleon, who had banished him from Athens. Many have blamed the his-
torian for the injudicious distribution of his subject, and while for the sake of accuracy, the whole is divided into summers and winters, the thread of the history is interrupted, the scene continually shifted; and the reader, unable to pursue events to the end, is transported from Asia to Peloponnesus, or from the walls of Syracuse to the coast of Coryra. The animated harangues of Thucydides have been universally admired; he found a model in Herodotus, but he greatly surpassed the original, and succeeding historians have adopted, with success, a peculiar mode of writing which introduces a general addressing himself to the passions and the feelings of his armies. The history of Thucydides was so admired, that Demosthenes, to perfect himself as an orator, transcribed it eight different times, and read it with such attention, that he could almost repeat it by heart. Thucydides died at Athens, where he had been recalled from his exile, in his eightieth year, 391 years before Christ. The best editions of Thucydides are those of Duker, fol. Amst.-1731; of Glasgow, 12mo. 8 vols. 1759; of Hudson, fol. Oxon. 1759, and the 5vo. of Bippont. 1783.

Cic. de Orat. &c.—Diod. 12.—Dionys. Hal. de Thuc.—Ælian. V. H. 12, c. 50.—Quintil.—A son of Milesias, in the age of Pericles. He was banished for his opposition to the measures of Pericles, &c.

Thuiosto, one of the deities of the Germans. Taci.

Thule, an island in the most northern parts of the German ocean, to which on account of its great distance from the continent, the ancients gave the epithet of ultima. Its situation was never accurately ascertained, hence its present name is unknown by modern historians. Some suppose that it is the island now called Iceland, or part of Greenland. Strab. 1.—Mela, 3, c. 6.—Tacit. Agric. 10.—Plin. 2, c. 75. l. 4, c. 16.—Virg. G. 1, v. 30.

Thurnia, or Thurnium, a town of Lucania in Italy, built by a colony of Athenians, near the ruins of Sybaris, B. C. 444. In the number of this Athenian colony were Lysias and Herodotus. Strab. 6.—Mela, 2, c. 4.—A town of Messenia. Paus. 4, c. 31.

Thumanus, a name given to Augustus when he was young.

Thuscia, a country of Italy, the same as Erruria. Vid. Erruria.

Thya, a daughter of the Cepithus.—A place near Delphi.

Thyades, a name of the Bacchanals. They received it from Thyas, the first woman who was priestess of the god Bacchus. Virg. Æn. 4, v. 302.—Paus. 10, c. 4.

Thymis, a river of Epirus falling into the Ionian sea. Paus. 1, c. 11.

Thyana, a town of Cappadocia.

Thyatira, a town of Lydia.

Thybranz, a people near Sardis.

Thyesta, a sister of Dionysus, the tyrant of Syracuse.

Thyestes, son of Pelops and Hippodamia, and grandson of Tantalus, deposed Ærope, the wife of his brother Ægeus, because he refused to take him as his colleague on the throne of Argos. This was no sooner known than Atreus divorced Ærope, and banished Thyestes from his kingdom, but soon after, the more effectually to punish his infidelity, he expressed a wish to be reconciled to him, and recalled him to Argos. Thyestes was received by his brother at an elegant entertainment, but he was soon informed that he had been feeding upon the flesh of one of his own children. This Atreus took care to communicate to him by showing him the remains of his son's body. This action appeared so barbarous, that according to the ancient mythologists, the sun changed his usual course, not to be a spectator of so bloody a scene. Thyestes escaped from his brother, and fled to Epirus. Some time after he met his daughter Pelopeia in a grove sacred to Minerva, and he offered her violence without knowing who she was. This incest, however, according to some, was intentionally committed by the father, as he had been told by an oracle, that the injuries he had received from Atreus would be avenged by a son born from himself and Pelopeia. The daughter, pregnant by her father, was seen by her uncle Atreus and married, and some time after she brought into the world a son, whom she exposed in the woods. The life of the child was preserved by goats; he was called Ægythus, and presented to his mother, and educated in the family of Atreus. When grown to years of maturity, the mother gave her son Ægythus a sword, which she had taken from her unknown ravisher in the grove of Minerva, with hopes of discovering who he was. Meantime Atreus, intent to punish his brother, sent Agamemnon and Menelaus to pursue him, and when at last they found him, he was dragged to Argos, and thrown into a close prison. Ægythus was sent to murder Thyestes; but the father recollected the sword, which was raised to stab him, and a few questions convinced him that his assassin was his own son. Pelopeia was present at this discovery, and when she found that she had committed incest with her father, she asked Ægythus to examine the sword, and immediately plunged it into her own breast. Ægythus rushed from the prison to Atreus, with the bloody weapon, and murdered him near an altar, as he wished to offer thanks to the gods on the supposed death of Thyestes. At the death of Atreus, Thyestes was placed on his brother's throne by Ægythus, from which he was soon after driven by Agamemnon and Menelaus. He retired from Argos, and was banished into the island of Cythera by Agamemnon, where he died. Apollod. 2, c. 4.—Sophocl. in Apoc. Hygin. fab. 86, &c.—Ovid. in th. 359.—Lucan. 1, v. 544. l. 7, v. 451.—Senec. in Thyst.

Thymarra, a small town of Lydia, near Sardes, celebrated for a battle which was fought there between Cyrus and Croesus, in which the latter was defeated. The troops of Cyrus amounted to 196,000 men, besides chariots, and that of Croesus was twice as numerous. There was n
Thybra a temple sacred to Apollo, who is thence called Thybraeus. Achilles was killed there by Paris, according to some. Strab. 13. —Stat. 4. Silt. 7, v. 22.—Dictys. Cret. 2, c. 52. l. 3, c. 1.


Thymbris, a concubine of Jupiter, said to be the mother of Pan. Apoll. l.

Thymbron. Vide Thymbra.

Thyméis, a celebrated female dancer, favoured by Domitian. Juno, 6, v. 36.

Thymathis, a river of Epirus.

Thymocææs, an Athenian, defeated in a battle by the Lacedæmonians.

Thymætes, a king of Athens, son of Oxïnthus, the last of the descendants of Theseus, who reigned at Athens. He was deposed because he refused to accept a challenge sent by Xanthus king of Boetia, and was succeeded by a Messenian, B. C. 1128, who repaired the honour of Athens by fighting the Boetian king. Paus. 2, c. 18. —A Trojan prince, whose wife and son were put to death by order of Priam. It was to revenge the king's cruelty that he persuaded his countrymen to bring the wooden horse within their city. He was son of Laomedon, according to some. Virg. Æn. 2, v. 32. —Dictys. Cret. 4, c. 4. —A son of Hicetas, who accompanied Æneas into Italy, and was killed by Turnus. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 123. l. 12, v. 364.

Thydodamas. Vid. Theodamas.

Thymone, a name given to Semele after she had been presented with immortality.

Thyoneus, a surname of Bacchus from his mother Semele, who was called Thymone. Apoll. lod. 3, c. 5.—Horat. 1, Od. 17, v. 23.—Ovid. 4. Met. v. 13.


Thyre, a town of the Messenians.

Thyræa, an island on the coast of Peloponnesus, near Hermione. Herodot. 6, c. 76.

Thyress, a son of Lycaon, king of Arcadia. Paus. 8, c. 3. —A son of Æneas, king of Carthage. Apoll. 1, c. 8.

Thyrion, a town of Acarnania, whose inhabitants are called Thyriones.

Thyraegête, a people of Sarmatia, who live upon hunting. Plin. 4, c. 12.

Thysos, a town near mount Athos.

Thyus, a satrap of Paphlagonia who revolted from Artaxerxes and was seized by Datames. C. Nep. in Dat.

Thiara, a daughter of the Etrusans, who gave her name to a river in Laconia. Paus. 3, c. 18.

Tibureni, a people of Cappadocia, on the borders of the Thermodon.

Tiberinus, son of Capetus, and king of Alba, was drowned in the river Albula, which on that account assumed his name. Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 30. —Varro, de L. L. 4, c. 5. &c.—Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 47.

Tiberis, Tyberis, Tiber, or Tiberis, a river of Italy, on whose banks the city of Rome was built. It was originally called Albula, from the whiteness of its waters, and afterwards Tiberinus, when the king of that name had been drowned there. It was also named Tyrrhenus because it watered Etruria, and Lydus, and the inhabitants of the neighbourhood were supposed to be of Lydian origin. The Tiber rises in the Apennines, and falls into the Tyrrhenian sea, sixteen miles below Rome, after dividing Latium from Etruria. Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 47, 329, &c. l. 5, v. 641. in lb. 514. —Lucan. 1, v. 381, &c.—Varro, de L. L. 4, c. 5.—Virg. Æn. 7, v. 30. —Horat. 1, Od. 2, v. 13.—Mela, c. 4. —Liv. 1, c. 3.

Tiberias, a town of Judæa, near the sea-coast.

Tiberines, nymphs of the Tiber.

Tiberius, (Claudius Drusus Nero) a Roman emperor after the death of Augustus, descended from the family of the Claudii. In his early years he commanded popularity by entertaining the populace with magnificent shows and fights of gladiators, and he gained some applause in the funeral oration which he pronounced over his father, though only nine years old. His first appearance in the Roman armies was under Augustus, in the war against the Cantabri, and afterwards in the capacity of general, he obtained victories in different parts of the empire, and was rewarded with a triumph. Yet, in the midst of his glory, Tiberius fell under the displeasure of Augustus, and retired to Rhodes, where he continued for seven years as in exile, till by the influence of his mother Livia with the emperor, he was recalled. His return to Rome was the more glorious; he had the command of the Roman armies in Illyricum, Pannonia, and Dalmatia, and seemed to divide the sovereign power with Augustus. At the death of this celebrated emperor, Tiberius, who had been adopted, assumed the reins of government; and while with dissimulation and affected modesty he wished to decline the dangerous office, he found time to try the fidelity of his friends, and to make the greatest part of the Romans believe that he was invested with the purple, not from his own choice, but by the recommendation of Augustus, and the urgent entreaties of the Roman senate. The beginning of his reign seemed to promise tranquillity to the world; Tiberius was a watchful guardian of the public peace, he was the friend of justice, and never assumed the sounding titles which must disgust a free nation, but he was satisfied to say of himself that he was the master of his slaves, the general of his soldiers, and the father of the citizens of Rome. That seeming moderation, however, which was but the fruit of the deepest policy, soon disappeared, and Tiberius was viewed in his real character. His ingratitude to his mother Livia, to whose intrigues he was indebted for the purple, his cruelty to his wife Julia, and his tyrannical oppression and murder of many noble senators, rendered him odious to the people and suspected even by his most intimate favourites. The armies mutinied in Pannonia and Germany, but the tumults were
The joy was universal when his death was known; and the people of Rome, in the midst of sorrow, had a moment to rejoice, heedless of the calamities which awaited them in the succeeding reigns. The body of Tiberius was conveyed to Rome, and burned with great solemnity. A funeral oration was pronounced by Caligula, who seemed to forget his benefactor while he expatiated on the praises of Augustus, Germanicus, and his own. The character of Tiberius has been examined with particular attention by historians, and his reign is the subject of the most perfect and elegant of all the compositions of Tacitus. When a private man, Tiberius was universally esteemed; when he had no superior, he was proud, arrogant, jealous, and revengeful. If he found his military operations conducted by a warlike general, he affected moderation and virtue; but when he got rid of the powerful influence of a favourite, he was tyrannical and dissolute. If, as some observe, he had lived in the times of the Roman republic, he might have been as conspicuous as his great ancestors; but the sovereign power lodged in his hands, rendered him vicious and oppressive. Yet, though he encouraged informers and favoured flattery, he blushed at the mean servilities of the senate, and derided the adulation of his courtiers, who approached him, he said, as if they approached a savage elephant. He was a patron of learning, he was an eloquent and ready speaker, and dedicated some part of his time to study. He wrote a lyric poem, entitled, A Complaint on the Death of Lucius Cæsar, as also some Greek pieces in imitation of some of his favourite authors. He avoided all improper expressions, and all foreign words he totally wished to banish from the Latin tongue. As instances of his humanity, it has been recorded that he was uncommonly liberal to the people of Asia Minor, whose habitations had been destroyed by a violent earthquake, A.D. 17. One of his officers wished him to increase the taxes, No, said Tiberius, a good shepherd must shear, not flay his sheep. The senators wished to call the month of November, in which he was born, by his name, in imitation of J. Cæsar and Augustus, in the months of July and August; but this he refused, saying, What will you do, inscript fathers, if you have thirteen Cæsars? Like the rest of the emperors, he received divine honours after death, and even during his life. It has been wittily observed by Seneca, that he never was intoxicated but once all his life, for he continued in a perpetual state of intoxication from the time he gave himself to drinking till the last moment of his life. Sueton. in vita, &c.—Tacit. Ann. 6, &c.—Dion. Cass.—A friend of Julius Cæsar, whom he accompanied in the war of Alexandria. Tiberius forgot the favours he had received from his friend; and when he was assassinated, he wished all his murderers to be publicly rewarded.—One of the Gracchi. [Vit. Gracchus.]—Sempronius, a son of Drusus and Livia, the sister of Germanicus, put to death by Caligula.—A son of Brutus, put to death by his father, because he had conspired with other young noblemen to restore Tarquin to
TiBRINUM, a name common to three towns of Italy. One of them, for distinction’s sake, is called Metaurusse, near the Metaurus in Umbria, the other Tiberinum, on the Tiber; and the third, Samniticum, in the country of the Sabines. Liv. 10, c. 14.

TIGASIUS, a son of Hercules.

TIGELLINUS, a Roman celebrated for his intrigues and perfidy in the court of Nero. He was appointed judge at the trial of the conspirators who had leagued against Nero, for which he was liberally rewarded with triumphal honours. He afterwards betrayed the emperor, and was ordered to destroy himself, 68 A. D. Tacit.—Plut.

TIGELLINUS, a native of Sardinia, who became the favourite of J. Caesar, of Cleopatra, and Augustus, by his mimicry and facetiousness. He was celebrated for the melody of his voice, yet he was of a mean and ungenerous disposition, and of unpleasing manners, as Horace, 1 Sat. 2, v. 3, and seq. insinuates.

TIGRANES, a king of Armenia, who made himself master of Assyria and Cappadocia. He married Cleopatra, the daughter of Mithridates, and by the advice of his father-in-law, he declared war against the Romans. He despaired these distant enemies, and even ordered the head of the messenger to be cut off who first told him that the Roman general was boldly advancing towards his capital. His pride, however, was soon abated, and though he ordered the Roman consul Lucullus, to be brought alive into his presence, he fled with precipitation from his capital, and was soon after defeated near mount Taurus. This totally disheartened him; he refused to receive Mithridates into his palace, and even set a price upon his head. His mere submission to Pompey, the successor of Lucullus in Asia, insured him on his throne, and he received a garrison in his capital, and continued at peace with the Romans. His second son of the same name revolted against him, and attempted to dethrone him with the assistance of the king of Parthia, whose daughter he had married. This did not succeed, and the son had recourse to the Romans, by whom he was put in possession of Sophene, while the father remained quiet on the throne of Armenia. The son was afterwards sent in chains to Rome for his insubordination to Pompey. Cic. pro Mus.—Val. Max. 5, c. 1.—Paterc. 2, c. 33 & 37.—Justin, 40, c. 1 & 2.—Plut. in Luc. Pomp. &c.—A king of Armenia in the reign of Tiberius. He was put to death. Tacit. 6. Ann. c. 40.—One of the royal family of the Cappadocians, chosen by Tiberius to ascend the throne of Armenia.—A general of the Medes.—A man appointed king of Armenia by Augustus.—A prince of Armenia in the age of Theodosius.

TIGRANOCERTA, the capital of Armenia, built by Tigranes, during the Mithridatic war, on a hill between the springs of the Tigris and mount Taurus. Lucullus, during the Mithridatic war, took it with difficulty, and found in it immense riches, and no less than eight thousand talents in ready money.

TIGNES, a river of Peloponnesus.
The Tigris, a rapid river of Asia, rising on mount Niphate in Armenia, and falling into the Persian gulf. It is the eastern boundary of Mesopotamia. The Tigris now falls into the Euphrates, though in the age of Pliny the two separate channels of these rivers could be easily traced. *Plin.* 6, c. 27.—*Justin.* 42, c. 3.—*Luknum.* 3, v. 256.

Timuris, a warlike people among the Helvotii. *Cass.* bell. G.

The Latii, a people of Thrace.

Telfusius, a mountain of Boeotia. —A fountain near which was the tomb of Tiresias. *Paus.*

Tillian, a town of Sardinia.

Tellius Cimber. *Vid.* Tullius.

Tilox, a promontory of the island of Corsica.

Tilphusius, a mountain of Boeotia.

Timaea, the wife of Agis, king of Sparta, was debauched by Alcibiades, by whom she had a son. This child was rejected in the succession to the throne, though Agis on his death-bed declared him to be legitimate. *Plut.* in *Ag.*

Timaus, a friend of Alexander, who came to his assistance when he was alone surrounded by the Oxybaces. He was killed in the encounter. *Curt.* 9, c. 5.—An historian of Sicily, who flourished about 264 B. C. and died in the ninety-sixth year of his age. His father's name was Andromachus. He was banished from Sicily by Agathocles. His general history of Sicily, and that of the wars of Pyrrhus, were in general esteem, and his authority was great, except when he treated of Agathocles. All his compositions are lost. *Plut.* in *Nic.*—*Cic.* de *Orat.*—Died. 5, C. Nep.—A writer who published some treatises concerning ancient philosophers. *Diog.* in *Emp.*—A Pythagorean philosopher, born at Locris. He followed the doctrines of the founder of the metempsychosis, but in some parts of his system of the world he differed from him. He wrote a treatise on the nature and the soul of the world, in the Doric dialect, still extant. *Plato,* in *Tim.*—Plut.—An Athenian in the age of Alcibiades. *Plut.*—A sophist, who wrote a book called *Lexicon vocum Platonicorum.*

Timacus, a river of Meso, which throws itself into the Danube; the inhabitants of its banks call it Timachi. *Plut.* 3, c. 26.

Timaeus, a Greek historian of Alexandria, 54 B. C. brought to Rome by Galbinius, and sold as a slave to the son of Sylla. His great abilities procured him his liberty, and gained the favours of the great and of Augustus. The emperor discarded him for his impertinence; and Timagenes, to revenge himself on his patron, burnt the interesting history which he had composed. *Hieron.* Plut.—Horat. 1, ep. 19, v. 15.—Quintil. —A man who wrote an account of the life of Alexander. *Curt.* 9, c. 5.—A general, killed at Chaeronea.

Timocrates, an Athenian, capitaly punished for paying homage to Darius, according to the Persian manner of kneeling on the ground, when he was sent to Persia as ambassador. *Val.* Mar. 6, c. 3.—*Vit.* Meles.

Timandra, a daughter of Leda, sister to Helen. She married Echemus of Arcadia. *Paus.* 8, c. 5.—A mistress of Alcibiades.

Timandrides, a Spartan celebrated for his virtues.

Timocrates, a painter of Sicyon, in the reign of Philip, the father of Alexander the Great. His painting of Iphigenia going to be immolated, was greatly admired. He obtained a prize, for which celebrated Parrhasius was a competitor. This was in painting an Ajax, with all the fury which his disappointments could occasion, when deprived of the arms of Achilles. *Cic.* de *Orat.*—*Val.* Mar. 8, c. 11.—*Elian.* V. H. 9, c. 11.—An athlete of Cleone, who burnt himself when he perceived that his strength began to fail. *Paus.* 6, c. 3.


Timaretta, a priestess of the oracle of Dodona. *Herodot.* 2, c. 94.

Timasion, one of the leaders of the 10,000 Greeks, &c.

Timasitheus, a prince of Lipara, who obliged a number of pirates to spare some Romans who were going to make an offering to the god of Delphi. The Roman senate rewarded him very liberally, and their generosity was long extended to his descendants. *Diod.* 14.—Plut.

Timavus, a broad river of Italy, rising from a mountain, and, after running a short space, falling by nine mouths into the Adriatic sea. There are at the mouth of the Timavus, small islands with hot springs of water. *Melis.* 2, c. 4.—*Verg.* Ecl. 8, v. 6.—*En.* 1, v. 243.—*Strab.* 5.

Timæus, a native of Clazomene, who began to build Abdera. He was prevented by the Thracians, but honoured as a hero at Abdera. *Herodot.* 1, c. 168.

Timocares, an astronomer of Alexandria, 294 B. C.

Timonela, a Theban lady, sister to Theagenes, who was killed at Chaeronea. One of Alexander's soldiers offered her violence, after which she led her ravisher to a well, and while he believed that immense treasures were concealed there, Timoclea threw him into it. Alexander commended her virtue, and forbade his soldiers to hurt the Theban females. *Plut.* in *Alex.*

Timocrates, a Greek philosopher of an uncommon austerity. —A Syracusan, who married Arate when Dion had been banished into Greece by Dinnyseus. He commanded the forces of the tyrant.

Timocreon, a comic poet of Rhodes, who obtained poetical, as well as gymnastic prizes.
at Olympia. He lived about 476 years before Christ, distinguished for his voracity, and resentment against Simonides and Themistocles. The following epitaph was written on his grave:

Multa bilens, et multa vorans, mala denique dicens
Multis, hic faveo Timotheon Rhodius.

TIMOBIMUS, the father of Timoleon.

TIMOLUS. A Spartan, intimate with Philopæmen, &c.—A son of the celebrated Zenobia.—A general of Alexander, put to death by the Thebans.

TIMOLEON, a celebrated Corinthian, son of Timodemus and Demariste. He was such an enemy to tyranny, that he did not hesitate to murder his own brother Timophas, when he attempted, against his representations, to make himself absolute in Corinth. This was viewed with pleasure by the friends of liberty; but the mother of Timoleon conceived the most inveterate aversion for her son, and for ever banished him from her sight. This proved painful to Timoleon; a settled melancholy dwelt upon his mind, and he refused to accept of any offices in the state. When the Syracusans, oppressed with the tyranny of Dionysius the Younger, and of the Carthaginians, had solicited the assistance of the Corinthians, all looked upon Timoleon as a proper deliverer, but all applications would have been disregarded, if one of the magistrates had not awakened in him the sense of natural liberty. Timoleon, says he, if you accept of the command of this expedition, we will believe that you have killed a tyrant; but if not, we cannot but call you your brother’s murderer. This had due effect, and Timoleon sailed for Syracuse with ten ships, accompanied by about 1000 men. The Carthaginians attempted to oppose him, but Timoleon eluded their vigilance. Icetas, who had the possession of the city, was defeated, and Dionysius, who despaired of success, gave himself into the hands of the Corinthian general. This success gained Timoleon adherents in Sicily; many cities which in thermo had looked upon him as an impostor, claimed his protection, and when he was at last master of Syracuse by the total overthrow of Icetas, and of the Carthaginians, he raised the citadel, which had been the seat of tyranny, and erected on the spot a common hall. Syracuse was almost destitute of inhabitants, and, at the solicitation of Timoleon, a Corinthian colony was sent to Sicily; the lands were equally divided among the citizens, and the houses were sold for a thousand talents, which were appropriated to the use of the state, and deposited in the treasury. When Syracuse was thus delivered from tyranny, the conqueror extended his benevolence to the other states of Sicily, and all the petty tyrants were reduced and banished from the island. A salutary code of laws was framed for the Syracusans; and the armies of Carthage, which had attempted again to raise commotions in Sicily, were defeated, and peace was at last re-established. The gratitude of the Sicilians was shown every where to their deliverer. Timoleon was received with repeated applause in the public assemblies, and, though a private man, unconnected with the government, he continued to enjoy his former influence at Syracuse; his advice was consulted on matters of importance, and his authority respected. He ridiculed the accusations of malevolence, and when some informers had charged him with oppression, he rebuked the Syracusans who were going to put the accusers to immediate death. A remarkable instance of his providential escape from the dagger of an assassin, is recorded by one of his biographers. As he was going to offer a sacrifice to the gods after a victory, two assassins, sent by the enemies, approached his person in disguise. The arm of one of the assassins was already lifted, when he was suddenly stabbed by an unknown person who made his escape from the camp. The other assassin, struck at the fall of his companion, fell before Timoleon, and confessed, in the presence of the army, the conspiracy that had been formed against his life. The unknown assassin was mean time pursued, and when he was found, he declared, that he had committed no crime in avenging the death of a beloved father, whom the man he had stabbed had murdered in the town of Leonini. Inquiries were made, and his confessions were found to be true. Timoleon died at Syracuse, about 337 years before the Christian era. His body received an honourable burial; but the tears of a grateful nation were more convincing proofs of the public regret, than the institution of festivals, and games yearly to be observed on the day of his death. C. Nep. & Plut. in tit.—Polyc. 5.—Died. 16.

TIMON. A native of Athens, called Mianthrops, for his unconquerable aversion to mankind and all society. He was fond of another Athenian, whose character was similar to his own, and he said he had some partiality for Alcibiades, because he was one day to be his country’s ruin. Once he went into the public assembly, and told his countrymen, that he had a fig-tree on which many had ended their life with a halter, and that as he was going to cut it down to raise a building on the spot, he advised all such as were inclined to destroy themselves, to hasten, and go and hang themselves in his garden. Plut. in Alex. &c.—Lucian, in Tim.—Paut. 6, c. 12.—A Greek poet, son of Timarchus, in the age of Ptolemy Philadelphus. He wrote several dramatic pieces, all now lost, and died in the 90th year of his age. Diog.—Athen. 6 & 13.—An athlete of Elis. Paut. 6, c. 12.

TINOPHANES, a Corinthian, brother to Timoleon. He attempted to make himself tyrant of his country, by means of the mercenary soldiers with whom he had fought against the Argives.
and Cleomenes. Timoleon wished to convince him of the impropriety of his measures, and when he found him unmoved, he caused him to be assassinated. Plut. & C. Nep. in Tim.—A man of Mitylene, celebrated for his riches, &c.

Timon, the god of fear. They distinguish him thus from Favor.

Timoteus, a poet and musician of Miletus. He was received with kisses the first time he exhibited as a musician in the assembly of the people, and further applications would have totally been abandoned, had not Euripides discovered his abilities, and encouraged him to follow a profession in which he afterwards gained so much applause. He received an immense sum of money from the Ephesians, because he had composed a poem in honour of Diana. He died about the 90th year of his age, two years before the birth of Alexander the Great.

There was also another musician of Boeotia in the age of Alexander, often confounded with the musician of Miletus. He was a great favourite of the conqueror of Darius. Paus. 3, c. 12.—Plut. de music. de fort. &c.—An Athenian general, son of Conon. He signalized himself by his valour and magnanimity, and shewed that he was inferior to his great father in military prudence. He seized Corcyra, and obtained several victories over the Thebans, but his ill success in one of his expeditions disgusted the Athenians, and Timoteus, like the rest of his noble predecessors, was fined a large sum of money. He retired to Chalcis, where he died. He was so dissatisfied that he never appropriated any of the plunder to his own use, but after one of his expeditions, he fled the treasury of Athens with 1200 talents. Some of the ancients, to intimate his continual successes have represented him as sleeping by the side of Fortune. Paus. 1, c. 22.—Plut. in Syl. &c.—Ælian. V. H. 2, c. 10 & 18. I. 3, c. 16.—C. Nep.—A Greek statuary. Paus. 2, c. 32.—A tyrant of Heraclea. A king of Sapai.

Timoxenus, a governor of Sicyon, who betrayed his trust, &c. Polyen.—A general of the Achaen.

Tingis, a maritime town of Africa, in Mauritania, built by the giant Anteus. Sertorius took it, and, as the tomb of the founder was near the place, he caused it to be opened, and found in it a skel-ton sixty cubits long. This increased the veneration of the people for their founder. Tingis is now called Tangier. Plut. in Serp.—Mela, 1, c. 5.

Tiphia, a town of Boeotia, where Hercules had a temple. Paus. 9, c. 32.

Tiphys, the pilot of the ship of the Argonauts, was son of Hagnius, or, according to some, of Phorbas. He died before the Argonauts reached Colchis, at the court of Lycus, in the Propontis, and Erginus was chosen in his place. Orph.—Apollod. 1, c. 9.—Apollon.—Val. Pomp.—Paus. 9, c. 32.—Hygin. fab. 14 & 18.

Tiphysa, a daughter of Thesius.
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Tithæs, an officer of Artaxerxes killed by the guards for conspiring against the king's life, B. C. 394. Plut. in Art.

Tiridates, a king of Parthia, after the expulsion of Phraates by his subjects. He was soon after deposed, and fled to Augustus. Horat. 1, od. 26. — A man made king of Parthia by Tiberius, after the death of Phraates, in opposition to Artabanus. Tacit. ann. 3. 3 &c. — A keeper of the royal treasures at Persepolis, who offered to surrender to Alexander the Great. Curt. 5, c. 5, &c. — A king of Armenia, in the reign of Nero. — A son of Phraates, &c.

Tiris, a general of the Thracians, who opposed Antiochus.

Tito, Tullius, a freedman of Cicero, greatly esteemed by his master for his learning and good qualities. It is said that he invented short-hand writing among the Romans. He wrote the life of Cicero, and other treatises now lost. Cic. ad Att. 3 &c.

Tirynthia, a name given to Alcmena, because she lived at Tirynthus. Ovid. Met. 6.

Tirynthius, a surname of Hercules.


Tisæum, a mountain of Thessaly.

Tisagogas, a brother of Miliades, called also Statesagoras. C. Nep. in Milit.

Tisamenus or Tisamenus, a son of Orestes and Hermione, the daughter of Menelaus, who succeeded on the throne of Argos and Lacedaemon. The Heracleiæ entered his kingdom in the third year of his reign, and he was obliged to retire with his family into Achaia. He was sometime after killed in a battle against the Ionians, near Helice. Apollod. 2, c. 7. — Paus. 3, c. 3. 1. 7. c. 1. — A king of Thbes, son of Thersander, and grandson of Polynices. The Furies, who continually persecuted the house of Ædipus, permitted him to live in tranquility, but they tormented his son and successor Autesion, and obliged him to retire to Doris. Paus. 3, c. 5. 1. 9. c. 6. — A native of Elis, crowned twice at the Olympic games. Paus. 3, c. 11.

Tisandroes, one of the Greeks concealed with Ulysses in the wooden horse. Some suppose him to be the same as Thersander, the son of Polynices. Virg. Æn. 2, v. 261.

Tisarchus, a friend of Agathocles, by whom he was murdered, &c.

Tisias, a town of Africa.

Tisiphön, one of the Furies, daughter of Nox and Achéron, who was the minister of divine vengeance upon mankind, and punished the wicked in Tartarus. She was represented with a whip in her hand, serpents hung from her head, and were wreathed round her arms, instead of bracelets. By June's directions she attempted to prevent the landing of Io, in Egypt, but the god of the Nile repelled her, and obliged her to retire to hell. Stat. Theb. 7, v. 59. — Virg. G. 3, v. 558. — Horat., sat. 6, v. 34. — A daughter of Alcmena and Manto.

Tisiphus, a man who conspired against Alexander, tyrant of Pheræ, &c.

Tissa, a town of Sicily. Sil. 14, v. 268.

Tissamenus, Vid. Tisamenus.

Tisaphernes, an officer of Darius. — A satrap of Persia, commander of the forces of Artaxerxes, at the battle of Cunaxa against Cyrus. It was by his valour and intrepidity that the king's forces gained the victory; and for this he obtained the daughter of Artaxerxes in marriage, and all the provinces of which Cyrus was governor. His popularity did not long continue, and the king ordered him to be put to death, when he had been conquer ed by Agesilaus, 393 B. C. — C. Nep. — An officer in the army of Cyrus, killed by Artaxerxes at the battle of Cunaxa. Plut.

Tityra, the mother of Titans. She is supposed to be the same as Thea, Rhea, Terra, &c.

Titan, or Tînâus, a son of Cœlus and Terra, brother to Saturn and Hyperion. He was the eldest of the children of Cœlus; but he gave his brother Saturn the kingdom of the world, provided he raised no male children. When the birth of Jupiter was concealed, Titan made war against Saturn, and imprisoned him till he was replaced on his throne by his son Jupiter. This tradition is recorded by Lactantius, a Christian writer, who took it from the dramatic compositions of Ennius, now lost. None of the ancient mythologists, such as Apollodorus, Hesiod, Hyginus, &c. have made mention of Titan. Titan is a name applied to Saturn by Orpheus and Lucian; to the Sun by Virgil and Ovid; and to Prometheus by Juvenal. Ovill. Met. 1, v. 10. — Juv. 14, v. 35. — Diog. 5. — Paus. 2, c. 11. — Orpheus Hymn. 13. — Virg. Æn. 4, v. 119.

Tînâ, a town of Sicily, in Peloponnesus. Titanus resided there. — A man skilled in astronomy. Paus. 2, c. 11.

Tînâes, a name given to the sons of Cœlus and Terra. They were forty-five in number, according to the Egyptians. Apollodorus mentions thirteen, Hyginus six, and Hesiod twenty, among whom are the Titanides. The most known of the Titans are Saturn, Hyperion, Oceanus, Japetus, Cottus, and Briareus, to whom Horace adds, Typhaeus, Mimus, Porphyrio, Rhetus, and Enceladus, who are by other mythologists reckoned among the giants. They were all of a gigantic stature, and with proportionable strength. They were treated with great cruelty by Cœlus, and confined in the bowels of the earth, till their mother pitied their misfortunes, and armed them against their father. Saturn with a scythe cut off the genitals of his father, as he was going to unite himself to Terra, and threw them into the sea, and from the froth sprang a new deity, called Venus; as also Alecto, Tisiphone, and Megara, according to Apollodorus. When Saturn succeeded his
father, he married Rhea; but he devoured all his male children, as he had been informed by an oracle, that he should be dethroned by them, as a punishment for his cruelty to his father. The wars of the Titans against the gods are very celebrated in mythology. They are often confounded with that of the giants; but it is to be observed, that the war of the Titans was against Saturn, and that of the giants against Jupiter. Hesiod. Theog. 135, &c.—Apollod. 1, c. 1.—Espych. in Prom.—Callim. in Del. 17.—Diod. 1.—Hygin. praf. fab.

Titania, a patronymic applied to Pyrrha, as grand-daughter of Titan. Ovid. Met. 1, v. 395.

TITANIDES, the daughters of Celes and Terra; six in number, according to Hesiod, or seven, according to Orpheus. The most celebrated were Tethys, Themis, Dione, Thea, Mnemosyne, Oph, Cybele, Vesta, Phoebe, and Rhea. Hesiod. Theog. 135, &c.—Apollod. 1, c. 1.

TITANUS, a river in Peloponnesus, with a town and mountain of the same name.

TITARES, a river of Ithaca, flowing into the Peneus. Strab. 8.—Paus. 8, c. 18.

TITERNUS, a river of Colchis, falling into the Euxine sea.

TITHEMENIDIA, a festival of Sparta, in which swine, tithe/i, conveyed male infants entrusted to their charge, to the temple of Diana, where they sacrificed young pigs. During the time of the solemnity, they generally danced, and exposed themselves in ridiculous postures; there were also some entertainments given near the temple, where tents were erected. Each had a separate portion allotted him, together with a small loaf, a piece of new cheese, part of the entrails of the victim, and figs, beans, and green vetches, instead of sweetmeats.

TITHONUS, a son of Laomedon, king of Troy, by Strymo, the daughter of the Scamander. He was so beautiful that Aurora became enamoured of him, and carried him away. He had by her Memon and Æmatheon. He begged of Aurora to be immortal, and the goddess granted it; but as he had forgotten to ask the vigour, youth, and beauty, which he then enjoyed, he soon grew old, infirm, and decrepit; and as life became insupportable to him, he prayed Aurora to remove him from the world. As he could not die, the goddess changed him into a cicada, or grasshopper. Apollod. 3, c. 5.—Virg. G. 1, v. 447.—Æn. 4, v. 385. l. 8, v. 384.—Hesiod. Theog. 984.—Diod. 1.—Ovid. Fast. 1, v. 461. l. 9, v. 403.—Horat. 1, od. 28. l. 2, od. 16.

TITIA, a deity among the Milesians.

TITIANA FLAVIA, the wife of the emperor Pertinax, disgraced herself by her debaucheries and incontinence. After the murder of her husband she was reduced to poverty, and spent the rest of her life in an obscure retreat.

TITIANUS, ATTIL, a noble Roman, put to death, A.D. 156, by the senate, for aspiring to the purple. He was the only one proscribed during the reign of Antoninus Pius.

TITIALEX, de magistratus, by P. Titus, the tribune, A. U. C. 710. It ordained, that a triumvirate of magistrates should be invested with consular power to preside over the republic for five years. The persons chosen were Octavius, Antony, and Lepidus.—Another, de provinciis, which required, that all the provincial quarters, like the consuls and praetors, should receive their provinces by lot.

TITII, priests of Apollo.

TITHEAS, son of Andion.

TITHAUSTES, a Persian satrap, B. C. 395, ordered to murder Tissaphernes by Artaxerxes. He succeeded to the offices which the slaughtered favourite enjoyed. He was defeated by the Athenians under Cimon.—An officer in the Persian court, &c.

TITIFUS, a tribune of the people, in the first ages of the republic.—A friend of Cassius, who killed himself.—One of the slaves who revolted at Capua. He betrayed his trust to the Roman generals.

TITIUS, a Roman knight appointed to watch Messalina. Tacit. 11, Ann. c. 35.—A tribune of the people who enacted the Titian law.—An orator of a very dissolute character.—One of Pompey's murderers.—One of Antony's officers.—A man who foretold a victory to Sylla.—Septimius, a poet in the Augustan age, who distinguished himself by his lyric and tragic compositions, now lost. Horat. 1, ep. 3, v. 9.

TITORMUS, a shepherd of Ætolia, called another Hercules, on account of his prodigious strength. He was stronger than his contemporaries Milo of Crotona, as he could lift on his shoulders a stone which the Crotonian moved but with difficulty. Ælian. V. H. 12, c. 22.—Herodot. 6, c. 127.


TITUS VESPASIANUS, son of Vespasian and Flavia Domitilla, became known by his valour in the Roman armies, particularly at the siege of Jerusalem. In the 79th year of the Christian era, he was invested with the imperial purple, and the Roman people had every reason to expect in him the barbarities of a Tiberius, and the debaucheries of a Nero. While in the house of Vespasian, Titus had been distinguished for his extravagance and incontinence; his attendants were the most abandoned and dissolute, and it seemed that he wished to be superior to the rest of the world in the gratification of every impure desire, and in every unnatural vice. From such a private character, which still might be curbed by the authority and example of a father, what could be expected but tyranny and oppression. Yet Titus became a model of virtue, and in an age and office in which others wish to gratify all their appetites, the emperor abandoned all his usual profiacy, he forgot his debaucheries, and Berenice, whom he had loved with uncommon ardour, even to render himself despoiled by the Roman people, was dismissed from his presence. When raised to the throne, he thought himself bound to be the father of his people, the guardian of virtue, and the patron of liberty; and Titus is perhaps the only monarch who,
when invested with uncontrollable power, bade adieu to those vices, luxuries, and indulgences, which, as a private man, he never ceased to gratify. He was moderate in his entertainments, and though he often refused the donations which were due to sovereignty, no emperor was ever more generous and more magnificent than Titus. All informers were banished from his presence, and even severely punished. A reform was made in the judicial proceedings, and trials were no longer permitted to be postponed for years. The public edifices were repaired, and baths were erected for the convenience of the people. Spectacles were exhibited, and the Roman populace were gratified with the sight of a naval combat in the ancient naumachia, and the sudden appearance of five thousand wild beasts brought into the circus for their amusement. To do good to his subjects was the ambition of Titus; and it was at the recollection that he had done no service, or granted no favour one day, that he exclaimed in the memorable words, My friends, I have lost a day! A continual wish to be benevolent and kind, made him popular; and it will not be wondered, that he who could say that he had rather die himself, than be the cause of the destruction of one of his subjects, was called the love and delight of mankind. Two of the senators conspired against his life, but the emperor disregarded their attempts; he made them his friends by kindness, and like another Nero, presented them with a sword to destroy him. During his reign, Rome was three days on fire, the towns of Campania were destroyed by an eruption of Vesuvius, and the empire was visited by a pestilence which carried away an infinite number of inhabitants. In this time of public calamity, the emperor’s benevolence and philanthropy were conspicuous. Titus comforted the afflicted as a father, he alleviated their distresses by his liberal bounties, and as if they were but one family, he exerted himself for the good and preservation of the whole. The Romans, however, had not long to enjoy the favours of a magnificent prince; Titus was taken ill, and as he retired into the country of the Sabines to his father’s house, his indisposition was increased by a burning fever. He lifted his eyes to heaven, and with modest submission complained of the severity of fate which removed him from the world when young, where he had been employed in making a grateful people happy. He died the 13th of September, A.D. 81, in the 41st year of his age, after a reign of two years, two months, and 20 days. The news of his death was received with lamentations; Rome was filled with tears, and all looked upon themselves as deprived of the most benevolent of fathers. After him Domitian ascended the throne, not without incurring the suspicions of having hastened his brother’s end, by ordering him to be placed, during his agony, in a tub full of snow, where he expired. Domitian has also been accused of raising commotions, and of making attempts to dethrone his brother; but Titus disregarded them and forgave the offender.

Suetonius.—Dio. &c.

Titus Tatius, a king of the Sabines. Vid. Tatius.—Livius a celebrated historian. Vid. Livius.—A son of Junius Brutus, put to death by order of his father, for conspiring to restore the Tarquins.—A friend of Coriolanus.—A native of Crotona, engaged in Catiline’s conspiracy.

Tityrus, a shepherd introduced in Virgil’s eclogues, &c.

Tityrus, a celebrated giant, son of Terra, or according to others, of Jupiter, by Elara, the daughter of Orchomenos. He was of such a prodigious size, that his mother died in travail after Jupiter had drawn her from the bowels of the earth, where she had been concealed during her pregnancy to avoid the anger of Juno. Tityrus attempted to offer violence to Latona, but the goddess delivered herself from his importunities, by calling to her assistance her children, who killed the giant with their arrows. He was placed in hell, where a serpent continually devoured his liver; or, according to others, where vultures perpetually fed upon his entrails, which grew as again as soon as devoured. It is said that Tityrus covered nine acres when stretched on the ground. He had a small chapel with an altar in the island of Euboa. Apollon. Rh. 1, v. 182, &c. Virg. En. 6, v. 595. Horat. 3, od. 4, v. 77.—Hygin. fab. 55.—Ovid. Met. 4, v. 437.—Tibull. 1, l. 3, v. 75.

Tatum, or Tion, a maritime town of Phocis, built by the Milesians. Mele, l. c. 9.

Tlepolemus, a son of Hercules and Astyo- chia, born at Argos. He left his native country after the accidental murder of Licymnius, and retired to Rhodes, by order of the oracle, where he was chosen king, as being one of the sons of Hercules. He went to the Trojan war with nine ships, and was killed by Sarpedon. There were some festivals established at Rhodes in his honour, called Tlepolemiae, in which men and boys contended. The victors were rewarded with popular crowns. Homer. II.—Apollon. 2, c. 7.—Diod. 5.—Hygin. fab. 97.—One of Alexander’s generals, who obtained Carmania at the general division of the Macedonian empire.—An Egyptian general, who flourished B. C. 207.

Tmarus, a Rutulian in the wars of Aeneas. Virg. En. 9, v. 683.—A mountain of Thes- protia.

Tmolus, a king of Lydia, who married Omphale. He was son of Sipylos and Chthonia. He offered violence to a young nymph called Arripphe, at the foot of Diana’s altar, for which impiety he was afterwards killed by a bull. The mountain on which he was buried bore his name. Apollon. 2, c. 6.—Ovid. Met. 11, fab. 4.—Hygin fab. 191.—A town of Asia Minor, destroyed by an earthquake.—A mountain of Lydia, on which the river Pactolus rises. The air was so wholesome near Tmolus, that the inhabitants generally lived to their 150th year. The neighbouring country was very prolific, and produced plenty of odoriferous flowers. Strab. 13, &c.—Herodot. 1, c. 84, &c.—Ovid.
TOMIS, a town on the western shores of the Euxine sea. The word is derived from τεμωρ, seco, because Medea, it is said, cut to pieces the body of her brother Absyrtus there. It is celebrated as being the place where Ovid was banished by Augustus. Tomos was the capital of lower Mysia, founded by a Milesian colony, B. C. 633. Strab. 7. —Apollod. 1, c. 9.—Mela, 2, c. 2. —Ovid. ex Pont. 4, cl. 14, v. 59.—Trist. 3, cl. 9, v. 33, &c.

Tom XII. Vid. Thornyris.

Tomna, a solemnity observed at Samos. It was usual to carry Juno's statue to the seashore, and to offer cakes upon it, and afterwards to replace it again in the temple. This was in commemoration of the theft of the Tyrrhenians, who attempted to carry away the statue of the goddess, but were detained in the harbour by an invisible force.

Tomnilli, an avaricious lawyer, &c. Juv. 7, v. 130.

Tópazós, an island in the Arabian gulf, anciently called Ophiodes from the quantity of serpents that were there.

Topíris, or Topns, a town of Thrace.

Topn, a people of Scythia.

Topone, a town of Macedonia.

Topúta, one of the vestal virgins, daughter of C. Silanus. She was a vestal for 64 years. Tacit. 3, Am. c. 69.

Torquats, a surname of Titus Manlius.

Torques, a name given to Selinus of Cilicia, where Trajan died.

TRAJAN, (M. Ulpius Crinitus) a Roman emperor, born at Italic in Spain. His great virtues, and his private as well as public character, and his services to the empire, both as an officer, a governor, and a consul, recommended him to the notice of Nerva, who solemnly adopted him as his son, invested him during his lifetime with the imperial purple, and gave him the name of Caesar and Germanicus. A little time after Nerva died, and the election of Trajan to the vacant throne, was confirmed by the unanimous rejoicings of the people, and the free concurrence of the armies on the confines of Germany, and the banks of the Danube. The noble and independent behaviour of Trajan, evinced the propriety and goodness of Nerva's choice, and the attachment of the legions; and the new emperor seemed calculated to ensure peace and domestic tranquility to the extensive empire of Rome. All the actions of Trajan shewed a good and benevolent prince, whose virtues truly merited the encomiums which the pen of an elegant and courteous paganyst has paid. The barbarians continued in quiet, and the hostilities which they generally displayed at the election of a new emperor, whose abilities they distrusted, were now few. Trajan, however, could not behold with satisfaction and unconcern, the insolence of the Danians, who claimed from the Roman people a tribute which the cowardice of Domitian had offered. The sudden appearance of the emperor
on the frontiers, awed the barbarians to peace; Decibalus, their warlike monarch, soon began hostilities by violating the treaty. The emperor entered the enemy's country, by throwing a bridge across the rapid streams of the Danube, and a battle was fought, in which the slaughter was so great, that in the Roman camp linen was wanted to dress the wounds of the soldiers. Trajan obtained the victory, and Decibalus, despairing of success, destroyed himself, and Dacia became a province of Rome. That the ardour of the Roman soldiers in defeating their enemies might not cool, an expedition was undertaken into the east, and Partlia threatened with immediate war. Trajan passed through the submissive kingdom of Armenia, and by his well-directed operations, made himself master of the provinces of Asia and Mesopotamia.

He extended his conquests in the east; he obtained victories over unknown nations; and when on the extremities of India, he lamented that he possessed not the vigour and youth of an Alexander, that he might add unexplored provinces and kingdoms to the Roman empire. These successes in different parts of the world, gained applause; and the senators were profuse in the honours they decreed to the conqueror. This was but the blaze of transient glory. Trajan had no sooner signified his intentions of returning to Italy, than the conquered barbarians appeared again in arms, and the Roman empire did not acquire the single acre of territory from the conquests of her sovereign in the east. The return of the emperor towards Rome, was hastened by indisposition; he stopped in Cilicia, and in the town of Selinus, which afterwards was called Trajanopolis, he was seized with a flux, and a few days after expired, in the beginning of August, A. D. 117, after a reign of 19 years, 6 months, and 15 days, in the 64th year of his age. He was succeeded on the throne by Adrian, whom the empress Plotina introduced to the Roman armies, as the adopted son of her husband. The ashes of Trajan were carried to Rome, and deposited under the state-ly column which he had erected a few years before. Under this emperor the Romans enjoyed tranquillity, and for a moment supposed that their prosperity was complete under a good and virtuous sovereign. Trajan was fond of popularity, and he merited it. The sounding titles of Optimus, and the father of his country, were not unworthily bestowed upon a prince who was equal to the greatest generals of antiquity, and who, to indicate his affability, and his wish to listen to the just complaints of his subjects, distinguished his palace by the inscription of the public palace. Like other emperors, he did not receive with an air of unconcern the homage of his friends, but rose from his seat, and went cordially to salute them. He refused the statues which the flattery of favourites wished to erect to him, and he ridiculed the follies of an enlightened nation, that could pay adoration to cold inanimat pieces of marble. His public entry into Rome gained him the hearts of the people; he appeared on foot, and shewed himself an enemy to parade, and an ostentatious equipage. When in his camp, he exposed himself to the fatigues of war like the meanest soldier, and crossed the most barren deserts and extensive plains on foot, and in his dress and food, displayed all the simplicity which once gained the approbation of the Romans in their countryman Fabricius. All the © dest soldiers he knew by their own name; he conversed with them with great familiarity, and never retired to his tent before he had visited the camp, and by a personal attendance, convinced himself of the vigilance and the security of his army. As a friend he was not less distinguished than as a general. He had a select number of intimates, whom he visited with freedom and openness, and at whose tables he partook many a moderate repast without form or ceremony. His confidence, however, in the good intentions of others, was perhaps carried to excess. His favourite, Sura, had once been accused of attempts upon his life, but Trajan dis-regarded the informer, and as he was that same day invited to the house of the supposed conspirator, he went thither early. To try farther the sincerity of Sura, he ordered himself to be shaved by his barber, to have a medicinal application made to his eyes by his surgeon, and to bathe together with him. The public works of Trajan are also celebrated; he opened free and easy communications between the cities and his provinces; he planted many colonies, and furnished Rome with all the corn and provisions which could prevent a famine in the time of calamity. It was by his directions that the architect Apollodorus built that celebrated column which is still to be seen at Rome, under the name of Trajan's column. The area on which it stands was made by the labours of men, and the height of the pillar proves that a large hill, 144 feet high, was removed at a great expense, A. D. 114, to commemorate the victories of the reigning prince. His persecutions of the Christians were stopped by the interference of the humane Pliny, but he was uncommonly severe upon the Jews who had barbarously murdered 200,000 of his subjects, and even fed upon the flesh of the dead. His vices have been obscurely seen through a reign of continued splendour and popularity; yet he is accused of incontinence and many unnatural indulgences. He was too much addicted to drinking, and his wish to be styled lord, has been censured by those who admired the dissimulated moderation, and the modest claims of an Augustus. Plin. Panec. &c.—Dio. Cass.—Eutrop.—Ammian.— Sparrtan.—Joseph. Bell. J.—Victor.—The father of the emperor, who likewise bore the name of Trajan, was honoured with the consulship, and a triumph, and the rank of a patrician by the emperor Vespasian.—A general of the emperor Valens.—A son of the emperor Decius.

TRALEES, a town of Lydia. Jue. Transstiberina, a part of the city of Rome on one side of the Tiber. Mount Vatican was in that part of the city. Mart. 1, ep. 109.

TRAPEZUS, a city of Pontus, built by the people of Sinope, now called Trebizond. It had
a celebrated harbour on the Euxine sea, and became famous under the emperors of the eastern empire.—A town of Arcadia near the Alpheus. It received its name from the son of Lycaon.

Trassimenes. Vid. Trasymenes.

T Rasullus, a man who taught Tiberius astrology at Rhodes, &c.

T sensualis Montanus, a Roman knight, one of Messalina's favourites.

C. Trebatius Testas, a man banished by J. Caesar for following the interest of Pompey, and recalled by the eloquence of Cicero. He was afterwards reconciled to Caesar. Trebatius was not less distinguished for his learning than for his integrity, his military experience, and knowledge of the law. He wrote nine books on religious ceremonies, and treatises on civil law; and the verses that he composed, proved him a poet of no inferior consequence. Horat. 2, Sat. 1, v. 4.

Trebellianus, (C. Annius) a pirate who proclaimed himself emperor of Rome, A.D. 264. He was defeated and slain in Isauria, by the lieutenants of Gallienus.

Trebellianus Rufus, a praetor appointed governor of the children of king Cotys, by Tiberius.—A tribune who opposed the Gabinian law.—A Roman who numbered the inhabitants of Gaul. He was made governor of Britain. Tacit.

Trebellius Pollio, a Latin historian, who wrote an account of the lives of the emperors. The beginning of this history is lost; part of the reign of Valerian, and the life of the two Gallienus's with the thirty tyrants, are the only fragments remaining. He flourished A. D. 305.

Trebia, a river of Cisalpine Gaul, rising in the Apennine, and falling into the Po, at the west of Placentia. It is celebrated for the victory which Annibal obtained there over the forces of L. Sempronius, the Roman consul. Sil. 4, v. 486.—Lucan. 2, v. 40.

Trebis, an officer in Caesar's army in Gaul.—A parasite in Domitian's reign. Juv. 4.

Trebionia lex, de provinciis, by L. Trebonius the tribune, A. U. C. 698. It gave Caesar the chief command in Gaul for five years longer than was enacted by the Vatican law, and in this manner prevented the senators from recalling or superseding him.

Trebonius, a soldier remarkable for his constine, &c.—One of Caesar's friends, made through his interest praetor and consul. He was afterwards one of his benefactor's murderers. He was killed by Dolabella at Smyrna. Curs. Bell. 5, c. 17.—Cic. in Phil. 11.—Horat. 1, Sat. 4, v. 114.—A governor of Africa, put to death by Gaia's orders.—A tribune who proposed a law at Rome, and imprisoned Cato, because he opposed it.—One of the adherents of Marius.—A man caught in adultery, and severely punished in the age of Horace.

Trebula, a town of the Sabines, celebrated for cheese. Cic. in Agr. 2.—Martial, 5, cp. 72.

Trrerus, a river of Latium falling into the Liris.

Treviri, a people of Belgium. Mela, 3, c. 2.

Triaria, a woman well known for her cruelty. She was wife of L. Vitellius.—A friend of Pompey. He had for some time the care of the war in Asia against Mithridates, whom he defeated, and by whom he was afterwards beaten. He was killed in the civil wars of Pompey and Caesar. Cas. Bel. Civ. 3, c. 5.

Triballi, a people of Thrace, or, according to some, of Lower Asia. They were conquered by Philip, the father of Alexander; and some ages after, they maintained a long war against the Roman emperors.

Triboci, a people of Germany. Tacit. de Germ.

Tribuni Plebis, magistrates at Rome, created in the year U. C. 261, when the people, after a quarrel with the senators, had retired to Mons Sacer. The two first were C. Licinius, and L. Albinus; but their number was soon after raised to five, and 37 years after to ten, which remained fixed. Their office was annual, and as the first had been created on the 4th of the ides of December, that day was ever after chosen for the election. Their power, though at first small, and granted by the patricons to appease the momentary seditions of the populace, soon became formidable, and the senators soon repented of having consented to elect magistrates, who not only preserved the rights of the people, but could summon assemblies, propose laws, stop the consultation of the senate, and even abolish their decrees by the word veto. Their approbation was also necessary to confirm the senatus consultus, and this was done by affixing the letter T under it. If any irregularity happened in the state, their power was almost absolute; they criticised the conduct of all the public magistrates, and even dragged a consul to prison, if the measures he pursued were hostile to the peace of Rome. The dictator alone was their superior; but when that magistrate was elected, the office of tribune was not, like that of all other inferior magistrates, abolished while he continued at the head of the state. The people paid them so much deference, that their person was held sacred, and thence they were always called Sacramanci. To strike them was a capital crime, and to interrupt them while they spoke in the assemblies, called for the immediate interference of power. The marks by which they were distinguished from other magistrates were not very conspicuous. They wore no particular dress, only a beadle, called a viaor, marched before them. They never sat in the senate, though some time after their office entitled them to the rank of senators. Yet great as their power might appear, they received heavy wound from their number, and as their consultations and their resolutions were of no effect if they were not all unanimous, the senate often took advantage of their avarice, and by gaining one of them by bribes, they as it were
suspended the authority of the rest. The office of tribune of the people, though at first deemed mean and servile, was afterwards one of the first steps that led to more honourable employments, and as no patrician was permitted to canvass for the tribuneship, we find many that descended among the plebeians to exercise that important office. From the power with which they were at last invested by the activity, the intrigues, and continual application of those who who were in office, they became almost absolute in the state, and it has been properly observed, that they caused far greater troubles than those which they were at first created to silence. Sylla, when raised to the dictatorship, gave a fatal blow to the authority of the tribunes, and by one of his decrees, they were no longer permitted to harangue and inflame the people; they could make no laws; no appeal lay to their tribunal, and such as had been tribunes, were not permitted to solicit for the other offices of the state. This disgrace however was but momentary, at the death of the tyrant, the tribunes recovered their privileges by means of Cotta and Pompey the Great. The office of tribune remained in full force till the age of Augustus, who, to make himself more absolute, and his person sacred, conferred the power and office upon himself, whence he was called tribunitia potestate donatus. His successors on the throne imitated his example; and as the emperor was the real and official tribune, such as were appointed to the office were merely nominal, without power or privilege. Under Constantine, the tribuneship was totally abolished. The tribunes were never permitted to sleep out of the city, except at the Feriae Latinae, when they went with other magistrates to offer sacrifices upon a mountain near Alba. Their houses were always open, and they received every complaint, and were ever ready to redress the wrongs of their constituents. Their authority was not extended beyond the walls of the city. — There were also other officers who bore the name of tribunes, such as the tribuni militum or militares, who commanded a division of the legions. They were empowered to decide all quarrels that might arise in the army; they took care of the camp, and gave the watch-word. There were only three at first chosen by Romulus, but the number was at last increased to six in every legion. After the expulsion of the Tarquins, they were chosen by the consuls, but afterwards the right of electing them was divided between the people and the consul. They were generally of senatorian and equestrian families, and the former were called Latilavi, and the latter augustilavi, from their peculiar dress. Those that were chosen by the consuls were called Rutuli, because the right of the consuls to elect them was confirmed by Rutulus, and those elected by the people were called Comitati, because chosen in the comitia. They wore a golden ring, and were in office no longer than six months. When the consuls were elected, it was usual to choose 14 tribunes from the knights who had served five years in the army, and who were called seniores, and ten from the people who had been in ten campaigns, who were called juniores. — There were a few officers called tribunum militum consuls potestate, elected instead of consul. A. U. C. 310. They were only three originally, but the number was afterwards increased to six, or more, according to the will and pleasure of the people, and the emergencies of the state. Part of them were plebeians, and the rest of patrician families. When they had subsisted for about 70 years, not without some interruption, the office was totally abolished, as the plebeians were admitted to share the consulsiphip, and the consuls continued at the head of the state till the end of the commonwealth. — The tribuni cohortium praetorianarum, were entrusted with the person of the emperor, which they guarded and protected. — The tribuni equestrii were officers chosen from among the people, who kept the money which was to be applied to defray the expenses of the army. The richest persons were always chosen, as much money was always requisite for the pay of the soldiers. They were greatly distinguished in the state, and they shared with the senators and Roman knights the privileges of judging. They were abolished by Julius Caesar, but Augustus re-established them, and created 200 more, to decide causes of smaller importance. — The tribuni celeres had the command of the guard which Romulus chose for the safety of his person. They were 100 in number distinguished for their probity, their opulence, and their nobility. — The tribuni volvupatem were commissioned to take care of the amusements which were prepared for the people, and that nothing might be wanting in the exhibitions. This office was also honourable.

TRICALA, a strong town of Sicily. Sil. 14, v. 271.

TRICASSES, a people of Gaul, who inhabited Campania.

TRICASTINI, a people of Gallia Narbonensis. Sil. 3, v. 466.

TRICCE, a town of Thessaly, where Asclepius had a temple. The inhabitants went to the Trojan war. Liv. 32, c. 13. — Homer. II. — Plin. 4, c. 8.

TRICLARIA, a yearly festival celebrated by the inhabitants of three cities in Ionia, to appease the anger of Diana Tricaria, whose temple had been defiled by the adulterous commerce of Menalippus and Cometiro. It was usual to sacrifice a boy and a girl.

TRICENA, a place of Arcadia, where, according to some, Mercury was born. Paus. 8, c. 16.

TRIDENTUM, now Trente, a town of Cisalpine Gaul.

TRIESTERICA, festivals in honour of Bacchus, celebrated every three years.

TRIFOLIUS, a mountain of Campania. Mart. 13, ep. 104.

TRINARCHIS or TRINARCHIS, one of the ancient names of Sicily, from its triangular form. Verg. Æn. 3, v. 384, &c.

TRINUM, a river of Italy, which throws itself into the Adriatic sea.

Triocala of Triocala, a town in the southern parts of Sicily. *Sil. 14, v. 271.*

Trioas or Trips, a son of Neptune by Canace, the daughter of Æolus. *Apollod. 1, c. 7.*—A son of Phorbas, father to Algenor and Jasiau. *Homer. Hymn. in Ap. 211.*—A son of Piranthus.

Triopium, a town of Caria.

Triphallus, a surname of Priapus.

Triphylia, one of the ancient names of Elis.—A mountain where Jupiter had a temple in Panchaia, whence he is called Triphyllus.

Tripolis, an ancient town of Phocis, built by the liberal contribution of Tyre, Sidon, and Aradus, whence the name.—A town of Pontus.

Triptolemus, a son of Oceanus and Terra, or, according to some, of Trochilus, a priest of Argos. According to the more received opinion, he was the son of Celes, king of Attica, by Neera, whom some have called Metanira, Cotonea, Hyona, or Polynnia. He was born at Eleusis, in Attica, and was cured in his youth of a severe illness by the care of Ceres, who had been invited into the house of Celes, by the monarch's children, as she travelled over the country in quest of her daughter. To repay the kindnesses of Celes, the goddess took particular notice of his son. He fed him with her own milk, and placed him on burning coals during the night, to destroy whatever particles of mortality he had received from his parents. The mother was astonished at the uncommon growth of her son, and she had the curiosity to watch Ceres. She disturbed the goddess by a sudden cry, when Triptolemus was laid on the burning ashes, and as Ceres was therefore unable to make him immortal, she taught him agriculture, and rendered him serviceable to mankind, by instructing him how to sow corn, and make bread. She also gave him her chariot, which was drawn by two dragons, and in this celestial vehicle he travelled all over the earth, and distributed corn to all the inhabitants of the world. In Scythia the favourite of Ceres nearly lost his life; but Lycurus, the king of the country, who had conspired to murder him, was changed into a lynx. At his return to Eleusis, Triptolemus restored Ceres her chariot, and established festivals and mysteries, in honour of the deity. He reigned for some time, and after death received divine honours. Some suppose that he accompanied Bacchus in his Indian expedition. *Diod.*—*Hygin. fab. 147.*—*Paus. 2, c. 14, l. 8, c. 4.*—*Justin. 2, c. 6.*—*Apollod. 1, c. 5.*—*Callim. in Cer. 22.*—*Ovid. Met. 5, v. 646.*—*Fast. 4.*—*v. 501.*—*Trist. 3, el. 8, v. 1.*

Tripætra, a name given to Sicily, by the Latins, for its triangular form. *Lucret. 1, v. 70.*

Trienemes. Fid. Vaisseaux.


Triitia, a daughter of the river Triton, mother of Manalippos, by Mars.—A town in

Achaia, built by her son, bore her name. *Paus. 7, c. 22.*

Tritoginia, a surname of Pallas. *Hesiod.*

Triton, a sea deity, son of Neptune, by Amphitrite; or, according to some, by Celeno, or Salacia. He was very powerful among the sea deities, and could calm the sea and abate storms at pleasure. He is generally represented as blowing a shell, his body above the waist is that of a man, and below, a dolphin. Some represent him with the fore feet of a horse. Many of the sea deities are called Tritons, but the name is generally applied to those only who are half men and half fishes. *Apollod. 1, c. 4.*—*Hesiod. Theog. v. 930.*—*Ovid. Met. 1, v. 333.*—*Cic. de Nat. D. 1, c. 28.*—*Virg. Aen. 1, v. 148. l. 6, v. 173.*—*Paus. 9, c. 40.*—A river of Africa, falling into the lake Tritonis—One of the names of the Nile.—A small river of Boeotia.

Tritonon, a town of Dorida. T. L. 28, c. 7.

Tritonis, a lake and river of Africa, near which Minerva had a temple, whence she is surnamed Tritonis, or Tritonion. *Herodot. 4, c. 178.*—*Paus. 9, c. 33.*—*Virg. Aen. 2, v. 171.*— *Mela, 1, c. 7.*—Athens is also called Tritoni because dedicated to Minerva. *Ovid. Met. 5.*

Triiventum, a town of the Samnites.

Trivia, a surname given to Diana, because she presided over all places where three roads met. At the new moon the Athenians offered her sacrifices, and a sumptuous entertainment, which was generally distributed among the poor. *Virg. Aen. 6, v. 13. l. 7.*—*v. 774.*—*Ovid. Met. 2, v. 416.*—*Fast. 1, v. 389.*

Trivium, a place in the valley of Aricia, where the nymph Egeria resided. *Mart. 6, ep. 47.*

Trivium Lucus, a place of Campania, in the bay of Cumae. *Virg. Aen. 6, v. 13.*

Trivium, a town in the country of the Hirpins, in Italy. *Horat. 1, sat. 5, v. 79.*

Triumvir, reipublica constitutendae, were three magistrates appointed equally to govern the Roman state with absolute power. These officers gave a fatal blow to the expiring independence of the Roman people, and became celebrated for their different pursuits, their ambition, and their various fortunes. The first triumvirate, B. C. 60, was in the hands of J. Caesar, Pompey, and Crassus, who at the expiration of their office, kindled a civil war. The second, and last triumvirate, B. C. 43, was under Augustus, M. Antony, and Lepidus, and through them the Romans totally lost their liberty. Augustus disagreed with his colleagues, and after he had defeated them, he made himself absolute in Rome. The triumvirate was in full force at Rome for the space of about 12 years.—There were also officers who were called *triumviri capitales,* created A. U. C. 464. They took cognizance of murders and robberies, and every thing in which slaves were concerned. Criminals under sentence of death were entrusted to their care, and they had them executed, according to the com-
mands of the praetors.—The triumvir nocturni watched over the safety of Rome in the night time, and in case of fire, were ever ready to give orders, and to take the most effectual measures to extinguish it.—The triumviri agrarii had the care of colonies that were sent to settle in different parts of the empire. They made a fair division of the lands among the citizens, and exercised over the new colony all the power which was placed in the hands of the consuls at Rome.—The triumviri monetales were masters of the mint, and had the care of the coin; hence their office was generally intimated by the following letters, often seen on ancient coins and medals: IIIIVIR. A. A. A. P. F. i. e. Triumviri auro, argento, are flanxi, feriendo. Some suppose that they were created only in the age of Cicero, as those who were employed before them were called Denariorum flandorum curatora.—The triumviri valetudinarii were chosen when Rome was visited by a plague, or some other pestiferous distemper, and they took particular care of the temples of health and virtue.—The triumviri senatus legendi, were appointed to name those that were most worthy to be made senators, from among the plebeians. They were first chosen in the age of Augustus, as before, this privilege belonged to the kings, and afterwards devolved upon the consuls, and the censors, A. U. C. 310.—The triumviri mensariorum were chosen in the second Punic war, to take care of the coin and prices of exchange.

 Troades, the inhabitants of Troy.

Tersa, a country of Phrygia, in Asia Minor, of which Troy was the capital. When Troy is taken for the whole kingdom of Priam, it may be said to contain Mysia and Phrygia Minor; but if only applied to that part of the country where Troy was situate, its exent is confined within very narrow limits. Troy was anciently called Dardania. Vid. Troya.

Trophis, a lake in the island of Delos, near which Apollo and Diana were born.

Trozena, a town of Arcolis, in Peloponnesus, near the Saronicus Sinus, which received its name from Trozen, the son of Pelops, who reigned there for some time. It is often called Thesea, because Theseus was born there. Stat. Theb. 4, v. 81.—Paus. 2, c. 50.—Plut. in Thev.—Ovid. Met. 8, v. 566. 1, 15, v. 296.—Another town at the south of the Peloponnesus.

Trocmi, a people of Galatia. T. L. 38, c. 16

Troglises, three small islands near Samos.

Troglitum, a part of mount Mycale, which hangs over the sea. Strab. 14.

Troglus, a harbour of Sicily.

Troglodytes, a people of Ethiopia. They were all shepherds, and had their wives in common. Strab. 1.—Mela, 1, c. 4 & 8.

Trogus Pompeius, a Latin historian, B. C. 41. His father was one of the friends and adherents of J. Caesar. Trogus wrote an universal history of all the most important events that had happened from the beginning of the world to the age of Augustus, divided into 44 books. This history, which was greatly admired for its purity and elegance, was epitomiz'd by Justin and is still extant. Some suppose that the epitome is the cause that the original of Trogus is lost.

Troyus Heroes. Vid. Æneas.

Troya, a city, the capital of Troy, or, according to others, a country of which Ilium was the capital. It was built on a small eminence near mount Ida, and the promontory of Sigeum, at the distance of about four miles from the seaside. Dardanus, the first king of the country, built it, and called it Dardania, and from Troas, one of his successors, it was called Troja, and from Ilus, Ilion. Neptune is also said to have been celebrated by the poems of Homer and Virgil, and of all the wars which have been carried on among the ancients, that of Troy is the most famous. The Trojan war was undertaken by the Greeks, to recover Helen, whom Paris, the son of Priam, king of Troy, had carried away from the house of Menelaus. All Greece united to avenge the cause of Menelaus, and every prince furnished a certain number of ships and soldiers. According to Euripides, Virgil, and Lycophron, the armament of the Greeks amounted to 1000 ships. Homer mentions them as being 1186, and Thucydides supposes that they were 1200 in number. The number of men which these ships carried is unknown; yet as the largest contained about 120 men each, and the smallest 50, it may be supposed that no less than 100,000 men were engaged in this celebrated expedition. Agamemnon was chosen general of all these forces, but the princes and kings of Greece were admitted among his counsellors, and by them all the operations of the war were directed. The most celebrated of the Grecian princes that distinguished themselves in this war, were Achilles, Ajax, Menelaus, Ulysses, Diomedes, Protesilaus, Patroclus, Agamemnon, Nestor, Neoptolemus, &c. The Grecian army was opposed by a more numerous force. The king of Troy received assistance from the neighbouring princes in Asia Minor, and reckoned among his most active generals, Rhesus, king of Thrace, and Memnon, who entered the field with 20,000 Assyrians and Ethiopians. Many of the adjacent cities were reduced and plundered before the Greeks approached the walls; but when the siege was begun, the enemies on both sides gave proofs of valour and intrepidity. The army of the Greeks, however, was visited by a plague, and the operations were not less retarded by the quarrel of Agamemnon and Achilles. The loss was great on both sides; the most valiant of the Trojans, and particularly of the sons of Priam, were slain in the field; and, indeed, so great was the slaughter, that the rivers of the country are represented as filled with dead bodies and suits of armour. After the siege had been carried on for ten years, some of the Trojans, among whom were Æneas and Antenor, betrayed the city into the hands of the enemy, and Troy was reduced to ashes. The poets, however, support, that the Greeks made themselves masters of the place by artifice. They secretly filled a large wooden
horse with armed men, and led away their army from the plains, as if to return home. The Trojans brought the wooden horse into their city, and in the night the Greeks that were confined within the sides of the animal, rushed out, and opened the gates to their companions, who had returned from the place of their concealment. The greatest part of the inhabitants were put to the sword, and the others carried away by the conquerors. This happened, according to the Armundelian marbles, about 1184 years before the Christian era, in the 3530th year of the Julian period, on the night between the 11th and 12th of June, 408 years before the first Olympiad. Some time after, a new city was raised, about thirty stadia from the ruins of old Troy; but, though it bore the ancient name, and received ample donations from Alexander the Great, when he visited it in his Asiatic expedition, yet it continued to be small, and in the age of Strabo it was nearly in ruins. It is said that Julius Caesar, who wished to pass for one of the descendants of Aeneas, and consequently to be related to the Trojans, intended to make it the capital of the Roman empire, and to transport there the senate and the Roman people. The same apprehensions were entertained in the reign of Augustus, and according to some, an ode of Horace, J ustum et tenacem propositi virum, was written purposely to dissuade the emperor from putting into execution so wild a project. Vide Paris, Aeneas, Antenor, Agamemnon, Ilium, Laomedon, Menelaus, &c. Virg. En.—Homer. Ovid.—Diod. &c.

TROJANI ludis, games instituted by Aeneas, or his son Ascanius, to commemorate the death of Anchises, and celebrated in the circus, at Rome. Boys of the best families, dressed in a neat manner, and accoutered with suitable arms and weapons, were permitted to enter the lists. Sylla exhibited them in his dictatorship, and under Augustus they were observed with unusual pomp and solemnity. A mock fight on horseback, or sometimes on foot, was exhibited. The leader of the party was called princeps juventutis, and was generally the son of a senator, or the heir apparent to the empire. Virg. En. 5, c. 602.

TROJANI and TROJICENAE, the Trojans. TROJITUS, a son of Priam and Hecuba, killed by Achilles during the Trojan war. Apollod. 3, c. 12.—Horat. J, od. 9, v. 16.

TROMENTINA, one of the Roman tribes.

TROPEI DRUSI, a town of Germany, where Drusus died, and Tiberius was saluted emperor by the army.

TROPHONIUS, a celebrated architect, son of Erginus, king of Orchomenos, in Boetia. He built Apollo's temple, at Delphi, with the assistance of his brother Agamedes, and when he demanded of the god a reward for his trouble, he was told by the priestess to wait eight days, and to live during that time with all cheerfulness and pleasure. When the days were passed, Trophonius and his brother were found dead in their bed. According to Pausanias, however, he was swallowed up alive in the earth; and when afterwards the country was visited by a great drought, the Boeotians were directed to apply to Trophonius for relief, and to seek him at Lebadea, where he gave oracles in a cave. They discovered this cave by means of a swarm of bees, and Trophonius told them how to ease their misfortunes. From that time Trophonius was honoured as a god; he passed for the son of Apollo, a chapel and a statue were erected to him, and sacrifices were offered to his divinity, when consulted to give oracles. The cave of Trophonius became one of the most celebrated oracles of Greece. Many ceremonies were required, and the suppliant was obliged to make particular sacrifices, to anoint his body with oil, and to bathe in the waters of certain rivers. He was to be clothed in a linen robe, and with a cake of honey in his hand, he was directed to descend into the cave by a narrow entrance, from whence he returned backwards, after he had received an answer. He was always pale and dejected at his return, and thence it became proverbial to say of a melancholy man, that he had consulted the oracle of Trophonius. There were annually exhibited games in honour of Trophonius at Lebadea. Paus. 9, c. 57, &c. Cic. Tusc. 1, c. 47.—Plut. Philem. 34, c. 7.—Aelian. V. H. 3, c. 45.

TROAS, a town of Erithus, which gave the name of Trossus to the Roman knights, who had taken it without the assistance of foot soldiers. Pers. 1, v. 82.

TROTAULUM, a town of Sicily.

TRUENTUM or TRUENTINUM, a river of Pisenum, falling into the Adriatic. There is also a town of the same name in the neighborhood. Sil. 8, v. 434.—Mela. 2.

TRYFFERUS, a celebrated cook, &c. 11.

TRYPHIODORUS, a Greek poet in the sixth century, who wrote a poem in twenty-four books on the destruction of Troy, from which he excluded the a in the first book, the β in the second, and the γ in the third, &c.

TRYPHON, a tyrant of Apeania, in Syria, put to death by Antiochus. Justin. 36, c. 1.—A surname of one of the Ptolemies. Aelian. V. H. 14, c. 31.—A grammarian of Alexandria, in the age of Augustus.

TURANTES, a people of Germany. Tac. 1, c. 51.

TURERO, Q. ZELIUS, a Roman consul, son-in-law of Paulus, the conqueror of Perseus. He is celebrated for his poverty, in which he seemed to glory, as well as the rest of his family. Sixteen of the Tuberos, with their wives and children, lived in a small house, and maintained themselves with the produce of a little
field, which they cultivated with their own hands. The first piece of silver plate that entered the house of Tubero, was a small cup, which his father-in-law presented to him, after he had conquered the king of Macedonia. — A learned man. — A governor of Africa. — A Roman general who marched against the Germans, under the emperors. He was accused of treason, and acquitted.

TUBERBO. There are two towns in Africa of that name, one named the Great, and the other the Small.

TUCCA, a town of Mauritania.

TUCCA PLAUTIUS, a friend of Horace and Virgil. He was ordered, by Augustus, as some report, to revise the Æneid of Virgil, which remained uncorrected, on account of the premature death of the poet.

TUCCIA, an immemorial woman in Juvenal’s age. Jun. 6, v. 64.

TUCIA, a river near Rome. Sil. 13, v. 5.

TUDER or TUDERTIA, an ancient town of Umbria. The inhabitants were called Tuderites. Sil. 4, v. 222.

TUDRI, a people of Germany. Tacit. de Germ. 42.

TUGIA, now Toía, a town of Spain.

TUGINTI or TUGENI, a people of Germany.

TUGURINUS, a Roman knight who conspired against Nero, &c.

TUHTTO, a deity of the Germans; the founder of the nation. Tacit. de Germ. 2.

TULICIS, a river of Spain, which throws itself into the Mediterranean.

TULINGI, a people of Germany, between the Rhine and the Danube.

TULLA, one of Camilla’s attendants in the Rutulian war. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 656.

TULLIA, a daughter of Servius Tullius, king of Rome. She married Tarquin the Proud, after she had murdered her first husband Arunx, and consented to see Tullius assassinated, that Tarquin might be raised to the throne. It is said that she ordered her chariot to be driven over the body of her aged father, which had been thrown, all mangled and bloody, in one of the streets of Rome. She was afterwards banished from Rome with her husband. Ovid. in lb. 363. — Another daughter of Servius Tullius, who married Tarquin the Proud. She was murdered by her own husband, that he might marry her ambitious sister of the same name. — A daughter of Cicer. Vid. Tulliola. — A debauched woman. Jun. 6, v. 306.

TULLIA LEX, de senatu, by M. Tullius Cicero, A. U. C. 699, enacted that those who had a libera legatio granted them by the senate, should hold it no more than one year. Such senators as had a libera legatio, travelled through the provinces of the empire without any expense, as if they were employed in the affairs of the state.

Another, de ambitu, by the same, the same year. It forbade any person, two years before he canvassed for any office, to exhibit a show of gladiators, unless that case had devolved upon him by will. Senators guilty of the crime of ambitus were punished with the aquae et ignis interdictio for ten years, and the penalty inflicted on the commons was more severe than that of the Calpurnian law.

TULLIODA or TULLIA, a daughter of Cicero, by Terentia. She married Caius Piso, and afterwards Furius Crassipes, and lastly P. Corn. Dolabella. With this last husband she had every reason to be dissatisfied. Dolabella was turbulent, and consequently the cause of much grief to Tullia and her father. Tullia died in childbirth, about 44 years before Christ. Cicero was so inconsolable on this occasion, that some have accused him of an unnatural partiality for his daughters. According to a ridiculous story which some of the moderns report, in the age of pope Paul 3d, a monument was discovered on the Appian road, with the superscription of Tulliola filia mea. The body of a woman was found in it, which was reduced to ashes as soon as touched; there was also a lamp burning, which was extinguished as soon as the air gained admission there, and which was supposed to have been lighted above 1500 years.

Cic.—Plut. in Cic.


TULLUS HOSTILIUS, the third king of Rome after the death of Numa. He was of a warlike and active disposition, and signalized himself by his expedition against the people of Alba, whom he conquered, and whose city he destroyed, after the famous battle of the Horatii and Curiatii. He afterwards carried his arms against the Latins and the neighbouring states with success, and enforced reverence for majesty among his subjects. He died with all his family about 640 years before the Christian era, after a reign of thirty-two years. The manner of his death is not precisely known. Some suppose that he was killed by lightning, while he was performing some magical ceremonies in his own house; or, according to the more probable accounts of others, he was murdered by Ancus Martinus, who set fire to the palace, to make it believed that the impiety of Tullus had been punished by heaven. Flor. 1, c. 3.— Dionys. Hal.—Virg. Æn. 6, v. 814.—Liv. 1, c. 22.— Plut. — A consul, A. U. C. 686. Horat. 3, od. 8, v. 12.

TURNUTTUS, a god, son of Mars.

TUNETA, or TUNIS, a town of Africa, near which Regulus was defeated and taken by Xanthippus. Liv. 30, c. 9.

TUNORI, a name given to some of the Germans. Tacit. de Germ. 2.

C. TURANUS, a Latin tragic poet, in the age of Augustus. Ovid. ex Pont. 4, el. 16, v. 29.
Turbo, a gladiator mentioned Horat. 2, Sat. 3, v. 310. He was of a small stature, but uncommonly courageous.—A governor of Panonia, under the emperors.

Turba, a people of Spain.

The Pharsalian, a Thracian who revolted from Thessaly.

Turia, a town of Spain.

Turia, a corrupt judge in the Augustan age.

Turine, a king of the Rutuli, son of Danaus and Venilia. He made war against Æneas, and attempted to drive him away from Italy, that he might not marry the daughter of Latinus, who had been previously engaged to him. His efforts were attended with no success, though supported with great courage, and a numerous army. He was conquered, and at last killed in a single combat by Æneas. He is represented as a man of uncommon strength. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 56, &c.—Tibul. 2, el. 7, v. 49.—Ovid. Fast. 4, v. 879. Met. 14, v. 451.

Turinæs, a people of Gaul.


Turullius, one of Caesar's murderers.

Tuscany and Tuscia, a large country at the west of Rome, the same as Etruria. Vid. Etruria.

Tusci, the inhabitants of Etruria.

Tusculanum, a country house of Cicero, near Tusculum.

Tusculum, a town of Latium, about twelve miles from Rome, founded by Telegonus, the son of Ulysses and Circe. Cíc. ad Atic. —Strab. 5. —Horat. 3, Od. 23, v. 8, &c.

Tuscus, belonging to Etruria. The River is called Tuscus annis, from its situation. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 199.

Tuscus vicus, a small village near Rome. It received this name from the Etrurians of Porsemna's army that settled there. Liv. 2, c. 14.

Tuscanium, a part of the Mediterranean, on the coast of Etruria.

Tuta, a queen of Illyricum, &c.

Tutanus, a god of certainty.

Tutia, a vestal virgin accused of incontinence. She proved herself to be innocent by carrying water from the Tiber to the temple of Vesta in a sieve, after a solemn invocation to the goddess. Liv. 20.

Tuticum, a town of the Hirpini.

Tyana, a town at the foot of mount Taurus, in Cappadocia, where Apollonius was born. Ovid. Met. 8, v. 719.—Strab. 12.

Tyanites, a province of Asia Minor, near Cappadocia.


Tybus, a town of Latium on the Anio. Vid. Tibur.

Tyche, one of the Oceanides. Hesiod. Theog. v. 363.—A part of the town of Syracuse. Cic.

Tychius, a celebrated artist of Hyle in Baetia, who made Hector's shield, which was covered with the hides of seven oxen. Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 823.—Strab. 9.—Homer. Il. 7 v. 220.


Tydeus, a son of Æneas, king of Calydon. He fled from his country after the accidental murder of one of his friends, and found a safe asylum in the court of Adratus, king of Argos, whose daughter Deiphyle he married. When Adratus wished to replace his son-in-law Polyxenes on the throne of Thebes, Tydeus undertook to declare war against Eteocles, who usurped the crown. The reception he met provoked his resentment; he challenged Eteocles and his officers to single combat, and defeated them. On his return to Argos, he slew fifty of the Thebans who had conspired against his life, and laid in an ambush to surprise him, and only one of the number was permitted to return to Thebes to bear the tidings of the fate of his companions. He was one of the seven chiefs of the army of Adratus, and during the Theban war he behaved with great courage. Many of the enemies expired under his blows, till he was at last wounded by Melanippus. Though the blow was fatal, Tydeus had the strength to dart at his enemy, and to bring him to the ground, before he was carried away from the fight by his companions. At his own request, the dead body of Melanippus was brought to him, and after he had ordered the head to be cut off, he began to tear out the brains with his teeth. This savage barbarity of Tydeus displeased Minerva, who was coming to bring him relief, and to make him immortal; and the goddess left him to his fate, and suffered him to die. He was buried at Argos, where his monument was still to be seen in the age of Pausanias. He was father to Diomedes. Some suppose that the cause of his flight to Argos, was the murder of the son of Melas, or according to others, of Alcathous his father's brother, or perhaps his own brother Olenius. Homer. Il. 1, v. 365, 387.—Apollod. 1, c. 8. 1, 3, c. 6.—Æschyl. Sept. ante Theb.—Ponc. 9, c. 10.—Diod. 2.—Eurip. in Sup. —Virg. Æn. 6, v. 479.—Ovid. in lb. 350, &c.

Tydides, a patronymic of Diomedes, as son of Tydeus. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 101.—Horat. 1, Od. 15, v. 25.

Tymber, a son of Danaus, who assisted Turnus. His head was cut off in an engagement with Pallas. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 391, &c.


Tympa, an inland town of Elis.

Tymphi, a people between Epirus and Thessaly.

Tyndantes, a patronymic of the children of Tyndarus, as Castor, Pollux, and Helen, &c. Ovid. Met. 8.

Tyndar, a patronymic of Helen, daughter of Tyndarus. Virg. Æn. 2, v. 569.—A town of Sicily near Messena. Sil. 14, v. 209.—Horace give this name to one of his mistreses
as best expressive of all female accomplishments, 1 Od. 17, v. 10

TYNDARUS, a son of Æbalus and Gorgophone, or, according to some, of Perieres. He was king of Lacedæmon, and married the celebrated Leda, who became mother of Pollux and Helen, by Jupiter. Vide Leda, Castor, Pollux, Clytemnestra, &c.

TYNNICHUS, a general of Heracles. Polyaenus.

TYphaeus, or Typhon, a famous giant, son of Tartarus and Terra, who had a hundred heads like those of a serpent or a dragon. Flames of devouring fire were darted from his mouth and from his eyes, and he uttered horrid yells, like the dissonant shrieks of different animals. He was no sooner born, than, to avenge the death of his brothers the giants, he made war against heaven, and so frightened the gods, that they fled away and assumed different shapes. Jupiter became a ram, Mercury an ibis, Apollo a crow, Juno a cow, Bacchus a goat, Diana a cat, Venus a fish, &c. The father of the gods at last resumed courage, and put Typhaeus to flight with his thunderbolts, and crushed him under mount Ætna, in the island of Sicily, or according to some, under the island Iaurime.


Typhon, a giant whom Juno produced by striking the earth. Some of the poets make him the famous Typhaeus. Vide Typhaeus.—A brother of Osiris, who married Nepthys. He laid snares for his brother during his expedition, and murdered him. The death of Osiris was avenged by his son Orus, and Typhon was put to death. Vide Osiris. He was reckoned among the Egyptians to be the cause of every evil, and on that account generally represented as a wolf and a crocodile. Plut. in Is. et Os. Diosc. 1.

TYRANNION, a grammarian of Pontus, intimate with Cicero. His original name was Theophrastus, and he received that of Tyrrannion, from his austerity to his pupils. He was taken by Lucullus, and restored to his liberty by Muræna. He opened a school in the house of his friend Cicero, and enjoyed his friendship. He was extremely fond of books, and collected a library of about 30,000 volumes. To his care and industry the world is indebted for the preservation of Aristotle's works.—There was one of his disciples called Diocles, who bore his name. He was a native of Phoenicia, and made prisoner in the war of Augustus and Antony. He was bought by Dymes, one of the emperor's favourites, and afterwards by Terentius, who gave him his liberty. He wrote sixty-eight different volumes, in one of which he proved that the Latin tongue was derived from the Greek; and another in which Homer's poems were corrected, &c.

TYRANNUS, a son of Pterelaus.

TYRAS, or Tyra, a river of European Sarmatia, falling into the Euxine sea, between the Danube and the Borythenes. Ovid. Punt. 4, el. 10, v. 50.

TYRES, one of the companions of Æneas, in his wars against Turnus. He was brother to Teutras. Virg. Æn. 10, v. 403.

TYRIDATES, a rich man in the age of Alexander, &c. Curt.

TYRIUS, or Tyrus, a town of Magna Græcia. Tyrriotes, an enuch of Darius, who fled from Alexander's camp to inform his master of the queen's death. Curt. 4, c. 10.

Tyro, a beautiful nymph, daughter of Salomon, king of Elis and Alcidice. She was treated with great severity by her mother-in-law Sidero, and at last removed from her father's house by her uncle Crethus. She became enamoured of the Enipeus, and as she often walked on the banks of the river, Neptune assumed the shape of her favoured lover, and gained her affections. She had two sons, Pelias and Neleus, by Neptune, whom she exposed to conceal her incontinence from the world. The children were preserved by shepherds, and when they had arrived to years of maturity, they avenged their mother's injuries by assassinating the cruel Sidero. Some time after her amours with Neptune, Tyrc married her uncle Crethus, by whom she had Amythaon, Pheres, and Æson. Tyro is often called Salomis from her father. Homer. Od. 11, v. 234.—Pindar. Pyth. 4.—Apollod. 1, c. 9.—Diod. 4.—Propert. 1, el. 13, v. 20. el. 2, el. 30. v. 15. l. 3, el. 19. v. 13.—Ovid. am. 3. el. 6. v. 43.—Ælian. V. H. 12, c. 42.

Tyros, an island of Arabia.—A city of Phoenicia. Vide Tyrus.

TYRREIDES, a patronymic given to the sons of Tyrrheus, who kept the flocks of Latinus. Vide Æneas, v. 484.

TYRHENI, the inhabitarts of Etruria. Vide Etruria.

TYRÆHÉNUM MARÉ, that part of the Mediterranean which lies on the coast of Etruria.

TYRHÉNUS, a son of Atya king of Lydia, who came to Italy, where part of the country was called after him. Paterc. 1, c. 1.—A friend of Æneas. Virg. Æn. 11, v. 612.

TYRHEUS, a shepherd of king Latinus, whose stag being killed by the companions of Ascarius, was the first cause of war between Æneas and the inhabitants of Latinum. Hence the word Tyrrheides. Vide Æneas, v. 485.—An Egyptian general, B. C. 91.

TYRIS, a place in the Balearides, supposed to be the palace of Saturn.

TYRÆUS, a Greek elegiac poet, born in Attica, son of Archimbrotus. In the second Messenian war, the Lacedæmonians were directed by the oracle to apply to the Athenians for a general, if they wished to finish their expedition with success, and they received Tyræus. The poet, though ridiculed for his many deformities, and his ignorance of military affairs, animated the Lacedæmonians, just as they
had joined the island to the continent by a mole, after a siege of seven months, on the 20th of August, B. C. 332. The Tyrians were naturally industrious; their city was the emporium of commerce, and they were deemed the inventors of scarlet and purple colours. They founded many cities in different parts of the world, such as Carthage, Gades, Leptis, &c. which on that account are often distinguished by the epithet Tyria. The buildings of Tyre were very splendid and magnificent; the walls were one hundred and fifty feet high, with a proportionable breadth. Hercules was the chief deity of the place. It had two large and capacious harbours, and a powerful fleet. It was built, according to some writers, about 2760 years before the Christian era. Strab. 16.—Horodot. 2, c. 44.—Mela, 1, c. 12.—Curt. 4, c. 4.—Virg. Æn. 1, v. 6, 339, &c.—Ovid. Fast. 1, &c.—Met. 5 & 10.—Lucan. 3, &c.

Tyrius, a man celebrated by Cicero as being the inventor of rhetoric. "Cic. 2, de Juv.

VACATIONE, (lax de) was enacted concerning the exemption from military service, and contained this very remarkable clause, nisi bellum Gallicum exoriatu, in which case the priests themselves were not exempted from service. This can intimate how apprehensive the Romans were of the Gauls, by whom their city had once been taken.

Vacca, a town of Numidia.—A river of Spain.

Vaccini, a people of Spain

Vacci, a general, &c. Lit. 8, c. 19.

Vacuna, a goddess at Rome, who presided over repose and leisure, as the word indicates (vacare.) Her festivals were observed in the month of December. Ovid. Fast. 6, v. 307.—Horat. 1, ep. 10, v. 49.

Valdimonis Lacus, a lake of Etruria, whose waters were sulphureous. The Etrurians were defeated there by the Romans; and the Gauls by Dolabella. Lit.—Flor. 1, c. 13.


Vagodrusa, a fountain of Sicily, the same as Arethusa.


Vageni, a people of Liguria, at the sources of the Po. Sil. 8, v. 606.
make his escape, was burnt alive in the fiftieth
year of his age, after a reign of fifteen years,
A.D. 378. He has been blamed for his super-
stition and cruelty, in putting to death all such
of his subjects whose name began by Theod, be-
cause he had been informed by his favourite
astrologers, that his crown would devolve upon
the head of an officer whose name was begun
with these letters. Valens did not possess any
of the great qualities which distinguish a great
and powerful monarch. He was illiterate, and
of a disposition naturally indolent and inactive.
Yet though timorous in the highest degree, he
was warlike; and though fond of ease, he was
acquainted with the character of his officers, and
preferred none but such as had possessed merit.
He was a great friend of discipline, a pattern
of chastity and temperance, and he shewed him-
self always ready to listen to the just complaints
of his subjects, though he gave an attentive ear
to flattery and malevolent informations. Am-
nian, &c.—Valerius, a proconsul of Achaia,
who proclaimed himself emperor of Rome, when
Macrian, who had been invested with the purple
in the east, attempted to assassinate him. He
reigned only six months, and was murdered by
his soldiers, A.D. 261.—Fabius, a friend of
Vitellius, whom he saluted emperor, in opposi-
tion to Otho. He was greatly honoured by Vi-
tellius, &c.—A general of the emperor Ho-
norius.—The name of the second Mercury
mentioned by Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 22.

VALENTIA, one of the ancient names of Rome.
——A town of Spain, a little below Saguntum,
founded by J. Brutus, and for some time known
by the name of Julia Colonia.—A town of
Italy.

VALENTINIANUS 1st, a son of Gratian;
raised to the imperial throne by his merit and
valour. He kept the western part of the em-
pire for himself, and appointed over the east his
brother Valens. He gave the most convincing
proof of his military valour in the victories
which he obtained over the barbarians in the
provinces of Gaul, the deserts of Africa, or on
the banks of the Rhine and the Danube. The
inolence of the Quadi he punished with great
severity; and when these desperate and in-
digent barbarians had decrepitate the con-
queror’s mercy, Valentinian treated them with
contempt, and upbraided them with every mark
of resentment. While he spake with such
warmth, he broke a blood-vessel, and fell life-
less on the ground. He was conveyed into his
palace by his attendants, and soon after died
after suffering the greatest agonies, violent fits,
and contortions of his limbs, on the 17th of
November, A.D. 375. He was then in the
55th year of his age, and had reigned 12
years. He has been represented by some, as
rueal and covetous in the highest degree. He
was naturally of an irascible disposition, and he
gratified his pride in expressing a contempt for
those who were his equals in military abilities,
or who shone for gracefulness or elegance of ad-
dress. Ammian.—About six days after the
death of Valentinian, his second son, Valen-
tian the second, was proclaimed emperor,
though only five years old. He succeeded his
brother Gratian, A.D. 383, but his youth
seemed to favour dissension, and the attempts
and the usurpations of rebels. He was robbed
of his throne by Maximus, four years after the
death of Gratian; and in this helpless situation
he had recourse to Theodosius, who was then
emperor of the east. He was successful in his
applications, Maximus was conquered by Theo-
dosius, and Valentinian entered Rome in tri-
umph, accompanied by his benefactor. He
was some time after strangled by one of his
officers, a native of Gaul, called Arbogastes,
in whom he had placed too much confidence, and
from whom he expected more deference than
the ambition of a barbarian could pay. Va-
leninian reigned nine years. This hap-
pened the 15th of May, A.D. 392, at Vienna,
one of the modern towns of France. He has
been commended for his many virtues, and the
applause which the populace bestowed upon
him, was bestowed upon real merit. He
abolished the greatest part of the taxes: and
because his subjects complained that he was
too fond of the amusements of the circus, he
ordered all such festivals to be abolished, and
all the wild beasts that were kept for the en-
tertainment of the people to be slain. He
was remarkable for his benevolence and
clemency, not only to his friends but even to
such as had conspired against his life; and he
used to say, that tyrants alone are suspicious.
He was fond of imitating the virtues and ex-
emplary life of his friend and patron Theodo-
sius, and if he had lived longer, the Romans
might have enjoyed peace and security.—Va-
leninian the third, was son of Constantius and
Placidia, the daughter of Theodosius the
Great, and therefore, as related to the im-
perial family, he was saluted emperor in his
youth, and publicly acknowledged as such at
Rome, the 3d of October, A.D. 423, about the
6th year of his age. He was at first governed
by his mother, and the intrigues of his generals
and courtiers; and when he came to years of
discretion, he disgraced himself by violence,
oppression, and incontinence. He was
murdered in the midst of Rome, A.D. 454, in the
36th year of his age, and 31st of his reign, by
Petronius Maximus, to whose wife he had of-
f ered violence. The vices of Valentinian the
third were conspicuous; every passion he wished
to gratify at the expense of his honour, his health,
and character; and as he lived without one single
act of benevolence or kindness, he died lamented
by none, though pitied for his imprudence and
vicious propensities. He was the last of the
family of Theodosius.—A son of the emperor
Gratian, who died when very young.

VALERIA, a sister of Publicola, who advised
the Roman matrons to go and deprecate the
resentment of Coriolanus.—A daughter of
Publicola, given as an hostage to Porsenna by
the Romans. She fled from the enemy’s coun-
try, and swam across the Tiber.—A daughter of
Messa, sister to Hortensius, who
married Sylla.—The wife of the emperor Valentinian.

Valeria lex, de pronoviciame, by P. Valerius Poplicola, the sole consul, A. U. C. 243. It permitted the appeal from a magistrate to the people, and forbade the magistrate to punish a citizen for making the appeal.—Another, de delatoribus, by Valerius Flaccus. It required that all creditors should discharge their debtors, on receiving a fourth part of the whole sum.—Another by M. Valerius Corvinus, A. U. C. 435, which confirmed the first Valerian law, enacted by Poplicola.—Another, called also Horatia, by L. Valerius and M. Horatius the consuls, A. U. C. 304. It revived the first Valerian law, which under the triumvirate had lost its force.—Another, de magistratibus, by P. Valerius Poplicola, sole consul, A. U. C. 243. It created two questors to take care of the public treasure, which was for the future to be kept in the temple of Saturn.

Valerianus, (PUBLIUS LICINIIUS) a Roman, proclaimed emperor by the armies in Rhodetia, A. D. 254. The virtues which shone in him when a private man, were lost when he ascended the throne. Formerly distinguished for his temperance, moderation, and many virtues, which fixed the unflinced choice of all Rome upon him, Valerian invested with the purple displayed inactivity and meanness. He was cowardly in his operations, and though acquainted with war, and the patron of science, he seldom acted with prudence, or favoured men of true genius and merit. He took his son Gallienus as his colleague in the empire, and showed the malevolence of his heart by persecuting the Christians whom he had for a while tolerated. He also made war against the Goths and Scythians; but in an expedition which he undertook against Sapor, king of Persia, his arms were attended with ill success. He was conquered in Mesopotamia, and when he wished to have a private conference with Sapor, the conqueror seized his person, and carried him in triumph to his capital, where he exposed him, and in all the cities of his empire, to ridicule and insolence of his subjects. When the Persian monarch mounted on horseback, Valerian served as foot-stool, and the many other insults which he suffered, excited indignation even among the courtiers of Sapor. The monarch at last ordered him to be flayed alive, and salt to be thrown over his mangled body, so that he died in the greatest torments. His skin was tanned and painted in red, and, that the ignominy of the Roman empire might be lasting, it was nailed in one of the temples of Persia. Valerian died in the 71st year of his age, A. D. 260, after a reign of seven years.—A grandson of Valerian the emperor. He was put to death when his father the emperor Gallienus was killed.—One of the generals of the usurper Niger.

A worthy senator put to death by Hellegabalsus.

Valerius PUBLIUS, a celebrated Roman, surnamed Poplicola, for his popularity. He was very active in assisting Brutus to expel the Tarquins, and he was the first that took an oath to support the liberty and independence of his country, though he had been refused the consulship, and had retired with great dissatisfaction from the public affairs. He was afterwards honoured with the consulship, after the expulsion of Collatinus, and he triumphed over the Etrurians, after he had gained the victory in the battle in which Brutus and the sons of Tarquin had fallen. Valerius died after he had been four times consul, and enjoyed the popularity, and received the thanks and the gratitude, which people redeemed from slavery and oppression, usually pay to their patrons and deliverers. He was so poor, that his body was buried at the public expense. The Roman matrons mourned his death a whole year.

Plut. in vita. — Flor. 1, c. 9. — Liv. 3, c. 8, &c. — Corvinus, a tribune of the soldiers under Camillus. When the Roman army were challenged by one of the Senones, remarkable for his strength and stature, Valerius undertook to engage him, and obtained an easy victory by means of a crow that assisted him, and attacked the face of the Gaul, whence his surname of Corvinus. Valerianus triumphed over the Etrurians, and the neighbouring states that made war against Rome, and was six times honoured with the consulship. He died in the 100th year of his age, admired and regretted for many private and public virtues. Val. Max. 8, c. 13. — Liv. 7, c. 27, &c. — Plut. in Mar. — Cic. in Cat. — Marcus Corvinus Messala, a Roman, made consul with Augustus. He distinguished himself by his learning as well as military virtues. He lost his memory about two years before his death, and according to some he was even ignorant of his own name. Sueton. in Aug. — Cic. in Brut. — Soranus, a Latin poet, in the age of Julius Caesar, put to death for betraying a secret. He acknowledged no god, but the soul of the universe.—Maximus, a brother of Poplicola.—A Latin historian, who carried arms under the sons of Pompey. He dedicated his time to study, and wrote an account of all the most celebrated sayings and actions of the Romans, and other illustrious persons, which is still extant, and divided into nine books. It is dedicated to Tiberius. Some have supposed that he lived after the age of Tiberius, from the want of purity and elegance, which so conspicuously appear in his writings, unworthy of the correctness of the golden age of the Roman literature. The best editions of Valerius are those of Torrenius, 4to. L. Bat. 1726, and of Vorstius, 8vo. Berlin. 1672.—Marcus, a brother of Poplicola, who defeated the army of the Sabines in two battles. He was honoured with a triumph, and the Romans, to shew their sense of his great merit, built him a house on mount Palatine, at the public expense.
Petius, a general who stirred up the people and army against the decemvirs, and Appius Claudius in particular. He was chosen consul, and conquered the Volsci and Equi. Flaccus, a Roman, intimate with Cato the censor. He was consul with him, and cut off an army of 10,000 Gauls in one battle. He was also chosen censor, and prince of the setaet, &c. A Latin poet who flourished under Vespasian. He wrote a poem in eight books on the Argonautic expedition, but it remained unfinished on account of his premature death. The Argonauts were there left on the sea in their return home. Some critics have been lavish in their praises upon Flaccus, and have called him the second poet of Rome after Virgil. His poetry, however, is deemed by some frigid and languishing, and his style uncouth and inelegant. The best editions of Flaccus are those of Burman, L. Bat. 1724, and 12mo. Utr. 1702. Asitacius, a celebrated Roman, accused of having murdered one of the relations of the emperor Claudius. He was condemned though innocent, and he opened his veins and bled to death. Tacit. Ann. A friend of Vitellius. Fabianus, a youth condemned under Nero for counterfeiting the will of one of his friends, &c. Lavinus, a consul, who fought against Pyrrhus during the Tarentine war. Vell. Lavinus. Praeconius, a lieutenant of Cesar's army in Gaul, slain in a skirmish. Paulinus, a friend of Vespasian, &c.

Valerius, a friend of Turnus against Aeneas. Verr. En. 10. v. 732. Valgius, a Roman poet in the Augustan age, celebrated for his writings. He was very intimate with Horace. Tibull. 3, s. 1, v. 180. Horat. 1, Sat. 10, v. 82. Vandalus, a people of Germany. Tacit. de Germ. c. 3. Vangionis, a people of Germany. Vannia, a town of Italy at the north of the river Po. Vapineum, a town of Gaul. Vannius, a king of the Suevi, banished under Claudius, &c. Varanes, a name common to some of the Persian monarchs in the age of the Roman emperors. Vindesi, a people of Spain. Varia, a town of Spain. Varies, de majestate, by the tribune L. Varius, A. U. C. 662. It ordained that all such as had assisted the confederates in their war against Rome, should be publicly tried. Another, de civitate, by Q. Varius Hybrida. It published all such as were suspected of having assisted or supported the people of Italy in their petition to become free citizens of Rome. Varini, a people of Germany. Varistri, a people of Germany. Varius, a tragic poet, intimate with Horace and Virgil. He was one of those whom Augustus appointed to revise Virgil's Æneid. Some fragments of his poetry are still extant. Besides tragedies, he wrote a panegyric on the emperor. Quintilian says, l. 10, that his Thy-}

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estes was equal to any composition of the Greek poets. Horat. 1, Sat. 5, v. 40. One of the friends of Antony, surnamed Cotylon. A man in the reign of Otho, punished for his adulteries, &c.

Varro, M. Terentius, a Roman consul defeated at Cannae, by Annibal. Vid. Terentius. A Latin writer, celebrated for his great learning. He wrote no less than 500 different volumes, which are all now lost, except a treatise de rusticis, and another de lingua Latina, dedicated to the orator Cicero. He was Pompey's lieutenant in his piratical wars, and obtained a naval crown. In the civil wars he was taken by Cesar, and proscribed, but he escaped. He has been greatly commended by Cicero for his erudition, and St. Augustin says, that it cannot but be wondered how Varro, who read such a number of books, could find time to compose so many volumes, and how he who composed so many volumes, could be at leisure to peruse such a variety of books, and gain so much literary information. He died B. C. 28, in the 88th year of his age. The best edition of Varro is that of Dordrac. 8vo. 1619. Cincio in Acad. &c. Quintil. A native of Gaul, in the age of J. Cesar. He translated into Latin verse the Argonautica of Apollonius Rhodius, with great correctness and elegance. He also wrote a poem entitled de bello Sequaniaco, besides epigrams and elegies. Some fragments of his poetry are still extant. He failed in his attempt to write satire. Horat. 1, Sat. 10, v. 46. Varus, (Quintilius) a Roman proconsul, descended from an illustrious family. He was appointed governor of Syria, and afterwards made commander of the armies in Germany. He was surprised by the enemy, under Arminius, a crafty and dissimulating chief, and his army was cut to pieces. When he saw that every thing was lost, he killed himself, A. D. 10, and his example was followed by some of his officers. His head was afterwards sent to Augustus at Rome, by one of the barbarian chiefs, as also his body. The bodies of the slain were left in the field of battle, where they were found six years after by Germanics, and buried with great pomp. Varus has been taxed with indolence and cowardice, and some have intimated, that if he had not trusted too much to the insinuations of the barbarian chiefs, he might have not only escaped ruin, but awed the Germans to their duty. His avarice was also conspicuous; he went poor to Syria, whence he returned loaded with riches. Horat. 1. Od. 24. Paterc. 2. c. 117. Flor. 4. c. 12. Verr. 6. A son of Varus, who married a daughter of Germanicus. Tacit. The father and grandfather of Varus, who was killed in Germany, slew themselves with their own swords, the one after the battle of Philippi, and the other in the plains of Pharsalia. Quintilius, a friend of Horace, and other great men in the Augustan age. He was a good judge of poetry, and a great critic, as Horace, t. P. 438, seems to insinuate. The poet has addressed the 16th ode of his first book to him, and in the 24th he mourns pathetically his
death. Some suppose this Varus to be the person killed in Germany, while others believe him to be a man who devoted his time more to the musesthan to war.—Alfenus, a Roman, who though originally a shoe-maker, became consul, and distinguished himself by his abilities as an orator. He was buried at the public expense, an honour granted to few, and only to persons of merit. Horat. 1. Sat. 3.

—Accius, one of the friends of Cato in Africa, &c.—A river which separates Liguria, from Gallia Narbonensis. Lucan. 1. v. 404.

Vascones, a people of Spain.

Vaticanus, a hill at Rome, near the Tiber and the Janiculum, which produced wine of no great esteem. It was disregarded by the Romans on account of the unwholesomeness of the air, and the continual stench of the 6th that was there, and of stagnated waters. Heliogabalus was the first who cleared it of all disagreeable nuisances. It is now admired for ancient monuments and pillars, and for the palace of the Pope.

Vatinia lex, de provinciis, by the tribune Petr. Vatinus, A. C. 694. It appointed Caesar governor of Gallia Cisalpina and Illyricum, for five years, without a decree of the senate, or the usual custom of casting lots. Some persons were also appointed to attend him as lieutenants without the interference of the senate. His army was to be paid out of the public treasury, and he was empowered to plant a Roman colony in the town of Novocomum in Gaul.

Vatinius, an intimate friend of Cicero, not distinguished for his eminency to the orator. He hated the people of Rome for their great vices and corruption.—A shoemaker, ridiculed for his great deformities, and the oddity of his character. He was one of Nero’s favourites, and he surpassed the rest of the courtiers in flattery and in the commission of every impious deed. Juv. Mart. 14. ep. 96.

Vatënius, a river rising in the Alps and falling into the Po.

Ubiis, a people of Germany near the Rhine. Ucàleon, a Trojan chief, praised for the soundness of his counsels and his good intentions. His house was first set on fire by the Greeks. Virg. Æn. 2. v. 312.—Homer. Il. 3. v. 149.

Ucubis, a town of Spain. Hirtius.


Vcctius, a rhetorician, &c. Jun. 7. v. 150.

Vcdius, Pollio, a friend of Augustus, very cruel to his servants, &c. Vid. Pollio.

Vcgeius, a Latin writer, who flourished B. C. 386. The best edition of his treatise de Re militari, together with Modestus, is that of Paris, 4to. 1607.

Vcîa, a sorceress, in the age of Horace. ep. 5. v. 29.

Velianus, a gladiator, in the age of Horace. ep. 1. v. 4.

Velius, the inhabitants of Veii. They were carried to Rome, where the tribe they composed was called Vielentina. Vid. Veii.

Veiento, Fabr. a Roman, as arrogant as he was satirical. Nero banished him for his libellous writings. Juv. 3. v. 185.

Veii, a powerful city of Etruria, at the distance of about 12 miles from Rome. It sustained many long wars against the Romans, and was at last taken and destroyed by Camillus after a siege of ten years. At the time of its destruction, Veii was larger and far more magnificent than the city of Rome. Its situation was so eligible, that the Romans were long inclined to migrate there and totally abandon their city, and this would have been carried into execution if not opposed by the authority and eloquence of Camillus. Ovid. 2. Fast. v. 195.—Cic. de Div. 1. c. 44.—Horat. 2. Sat. 3. v. 143.—Liv. 5. c. 21, &c.

Vejovis or Vepjpris, a deity of ill omen at Rome. He had a temple on the Capitoline hill. Some suppose that he was the same as Jupiter the infant, or in the cradle, because he was represented without thunder or a sceptre, and had only by his side the goat Amalthea, and the Cretan nymph who fed him when young. Ovid. Fast. 3. v. 430.

Vclabrum, a marshy piece of ground on the side of the Tiber, which Augustus drained and where he built houses. The place was frequented as a market, where oil, cheese, &c were exposed to sale. Horat. 2. Sat. 3. v. 229.

Velanius, one of Caesar’s officers in Gaul &c.

Vclia, a maritime town of Lucania, founded by a colony of Phocaeans, about 600 years after the coming of Æneas into Italy. The port in its neighbourhood was called Velinum portus. Strab. 6.—Mela, 2. c. 4.—Cic. Phil. 10. c. 4.—Virg. Æn. 6. v. 566.

Vclica, or Vellica, a town of the Cantabr. Vclina, a part of the city of Rome, adjoining mount Palatine. It was also one of the Roman tribes. Horat. 1. ep. 6. v. 52.—Cic. 4. ad Attic. ep. 15.

Velinum, a lake in the country of the Sabines, near Umbria. Virg. Æn. 7. v. 517.

Vcllocassi, a people of Gaul.

Veilterna, of Vcltrnæ, an ancient town of Latium on the Appian road. The inhabitants were called Veliterni. It became a Roman colony. Liv. 8. c. 12, &c.—Sueton. Aug.—Ital. 8. v. 378, &c.

Vellari, a people of Gaul.

Vellcda, a woman famous among the Germans, in the age of Vespasian, and worshipped as a deity. Tacit. de Germ. 8.

Velesius Paterculus, a Roman historian, descended from an equestrian family of Campania. He was at first a military tribune in the Roman armies, and for nine years served under Tiberius in the various expeditions which he undertook in Gaul and Germany. Velleius wrote an epitome of the history of Greece, and of Rome, and of other nations of the most remote antiquity; but of this authentic composition, there remain only fragments of the history of
Greece and Rome from the conquest of Perseus, by Paulus, to the 17th year of his reign of Tiberius, in two books. It is a judicious account of celebrated men, and illustrious cities: the historian is happy in his descriptions, his pictures are true, and his narrations lively and interesting. The whole is candid and impartial, but only till the reign of the Caesars, when the writer began to be influenced by the presence of the emperor, or the power of his favourites. Paterculus is deservedly censured for his invectives against Pompey, and his encomiums on the cruel Tiberius, and the unfortunate Sejanus. Some suppose that he was involved in the ruin of this disappointed courtier, whom he had extolled as a pattern of virtue and morality. The best editions of Paterculus are those of Ruhnkenius, 8vo. 2 vols. L. Bat. 1779; of Barbon, Paris, 12mo. 1777; and of Burman, 8vo. L. Bat. 1719.—Caius, the grandfather of the historian of that name, was one of the friends of Livia. He killed himself when old and unable to accompany Livia in her flight.

Venafrum, a town of Campania abounding in olive trees. It became a Roman colony. It had been founded by Diomedes. Horat. de Germ. 46.

Veneti, a people of Gallia Celtaica.

Veneti, a people of Italy in Cisalpine Gaul, near the mouths of the Po. They were descened from a nation of Paphlagonia, who settled there under Antenor, some time after the Trojan war. The Venetians, who have been long a powerful and commercial nation, were originally very poor, whence a writer, in the age of the Roman emperors, said, that they had no other fence against the waves of the sea than hurdles, no food but fish, no wealth besides their fishing-boats, and no merchandize but salt. Strab. 4, &c.—Liv. 1, c. 1.—Mela, 1, c. 2. 1. 2. c. 4.—Ces. Bell. G. 3, c. 8.—Lucan. 4, v. 134.—Ital. 8, v. 605.—A nation of Gaul, at the south of Armorica, on the western coast.

Venetia, a part of Gaul, on the mouths of the Po. Vid. Veneti.

Venetus, a centurion who conspired against Nero with Piso, &c. Tacit.

Venilia, a nymph, sister to Amata, and mother of Turnus by Dianus. Amphitrite the sea goddess, is also called Venilia. Virg. En. 10, v. 76.—Ovid. Met. 14, v. 334.—Varro de L. L. 4, c. 10.

Venonius, an historian mentioned by Cic. ad Attic. 12, ep. 3, &c.

Ventidius Bassus, a native of Picenum, born of an obscure family. When Asculum was taken, he was carried before the triumphant chariot of Pompeius Strabo, hanging on his mother’s breast. A bold aspiring soul, aided by the patronage of the family of Caesar, raised him from the mean occupation of a chairman and muleteer to dignity in the state. He displayed valour in the Roman armies, and gradually rose to the offices of tribune, pretor, high priest, and consul. He made war against the Parthians, and conquered them in three great battles, B. C. 39. He was the first Roman ever honoured with a triumph over Parthia. He died greatly lamented by all the Roman people, and was buried at the public expense. Plut. in Anton.—Jun. 7, v. 199.—A governor of Palestine, &c.—Two brothers in the age of Pompey, who favoured Carbo’s interest, &c. Plut.

Venti, the ancients, and especially the Athenians, paid particular attention to the winds, and offered them sacrifices as to the deities, intent upon the destruction of mankind, by continually causing storms, tempests, and earthquakes. The winds were represented in different attitudes and forms. The four principal winds were Eurus, the south-east, who is represented as a young man flying with great impetuosity, and often appearing in a wanton and playful humour; Auster, the south wind, appeared generally as an old man with grey hair, a gloomy countenance, a head covered with clouds, a sable vesture, and dusky wings. He is the dispenser of rain, and of all heavy showers. Zephyrus is represented as the mildest of all the winds. He is young and gentle, and his lap is filled with vernal flowers. He married Flora the goddess, with whom he enjoyed the most perfect felicity. Boreas, or the north wind, appears always rough and shivering. He is the father of rain, snow, hail, and tempests, and is always represented surrounded with impenetrable clouds. Those of inferior note were Solanus, whose name is seldom mentioned. He appeared as a young man holding fruit in his lap, such as peaches, oranges, &c. Africus, or south-west, represented with black wings, and a melancholy countenance. Corus, or north-west, drives clouds of snow before him; and Aquilo, the north-east, is equally dreadful in appearance. The winds, according to some mythologists, were confined in a large cave, of which Zelus had the management, and without this necessary precaution, they would have overturned the earth, and reduced everything to its original chaos. Virg. En. 1, 57, &c.

Venulius, a writer in the age of the emperor Alexander.

Venulus, one of the Latin elders sent into Magna Graecia, to demand the assistance of Diomedes, &c. Virg. En. 8, v. 9.

Venus, one of the most celebrated deities of the ancients. She was the goddess of beauty, the mother of love, the queen of laughter, the mistress of the graces and of pleasures, and the patroness of courtezans. Some mythologists speak of more than one Venus. Plato mentions two, Venus Urania, the daughter of Uranus, and Venus Popularia, the daughter of Jupiter and Dione. Cicero speaks of four, a daughter of Caelus and Light, one sprung from the froth of the sea, a third, daughter of Jupiter and the Nereid Dione, and a fourth born at Tyre, and the same as the Astarte of the Syrians. Of these, however, the Venus sprung from the froth of the sea, after the mutilated part of the body of Uranus had been thrown there by Saturn, is the most known, and of her in particular ancient mythologists as well as painters, make
mention. She arose from the sea near the island of Cyprus, or according to Hesiod, of Cythera, whither she was wafted by the zephyr, and received on the sea shore by the Seasons, daughters of Jupiter and Themis. She was soon after carried to heaven, where all the gods admired her beauty, and all the goddesses became jealous of her personal charms. Jupiter attempted to gain her affections, and even wished to offer her violence, but Venus refused, and the god, to punish her obstinacy, gave her in marriage to his ugly and deformed son Vulcan. This marriage did not prevent the goddess of Love from gratifying her favourite passions, and did she defied her husband's bed by her amours with the gods. Her intrigue with Mars is the most celebrated. She was caught in her lover's arms, and exposed to the ridicule and laughter of the gods. [Vid. Allectrum.] Venus became mother of Hermione, Cupid, and Anteros, by Mars; by Mercury she had Hermaphroditus; by Bacchus Priapus; and by Neptune Eryx. Her great partiality for Adonis, made her abandon the seats of Olympus, [Vid. Adonis] and her regard for Anchises, obliged her often to visit the woods and solitary retreats of mount Ida. [Vid. Anchises, Enea.] The power of Venus over the heart, was supported and assisted by a celebrated girdle, called zone by the Greeks, and cestus by the Latins. This mysterious girdle gave beauty, grace, and elegance, when worn even by the most deformed; it excited love, and kindled extinguished flames. Juno herself was indebted to this powerful ornament to gain the favours of Jupiter; and Venus, though herself possessed of every charm, no sooner put on her cestus, than Vulcan, unable to resist the influence of love, forgot all the intrigues and indelicacies of his wife, and fabricated arms even for her illegitimate children. The contest of Venus for the golden apple of discord is well known. She gained the prize over Pallas and Juno, [Vid. Paris, Discordia] and rewarded her impartial judge with the hand of the fairest woman in the world. The worship of Venus was universally established; statues and temples were erected to her in every kingdom; and the ancients were fond of paying homage to a divinity who presided over generation, and by whose influence alone mankind existed. In her sacrifices, and in the festivals celebrated in her honour, too much licentiousness prevailed, and public prostitution was often part of the ceremony. Victims were seldom offered to her, or her altars stained with blood, though we find Aspasia making repeated sacrifices. No pigs, however, or male animals, were deemed acceptable. The rose, the myrtle, and the apple, were sacred to Venus, and among birds, the dove, the swan, and the sparrow, were her favourites, and among fishes, those called the asphy and the ly costomus. The goddess of beauty was represented among the ancients in different forms. At Elis, she appeared seated on a goat, with one foot resting on a tortoise. At Sparta and Cytherea, she was represented armed like Minerva, and sometimes wearing chains on her feet. In the temple of Jupiter Olympus, she was represented by Phidias as rising from the sea, received by love, and crowned by the goddess of Persuasion. At Coidos, her statue made by Praxiteles, represented her naked, with one hand hiding what modesty keeps concealed. Her statue at Ephelantissa was the same, with only a naked Cupid by her side. In Sicyon she held a poppy in one hand, and in the other an apple, while on her head she had a crown, which terminated in a point, to intimate the pole. She is generally represented with her son Cupid, on a chariot drawn by doves, or at other times by swans or sparrows. The surnames of the goddess are numerous, and only serve to shew how well established her worship was all over the earth. She was called Cypria, because particularly worshipped in the island of Cyprus, and in that character, she was often represented with a beard, and the male parts of generation, with a sceptre in her hand, and the body and dress of a female, whence she is called Duplex Amathusia by Catullus. She received the name of Paphia, because worshipped at Paphos, where she had a temple with an altar, on which rain never fell, though exposed in the open air. Some of the ancients called her Aprostoria, or Epistrophia, as also Venus Urania, and Venus Pandemos. The first of these she received as presiding over wantonness and insensate enjoyments; the second, because she patronised pure love, and chastise and moderate gratifications; and the third, because she favoured the propensities of the vulgar, and was fond of sensual pleasures. The Cnidian raised her temple under the name of Venus Acraea, of Doris, and of Eupolea. In her temple at Eupolea, at Coidos, was the most celebrated of her statues, being the most perfect piece of Praxiteles. It was made with white marble, and appeared so engaging, and so much like life, that according to some historians, a youth of the place introduced himself in the night into her temple, and attempted to gratify his passions on the lifeless image. Venus was also surnamed Cytherea, because she was the chief deity of Cythera: Exopolia, because her statue was without the city at Athens: Philomeda, from her affection for the phallus: Philommeis, because the queen of laughter: Telessigama, because she presided over marriage: Coliada, Colotis, or Colia, because worshipped on a promontory of the same name in Attica; Area, because armed like Mars: Verticordia, because she could turn the hearts of women to cultivate chastity: Apataria, because she deceived; Calva, because she was represented bald; Erycina, because worshipped at Eryx: Etaria, because the patroness of courtezans; Acidalia, because of a fountain of Orchomenos: Basilea, because the queen of love; Myrte, because the myrtle was sacred to her; Libertina, from her inclinations to gratify lust; Mechanitis, in allusion to the many arts practised in love, &c. &c. As goddess of the sea, because born in the bosom of the waters, Venus was called Pontia, Marina Limnesia, Epipontia, Pelagia, Salignia, Pontogonia, Aligenea, Thalassia, &c. and as rising from the sea, the name of Anadyomeis is applied to her.
VENUS PYRENEA, a town of Spain, near the borders of Gaul.
VENUSIA, or VENUSIUM, a town of Apulia, where Horace was born. Strab. 5 & 6.—Horat. 2, Sat. 1, v. 53.—Liv. 22, c. 54.
VENARI, a people of Galla Narbonensis.
VENARIAS, the wife of Piso Licinianus, whom Galba adopted.
VENEBUS, a village in the country of the Celts.
VERBINUM, a town, north of France.
VERCELLI, a town on the borders of Insidia. Sil. 8, v. 598.
VERCINGETORIX, a chief of the Gauls in the time of Caesar. He was conquered and led in triumph, &c. Ces. Bell. G.
VERCASTILLAUNUS, one of the generals and friends of Vercingetorix. Caesar, Bell. G.
VERCELLUS, a small river near Canus, over which Annibal made a bridge with the slaughtered bodies of the Romans.
VERRUOLIA, the wife of Coriolanus, &c.
VERCELLE, seven stars, called also Pleiades. When they set, the ancients began to sow their corn. They received their name from the spring quia vere orientur. Propert. 1, cl. 9, v. 18.—Cic. de Nat. D. 2, c. 44.
VERGINIUS, one of the officers of the Roman troops in Germany, who refused the absolute power which his soldiers offered to him. Tacit. 1, Hist. c. 8.—A rhetorician in the age of Nero, banished on account of his great fame.
VERGIIUS, a town of Spain.
VERGOREBETUS, one of the chiefs of the Ædui, in the age of Caesar, &c.
VERITAS, (truth) was not only personified by the ancients, but also made a deity, and called the daughter of Saturn and Virtue. She was represented like a young virgin, dressed in white apparel, with all the marks of youthful difference and modesty. Democritus used to say that she hid herself at the bottom of a well, to intimate the difficulty with which she is found.
VERODOCTIUS, one of the Helvetii.
VEROMUNDI, a people of Gallia Belgica.
VERONA, a town of Venetia in Italy, founded, as some suppose, by Brennus, the leader of the Gaula. C. Nepos, Catullus, and Pliny the elder, were born there. It was adorned with a circus and an amphitheatre by the Roman emperors. It still preserves its ancient name. Strab. 5.—Ovid. Am. 3, cl. 15, v. 7.
VERONES, a people of Hispania Tarracoensis. Sil. 3, v. 578.
VERSEQUIUM, a town in the country of the Volsci. Liv. 4, c. 1, &c.—Val. Max. 6, c. 5.
C. VERRES, a Roman who governed the province of Sicily as praetor. The oppression and raping of which he was guilty while in office, so offended the Sicilians, that they brought an accusation against him before the Roman senate. Cicero undertook the cause of the Sicilians, and pronounced those celebrated orations which are still extant. Verres was defended by Hortensius; but as he despaired of the success of his defence, he left Rome without waiting for his sentence, and lived in great affluence in one of the provinces. He was at last killed by the soldiers of Antony the triumvir, about 26 years after his voluntary exile from the capital. Cic. in Ver.
VERRITUS FLACCUS, a man famous for his powers in instructing, &c.
VERRUGO, a town of the Volsci. T. L. 4, c. 1.
VERRUS FLACCUS, a Latin critic, A. D. whose works have been edited with Dacier's and Glerk's notes, 4to. Amst. 1699.
VERTICO, one of the Nervii, who deserted to Caesar's army, &c.
VERTICORIA, one of the surnames of Venus, the same as the Apostrophia of the Greeks, because her assistance was implored to turn the hearts of the Roman matrons, and teach them to follow virtue and modesty. Val. Max.
VERTICUS, one of the Khemi, who commanded a troop of horses in Caesar's army.
VERTUMNUS, a deity among the Romans, who presided over the spring and orchards. He endeavoured to gain the affections of the goddess Pomona; and to effect this, he assumed the shape and dress of a fisherman, of a soldier, a peasant, a reaper, &c. but all to no purpose, till, under the form of an old woman, he prevailed upon his mistress and married her. He is generally represented as a young man crowned with flowers, covered up to the waist, and holding in his right hand fruit, and a crown of plenty in his left. Ovid. Met. 14. v. 642, &c.—Horat. 4, cl. 2, v. 2.—Horat. 2, Sat. 7, v. 14.
VERULAMUS, a lieutenant under Corbulo who drove away Tiridates from Media, &c. Tacit.
asleep while he repeated one of his poetical compositions. This momentary resentment of the emperor, did not prevent Vespasian from being sent to carry on a war against the Jews. His operations were crowned with success; many of the cities of Palestine surrendered, and Vespasian began the siege of Jerusalem. This was, however, achieved by the hands of his son Titus, and the death of Vitellius, and the affection of his soldiers hastened his rise, and he was proclaimed emperor at Alexandria. The choice of the army was approved by every province of the empire; but Vespasian did not betray any signs of pride at so sudden and so unexpected an exaltation, and though once employed in the mean office of a horse-doctor, he behaved, when invested with the imperial purple, with all the dignity and greatness which became a successor of Augustus. In the beginning of his reign, Vespasian attempted to reform the manners of the Romans, and he took away an appointment which he had a few days before granted to a young nobleman, who approached him to return him thanks, all smelling of perfumes and covered with ointment, adding, I had rather you had smell of garlic. He repaired the public buildings, embellished the city, and made the great roads more spacious and convenient. After he had reigned with great popularity for ten years, Vespasian died with a pain in his bowels, A.D. 79, in the 70th year of his age. He was the first Roman emperor that died a natural death, and he was also the first who was succeeded by his own son on the throne. Vespasian has been admired for his great virtues. He was clement, he gave no ear to flattery, and for a long time refused the title of father of his country, which was often bestowed upon the most worthless and tyrannical of the emperors. He despised informers, and rather than punish conspirators, he rewarded them with great liberality. When the king of Parthia addressed him with the superscription of Arsaces, king of kings, to Flavius Vespasianus, the emperor was no way dissatisfied with the pride and insolence of the monarch, and answered him again in his own words: Flavius Vespasianus to Arsaces, king of kings. To men of learning and merit, Vespasian was very liberal; one hundred thousand sesterces were annually paid from the public treasury to the different professors that were appointed to encourage and promote the arts and sciences. Yet, in spite of this apparent generosity, some authors have taxed Vespasian with avarice. According to their accounts, he loaded the provinces with new taxes, 3e bought commodities that he might sell them to a greater advantage, and even laid an impost upon urine, which gave occasion to Titus to ridicule the meanness of his father. Vespasian, regardless of his son’s observation, was satisfied to shew him the money that was raised from so productive a tax, asking him at the same time, whether it smelt offensive? His ministers were the most avaricious of his subjects, and the emperor used very properly to remark, that he treated them as sponges, by wetting them when dry, and squeezing them when they were wet. He

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has been accused of selling criminals their lives, and of condemning the most opulent to make himself master of their possessions. If, however, he was guilty of these meaner practices, they were all under the name of one of his con-
cubines, who wished to enrich herself by the savorice and credulity of the emperor. Sueton in
Vita.—Tacit. Hist. 4.


VESPERIS, a river of Campania. Liv. 8, c. 8.

VESUVUS and VESUVUS. Vild. Vesuvius.

VESA, a town of Sicily.

Vesta, a goddess, daughter of Rhea and Saturn, sister to Ceres and Juno. She is often confounded by the mythologists with Rhea, Ceres, Cybele, Proserpine, Hecate, and Tellus. When considered as the mother of the gods, she is the mother of Rhea and Saturn; and when considered as the patroness of the vestal virgins and the goddess of fire, she is called the daugh-
ter of Saturn and Rhea. Under this last name she was worshipped by the Romans. Aeneas was the first who introduced her mysteries into Italy, and Numa built her a temple, where no males were permitted to go. The Palladium of Troy was supposed to be preserved within her sanctuary, and a fire was continually kept lighted by a certain number of virgins, who had dedi-
cated themselves to the service of the goddess. If the fire of Vesta was ever extinguished, it was supposed to threaten the republic with some sudden calamity. The virgin by whose negligence it had been extinguished, was se-
verely punished, and it was kindled again by the rays of the sun. The temple of Vesta was of a round form, and the goddess was represented in a long flowing robe, with a veil on her head, holding in one hand a lamp, or a two-
sared vessel, and in the other a javelin, or some-
times a Palladium. On some medals she ap-
ppears holding a drum in one hand, and a small figure of victory in the other. Hist. Theog. v.
Cic. de Leg. 2, c. 12.—Apollod. 1, c. 1.—
Trist. 3.—Val. Max. 1, c. 1.—Plut. in Num.

Paus. 5, c. 14.

Vestales, priestesses among the Romans, con-
secrated to the service of Vesta, as their name indicates. This office was very ancient, as the mother of Romulus was one of the ves-
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itated, her head was shaved, to intitate the li-

Vestals.

Vesta, a goddess, daughter of Rhea and Saturn, sister to Ceres and Juno. She is often confounded by the mythologists with Rhea, Ceres, Cybele, Proserpine, Hecate, and Tellus. When considered as the mother of the gods, she is the mother of Rhea and Saturn; and when considered as the patroness of the vestal virgins and the goddess of fire, she is called the daugh-
ter of Saturn and Rhea. Under this last name she was worshipped by the Romans. Aeneas was the first who introduced her mysteries into Italy, and Numa built her a temple, where no males were permitted to go. The Palladium of Troy was supposed to be preserved within her sanctuary, and a fire was continually kept lighted by a certain number of virgins, who had dedi-
cated themselves to the service of the goddess. If the fire of Vesta was ever extinguished, it was supposed to threaten the republic with some sudden calamity. The virgin by whose negligence it had been extinguished, was se-
verely punished, and it was kindled again by the rays of the sun. The temple of Vesta was of a round form, and the goddess was represented in a long flowing robe, with a veil on her head, holding in one hand a lamp, or a two-
sared vessel, and in the other a javelin, or some-
times a Palladium. On some medals she ap-
ppears holding a drum in one hand, and a small figure of victory in the other. Hist. Theog. v.
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aces. They had a coarse covering on their head called "inhula", from which hung ribbons, or vitta. Their manner of living was sumptuous, as they were maintained at the public expence, and though originally satisfied with the simple diet of the Romans, their tables soon after displayed luxuries and the superfluities of the great and opulent. Liv. 2, &c.—Plut. in Num. &c.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 3.—Flor. 1, &c.

VESTAILIA, festivals in honour of Vesta, observed at Rome on the 9th of June. Banquets were then prepared before the houses, and meat was sent to the vestals to be offered to the gods, mill-stones were decked with garlands, and the asses that turned them were led round the city covered with garlands. The ladies walked in the procession, barefooted, to the temple of the goddess, and an altar was erected to Jupiter surnamed Pater.

VESTALIA MATER, a title given by the senate to Livia the mother of Tiberius, with the permission to sit among the vestal virgins at plays. Tacit. 4. Ann. c. 16.

VESTIA OPFIA, a common prostitute of Capua.

VESTICCIUS SPURINA, an officer sent by Otho to the borders of the Po, &c. Tacit.

VESTILIUS, a pretorian, disgraced by Tiberius, because he was esteemed by Drusus. He killed himself. Tacit.

VESTILLA, a matron of a patrician family, who declared publicly before the magistrates that she was a common prostitute. She was banished to the island of Seriphos for her immodesty.

VESTINI, a people of Italy near the Sabines. Martial, 13, ep. 31.

L. VESTINIUS, a Roman knight appointed by Vespasian to repair the capitol, &c.—A consul, put to death by Nero in the time of Piso's conspiracy.

VESUS, a large mountain of Liguria, near the Alps, where the Po takes its rise. Virg. Æn. 1, v. 7 8.

VESUVIUS, a mountain of Campania about six miles from Naples, celebrated for its volcano, and now called Mount Soma. The ancients, particularly the writers of the Augustan age, spoke of Vesuvius as a place covered with orchards and vineyards, of which the middle was dry and barren. The first eruption of this volcano was in the 79th year of the Christian era under Titus. It was accompanied by an earthquake, which overturned several cities of Campania, particularly Pompeii and Herculeanum, and the burning ashes which it threw up, were carried not only over the neighbouring country, but as far as the shores of Egypt, Libya, and Syria. This eruption proved fatal to Pliny the naturalist. From that time the eruptions have been frequent, and there now exists an account of twenty-nine of these. Vesuvius continually throws up a smoke, and sometimes ashes and flames. The perpendicular height of this mountain is 3784 feet. Dio. Cass. 46.—Varro, de R. R.
There was also another of the same name in Etruria, which led from Pise to Dertona.—Appius, was made by the censor Appius, and led from Rome to Capua, and from Capua to Brundusium, at the distance of 350 miles, which the Romans call a five-days' journey. It was called by way of eminence Regina marum, made so strong, and the stones so well cemented together, that it remained entire for many hundred years. Some parts of it are still to be seen, in the neighbourhood of Naples. Appius, as some suppose, carried it only as far as Capua, A. U. C. 442, and it was finished as far as Brundusium by Augustus.—Flaminia, was made by the censor Flamininus, A. U. C. 333. It led from the Campus Martius to the modern town of Rimini, on the Adriatic, through the country of the Osci and Etrurians, at the distance of about 360 miles.—Lata, one of the ancient streets of Rome.—Valeria, led from Rome to the country of the Marsi, through the territories of the Sabines. There were besides, many streets and roads of inferior note, such as the Aurelia, Cassia, Campania, Ardetina, Labicaus, Domitia, Ostiensis, Frenestina, &c.

VIBIUS, one of the Vestal virgins, in the favours of Messalina, &c. Tacit.

VIBIUS, a friend of Macenas. Hor. 2, sat. 8, v. 22.

VIBIUS, a Roman who refused to pay any attention to Cicero, when banished, though he had received from him the most unbefitting favours.—A proconsul of Spain, banished for ill conduct.—A Roman knight, accused of extortion in Africa, and banished.—A man who poisoned himself at Capua.—Sequester, a Latin writer, whose treatise, de fluminibus, &c. is best edited by Oberlin. 8vo. Argent. 1779.

VIBO, a town of Lucania, anciently called Hipponium.

VIBULENUS AGrippa, a Roman knight accused of treason. He attempted to poison himself, and was strangled in prison, though almost dead. Tacit. Ann. 6. VIBULLIUS Rufus, a friend of Pompey, taken by Caesar, &c. Plut.—A prætor in Nero's reign.

VICA Potia, a goddess at Rome, who presided over victory. Liv. 2, c. 7.

VICTA or VICTESIA, a town of Cisalpine Gaul, at the north-west of the Adriatic. Tacit. Hist. 3.

V I C E L L I U S, a friend of Galba, who brought him news of Nero's death.

VICTOR Aurelius, a writer in the age of Constantius. He gave the world a concise history of the Roman emperors, from the age of Augustus to his own time, or A.D. 300. He also wrote an abridgment of the Roman history before the age of Julius Cæsar, which is now extant, and ascribed by different authorities to C. Nepos, to Tacitus, Suetonius, Pliny, &c. V I C T O R was greatly esteemed by the emperors, and honoured with the consulship. The best edition of Victor is that of Pitsicus, 8vo. Utr.

1696; and that of Artzzenius, 4to. Ams. 1753.

VICTORIA, one of the deities of the Romans, called by the Greeks Nice, supposed to be daughter of Titan and Styx. The goddess of victory was sister to Strength and Valour, and was one of the attendants of Jupiter. She was greatly honoured by the Greeks, particularly at Athens. Syllis raised her a temple at Rome, and instituted festivals in her honour. She was represented with wings, crowned with laurel, and holding the branch of a palm-tree in her hand. I arro de L. L.—Hesiod. Theog.—Hyg. pref. fab.—Suet.

VICTORIUS, a man of Aquitanis, who, A. D. 463, invented the paschal cycle of 532 years.

VICTORINUS, a celebrated matron who placed herself at the head of the Roman armies, and made war against the emperor Gallienus. Her son Victorinus, and her grandson of the same name, were declared emperors; but when they were assassinated, Victorina invested with the imperial purule one of her favourites, called Tetricus. She was some time after poisoned, A. D. 269, and, according to some, by Tetricus himself.

VICTORINUS, a Christian writer, who composed a worthless epic poem, on the death of the seven children mentioned in the Maccabees, and distinguished himself more by the active part he took in his writings against the Arians.

VICTVMNIE, a small town in Insubria.

Vicus Longus, a street at Rome, where an altar was raised to the goddess Pudicitia, or the modesty of the plebeians. Liv. 1, c. 25.

—Cyprius, a place on the Esquiline hill, where the Sabines dwelt.

VIIUS, a Roman divinity.

VIENNA, a town of Gallia Narbonensis. Strab. 1.—Cas. bel. C. 7, c. 9.

VILLIA IEX, annalis or annaria, by L. Villius, the tribune, A. U. C. 574, defined the proper age required for exercising the office of a magistrate; 25 years for the questores, 27 or 28 for the ediles, or tribuneship, for the office of pretor, 3, and for that of consul, 43.

VILLIUS, a tribune of the people, author of the Villian law.—Publius, a Roman ambassador sent to Antiochus. He held a conference with Annibal, who was at the monarch's court.

A man who disgraced himself by his criminal amours with the daughter of Sylla. Horat. 1, sat. 2, v. 64.

VIMINALIS, one of the seven hills on which Rome was built. Servius Tullius first made it part of the city. Jupiter had a temple there, whence he was called Viminalis.

VINCENTIUS, one of the Christian fathers, A. D. 434, whose works are best edited by Bal- sius, Paris, 1669.

VINCUS, a Roman knight, condemned under Nero.—An officer in Germany.

VINDALIUS, a writer in the reign of Constantius, who wrote ten books on agriculture.

VINDELICI, an ancient people of Germany between the heads of the Rhine and the Da...
nube. Their country, which was called Vindelicia, forms now part of Swabia and Bavaria, and their chief town, Augusta Vindelicorum, now Augsburg. Horat. 4, od. 4, v. 18.

Vindemiator, a constellation that rose about the nones of March. Ovid. Fast. 3, v. 4 7.

Vindex Julius, a governor of Gaul, who revolted against Nero, and determined to deliver the Roman empire from his tyranny. He was followed by a numerous army, but at last defeated by one of the emperor's generals. When he perceived that all was lost, he laid violent bands upon himself, 68 A. D. Sueton.

Vindicius, a slave who discovered the conspiracy which some of the most noble of the Roman citizens had formed to restore Tarquin to his throne. He was amply rewarded, and made a citizen of Rome. Liv. 2, c. 5.—Plut.


Vinicius, a Roman consul poisoned by Messalina, &c.—A man who conspired against Nero, &c.

Vinicius, a miser mentioned by Horace, 1 Sat. 1, v. 95. Some manuscripts read Numidius and Umidius.

Vinicius, a commander in the pretorian guards, intimate with Galba, of whom he became the first minister. He was honoured with the consulship, and some time after murdered. Tacit.—Plut.—A man who revolted from Nero.

Vinicius, Asella, a servant of Horace, to whom, ep. 13, is addressed, as injunctions how to deliver to Augustus some poems from his master.

Vipsania, a daughter of Agrippa, mother of Drusus. She was the only one of Agrippa's daughters, who died a natural death. She was married to Tiberius when a private man, and when she had been repudiated, she married Asinius Gallus.

Vibrinius, (qui inter rins his fuit) a name given to Hippolytus, after he had been brought back to life by Æsculapius, at the instance of Diana, who pitied his unfortunate end. Virgil makes him son of Hippolytus. Æn. 7, v. 762.

—Ovid. Met. 15, v. 514.

Publ. Virgilius Maro, called the prince of the Latin poets, was born at Andes, a village near Mantus, about 70 years before Christ, on the 15th of October. His first years were spent at Cremona, where his taste was formed, and his rising talents first exercised. The distribution of the lands of Cremona to the soldiers of Augustus, after the battle of Philippi, nearly proved fatal to the poet, and when he attempted to dispute the possession of his fields with a soldier, Virgil was obliged to save his life from the resentment of the lawless veteran by swimming across a river. This was perhaps the beginning of his greatness; he repaired to Rome, where he soon formed an acquaintance with Mecenas, and recommended himself to the favours of Augustus. The emperor re-

stored his lands to the poet, whose modest muse knew so well how to pay the tribute of gratitude, and his first Bucolic was written to thank his patron, as well as to tell the world that his favours were not unworthily bestowed. The ten bucolics were written in about three years. The poet shewed his countrymen that he could write with graceful simplicity, with elegance, delicacy of sentiments, and with purity of language. Some time after, Virgil undertook the Georgics, a poem the most perfect and finished of all Latin compositions. The Æneid was begun, as some suppose, at the particular request of Augustus, and the poet, while he attempted to prove that the Julian family was lineally descended from the founder of Lavinium, visibly delineated, in the pious and benevolent character of his hero, the amiable qualities of his imperial patron. The great merit of this poet is well known, and it will ever remain undecided, which of the two poets, either Homer or Virgil, is more entitled to our praise, our applause, and our admiration. The writer of the Iliad stood as a pattern to the favourite of Augustus. The voyage of Æneas is copied from the Odyssey, and for his battles, Virgil found a model in the wars of Troy, and the animated descriptions of the Iliad. The poet died before he had revised this immortal work, which had already engaged his time for eleven successive years. He had attempted to attend his patron in the east, but he was detained at Naples, on account of his ill health. He however went to Athens, where he met Augustus in his return, but he soon after fell sick at Megara, and though indisposed, he ordered himself to be removed to Italy. He landed at Brundusium, where a few days after he expired, the 22d of September, in the 51st year of his age, B. C. 19. He left the greatest part of his immense possessions to his friends, particularly to Mecenas, Tucca, and Augustus, and he ordered, as his last will, his unfinished poem to be burnt. These last injunctions were disobeyed, and, according to the words of an ancient poet, Augustus saved his favourite Troy from a second and more dismal conflagration. The poem was delivered by the emperor to three of his literary friends. They were ordered to revise and to expunge whatever they deemed improper; but they were strictly enjoined not to make any additions, and hence, as some suppose, the causes that so many lines of the Æneid are unfinished, particularly in the last books. The body of the poet, according to his own directions, was conveyed to Naples, and interred with much solemnity, in a monument erected on the road that leads from Naples to Puteoli. The following modest distich was engraved on the tomb, written by the poet—some few moments before he expired:—

Mantua me genuit; Calabria rapuere; tenet nunc
Parthenope: ecenti pascua, rure, duces.

The Romans were not insensible of the merit of
their poet. Virgil received much applause in the capital, and when he entered the theatre, he was astonished and delighted to see the crowded audience rise up to him as an emperor, and welcome his approach, by reiterated plaudits. He was naturally modest, and of a timorous disposition. When people crowded to gaze upon him, or pointed at him with the finger with raptures, the poet blushed and stole away from them, and often hid himself in shops, to be removed from the curiosity and the admiration of the public. The most liberal and gratifying marks of approbation he received were from the emperor and from Octavia. He attempted in his _Æneid_ to paint the virtues, and to lament the premature death of the son of Octavia, and he was desired by the emperor to repeat the lines, in the presence of the afflicted mother. He had no sooner begun, _O nate_, than Octavia burst into tears; he continued, but he had artfully suppressed the name of her son, and when he repeated in the sixteenth line, the well-known words, _Tu Marcellus eris_, the princess swooned away, and the poet withdrew, but not without being liberally rewarded. Octavia presented him with ten stanzas for every one of his verses in praise of her son, the whole of which was equivalent to 2000L. English money. As an instance of his modesty, the following circumstance has been recorded. Virgil wrote this distich, in which he compared his patron to Jupiter:—

_Note praet tota, yadem spectacula mane,
Divisum imperium cum Jove Caesar habet,_

and placed it in the night on the gates of the palace of Augustus. Inquiries were made for the author, by order of Augustus, and when Virgil had the difficulty not to declare himself, Bathyllus, a contemptible poet of the age, claimed the verses as his own, and was liberally rewarded. This displeased Virgil; he again wrote the verses near the palace, and under them,

_Hos ego versiculos feci, tulit alter homones;_

with the beginning of another line, in these words,

_Sic vos non vobis._

four times repeated. Augustus wished the lines to be finished; Bathyllus seemed unable, and Virgil at last, by completing the stanza, in the following order:—

_Sic vos non vobis nidificatis aces;_
_Sic vos non vobis vellara fertis aces;_
_Sic vos non vobis mellificatis aces;_
_Sic vos non vobis fertis aratra boves;_

proved himself to be the author of the distich, and the poetical usurper became the sport and ridicule of Rome. In the works of Virgil we can find a more perfect and satisfactory account of the religious ceremonies and customs of the Romans, than in all the other Latin poets, Ovid excepted. Every thing he mentions is founded upon historical truth, and though he borrowed much from his predecessors, and even whole lines from Ennius; yet he had the happiness to make it all his own. He was uncommonly severe in revising his own poetry, and he used often to compare himself to a bear that licks her cubs into shape. In his connexions, Virgil was remarkable; his friends enjoyed his unbounded confidence, and his library and possessions seemed to be the property of the public. Like other great men, he was not without his enemies and detractors in his life-time, but from their aspersions he received additional lustre. Among the very numerous and excellent editions of Virgil, these few may be collected as the best; that of Masvicius, 2 vols. 4to. Leopardi, 1717; of Baskerville, 4to. Birmingham, 1757; of the Variorum, in 8vo. L. Bat. 1661; of Heyne, 4 vols. 8vo. Lips. 1767; of Edinburgh, 2 vols. 12mo. 1755; and of Glasgow, 12mo. 1758. *Patrbc. 2, c. 36. Horat. 1, sat. 5, v. 4. Propert. 2, el. 34, v. 61. Ovid. Trist. 4, el. 1, v. 51. Mart. 8, ep. 56. Juw. 11, v. 178. Quintil. 1, c. 1. Plin. S, ep. 21.*

_VIRGINIA_, a daughter of the centurion, L. Virginius. Appius Claudius, the decemvir, became enamoured of her, and attempted to remove her from the place where she resided. She was claimed by one of his favourites, as the daughter of a slave, and Appius, in the capacity, and with the authority of judge, had pronounced the sentence, and delivered her into the hands of his friend, when Virginius, informed of his violent proceedings, arrived from the camp. The father demanded to see his daughter, and when this request was granted, he snatched a knife, and plunged it into Virginia's breast, exclaiming, *This is all, my dearest daughter, I can give thee, to preserve thy chastity from the lust and violence of a tyrant! No sooner was the blow given, than Virginius ran to the camp, with the bloody knife in his hand. The soldiers were astonished and incensed, not against the murderer, but the tyrant that was the cause of Virginia's death, and they immediately marched to Rome. Appius was seized, but he destroyed himself in prison, and prevented the execution of the law. Spurius Oppius, another of the decemvirs, who had not opposed the tyrant's views, killed himself also, and Marcus Claudius, the favourite of Appius, was put to death, and the decemviral power abolished, about 449 years before Christ. *Lit. 3, c. 44, 6c.*

_VIRGINIUS_, the father of Virginia, made tribune of the people. *Vet. Virginia._—A tribune of the people, who accused Q. Casso, the son of Cincinnatus. He increased the number of the tribunes to ten, and distinguished himself by his seditions against the patricians. Another tribune in the age of Camillus, fined for his opposition to a law which proposed going to Veii. —An augur who died of the plague.—A pretor of Sicily, who opposed the entrance of Cicero into his province, though under
many obligations to the orator.—A tribune who encouraged Cinna to criminate Sylla.—One of the generals of Nero in Germany. He made war against Vindex, and conquered him. He was treated with great coldness by Galba, whose interest he had supported with so much success. He refused all dangerous stations, and though twice offered the imperial purple, he rejected it with disdain. *Plut.

VIRIATHUS, a mean shepherd of Lusitania, who gradually rose to power, and by first head ing a gang of robbers, saw himself at last followed by a numerous army. He made war against the Romans with uncommon success, and for fourteen years enjoyed the envied title of protector of the public liberty in the provinces of Spain. Many generals were defeated, and Pompey himself was ashamed to find himself beaten. Cæpio was at last sent against him, but his despair of conquering him by force of arms, obliged him to have recourse to artifice, and he had the meanness to bribe the servants of Viriathus to murder their master, B. C. 40. *Flor. 2, c. 17.—*Val. Mar. 6, c. 4.

VIRGOLAMARUS, a young man of great power among the Ædui. Caesar greatly honoured him, but he fought at last against the Romans. *Ces. Bell. G. 7, c. 59, 80.

VIRIPLACA, a goddess among the Romans, who presided over the peace of families, whence her name (viris placare). If any quarrel happened between a man and his wife, they generally repaired to the temple of the goddess, and came back reconciled. *Val. Mar. 2, c. 1.

VIRRO, a fictitious name introduced in Jureal's 5, Sat. of the Romans. Marcellus erected two temples, one to Virtue and the other to Honour. They were built in such a manner, that to see the temple of Honour it was necessary to pass through that of Virtue; a happy allegory among a nation free and independent. The principal virtues were distinguished each by their attire. Prudence was known by her rule, and her pointing to a globe at her feet; Temperance had a brolle; Justice held an equal balance; and Fortitude bent against the sword; Honesty was clad in a transparent vest; Modesty appeared veiled; Clemency wore an olive branch; and Devotion threw incense upon an altar; Tranquility was seen to lean on a column; Health was known by her serpent; Liberty by her cap; and Gaiety by her myrtle.

VISELLIUS, a lieutenant in Germany, under Tiberius. VISELLIUS, a man whose father-in-law the commentators of Horace believe to have been afflicted with a hernia, on their observations on this verse, 1 Sat. 1, v. 105, *Est inter Tanatam quiddam, sacerdumque Viscieli.

VITELLIUS, a Roman colony. VITELLIUS AVIUS, a Roman raised by his vice to the throne. He was descended from one of the most illustrious families of Rome, and as such he gained an easy admission to the palace of the emperors. The greatest part of his youth was spent at Capreæ, where his willingness and compliance to gratify the most vicious propensities of Tiberius, raised his father to the dignity of consul and governor of Syria. The applause he gained in this school of debauchery, was too great and flattering to induce Vitellius to alter his conduct, and no longer to be one of the votaries of vice. Caligula was pleased with his skill in driving a chariot. Claudius loved him because he was a great gamester, and he recommended himself to the favours of Nero, by wishing him to sing publicly in the crowded theatre. With such an insinuating disposition, it is not be wondered that Vitellius became so great. He did not fall with his patrons, like the other favourites, but the death of an emperor seemed to raise him to greater honours, and to procure him fresh applause. He passed through all the offices of the state, and gained the soldiery by donations and liberal promises. He was at the head of the Roman legions in Germany when Otio was proclaimed emperor, and the exaltation of his rival was no sooner heard in the camp, than he was likewise invested with the purple by his soldiers. He accepted with pleasure the dangerous office, and instantly marched against Otho. Three battles were fought, and in all Vitellius was conquered. A fourth, however, in the plains between Mantua and Cremona, left him master of the field and of the Roman empire. He feasted his eyes in viewing the bodies of the slain, and the ground covered with blood, and regardless of the insubility of the air, proceeding from so many carcases, he told his attendants that the smell of a dead enemy was always sweet. His first care was not like that of a true conqueror, to alleviate the distresses of the conquered, or patronize the friends of the dead, but it was to in- sult their misfortunes, and to intoxicate himself, with the companions of his debauchery, in the field of battle. Each successive day exhibited a scene of greater extravagance. Vitellius feasted four or five times a day, and such was his excess, that he was often seen to make himself vomit, to begin his repast afresh, and to gratify his palate with more luxury. His food was of the most rare and exquisite nature; the deserts of Lybia, the shores of Spain, and the waters of the Carpathian sea, were diligently searched to supply the table of the emperor. The most celebrated of his feasts was that with which he was treated by his brother Lucius. The table, among other meats, was covered with two thousand different dishes of fish, and seven thousand of fowl; and so expensive was it in every thing, that above seven millions sterling were spent in maintaining his table, in the space of four months, and Josephus has properly observed, that if Vitellius had reigned long, the great opulence of all the Roman empire would have been found insufficient to defray the expenses of his banquets. This extravagance, which delighted the favourites, soon raised the indignation of the people. Vespasian was proclaimed emperor by the army, and his minister Primus was sent to destroy the impe-
Vitusius concealed himself under the bed of the porter of his palace, but this obscure retreat betrayed him; he was dragged naked through the streets, his hands were tied behind his back, and a drawn sword was placed under his chin, to make him lift his head. After suffering the greatest insults from the populace, he was at last carried to the place of execution, and put to death with repeated blows. His head was cut off, and fixed to a pole, and his mutilated body dragged with a book, and thrown into the Tiber, A.D. 69, after a reign of one year, except twelve days. 

Suet.—Tatit. Hist. 2.—Eutrop.—Dio.—Plut.—Lucius, the father of the emperor, obtained great honours by his flattery to the emperors. He was made governor of Syria, and in this distant province he obliged the Parthians to sue for peace. His adulation to Messalina is well known, and he obtained as a particular favour the honourable office of pulling off the shoes of the empress, &c. 

Suet. &c.—A brother of the emperor, who enjoyed his favours by encouraging gluttony, &c.—Publius, an uncle of the emperor of that name. He was accused under Nero of attempts to bribe the people with money from the treasury against the emperor. He killed himself before his trial. 

One of the flatterers of Tiberius. 

An officer of the pretorians under Otho. 

A son of the emperor Vitellius, put to death by one of his father's friends. 

Some of the family of the Vitelli conspired with the Aquilii and other illustrious Romans, to restore Tarquin to his throne. Their conspiracy was discovered by the consuls, and they were severely punished. 

Viti, a mother put to death by Tiberius for weeping at the death of her son, &c. Tatit. 

Viticius, a surname of Mars. Ovid. 

M. Vitruvius, Pollio, a celebrated architect, in the age of Augustus, born at Formiae. He is known only by his writings, and nothing is recorded in history of his life or private character. He wrote a treatise on his profession, which he dedicated to Augustus, and it is the only book on architecture now extant, written by the ancients. In this work he plainly shews that he was master of his profession, and that he possessed both genius and abilities. The best edition of Vitruvius is that of De Laet, Amst. 1649. 

Vitula, a deity among the Romans who presided over festivals and rejoicings. 

Ulpia Traiana, a Roman colony planted in Sarmatia by Trajan. 

Ulpianus Domitius, a lawyer in the reign of Alexander Severus, of whom he became the secretary and principal minister. He raised a persecution against the Christians, and was at last murdered by the pretorian guards, of which he had the command, A.D. 226. There are some fragments of his compositions on civil law still extant. The Greek commentaries of Ulpian on Demosthenes, were printed in fol. 1527, apud Aldam. 

Marcellus, an officer in the age of Commodus. 

Julianus, a mau sent to oppose Heliogabalus, &c.
clos, when led to pasture. In Æolia he met with a friendly reception, and Æolus gave him, confined in bags, all the winds which could obstruct his return to Ithaca, but the curiosity of his companions to know what the bags contained, proved nearly fatal. The winds rushed with impetuousity, and all the fleet was destroyed, except the ship which carried Ulysses. From thence he was thrown upon the coasts of the Lustrygones, and of the island Ænea, where the magician Circe changed all his companions into pigs, for their voluptuousness. He escaped their fate by means of an herb which he had received from Mercury, and after he had obliged the magician by force of arms to restore his companions to their original shape, he yielded to her charms, and made her mother of Telegonus. He visited the informal regions, and consulted Tiresias how to return with safety to his country, and after he had received every necessary information, he returned on earth. He passed along the coasts of the Sirens unhurt, by the directions of Circe, [Vul. Sires,] and escaped the whirlpools and shoals of Scylla and Charybdis. On the coasts of Sicily his companions stole and killed some oxen that were sacred to Apollo, for which the god destroyed the ships, and all were drowned, except Ulysses, who saved himself on a plank, and swam to the island of Calypso, in Ogygia. There, for seven years, he forgot Ithaca, in the arms of the goddess, by whom he had two children. The gods at last interfered, and Calypso, by order of Mercury, suffered him to depart, after she had furnished him with a ship, and every thing requisite for the voyage. He had almost reached the island of Cercy, when Neptune, still mindful that his son Polyphemus had been robbed of his sight by the perfidy of Ulysses, raised a storm and sunk his ship. Ulysses swam with difficulty to the island of the Phaeacians, where the kindness of Nausicaa, and the humanity of her father, king Alcinous, entertained him for awhile. He related the series of his misfortunes to the monarch, and at last, by his benevolence, he was conducted in a ship to Ithaca. The Phaeacians laid him on the sea-shore as he was asleep, and Ulysses found himself safely restored to his country, after a long absence of twenty years. He was well informed that his palace was besieged by a number of suitors, who continually disturbed the peace of Penelope, and therefore he assumed the habit of a beggar, by the advice of Minerva, and made himself known to his son, and his faithful shepherd, Eumæus. With them he took measures to re-establish himself on his throne; he went to the palace, and was personally convinced of the virtues and of the fidelity of Penelope. Before his arrival was publicly known, all the importuning suitors were put to death, and Ulysses restored to the peace and bosom of his family. [Vid. Laertes, Penelope, Telemaechn, Eumæus.] He lived about sixteen years after his return, and was last killed by his son Telegonus, who had landed in Ithaca, with the hopes of making himself known to his father. This unfortunate event had been foretold to him by Tiresias, who assured him that he should die by the violence of something that was to issue from the bosom of the sea. [Vid. Telegonus.] According to some authors, Ulysses went to consult the oracle of Apollo after his return to Ithaca, and he had the meaness to seduce Eriphæ, the daughter of a king of Epirus, who had treated him with great kindness. Eriphæ had a son by him, whom she called Euryalus. When come to years of puberty, Euryalus was sent to Ithaca, by his mother, but Penelope no sooner knew who he was, than she resolved to destroy him. Therefore when Ulysses returned, he put to immediate death his unknown son, on the crimination of Penelope his wife, who accused him of attempts upon her virtue. The adventures of Ulysses in his return to Ithaca from the Trojan war are the subject of Homer's Odyssey. Homer. v. & Od.—Virg. Æn. 2, 3, &c.—Dicyt. Crit. 1, &c.—Ovid. Met. 13. Harford. 1.—Hygin. fab. 201, &c.—Apollod. 3, c. 10.—Paus. 1, c. 17 & 22. l. 3, c. 12. l. 7, c. 4.—Élian. V. H. 13, c. 12.—Horat. 3, od. 29, v. 8.—Parthen. Ext. 3.—Plut.—Plin. 35.—Text. ad Luc. Umbria, a lake of Umbria, near the Tiber. Propert. 4, el. 1, v. 124. Ummira Pompeia, a portico of Pompey, at Rome. Mart. 5, ep. 10. Umbria, a country of Italy, separated from Etruria by the Tiber, bounded on the north by the Adriatic sea, east by Picenum, and the country of the Sabines, and south by the river Nar. Some derive the word Umbria, ab impriibus, the frequent showers that were supposed to fall there, or from the shadow (umbra) of the Apenines which hung over it. Umbria had many cities of note. The Umbrians opposed the Romans in the infancy of their empire, but afterwards they became their allies, about the year A. U. C. 454. Catull. 40, v. 11.—Strab. 5.—Plin. 3, c. 12.—Diomys. Hal. Ummbrigius, a soothsayer, who foretold approaching calamities to Galba. Juv. 3, v. 21. Umbro, a river of Italy.—A general who assisted Turnus against Æneas, and was killed during the war. He could assuage the fury of serpents by his songs, and counteract the poisonous effects of the inebites. Virg. Æn. 7, v. 752. l. 10, v. 544. Unca, a surname of Minerva. Unche, a town of Mesopotamia. Undecemviri, magistrate at Athens, to whom such as were publicly condemned were delivered to be executed. C. Nep. in Phoc. Unelly, a people of Gaul, conquered by Cæsar. Unxia, a surname of Juno, derived from ungre, to anoint, because it was usual among the Romans for the bride to anoint the threshold of her husband, and from this necessary ceremony wives were called Uniores, and afterwards Usores, from Unxia, who presided over them. Vöconia Lex, de testamentis, by Q. Voonius Saxa, the tribune, A. U. C. 584, enacted, that no woman should be left heiress to an estate, and that no rich person should leave by his will more than the fourth part of his fortune to a woman. This step was taken to prevent the


VOGÉSUS, a mountain of Belgic Gaul, which separates the Sequani from the Lingones. *Lucem. 1, v. 397.*

VOLAGINUS, a soldier who assassinated one of his officers, &c.

VOLANA, a town of the Samnites.

VOLANDUM, a fortified place of Armenia.

VOLATERRA, an ancient town of Etruria, where Persius the satirist was born. *Liv. 10, c. 12.—Strab. 5.*

VOLCE or VOLCE, a people of Gallia Narbonensis. *Liv. 21, c. 26.—Mela, 2, c. 5.*

VOLGÉSÈS, a name common to many of the kings of Parthia, who made war against the Roman emperors.

VOLGENUS, a Latin chief, who discovered Nissus and Euryalus as they returned from the Rutulian camp loaded with spoils. He killed Euryalus, and was himself immediately stabbed by Nissus. *Virg. Æn. 9, v. 370 & 442.*

VOLSET or VOLCI, a people of Latium, whose territories are bounded on the south by the Tyrrhenian sea, north by the country of the Hermini and Marsi, west by the Latins and Rutulians, and east by Campania. Their chief cities were Autium, Circea, Anxur, Coriolis, Fregellae, Arpinum, &c. Ancus, king of Rome, made war against them, and in the time of the republic they became formidable enemies, till they were at last conquered, with the rest of the Latins. *Liv. 3 & 4.—Virg. Æn. 2, v. 168. Æn. 9, v. 505. I. 11, v. 546, &c.—Strab. 5.—Mela, 2, c. 4 & 5.*

VOLSINIUM, a town of Etruria, in Italy, destroyed, according to Pliny, *2, c. 55, by fire from heaven. Liv. 7, c. 3.—Juuv. 3, v. 191.*

VOLTINIA, one of the Roman tribes.

VOLUBILIS, a town of Africa. *Plin. 5, c. 1.*

VOLUMNE FANUM, a temple in Etruria, sacrificed to the goddess Volumnia, who presided over the will and over complaisance. *Liv. 4, c. 23.—Juuv. 3, v. 191.*

VOLUMIA, the wife of Coriolanus.

VOLUMNUS and VOLUMNA, two deities who presided over the will. They were chiefly invoked at marriages, to preserve concord between the husband and wife. They were particularly worshipped by the Etrurians. *Liv. 4, c. 61.*

VOLUMNIUS, T. a Roman famous for his friendship towards M. Lucullus, whom M. Antony had put to death. His great lamentations were the cause that he was dragged to the triumvir, of whom he demanded to be conducted to the body of his friend, and there to be put to death. His request was easily granted.—A mimic whom Brutus put to death.—An Etrurian who wrote tragedies in his own native language.—A consul who defeated the Samnites and Etrurians, &c.—A friend of M. Brutus. He was preserved when that great republican

killed himself, and he wrote an account of his death and of his actions, from which Plutarch selected some remarks.—A prefect of Syria, B.C. 11.

VOLPUTAS and VOLUPA, the goddess of sensual pleasures, worshipped at Rome. where she had a temple. She was represented as a young and beautiful woman, well dressed and elegantly adorned, having Virtue under her feet.

C. VOLUFINUS, a military tribune in Caesar's army, &c. *Ces. bell. G. 3.*

VOLUSIANUS, a Roman taken as colleague on the imperial throne, by his father Gallus. He was killed by his soldiers.

VOLUSIUS, a poet of Patavia who wrote, like Ennius, the annals of Rome in verse. *Suet. ep. 98.—Cato. 96, v. 7.—Saturninus, a governor of Rome, who died in the 93rd year of his age, beloved and respected, under Nero. *Tacit. Ann.—Caio, a soldier at the siege of Cremona, &c.—One of Nero's officers.*

VOLUSUS, a friend of Turnus. *Virg. Æn. 11, v. 463.*

VOLUX, a son of Bocchus, whom the Romans defeated. Sylla suspected his fidelity, &c.

VOMANUS, a river of Picumno, in Italy.

VONÖNUS, a king of Parthia, expelled by his subjects, and afterwards placed on the throne of Armenia.—Another king of Armenia.

A man made king of Parthia by Augustus. *Votircus, a native of Syracus, 303 A.D. who wrote the life of Aurelian, Tacitus, Florius, Probos, Firmus, Carus, &c. He is one of the six authors who are called *Historiae Augustae scriptores,* but he excels all others in the elegance of his style, and the manner in which he relates the various actions of the emperors. He is not however without his faults. He has not the purity or perspicuity of the writers of the Augustan age.*

VORANUS, a freedman of Q. Lucatus Calitus, famous for his robberies as well as his cunning, &c. *Horat. 1, sat. 8, v. 39.*

VOTIENUS, MONTANUS, a man of learning banished to one of the Baleares for his malevolent reflections upon Tiberius. Ovid has celebrated him as an excellent poet. *Tacit.*

Urania, one of the Muses, daughter of Jupiter and Mnemosyne, who presided over astronomy. She is generally called mother of Linus, and of the god Hymenaeus. She was represented as a young virgin dressed in an azure-coloured robe, crowned with the stars, and having many mathematical instruments placed round. *Hesiod. Theog. 77.—Apollod. 1, c. 2.—Hygin. fab. 161.—A surname of Venus, the same as Celestial. She was supposed in that character, to preside over beauty and generation, and was called daughter of Uranus or Cetus by the Light. *Plato in Symph.—Cic. de Nat. D. 3, c. 23.—Paus. 1, c. 14, &c. L. 7, c. 26, &c.—A town of Cyprus.*

Uranii or Uriti, a people of Gaul.

Uranus, or Uranus, a deity, the same as Cetus the most ancient of all the gods. He married Tithon, or the Earth, by whom he had Ceus, Creus, Hyperion, Mnemosyne, Cottus, Phoebo, Briaeus, Thetis, Saturn, Giges, called
from their mother Titans. His children conspired against him, because he confined them in the bosom of the earth, and his son Saturn mutilated him, and drove him from his throne.

**Urbica**, a town of Hiaspiracyur, in Domitian's reign. *Jun. 6.*

**Uria**, a town of Italy, built by a Cretan colony. *Strab. 6.*

**Urites**, a people of Italy. *Liv. 42, c. 48.*


**Uscania**, a town of Macedonia. *Liv. 43, c. 18.*

**Uscola**, a town of Africa.

**Usipetes or Usipii**, a people of Germany. *Cat. bell. G. 4, c. 1, &c.*

**Ustica**, a town in an island on the coast of Sicily, near Panormum. *Horat. 1, od. 17, v. 11.*

**Utica**, a celebrated city of Africa, on the coast of the Mediterranean, on the same bay as Carthage, founded by a Syrian colony above 287 years before Carthage. It had a large and commodious harbour, and it became the metropolis of Africa after the destruction of Carthage in the third Punic war, and the Romans granted it all the lands situate between Hippo and Carthage. It is celebrated for the death of Cato, who from thence is called Uticensis, or of Utica. *Strab. 17.—Lucan. 6, v. 306.—Justin. 18, c. 4.—Plin. 16, c. 4.*

**Vulcanalia**, festivals in honour of Vulcan, brought to Rome from Praeneste. They were observed in the month of August. The streets were illuminated, fires kindled every where, and animals thrown into the flames, as a sacrifice to the deity. *Varro, de L. L. 5.—Dionys. Hal. 1.—Columell. 11.—Plin. 18, c. 13.*

**Vulcani Insula, of Vulcania**, a name given to the islands between Sicily and Italy, now called Lipari. *Verg. En. 8, v. 422.* They received it because there were there subterraneous fires, supposed to be excited by Vulcan the god of fire.

**Vulcanus**, Terentianus, a Latin historian, who wrote an account of the life of the three Gordians, &c.

**Vulcanus**, a god of the ancients who presided over fire, and was the patron of all artists who worked iron and metals. He was son of Juno alone, who in this wished to imitate Jupiter, who had produced Minerva from his brains. According to Homer, he was son of Jupiter and Juno, and the mother was so distracted with the deformities of her son, that she threw him into the sea as soon as born, where he remained for nine years. According to the more received opinion, Vulcan was educated in heaven with the rest of the gods, but his father kicked him down from Olympus, when he attempted to deliver his mother, who had been fastened by a golden chain for her insolence. He was nine days in coming from heaven upon earth, and he fell in the island of Lemnos, where, according to Lucian, the inhabitants seeing him in the air, caught him in their arms. He however broke his leg by the fall, and ever after remained lame of one foot. He fixed his residence in Lemnos, where he built himself a palace, and raised forges to work metals. The inhabitants of the island became sensible of his industry, and were taught all the useful arts which could civilized their rude manners, and render them serviceable to the good of society. The first work of Vulcan, was, according to some, a throne of gold with secret springs, which he presented to his mother, to avenge himself for her want of affection towards him. Juno no sooner sat herself on the throne than she found herself unable to move. The gods attempted to deliver her, by breaking the chains which held her, but to no purpose, and Vulcan alone had the power to set her at liberty. Bacchus intoxicated him and prevailed upon him to come to Olympus, where he was reconciled to his parents. Vulcan has been celebrated by the ancient poets for the ingenious works and automatical figures which he made, and many speak of two golden statues which not only seemed animated, but which walked by his side and even assisted him in the working of metals. It is said, that at the request of Jupiter he made the first woman that ever appeared on earth, well known under the name of Pandora. [*Vid. Pandora.*] The Cyclopes of Sicily were his ministers and attendants, and with him they fabricated, not only thunderbolts of Jupiter, but also arms for the gods and the most celebrated heroes. His forges were supposed to be under mount Aetna, in the island of Sicily, as well as in every part of the earth where there were volcanoes. The most known of the works of Vulcan which were presented to mortals are, a collar given to Hermione the wife of Cadmus, and a sceptre, which was in the possession of Agamemnon, king of Argos and Mycenae. The collar proved fatal to all those that wore it, but the sceptre, after the death of Agamemnon, was carefully preserved at Chersones, and regarded as a divinity. The amours of Vulcan are not numerous. He demanded Minerva from Jupiter, who had promised him in marriage whatever goddess he should choose, and when she refused his addresses, he attempted to offer her violence. Minerva resisted with success, though there remained on her body some marks of Vulcan's passion, which she threw down upon earth, wrapped up in wool. [*Vid. Erisichthonius.*] This disappointment in his love was repaired by Jupiter, who gave him one of the Graces. Venus is universally acknowledged to have been the wife of Vulcan. Her infidelity is well known, as well as her amours with Mars, which were discovered by Phoebus, and exposed to the gods by her own husband. [*Vid.Electryon.*] The worship of Vulcan was well established, particularly in Egypt, at Athens, and at Rome. It was usual
in the sacrifices that were offered to him, to
burn the whole victim, and not reserve part of
it, as in the immolations to the rest of the gods.
A calf and a boar were the principal vic-
tims offered to him. Vulcan was represented
as covered with sweat, blowing with his nervous
arm the fire of his forges. His breast was
hairly, and his forehead was blackened with
smoke. Some represent him lame and de-
formed, holding a hammer raised in the air,
ready to strike; while with the other hand he
turns with pincers a thunderbolt on his anvil.
He appears on some monuments with a long
beard, dishevelled hair, half-naked, and a
small round cap on his head, while he holds a
hammer and pincers in his hands. The Egyp-
tians represented him under the figure of a mon-
key. Vulcan has received the names of Mul-
ciber, Pamphanes, Clytotechnes, Pandamator,
Cylopodes, Chalaipoda, &c. all expressive of
his lameness and his profession. He was fa-
ther of Cupid, by Venus; of Caeceulus, Cercops,
Cacus, Periphetes, Cercyon, Orcisia, &c.
Cicero speaks of more than one deity of the
name of Vulcan. One he calls son of Ceres,
and father of Apollo, by Minerva; the second
he mentions as son of the Nile, and called
Pitas by the Egyptians; the third was son of
Jupiter and Juno, and fixed his residence in
Lemnos; and the fourth, who built his forges in
the Lipari islands, was son of Menalus. Vul-
can seems to have been admitted into heaven
more for ridicule than any other purpose. He
seems to be the great cuckold of Olympus, and
even his wife is represented as laughing at his
deformities, and mimicking his lameness, to
gain the smiles of her lovers. Hesiod, Theog. et
in Sent. Hercul.—Apollo. 1, c. 3, &c.—Homer, II.
1, v. 57 & l. 15, v. 18, l. 18, v. 397, &c.—
Diod. 5.—Paus. i, c. 20. l. 3, c. 17.—Cic. de Nat.
D. 3, c. 22.—Herodot. 2 & 3.—Varro, de L. L.,
Virg. Æn. 7, &c.

VULCÀTIUS, a Roman knight who conspired
with Piso against Nero, &c. Tacit.—A
senator in the reign of Dioclesian, who at-
ttempted to write an history of all such as had
reigned at Rome, either as lawful sovereigns or
by usurpation. Of his works nothing is extant
but an account of Avidius Cassius, who revolted
in the east during the reign of M. Aurelius, which
some ascribe to Spartanus.

VULSINUM, a town of Etruria, where Sejanus
was born.

VULSO, a Roman consul who invaded Afrika
with Regulus.—Another consul. He had
the provinces of Asia while in office, and tri-
umphed over the Galatians.

VULTÚRA, or VULTURIA, a mountain on the
boundaries of Apulia. Horat. 3, od. 4, v. 9.

VULTUREUS, a man who conspired against
his country with Catiline.

VULTURIA, a surname of Apollo. Vid. Vul-
turnus.

VULTURNUS, a town of Campania, afterwards
called Capua, as some suppose.

VULTURNUS, a river of Campania. Lucret.
3, v. 664.—Verg. Æn. 7, v. 729.—The god
of the Tiber was also known by that name.
Varro, de L. L. 4, c. 5.—The wind also re-
ceived the name of Vulturnus, when it blew
from the side of the Vulturnus.—A surname
of Apollo on mount Elysaeus in Jonia, near Ephe-
sus. The god received this name from a
shepherd who raised him a temple, after he had
been drawn out of a subterraneous cavern by
vultures.

UXELLODUNUM, a town of Gaul. Cas. bell.
G. 8, c. 33.

UXII, a people of Armenia, conquered by
Alexander. The Tigris rises in their country.

UXISAMA, an island in the western ocean.

UZITA, an inland town of Africa, destroyed
by Cæsar. Hist. de Afric. 41, &c.

XANTHE, one of the Oceanides. Hesiod.
Theog. v. 356.

XAPTHI, a people of Thrace.—The in-
habitants of Xanthus in Asia. Vid. Xanthus.

XANTHIA, PHOCUS, a Roman whom Horace
addresses in Horace 2, odys. 4, and of
whom he speaks as enamoured of a servant-
maid.

XANTHICA, a festival observed by the Mac-
edonians in the month called Xanthicus, the
XANTHIPPUS, a son of Melas, killed by Ty-les. Vide Xantippus.


XANTHUS, or XANTHOS, a river of Troas in Asia Minor. It is the same as the Scamander, but according to Homer, it was called Xanthus by the gods, and Scamander by men. Vide Scamander—A river of Lycia, anciently called Sirbes. It was sacred to Apollo, and fell into the sea near Patara. Homer. II. 6. v. 172. Virg. Aen. 4. v. 154. Beca, 1. c. 15.

One of the horses of Achilles, who spoke to his master when chid with severity, and told him that he must soon be killed. Homer. II. 19.

One of the horses given to Juno by Neptune, and afterwards to the sons of Leda. An historian of Sardes in the reign of Darius.

A Greek historian of Lydia. Dionys. Hal.

A king of Lesbos. A king of Broctia who made war against the Athenians. He was killed by the artifice of Melanthus. Vide Apurataria—A Greek poet. A philosopher of Samus, in whose house Æsop lived some time as servant. A town of Lycia on the river of the same name, at the distance of about 15 miles from the sea-shore. The inhabitants are celebrated for their love of liberty and national independence. Brutus laid siege to their city, and when at last they were unable longer to support themselves against the enemy, they set fire to their houses and destroyed themselves. The conqueror wished to spare them, but though he offered rewards to his soldiers, if they brought any of the Xanthians alive into his presence, only 150 were saved much against their will. Appian. 4. Plut. in Brut.

XANTIPPE, a daughter of Dorus who married Pleuron, by whom she had Agenor, &c. Apollod. 1. c. 7. The wife of Socrates, remarkable for her ill humour, and peevish disposition, which are become proverbial. Some suppose that the philosopher was acquainted with her meanness and insolence before he married her, and that he took her for his wife, to try his patience, and inure himself to the malevolent reflections of mankind. She continually tormented him with her impertinence, and one day, not satisfied with using the most bitter invectives, she emptied a vessel of dirty water on his head, upon which the philosopher coolly observed, After thunder there generally falls rain. Ælian. V. H. 7. c. 10. l. 9. c. 7. l. 11. c. 12. Ding. in Socrat.

XANTIPPE, a Lacedaemonian general who assisted the Carthaginians in the first Punic war. He defeated the Romans, 256 B. C. and took the celebrated Regulus prisoner. Such signal services deserved to be rewarded, but the Carthaginians looked with envious jealousy upon Xantippus, and he retired to Corinth after he had saved them from destruction. Some authors support, that the Carthaginians ordered him to be assassinated, and his body to be thrown into the sea as he was returning home; while others say that they had prepared a leaky ship to convey him to Corinth, which he artfully avoided. Lin. 18 & 28. c. 43. Appian. de Pun.—An Athenian general who defeated the Persian fleet at Mycale with Leotychides. A statue was erected to his honour in the citadel of Athens. He made some conquests in Thrace, and increased the power of Athens. He was father to the celebrated Pericles by Agariste the niece of Clisthenes, who expelled the Pisistratids from Athens. Pers. S. c. 7. 1. 8. c. 52. A son of Pericles who disgraced his father by his disobedience, his ingratitude, and his extravagance. He died of the plague in the Peloponnesian war. Plut.

XENAGORAS, an historian. Dionys. Hal.

A philosopher who measured the height of the mount Olympus.

XENARCIUS, a comic poet. A peripatetic philosopher of Seleucia, who taught at Alexandria and at Rome, and was intimate with Augustus. A pretor of the Achæan league, who wished to favour the interest of Perseus, king of Macedonia, against the Romans.

XENAKES, an intimate friend of Cleomenes king of Sparta.

XENETAUS, a Lucian whose daughter married Dionysius of Sicily, &c.

XENEOUS, a writer who composed an history of Chios.

XENIADES, a Corinthian who went to buy Diogenes the cynic, when sold as a slave. He asked him what he could do, upon which the cynic answered, Command freemen. This noble answer so pleased Xeniaides, that he gave the cynic his liberty, and entrusted him with the care of the education of his children. Dog.

XENUS, a surname given to Jupiter as the god of hospitality.

XENOCLES, a priestess of Apollo's temple at Delphi, from whom Hercules extorted an oracle by force. Pers. 10. c. 13.

XENOCLES, a tragic writer in the age of Euripides. He obtained four times a poetical prize in a contention in which Euripides was competitor. Ælian.—A Spartan officer in the expedition which Agesilaus undertook against the Persians. An architect of Eleusis. A friend of Aratus. One of the friends of Cicero.

XENOCRATES, an ancient philosopher born at Calchedonia, and educated in the school of Plato, whose friendship he gained, and whose approbation he merited. Though of a dull and sluggish disposition, he supplied the defects of nature by unwearied attention and industry, and was at last found capable of succeeding in the school of Plato, after Speusippus, about 349 years before Christ. He was remarkable as a disciplinarian, and he required that his pupils should be acquainted with mathematics before they came under his care, and he even rejected some who had not the necessary qualification, saying that they had not yet found the key of philosophy. He did not only recommend himself to his pupils by precepts, but more powerfully by example, and since the wonderful change he had made upon the conduct of one of his auditors, [Vid. Poianon.]
his company was as much shunned by the dissolute and extravagant, as it was courted by the virtuous and the benevolent. Philip of Macedon attempted to gain his confidence with money, but with no success. Alexander in this imitated his father, and sent some of his friends with 50 talents for the philosopher. They were introduced, and supped with Xenocrates. The repast was small and moderate, elegant without ostentation. On the morrow, the officers of Alexander wished to pay down the 50 talents, but the philosopher asked them whether they had not perceived from the entertainment of the preceding day, that he was not in want of money. Tell your master, said he, to keep his money; he has more people to maintain than I have. Yet not to offend the monarch, he accepted a small sum, about the 200th part of one talent. His character was not less conspicuous in every other particular, and he has been cited as an instance of virtue from the following circumstance:—The courtezan Lais had pledged herself to forfeit an immense sum of money, if she did not triumph over the virtue of Xenocrates. She tried every art, assumed the most captivating looks, and used the most tempting attitudes to gain the philosopher but in vain; and she declared at last, that she had not lost her money, as she had pledged herself to conquer an human being, not a lifeless stone. Though so respected and admired, yet Xenocrates was poor, and he was dragged to prison, because he was unable to pay a small tribute to the state. He was delivered from confinement by one of his friends. His integrity was so well known, that when he appeared in the court as a witness, the judges dispensed with his oath. He died B. C. 314, in his 82d year, after he had presided in the academy for above 25 years. It is said, that he fell in the night with his head into a bason of water, and that he was suffocated. He had written about 60 treatises on different subjects, all now lost. He acknowledged no other deity but heaven, and the seven planets. *Diog.—Cic. ad Attic. 10, ep. 1, &c. Tusc. 5, c. 32.—Val. Max. 2, c. 10.—Lucian.*—A physician in the age of Nero, not in great esteem. His Greek treatise, *de alimento ex aquatilibus,* is best edited by Franzius, Lips. 8vo. 1774.


**Xenodice,** a daughter of Syleus, killed by Hercules.—*A daughter of Minos and Pasiphae.*

**Xenodochus,** a Messenian crowned at the Olympic games. *Paus. 4, c. 5.*—A native of Cardia, &c.

**Xenophanes,** a Greek philosopher of Colophon, disciple of Archelaus. B. C. 535. He wrote several poems and treatises, and founded a sect which was called the Eleatic, in Sicily. He supposed that God and the world were the same, and he credited the eternity of the universe. His liberal opinion about the divinity, raised the indignation of his countrymen, and

he was banished. He died very poor when about 100 years old. *Cic. quest. 4, c. 37; de divin. 1, c. 3; de Nat. D. 1, c. 11.*—A governor of Olibus, in the age of M. Antony. *Strab. 14.*—One of the ministers of Philip, who went to Annibal’s camp, and made a treaty of alliance between Macedonia and Carthage.

**Xenophilus,** a Pythagorean philosopher, who lived to his 170th year, and enjoyed all his faculties to the last. *Val. Max. 8, c. 13.*—One of Alexander’s generals. *Curt. 5, c. 2.*—A robber of whom Aratus hired some troops.

**Xenophon,** an Athenian, son of Gryllus, celebrated as a general, an historian, and a philosopher. In the school of Socrates he received those instructions and precepts which afterwards so eminently distinguished him at the head of an army, in literary solitude, and as the prudent father of a family. He was invited by Proxenus, one of his intimate friends, to accompany Cyrus the younger in an expedition against his brother Artaxerxes, king of Persia, but he refused to comply without previously consulting his venerable master, and inquiring into the propriety of such a measure. Socrates strongly opposed it, and observed, that it might raise the resentment of his countrymen, as Sparta had made an alliance with the Persian monarch; but, however, before he proceeded further, he advised him to consult the oracle of Apollo. Xenophon paid due deference to the injunctions of Socrates, but as he was ambitious of glory, and eager to engage in a distant expedition, he hastened with precipitation to Sardis, where he was introduced to the young prince, and treated with great attention. In the army of Cyrus, Xenophon shewed that he was a true disciple of Socrates, and that he had been educated in the warlike city of Athens. After the decisive battle in the plains of Cunaxa, and the fall of young Cyrus, the prudence and vigour of his mind were called into action. The ten thousand Greeks who had followed the standard of an ambitious prince, were now at the distance of above 600 leagues from their native home, in a country surrounded on every side by a victorious enemy, without money, without provisions, and without a leader. Xenophon was selected from among the officers, to superintend the retreat of his countrymen, and though he was often opposed by malevolence and envy, yet his persuasive eloquence and his activity convinced the Greeks that no general could extircate them from every difficulty, better than the disciple of Socrates. He rose superior to danger, and though under continual alarms from the sudden attacks of the Persians, he was enabled to cross rapid rivers, penetrate through vast deserts, gain the tops of mountains, till he could rest secure for awhile and refresh his tired companions. This celebrated retreat was at last happily effected, the Greeks returned home after a march of 1155 parasangs, or leagues, which was performed in 215 days, after an absence of 15 months. The whole perhaps might now be
or at least but obscurely known, if the
cat philosopher who planned it, had not em-
ployed his pen in describing the dangers which
he escaped, and the difficulties which he
sustained. He was no sooner returned from
Cunaxa, than he sought new honours in fol-
lowing the fortune of Agesilaus in Asia. He
enjoyed his confidence, he fought under his stan-
dard, and conquered with him in the Asiatic
provinces, as well as at the battle of Coronae.
His fame, however, did not escape the aper-
sions of jealousy; he was publicly banished
from Athens for accompanying Cyrus against his
brother, and being now without a home, he re-
tired to Scillus, a small town of the Lacedaemo-
nians, in the neighbourhood of Olympia. In
this solitary retreat, he dedicated his time to li-
terary pursuits, and as he had acquired riches
in his Asiatic expeditions, he began to adorn
and variegate, by the hand of art, for his plea-
sure and enjoyment, the country which sur-
rrounded Scillus. He built a magnificent temple
to Diana, in imitation of that of Ephesus, and
spent part of his time in rural enjoyments, or in
hunting in the woods and mountains. His
peaceful occupations, however, were soon dis-
turbed; a war arose between the Lacedaemo-
nians and Elia; the sanctity of Diana's temple,
and the venerable age of the philosopher, who
lived in the delightful retreats of Scillus, were
disregarded; and Xenophon, driven by the Elia-
ans from his favourite spot, where he had com-
pared and written for the information of posteri-
ity, and honour of his country, retired to the city
of Corinth. In this place he died in the 90th
year of his age, 339 years before the Christian
era. The works of Xenophon are numerous: he
wrote an account of the expedition of Cyrus,
called the Anabasis; and as he had no inconsider-
dable share in the enterprise, his description
must be authentic, as he was himself an eye wit-
ness. Many, however, have accused him of parti-
cularity. He appeared often too fond of ex-
tolling the virtues of his favourite Cyrus; and
while he describes with contempt the impre-
dent operations of the Persians, he does not ne-
glect to show that he was a native of Greece.
His Cyropedia, divided into eight books, has
given rise to much criticism; and while some
warmly maintain, that it is a faithful account of
the life and actions of Cyrus the Great, and
declare that it is supported by the authority of
scripture, others as vehemently deny its authen-
ticity. According to the opinions of Plato and
Cicero, the Cyropedia of Xenophon was a moral
romance; and these venerable philosophers support, that the historian did not so much write what Cyrus had been, as what every
ture, good, and virtuous monarch ought to be.
His Helenica were written as a continuation of the
history of Thucydides, and in his Memorabi-
lia of Socrates, and in his Apology, he has shown
himself, as Valerius Maximus observes,
a perfect master of the philosophy of that great
man, and he has explained his doctrines and
moral precepts with all the success of persua-
Sive eloquence and conscious integrity. These
are the most famous of his compositions, be-
sides which there are other small tracts: his
Eulogium given on Agesilaus; his economics, on
the duties of domestic life; the dialogue enti-
tled Hiero, in which he happily describes and
compares the misery which attended the ty-
rant, with the felicity of a virtuous prince; a
tratise on hunting, the Symposium of the phi-
osophers, on the government of Athens and
Sparta, a treatise on the revenues of Attica, &c.
The simplicity and the elegance of Xenophon's
diction, have procured him the name of Athe-
nian muse, and the bee of Greece; and they
have induced Quintilian to say, that the graces
dictated his language, and that the goddess o.
Persuasion dwelt upon his lips. His senti-
ments as to the Divinity and religion, were the
same as those of the venerable Socrates; he
supported the immortality of the soul, and ex-
horted his friends to cultivate those virtues
which ensure the happiness of mankind, with
all the zeal and favour of a Christian. He
has been quoted as an instance of tenderness and
of resignation on Providence. As he was offer-
ing a sacrifice, he was informed that Gryllus,
his eldest son, had been killed at the battle of
Mantinea. Upon this he tore the garments from
his head; but when he was told that his son
had died like a Greek, and given a mortal wound
to the enemy's general, he replaced the flowers
on his head, and continued the sacrifice, ex-
claiming, that the pleasure he derived from the
valour of his son, was greater than the grief
which his unfortunate death occasioned. The
best editions of Xenophon are those of Leunclavius, fol. Francof. 1596; of Ernesti, 4 vols.
8vo. Lips. 1763; and the Glasgow edition,
12mo. of the Cyropedia, 1767; the expedition
of Cyrus, 1764: the Memorabilia, 1761; and
the history of Greece 1762. Cis. in Ortat. 19.
Val. Max. 5. c. 10.—Quintil. 10. c. 2.—Ælian. V.
H. 3. c. 13. l. 4. c. 5.—Doug. in Xenoph. Saturn.
A writer in the beginning of the fourth cen-
tury, known by his Greek romance in five books,
De Amoribus Anthia Abroome, published in 8vo.
and 4to. by Cocceius, Lond. 1726.—A physi-
cian of the emperor Claudius, born in the
island of Cos, and said to be descended from the
Asclepiades. He enjoyed the emperor's favours
and through him the people of Cos were exempt
from all taxes. He had the meanness to pois-
son his benefactor at the instigation of Agrippina.
Tacit. 12. Ann. c. 61 & 67.—An officer under
Adrian, &c.

XERXES, a province of Armenia. Strab. 11.
XERXES, 1st, succeeded his father Darius
on the throne of Persia, and though but the se-
cond son of the monarch, he was preferred to
his elder brother Artabazanes. The causes al-
leged for this preference were, that Artabazanes
was son of Darius when a private man, and that
Xerxes was born after his father had been raised
to the Persian throne, of Atossa, the daughter
of Cyrus. Xerxes continued the warlike prepa-

tations of his father, and added the revolted king-
dom of Egypt to his extensive possessions. He
afterwards invaded Europe, and entered Greece
with an army, which, together with the numer-
ous retinue of servants, eunuchs, and women

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that attended it, amounted to no less than 8,283,220 souls. This multitude, which the fidelity of historians have not exaggerated, was stopped at Thermopylae, by the valour of 300 Spartans, under king Leonidas. Xerxes, astounded that such a handful of men should dare to oppose his progress, ordered some of his soldiers to bring them alive into his presence; but for three successive days the most valiant of the Persian troops were repeatedly defeated in attempting to execute the monarch's injunctions, and the courage of the Spartans might perhaps have triumphed longer, if a Trachinian had not led a detachment to the top of the mountain, and suddenly fallen upon the devoted Leonidas. The king himself nearly perished on this occasion; and it has been reported, that in the night the desperate Spartans sought for a while the royal tent, which they found deserted, and wandered through the Persian army, slaughtering thousands before them. The battle of Thermopylae was the beginning of the disgrace of Xerxes; the more he advanced, it was to experience new disappointments: his fleet was defeated at Artemision and Salamis; and though he burnt the deserted city of Athens and trusted to the artful insinuations of Themistocles, yet he found his millions unable to conquer a nation that was superior to him in the knowledge of war and maritime affairs. Mortified with the ill success of his expedition, and apprehensive of imminent danger in an enemy's country Xerxes hastened to Persia, and in thirty days he marched over all that territory which before he had passed with much pomp and parade in the space of six months Mardonius, the best of his generals, was left behind with an army of 300,000 men, and the rest that had survived the ravages of war, of famine, and pestilence, followed their timid monarch into Thrace, where his steps were marked by the numerous birds of prey that hovered round him, and fed upon the dead carcases of the Persians. When he reached the Hellespont, Xerxes found the bridge of boats which he had erected there, totally destroyed by the storms, and he crossed the straits in a small fishing vessel. Restored to his kingdom and safety, he forgot his dangers, his losses, and his defeats, and gave himself up to riot and debauchery. His indolence and luxurious voluptuousness offended his subjects, and Artabanus, the captain of his guards, conspired against him, and murdered him in his bed, in the 21st year of his reign, about 464 years before the Christian era. The personal accomplishments of Xerxes have been commended by ancient authors, and Herodotus observes, that there was not one man among the millions of his army that was equal to the monarch in comeliness or stature, or that was as worthy to preside over a great and extensive empire. The picture is finished, and the character of Xerxes completely known, when we hear Justin exclaim, that the vast armament which invaded Greece was without a head. Xerxes has been cited as an instance of humanity. When he reviewed his millions from a stately throne in the plains of Asia, he suddenly shed a torrent of tears, on the recollection, that the multitude of men he saw before his eyes, in one hundred years should be no more. His pride and insolence have been deservedly censured: he ordered chains to be thrown into the sea, and the waves to be whipped, because the first bridge he had laid across the Hellespont had been destroyed by a storm. He cut a channel through Mount Athos, and saw his fleet sail in a place which before was dry ground. The very rivers were dried up by his army as he had advanced towards Greece, and the cities which he entered reduced to want and poverty. Herodot. 1, c. 183, l. 7, c. 2, &c. —Diod. 11. —Strab. 9. —Aelian. 3, V. H. 25. —Justin, 2, c. 10, &c. —Polyb. 3, c. 4, l. 8, c. 46. —Lucan. 2, v. 672. —Plut. in Them. —Val. Max. —The 2d, succeeded his father Artaxerxes Longimanus on the throne of Persia, 425 B. C. and was assassinated in the first year of his reign by his brother Sogdianus.—A painter of Hecatæa.

Xeuxes, an officer of Antiochus the Greek king of Syria.

Xudan, a name of Mercury among the Etruscans.

Xuthus, a son of Helen, grandson of Deucalion. He was banished from Thessaly by his brothers, and came to Athens, where he married Creusa, the daughter of king Erechtheus, by whom he had Achæus and Iön. He retired after the death of his father-in-law into Achaia, where he died. According to some, he had no children, but adopted Iön, the son whom Creusa, before her marriage, had borne to Apollo. Apolod. 1, c. 7.—Paus. 7, c. 1.

Xychus, a Macedonian, who told Philip of his cruelty when he had put his son Demetrius to death, at the instigation of Perseus.

Xylina, a town of Pamphylia. T. L. 38, c. 15.

Xynias, a lake of Thessaly, or, according to some, of Boeotia.

Xynoichia, an anniversary-day observed at Athens, in honour of Minerva, and in commemoration of the time in which the people of Attica left their country seats, and by advice of Theseus, all united in one body.
ZABATUS, a river of Media, near which the ten thousand Greeks stopped in their return.
ZARDICENE, a province of Persia.
ZABIRNA, a town of Libya.
ZACYNTHUS, a native of Boeotia, who accompanied Hercules when he went into Spain to destroy Geryon. At the end of the expedition, he was entrusted with the care of Geryon's flocks by the hero, and ordered to conduct them to Thebes. As he went on his journey, he was bit by a serpent, and some time after died. His companions carried his body away, and buried it in an Island of the Ionian sea, which, from that time, was called Zacynthus. The island, of Zacynthus, now called Zante, is situate at the south of Cephalonia, and at the west of Peloponnesus. It was about sixty miles in circumference. Strab. 2 & 3.—Met. 2, c. 7.—Homer. Od. 1, v. 246. l. 9, v. 24.—Ovid. de Art. Am. Paus. 4, c. 23.—Virg. En. 3, v. 270.—A son of Dardanus. Paus. 8.
ZAGRUS, a son of Jupiter and Proserpine, the same as the first Barchus, of whom Cicero speaks. Some say that Jupiter obtained Proserpine's favours in the form of a serpent, in one of the caves of Sicily, where her mother had concealed her from his pursuits, and that from this union Zagrus was born.
ZAGRUS, a mountain on the confines of Media and Babylonia.
ZALATES, an effeminate youth, brought to Rome from Armenia as a hostage, &c. Juv. 20, v. 164.
ZALECUS, a lawgiver of the Locrians in Italy, and one of the disciples of Pythagoras, 550 B. C. He was very humane, and at the same time very austere, and he attempted to enforce his laws more by inspiring shame than dread. He had wisely decreed, that a person guilty of adultery should lose both his eyes. His philosophy was called to a trial, when he was informed that his son was an adulterer. He ordered the law to be executed; the people interfered, but Zaleucus resisted, and rather than violate his own institutions, he commanded one of his own eyes, and one of those of his son, to be put out. This made such an impression upon the people, that while Zaleucus presided over the Locrians, no person was again guilty of adultery. Val. Max. 1, c. 2. l. 6, c. 5.—Cic. de Leg. 2, c. 6. ad Attic. 6, ep. 1.—Elian. V. H. 2, c. 37, l. 3, c. 17. l. 13, c. 24.—Strab. 6.
ZANA, or ZAGMA, a town of Numidia, celebrated for the victory which Scipio obtained there over the great Annibal, B. C. 202. Metellus besieged it, and was obliged to retire with great loss. After Juba's death, it was destroyed by the Romans. C. Nep. in Annib.—Liv. 30, c. 29.—Salust. de Jug. Flor. 3, c. 1.—Ital. 3, v. 261.—Strab. 17.
ZANOKS, a debauched king of Assyria, son of Semiramis and Ninus, as some report. He reigned 38 years.
ZAMOLXIS, a slave and disciple of Pythagoras. He accompanied his master in Egypt, and afterwards retired into the country of the Getæ, which had given him birth. He began to civi-
...cias, a storm drove his ship on the coast of Attica, and he was shipwrecked near the Piraus. This moment of calamity he regarded as the beginning of his fame. He entered the house of a bookseller, and to dissipate his melancholy reflections, he began to read. The book was written by Xenophon, and the merchant was so pleased and captivated by the eloquence and beauties of the philosopher, that from that time he renounced the pursuits of a busy life, and applied himself to the study of philosophy. Ten years were spent in frequenting the school of Crates, and the same number under Stilpo, Xenocrates, and Polemon. Perfect in every branch of knowledge, and improved from experience as well as observation, Zeno opened a school at Athens, and soon saw himself attended by the great, the learned, and the powerful. His followers were called Stoics, because they received the instructions of the philosopher in the portico called cias. He was so respected during his life-time, that the Athenians publicly decreed him a brazen statue and a crown of gold. His life was an example of soberness and moderation; his manners were austere, and to his temperance and regularity he was indebted for the continual flow of health which he always enjoyed. After he had taught publicly for 43 years, he died in the 98th year of his age, B.C. 264, a stranger to diseases, and never accompanied by a real indisposition. He was buried in that part of the city called Ceramicus, where the Athenians raised him a monument. The founder of the stoic philosophy shone before his followers as a pure example of imitation. Virtue he perceived to be the ultimate of his researches. He wished to live in the world as if nothing was properly his own; he loved others, and his affections were extended even to his enemies. He felt a pleasure in being kind, benevolent, and attentive, and he found that these sentiments of pleasure were reciprocal. He saw a connexion and dependence in the system of the universe, and perceived that from thence arose the harmony of civil society, the tenderness of parents, and filial gratitude. In the attainment of virtue, the goods of the mind were to be preferred to those of the body; and when that point was once gained, nothing could equal our happiness and perfection; and the stoic could view with indifference, health or sickness, riches or poverty, pain and pleasure, which could neither move nor influence the serenity of his mind. Zeno recommended resignation: he knew that the laws of the universe cannot be changed by man, and therefore he wished that his disciples should not, in prayer, deprecate impending calamities, but rather beseech Providence to grant them fortitude to bear the severest trials with pleasure and due resignation to the will of heaven. An arbitrary command over the passions, was one of the rules of stoicism; to assist our friends in the hour of calamity was our duty, but to give way to childish sensations, was unbecoming our nature. Pity, therefore, and anger, were to be banished from the heart; propriety and decorum were to be the guides in every thing; and the external actions of men were the best indications of their inward feelings, their secret inclinations, and their character. It was the duty of the stoic to study himself: in the evening, he was enjoined to review, with critical accuracy, the events of the day, and to regulate his future conduct with more care, and always to find an impartial witness within his own breast. Such were the leading characters of the stoic philosophy, whose followers were so illustrious, so perfect, and so numerous, and whose effects were productive of so exemplary virtues in the annals of the human mind. Zeno in his maxims used to say, that with virtue men could live happy under the most pressing calamities. He said, that nature had given us two ears, and only one mouth, to tell us that we ought to listen more than speak. He compared those whose actions were consonant with their professions to the coin of Alexandria, which appeared beautiful to the eye though made of the basest metals. He acknowledged only one God, the soul of the universe, which he conceived to be the body, and therefore he believed that those two together united, the soul and the body, formed one perfect animal, which was the god of the stoics. Cic. Acad. 1, c. 12. de Nat. D. 1, c. 14. 1. 2, c. 8 & 24. 1. 3, c. 24. pro Mur. de Orat. 32. &c. Flinb.—Seneca.—Epictetus.—Arrian.—Elian. V.H. 2, c. 26.—Diog.—An epicurean philosopher of Sidon, who numbered among his pupils Cicero, Pomponius Atticus, Cotta, Pompey, &c. Cic. de Nat. D. 1, c. 21 & 34.—A rhetorician, father to Polemon, who was made king of Pontus. The son of Polemon, who was made king of Armenia, was also called Zeno. Strab. 12.—Tacit. Ann. 2, c. 65.—A native of Lepeos, crowned at the Olympic games. Paus. 6, c. 15.—A general of Antiochus.—A philosopher of Tarsus, B.C. 207.—The name of Zeno was common to some of the Roman emperors, on the throne of Constantinople, in the fifth and sixth centuries.

Zelus, a Dorian, killed by the haughty Pelus.

Zenobia, a queen of Iberia, wife of Rhadamistus. She accompanied her husband when he was banished from his kingdom by the Armeans, but as she was unable to follow him, on account of her pregnancy, she treated him to murder her. Rhadamistus long hesitated, but fearful of her falling into the hands of his enemy, he obeyed, and threw her body into the Araxes. Her clothes kept her up on the surface of the water, where she was found by some shepherds, and as the wound was not mortal her life was preserved, and she was carried to Titrates, who acknowledged her as queen. Septimia, a celebrated princess of Pamilya, who married Odenatus, whom Gallienus acknowledged as his partner on the Roman throne. After the death of her husband, which, according to some authors, she is said to have hastened, Zenobia reigned in the east as regent of her infant children, who were honoured with the title of Caesars. She assumed the name of Augusta
and she appeared in imperia, robes, and ordered herself to be styled the queen of the east. The troubles which at that time agitated the western parts of the empire, prevented the emperor from checking the insolence and the ambition of this princess, who boasted to be sprung from the Ptolemies of Egypt. Aurelian was no sooner invested with the imperial purple than he marched into the east, determined to punish the pride of Zenobia. He well knew her valour, and he was not ignorant that in her wars against the Persians she had distinguished herself no less than Odenatus. She was the mistress of the east; Egypt acknowledged her power, and all the provinces of Asia Minor were subject to her command. When Aurelian approached the plains of Syria, the Palmyran queen appeared at the head of 700,000 men. She bore the labours of the field like the meaniest of her soldiers, and walked on foot fearless of danger. Two battles were fought; the courage of the queen gained the superiority; but an imprudent evolution of the Palmyran cavalry ruined her cause; and while they pursued with spirit the flying enemy, the Roman infantry suddenly fell upon the main army of Zenobia, and the defeat was inevitable. The queen fled to Palmyra, determined to support a siege. Aurelian followed her; and after he had almost exhausted his stores, he proposed terms of accommodation which were rejected with disdain by the warlike princess. Her hopes of victory, however, soon vanished; and though she harassed the Romans night and day, by continual sallies from her walls, and the working of her military engines, she despaired of success when she heard that the armies which were marching to her relief from Armenia, Persia, and the east, had partly been defeated and partly bribed from her allegiance. She fled from Palmyra in the night, but Aurelian, who was apprised of her escape, pursued her, and she was caught as she was crossing the river Euphrates. She was brought into the presence of Aurelian, and though the soldiers were clamorous for her death, she was reserved to adorn the triumph of the conqueror. She was treated with great humanity, and Aurelian gave her large possessions near Tiber, where she was permitted to live the rest of her days in peace, with all the grandeur and majesty which became a queen of the east and a warlike princess. Her children were patronized by the emperor, and married to persons of the first distinction at Rome. Zenobia has been admired not only for her military abilities, but also for her literary talents. She was acquainted with every branch of useful learning, and spoke with fluency the language of the Egyptians, the Greeks, and the Latins. She composed an abridgment of the history of the oriental nations, and of Egypt, which was greatly commended by the ancients. She received no less honour from the patronage she afforded to the celebrated Longinus, who was one of her favourites, and who taught her the Greek tongue. She has also been praised for her great chastity, and her constancy, though she betrayed too often her propensity to cruelty and intoxication when in the midst of her officers. She fell into the hands of Aurelian about the 273d year of the Christian era. Aur. Vict.—Zos. &c.

Zenodorus, a sculptor in the age of Nero. He made a statue of Mercury, as also a Colossus for the emperor, which was one hundred and ten feet high, and which was consecrated to the sun. The head of this Colossus was some time after broken by Vespasian, who placed there the head of an Apollo surrounded with beams.

Zenodotia, a town of Parthia.

Zenodotus, a native of Troezene, who wrote a history of Umbria.—A grammarian in the age of Ptolemy Soter, by whom he was appointed to take care of the celebrated library of Alexandria. He died B. C. 245.

Zenothemis, a Greek writer. Aelian, V. H., 17, c. 30.

Zephyrium, a promontory of Magna Grecia towards the Ionian sea.

Zephyrus, one of the winds, son of Aerius and Aurora, the same as the Favonius of the Latins. He married a nymph called Chloris or Flora, by whom he had a son called Carpos. Zephyr was said to produce flowers and fruits by the sweetness of his breath. He had a temple at Athens, where he was represented as a young man of delicate form, with two wings on his shoulders, and with his head covered with all sorts of flowers. He was supposed to be the same as the west wind. Hesiod. Theog. 377.—Virg. En. 1, v. 135. l. 2, v. 417. l. 4, v. 223, &c.—Ovid. Met. 1, v. 64. l. 15, v. 700.—Prop. 1, el. 16, v. 34, &c.

Zephyrum, a promontory in the island of Cyprus, where Venus had a temple built by Ptolemy Philadephus, whence she was called Zephyria. It was in this temple that Arsinoe made an offering of her hair to the goddess of beauty.

Zephyrhus, a town of Samothrace, where Venus was called Zephyrtha. Ovid. Trist. 1, el. 1, v. 19.

Zethes, Zetes, or Zetus, a son of Boreas, king of Thrace and Orythya, who accompanied, with his brother Calais, the Argonauts to Colchis. In Bithynia the two brothers, who are represented with wings, delivered Phineus from the continued persecution of the Harpies, and drove these monsters as far as the islands called Strophades, where at last they were stopped by Iris, who promised them that Phineus should no longer be tormented by them. They were both killed, as some say, by Hercules, during the Argonautic expedition, and were changed into those winds which generally blow before the dog-star appears, and are called Proctorus by the Greeks. Their sister Cleopatra married Phineus, king of Bithynia, Orpheus Arg.—Apollod. 1, c. 9. l. 3, c. 15.—Hygin. fab. 14.—Ovid. Met. 8, v. 716.—Paus. 3, c. 18.—Val. Flacc.

Zetus or Zethus, a son of Jupiter and Antiope, brother to Amphion. The two brothers were born on mount Citharon, where Antiope had fled to avoid the resentment of her father Nycteus. When they had attained the years of manhood, they collected a number of their
friends, to avenge the injuries which their mother had suffered from Lycus, the successor of Nyc- teus on the throne of Thebes, and his wife Dirce. Lycus was put to death, and his wife tied to the tail of a wild bull, that dragged her over rocks and precipices till she died. The crown of Thebes was seized by the two brothers, not only as the reward of this victory, but as their inheritance, and Zethus surrounded the capital of his dominions with a strong wall, while his brother amused himself with playing on his lyre. Music and verses were disagree- able to Zethus, and, according to some, he pre- vailed upon his brother no longer to pursue so unproductive a study. Hygin. fab. 7.—Paus. 2, c. 6, &c.—Apollod. 3, c. 5 & 10.—Horat. 1, ep. 18, v. 41.

Zeugma, a town of Mesopotamia.

Zeus, a name of Jupiter among the Greeks.

Zeuxidamus, a king of Sparta, of the family of the Proclides. He was father of Archidamus, and grandson of Theopompos, and was suc- ceeded by his son Archidamus. Paus. 3, c. 7.

Zeuxidas, a pretor of the Achaean league, deposed because he had proposed to his country- men an alliance with the Romans.

Zeuxippe, a daughter of Fridamus, mother of Butes, one of the Argonauts, &c. Apollod. 3, c. 15.—A daughter of Laomedon. She married Sicyon who, after his father-in-law's death, became king of that city of Peloponnesus, which from him has been called Sicyon. Paus. 2, c. 6.

Zeuxis, a celebrated painter, born at Hera- clea, which some suppose to be the Herclea of Sicily. He flourished about 468 years before the Christian era, and was the disciple of Apol- lodorus, and contemporary with Parrhasius. In the art of painting he not only surpassed all his contemporaries, but also his master, and became so sensible, and at the same time so proud of the value of his pieces, that he refused to sell them, observing, that no sum of money, however great, was sufficient to buy them. His most celebrated paintings were, his Jupiter sitting on a throne, surrounded by the gods; his Hercules strangling the serpents in the presence of his affrighted parents; his modest Penelope; and his Helen, which was placed in the temple of Juno Lucina, at Agrigentum. This last piece he had painted at the request of the Agrigentines; and that he might not be without a model, they sent him the most beautiful of their virgins. Zeuxis ex- amined their native beauties, and retained five, from whose elegance and graces united he con- ceived in his mind the form of the most perfect woman in the universe, which his pencil at last executed with wonderful success. His contest with Parrhasius is well known [Vid. Parrha- sianus]; but though he represented nature in such perfection, and copied all her beauties with such exactness, he often found himself deceived. He painted grapes, and formed an idea of the good- ness of his piece from the birds which came to eat the fruit on the canvas. But he soon ac- knowledged that the whole was an ill-executed piece, as the figure of the man who carried the grapes was not done with sufficient expression to terrify the birds. According to some, Zeuxis died from laughing at a comical picture he had made of an old woman. Plut. in Par. &c.—

Quintil.

Zeuxo, one of the Oceanides.

Zella, or Zelis, a town in Mauritania.

Zingis, a promontory of Ethiopia on the Red Sea.

Zipetes, a king of Bithynia, who died in his 70th year, B. C. 279.

Ziobenis, a town of Hyrcania.

Zoilus, a sophist and grammarian of Amphi- polis, B. C. 259. He rendered himself known by his severe criticisms on the works of Iso- crates and the poems of Homer, for which he re- ceived the name of Homeroastic, or the chas- tiser of Homer. He presented his criticisms to Ptolemy Philadelphia, but they were rejected with indignation, though the author declared that he starved for want of bread. Some say, that Zoilus was cruelly stoned to death, or ex- posed on a cross, by order of Ptolemy, while others support, that he was burnt alive at Smyrna. The name of Zoilus is generally ap- plied to austere critics. The works of this un- fortunate grammarian are lost. Athenaeus, V. H. 11, c. 10.—Dionys. Hal.—Ovid. de rem. am. 266.—An officer in the army of Alexander.

Zippus, a son-in-law of Hiero of Sicily.

Zona, a town of Africa.—Of Thrace on the Ægean sea.

Zonæs, one of the Byzantine historians, whose Greek Annales were edited, 2 vols. fol. Paris, 1686.

Zopyrio, one of Alexander's officers, left in Greece when the conqueror was in Asia, &c.

Zopyrion, a governor of Pontus, who made war against Scythia, &c. Justin. 2, c. 3.

Zopyrus, a Persian, son of Megabyzus, who, to shew his attachment to Darius, the son of Hystaspes, while he besieged Babylon, cut off his ears and nose and tied to the enemy, telling them that he had received such a treatment from his royal master, because he had advised him to raise the siege, as the city was impres- sible. This was credited by the Babylonians, and Zopyrus was appointed commander of all their forces. When he had totally gained their confidence, he betrayed the city into the hands of Darius, for which he was liberally rewarded. The regard of Darius for Zopyrus could never be more strongly expressed than in what he used often to say, that he would rather have Zopyrus not mutilated than twenty Babylons. Herodot. 3, c. 154, &c.—Plut.—Justin. 1, c. 10.

An orator. Quintil.—A physician in the age of Mithridates. He ga a the monarch a description of an antidote which would prevail against all sorts of poisons. The experiment was tried upon criminals, and succeeded.—A physician in the age of Plutarch.—An officer of Argos, who cut off the head of Pyrrhus. Plut.—A man appointed master of Alcibiades by Pericles. Plut.

Zongaster, a king of Bactria, supposed to have lived in the age of Ninus, king of Assyria,
some time before the Trojan war. According to Justin he first invented magic, or the doctrines of the Magi, and rendered himself known by his deep and acute researches in philosophy, the origin of the world, and the study of astronomy. He was respected by his subjects and contemporaries for his abilities as a monarch, a lawgiver, and a philosopher; and though many of his doctrines are puerile and ridiculous, yet his followers are still found in numbers in the wilds of Persia, and the extensive provinces of India. Like Pythagoras, Zoroaster admitted no visible object of devotion, except fire, which he considered as the most proper emblem of a supreme being; which doctrines seem to have been preserved by Numa, in the worship and ceremonies he instituted in honour of Vesta. According to some of the moderns, the doctrines, the laws, and regulations of this celebrated Bactrian, are still extant, and they have been lately introduced in Europe in a French translation. The age of Zoroaster is so little known, that many speak of two, three, four, and even six lawgivers of that name. Justin. 1, c. 1.—August. de Civ.—Ores. 1.—Plin. 7, &c.

Zosimus, an officer in the reign of Theodosius the younger, about the year 410 of the Christian era. He wrote the history of the Roman emperors in Greek, from the age of Augustus to the beginning of the fifth century, of which only the five first books and the beginning of the sixth are extant. In the first of these he is very succinct in his account from the time of Augustus to the reign of Dioclesian, but in the succeeding he became more diffuse and interesting. His composition is written with elegance, but not much fidelity, and the author showed his malevolence against the Christians in his history of Constantine, and some of his successors. The best editions of Zosimus are that of Cellarius, 8vo. Jena, 1728; and that of Reitemier, 8vo. Lips. 1784.

Zosine, the wife of king Tigranes, led in triumph by Pompey. Plut.

Zosteria, a surname of Minerva. She had two statutes under that name in the city of Thebes, in Boeotia.

Zothraustes, a lawgiver among the Arians. Diod.

Zygantes, a people of Africa.

Zygia, a surname of Juno, because she presided over marriage. Pindar.—Pollux. 3, c. 3.

Zygii, a savage nation on the north of Colchis. Strab. 11.

Zygopolis, a town of Cappadocia.

Zygrites, a nation of Lybia
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| Cyathus | 4 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 0 1/2 0 469 3/8 |
| Acetabulum | 6 | 1 1/2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 0 1/2 0 704 3/4 |
| Quartarius | 12 | 3 | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 0 1 4 409 |
| Hemina | 24 | 6 | 4 | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 0 1 2 818 |
| Sextarius | 48 | 12 | 8 | 4 | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 0 1 5 636 |
| Congius | 288 | 72 | 48 | 24 | 12 | 6 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 0 7 4 942 |
| Urna | 1152 | 288 | 192 | 96 | 84 | 24 | 4 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 3 4 1/2 5 33 |
| Amphora | 2304 | 576 | 384 | 192 | 69 | 48 | 8 | 2 | . | . | . | . | 7 1 10 66 |
| Culbus | 46080 | 11520 | 7680 | 3840 | 1920 | 960 | 160 | 40 | 20 | . | . | . | . | 143 3 11 093 |

N. B.—The quadrantal is the same as the amphora. The Cadus, Congiarius, and Dolium, denote no certain measure. The Romans divided the Sexturi like the libra, into twelve equal parts, called Cyathi, and therefore their calices were called sextantes, quadrantes, trientes, &c. according to the number of cyas which they contained.
Attic Measures of capacity for things dry reduced to English Corn Measure.

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N.B. — Besides this Medimnus, which is the Medicus, there was a Medimnus Georgicus, equal to six Roman Modii.
Roman Measures of capacity for things dry, reduced to English Corn Measure.

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The most ancient Grecian Weights reduced to English Troy Weight.

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N. B.—The Roman ounce is the English avoirdupois ounce, which was anciently divided into seven denarii, and eight drachmae, and as they reckoned their denarius equal to an Attic drachma, the Attic weights were one-eighth heavier than the correspondent weights among the Romans.

The Greeks divided their obolus into chalci and smaller proportions; some into six chalci, and every chalcus into seven smaller parts, and others divided into eight chalci and each chalcus into eight parts.
The greater Weights reduced to English Troy Weight.

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N. B.—There was also another Attic talent, which consisted of 80, or according to some of 100 minæ. It must however be remembered, that every mina contains 100 drachmæ, and every talent 60 minæ. The talents differ according to the different standard of their minæ and drachmæ, as the following table indicates:

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<td>Equivalent to English Troy weight.</td>
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The value and proportion of the Grecian coins

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N. B.—The *drachma* and the *didrachmon* were silver, the others generally of brass. The *tridrachmon*, *tribolus*, &c. were sometimes coined. The *drachma* and the *denarius* are here supposed to be equal, though often the former exceeded in weight. The gold coin among the Greeks was the *stater aureus*, which weighed two Attic *drachmae*, or half the *stater argentus*, and was worth 25 *drachmae* l. s. d. 0 16 1

Of silver, or of English money

Or according to the proportion of gold to silver at present

The *Stater Cyzicus* exchanged for 28 Attic *drachmae*, or

The *Stater Philippi* and *Stater Alexandri* were of the same value.

The *Stater Daricus*, according to Josephus, was worth 50 Attic *drachmae* or

The *Stater Creti* was of the same value
Among the Romans, the computation was by sexagesimal numbers, as

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The Roman gold coin was the aureus, which generally weighed double the denarius. The value of 8 M aurei was worth of Attic mina 15.
The computation of money among the Greeks was by drachma, as follows:

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The value and proportion of the Roman coins.

N.B.—The denarius, victorinus, secundus, and sometimes the as, were of silver; the others were of bronze. The tetartemorion, uncia, sextans, and dupondius were sometimes coined of brass.
THE END.

The Roman pound was equal to one apsecent to one swift, and the pound of the Roman Republic, and stood

as Piny mentions it, as follows:

The value of coin underwent many changes during the existence of the Roman Republic, and stood.