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In the following notes I continue my earlier discussion of the text of the inscriptions from Chios.

4. Tombstone of Hephaestion

A.G.Paspates: Τὸ χιακὸν Γλωσσάριον, Athens 1888, p.417 No.40.

ΣΤΡΑΤΟΝΙΚΗΚΑΙΑΣΚΛΗΠΙΑΣ ΤΩΙ
ΠΑΝΝΗΦΑΙΣΤΙΩΝΙ

This funerary inscription (of unknown date) was published by Paspates (op. cit.), in majuscule letters without any translation. As to the second line, I would like to suggest:

πατρὶ Ἡφαιστίωνι.

The inscription was dedicated by the children Stratonike and Asklepias to their father Hephaestion. This reading brings the present inscription into line with an identical inscription (Paspates, op.cit. No.12; G.Zolotas, 'Αθηνᾶ 20,1908, p.251 No.94) of which Zolotas, transcribes the second line as πατρὶ Ἡφαιστίωνι. Either the two inscriptions are identical, or they are two texts from the same sepulchre.

5. Zeus and the Eumenides

G.Zolotas, 'Αθηνᾶ 20,1908,277 No.189 (ρπθ'); Sammlung griechischer Dialektinschriften IV (1914) p.878.

The inscription seems to have been engraved στοιχηδόν. I print the text of the editio princeps (left-hand) and a restoration (right-hand):

OZANO	[τ] ὅ ζ α ν δ [κ α τ]
YMENIA	[Ε] ὄ μ ε ν ἥ δ[ω ν .]
ENEPIEΩΝ	[.] ε ν ε π ε ω[. . .]
EPHT-	[τ] ε ρ η τ ε[τ η ν]

The beginning of line 2 was restored in Griechische Dialektinschriften.

6. Text on Water Supply

A.G.Paspatis, Τὸ Χιακὸν Γλωσσάριον (Athens 1888) 411 No.26; F.Studniczka, Athenische Mitteilungen 13,1888,171 No.13.

I note a small restoration. In line 15 Paspatis has ΛΦΥΤΕΥΣΙΝΤΟΙΣ, which will yield ἐμφύτευσιν τοῖς[.]

7. A Pinacothece

G.Zolotas, 'Αθηνᾶ 20,1908,274 No.183 (ρπγ').

ΘΕΟΔΩΡΟΥ
_ΝΟΣΤΗΝΠΙΝΑΚΟ
ΙΕΛΙΚΙ

For line 2, I suggest]ενος τὴν πινακο[θήκην.

8. A Grave Epigram

F.Studniczka, Athenische Mitteilungen 13,1888,181 No.39; W.Peek, Ἀρχαιολογικὴ Ἐφημερίς 1931,108 No.5; idem, Griechische Versinschriften 106; A.Wilhelm, Griechische Epigramme, aus dem Nachlass herausgegeben von H.Engelmann und K.Wundsam (Bonn 1980) No.46.

The preserved letters are:

[.]ΑΘΟΚΛΗΑΣΤΟΔΕΣΗΜ[
 [.]ΝΕΕΥΣΕΒΕΣΟΥΣΑΒΑΙΝΕΙΦ[
 [.]ΝΑΣΚΥΑΝΕΟΝΘΑΛΑΜΟΝΤΕΚΝ[
 ΚΝΩΝΕΛΙΠΕΝΚΑΙΑΝΔΡΑΦΙΛΟ
 ΓΟΥΝΤΑΚΛΗΡΟΝ. ΜΟΝΠΑΝΤΩ[
 ΧΡΥΣΗΟΝΣΤΕΦΑΝΟΝΕ

Peek's text in "Griechische Versinschriften runs thus:

[Αγ]αθοκλήας τόδε σῆ[μ', ἥτις, ξέ]νε, εὐσεβὲς οὖσα
 βαίνει Φ[ερσεφόν]ας κυάνεον θάλαμον·
 τέκ[να τέ]κνων ἔλιπεν καὶ ἄνδρα φιλο[στορ]γοῦντα
 κληρονόμον πάντ[ων καὶ] χρύσην στέφανον.

Verse 1. There is no way out of the unmetrical restoration of the proper name 'Αγαθοκλήας. In the lacuna in the middle of the verse, an alternative supplement is σῆμ' [έσορᾶς, ξέ]νε. At the end of the verse, I propose to delete one Sigma, εὐσεβέ{σ}ουσα.

Verse 4. The καὶ should be taken away, and the molossic metre (recognised by A.Wilhelm) should be acknowledged. The children, the children's children and the husband, they are the golden wreath left behind by Agathokleia.

The final E was perhaps a hedera.