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Census Return of Herakleides Son of Didymos the Younger*

ALTHOUGH the *κατ' οἰκίαν ἀπογραφή* is a type of document well represented among the papyri of Roman Egypt (¹), the present text has a number of features which seem now to warrant treatment fuller than that allotted in its description at the back of *P. Teb.* Vol. II. The only extant return originating from the Fayum village Ibion Eikosipentarouron, it is submitted *in absentia* through a curator (*φροντιστής*, line 8 and note), registering one-half share of a house *ἐν ᾧ οὐδείς ἀπογράφεται* (²). Even greater interest in the papyrus is attracted by the person for whom the return has been made, Herakleides, son of Didymos the younger, grandson of Herodes, a figure well attested in Tebtunis papyri of the second century. The pertinent texts are:

1. *P. Mil. Vogl.* IV 224 (7 Dec., A. D. 109). Herakleides lends 236 drachmas to Kronion son of Cheos, Kronion's wife Thenapynchis, and their children, Kronion and Taorsenouphis.

2. *P. Mil. Vogl.* IV 225 (26 May/24 June, A. D. 120 (³)). Repayment of the preceding. Herakleides is described (lines 3-5) as:

(*) The papyrus belongs to the University of California at Berkeley and is in care of the Rare Books Department of the Bancroft Library. I am grateful to Mrs. Leslie Clarke and her staff for the opportunity to study and publish this text. My thanks also go to Dr. John C. Shelton for his valuable advice and suggestions on the content of this article.

(1) For discussions concerning the *κατ' οἰκίαν ἀπογραφή* see WILCKEN, *Grundz.* pp. 192ff; S. L. WALLACE, *Taxation in Egypt from Augustus to Diocletian* (Princeton 1938) pp. 96-115; M. HOMBERT-CL. PRÉAUX, *Recherches sur le recensement dans l'Égypte romaine*. (*P. Lugd.-Bat.* V, Leyden 1952). Lists of relevant texts are given by Wallace pp. 392-95, more fully by Hombert-Préaux pp. 172-76. The latter list has been brought more nearly up to date in *P. Wisc.* I p. 73 to which may now be added *BGU* XI 2018-19, 2088-91, *P. Oxy.* XXXVI 2762, and *P. Yale* Inv. 1545 A, B, C (in *BASP* 7, 1970, pp. 87-98).

(2) I. e., it was unoccupied; WILCKEN, *Hermes* 28 (1893) p. 242; Hombert-Préaux p. 114.

(3) « 121 d. C. ? » ed. The date is calculated by comparing the age descriptions given in the securely dated *P. Mil. Vogl.* 224 with those of *P. Mil. Vogl.* 225. Thenapynchis is 40 in the earlier text, 51 (?) in the later; Taorsenouphis is 22 in the earlier,

Ἡρακλείδης Διδύμου
[*σμητῆς* — — — — —]
[*ριστερῶν* (⁴)].

3. *P. Teb.* 512 descr. (ed. John 31) (26 April/25 May, A. D. 130) of 6200 drachmas and is styled *κ[ό]των* (²). He is about 40 years

4. *P. Teb.* 522 descr. edited before preceding text, Herakleides is described. We learn further that he was registered in the metropolis (³) and was a « *κάτω* » of the 6475 are identical with persons *οἰκοὶ τῶν ἐν Ἀρσινοίτῃ ἀνδρῶν* 'Ε or as being *ἐκ τοῦ ἀριθμοῦ* τοῦ comprised an elite class of Fayum registered in various quarters at the *synoikismos* of Antinoopolis but Herakleides was evidently not

33 (?) in the later. The eleven years was the probable date of A. D. 120 for *P. Mil. Vogl.* descr. (in *BASP* 6, 1969, pp. 27-31) v. A. D. 130. He was 30 years old at the time.

(1) The editor's restoration *κ[ό]σμητῆς* upon whether the initial kappa is correct at the back of *P. Mil. Vogl.* IV, this letter alternative reading *γ[γ]μνασίαρχος*, based on the text now be tried on the original.

(2) P. J. Sijpesteijn, *Liste des gymnasies* (Amsterdam 1967) no. 52.

(3) For references to this *amphodon*,

(4) The equation was first made by C. Cf. *P. Teb.* 566 + *Archiv* 6 pp. 144 and

(5) *P. Fam. Tebt.* 29, 28.

(6) *P. Fam. Tebt.* 31, 1 and note. Mo *νοείτη ἀνδρῶν Ἑλλήνων* in *P. Mil. Vogl.*

(7) Not necessarily meaning that all Oates, *Bibliotheca Orientalis* 23 (1966)

(8) *P. Fam. Tebt.* 29, 27-28 and 50-52 Plaumann, *supra* n. 7; P. Meyer pp. 28 mann, *Archiv* 9 (1930) pp. 42-43; P. Mil. pp. 136ff; H. Braunert, *Die Binnenwa* 26, Bonn 1964) pp. 216, 220f, 230.

of Herakleides the Younger*

ογραφή is a type of document well known in Roman Egypt⁽¹⁾, the present text which seems now to warrant treatment in its description at the back of *P. Teb.* originating from the Fayum village Ibion in *absentia* through a curator (φροντιστής) of one-half share of a house ἐν ᾧ οὐδεὶς has an interest in the papyrus is attracted. When a return has been made, Herakleides, the son of Herodes, a figure well attested in the second century. The pertinent texts

A. D. 109). Herakleides lends 236 drachmas to Kronion's wife Thenapynchis, daughter of Taorsenouphis.

June 24, A. D. 120⁽³⁾). Repayment of the loan is described (lines 3-5) as:

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οικίαν ἀπογραφή see WILCKEN, *Grundz. der Papyrologie* (Princeton 1952). Lists of relevant texts are given by Hombert-Préaux pp. 172-76. The present text is published for the first time in *P. Wisc.* I p. 73 to which may be added *P. Oxy.* XXXVI 2762, and *P. Yale Inv.* 1545

Hermes 28 (1893) p. 242; Hombert-Préaux

calculated by comparing the age descriptions in line 24 with those of *P. Mil. Vogl.* 225. Thenapynchis is later; Taorsenouphis is 22 in the earlier,

Ἡρακλείδης Αἰδύμου νεωτέρου Ἡρώδου ἑναρχος κ[ο-
[σμητῆς — — — — —] ὡς ἐτῶν τριάκοντα οὐλὴ ὀφρύνει ἐξ ἀ-
[ριστερῶν⁽¹⁾].

3. *P. Teb.* 512 descr. (ed. John C. Shelton in *BASP* 6, 1969, pp. 27-31) (26 April/25 May, A. D. 130). Herakleides is creditor in a loan of 6200 drachmas and is styled (lines 9-10) τῶν γεγυμνασιαρχη-
κ[ό]των⁽²⁾. He is about 40 years old at this time.

4. *P. Teb.* 522 descr. edited below (4 Aug., A. D. 133). As in the preceding text, Herakleides is described as a former gymnasiarch. We learn further that he was registered in the Quarter of Tharapeia at the metropolis⁽³⁾ and was a «κάτοικος of the 6475.» These κάτοικοι of the 6475 are identical with persons described in other texts as κάτοικοι τῶν ἐν Ἀρσινόῃ ἀνδρῶν Ἑλλήνων⁽⁴⁾ (feminine Ἑλληνίδων⁽⁵⁾), or as being ἐκ τοῦ ἀριθμοῦ τοῦ Ἀρσινόειτου⁽⁶⁾. In general, they comprised an elite class of Fayum Greeks whose members were registered in various quarters at the metropolis⁽⁷⁾. Some took part in the *synoikismos* of Antinoopolis under Hadrian in the early 130's⁽⁸⁾, but Herakleides was evidently not among them.

33 (?) in the later. The eleven years which separate these ages suggest a probable date of A. D. 120 for *P. Mil. Vogl.* 225, which is supported by *P. Teb.* 512 descr. (in *BASP* 6, 1969, pp. 27-31) where Herakleides' age is given as 40 in A. D. 130. He was 30 years old at the time of *P. Mil. Vogl.* 225 (see line 4).

(1) The editor's restoration κ[ο]σμητῆς, based upon *P. Mil. Vogl.* 226, depends upon whether the initial kappa is correctly read. To judge from the plate provided at the back of *P. Mil. Vogl.* IV, this letter is somewhat damaged. A possible alternative reading γυ[μ]νασιαρχος, based upon *P. Teb.* 512 and 522 descr., might now be tried on the original.

(2) P. J. Sijpesteijn, *Liste des gymnasiarques des métropoles de l'Égypte romaine* (Amsterdam 1967) no. 52.

(3) For references to this *amphodon*, *Wörterbuch* III Abschnitt 22, 410-11.

(4) The equation was first made by G. Plaumann, *Archiv* 6 (1920) pp. 176-83. Cf. *P. Teb.* 566 + *Archiv* 6 pp. 144 and 222 (*BL* I p. 429).

(5) *P. Fam. Tebt.* 29, 28.

(6) *P. Fam. Tebt.* 31, 1 and note. More fully ἐκ τοῦ ἀριθμοῦ τῶν ἐν τῷ Ἀρσινόῃ ἀνδρῶν Ἑλλήνων in *P. Mil. Vogl.* I 26, 4.

(7) Not necessarily meaning that all had their residences in the metropolis; Oates, *Bibliotheca Orientalis* 23 (1966) p. 265.

(8) *P. Fam. Tebt.* 29, 27-28 and 50-52; 30, 3-4 and 9-12. Further on the 6475, Plaumann, *supra* n. 7; *P. Meyer* pp. 28ff.; *P. Cornell* I 16 introduction; Bickermann, *Archiv* 9 (1930) pp. 42-43; *P. Mil. Vogl.* I pp. 221-22; Bell, *JRS* 30 (1940) pp. 136ff.; H. Braunert, *Die Binnenwanderung* (Bonner Historische Forschungen 26, Bonn 1964) pp. 216, 220f, 230.

5. *P. Mil. Vogl.* IV 226 (25 July/23 August, A. D. 135). Herakleides is described (lines 12-14) as a former kosmete (κεκοσμητενκότος) and as deceased husband of his wife Aphrodisia. The text is the repayment of a loan of 20 artabs of wheat. The original creditor was Herakleides' mother (name missing, line 11), who has presumably died, having passed on to Herakleides the right to recover the loan. He has died in turn, having bequeathed the same right κατὰ διαθήκην (line 19) to Aphrodisia.

A brief sketch of Herakleides' life can be drawn from the five texts just listed. Born about A. D. 90 into an established family of Arsinoite Hellenes, in his private business dealings he is seen from an early age⁽¹⁾ as creditor in loans to persons residing in Tebtunis (*P. Mil. Vogl.* 224; cf. *P. Teb.* 512). He owned half share of a house at Ibion Eikosipentarouron (*P. Teb.* 522), but this was not his or his family's permanent residence (p. 120 n. 2). That it was in charge of a φοροτιστής leads to speculation that his holdings in and about the Ibion were more extensive than the present state of our evidence can confirm (*infra* line 8 note). Herakleides' public life was marked by liturgic service, as gymnasiarch (*P. Teb.* 512 and 522) and as kosmete (*P. Mil. Vogl.* 225⁽²⁾ and 226). His death occurred between 13 July, A. D. 134, the day his will was drawn (*P. Mil. Vogl.* 226, 19-21), and August of A. D. 135 (*P. Mil. Vogl.* 226), when he would have been 44-45 years of age. Since his wife was roughly 20 years his junior (*P. Mil. Vogl.* 226, 5), the marriage must have taken place comparatively late in Herakleides' lifetime. It is not known whether it had any issue.

There are a few texts which concern contemporary members of Herakleides' family:

1. *P. Teb.* 531 and 532 descr. (in *BASP* 7, 1970, pp. 77-86⁽³⁾) (22 June, A. D. 133). Two loans drawn on the same day, one for 1300 drachmas, the other for 1200. The creditor in both texts is named Herodes also called Diogenes, son of Didymos the younger. About 48 years old at this time, therefore born about A. D. 85, he is a former

gymnasiarch⁽⁴⁾. There is a great deal of evidence served as one of the βιβλιοφύλακες in the Nome in A. D. 130/1⁽²⁾ and little doubt that Herakleides.

2. *P. Fam. Tebt.* 9 (22 Nov., A. D. 105/6). This is of a loan originally taken out in the 8th year of Ptolemy Jan's 8th year (9 Aug., A. D. 105/6). The creditor is diaina; but since she has (apparently) died, the loan is repaid to her brother and sister. The brother is Herakleia, ἀμφότεροι Διδύμου πρὸς Ἡρώδου (line 5). Prof. van Groningen has inserted into his *P. Fam. Tebt.* « pedigree » which may now with reasonable certainty be traced back to the persons known from the information from these latter papyri. The family is in *P. Fam. Tebt.* 9 and the stemma enlarged as follows:

The family appears to be descended from Herakleides, printed as Table II in *P. Mich.* 276. The family in our stemma, may be (though this is not certain) Herodes, son of Herakleides who is

(1) He would have been about 19 years old at the time of *P. Mil. Vogl.* 224.

(2) If the reading is correct; *vide* p. 121 n. 1.

(3) The readings of these texts can be made more nearly accurate: 531, 4: οἶός, a misprint for νῖός; 531, 17: read τῶ for τῷ; 532, 21: read π[ρ]οκειμέν[ω]ν instead of π[ρ]οκειμέν[ων].

(1) Sijpesteijn *Liste* no. 49.

(2) Sijpesteijn *ibid.*, N. Lewis, *Proc.* 1970, p. 150 for references. Add now *BGU* XI 1000.

(3) For a discussion of the Michigan papyri see in particular *P. Mich.* 276 (A. D. 47/8). The family concerning this family is *P. Mich. Shelton* 62.

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gymnasiarch (1). There is a great deal of testimony to his having served as one of the βιβλιοφύλακες ἐγκτήσεων of the Arsinoite Nome in A. D. 130/1 (2) and little doubt that he is the brother of our Herakleides.

2. *P. Fam. Tebt.* 9 (22 Nov., A. D. 107). Repayment in Tebtunis of a loan originally taken out in Theogonis on 16 Kaisareios of Trajan's 8th year (9 Aug., A. D. 105). The creditor was a certain Herodiaina; but since she has (apparently) died in the meantime, the loan is repaid to her brother and sister, Herakleides and Apia also called Herakleia, ἀμφότεροι Διδύμων προσβυτέρων (= προσβυτέρων) τοῦ Ἡρώδου (line 5). Prof. van Groningen was unable to fit these persons into his *P. Fam. Tebt.* « pedigree » (cf. *P. Fam. Tebt.* pp. 10-11). We may now with reasonable certitude identify them as first cousins to the persons known from the Berkeley and Milan texts. The information from these latter papyri can be integrated with that from *P. Fam. Tebt.* 9 and the stemma printed in *P. Fam. Tebt.* p. 3, enlarged as follows:

The family appears to be descended from the one whose stemma is printed as Table II in *P. Mich.* V p. 17. Herodes, the grandfather in our stemma, may be (though this is far from certain) identical with the Herodes, son of Herakleides who is known from the Michigan texts (3).

(1) Sijpesteijn *Liste* no. 49.

(2) Sijpesteijn *ibid.*, N. Lewis, *Proc. IX Congr.* p. 244, and *P. Mil. Vogl.* III p. 150 for references. Add now *BGU* XI 2094.

(3) For a discussion of the Michigan stemma see *P. Mich.* V p. 18. For texts, see in particular *P. Mich.* 276 (A. D. 47) and 326 (A. D. 48). A new papyrus concerning this family is *P. Mich. Shelton* 621. *PSI* X 1159 (definitely) and 1103 (pos-

Fig. 1. — P. TEb. 522. CENSUS-RETURN (A.D. 133)

sibly) concern descendents of the Michigan stemma, but I am not able at present to place them in definite relationship to *P. Fam. Tebt.* 9, the Berkeley and the Milan papyri. Also uncertain is whether our Herakleides is the Herakleides *γυμνασίαρχος* (Sijpesteijn *Liste* no. 220) listed in *P. Mil. Vogl.* II 103 (= *SB VI* 9378) 23 as owning 16 arouras (probably near Tebtunis) which had been flooded; or whether he is the Herakleides who was one of the *βιβλιοφύλακες ἐγκτήσεων* of the Arsinoite Nome in A. D. 120/1 (Sijpesteijn *Liste* no. 35). Both identifications are possible, but unprovable.

The text is nearly complete, though the beginning and ends of most of its lines. Like the first half of line 12, considerable portions of the readings or restorations are based on the text remains undisturbed.

P. Teb. 522 descr.

8.4 x 12.7 cm.

- 1 [Πτο]λεμαίωι βασιλικῶι
[Π]ολέμωνος μερίδ(ος) δι
[τῆς α]ὐτ(ῆς) μερίδ(ος) κα
Ἰβιδ(ος) (Εἰκο
- 5 [παρὰ] Ἡρακλείδου τοῦ
[Ἡρώ]δου τῶν γυμνασ
[τῶν] ἔξυοε ἀναγρα(φομέν
[ἀπόντ]ος διὰ φρον[τι]στο
[. . . .]ωνος. ὑπάρ[χ]ει τῶ
10 [Ἰβιδ(ος)] (Εἰκοσιπενταροῦ
[καὶ αἰ]θρίον καὶ καμαρῶ
[ρίων] δ' ἀπο]γράφομαι εἰς
[Ἀδρι]ανοῦ Καί[σ]αρος τ
[ἀπο]γραφὴν ἐν ᾧ οὐδεὶς
15 [μαί]ος βα(σιλικός) γραμμ
στρατηγίαν) (ἔτο
[Κα]ίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου Μ

2 διέποντι: ο

« To Ptolemaios, basilikogrammos of the Arsinoite Nome, discharging the same Meris, and to Melas, komogrammos of the Quarter of Tharapeia, from Herakleides, son of Didymos, formerly gymnasiarch, katogrammos of the Quarter of Tharapeia, in absentia »

CENSUS-RETURN (A.D. 133)

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CENSUS RETURN OF HERAKLEIDES

The text is nearly complete, though it lacks letters at the beginnings and ends of most of its lines. Lines 8-9 are rather severely abraded, the first half of line 12, considerably damaged. Still, though details of the readings or restorations are sometimes in doubt, the sense of the text remains undisturbed.

P. Teb. 522 descr.

Tebtunis

8.4 x 12.7 cm.

A.D. 133

- 1 [Πτο]λεμαίωι βασιλικῶι γρ[α(μματαί) Ἀρσι(νοίτου)]
 [Π]ολ(έμωνος) μερίδ(ος) διέποντι καὶ <τὰ> κατὰ [στρα(τηγίαν)]
 [τῆς α]ἰ(τῆς) μερίδ(ος) καὶ Μελανᾶ κωμο[γρ(αμματαί)]
 Ἰβιδ(ος) (Εἰκοσιπενταρούρων)
 5 [παρὰ] Ἡρακλείδου τοῦ Διδύμου νεωτέ[ρου τοῦ]
 [Ἡρώ]δου τῶν γεγυμνασιαρχηκότων κ[ατοίκ(ου)]
 [τῶν Ἰ]ζυοε ἀναγρα(φομένου) ἐπ' ἀμφοδον Θαραπ[ελας]
 [ἀπόντ]ος διὰ φρον[τι]στοῦ Τυράννου τ[οῦ — — —]
 [. . . .]ωνος. ὑπάρ[χ]ει τῷ Ἡρακλ[είδ]ῃ [ἐ]ν [κώμῃ(?)]
 10 [Ἰβιδ(ων)]ι (Εἰκοσιπενταρούρων) ἤμισυ μέρος οἰκ[ί]ας κα[ὶ ἀλλῆς]
 [καὶ αἰ]θρίον καὶ καμαρῶν καὶ ἐτέρων χρη[στη-]
 [ρίων δ ἀπο]γράφομαι εἰς τὴν τοῦ διελ(ηλυθότος) ις (ἔτους)
 [Ἀδρι]ανοῦ Καί[σ]αρος τοῦ κυρίου κατ' οἰκίαν
 [ἀπο]γραφὴν ἐν ᾧ οὐδεὶς ἀπογράφεται. (2nd hand) Πτολε-
 15 [μαί]ος βα(σιλικός) γρ(αμματαὺς) διαδεχόμε(νος) καὶ τὴν
 στρα(τηγίαν) (ἔτους) [ις Ἀδρι]ανοῦ
 [Καί]σαρος τοῦ κυρίου Μεσο(ρῆ) ἰα.

2 διέποντι: ο corrected from ω.

«To Ptolemaios, basilikogrammateus of the Polemonos Meris of the Arsinoite Nome, discharging also the duties of strategos of the same Meris, and to Melas, komogrammateus of Ibion Eikosipentarou-ron, from Herakleides, son of Didymos the younger, grandson of Herodes, formerly gymnasiarch, katoikos of the 6475, registered in the Quarter of Tharapeia, *in absentia*, through his agent, Tyrannos . . .

on. There belongs to Herakleides in the village (?) Ibion Eikosipentairouron one-half portion of a house and courtyard and open-air hall and storage vaults and other appurtenances which I register for the house by house registration of the past year 16 of Hadrianus Caesar the lord, in which no one is registered. (2nd hand) Ptolemaios, basilikogrammateus, discharging also the office of strategos. Year 17 of Hadrianus Caesar the lord, Mesore 11.»

1-4. I reproduce the transcription of the *P. Teb.* II editors. For Ptolemaios see V. Martin, *Archiv* 6 (1920) pp. 167-68, esp. p. 167 n. 6; H. Henne, *Liste des stratèges des nomes égyptiens à l'époque gréco-romaine* (Mémoires de l'Institut français d'Archéologie orientale du Caire LVI, 1935) pp. 61 and 72; G. Mussies, *Supplément à la liste des stratèges des nomes égyptiens de H. Henne*, P. Lugd.-Bat. XIV (1965) p. 31 (no. 388). He is known as basilikogrammateus of the Polemonos Meris from 31 Jan., A. D. 131 (*P. Teb.* II 374 = *WChr* 349). His name has been restored as basilikogrammateus in *P. Teb.* II 566 descr., a census return from Samareia submitted earlier in the same year as the present text. He is known as basilikogrammateus and acting strategos from our text (4 Aug., A. D. 133) and from *SB* VI 9312 (date lost).

2. The hand is somewhat larger in the opening lines than down below ; as a result, the lacuna does not seem large enough to accommodate *τὴν στρα(τηγίαν)* or *τὴν στρα(τηγίαν)*. The use of the article was standard, but not invariable ; cf. *P. Oxy.* I 62, 2-3 and XII 1498, 6. The scribe also neglected to include *τά* before *κατά*, so that line 2 contains a telescoped version of the usual *τά κατά τὴν στρατηγίαν* ; for references to which see *Wörterbuch* III Abschnitt 8 s. v. *στρατηγία*.

4. Ἰβίωνι: Ἰβλωνι edd. On the formation of the word and its correct accent see W. Crönert, *WKP* 18 (1903) cols. 484-85. The village Ibion Eikosipentarouron was located in the Gharaq district of the Polemonos Meris according to *P. Teb.* II p. 380. It is not, however, to be identified with the modern Medinet Madi, now known to be the ancient Narmouthis: *Chr. d'Ég.* 14 (1939) p. 88; A. Grohmann, *From the World of Arabic Papyri* (Cairo 1952) pp. 10 and 214 n. 11.

5-6. νεωτέ[ρον τοῦ | Ἡρώ]δου: Or possibly νεωτέ[ρον | τοῦ Ἡ-
ρώ]δου.

6. $\kappa[\alpha\tau\omicron\iota\kappa(\omicron\nu)]$: Commonly abbreviated in this fashion (e. g., *BGU* II 487, 6; III 792, 11), and printed this way here so as to fit the lacuna more exactly.

8. [ἀπόντ]ος : I. e., Tyrannos' presence to that of the Roman *curator absentes* (see also H. Schlegel, *The Law of Greco-Roman Egypt* (ed. Warsaw 1955) p. 181 n. 25. I. 10, 5 and 14; BGU II 493 Col. II 16, 20, 7; P. Wisc. 14, 4. On return of land to place, *Taxation* pp. 100f and *Homage and Censement* pp. 59-62. It is unlikely that the tenants were limited to half share of a house. The house was probably vested in land, some of which was in the vicinity of Ibion Eikosipentarouron. See *Tebt.* pp. 12-13) of land and buildings. See *Fam. Tebt.* pedigree is instructive. See *Tebt.* 23 which shows that persons of the name of Herakleides had interests in land in the village of Ibion Eikosipentarouron.

9. [......] *ωνος*: Either a patronymic from the preceding line; or a double patronymic, restored at the end of line 8.

10. $\alpha\lambda\lambda\eta\varsigma$]: Perhaps abbreviation of $\kappa\lambda\alpha\varsigma$ και $\alpha\lambda\lambda\eta\varsigma$ is extremely common (s. v. $\omicron\iota\kappa\lambda\alpha$). For $\omicron\iota\kappa\lambda\alpha\varsigma$ και $\alpha\lambda\lambda\eta$ (in *BASP* 7, 1970, 87ff) 12, 33-34, 257, 7; 284, 8.

11. αἰ|θρίον: Written rather q
reading of the last four letters is gu
in line 13. « It is the light-shaft,
a house » — *P. Wisc.* I 18, 8 note
A. R. Schütz, *Der Typus des he*
(Giessen 1936) p. 34.

καμαρῶν : « Storage vaults » ; cf. theft, in which (lines 6ff) the injured party is asked to state the items that had been stolen : ἐγενόμην ῥόγγων, ἔνθα ἐστὶν καμάρα, ἐν ᾗ καὶ ἄλός πλεῖστον, κτλ. Sometimes the location is given as being located « in the cellar » (p. 233, 12). *Kellerraum*, *Kellergang* are the definitions given in *Wörterbuch*

in the village (?) Ibion Eikosipenta-
se and courtyard and open-air hall
ppurtenances which I register for
of the past year 16 of Hadrianus
s registered. (2nd hand) Ptolemaios,
also the office of strategos. Year
Mesore 11. »

tion of the *P. Teb.* II editors. For
(1920) pp. 167-68, esp. p. 167 n. 6 ;
nomes égyptiens à l'époque gréco-ro-
çais d'Archéologie orientale du Caire
ssies, Supplément à la liste des stra-
anne, P. Lugd.-Bat. XIV (1965) p. 31
likogrammateus of the Polemonos
Teb. II 374 = *WChr* 349). His name
mmateus in *P. Teb.* II 566 descr.,
bmitted earlier in the same year as
as basilikogrammateus and acting
D. 133) and from *SB* VI 9312 (date

er in the opening lines than down
s not seem large enough to accomo-
ρ(ατηγίαν). The use of the article
cf. *P. Oxy.* I 62, 2-3 and XII 1498, 6.
ade τὰ before κατά, so that line 2
he usual τὰ κατὰ τὴν στρατηγίαν ;
uch III Abschnitt 8 s. v. *στρατηγία*.
he formation of the word and its
KP 18 (1903) cols. 484-85. The vil-
located in the Gharaq district of
P. Teb. II p. 380. It is not, however,
Medinet Madi, now known to be
Ég. 14 (1939) p. 88 ; A. Grohmann,
(Cairo 1952) pp. 10 and 214 n. 11.
: Or possibly *νεωτέρον | τοῦ Ἡ-*

eviated in this fashion (e. g., *BGU*
ed this way here so as to fit the la-

8. [ἀπόντ]ος : I. e., Tyrannos' position as *φροντιστής* was analogous
to that of the Roman *curator absentis* ; see *P. Meyer* p. 57, R. Tauben-
schlag, *The Law of Greco-Roman Egypt in the Light of the Papyri* (2nd
ed. Warsaw 1955) p. 181 n. 25. For the restoration cf. *PSI* IX 1064,
5 and 14 ; *BGU* II 493 Col. II 16 ; *BGU* VII 1581, 7 ; *P. Fam. Tebt.*
20, 7 ; *P. Wisc.* 14, 4. On returns made through intermediaries, Wal-
lace, *Taxation* pp. 100f and Hombert-Préaux, *Recherches sur le re-*
censement pp. 59-62. It is unlikely that Tyrannos' responsibilities
were limited to half share of a house. Much of Herakleides' wealth
was probably vested in land, some of which would have been in the
vicinity of Ibion Eikosipentarouron. Van Groningen's list (*P. Fam.*
Tebt. pp. 12-13) of land and buildings owned by members of the *P.*
Fam. Tebt. pedigree is instructive. Especially tantalizing is *P. Fam.*
Tebt. 23 which shows that persons who may have been related to
Herakleides had interests in land in the vicinity of Ibion Eikosipenta-
rouron.

9. [. . . .]ωνος : Either a patronymic, perhaps running over from
the preceding line ; or a double name, in which case καί should be
restored at the end of line 8.

10. ἀλῆς] : Perhaps abbreviated ἀλ(ῆς). The collocation οἰ-
κίας καὶ ἀλῆς is extremely common in the papyri (*Wörterbuch* II
s. v. οἰκία). For οἰκίας καὶ ἀλῆς καὶ αἰθρίον see *P. Yale* Inv. 1545
(in *BASP* 7, 1970, 87ff) 12, 33-34 ; *P. Lips.* 16, 10-11 ; cf. *P. Strasb.*
257, 7 ; 284, 8.

11. αἰθρίον : Written rather quickly, but the correctness of the
reading of the last four letters is guaranteed by comparison with *κνρίον*
in line 13. « It is the light-shaft/central courtyard in the middle of
a house » — *P. Wisc.* I 18, 8 note. Cf. *P. Oxy.* XXIV 2406 (p. 143) ;
A. R. Schütz, *Der Typus des hellenistisch-ägyptischen Hauses* (Diss.
Giessen 1936) p. 34.

καμαρῶν : « Storage vaults » ; cf. *BGU* III 731, a petition concerning
theft, in which (lines 6ff) the injured party explains how she discovered
that items had been stolen : ἐγενόμην ἐν οἰκίᾳ μου οὐσῃ ἐν κόμῃ Ὁξ-
ρόγχων, ἐνθα ἐστὶν καμάρα, ἐν ᾗ ἀπέκειτο ξύλα ἐρλίκινα πάμπολλα
καὶ ἄλως πλεῖστον, κτλ. Sometimes καμάραι are described specifically
as being located « in the cellar » (ἐν τῷ καταγαίῳ ; *P. Lond.* III 732,
p. 233, 12). *Kellerraum*, *Kellergewölbe*, *Vorratskammer* are among
the definitions given in *Wörterbuch* ; see also Schütz pp. 58ff.

12. $\delta\epsilon\lambda(\eta\lambda\nu\theta\acute{o}\tau\omicron\varsigma)$: Not $\delta\epsilon\lambda(\theta\acute{o}\nu\tau\omicron\varsigma)$. The former was standard in the Arsinoite, the latter, in the Oxyrhynchite Nome; Hombert-Préaux pp. 79ff. On returns made the year following the declared census year see Wallace *Taxation* p. 395; Hombert-Préaux, *Chr. d'Ég.* 19 (1944) pp. 147-50; *Recherches sur le recensement* pp. 77-84. The 16th year of Hadrian is A. D. 131/2.

15-16. The date is 4 Aug., A. D. 133.

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Les deux lettres

DANS le fascicule II des *P. II* quelques lettres ptolémaïques, l'éditeur et destinataire, bien qu'ils ne s'étaient pas embarrassés de moins bien lotis. L'auteur a cerné l'accompagna son édition de bon ainsi à reprendre cette méritoire tâche.

Le *P. IFAO* II 1, daté du 28 novembre 1925, lettre de Bion à son associé Nicanor, est certes, mais les lacunes relativement brèves, et, à première vue, grèvent en rien la validité d'un document d'une incertitude fondamentale. Mais dans tout cela? Qui prend en charge la traduction, et, partant, le sens de *ἐφ' ἑρπεν*? Sur la base des dr. prévues à la ligne 5? La traduction de Wagner nous donne avec son commentaire que ce texte obscur se dérobe à toute interprétation qu'il est mal rédigé, soit parce qu'il est ambigu, soit parce que ces deux raisons sont le point de départ le texte auquel l'interprète se réfère.

Bíōn Nikánores cháirein.
 ὁ στρατηγὸς [κώμης T] ἐ-
 παρακέκληκεν ἡμ[ᾱς] κατ-
 ᾗ[ρ]ὸς τῷ γραφίῳ τῇ[ς]
 5 φοροῦντας ἐναντοῦ [. . .]

(1) Guy WAGNER, *Papyrus grecs de*
II (Le Caire, 1971). Cf. ci-dessous le co.