FURTHER NOTES ON APOLLONIUS RHODIUS¹

5-8 τοίην γὰρ Πελίης φάτιν ἔκλυεν δηρὸν δ' οὐ μετέπειτα τεὴν κατὰ βάξιν Ἰήσων . . .

The difficulty of $\tau\epsilon\dot{\eta}\nu$ at 8 is notorious, and it has never been answered. The word refers back to Apollo, who has been invoked in the first line, but 'it is not in accord with epic convention that, after the invocation, reference should be made to it' (Seaton, CR xxviii [1914], 17). I suggest that we simply should not expect Apollonius to conform to the conventions of older epic: he does not do so in a number of other important respects. One is reminded here of the nervous restlessness of Callimachean poetry, particularly Cer. 25. There the goddess is addressed out of the blue with $\tau i\nu$ δ ' $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \dot{q}$, and emendation is unconvincing. Perhaps $\tau \epsilon \dot{\eta} \nu$ in Apollonius is even more abrupt than the example in Callimachus. Yet Apollonius seems on many occasions to carry further the devices of his master. The astonishing parenthesis at 1. 623 f. is a good example (for Callimachus see Lapp, De Call. Cyr. Tropis et Figuris (1965), 52 f., F. Bornmann, Call. Hymnus in Dianam, 1-li).

Attempts to eradicate the 'contravention' have been signally unsuccessful. For $\tau o i \eta \nu$ at 5 Fränkel conjectures $\Pi \tau o i \eta \nu$, but $\tau o i \eta \nu$ has a formal parallel at 1. 1095 and is untouchable. A glance at Mooney's app. crit. will show that $\tau \epsilon \dot{\eta} \nu$ at 8 simply will not yield to emendation. It was argued by Pfeiffer, and it is often repeated, that $\tau \epsilon \dot{\eta} \nu$ is protected by Call. Aetia, fr. 18. 9 $\sigma \dot{\eta} \nu$, $\Phi o i \beta \epsilon$, $\kappa a \tau'$ alouhi $\eta \nu$. The answering passage in Apollonius is 1. 411 f., but there $\sigma \dot{\eta} \nu$ $\delta i \dot{a}$ $\mu \dot{\eta} \tau \nu$ occurs at 422, and in the same line $\mu o i \rho \eta$ (cf. Et. G. s.v. alouhi $a \cdot ... \pi a \rho \dot{a}$ $\tau \dot{\eta} \nu$ aloa ν , $\tau \dot{\eta} \nu$ $\mu o i \rho a \nu$). Whatever the relation between these two episodes may be, it is surely wrong to claim that 'apparet Apollonium mirum illud $\tau \epsilon \dot{\eta} \nu$ $\kappa a \tau \dot{a}$ $\beta \dot{a} \dot{\xi} \iota \nu$. . . finxisse ad exemplum loci Call. $\sigma \dot{\eta} \nu$, $\Phi o i \beta \epsilon$ $\kappa . \tau . \lambda$.' (Pfeiffer, Callimachus ii, p. xlii.

 28f. φηγοὶ δ' ἀγριάδες κείνης ἔτι σήματα μολπῆς ἀκτῆς Θρηικίης Ζώνης ἔπι τηλεθόωσαι . . .

There are too many genitives in 28 and 29, as Fränkel sees. In 29 he writes $\mathring{a}\kappa\tau\mathring{\eta}$ Θρηικίη $Z\acute{\omega}\nu\eta s$. But we require only $\mathring{a}\kappa\tau\mathring{\eta}$ Θρηικίης $Z\acute{\omega}\nu\eta s$. It is closer to the manuscripts, Σ Nic. Ther. 460 (Θρηικίη $Z\acute{\omega}\nu\eta$) supports Θρηικίηs, and, above all, G has the clearly transitional reading $\mathring{a}\kappa\tau\mathring{\eta}s$ (Θρηικίαs).

 1. 41 f. (Πολύφημος) δς πρὶν μὲν ἐρισθενέων Λαπιθάων, δππότε Κενταύροις Λαπίθαι ἐπὶ θωρήσσοντο, δπλότερος πολέμιζε· τότ' αὖ βαρύθεσκέ οἱ ἤδη γυῖα, μένεν δ' ἔτι θυμὸς ἀρήιος ὡς τὸ πάρος περ.

The genitive at 41 is awkward. Meineke's $\pi\rho o\mu \dot{\alpha}\chi \iota \zeta \epsilon$ for $\pi o\lambda \dot{\epsilon}\mu \iota \zeta \epsilon$ at 43 is attractive, but there is an easier remedy. Apollonius distinguishes two periods

¹ See CQ N.S. xix (1969), 269 f. I wish to thank Professor F. Vian for reading an earlier draft of these notes and suggesting many improvements, and for kindly letting me see

in advance an article of his on the first book which will appear in REA; I am pleased to be able to say that we have reached similar conclusions on several points.

in Polyphemus' career. Before $(\pi\rho i\nu \mu \dot{e}\nu 41)$ he fought, but now $(\tau \acute{o}\tau' a\mathring{v} 43)$ he was old. $\acute{o}\pi \lambda \acute{o}\tau \epsilon \rho o s$, 'in his younger days', is by no means essential to this contrast. Apollonius may have written $\acute{o}\pi \lambda \acute{o}\tau a \tau o s$. Confusion of comparative and superlative is common; for Apollonius cf. M. L. West's certain $\pi \iota \kappa \rho \acute{o}\tau \epsilon \rho o \nu$ for $\pi \iota \kappa \rho \acute{o}\tau a \tau o \nu$ at 2. 222¹ (CR n.s. xiii [1963], 10).

Apollonius has ὁπλότατον at 4. 71, πανοπλοτάτην at 3. 244. ὁπλότεροs with him either has a comparative sense (4. 1751, and 4. 971 [the younger of two]), or is more or less the equivalent of κουρότεροs (1. 992, cf. 1. 693, and perhaps 1. 316).

Καινέα γὰρ ζωόν περ ἔτι κλείουσιν ἀοιδοί
 Κενταύροισιν ὀλέσθαι, ὅτε σφεας οἶος ἀπ' ἄλλων ἤλασ' ἀριστήων . . .

Giangrande, like others before him, pours scorn on ζωόν περ ἔτι: 'obviously they could only slay him when he was still alive . . . , and not when he was already dead. Such a text . . . (is) also untrue, because Caineus, who was ἄτρωτος, was not slain by the Centaurs' (CR n.s. xiii [1963], 154 n. 3). But Caineus was, technically speaking, 'dead': ἐδύσετο νειόθι γαίης (63). ζωόν περ ἔτι means 'Caineus, though he is^2 still alive, was actually killed', and this is a wry piece of irony, which one might expect in the approach to such a θαῦμα as this (cf. 154, al.). Apollonius' language is very like that of Pindar's ζώει μὲν . . . ἀποθανοῖσα βρόμω . . . Σεμέλα (Ol. 2. 25 f.), where ζώει is similarly placed in an emphatic position.

ἔτι κλείουσιν ἀοιδοί occurs shortly before this passage at 18. κλείουσιν ἀοιδοί must be regarded as suspicious, but ἔτι is certainly sound.

At 61 ἀριστήων is read by LASG and supported by Σ^{AD} II. 1. 264. PE have ἀριστεύων, which Fränkel prefers: 'Lesen wir -ήων, so war Kaineus "allein" und nicht begleitet von "anderen grossen (Lapithen-) Helden" als er (leichtsinnigerweise) eine Horde von Kentauren überfiel' (Einleitung zur kritischen Ausgabe der Arg., 83). This last word is an inaccurate translation, and 'leichtsinnigerweise' is wholly unjustified. The $\pi \rho \dot{o} \mu \alpha \chi os$ Caineus (ἀριστεύs = $\pi \rho \dot{o} \mu \alpha \chi os$) attacked the Centaurs along with the other $\pi \rho \dot{o} \mu \alpha \chi os$ (the Lapithae), but left these behind by driving deep into the ranks and putting the enemy to flight (ἤλασ 61).

ἀριστήων not only makes sense, but is actually desirable. οἶος ἀπ' ἄλλων occurs as a composite phrase at h. Ven. 79 οἶος ἀπ' ἄλλων /, id. 76, Od. 9. 192 οἶον ἀπ' ἄλλων. Apollonius abandons this fixity by extending the expression into the following line. This is common practice in him: consider 1. 880 f. and 4. 1301 f. against Od. 6. 292, or 1. 88 f. against Od. 11. 324, 16. 120, 17. 293. Similar is 3. 25 f.:

ἐπιπλόμεναι δέ μιν ἄμφω παιδὶ έῷ εἰπεῖν ὀτρύνομεν, αἴ κε πίθηται κούρην Αἰήτεω πολυφάρμακον οἶσι βέλεσσι θέλξαι ὀιστεύσας ἐπ' Ἰήσονι.

This text is now confirmed by P. Oxy. 2699; at 28 Brunck conjectured $\partial_i \sigma \tau \epsilon \hat{\nu} - \sigma a \nu \tau$, and Fränkel obelizes. But Apollonius is here abandoning the rigidity of

¹ This is regarded by Giangrande (CQ N.S. xvii [1967], 86 n. 1) as a case of superlative for comparative, but the alleged examples in Apollonius are doubtful: ὕστατον 4. 510 (ὕστερον West, p. 12) need only mean

'in the end'; $\mu \dot{\eta} \kappa \iota \sigma \tau o \nu$ at 1. 87 can be otherwise explained.

² 'is', not 'was'—the hackneyed ἔτι of the aition, and immediately intelligible as such.

the Homeric formula at $\kappa \in \pi i \theta \eta a \iota (\pi i \theta \eta \tau a \iota)$ /, which is extended to govern an infinitive as it does at Od. 22. 316 (in this case Apollonius was perhaps encouraged by Il. 21. 293f. and 23. 82f.).

In short, we had better not import into the text of 1.61 the obvious thought that Caineus was performing an aristeia. $d\rho\iota\sigma\tau\epsilon\iota\omega\nu$ is either a banal substitution, or a corruption originating from $d\rho\iota\sigma\tau\dot{\eta}\omega\nu \sim d\rho\iota\sigma\tau\epsilon\iota\omega\nu$, a process of error now demonstrated by *P. Oxy.* 2699 at 3. 21. For the hyperbaton of $d\rho\iota\sigma\tau\dot{\eta}\omega\nu$, if it can be called that, cf. 4. 105 f.

1. 177 Πελλήνης ἀφίκανον Άχαιίδος.

There is an obvious similarity to Call. Hec. fr. 260. 27 Pf., Πελλήνην ἐφίκανεν Άχαιίδα; but Apollonius' line presents a difficulty. As Fränkel has seen, ἀφικάνω nowhere else takes a genitive of separation, and Ardizzoni's long note does not encourage the belief that Apollonius could have used the verb thus. Fränkel's own solution is ἄφ' ἵκανον, which is unconvincing on general grounds and destroys the close correspondence with the Callimachean line.

It seems to me obvious that Apollonius wrote ἐφίκανον. For ἐφικάνω in the sense of 'come to the expedition' cf. ἐπελθέμεν at 1. 197; for the corruption see 1. 680, where the true reading ἐφικάνει (for ἀφικάνει) has only just survived. Both poets use ἐφικάνω in a novel way: in Callimachus we expect 'come upon, overtake'; in Apollonius 'hit'.

1.213 f. Oreithyia bore the Boreads

έσχατιῆ Θρήκης δυσχειμέρου· †ἔνθ' ἄρα† τήνγε Θρηίκιος Βορέης ἀνερέψατο Κεκροπίηθεν, Εἰλισσοῦ προπάροιθε χορῷ ἔνι δινεύουσαν, καί μιν ἄγων. ἔκαθεν, Σαρπηδονίην ὅθι πέτρην κλείουσιν ποταμοῖο παρὰ ῥόον Ἐργίνοιο, λυγαίοις ἐδάμασσε περὶ νεφέεσσι καλύψας.

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Vestigia h.vv. habet P. Oxy. 2700. 213 ἔνθ' ἄρα Π quoque. 214 ἀνερέψατο Π , S (G) -ερείψατο LAPE. 215 Εἰλισσοῦ restitui ex Π (Εἰλεισοῦ): Ἰλισσοῦ codd. 218 λυγαίοις: λυγκαιος Π , unde Λύγκαιος nom. propr. Kingston.

It is difficult to make anything of $\tilde{\epsilon}\nu\theta$ ' $\tilde{a}\rho a$ at 213. As Fränkel points out, neither $\tilde{\epsilon}\nu\theta a$ nor $\tilde{a}\rho a$ is suitable. One would expect $\gamma a\rho$, which will not fit. It is possible that Apollonius wrote $a\tilde{\nu}\tau a\rho$ δ $\tau \eta\nu\gamma\epsilon$ (cf. the 'doublet' passage of 2. 502 f.), with $a\tilde{\nu}\tau a\rho$ in the reasonably common sense of 'now'.

At 215 Π offers $Ei\lambda \epsilon \iota \sigma o \hat{v}$. I have always in reading this line automatically translated $\chi o \rho \hat{\omega}$ $\check{\epsilon} \nu \iota$ $\delta \iota \nu \epsilon \check{\nu} \circ \nu \sigma a \nu$ into $\epsilon i\lambda \iota \sigma \sigma o \mu \acute{\epsilon} \nu \eta \nu$, and it seems possible that Apollonius wrote $Ei\lambda \iota \sigma \sigma o \hat{v}$ for the sake of a pun. This spelling is attested for Apollonius here in some Parisian manuscripts (cf. Wellauer), in Pausanias and Lucian (cf. Pape-Benseler s.v.), and perhaps more significantly as a variant in the imitation of Apollonius at Orph. A. 221.² Nonnus puns on the name of the river with $\grave{\epsilon} \lambda \epsilon \lambda \iota \acute{\zeta} \omega$ (D. 47. 13); for $\epsilon \iota \lambda \iota \sigma \sigma \omega \iota$ of an actual river in Alexandrine poetry cf. Call. Del. 105, A.R. 2. 368, 981, 3. 1220,³ with the clever hint at

3 The subject is $v \dot{v} \mu \phi a \iota \pi \sigma \tau a \mu \eta l \delta \epsilon s$; here $\epsilon i \lambda i \sigma \sigma \sigma \nu \tau a$ (or - $\sigma \nu \tau a$) means not 'hanter' (Vian) but 'dance', the normal occupation of nymphs (cf. 1. 1135, 4. 1198). The ambiguity of $\epsilon i \lambda i \sigma \sigma \rho \mu a \iota$ recalls the spirit of Callimachus' fourth hymn.

¹ So Fränkel: Ardizzoni returns to ἀφικάνει, which he would not have done if he had set 1. 680 beside 4. 1157. Cf. also Fränkel's note on 4. 513.

² Prof. Vian reminds me of the warrior Είλισσος in Q.S. 1. 228.

that usage by Apollonius at 3. 1277 (where the text has been wrongly questioned).

Kingston argues for the proper name $\Lambda \dot{\nu} \gamma \kappa a \iota os$ at 218. This causes a geographical difficulty, as H. Lloyd-Jones has pointed out, but an even more decisive factor against it is that 'Thracian Boreas carried her off, and the Lyncaean one raped her' is a type of writing which is foreign to Apollonius—he may be learned, but not in this way. Besides, $\lambda \nu \gamma a \iota os$, one would have thought, is an essential part of the picture; it is attested with $\nu \epsilon \phi os$ (cf. LSJ s.v.), and is a favourite word of Apollonius. And Apollonius nowhere else has productio at the beginning of the second foot when the complex $\frac{1}{2} \omega c^2$ forms a single word. Perhaps $\kappa \lambda \epsilon \iota ov \sigma \nu v$ at the beginning of the preceding line caused a muddle.

Fränkel prints Rzach's $\pi \acute{a}\iota \nu$, which the latter justified by applying strict metrical rules (Sitz. Wien., 1878, 504 f.). One wonders whether such a procedure is ever advisable in this poet. Apollonius' model here tells against the proposal: h. Cer. 141 $\pi a \imath \delta a \ldots \acute{e} \nu \acute{a} \gamma \kappa o \acute{\nu} \gamma \sigma \iota \nu \acute{e} \chi o \nu \sigma a$. Similarly at 1. 811 Rzach (pp. 454 f.) read $\kappa o \imath \rho \rho \iota$ for $\tau \epsilon \kappa \acute{o} \rho \alpha \iota$ because the form $\kappa \acute{o} \rho \gamma$ is isolated in Apollonius; Fränkel follows suit. But $\kappa \acute{o} \rho \gamma \nu$ occurs in the same Homeric hymn (439), and Callimachus admitted $\kappa \acute{o} \rho \gamma$ in an epic hymn (Del. 67).

1. 295 f. Alcimede is in despair at her son's departure, and Jason tries to console her with some homely moralizing:

μή μοι λευγαλέας ἐνιβάλλεο μῆτερ ἀνίας ὧδε λίην, ἐπεὶ οὐ μὲν ἐρητύσεις κακότητος δάκρυσιν, ἀλλ' ἔτι κεν καὶ ἐπ' ἄλγεσιν ἄλγος ἄροιο.

Line 296 is senseless as it stands, but Fränkel's $\epsilon\rho\omega\eta\sigma\epsilon\iota s$ is not a particularly rare word and $\epsilon\rho\eta\tau\dot{\nu}\sigma\epsilon\iota s$ could hardly be called a simplification. We require 'you will not ward off disaster' (from me) by weeping'. I suggest $\epsilon\rho\eta\tau\dot{\nu}\sigma\epsilon\iota s$ $\kappa\alpha\kappa\dot{\rho}\tau\eta\tau\alpha$ (the genitive could easily have crept in from $d\lambda\gamma s$ immediately below). $\epsilon\rho\eta\tau\dot{\nu}\omega$ would be used for the more usual $\epsilon\rho\dot{\nu}\kappa\omega$ (cf. Il. 15. 450), just as $\kappa\alpha\tau\epsilon\rho\eta\tau\dot{\nu}\omega$ at 1. 494 is the equivalent of the (Homeric) $\kappa\alpha\tau\epsilon\rho\dot{\nu}\kappa\omega$, and as at 1. 171 $\epsilon\rho\eta\tau\dot{\nu}\omega$ takes the infinitive on the analogy of the (post-Homeric) $\epsilon\rho\dot{\nu}\kappa\omega$.

- 1. 462. Jason in a fit of depression skulked off to a corner to brood over his destiny:
 - τον δ' ἄρ' ὑποφρασθεὶς μεγάλη ὀπὶ νείκεσεν "Ιδας.
- P. Oxy. 2695 has ἐπιφρασθεὶς, which Kingston (ad loc.) accepts. But as a learned equivalent of ὑπονόησας ὑποφρασθείς is quite intelligible and as such must be regarded as lectio difficilior. Vian, REG lxxxii (1969), 231 remarks: 'ἐπιφρασθείς est confirmé par la glose de L θεωρήσας.' But this need only imply that the scribe who wrote θεωρήσας had no more idea than has LSJ of what ὑπο- would have to mean.
- 1. 513 f.
 τοὶ δ' ἄμοτον λήξαντος ἔτι προύχοντο κάρηνα,
 πάντες ὁμῶς ὀρθοῖσιν ἐπ' οὔασιν ἠρεμέοντες
 κηληθμῷ· τοῖόν σφιν ἐνέλλιπε θέλκτρον ἀοιδῆς.
 - ¹ REG lxxxii (1969), 232.
 - ² Not 'misery, distress': cf. κακόν 291, and, more remotely, κακόν 251.

The text of 515 is that given by Fränkel. LAG have $\tau o i \delta \nu$, but SPE $\tau o i \eta \nu$ (with $do i \delta \eta' \nu$ S); $\theta \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \kappa \tau \rho \sigma \nu$ is Meineke's conjecture for $\theta \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \kappa \tau \eta \nu$ LAG, $- \upsilon \nu$ PE. This is suspiciously tidy, since the feminine $\tau o i \eta \nu$ is conveniently forgotten. $\tau o i \sigma \nu$ is common in an adverbial sense, and might therefore be liable to be substituted by a Homerizing scribe. On balance, $\tau o i \eta \nu$ seems the more likely reading. The only acceptable feminine form for the substantive is $\theta \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \xi \iota \nu$ (some inferior manuscripts have $\theta \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \kappa \tau \iota \nu$, see Wellauer—a compromise between an original $-\iota \nu$ termination and the $-\lambda \kappa \tau$ - of the bulk of the MSS.?).

The quarrelsome Argonauts were soothed by Orpheus' lyre. He had just treated them to a not very exciting cosmogony which looks (and is meant to look) uncomfortable in an epic setting. In the present lines Apollonius uses an Odyssean motif to make the contrast with Homer all the more striking. When Odysseus has ended his own vast epic, the audience react thus (Od. 11. 333 f., and again 13. 1 f.):

ώς ἔφαθ', οί δ' ἄρα πάντες ἀκὴν ἐγένοντο σιωπῆ, κηληθμῶ δ' ἔσχοντο κατὰ μέγαρα σκιόεντα.

This passage helps with the problem of 515. The audience sat $\partial\rho\theta$ οῦσιν ἐπ' οὔσων ἢρεμέοντες (Σ ἀνατετακότες τὰ ὧτα καὶ ἢρεμοῦντες ἐν ἡσυχίᾳ). Et. M. (510. 31) explains the word κηληθμός as follows: ἡ μεθ' ἡδόνης ἡσυχία (!) κυρίως ἡ διὰ τῆς ἀκοῆς (!) ἡδόνη καὶ τέρψις καὶ θέλξις, where θέλξις means 'rapture'. Clearly one aspect of this gloss is covered by Apollonius at 514; if θέλξιν is right, then he will be covering another. θέλξις occurs as an explanation of κηληθμός also in $\Sigma^{\rm V}$ ad Od. 13. 2.

At the close of 515 Vrat. has $doid\hat{\eta}$, perhaps rightly; or $doid\hat{\eta}$?

 1. 516 f.
 οὐδ' ἐπὶ δὴν μετέπειτα κερασσάμενοι Διὶ λοιβάς, ἡ θέμις, ἑστηῶτες ἐπὶ γλώσσησι χέοντο αἰθομέναις, ὕπνου δὲ διὰ κνέφας ἐμνώοντο.

οὐδ' ἐπὶ δὴν, obelized by Fränkel, is defended in different ways by Ardizzoni, and by Erbse, Gnomon, xxxv (1963), 27. But it is incredibly awkward and crabbed, and the chaotic note of Σ seems to conceal a vestige of the reading δηρὸν δ' οὐ μετέπειτα (cf. also Σ 1. 516, and 1. 8, 2. 1256, 3. 1330). The doublet passage (4. 1128) has αὐτίκα δὲ, 'presently'.

 520 f. ἐκ δ' ἀνέμοιο εὔδιοι ἐκλύζοντο τινασσομένης άλὸς ἄκραι.

Damsté (Adversaria ad Ap. Rhod. Arg., 29 f.) conjectured ἀκταί, and this is accepted by Fränkel and Ardizzoni. His main complaint was that ἄκραι should not follow so soon after ἄκριας at 520. But Apollonius has the jingle ἀκροτάτας . . . ἄκριας at 1. 1273,² and although ἀκτή is commoner in such contexts as the present one (e.g. 2. 554, Q.S. 3. 511, 601), ἄκρη is found too (Q.S. 1. 322, cf. Il. 17. 264?), and has rarity on its side.

- ¹ Prof. Vian kindly informs me that S has $\theta \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \kappa \tau \sigma \nu$ before, and $\theta \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \kappa \tau \iota \nu$ after, correction (see below).
 - ² This plainly recalls the jingle of Od. 12.

11 ἀκροτάτη πρόεχ' ἀκτή (where there was a variant ἀκρότατος, which Apollonius could not have recognized). Ardizzoni's note here is unfortunate.

Rhythm and sense would be improved, I think, by κείνης (-as by assimilation); cf. 1. 986 πόρους κείνης άλός.

572 f.
 τοὶ δὲ βαθείης
 ἰγθύες ἀίσσοντες ὕπερθ' ἀλός.

On μέθυ λεῖβον ὅπερθ' ἀλός at 534 Fränkel comments: 'ὅπερθ' ἀλός susp. (aliter 573, 622)'. But ὅπερθ' ἀλός is protected by Q.S. 14. 378 f. I differ on the question of ὅπερθε. At 534 and 622 (μιν ὅπερθ' ἀλὸς ῆκε φέρεσθαι), ὅπερθε means 'out over, from a point strictly above, or vertical with' the sea. ὅπερθε at 573 does not fall into this category, and the fact that Apollonian MSS. are commonly subject to contamination by reminiscence leads me to suspect that at 573 the original was ὑπὲξ ἀλός. This gains strong support from a parallel situation at 4. 933 f., ὡς δ' ὁπόταν δελφῖνες ὑπὲξ ἁλὸς εὐδιόωντες / σπερχομένην ἀγεληδὸν ελίσσωνται περὶ νῆα.¹

The Quintus passage mentioned above is noteworthy from another point of view. At 14. 379 f. Quintus writes: πολλὰ θεοῖσιν / εὐχόμενοι μακάρεσσιν ἀκηδέα νόστον ὀπάσσαι. This plainly owes something to A.R. 1. 885 (cf. also 1. 249), but Quintus, who in this episode uses A.R. 1. 525–85 a good deal,² must have been influenced also by 1. 556 νόστον ἐπευψήμησεν ἀκηδέα νισσομένοισιν. There is a complication: in this line Epim. Homer. (Cramer, Anecd. Oxon. 1. 84. 7) s.v. ἀπηρής has the reading ἀπηρέα for ἀκηδέα, and this is taken into Apollonius' text by modern editors. Yet Quintus must have read ἀκηδέα in his text.³ It may be that ἀπηρέα really belongs to the προέκδοσις, and was eradicated by Apollonius on the principle that an unusual word is better used only once (cf. 1. 888).

εἰσορόωντες at 594 must be right (cf. 1. 1166 παρέμετρεον εἰσορόωντες, and Giangrande CR n.s. xiii [1963], 155). It does not seem to have been noticed that εἰσορόωντες at 593, which is often conjectured away (see Fränkel), is put beyond all doubt by 4. 660 ἀκτὰς Τυρσηνίδας εἰσορόωντες. Fränkel's tentative transposition of 593 after 596 does not do very much to alleviate the repetition. 593 therefore must be excised, but the rare δυσήνεμον shows that it must be from Apollonius' pen : προέκδοσις?

1. 616. The poet reflects upon the character of the Lemnian women:

ῶ μέλεαι ζήλοιό τ' ἐπισμυγερῶς ἀκόρητοι.

But $\hat{\omega}$ does not make sense: read $\hat{\omega}$.

 790 f.
 ή δ' ἐγκλιδὸν ὅσσε βαλοῦσα παρθενικὰς ἐρύθηνε παρηίδας.

- ¹ An echo in Mosch. Eur. 118 Νηρείδες ἀνέδυσαν ὑπὲξ ἀλός (δελφίς 117).
- ² Cf. F. Vian, Recherches sur les Posthomerica de Quintus de Smyrne, 81 f.
- ³ ἀκηδέα...νόστον at A.R. 4. 822 seems to be too far away to have influenced either Quintus, or, as Fränkel appears to believe,

the scribes of Apollonius at 1. 556. Here we might have expected as a simplification not $d\kappa\eta\delta\epsilon d$ but, as at 1. 888, $d\pi\eta\mu\nu\nu a$, which is a favourite word of Apollonius' and which bears some visual resemblance to the rarer word.

Hypsipyle is confronted by Jason, and she blushes. Fränkel writes $\pi a \rho \theta \epsilon \nu \iota \kappa \dot{\eta}$, 'potius quam -ίas; non enim in Apollonii more foret "virginales genas".' A further reason he gives is that adjectival $\pi a \rho \theta \epsilon \nu \iota \kappa \dot{\eta}s$ is found nowhere else in Apollonius (at 4. 909 $\pi a \rho \theta \epsilon \nu \iota \dot{\eta} \nu$ is clearly right). The change is unnecessary. First, Fränkel's 'non in Ap. more' is no more convincing than his similar claim about 4. 1406 f., well defended by Erbse, Gnomon, xxxv (1963), 27. Secondly, there are clear imitations in Nonnus, D. 1. 83 f. αἰδομένη (cf. αἰδομένη Ap. 1. 792) δέ / $\pi a \rho \theta \epsilon \nu \iota \dot{\eta} \nu$ πόρφυρε $\pi a \rho \eta \iota \dot{\delta} a$ Παλλάs, Q.S. 14. 41 $\kappa a \lambda \dot{a} s$ ἀμφερύθηνε $\pi a \rho \eta \iota \dot{\delta} a s$, ¹ and Orph. A. 230 ἀργεννὰs ἐρύθηνε $\pi a \rho \eta \iota \dot{\delta} a s$ (cj. Stephanus). The Nonnus passage might be thought to support $\pi a \rho \theta \epsilon \nu \iota \dot{a} s$ (so Ardizzoni, already rejected by Fränkel himself), but the isolated adjectival $\pi a \rho \theta \epsilon \nu \iota \dot{\alpha} \dot{a} s$ would be matched by an isolated variant at Od. 11. 245 $\lambda \hat{\nu} a \epsilon \delta \dot{\epsilon} \pi a \rho \theta \epsilon \nu \iota \dot{\eta} \nu$ (- $\kappa \dot{\eta} \nu$) ζώνην and is clearly preferable. $\pi a \rho \theta \epsilon \nu \iota \kappa \dot{s}$, which occurs in later poetry (see Bühler on Mosch. Eur. 72–3, p. 117), may well have occurred in Hellenistic works now lost.

A. Hurst, Apollonius de Rhodes: Manière et Cohérence, 61 n. 4 remarks: '... pour l'épithète [$\pi a \rho \theta \epsilon \nu \kappa \acute{a}s$], elle peut convenir aux joues, mais non à la reine qui n'est plus vierge (1. 807)'. This will hardly do.

934 f.
 καὶ δὴ τοίγ' ἐπὶ νυκτὶ διάνδιχα νηὸς ἰούσης
 δίνη πορφύροντα διήνυσαν Ἑλλήσποντον.

τοίγ' at 934 looks innocuous enough, but four of the Parisini have $\tau \hat{\eta} \gamma \epsilon$ (which Hoelzlin conjectured), and D, whose testimony must command respect, $\tau \hat{\eta} \sigma \gamma \epsilon$ (i.e. the iota subscript changed into a sigma, as Brunck says). The Argonauts, we are told in the preceding lines, made good progress. They passed the Rhoetaean headland, Dardania, Abydos, Percote, Abarnis, Pityeia, all of them ἐννύχιοι (929). One would expect 934 to say not 'and indeed they in the night', but rather 'yes, and in this night too they passed right through the Hellespont', that is, $\tau \hat{\eta} \delta$ ' ἐπὶ νυκτὶ. This expression occurs in line 516 of the προέκδοσις.

1. 1006 f.
 ὧs οἱ ἐνὶ ξυνοχῆ λιμένος πολιοῖο τέταντο
 έξείης, ἄλλοι μὲν ἐς άλμυρὸν ἀθρόοι ὕδωρ
 δύπτοντες κεφαλὰς καὶ στήθεα, γυῖα δ' ὕπερθεν
 χέρσω τεινάμενοι.

The Earthborn have been cut down by the Argonauts. In these lines they are compared to timbers which woodmen lay out in rows on the sea-shore. The precise point of this grotesquerie is hard to see; it may be that Apollonius considered the climax of 1011 amusing:

ἄμφω ἄμ' οἰωνοῖσι καὶ ἰχθύσι κύρμα γένεσθαι,

1 Q.S. 14. 39 f. draws heavily on Apollonius. One imitation in particular is significant. At 46 Quintus says of Helen | ξοπετο νισσομένοιο κατ' ἴχνιον ἀνδρὸς ἐοῖο. This is relevant to A.R. 1. 575 f. ἀγραύλοιο κατ' ἴχνια σημαντῆρος | μυρία μῆλ' ἐψέπονται, where editors read PΕ's μετ' (κατ' LAS: deest G), the expected but by no means invariable preposition. It seems to me un-

likely that they are right.

² At 932 Περκώτην δ' ἐπὶ τῆ κ.τ.λ., P. Oxy. 2698 offers τ'. Kingston (ad loc.) claims that there is nothing to choose between the two; but δ' is supported by such passages as 2. 649-52, 4. 572 f.

³ Cf. H. Fränkel, Noten zu den Arg. des Ap., 127.

for the line has a lofty epic ring, and Homer had never succeeded in giving the tag $\kappa \acute{\nu} \rho \mu a \ \gamma \acute{\epsilon} \nu \epsilon \sigma \theta a \iota$ such wide application!

At any rate, the description quoted above contains a joke which no one seems to have detected. The Giants are lying outstretched in the sea and on the shore. The description is next reversed (1009 f.):

τοὶ δ' ἔμπαλιν, αἰγιαλοῖο κράατα μὲν ψαμάθοισι, πόδας δ' εἰς βένθος ἔρειδον.

The tops of the bodies lie in the sea, the lower parts on the shore, or conversely, the upper parts are sprawled on the shore, the lower in the deep sea. But $\gamma \nu \hat{\imath} a \delta$ $\mathring{\upsilon} \pi \epsilon \rho \theta \epsilon \nu$ at 1008 immediately suggests the upper limbs; $\mathring{\upsilon} \pi \epsilon \rho \theta \epsilon \nu$ at line-end in this sense is common in Homer (Il. 5. 122, al.). The $\gamma \nu \hat{\imath} a$ are of course the lower ones, as the following lines make clear. $\mathring{\upsilon} \pi \epsilon \rho \theta \epsilon \nu$, 'up on the shore', is not really clarified until we reach ϵls $\beta \epsilon \nu \theta s$ at 1010. If Apollonius had wanted to be quite unambiguous he could have replaced the dispensable $\mathring{\upsilon} \pi \epsilon \rho \theta \epsilon \nu$ with $\mathring{\epsilon} \nu \epsilon \rho \theta \epsilon \nu$, $= \pi \delta \delta as$ 1010 (cf. Il. 13. 75 $\mathring{\epsilon} \nu \epsilon \rho \theta \epsilon \nu$ as early as 945, where the creature's six arms are described:

αί μεν ἀπὸ στιβαρῶν ὤμων δύο, ταὶ δ' ὑπένερθεν τέσσαρες αἰνοτάτησιν ἐπὶ πλευρῆς ἀραρυῖαι.

1. 1051 f.

αἶψα δ' ἀυτῆς

πλητο πόλις στονόεντος ύποτροπίη πολέμοιο.

 Σ explain ὑποτροπίη at 1052 as φυγῆ, and the commentators follow suit. But the flight of the Doliones has already been described in some detail at 1039 f. Their champions were killed in hand-to-hand combat, the rest gave way and ran for their lives, everyone burst into the gates in a confused mass, and soon the city was filled with the cry of battle.

ύποτροπίη is a new formation for ὑποτροπή, like ἀποτροπίη \sim ἀποτροπή at 4. 1504 or ἀμβολίη \sim ἀναβολή at 1. 861, al. ὑποτροπή can mean either 'repulse' or 'recurrence' (LSJ s.v.). It is the latter sense that is meant here: 'with the return of doleful war'. When the Doliones spotted the Argonauts returning, they failed to recognize them,

άλλά που ἀνδρῶν Μακριέων εἴσαντο Πελασγικὸν ἄρεα κέλσαι· τῶ καὶ τεύχεα δύντες ἐπὶ σφίσι χεῖρας ἄειραν (1023 f.).

 Σ on 1024a, in a very well-informed note, remark that this people had invaded before: older olde

1. 1213 δίου Θειοδάμαντος.

Apollonius does not devote much space to the story of Theiodamas, and at 1220 he openly admits to being allusive. Heracles wanted a pretext for making war on the unjust Dryopians. He met Theiodamas, who was ploughing a field, demanded an ox from him, and killed him when he refused. The obvious difficulty is that Theiodamas ploughs fields yet is still important enough to occasion a war. He is, however, no ordinary man of the field, and the clue lies

in the epithet δiov .¹ Theiodamas is on a par socially with Eumaeus in the Odyssey. Eumaeus is called δios several times (Od. 16. 56 etc.), and δios is the equivalent of $dya\theta ios$, meaning something like 'trusty' (cf. Gow on Theocr. 12. 12). Theiodamas was a ploughman, and was δios ; his death involved his country in war. The missing link must be that Theiodamas was the beloved and faithful servant of the king (Laogoras according to Apollod. 2. 155). The king was incensed by the treatment Theiodamas received, and declared war on the aggressor.

The 'beloved servant' need not be inconsistent with the 'ploughman'. Theiodamas might be imagined as having a field of his own, just as Eumaeus owned a slave. Naturally he would depend on his own field (and ox) for his food.

1. 1226 f.
 αἱ μέν, ὅσαι σκοπιὰς ὀρέων λάχον ἢ καὶ ἐναύλους,
 αἷ δὲ καὶ ὑλήωροι, ἀπόπροθεν ἐστιχόωντο.

1227 ai δὲ καὶ Et. G. s.v. ὑλή (αῗ ego): αῗ γε μὲν codd. (αῗδε S, μὴν A).

aι γε μὲν is shown to be wrong by A. Köhnken, Apollonios Rhodios und Theokrit (Zetemata, Heft xii [1965]), 56 n. 3. He adopts Et. G.'s aί δὲ καὶ, but this is better reinterpreted, as S's αίδε indicates, as αὶ δὲ καὶ, producing αἱ μὲν ὅσαι λάχον, αὶ δὲ καὶ (ἔσαν); cf. 4. 1151. The process of corruption is straightforward: αὶ δὲ καὶ \sim αἱ δὲ μὲν (ex 1226) \sim αἱ γε μὲν.

1. 1248 f. ἀμφὶ δὲ χῶρον φοίτα κεκληγώς, μελέη δέ οἱ ἔπλετ' ἀϋτή.

This describes the desperate search of Polyphemus for Hylas. At the end of 1249 $\tilde{\epsilon}\pi\lambda\epsilon\tau'$ à $v\tau'$ is the reading of Et. G.M. s.v. $\mu\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\sigma$; $\tilde{\epsilon}\pi\lambda\epsilon\tau$ 0 $\phi\omega\tau'$ 1 codd. Ardizzoni defends the latter by reference to II. 14. 400 $\tilde{\epsilon}\pi\lambda\epsilon\tau$ 0 $\phi\omega\tau'$ 1, and draws attention to the reading of Aristarchus $\tilde{\epsilon}\kappa\epsilon\tau'$ 2 $\tilde{\epsilon}v\tau'$ 3 for $\tilde{\epsilon}\kappa\epsilon\tau$ 0 $\phi\omega\tau'$ 1 at II. 11. 466. Fränkel believes that it is impossible to decide, but the balance of probability is firmly on the side of $\tilde{\epsilon}\pi\lambda\epsilon\tau'$ 3 $\tilde{\epsilon}v\tau'$ 1: (a) Q.S. 3. 417 has $\tilde{\epsilon}\pi\lambda\epsilon\tau'$ 3 $\tilde{\epsilon}v\tau'$ 1; (b) Theocritus (Hylas, 11. 59) writes $\tilde{\epsilon}\rho\omega\iota$ 3 $\tilde{\epsilon}\kappa\tau$ 5 $\tilde{\epsilon}\kappa\tau$ 6 $\tilde{\epsilon}\kappa\lambda\epsilon\tau'$ 6 $\tilde{\epsilon}\kappa\tau$ 6 $\tilde{\epsilon}\kappa\lambda\epsilon\tau'$ 7 decides a little later at 1272. In the descriptions of Polyphemus and Heracles at 1240–72 many repetitive elements occur (e.g. 1248 \sim 1272, 1249 \sim 1269), and this fact supports $\tilde{\epsilon}v\tau'$ 2 at 1249; (d) Apollonius is fond of the word $\tilde{\epsilon}v\tau'$ 3, always at line-end (12 instances apart from 1. 1249), whereas $\phi\omega\nu'$ 4 occurs only thrice (3. 635, 4. 29, 70), where all three resemble one another but not the use postulated here; (e) $\tilde{\epsilon}\pi\lambda\epsilon\tau$ 0 $\phi\omega\nu'$ 4 is Homeric, and Homericisms are liable to be foisted into the text of this epic, particularly at the close of the line.

1. 1305 f. Heracles killed the Boreads on Tenos,

καὶ ἀμήσατο γαῖαν ἀμφ' αὐτοῖς στήλας τε δύω καθύπερθεν ἔτευξεν, ὧν έτέρη, θάμβος περιώσιον ἀνδράσι λεύσσειν, κίνυται ἠχήεντος ὑπὸ πνοιῆ Βορέαο.

¹ Giangrande (CQ N.S. xvii [1967], 90 n. 3) sees the true meaning of $\delta \hat{c}os$ (he refers to Theocr. 25. 51), but he does not carry his suggestion through.

² μελέη in Apollonius means not 'miserable' or 'vain' but 'feeble'; cf. Theocritus'

άραιά (= ἀσθενής, Gow ad loc.), Vian on A.R. 3. 487, and 1. 1247, where the wild animal to whom Polyphemus is compared exhausts itself with roaring (βρέμει ἄσπετον, ὅφρα κάμησιν).

No one has accepted Apollonius' invitation to guess whose pillar this was. It must have been that of Zetes, whose name was popularly interpreted as $\zeta a \dot{\eta} \tau \eta s$ (Σ Pind. P. 4. 324; Calais is $\delta \kappa a \lambda \hat{\omega} s \, \check{a} \omega \nu$). When the brothers return from their pursuit of the Harpies at 2. 426 f., it is Zetes who gets the limelight, not least because he can be described as $\check{\epsilon} \tau' \, \check{a} \sigma \pi \epsilon \tau o \nu \, \check{\epsilon} \kappa \, \kappa a \mu \acute{a} \tau o \iota o / \, \check{a} \sigma \theta \mu' \, \check{a} \nu a \dot{\rho} \nu \sigma \iota \acute{\omega} \nu$ (430f.).

1. 1321 f.

Πολύφημον ἐπὶ προχοῆσι Κίοιο πέπρωται Μυσοῖσι περικλεὲς ἄστυ καμόντα μοῖραν ἀναπλήσειν Χαλύβων ἐν †ἀπείρονι† γαίη.

Apollonius of all people would not claim that the land of the Chalybes was 'limitless'. Rühnken conjectured $d\tau \epsilon \iota \rho \epsilon i$ (cl. 2. 375), but it has never won a place in the text. I suggest as an alternative $d\pi \eta \nu \epsilon i$. Dionysius the Periegete, who copied Apollonius' description of the Chalybes at 2. 374 f., writes

τοῖς δ' ἐπὶ καὶ Χάλυβες στυφελὴν καὶ ἀπηνέα γαῖαν ναίουσιν (768 f.).

ἀπηνής in this sense is assigned solely to late prose authors by LSJ. But such an extension of usage is readily assignable to an Alexandrine poet. Et. M. s.v. explain the word as $\sigma\kappa\lambda\eta\rho\delta$ or $\sigma\tau\nu\phi\epsilon\lambda\delta$, and Apollonius calls the land of the Chalybes $\sigma\tau\nu\phi\epsilon\lambda\eta\nu$ at 2. 1005. If $\alpha\pi\eta\nu\epsilon\iota$ became $\alpha\pi\epsilon\iota\nu\epsilon\iota$ by a phonetic error, $\dot{\alpha}\pi\epsilon\dot{\iota}\rho\nu\iota$ would be the natural result, especially as $\dot{\epsilon}\pi'\dot{\alpha}\pi\epsilon\dot{\iota}\rho\nu\iota\alpha\gamma\alpha\dot{\epsilon}\alpha\nu$ is a common line-ending in Homer (cf. Ardizzoni's note).

1. 1326 f.
 η, καὶ κῦμ' ἀλίαστον ἐφέσσατο νειόθι δύψας·
 ἀμφὶ δέ οἱ δίνησι κυκώμενον ἄφρεεν ὕδωρ πορφύρεον, κοίλην δὲ διὲξ άλὸς ἔκλυσε νῆα.

Fränkel's δ' ἄιξ for διὲξ at 1328 requires little discussion. ἄιξ, as one might expect (4. 820; cf. κατάιξ, καταιγίς, sim.), refers to wind, not to sea, nor is there any exaggeration at 1328, as the description of the turmoil at 1327 shows; for κλύζειν of propulsion by impact cf. Hoelzlin's note and 1. 257, where ἐπικλύσαι clearly means 'swamp and carry out of sight'.

When Glaucus had delivered his prophecy to the astounded Argonauts, he dived into the sea. The ship is described at 1328 as κοίλην. This may have some point (the ship was buoyant?) but it does not have very much. The emphasis is clearly on the enormous rift which Glaucus made in the sea. This suggests κοίληs; the jump has caused a hollow in the sea, around which the swirling water foamed. Similarly at 2. 594 f. the Argo ιστε κυλίνδρος επέτρεχε κύματι λάβρω / προπροκαταίγδην κοίλης άλός. κοίλην would be an easy assimilation to νηα, especially with the Homeric tag κοΐλαι νηε (which Apollonius avoids) to help it along.

1348 f. ἐπηπείλησε δὲ [sc. Ἡρακλέηs] γαῖαν †Μυσίδ'† ἀνστήσειν αὐτοσχεδόν, ὁππότε μή οἱ ἢ ζωοῦ εὕροιεν Ὑλα μόρον ἢὲ θανόντος.

Variants at 1349: μυσίδ' LASG: μυσίδα PE. ἀνστήσειν LASPE: ἀναστήσειν G. Textus receptus: Μυσίδ' ἀναστήσειν. ἀνστήσειν is the majority reading, and G's ἀναστήσειν looks like a conjecture; the latter is certainly lectio facilior, for the syncopated form (cf. 4. 1325) is what one would expect to be the genuine one, not the other way round. PE have Μυσίδα without elision, and this

indicates a gloss, of which PE are notoriously full. Surely $\gamma a \hat{\iota} a \nu / M \upsilon \sigma \hat{\omega} \nu$ $\dot{a} \nu \sigma \tau \dot{\eta} \sigma \epsilon \iota \nu$; cf. 1. 1298 $M \upsilon \sigma \hat{\omega} \nu \dot{\epsilon} \pi \hat{\iota} \gamma a \hat{\iota} a \nu$, the language here as a whole ($\gamma a \hat{\iota} a \nu M \upsilon \sigma \hat{\omega} \nu$, $\dot{\delta} \pi \pi \dot{\sigma} \dot{\tau} \epsilon \mu \dot{\eta} \langle M \upsilon \sigma \hat{\omega} \rangle \dot{\epsilon} \dot{\nu} \rho \iota \epsilon \nu$), and Σ at 1. 1349, which shows in reverse how such a gloss might have crept in.

 1. 1360 f. οἱ δὲ χθονὸς εἰσανέχουσαν ἀκτὴν ἐκ κόλποιο μάλ' †εὐρεῖαν† ἐσιδέσθαι φρασσάμενοι . . .

No one, I imagine, will accept $\epsilon \vec{v} \rho \epsilon \hat{i} a \nu$; SPE's $\epsilon \vec{v} \rho \epsilon \hat{i} a \nu \gamma$ ' provides the obvious metrical stop-gap. Read $\epsilon \vec{v} \rho \epsilon \hat{i} \eta \nu$: cf. v.l. Od. 5. 163, 251 $\epsilon \vec{v} \rho \epsilon \hat{i} \eta \nu$, A.R. 2. 375 $\tau \rho \eta \chi \epsilon \hat{i} \eta \nu$ ($\tau \rho \eta \chi \epsilon \hat{i} a \nu$ S: $\tau \rho \eta \chi \epsilon \hat{i} \nu \dot{\eta} \nu$ Hermann, $\tau \rho \eta \chi a \lambda \dot{\epsilon} \eta \nu$ Koechly), Orph. A. 181 $\tau \rho \eta \chi \epsilon \hat{i} \eta \nu$ ($\tau \rho \eta \chi a \lambda \dot{\epsilon} \eta \nu$ vel $\tau \rho \eta \chi \epsilon \iota \nu \dot{\eta} \nu$ Hermann, Orphica, p. xii), $\beta a \theta \epsilon \hat{i} \eta \nu$ Q.S. 6. 645 (P, Vian: $\beta a \theta \dot{\nu} \nu$ H).

Fränkel's suggestion that the original sense was 'valde idoneam (ad appellendum et aquationem) se conspexisse rati' is impossible. $\phi \rho \acute{a} \zeta \epsilon \sigma \theta a \iota$ c. infin. is not Apollonian, and $\acute{e}\sigma \iota \delta \acute{e}\sigma \theta a \iota$ occurs epexegetically at 3. 958. Cf. also A. Wifstrand, Von Kallimachos zu Nonnos, 107.

2. 23. Polydeuces' reply to the swaggering Amycus:

θεσμοίς γὰρ ὑπείξομεν ὡς ἀγορεύεις.

Köhnken, op. cit., 97 n. 1 accepts Arnaldus's oîs for ω_s , but ω_s is right. Once in Homer (Od. 13. 147) ω_s $d\gamma o\rho \epsilon \nu \epsilon_{is}$, exactly as here, means 'do as you tell (me to do)' (with the variant ω_s $\sigma \nu \kappa \epsilon \lambda \epsilon \nu \epsilon_{is}$!). The paraphrase of Σ at 23 resembles their explanation of oîs $d\gamma \delta \rho \epsilon_{is} \nu \epsilon_{is}$! ($\theta \epsilon_{is} \nu \epsilon_{is}$) but this need only mean that they have been influenced by that passage here.

2. 27 f. Amycus was infuriated by the straight talking of Polydeuces. His reaction is illustrated by a simile (25 f.). He is like a lion who has been wounded by a hunter:

δ δ' ἰλλόμενός περ δμίλω τῶν μὲν ἔτ' οὐκ ἀλέγει, ἐπὶ δ' ὄσσεται οἰόθεν οἶος ἄνδρα τόν, ὄς μιν ἔτυψε παροίτατος οὐδ' ἐδάμασσεν.

At 28 Struve and Madvig conjectured olov. It has had little success, but it is inescapable. Amycus is obsessed with the killing of the $\pi\rho\delta\mu$ os Polydeuces, just as the lion fixes his gaze solely on the man who has struck a blow. The solitude both of Amycus and of the lion is irrelevant: the $\mu\epsilon\nu/\delta\epsilon$ clause of 28 is concerned wholly with the lion's behaviour towards the man who has wounded him as opposed to the general throng.

The note of Σ has aided the survival of olos in Apollonius' text: μόνοs οιν δπάρχων μόνον $ϵκείνον προσβλέπει τὸν τρώσαντα, 'the lion, being all alone, gazes at that man alone'. <math>\Sigma$ is interpreting the Homeric οιοθεν οιοs (ll. 7. 39, 226) as μόνον, but it cannot mean that here. The expression elsewhere in Apollonius means 'absolutely alone'. In addition, the action of the two parties involved is not, as in the Homeric examples, a reciprocal one (cf. M. Leumann, Homerische

1 4. 418 οἰόθεν οἶον, 1198 οἰόθεν οἶοι, and οἰόθεν alone 1. 270. At 3. 1169 f. ὁ δ' οἰόθεν οἶος έταίρων / "Ιδας ἣστ' ἀπάνευθε δακὼν χόλον, the construction has not been properly explained. οἰόθεν οἶος means 'quite

alone', but olos also governs the genitive $\dot{\epsilon}\tau\alpha i\rho\omega\nu$, as olos in, e.g., ll. 11. 74 and A.R. 2. 15, correctly explained by Mooney ad loc.; $\dot{a}\pi\dot{a}\nu\epsilon\upsilon\theta\epsilon$ is adverbial. For olos $\dot{\epsilon}\tau\alpha\dot{i}\rho\omega\nu$ see 1. 1240, 4. 912.

Wörter, 258f.); that is, Apollonius would have to mean 'the lion looks at the hunter alone (who alone looks at him)', which is absurd. A scribe has remembered his Homer here: in Homer oló $\theta \in \nu$ olos does not occur in the oblique cases.

2. 102 f. πρῶτός γε μὲν ἀνέρα Κάστωρ ἤλασ' ἐπεσσύμενον κεφαλῆς ὕπερ.

When Polydeuces has killed Amycus, the Bebrycians attack. Castor is the first to claim a victim. There follows a list of other single combats, and in this the victims are named. Accordingly, since one might expect a proper name in 102 also, the text has either been emended (e.g. Μεγάνορα Brunck) or regarded as lacunose (Fränkel), the latter against the evidence of P. Oxy. 1179. I suspect that Apollonius has here pulled a fast one on his readers. The battle scene echoes Il. 5. 37 f., which is heralded by ἕλε δ' ἄνδρα ἕκαστος / ἡγεμόνων. What better way to recall the passage than to make ἀνέρα a proper name? There is a similar list at 1. 1040 f., where the Argonauts kill the champions of the Doliones. Of two of these, Telecles and Megabrontes, Σ remark πέπλακε τὰ ὀνόματα ταῦτα Ἀπολλώνιος, οὖκ ἀπὸ ἱστορίας ἔλαβεν. οὖτω Ταρραῖος. The list as a whole in fact savours of invention, and among the Doliones is one Bασιλεύς (1043), which seems only slightly less odd than an Ἀνήρ among the Bebrycians.

At 65 Aretus and Ornytus bound gauntlets on Amycus. Of these Apollonius says οὐδέ τι ἤδειν / νήπιοι ὕστατα κεῖνα κακῆ δήσαντες ἐπ' αἴση (65–6). Fränkel insists that since we hear of the death of Aretus (114 f.), we expect a mention of Ornytus too. This is true, but we have no right to demand it; perhaps Apollonius got more interested in Oreites (or Oreides), Ἀμύκοιο βίην ὑπέροπλος οπάων (110).

2. 549 f. οί δ' ὅτε δὴ σκολιοῖο πόρου στεινωπὸν ἵκοντο τρηχείης σπιλάδεσσιν ἐεργμένον ἀμφοτέρωθεν, δινήεις δ' ὑπένερθεν ἀνακλύζεσκεν ἰοῦσαν νῆα ῥοός, πολλὸν δὲ φόβω προτέρωσε νέοντο.

Fränkel deletes the δ ' of 551. But Apollonius admits a sequence of δ 'és at moments of high excitement, notably at 2. 556–73 and 1. 1235–9, where at 1236 aðríka δ ' $\eta \gamma \epsilon$ replaces the expected aðrík' å ρ ' $\eta \gamma \epsilon$ (1. 655 f., 2. 1080 f.). Similar is 4. 23–9; accordingly at 27 I conjecture δ è for $\tau \epsilon$.

 $\phi \delta \beta \psi$ in the next line has gone out of favour (see Fränkel's app. crit.). The reason advanced is that $\phi \delta \beta \psi$ spoils the climax of 575 and 577. This is very shortsighted. Here the Argonauts approach the Symplegades, and naturally they are 'afraid'. Later the suspense heightens: then they tremble visibly $(\tau \rho \delta \mu os 575)$, and are gripped by $a i v \delta \tau a \tau ov$ (!) $\delta \delta cos (577)$.

The Argonauts proceed further still: ἐν δ' ἄρα μέσσαις | Πληγάσι δινήεις εἶχεν ρόος (595 f.). Here Fränkel conjectures εἶλεν, claiming that an aorist is required, and comparing Σ's κατέσχεν. But an aorist would ruin the sequence of imperfects from 594 on; the aorists only begin when Athene intervenes at 598 f. How reliable are Σ? They confuse tenses in their paraphrase of 590 f. (ἀπόρουσεν $\sim ὑπέστρεφε)$, and κατέσχεν is suspicious here since it appears as an explanation of the awkward ἀντέσπασε just below at 598.

¹ Prof. Vian believes that the ὅτε δὴ of 549 is picked up by δὴ τότ' ἔπειθ' at 555; to my ear Apollonius rather loses sight of the ὅτε δὴ, and the sequence of δέs mentioned

above seems dominant (at 1. 318 f. ἐπεί ρ̄α ..., λίπ'..., ἀκτὴν δ' ἴκανεν, SG's ἀκτήνδ' is probably, but not certainly, correct).

2. 611 f. Tiphys addresses the Argonauts after their passage through the Symplegades:

ἔλπομαι αὐτῆ νηὶ †τόγ'† ἔμπεδον ἐξαλεάσθαι ἡμέας.

Fränkel rightly obelizes the meaningless $\tau \delta \gamma$ '. Since there seems to be nothing that will fit, $\tau \delta \gamma$ ' is very probably a line-filler, and this invites the inference that $\xi \mu \pi \epsilon \delta \delta \nu$ is an intrusive gloss or has come from 644 below. The most likely word is $\delta \iota a \mu \pi \epsilon \rho \epsilon s$ (cf. 2. 319).

2. 794 f. ὄφρ' ἐβάλοντο οὖρα βαθυρρείοντος ὑφ' εἰαμεναῖς Ὑπίοιο.

 $\dot{\epsilon}\phi$ ' Schneider, Fränkel. But $\dot{\nu}\phi$ ' means 'on the banks of', as at h. Hom. Ap. 18 $\dot{\nu}\pi$ ' 'Ινωποΐο $\dot{\rho}\epsilon\dot{\epsilon}\theta$ ροις; see Allen–Sykes–Halliday ad loc., and note especially the variant $\dot{\nu}\phi$ ' (for $\dot{\epsilon}\phi$ ') 'Υρμίνη at Il. 2. 616 (cf. Ap. $\dot{\nu}\phi$ ' . . . 'Y.?).

Some passages in Apollonius involving prepositions can conveniently be grouped together here:

- (1) 2. 1229 $\delta \pi a \lambda \hat{\rho} \iota \pi \hat{\eta} \hat{s} \stackrel{i}{a} \nu \hat{\epsilon} \mu o \iota o$. At 3. 970, where the same expression occurs, $\delta \pi \hat{o}$ is the majority reading; only ED have $\delta \pi a \lambda$. One must reckon with the possibility that $\delta \pi a \lambda$ at 2. 1229 is a metrical 'correction' of a common type (as $\pi a \rho a \lambda$ often, in Apollonius e.g. 1. 217).
- (2) 3. 44 ἦστο δόμῳ δινωτὸν ἀνὰ θρόνον ἄντα θυράων. One cannot be seated 'up on to a chair'. δινωτῷ ἐνὶ θρόνῳ Fränkel; perhaps better δινωτῷ ἀνὰ θρόνῳ, more pompous-sounding than ἐνὶ, and exactly suited to the tone of the passage. For ἀνά c. dat. cf. 2. 699 (3. 166 is very doubtful).
- (3) 3. 1396 (the earthborn emerging from the earth) $\pi o \lambda \lambda o i \delta'$, $o i \tau \acute{a} \mu \epsilon \nu o i \pi \rho i \nu \acute{b} \pi \acute{o} \chi \theta o \nu \acute{o} i' \chi \nu o s \acute{a} \epsilon \hat{i} \rho a i$, / őσσον ἄνω προύτυψαν² ἐς ἢέρα . . . ὑπὲρ Fränkel, but ὑπό means 'from under', an occasional use in early poetry (cf. especially Hes. Theog. 669, Il. 21. 56). The alternative, Struve's ἀπὸ, is wrong because it would imply that the feet were already on the ground, and that they were raised from the surface of it (cf. LS] s.v. $\chi \theta \acute{\omega} \nu$, and Od. 8. 375, al.).
- (4) 4. 436 εὖτ' ἂν πρῶτα θεᾶς περὶ νηὸν ἵκηται (sc. ἄψυρτος). P. Oxy. 2694 reads μετὰ νηὸν, which has won general acceptance. Yet Apsyrtus was killed νηοῦ σχεδόν (469): it is better to allow an unusual (but hardly incredible) use of περί than to sacrifice precision. μετὰ νηόν is a tag in Apollonius and is an expected simplification.
- (5) 4. 1505 f. κεῖτο δ' ἐπὶ ψαμάθοισι, μεσημβρινὸν ἡμαρ ἀλύσκων, / δεινὸς ὄφις. ἐπὶ, not surprisingly, has caused considerable trouble. The snake lies on the sand—avoiding the heat of noontide; so ἐνὶ Wifstrand. In fact the behaviour of a Homeric snake is to blame, 3 Il. 22. 93–5:
- ¹ τότ' is perhaps possible: 'It is my considered opinion that we escaped then with Argo's help; the goddess Athene is responsible for that. But (617) do not be anxious, for your future ordeals (μετόπισθεν) are catered for as well.'
- ² Fränkel's προύκυψαν (accepted by Vian) is strongly supported by Nonn. D. 4. 431,

433, but surely $\pi\rho \rho \dot{\nu}\tau \nu \psi a \nu$ is the choicer word. At 1. 953 the Argo $\pi\rho \rho \dot{\nu}\tau \nu \psi \epsilon \nu$, 'shot forward'; here $\dot{a}\nu \omega$ ès $\dot{\eta}\dot{\epsilon}\rho a$ makes the direction explicit.

³ A Hesiodic snake too (but merely a dangerous one): Hes. fr. 204. 135 f. M.-W., for which see W. Morel, *Hermes*, lxi (1926), 233.

ώς δε δράκων επί χειή ορέστερος ἄνδρα μένησι . . . σμερδαλέον δε δέδορκεν έλισσόμενος περί χειή.

It is a good guess that these lines made the same impression on Apollonius as they did on Paley: '... to the [want of observation] (a rare fault in our author) we must attribute the statement that a snake waits to attack a man near its hole, instead of entering it ...'

2. 932 f. ή δ' (sc. Άργω) ες πελαγος πεφόρητο εντενές, ἢύτε τίς τε δι' ἢέρος ὑψόθι κίρκος ταρσὸν ἐφεἰς πνοιῆ φέρεται ταχύς, οὐδὲ τινάσσει ριπἡν, εὐκήλοισιν ἐνευδιόων πτερύγεσσιν.

ριπήν at 935, suspected by Fränkel, is now supported by P. Oxy. 2694. General arguments for its retention are advanced by Drogemüller, Gymnasium, lxxi (1965), 471; but it is possible to be more precise. No one would have complained had Apollonius written οὐδὲ τινάσσει . . . ρ̂ιπὴν πτερύγων, but this last element is omitted simply because the word is required to complete the picture at the end of 935. The use of τινάσσει is evidently meant to surprise: we might expect wind (ρ̂ιπή) to shake or ruffle (τινάσσειν) the plumage of the bird. The language is choicer than Aeschylus' ρ̂ιπαῖς πτερύγων (P.V. 126) or Nonnus' ἐρεσσομένων πτερύγων ἀνεμώδεϊ ρ̂ιπῆ (D. 13. 8, of Iris).

2. 1042 f. One of the birds of Ares' island swoops down upon the Argonauts:

άλλά μιν ήρως
Εὐρυτίδης Κλυτίος—προ γὰρ ἀγκύλα τείνατο τόξα
{ ἡκε δ' ἐπ' οἰωνὸν ταχινὸν βέλος—αὐτὰρ ἔπειτα }
πλῆξεν, δινηθεὶς δὲ θοῆς πέσεν ἀγχόθι νηός.

1044 δ' LAG: ἡκεν SPE; ἡκέ τ' Fränkel.

The lines as they stand lack coherence. Attempts to solve the difficulty fall into four classes: (a) An alteration in 1042 (ἀλλὰ μὲν Brunck; not Greek), or in 1043 (πρόπαρ Schneider; unconvincing). (b) Rewriting of αὐτὰρ ἔπειτα at 1044 (the favourite). Morel (RhMus N.s. cv [1962], 190) quotes the epigram of Pollianus in A.P. 11. 130 τοὺς κυκλίους τούτους, τοὺς "αὐτὰρ ἔπειτα" λέγοντας / μισῶ, λωποδύτας ἀλλοτρίων ἐπέων. The hackneyed αὐτὰρ ἔπειτα has, he believes, ousted a quite different original (in his view αὐχένα μέσσον; others in Fränkel, and add Matthiae's gentle but insipid αὐτίκ' ἔπειτα). But is this really likely? There is no evidence that $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \dot{\alpha} \rho \, \ddot{\epsilon} \pi \epsilon \iota \tau a$ exerted such influence elsewhere, and it seems incredible that it should have been introduced here, and survived in all manuscripts, when all would have run well without it. (c) A lacuna after 1044 (Bergk). But what more is there to be said? (d) Deletion of 1044 (Herwerden, Mnem. N.S. xi [1883], 113, and Maas apud Fränkel). This is more plausible: 1044 could be a patchwork of 1036 and 1038 supra, and cf. such lines as Il. 1. 382 ἦκε δ' ἐπ' Ἀργείοισι κακὸν βέλος. But the presence of ταχινὸν causes a difficulty. This is a good Hellenistic word (Callimachus, Theocritus, Aratus), and seems unlikely for an interpolator (the obvious one is Homer's ἀκύ).

¹ For examples of this verb applied to wind see Giangrande, CQ N.S. xvii (1967), 91. His own solution is ingenious: he insists that $\dot{\rho}\iota\pi\dot{\eta}\nu$ must mean 'wind', and takes

ἐνευδιόων transitively with ριπήν; with οὐδὲ τινάσσει he understands ταρσόν from the beginning of 934. But this produces an intolerably jerky rhythm.

I suspect that once again (cf. above on 1. 572 f. and on 1. 593 f.) the $\pi\rho o \epsilon \kappa \delta \sigma \sigma s$ may be responsible. The lines run well enough without 1044, and a scribe with the $\pi\rho o \epsilon \kappa \delta \sigma \sigma s$ before him might easily have let a line slip in under the influence of 1036 and 1038 above. Corroboration might perhaps be found in the variants at the beginning of the line. SPE omit the connective particle—not a remarkable divergence in itself, but given the difficulty of 1044 as a whole an original draft may have read something like $\tau o \epsilon \sigma s$ (cf. 3. 278) / $\delta \kappa \epsilon \nu$...

2. 1146. Argos tells the Argonauts how Phrixus sacrificed the ram:

τὸν μὲν ἔπειτ' ἔρρεξεν έῆς ὑποθημοσύνησιν.

It is well known that this account does not square with 4. 120 f., where we are told that Hermes confronted Phrixus and commanded him to sacrifice his benefactor. There is a comparable (and serious)¹ inconsistency in the story of Argo's passage through the Symplegades. At 2. 602 f. it is Athene who rescues the crew; at 4. 786 f. it is Hera. The answer is simple and obvious, and no violence is required: in both cases the alternative account appears in a speech, and there is no real inconsistency in that it is not Apollonius, but the speaker, who must be credited with the view expressed. At 2. 1146 the account of the ram's self-immolation is a piece of sensationalism perfectly suited to the credulous and naïve Argos; at 4. 786 f. Hera's claim to a prize part in the saga suits her treacherous character (Apollonius smiles at Aphrodite $\delta o \lambda o \pi \lambda \delta \kappa o s$ in 3. 152 f.: in fact it is Hera who deserves that epithet). Thetis, to whom the words are addressed, could not know the truth, and Hera takes advantage of the situation. Similar is 1. 9 f. as against the fairy tale of 3. 66 f.

2. 1249 f. Προμηθεύς αἰετὸν ἥπατι φέρβε παλιμπετὲς ἀίσσοντα.

Shortly afterwards, at 1258, the eagle departed: $a\tilde{\upsilon}\tau_{18}$ $a\tilde{\upsilon}\tau_{18}$ (cf. on 2. 932 f. above) this is another surprise. There are two well-known features in the story of Prometheus. His liver kept growing; and the bird of prey kept coming back for more. We certainly expect the former: 'Prometheus kept feeding the eagle with his liver, as back it . . .', but in fact we get the latter. There were two derivations offered in ancient times for the adverbial $\pi a \lambda \iota \mu \pi \epsilon \tau \epsilon_{5}$: from $\pi i \pi \tau \omega$, or from $\pi \epsilon \tau \iota \iota \iota \iota$ Apollonius adopts the latter (and rarer) meaning at 3. 285 (cf. Vian's note), and that is what, unexpectedly, it is derived from here.

 1265 f. εἰσέλασαν ποταμοῖο μέγαν βόον, αὐτὰρ ὁ πάντη καχλάζων ὑπόεικεν.

Fränkel adopts Platt's ὅγ' ἄντην: 'Who would ever say that the water of a river gave way to a boat everywhere?' ($\mathcal{J}Ph$ xxxiii [1914], 25). But πάντη belongs with καχλάζων: as the Argo forged through the μέγας ῥόος, the water plashed all round the sides as it began to give way (ὑπόεικε). Nor does ἄντην ὑπόεικε (if that is what Platt means) sound like a Greek locution.

- 3. 363. Argos proudly points out some of the Argonauts to Aeetes. The third in
- ¹ Of course these examples stand apart from (e.g.) the treatment of Circe's habitat (cf. Vian, Chant III, 18 n. 6).

his list he introduces with the words $T\epsilon\lambda\alpha\mu\omega\nu$ δ' ὄγε. First was Jason (τ όνδε μ έν 356), second Augeias (τ όνδε δ' ἄρ' 362), and the third must have been referred to as $T\epsilon\lambda\alpha\mu\omega\nu$ δ' ὅδε. Cf. 2. 1155 f. τ $\hat{\varphi}$ δε . . . τ $\hat{\varphi}$ δε . . . τ $\hat{\varphi}$, where τ $\hat{\varphi} = \tau$ $\hat{\varphi}$ δε, not τ $\hat{\varphi}$ γε.

Confusion between $\delta\delta\epsilon$ and $\delta\gamma\epsilon$ is of course common. At 2. 175 it is hard to see how editors can tolerate $\delta\delta\epsilon$, when $\delta\delta\epsilon$ (cf. 2. 1076, al.) is plainly required. But decision is sometimes difficult. At 2. 151 $\tau\delta\nu\gamma\epsilon$ is generally printed (LA, and now P. Oxy. 2697: $\tau\delta\nu\delta\epsilon$ SGPE, test.), and similarly at 4. 86 $\tau\delta\nu\gamma\epsilon$ P. Oxy. 692, for $\tau\delta\nu\delta\epsilon$. Yet these two cases have a common factor: at 2. 151 the speaker yearns nostalgically for an absent friend, and at 4. 86 the speaker is imagining that the person in question will be upon her any moment. I would not print $\tau\delta\nu\gamma\epsilon$ in either of these places with any firm conviction that it is right.

3. 426 οψε δ' ἀμειβόμενος προσελέξατο κερδαλέοισι.

Jason has been thoroughly cowed in Aeetes' presence. He was speechless and in despair (422), and again at 432 he was $\partial_{\mu} \eta_{\mu} \chi_{\alpha\nu} \eta_{\beta} \rho_{\beta} \rho_{\alpha} \rho_{\gamma} \rho_{\gamma} \rho_{\gamma}$. In the present line Jason replies to Aeetes' imposition of the ordeal with a resigned acceptance; he must do what he was told, for Necessity and Pelias' $\ddot{\nu}\beta\rho_{\nu}$ had brought this upon him (427 f.). Accordingly, it comes as something of a surprise that Jason's words are termed $\kappa\epsilon\rho\delta\alpha\lambda\dot{\epsilon}oi\sigma$. The speech is not 'crafty', not is it 'wise', and it is pointless forcing the word to mean 'tactful' (Gillies). Seven lines below (433) there occurs $\Sigma MEP\Delta \Lambda\Lambda EOI\Sigma$, and its similarity to $\kappa\epsilon\rho\delta\alpha\lambda\dot{\epsilon}oi\sigma$ cannot be a coincidence. 426 has clearly been contaminated by this and has subsequently been given metrical respectability. The word suitable to Jason's plight is $\mu\epsilon\iota\lambda\iota\chi\dot{\epsilon}oi\sigma$ ('submissive', as often).

3. 541 f. πελειάς ὑψόθεν Αἰσονίδεω πεφοβημένη ἔμπεσε κόλπῳ, κίρκος δ' ἀφλάστω περικάππεσεν.

I mentioned περικάππεσεν at 543 briefly in CQ N.S. xix (1969), 280, but could not there divine Fränkel's real objection to it (Noten, 359), that it would be 'grotesque' for the bird to be 'impaled on' the $\ddot{a}\phi\lambda\alpha\sigma\tau\sigma\nu$. This remark is, to say the least, surprising. The portent passage is a joke (cf. 539 with 540), designed to raise a belly-laugh from the audience, and is only surpassed by the similar passage at 3. 927 f. The 'grotesque' fate of the aggressor is an integral part of the light-hearted atmosphere—the gravity of the hawk's death is exaggerated merely to throw the lighter aspects into sharper relief. The halcyon at 1. 1089 simply perches on the $\tilde{a}\phi\lambda\alpha\sigma\tau\nu$, but the halcyon was a friendly bird with friendly advice to give. This 'doublet' passage provides a clue to a further humorous detail at 542. The dove lands unceremoniously in Jason's lap. This is meant as a παρὰ προσδοκίαν for the audience, acquainted as it was with early epic usage. The end of Apollonius' line recalls the Homeric clausula $\xi \mu \pi \epsilon \sigma \epsilon \pi \acute{o} \nu \tau \omega$ (Od. 4. 508, 5. 50, 318), and the alert listener will pick this up (cf. on $\sqrt[6]{\pi}\epsilon\rho\theta\epsilon\nu$ at 1006 f. above). Note that ὑψόθεν Αἰσονίδεω reads at first sight as 'above Jason's head', just as the halcyon at 1. 1084 f. flew ὑπὲρ ξανθοῖο καρήατος Αἰσονίδαο.¹

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their laborious work (1. 730), the text is emended. But Callimachus in his third hymn, upon which Apollonius drew a good deal, *stresses* their *standing* posture (49 f., cf. 59). What is the point of denying a

It is curious that readers of Apollonius seem not to have realized the full extent of Callimachean mischief in this poet, and to have actively and consistently rejected it. When Apollonius makes the Cyclopes sit at

3. 1237 f.

έκ δὲ πόληος

ήλασεν εὐρεῖαν κατ' ἀμαξιτόν, ὥς κεν ἀέθλω παρσταίη, σὺν δέ σφιν ἀπείριτος ἔσσυτο λαός.

Phaethon was waiting for Aeetes with his chariot. Aeetes mounted (1236) and drove off. The present lines appear to say: 'he (Aeetes) drove . . . in order to be present at . . . and with them . . .' Hence $\eta \lambda \alpha \sigma a \nu$ Fränkel (in text) and $\pi \alpha \rho \sigma \tau \alpha \hat{\epsilon} \nu$ (in app. crit.). But $\sigma \phi \iota \nu$ is singular—against Apollonius' usus scribendi, but we have no right to expect uniformity in a playful poet.

4. 26 f. κύσσε δ' έόν τε λέχος καὶ δικλίδας ἀμφοτέρωθεν σταθμούς.

In the face of the Homeric use of $\delta\iota\kappa\lambda\dot{l}\delta\epsilon_s$ with $\theta\dot{\nu}\rho a\iota$ (cf. A.R. 1. 786 f.), $\pi\dot{\nu}\lambda a\iota$, $\sigma a\nu\dot{l}\delta\epsilon_s$, it is not very easy to take $\delta\iota\kappa\lambda\dot{l}\delta as$ $\sigma\tau a\theta\mu o\dot{\nu}s$ here as 'door-posts of the folding-doors'. $\sigma\tau a\theta\mu o\dot{\iota}$ could mean 'doors', although that meaning is attested, according to LSJ s.v. II, only in the *Septuagint*; or $\dot{a}\mu\phi o\tau\dot{\epsilon}\rho\omega\theta\epsilon\nu$ could mean 'on both sides', viz. 'on the posts' (cf. Virg. *Aen.* 2. 490, with Servius' note). But both are unlikely. There is no good reason for supposing that $\sigma\tau a\theta\mu o\dot{\nu}s$ has anything but its normal sense; hence read $\delta\iota\kappa\lambda\dot{l}\delta os$. For the singular (Alexandrine) see Theocr. 14. 42, and δ . $\theta\dot{\nu}\rho\eta$ Arat. *Phaen.* 193.

4. 59 f. ἢ θαμὰ δὴ καὶ σεῖο κύον δολίησιν ἀοιδαῖς μνησαμένη φιλότητος, ἵνα σκοτίῃ ἐνὶ νυκτί φαρμάσσης εὔκηλος, ἄ τοι φίλα ἔργα τέτυκται.

The goddess Mene is drawn down from the sky by Medea's spells, and in these lines she complains about it. Ruhnken's $\kappa io\nu$ for $\kappa io\nu$ at 59 has been accepted by many, but, as Fränkel observes, Mene 'came down', not simply 'came'. His own solution is $\kappa i\theta o\nu$, but it must be owned that $\kappa io\nu$, 'you bitch' (so par. Σ^P), is very much in place here. I think it highly probable that a line describing Mene's descent from heaven has dropped out after 59.

4. 228-35. αὐτὰρ ἄναξ ἄτη πολυπήμονι, χεῖρας ἀείρας,
'Ηέλιον καὶ Ζῆνα κακῶν ἐπιμάρτυρας ἔργων κέκλετο, δεινὰ δὲ παντὶ παρασχεδὸν ἤπυε λαῷ· εἰ μή οἱ κούρην αὐτάγρετον, ἢ ἀνὰ γαῖαν ἢ πλωτῆς εὐρόντες ἔτ' εἰν άλὸς οἴδματι νῆα, ἄξουσιν, καὶ θυμὸν ἐνιπλήσει μενεαίνων τείσασθαι τάδε πάντα, δαήσονται κεφαλῆσιν πάντα χόλον καὶ πᾶσαν ἑὴν ὑποδέγμενοι ἄτην.

229 έπιμάρτυρας:

This word was written divisim by some in Od. 1. 273 $\theta\epsilon o i \delta$ ' ἐπιμάρτυροι ἔστων, and in Il. 7. 76 $Z\epsilon i s \delta$ ' ἄμμ' ἐπιμάρτυρος ἔστω, cf. Ebeling s.v. μάρτυρος; the same doubt arises in Scutum 20. In that case, ἐπί would be adverbial. Erbse, Hermes, lxxxi (1953), 164 n. 4, proposes ἐπὶ μάρτυραs here in Apollonius. This might be regarded as a sophisticated variation of the passages quoted above,

connection between the two passages (K. J. McKay, 'Erysichthon', *Mnem.* Suppl. vii [1962], 139 n. 4) when *oppositio* is cultivated so much, regardless of poetic propriety? In

this line Fränkel's ἡμμένοι for ἡμενοι is a special Pindaric usage which does not look at home in Apollonius' context.

since $\epsilon m l$ would most naturally be taken in tmesis with $\kappa \epsilon \kappa \lambda \epsilon \tau o$ (so, apparently, Σ already). But the compound is I believe preferable. In his discussion of the form $\mu \delta \rho \tau \nu \rho \epsilon s$ Erbse rightly rejects Merkel's view that $\mu \delta \rho \tau \nu \rho \epsilon s$ here instead of the Homeric $\mu \delta \rho \tau \nu \rho o \iota$ is based on Zenodotus' reading of $\mu \delta \rho \tau \nu \rho \epsilon s$ for $\mu \delta \rho \tau \nu \rho o \iota$ at II. 2. 302, al. Apollonius is not dependent on Zenodotus because the form $\mu \delta \rho \tau \nu \rho \epsilon s$ had become well established since Homer, particularly in tragedy. But if we are going to dissociate the form $\mu \delta \rho \tau \nu \rho \epsilon s$ from scholarly treatment of the Homeric text, then we should do the same for $\epsilon \delta \tau \nu \rho \delta s$, which had occurred at least once before the Alexandrine era (Ar. Lys. 1287). The same goes for Call. fr. 75. 48 $\nu \gamma \rho \delta \nu \delta s$ and $\epsilon \delta \nu \rho \delta s$ are $\epsilon \delta \nu \rho \delta s$.

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Fränkel believes that the text of this passage is suspect at many points. In my view there is very little wrong with it. It bears a general resemblance to the stilted, almost staccato, oratio obliqua of 3. 576 f., only here Aeetes is more furious still, and his language is correspondingly more jerky. The antithesis between 'land' and 'sea' at 231 f. is forced; the word-order at 232 grotesque (perhaps aggravated by a desire for the triple epsilon alliteration); after the long disjunctive colon of 231-2 åξουσω falls heavily on the ear; with ἐνιπλήσει the subject changes violently; even the separation of τ είσασθαι from μενεαίνων in the previous line seems abrupt; the triple $\pi \hat{a}s$ in 234–5 is indelicate but has an explosive effect; \hat{b} \hat{b} \hat{b} \hat{b} \hat{b} \hat{b} is in a very odd position (on this see below). Similarly in Aeetes' outburst of 3. 375–6 LASG present a disjointed sentence which may well be correct.

232 πλωτῆς:

This word should mean 'navigable', but, in spite of the above remarks, it is hard to see why the sea should be called that here. $\pi\lambda\omega\tau\dot{\eta}\nu$, contemptuous for $\pi\lambda\dot{\omega}o\nu\sigma a\nu$, would give much better sense: 'bring back my daughter to me', Aeetes threatens: 'I don't care whether you find the Argo beached or still floating about on the swell of the sea!' For $\pi\lambda\omega\tau\dot{o}s$ used in this way cf. LSJ s.v. I; $\pi\lambda\omega\tau\dot{\eta}\nu$ has, as often, been attracted to the case of the nearest noun, $\dot{a}\lambda\dot{o}s$. With $\dot{a}\nu\dot{a}$ $\gamma a\hat{\iota}a\nu$ understand $\nu\hat{\eta}a$ $\epsilon\dot{\nu}\rho\dot{o}\nu\tau\epsilon s$ from 232, not, as the translators, $\kappa o\dot{\nu}\rho\eta\nu$ $\epsilon\dot{\nu}\rho\dot{o}\nu\tau\epsilon s$.

235 $a\tau\eta\nu$:

M. L. West (CR N.S. xiii [1963], 12) proposes $\delta\rho\eta\nu$: 'Aeetes can threaten to visit the Colchians with his wrath, but not with his $\delta\tau\eta$, since $\delta\tau\eta$ can bear no sense which would be appropriate to such a threat.' $\chi\delta\lambda\sigma\nu$ and $\delta\tau\eta\nu$, it is true, do not make very happy mates, but the insertion of $\delta\eta\nu$ and $\delta\tau\eta\sigma\lambda$ makes all the difference $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ and the words mean 'you will bear the full brunt of my $\delta\tau\eta$ (because you in your turn will have it inflicted on you)'. For $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ are $\delta\tau$ and $\delta\tau$ are

- ¹ Cf. Hermann on Orph. A. 852: 'Abruptam orationem, qualis est merito minarum regiarum...'.
- 2 Cf. παντὶ παρασχεδὸν at 230, and Fraenkel on A. Ag. 268. Note the elaborate

κακῶν ἐπιμάρτυρας ἔργων κέκλετο at 229 f.

3 Brunck placed commas after τείσασθαι and κεφαλῆσιν, which is clearly not acceptable (for τάδε πάντα cf. τάδε at 4. 10).

4. 236 f.

αὐτῷ δ' ἐνὶ ἤματι Κόλχοι νῆάς τ' εἰρύσσαντο καὶ ἄρμενα νηυσὶ βάλοντο, αὐτῷ δ' ἤματι πόντον ἀνήιον.

Fränkel obelizes καὶ ἄρμενα νηυσὶ, with the note 'exspect. ἐνί τ' ἄρμενα τῆσι βάλοντο, cl. 1. 392 f.' (add, e.g., 1. 357, from Od. 2. 389, and Hes. Op. 631 f.). But (a) the dative with a verb of motion is Homeric: Il. 7. 187 (κλῆρον) κυνέη βάλε, Od. 10. 333 κολεῷ μὲν ἄορ θέο, Chantraine, G.H. ii, § 109, K.G. i, § 426 (b); (b) Quintus in imitating Apollonius went so far as to use βάλλομαι without the dative in the sense of 'throw on board' (6. 98 f., 14. 354).

Fränkel clearly feels uneasy about $\nu \hat{\eta} as \ldots \nu \eta \nu \sigma i$. But cf. Homer's common $\nu \hat{\eta} a$ $\mu \grave{\epsilon} \nu$ $o \mathring{v} \nu$ $\pi \dot{a} \mu \pi \rho \omega \tau \nu \nu$ (imitated at 1. 367 f., the launching of Argo) $\dot{a} \lambda \dot{o} s$ $\dot{\beta} \dot{\epsilon} \nu \theta \sigma \sigma \delta \dot{\epsilon} \dot{\epsilon} \rho \nu \sigma \sigma \alpha \nu$, $|\dot{\epsilon} \nu \dot{\sigma} \dot{\sigma} \dot{\nu} \tau \dot{\epsilon} \tau i \theta \dot{\epsilon} \nu \tau \sigma \kappa \alpha \dot{\epsilon} \dot{\epsilon} \sigma \iota \dot{\alpha} \nu \eta \dot{\nu} \mu \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \dot{\alpha} \dot{\nu} \eta$ (Od. 4. 780 f., al.; cf. also id. 4. 577 f.). A similar case of such repetition occurs at 1. 747: (on $\delta i \pi \lambda a \dot{\epsilon}$ of Jason) $\dot{\epsilon} \nu \dot{\sigma} \dot{\epsilon} \dot{\sigma} \kappa \dot{\epsilon} \nu \lambda \dot{\alpha} \sigma \iota \sigma s \nu \sigma \mu \dot{\sigma} s$, $\dot{\alpha} \mu \dot{\phi} \dot{\iota} \dot{\sigma} \dot{\epsilon} \dot{\rho} \partial \nu \dot{\nu} \dot{\nu} \ldots$, where Fränkel reads $\tau \hat{\eta} \sigma \iota \nu$. Again this spoils a lively touch: when we look at a picture we naturally say 'there is X, and next to X is Y . . .'

4. 391 f. ἵετο δ' ἥγε νῆα καταφλέξαι διά τ' †ἔμπεδα† πάντα κεάσσαι, ἐν δὲ πεσεῖν αὐτὴ μαλερῷ πυρί.

Medea is incensed by Jason's shabby conduct, and is seized with a desire to burn Argo and its contents and hurl herself into the conflagration. $\tilde{\epsilon}\mu\pi\epsilon\delta a$ at 392 is clearly corrupt. Fränkel (Noten, 483) remarks that the 'everything' that Medea longs to break to pieces is 'everything belonging to the Argonauts, especially the fleece, 384 f.'. Underlying $\tilde{\epsilon}\mu\pi\epsilon\delta a$, Fränkel feels, is 'a rare word meaning "cargo". His own tentative solution is $\tilde{\epsilon}\mu\pi\sigma\delta a$, which seems little better than his former $\tilde{\epsilon}\nu\delta o\theta\iota$ (app. crit.). In fact it is highly unlikely that any substantive will fit; it seems more reasonable to suppose that $\pi\acute{a}\nu\tau a$ is the only object required, and that $\tilde{\epsilon}\mu\pi\epsilon\delta a$ in reality conceals an adverb.

 $\mathring{a}\mu\phi\alpha\delta\mathring{a}$ would meet all requirements. The corruption would be an easy one $(\mathring{a}\mu\phi\alpha\delta\mathring{a}\sim\mathring{a}\mu\pi\alpha\delta\mathring{a}\sim\mathring{\epsilon}\mu\pi\epsilon\delta a)$, and the word gains powerful support from 3. 95 (Aphrodite of Eros) καὶ δή οἱ μενέηνα (!) . . . / . . . δυσηχέας άξαι (!) οἰστούς / ἀμφαδίην ('before his very eyes').

I have assumed in the above that διακεάσσαι means 'break in pieces'. Most scholars prefer 'burn', as some ancient critics understood κεάζειν in Homer. But (a) cf. 4. 1267 καί κεν ἐπισμυγερῶς διὰ δὴ πάλαι ἤδε κεάσθη / νηῦς ἱερή, and (b) the clue in the imitation passage, Il. 9. 241–2 (ἀπὸ - κόψειν!). The answer of course is that Apollonius is pointing to the fact that he is aware of this interpretation of κεάζειν by using it in the context of fire.

Note: The verb κεάζειν is discussed by R. Browning, 'Quintus Smyrnaeus 12. 567', in CR N.S. xvii (1967), 254 f. It is difficult to agree with much of what he says, but I single out one point in particular for comment. At A.R. 2. 1125 f. πόντω γὰρ τρηχεῖαι ἐπιβρίσασαι ἄελλαι / . . . διὰ δούρατα πάντ' ἐκέδασσαν, Browning suggests ἐκέασσαν. The relevance of this passage to Browning's wider argument, and the reason for the change, escape me. A 'translation' of A.R. 2. 1125 f.: 3. 320 f. (νῆα) ἄφαρ διέχευαν ἄελλει / ζαχρηεῖς; a 'repetition' of 2. 1125 f.: 2. 1189 (νῆα) διὰ κῦμ' ἐκέδασσεν.

4. 1131. ἄντρω ἐν ἠγαθέω.

P. Oxy. 2691 offers ἄντρφ ἐνὶ ζαθέφ. The variant is a vexing one, but I believe a firm decision is possible. ζάθεος is frequently associated with the caves of divine beings, e.g. E. Bacch. 121 f. ζάθεοι . . . ἔνανλοι, Corinna, PMG 654 (i) 13 ζαθίο[ι] . . . ἄντροι (of Zeus; surely right, in spite of accent of Π , contra Page, Corinna, p. 18), Moero 1. 3 = Powell, Coll. Alex., p. 21 (of Zeus). Endymion in Q.S. 10. 127, quoted by Vian, REG lxxxii (1969), 232, is not very different from these. The cave in Apollonius is the old dwelling of Macris, but she does not nurture Dionysus in the cave. This she does elsewhere (1134 f.), and this act of nurture must have led to the substitution of ζαθέφ for ἢγαθέφ (at versebeginning, as here). Cf. also Il. 6. 133 ἢγάθεον Νυσηίον with Apollonius ἢγαθέφ (1131), and Διὸς Νυσηίον νία later at 1134.

4. 1300 f. ἢ ὅτε καλὰ νάοντος ἐπ' ὀφρύσι Πακτωλοῖο κύκνοι κινήσωσιν έὸν μέλος, ἀμφὶ δὲ λειμών έρσήεις βρέμεται ποταμοῖό τε καλὰ ῥέεθρα . . .

At 1300-2 Fränkel quotes with approval the opinion of R. Burn that 'καλά νάοντος et καλὰ ρέεθρα de eodem fluvio susp.'. My subjective impression is that it is perverse to fault the studied beauty of these lines—a miniature Ringcomposition encases in an exquisite way the picture of the swans singing by a river, and of the river echoing with the notes of the swans' song. In any case, there are parallels in older poetry for the repetition (cf. above on 4. 236 f.): Hom. h. Ap. 240 f. Κηφισὸν δ' ἄρ' ἔπειτα κιχήσαο καλλιρέεθρον, / ὅς τε Λιλαίηθεν προχέει καλλίροον ὕδωρ, Hes. Op. 737 f. αἰενάων ποταμῶν καλλίροον ὕδωρ / ποσοὶ $\pi\epsilon\rho\hat{a}\nu$, $\pi\rho\hat{i}\nu$ γ' $\epsilon\hat{i}\xi\eta$ $\hat{i}\delta\hat{\omega}\nu$ $\hat{\epsilon}s$ καλὰ $\hat{\rho}\hat{\epsilon}\epsilon\theta\rho a$. Apollonius makes his repetition as elaborate as these by giving different syntactical functions to the double καλά, the first being adverbial, the second adjectival. In fact, corruption is unlikely on general grounds. καλὰ νάοντος as a polished equivalent of καλὰ ρέοντος (e.g. h. Hom. εἰς ξένους 5) is unparalleled, and νάω is itself a rare verb (cf. Ardizzoni on 1. 1146 and on 3. 223). ποταμοῖό τε καλὰ ρέεθρα / in turn is a variatio in Apollonius' manner of Il. 21. 238, al., καλὰ ῥέεθρα /, and Il. 14. 245 ποταμοῖο ρέεθρα / (varied again at A.R. 1. 27 ποταμῶν τε ρέεθρα /).

The real difficulty lies in the expression $\kappa\iota\nu\dot{\eta}\sigma\omega\sigma\iota\nu^2$ èò ν $\mu\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\sigma_s$. Fränkel suspects this, and three emendations will be found in his critical note. In Noten ad loc. Fränkel insists that $-\iota$ $\nu\dot{\epsilon}o\nu$ must be read for $-\iota\nu$ èò ν , but the swan's death song is only implicit in the passage. It is not the finality of the song that is stressed, but the lamentation: so the fledglings at 1299, and the handmaidens in the apodosis of the simile at 1304, who è $\lambda\epsilon\epsilon\iota\nu\dot{o}\nu$ i $\dot{\eta}\lambda\epsilon\mu\nu\nu$ $\dot{\omega}\delta\dot{\nu}\rho\nu\nu\tau$ o (cf. also 1297). èò ν $\mu\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\sigma_s$ is 'their own (particular kind of) song', that is a $\gamma\dot{\epsilon}\sigma_s$ or $\theta\rho\eta\nu\sigma_s$.

Fränkel also maintains that κινήσωσιν μέλος is meaningless. Erbse nodded

1299?), since mood and tense variation of this type (though less involved than here) is found now and again in Homeric epic (see Chantraine, G.H. ii, § 253). In writing $\kappa\iota\nu\eta'\sigma\omega\sigma\iota\nu$ here Apollonius would have been influenced, perhaps unconsciously, by the fact that $\kappa\iota\nu\epsilon\iota^2\nu$ in the aorist subjunctive is very common in Homer.

This accounts for the surprising repetition of ἄσπετον at 1. 1181 and 1183. The first is neuter adjective, the second (in spite of 1. 453-4) not a feminine adjective with $\phi\nu\lambda\lambda\delta\delta\alpha$, but an adverb with $d\mu\eta\sigma\alpha\nu\tau\epsilon_S$, as the rhythm in fact suggests.

² So SG; LAPE have κινήσουσιν. The latter is lectio facilior (assimilation to κλάζουσι

badly when he quoted in support E. Suppl. 172 (Gnomon, xxxv [1963], 24); yet this passage, γεραιὰ κινοῦσαι μέλη, is not as irrelevant as it looks at first sight. κινεῖν μέλος in Apollonius is strange, but it is clearly meant as a variation on Homer's οὐδέ τι κινῆσαι μελέων ἦν (Od. 8. 298, cf. Hom. h. Ven. 234). 'Limb' is replaced by 'song'. Further, there is a bridge between these two elements. Nonnus talks of the ὡρίων and compares it to a swan; but unlike the swan this bird does not sing ὑμνοτόκων πτερύγων ἀνεμώδεα ῥοῖζον ἰάλλων (D. 26. 204). It was a widespread belief that the swan produced its song by the movement of its wings: 't that is what Apollonius alludes to in κινεῖν μέλος.

The above is the text as printed by Fränkel. βαρείη at 1339 is a suggestion of Brunck's, which he himself rejected; the MSS. have βαρεία (VASG) or βαρείαι (L in ras., PE). At 1340 the MSS. have ὑποτρομέουσω; Fränkel, following the lead of Castiglioni's ἐπιβρομέουσω, conjectures ὑπο βρομέουσω, comparing 4. 1302, Q.S. 4. 240 f., 7. 257 f. — τρομέουσω, he believes, is due to δείματι κ.τ.λ. in 1341.

It is at least equally arguable that the entire picture from 1339 on is concerned with the feeling of terror which the lion's roar inspired in nature, in animals, and in man. The text of Fränkel gives a conventional picture, but it may be worth considering whether this is what we really want. Homer talks of nature trembling beneath the feet of a god (Il. 13. 18 f.):

τρέμε δ' οὔρεα μακρὰ καὶ ὕλη ποσσὶν ὑπ' ἀθανάτοισι Ποσειδάωνος ἄνακτος.

Callimachus gives this trembling of nature a new application in his *Hymn to Delos* 137 f. There Ares banged on his shield,

ἔτρεμε δ' "Οσσης οὔρεα καὶ πεδίον Κραννώνιον αι τε δυσαεῖς ἐσχατιαὶ Πίνδοιο, φόβῳ δ' ἀρχήσατο πᾶσα Θεσσαλίη.

ὑποτρομέουσιν in Apollonius is a detail well worth keeping, and besides, it recalls the picture of Artemis at 3. 883 f.:

ἀμφὶ δὲ θῆρες κνυζηθμῷ σαίνουσιν ὑποτρομέοντες ἰοῦσαν . . .

ύποτρομέω is used absolutely at Il . 22. 241, and here βαρείη φθογγ $\hat{\eta}$ ύποτρομέουσιν might mean 'shudder deep within at (by reason of) the roar'; the obvious alternative is ὕπο τρομέουσιν, but the compound seems the choicer reading.

4. 1436 f. ἤλυθε γὰρ χθιζός τις ἀνὴρ ὀλοώτατος ὕβριν καὶ δέμας, ὅσσε δέ οἱ βλοσυρῷ ὑπέλαμπε μετώπῳ . . .

¹ Cf. Allen-Sykes-Halliday on h. Hom. 21. 1.

Heracles is described by the Hesperides as 'a man most destructive in wanton violence and body'. This is supposed to mean 'most fell in wanton violence, most grim in form' (Seaton). One might at a pinch explain $\delta \epsilon \mu as$ as 'bodily strength', but it would be far better to read $\mu \acute{\epsilon} \nu o s$; the two words are confused in our manuscripts at 3. 847. The slip would have been greatly assisted by the long description of Heracles' physical attributes which follows immediately on these lines.

4. 1714 f.

ποίεον.

τοὶ δ' ἀγλαὸν Ἀπόλλωνι άλσει ένὶ σκιερῷ τέμενος †σκιόεντα† τε βωμόν

The culprit must be $\sigma \kappa \iota \delta \epsilon \nu \tau a$, for the beginning of 1715 combines the two Homeric passages where σκιερός occurs: Il. 11. 480 / ἐν νέμεϊ σκιερῶ (γλαφυρῶ Zenodotus), and Od. 20. 278 ἄλσος ὕπο σκιερὸν έκατηβόλου Ἀπόλλωνος. It seems likely enough that the termination $-\delta\epsilon\nu\tau a$ is sound, and obviously only a limited number of words will fit at all.

The context provides a strong clue. The Argonauts have landed on the tiny island of Anaphe. As often, they are faced with the awkward situation of sacrificing to a god, and to do so they must improvise an altar. On two occasions they make an altar of pebbles, 1. 1123 (cf. Wendel on Σ ad loc.), and 2. 694 f. (cf. Mooney's note); there is another such altar at 2. 1170 f. (ἐσχαρὴ στιάων). Accordingly we expect in this passage an epithet which is connected in some way with the material from which the altar is made. At 2. 694 f. the pebbles are collected from the beach. I suggest therefore μνιόεντά $\tau \epsilon \beta \omega \mu \delta \nu$. The altar is 'seaweedy' because it is covered with seaweed from the pebbles of the shore. For the expression cf. Opp. H. 2. 167 μνιαροισιν ἐπὶ $\pi \lambda \alpha \tau \alpha \mu \hat{\omega} \sigma i$; for the word itself (Apollonius only) 4. 1237. Such an allusive way of referring to an altar of this kind would be very much in Apollonius' manner.

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r στιόεντα would be ideal here, but it would not conform to Apollonius' strict rules of synizesis.