XIII. Body and Soul in Vergil

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- 1. Probably one of the outstanding differences between prose and poetry—that is, between prose that is genuinely prosaic and poetry that is genuinely poetic—is the greater use by the latter of words and phrases having the power to suggest more than actually meets the eye, or, to borrow from the terminology of a different sense, possessing overtones to reinforce and enrich the effect directly conveyed. A poet such as Catullus or, in modern times. Burns, who writes conversationally even though lyrically, relies comparatively little upon this quality of evocativeness; he gets his poetic effects in other ways. But a poet with a more elaborate and artificial style, such as Vergil² or—though, I believe, to a lesser extent—his great imitators Milton and Tennyson, may use language in a complicated way that can say one thing and suggest another. Faute de mieux, I have used the terms "fusion" and "confusion" to suggest one aspect of this type of writing, though fully aware that the choice is far from happy, since these words, especially the second, themselves have overtones with a note of censure which it is far from my intention to bestow upon what I consider, at least in works by a true poet like Vergil, as an essentially poetic device, a virtue and not a fault.3
- 2. One fruitful cause of such linguistic "confusion" is, I believe, the unconscious, or rather non-conscious, misuse of the axiom "Things that are equal to the same or equal things are equal to each other." The proper noun *Iulius* can represent either a

¹ I have discussed this distinction at greater length in TAPA 87 (1956) 147, note 1a.

² In all citations from Vergil, the initials E and G are used to designate passages from the Eclogues and the Georgics respectively; passages without special designation are from the Aeneid. Quotations are given at sufficient length to show sense and syntax, with omissions freely made and left unmarked. Because of the large number of these quotations, it has seemed convenient to append an index locorum; to facilitate its use, and also the use of the numerous cross-references, I have numbered the paragraphs in the text.

³ Cf. TAPA 88 (1957) 66, note 40.

person or his name; hence in some cases the two uses are fused in a single passage.⁴ The proper noun *Italia* may stand either for the country or—in poetry at least ⁵—for the people occupying the country; hence it may be made coordinate in one and the same passage with a geographical term such as *Bactra* and an ethnographical term such as *Indi*, ⁶ and may be used interchangeably with either type.⁷ The name of a god may at times be employed to denote the function that he exercises, ⁸ or the locality—natural ⁹ or artificial ¹⁰—where he dwells, or the image ¹¹ by which he is represented; hence the deity is spoken of in terms that really apply only to the function, or the locality, or the image.¹²

- 3. A particularly interesting type of this sort of confusion is that of the ego with either the body or the soul, leading eventually to the confusion of the body and the soul not only with the ego but with each other. Myself may at times seem to be synonymous with my own body, and at others with my own soul. An aged crone who excites our sympathy may be quite indifferently dubbed "a poor old body" or "a poor old soul." We may say after a great disaster that "nobody 13 survived" or that "not a single soul
- ⁴ As in e.g. 1.286–88 nascetur Iulius, a magno demissum nomen Iulo, where nascetur applies to the man, demissum to the name, and magno possibly to either. I discuss this form of confusion, with special reference to Vergil, in a monograph on "naming constructions" now in process of completion.
 - ⁵ As in 10.8 abnueram bello Italiam concurrere Teucris.
- 6 In G 2.136–38 neque Medorum silvae nec Ganges laudibus Italiae certent, non Bactra neque Indi.
- ⁷ I discuss this sort of confusion in "A Linguistic Fallacy," in Studies Presented to Joshua Whatmough on His Sixtieth Birthday, ed. by Ernst Pulgram (The Hague 1957) 53-64.
 - ⁸ As in e.g. 2.335 caeco Marte resistunt.
- ⁹ Thus in 4.246-51 Atlas is in part the giant and in part the mountain, and in 8.31-67 Tiberinus is in part the genius and in part the river.
 - ¹⁰ I.e. the temple, as in 3.275 nautis aperitur Apollo.
- ¹¹ As in E 7.31–32 and 35–36, where the herdsmen tell Diana and Priapus that they (not their statues) are or will be made of marble or of gold; and in 2.167–68, where the impious Greeks are said to have stolen the sacred image (sacram effigiem) of Pallas, and in the course of the sacrilege to have touched the maiden fillets not of the statue but of the goddess (virgineas divae vittas). We may attribute the confusion to the naïveté of the persons involved in the first passage, but not in the second.
- ¹² I discuss this type of confusion in two articles on "Vergil's Linguistic Treatment of Divine Beings," *TAPA* 88 (1957) 56–67, and 89 (1958) 237–53.
- 13 That nobody was originally no body has of course been quite lost sight of as the result of our pronouncing and writing the expression as a single word. No one, presumably because of the collocation of the two o's, is written—though not pronounced—as two words, but actually nobody and no one (one referring to the whole man,

survived," though the former statement may be at variance with the facts, and the latter with our religious belief. Examples of confusion of this sort occur, of course, particularly often in the poets, 14 who, as I have indicated, are likely to express themselves with more picturesqueness, and less precision, than their more sober-minded brethren the prose-writers. And they are especially common in Vergil, whose keen feeling for the poignance of frail mortality, and profound interest in life after death, combine to make his use of terms for body and soul particularly rich in the imagery which they evoke. 15

4. The dual nature of man—his composition of corpus and anima—is clearly recognized by Vergil, 16 and the whole may be spoken of in terms now of one of the two parts, now of the other.

the ego) are synonymous, as are the other compounds of body and one. Cf. the amusing song by Don Alhambra in Act 2 of Gilbert and Sullivan's Gondoliers:

> When every one is somebodee, Then no one's anybody!

14 Instances abound in English, from Shakespeare's

... God forbid so many simple souls Should perish by the sword,

to Burns'

Gin a body meet a body Coming through the rye; Gin a body kiss a body-Need a body cry?

Obviously, it is not the soul but the body that perishes by the sword; and, though the meeting and the kissing are distinctly corporeal acts, it is assuredly the more spiritual parts that would motivate the unnecessary act of crying.

- 15 It is true that certain examples here listed, such as those that involve the placing of the soul in the tomb where the body should be, or the placing of something that at least looks like the body in Hades where the soul should be, may be due to a confusion of religious or philosophical belief (cf. fn. 11 on E 7). But in most of the instances here discussed I believe the source of inconsistency is primarily one of language. Cf. my brief discussion of a similar problem as applied to the confusion of a divinity with his dwelling, TAPA 88 (1957) 66-67, where I asked (67): "Does the Roman mix the god and the river because they are both named Tiber, or because he believes that the god and the river are really one and the same?"
- 16 The case is not affected by the fact that many ancients—with Lucretius as an extreme example—regard the anima as itself corporeal. Vergil generally stresses its lack of substance (as in the passages quoted in § 16 and note 40) and of blood (see note 81); but at least at the moment of death, it is described not only as mixed with blood, 10.908 undanti animam diffundit in arma cruore, but as actually endowed with the color of blood, 9.349 purpuream vomit ille animam—unless we accept the reading purpureum proposed by Servius, but opposed by Conington (P. Vergili Maronis Opera, 3 vols., revised by Henry Nettleship, 4th ed. of vols. 1 and 2, 3rd ed. of vol. 3, London 1881-84).

5. The identification of a man with his corpus is at the bottom of a number of Vergilian periphrases. Thus the word corpora in periphrasis may be placed in apposition with a word denoting persons (or other living creatures), or may be made coordinate with such a word, or may in some way refer to it and balance it. Examples of the first class include 10.430 et vos, o Grais imperdita corpora, Teucri, 6.582-83 Aloidas geminos, immania corpora, and 11.690-91 Orsilochum et Buten, duo maxima corpora. Examples of the second class 17 include G 4.475–76 = 6.306–7 matres atque viri defunctaque corpora vita magnanimum heroum, 7.535 corpora multa virum circa seniorque Galaesus, and 9.272–73 bis sex lectissima matrum corpora captivosque dabit; so too G 3.368-70 intereunt pecudes, stant circumfusa pruinis corpora magna boum, confertoque agmine cervi torpent, and 11.197-99 multa boum mactantur corpora, saetigerosque sues raptasque iugulant pecudes, where corpora, while not connected grammatically with the other words, stands as a parallel in thought to them (respectively pecudes and cervi, sues and pecudes). Examples of the third class 18 include 3.623-25 vidi duo de numero cum corpora nostro prensa manu magna frangeret ad saxum, 5.318-19 ante omnia corpora Nisus emicat, 7.649-50 Lausus, quo pulchrior alter non fuit excepto corpore Turni, and 12.899-900 vix illud lecti bis sex cervice subirent, qualia nunc hominum producit corpora tellus. We also find corpus standing virtually for se (or for some other form of the reflexive), ¹⁹ as in 2.565–66 corpora saltu ad

¹⁷ In each instance the word coordinated with *corpora* is a better parallel logically for the genitive modifying *corpora* than for *corpora* itself. Coordinations of this sort are a common feature of Vergil's style. See my *Coordination of Non-Coordinate Elements in Vergil* (New York 1930) 195–214; these three particular examples are there listed on page 200.

¹⁸ We may compare also 6.149–52 iacet exanimum corpus amici; hunc refer suis et conde sepulcro, where hunc balances corpus amici (i.e. amicum) as in 7.649–50 alter balances corpore Turni (i.e. Turno). But 6.149–52 is not included in the present paragraph, for in it (as also in 1.486, quoted in note 46) corpus amici is not a mere periphrasis, since corpus has its full force of "corpse" (for this reason the two passages are listed in note 45). The lack of strict logic here is not in the use of corpus amici as a possible substitute for amicus; it is in the use just below of hunc with reference to amici instead of how with reference to corpus (for which reason the passage is listed in § 17). But it is much more touching to talk about burying him (the friend) than about burying it (the body); and the Sibyl shows unusual compassion in her choice of words here.

¹⁹ Cf. with this use of corpus the use of membra in 4.391–92 conlapsa membra referunt; also in Horace, Carm. 1.1.21–22 membra stratus, and Serm. 2.2.80–81 curata sopori membra dedit. (These passages are all referred to again below, respectively in note 28, in notes 25 and 27, and in note 27.)

terram misere, ²⁰ 12.287–88 corpora saltu subiciunt in equos, 3.176 corripio e stratis corpus, 4.572 corripit e somno corpus, ²¹ 7.108 corpora deponunt, 3.511 corpora curamus, ²² G 4.187 corpora curant, ²³ 8.607 equos et corpora curant. ²⁴ In much the same way, 9.722 fuso germanum corpore cernit may stand for fusum germanum cernit, 9.317 corpora fusa vident may stand for homines fusos vident, and 11.596 circumdata turbine corpus ²⁵ may stand simply for circumdata turbine. It goes without saying that in all these examples the employment of the word corpora adds something, a very definite something, to the picture: some physical trait, such as beauty (7.649–50, 9.272–73 ²⁶), size (6.582–83, 11.690–91,

²³ Cf. the same phrase in Lucretius 2.31.

²⁴ Either equos et se curant, or equorum et sua corpora curant, would be more precise, though neither sounds natural.

²⁵ For the construction here, cf. Horace, Carm. 1.1.21-22 membra stratus (already cited in note 19).

²⁶ Probably the emphasis here is not only on the beauty of the picked women but also on their loss of personality, the fact that they are mere chattels, like the septena corpora natorum (6.21-22) required each year of the Athenians by the Cretans. Perhaps corpus is meant to suggest the slave, as caput (e.g. in Horace, Carm. 3.5.42) suggests the free man. On the other hand, in 2.18 delecta virum corpora (of the men in the wooden horse), which looks like lectissima matrum corpora, the stress is on the physical prowess of the heroes chosen (surely not merely on the notion of occupying space, as Conington thinks). In 12.270-71 novem pulcherrima fratrum corpora, as in 9.272-73, the combination of the idea of beauty with that of misfortune (in this case death) enhances the pathos of the situation. However, it should be noted that elsewhere we have not a periphrasis at all, corpora being used in its full sense of "corpses" (cf. note 18 on 1.486, also note 22); so surely in G 4.543 corpora ipsa boum desere, of the bulls slain by Aristaeus, and in 1.192-93 septem ingentia corpora fundat humi (where there is no genitive at all). Other examples of the use of corpora with a genitive not in periphrasis are 2.213-15 parva duorum corpora natorum serpens amplexus uterque implicat (where corpora natorum may be contrasted with the periphrasis septena corpora natorum in 6.21-22, quoted at the beginning of this note), G 3.250-51 tremor pertemptet equorum corpora, and probably G 3.51 corpora matrum legat and G 3.69 quarum mutari corpora malis. A good test of whether or not we have a periphrasis consists in changing corpora plus the genitive of a given word to simply the given word in the appropriate case, and then inquiring whether the sense remains practically unchanged (though the loss of corpora may be serious from the standpoint of literary value); thus we may compare bis sex lectissimas matres as a substitute for bis sex lectissima matrum corpora in 9.272-73, or delectos viros as a substitute for delecta virum corpora in 2.18, with bis septem Rutuli delecti in 9.161-62. We may also replace corpora with a modifying adjective by an ablative of quality: cf. 11.690-91 Orsilochum et Buten, duo maxima corpora

²⁰ Contrast 4.253-54 toto praeceps se corpore ad undas misit.

²¹ Cf. G 3.471–72 nec singula morbi corpora corripiunt, where *singula corpora* stands for *singulas oves*.

²² But *corpus* is probably used with full force, not periphrastically, in 10.834 vulnera siccabat lymphis corpusque levabat; so too in 6.635–36 corpus spargit aqua, and G 2.531 corpora nudant palaestra. Cf. also *corpora* as subject in 4.522–23 placidum carpebant fessa soporem corpora per terras.

- G 3.368–70), strength or lack of it (12.899–900), agility (12.287–88 and possibly 2.565–66), or speed (5.318–19); sudden action, as when one wakes with a start (3.176 and 4.572); physical comfort and relaxation ²⁷ (G 4.187, 3.511, 8.607, 7.108, and 9.317); or death, ²⁸ its imminence or actual occurrence (G 3.368–70, ²⁹ G 4.475–76 = 6.306–7, ³⁰ 2.565–66, ³¹ 3.623–25, ³² 7.535, ³³ 9.722, 10.430, 11.197–99).
- 6. Parallels for these examples with *corpus* exist in the form of comparable examples with *anima*. Thus with 10.430 we may compare 11.372–73 nos animae viles, inhumata infletaque turba, sternamur campis, where *animae* is in apposition with *nos* just as *corpora* is with *vos*.³⁴ In 6.817–18 et Tarquinios reges animamque
- with 5.372 Buten immani corpore and 8.330 immani corpore Thybris; 9.272–73 bis sex lectissima matrum corpora with 1.71 bis septem praestanti corpore Nymphae; 12.270–71 pulcherrima fratrum corpora with 7.783 praestanti corpore Turnus; G 3.369 corpora magna boum and the probably non-periphrastic G 4.543 corpora ipsa boum, with G 4.538–40 quattuor eximios praestanti corpore tauros delige (echoed in G 4.550) and 8.207 quattuor praestanti corpore tauros; note too 9.563 candenti corpore cycnum. Still another syntactic variation as compared with e.g. 5.372 Buten immani corpore is seen in 11.640–41 Iollan, ingentemque animis, ingentem corpore et armis, where ingenti corpore would have been stylistically possible, but hardly ingentibus animis or ingentibus armis.
- ²⁷ So too *corpora* in Lucretius 2.31 (cited in note 23), where the idea is one of moderate physical indulgence, and *membra* in Horace, *Carm.* 1.1.21–22 and *Serm.* 2.2.80–81 (both cited in note 19), where the idea is one of complete relaxation.
- ²⁸ Similarly, in 4.391–92 (quoted in note 19), the physical term seems particularly appropriate as applied to the swooning Dido, whose conscious intelligence has for the moment departed and left her a mere body.
- ²⁹ The reference to the size of the poor beasts, already noted just above, merely intensifies the pathos of their helpless situation.
 - ³⁰ Referred to again below, §§ 10 and 16.
- 31 Here too, as in 9.273 and G 3.369 (referred to in notes 26 and 29 respectively), the word may have a double connotation.
- ³² Ulysses' doughty companions are perfectly helpless in the hands of the Cyclops; thus they become mere bodies like the enslaved matrons of 9.272–73 (see note 26) or the unconscious Dido of 4.391–92 (see note 28).
 - 33 Referred to again below, § 7.
- 34 We may further compare Horace's famous tribute to his three dear friends, Serm. 1.5.40–42 Plotius et Varius Vergiliusque occurrunt, animae qualis neque candidiores terra tulit neque quis me sit devinctior alter, where animae is in apposition with the three proper names as corpora is with the two proper names in 11.690–91. (On the other hand, Horace's qualis clause somewhat recalls the structure of Vergil's qualia clause in 12.900 qualia nunc hominum producit corpora tellus, although Vergil incorporates corpora into his dependent clause while Horace keeps animae outside his.) Once more, of course, we must not fail to note that the loss in logic which is involved in the passage quoted is more than counterbalanced by the effective gain in force. Unfortunately, we know comparatively little of Plotius and Varius, but Vergil was surely a man who might well be described as "all soul." (Turning from the sublime

superbam ultoris Bruti, animam Bruti is a periphrasis of the same nature as corpora heroum in 6.306-7 (though a more suitable one for a denizen of the lower world); and animam here like corpora there is in strict logic less precise a parallel than the genitive modifying it for the noun with which it is grammatically coordinated (Tarquinios reges here, matres atque viri there). Just as in 3.623-25, 5.318-19, and 7.649-50 respectively, duo corpora, ante omnia corpora, and excepto corpore Turni as substitutes for duos (viros), ante omnes (viros), and excepto Turno balance nostro (equivalent to a genitive such as virorum), Nisus, and Lausus, so in 12.229-30 pro cunctis talibus unam obiectare animam, unam animam as a substitute for unum, i.e. unum virum, balances cunctis talibus, which assuredly stands for cunctis talibus viris, not cunctis talibus animis. And finally, just as corpora virtually stands for se in 2.565-66 and 12.287-88, so does hanc 35 animam stand for me in 10.525 hanc animam serves natoque patrique and 10.598 sine hanc animam et miserere precantis, 36 and so, too, animas stands for se in 9.663 animasque in aperta pericula mittunt. In all these periphrases, exactly as the use of *corpus* regularly enhances the pictorial quality of the passage, so the use of anima enhances its emotional quality. In 6.817-18, animam surely refers not so much to the fact that Brutus is a shade (which is equally true of course of the Tarquin kings and all the other figures seen here), as to the fact that he is characterized by a dauntless spirit; in other words, anima Bruti stands for animosus Brutus, just as violentia Turni stands for violentus Turnus.37 As for the other examples, the use of anima in them

to the ridiculous, we may recall the man in Catullus 13.14 who Catullus predicted would pray to be made "all nose.") The conception of the anima is also used effectively elsewhere by Horace, who calls Vergil animae dimidium meae (Carm. 1.3.8) and Maecenas meae partem animae (Carm. 2.17.5).

³⁶ For this use of hanc cf. hunc in the familiar hunc hominem (i.e. me) of Horace, Serm. 1.9.47.

³⁶ However, animam seems to be used quite literally of the soul alone in 1.97–98 mene non potuisse tua animam hanc effundere dextra!, 3.654 vos animam hanc quocumque absumite leto, 4.652 accipite hanc animam meque his exsolvite curis, and 11.440–42 vobis animam hanc devovi. Cf. the literal use of *corpus* referred to in notes 18, 22, and 26.

³⁷ Incidentally, it is perhaps worth while to observe that not only would animosum Brutum here have been less effective rhetorically than the phrase that Vergil actually uses; it would have led to a highly clumsy succession of accusatives, Brutum animosum, superbum, ultorem. It is needless to point out that such a piling up of epithets would hardly be possible in Latin. We may also note in passing how effective is the transfer, with a shift in tone, of the usual reproachful epithet for the younger Tarquin, superbus, to the soul of his conqueror, the avenging Brutus.

points up the poignancy of the situation, which in all of them involves the imminent danger of death. In 11.372–73 the use of animae is particularly effective in combination with inhumata turba, suggestive as the latter is of corpora; according to the speaker (Drances), Turnus owns—and despises—his followers, body and soul. In 12.229–30, by an ingenious touch of poetic justice, we no longer find the soldiers, poor souls, in danger of dying for Turnus; we find Turnus, poor soul, in danger of dying for them. In 9.663 the soldiers return to battle at the risk of their lives. In 10.525 38 and 598, a defeated warrior is desperately—and vainly—pleading for his life.

7. While the anima and the corpus are united—in other words, during life—there is not much difficulty involved in their confusion, since the ego represents a fusion of the two. But serious complications begin with death, consisting as it does of the separation of the two constituent parts of man. Cf. 4.385 mors anima seduxerit artus, ³⁹ and 4.695 quae [= Iris] luctantem animam nexosque resolveret artus. Life departs—yet continues to exist in the form of the shade or anima, ⁴⁰ with which the vita ⁴¹ or vital principle

³⁸ The speaker also just below, in 10.528–29 non hic victoria Teucrum vertitur aut anima una dabit discrimina tanta, pathetically uses anima una for vir unus, just as in 12.229–30 (quoted earlier in this paragraph) unam animam is used for unum virum.

³⁹ Mors animam seduxerit artibus would be more logical. Here we find exemplified a type of confusion different from that which is under investigation in the present paper. To explain this one, too, in mathematical terms, we may say that, given the ratio a:b, that of b:a, its reciprocal, will bear to it a very definite relationship; and this time it is far more often in the realm of logic than in that of mathematics, that this relationship will be one of equality. That is, in non-mathematical terms, given two bodies which bear a certain mutual relationship, it is sometimes safe, in simple, straightforward matters, to assume that the first is related to the second in the same way as the second is to the first. But very often it is not; and yet under these circumstances Vergil frequently acts as if it were. I have treated this type of inexactitude on Vergil's part in an article entitled "A Source of Vergilian Hypallage," TAPA 87 (1956) 147–89; for this particular example, see 156.

⁴⁰ It hardly needs to be remarked that this anima in appearance is identical with the corpus that it once inhabited (even to the very mutilations inflicted upon that corpus, as in the case of the phantom of Hector in 2.270–79 and 285–86, or the shade of Deiphobus in 6.494–501), or, odder still, with the corpus that it is some day to inhabit (as in the case of the muster-roll of Aeneas' descendants, notably the young Marcellus in 6.860–66). Indeed, the anima itself is described as having a corpus in 6.494 laniatum corpore toto (of Deiphobus)! But, though it may look and speak and weep like a living man (cf. note 41), the spirit once arrived in the world of shades or returned to that of men is unsubstantial to the touch: cf. 2.792–94 of the vision of Creusa = 6.700–2 of the shade of Anchises, ter conatus ibi collo dare bracchia circum; ter funesta comprensa manus effugit imago, par levibus ventis volucrique simillima somno (this of course is reminiscent of Homer, Od. 11.204–8). The insubstantiality of the animae is

seems under certain circumstances to be interchangeable: 42 cf. with G 4.526 anima fugiente 11.831 = 12.952 vitaque cum gemitu fugit indignata sub umbras, 4.705 in ventos vita recessit, 6.735

also emphasized in contrast with the heavy weight of the living Aeneas in 6.411–14 (quoted below, § 16); they are described as bloodless in 6.401, and as weak of voice in 6.492–93 (on their bloodlessness see further below, note 81).

⁴¹ This vita, like the anima (cf. notes 16 and 40), is itself represented in a more or less personal guise. Not only does it partake of the emotions of human life, being called maesta in 10.820 (quoted just below), but it makes actual physical sounds: note gemitu in 11.831 = 12.952 (also quoted just below). There are, to be sure, plenty of instances of the use of vita in precisely the abstract sense of the English life, as e.g. in E 4.53, 2.92. 2.637 and 641, 3.315, 3.646, 4.340, 4.550, 6.428, 6.433, 6.663, 8.577, 9.212, 10.468, 11.180. But elsewhere, even when we translate vita by "life," it may have a more concrete meaning, as in 5.724-25 nate, mihi vita quondam, dum vita manebat, care magis, where dum vita manebat (which occurs also in 6.608 and 6.661) may (as may also modo vita supersit in G 3.10, but hardly Turno rata vita maneret in 10.629) suggest the abiding of the vita or anima in the body, while vita care magis may suggest Horace's animae dimidium meae (cited in note 34); so too vita in 5.230 vitam volunt pro laude pacisci and 9.206 vita bene credat emi honorem. In general the vita seems identical with the anima so far as it is conceived of as that part of the man that is separated from the body at death (for some close parallels see note 42). Also there seems to be an allpervasive world-life as there is an all-pervasive world-soul: cf. G4.219-24 with 6.724-29, and note especially in the earlier passage G 4.221-24 deum ire per omnis terrasque tractusque maris caelumque profundum; hinc pecudes, armenta, viros, genus omne ferarum, quemque sibi tenuis nascentem arcessere vitas, and in the later passage 6.724-28 caelum ac terram camposque liquentis spiritus intus alit; inde hominum pecudumque genus vitaeque volantum. However, the anima or spirit that abides in the lower world is not spoken of as the vita; the word vitas in 6.292 is used synonymously with umbras in 294, but both these words apply to the monsters at the entrance to the world of the dead, not to the dead themselves.

⁴² The person who dies is said to pour out his anima or his vita, as in 9.349 vomit animam and 10.908 animam diffundit cruore, 2.532 vitam cum sanguine fudit; or to breathe it out, as in 11.883 exspirant animas, 2.562 vitam exhalantem (cf. 11.617 vitam dispergit in auras). The first type of expression connects the anima or vita with the blood (as already remarked in note 16); the second connects it with the breath. This latter conception is in keeping with the identification of the anima, and apparently of the vita, with the breath during life: the seat of the vita seems to be the windpipe in 7.533-34 haesit enim sub gutture vulnus et udae vocis iter tenuemque inclusit sanguine vitam, and that of the anima seems to be the chest in 9.579-80 abditague intus spiramenta animae letali vulnere rupit (of the lungs) and 11.408-9 numquam animam amittes; habitet tecum et sit pectore in isto. In the last-quoted example, there is mention of losing the anima, but much oftener dying is spoken of as giving the anima or vita (cf. English give up the ghost), as in G 4.204 animam sub fasce dedere, 10.854 omnis per mortis animam sontem ipse dedissem, and 11.162 animam ipse dedissem, of the anima. and 9.704 neque enim iaculo vitam ille dedisset, of the vita; cf. too G 3.495 dulcis animas reddunt, and 4.652 accipite hanc animam. (However, 2.145 lacrimis vitam damus, 11.118 vixet cui vitam deus aut sua dextra dedisset, and 12.879 quo vitam dedit aeternam?, in all of which there is a question of granting life to some one else, are completely different; note in connection with the last that only the abstract vita can be spoken of here, for any vita in the sense of "spirit" is immortal.) The conception is rather different, that of laying down, not giving up, life, in 9.687 posuere in limine vitam. The killer takes away the anima (3.654 animam hanc quocumque absumite supremo cum lumine vita reliquit,⁴³ 10.819–20 tum vita per auras concessit maesta ad manis corpusque reliquit.⁴⁴ On the other hand, that which remains after the departure of the soul—the mere physical, mortal side—is with particular appropriateness referred to as the body, the *corpus* (cf. our English *corpse*).⁴⁵ Thus in 9.454–55 ad ipsa corpora seminecisque viros, and 11.634–35 corporaque et permixti caede virorum semianimes equi, the lifeless forms are contrasted with those in which some vestige of life still lingers. However, perhaps 2.364–65 sternuntur corpora, 7.535 corpora multa virum (sternuntur), and 12.97 da sternere corpus, and certainly 12.328 multa virum dat fortia corpora leto, are not

leto, 8.566-67 cui omnis abstulit animas, 9.443 animam abstulit hosti) or seizes it (10.348 vocem animamque rapit traiecto gutture, where perhaps the breath is meant as well as the spirit) or despoils the owner of it (6.168 illum vita victor spoliavit Achilles). The plural animas in 8.567 (just quoted) is especially interesting: Erulus had to be killed three times because he had three animae (8.564-66 nascenti cui tris animas mater dederat, terna arma movenda, ter leto sternendus erat). We might rather have expected, as Conington says ad loc., a three-bodied monster like Geryon; but Erulus' three animae seem to correspond to three vitae (as we say in English that a cat has nine lives).

43 Cf. further on this passage, § 11 below.

⁴⁴ An odd inversion of this expression is found in G 3.546-47 illae [= aves] praecipites alta vitam sub nube relinquunt and 5.517 (columba) vitam reliquit in astris. (These two passages deal with birds, not people, but I think this is irrelevant; Vergil regularly humanizes his animals.) Here we have the sort of reversal discussed above in note 39; once more see TAPA 87.147-89 (155-56 for the particular instances discussed in the present note). Instead of saying that life leaves the body, as he does in 10.819-20 (quoted again in § 19), or that life leaves the individual, as he probably does in 6.735 (discussed in § 11), with which we may compare Lucretius 5.63 eum quem vita reliquit, Vergil says that the individual leaves life—which seems natural enough in our own tongue, as in the common phrase depart this life, but rather odd in a language which conceives of the vita as a definite, concrete entity (cf. note 41). Of course it may be argued that vita is really used in an abstract sense here, not of one's own life but of life in general. But what of 3.140-41 linquebant dulcis animas aut aegra trahebant corpora? This is assuredly stranger yet. What leaves (or leave) the animae? Is it the corpora? But, quite apart from the fact that, as has just been said, the animae rather leave the corpora, which without them are impotent and inert, mere "corpses" indeed (cf. e.g. G 3.542 naufraga corpora, 9.454-55 ad ipsa corpora, 11.634 armaque corporaque), it cannot be the corpora that leave the animae, because the objects which perform this action also perform the action indicated by the following words trahebant corpora—and we are hence brought to an utter absurdity! No, the common subject of these two verbs is rather that mysterious union of body and soul, the ego (cf. 12.935-36, quoted just below, in § 9); but then strict logic demands rather animas diffundebant (cf. 10.908, quoted in notes 16 and 42) to balance corpora trahebant. Only one must not expect strict logic of a poet-especially when he is talking of matters of life and death!

⁴⁵ Examples are too numerous to quote. A few instances are given in § 17 as illustrations of the burial rites; others may be listed here: E 5.22, G 4.255, 1.484, 1.486, 2.644, 3.578, 4.600, 4.635, 6.149, 6.219, 11.30, 11.59, 11.185, 11.591, 11.848.

quite so logical, as one really slays not merely the body but the whole man, whose body and soul are thereby separated, as we have just noted.⁴⁶

- 8. After this separation, is the ego to be identified with the surviving anima or vita, or with the mortal remains that are consigned to the pyre or the tomb? The answer is, sometimes one, sometimes the other, sometimes neither.⁴⁷
- 9. Thus when Aeneas invokes the dead Anchises in the following terms, 5.80–81 salve, sancte parens, iterum salvete, recepti nequiquam cineres animaeque umbraeque paternae, the *parens* seems to consist for him of a combination of mortal and immortal remains (cineres, and animaeque umbraeque, respectively).⁴⁸ Again,
- 46 Of course one must not be over-nice in analyzing these periphrases. That, after all, the phrase virum corpora, for instance, forms but a single idea is proved by the transference of fortia to corpora from virum in 12.328, and also by the making parallel with corpora in e.g. 7.535 corpora multa virum seniorque Galaesus (cited above in § 5) of a noun that is parallel in thought with virum (cf. note 17). We may contrast 1.101 scuta virum galeasque et fortia corpora volvit; here there is the same transference of fortia from virum to corpora, but scuta and galeas are really parallel in thought with corpora, while the genitive virum applies to all three nouns. In 1.486–87 ut spolia, ut currus, utque ipsum corpus amici conspexit, spolia and currus are similarly parallel to corpus, but I am not sure whether the genitive here (amici) applies to all three nouns or not. At all events, both these passages as compared with 12.328 show clearly the difference (already discussed in note 26) between corpus used with full force and corpus used in periphrasis.
- ⁴⁷ We may compare Catullus 101, where te in line 3 and cinerem in line 4 seem to refer to much the same thing, the ashes of the dead, but both alike to be differentiated from tete ipsum—the real yourself, which is utterly lost—in line 5. To Catullus, who surely did not believe in the immortality of the soul (cf. 5.5-6), there is no possibility of the existence of any other te; hence his closing line, 101.10 in perpetuam ave atque vale. The more logical denier of survival, Lucretius, makes very clear the distinction between the living ego and the lifeless corpse in a most effective passage, 3.870-93; note especially 881-83 ipse sui miseret; neque enim se dividit illum nec removet satis a proiecto corpore et illum se fingit sensuque suo contaminat adstans. On the other hand, to the believer, Socrates (as reported by Plato, *Phaedo* 115c-D), the true self is not only the living man, it is also, and equally, the surviving soul; but for him as for Lucretius, it is assuredly not the body, as the simple-minded Crito fancies. Compare (in c) Crito's question, Θάπτωμεν δέ σε τίνα τρόπον; and Socrates' laughing answer, "Όπως ἂν βούλησθε, ἐάνπερ γε λάβητέ με καὶ μὴ ἐκφύγω ὑμᾶς. Also note his continuance on the subject in more serious vein: Οὐ πείθω, ὧ ἄνδρες, Κρίτωνα, ὡς ἐγώ είμι οὖτος Σωκράτης, ὁ νυνὶ διαλεγόμενος καὶ διατάττων ἔκαστον τῶν λεγομένων, ἀλλ' οἴεταί με ἐκεῖνον εἶναι, δυ ὄψεται ὀλίγον ὕστερον νεκρόν, καὶ ἐρωτὰ δή, πῶς με θάπτη. And again (in D) : οὐκέτι ὑμῖν παραμενῶ, ἀλλ' οἰχήσομαι ἀπιὼν εἰς μακάρων δή τινας εὐδαιμονίας.
- ⁴⁸ Conington, on 5.81, quotes the Verona scholia's observation, "that Virg. has enumerated the three parts of man, the dust that returns to earth, the spirit that goes into heaven, and the shade that dwells below." But of course the introduction of the

Turnus recognizes that the true *himself* consists of a combination of body and soul, which combination he differentiates from his body alone in 12.935-36 me, seu corpus spoliatum lumine mavis, redde meis.49 But Nisus speaks of his corpse as me,50 9.213-14 sit qui me raptum pugna pretiove redemptum mandet humo; and Aeneas similarly apostrophizes that of Lausus as te, 10.827–28 teque parentum manibus et cineri remitto.⁵¹ The effect is particularly odd when the body is treated as the true ego in conversations in which the soul is represented as taking part. Thus in the lower world, where we see the shades of Deiphobus and Palinurus, Aeneas calls the former's body te, 6.507-8 te, amice, nequivi conspicere et patria decedens ponere terra; and the latter calls his own body me, 6.362 nunc me fluctus habet, and mihi, 6.365-66 aut tu mihi terram inice.⁵² On the other hand, in 4.703 teque isto corpore solvo 53 and 11.829 exsolvit se corpore, te and se refer just as definitely to the soul as distinct from the body. Again in 12.648-49 sancta ad vos anima atque istius nescia 54 culpae descendam magnorum haud umquam indignus avorum, Turnus identifies himself with his soul as it descends to the world of the dead, calling himself sancta anima atque nescia, though in the next breath he thinks of himself even after death as the whole man, and shifts from feminine adjectives agreeing with anima to a masculine one, indignus.

idea of heaven is a complete anachronism, nor it is possible to make a valid distinction between animae and umbrae.

⁴⁹ Already referred to in note 44.

⁵⁰ Cf. too the use of *hunc* in 6.152 hunc refer suis et conde sepulcro, already discussed in note 18 and again cited in § 17.

⁵¹ Nisus and Aeneas here are like the confused thinkers refuted by Socrates and Lucretius in the passages cited above (note 47). For the reverse process, in which the term *corpus* is used of the entire *ego*, cf. the examples enumerated in §§ 5 and 7.

- 52 Actually in his long narrative speech to Aeneas, he uses me to apply to all three facets of his personality: (1) the complete ego in 6.348 nec me deus aequore mersit, 352 pro me, and 355–56 Notus vexit me violentus aqua; (2) the body, in almost the next breath, in 362, as already indicated above; and finally (3) the soul, in 365 eripe me his malis, and 370 tecum me tolle per undas. Only the last me, said by the shade of the shade, is completely accurate; but the me used of the living man seems more appropriate on the lips of the shade than the me used of the corpse. So too there seems to be reasonable even if not complete precision on the part of the visions of Anchises and Creusa that appear on earth to Aeneas in using me (in 5.733 and 2.788) of the corresponding entity that abides in the Elysian Fields in the case of Anchises and with the Magna Mater in the case of Creusa.
 - ⁵³ Contrast 4.695 just above, also 4.385 (both quoted in § 7).
- ⁵⁴ I accept this emendation of the usual reading *inscia* as a very simple solution of the metrical difficulties otherwise presented by the line.

- 10. Sometimes the two views, of the self now as the body and now as the soul, are fused inconsistently in a single passage. This occurs in G 4.475–77 = 6.306–8 matres atque viri defunctaque corpora vita magnanimum heroum, pueri innuptaeque puellae, impositique rogis iuvenes ante ora parentum. In the first and second lines, except for defuncta corpora vita, which will be taken up later (§ 16), the persons are certainly identified with their souls; but in the third line, the words impositi rogis ante ora parentum, said of the iuvenes, apply only to the bodies of those whose souls are elsewhere. Iuvenes (i.e. umbrae iuvenum; cf. G 4.472 umbrae ibant tenues) quorum corpora imposita rogis erant would be the logical form, although, of course, infinitely less poetic and pathetic.
- 11. The same confusion is perhaps less strikingly, but none the less unquestionably, exemplified in 6.730–42;
 - 730 igneus est ollis vigor et caelestis origo semenibus, quantum non corpora noxia tardant terrenique hebetant artus moribundaque membra. hinc metuunt cupiuntque, dolent gaudentque, neque auras dispiciunt clausae tenebris et carcere caeco.
 - 735 quin et supremo cum lumine vita reliquit, non tamen omne malum miseris nec funditus omnes corporeae excedunt pestes, penitusque necesse est multa diu concreta modis inolescere miris. ergo exercentur poenis veterumque malorum
 - 740 supplicia expendunt: aliae panduntur inanes suspensae ad ventos, aliis sub gurgite vasto infectum eluitur scelus aut exuritur igni.

Here *ollis* in 730 and the verbs of 733–34 refer generally to living creatures—primarily human beings, apparently. But in 735 these beings are identified with the mere lifeless *corpora* if we are to supply *eos* with reliquit, ⁵⁶ which certainly seems the only, or at least the obvious, thing to do; while *miseris* in 736 and the verbs in 739–42 relate to the same beings as identical with their souls. ⁵⁷

 $^{^{55}}$ Cf. 6.325–26 haec omnis inops inhumataque turba est; hi, quos vehit unda, sepulti.

⁵⁶ Note the parallel from Lucretius, 5.63, cited above, note 44.

⁵⁷ This explanation is not quite the same as that given by Conington on 6.737, who says that Vergil, in using the present *inolescere* instead of *inoluisse*, expresses himself "as if he were speaking of the soul when still in life, not of the soul after death." But as a matter of fact the present in 738 certainly applies to the souls *after death*; if it did not, it would be a mere repetition of 731-32 corpora noxia tardant, etc. Not only do

12. The case is further complicated by the fact that the incorporeal part of man-his shade or soul-is not by any means a simple, single conception. Sometimes that with which the ego is identified abides in the tomb 58 (4.29 ille habeat secum servetque sepulcro); sometimes it dwells in the lower world (4.387 audiam et haec manis veniet mihi fama sub imos, and Book 6 in general); sometimes it may return to the upper world as a sort of fury or avenging spirit (4.386 omnibus umbra locis adero), or as the phantom of a dream (2.270-71 Hector visus adesse mihi; et al.). Note that the second phase seems the dominant one, with which all the others are more or less fused. Thus Dido has said that her love is buried with Sychaeus in his tomb (4.29), but it is in the lower world that she regains her husband (6.473-74 coniunx ubi pristinus illi respondet curis aequatque Sychaeus amorem).⁵⁹ It is in one and the same breath that she speaks of herself as being everywhere at once (4.386) and as being in the underworld (4.387). And Aeneas in Hades tells Anchises of the visits paid him by Anchises' imago (6.695-96 tua me, genitor, tua tristis imago saepius occurrens haec limina tendere adegit). We may think that we have a clue to the confusion in Aeneas' words tua imago—the dream phantom is the imago, 60 while the Anchises down

the ills which characterized the united soul and body fail to depart when their union is terminated, but, as a result of their long adherence (diu concreta in 738, properly put in the past, does refer to the life on earth), they become ingrained anew in the disembodied soul even as they had been in the soul when bound up with, and hampered by, its body.

⁵⁸ Cf. Conington's note on 3.67, quoted below (§ 17).

⁵⁹ There is an inconsistency of a different kind in placing Sychaeus in the *lugentes campi*, among those who died of love. But we are too thankful that Dido can have the comfort of his companionship and his devotion (6.473–74) to cavil at a discrepancy of this sort.

⁶⁰ It is so called also in 4.351–53 me patris Anchisae admonet in somnis et turbida terret imago; so too the dream phantoms of Sychaeus (1.353–54 ipsa sed in somnis inhumati venit imago coniugis ora modis attollens pallida miris) and Cassandra (5.636–37 mihi Cassandrae per somnum vatis imago dare visa faces). The vision of Creusa at the end of Book 2 is not a dream, I think; but whatever it is, it too is called an *imago* (2.773 nota maior imago, and 2.793 manus effugit imago). However, it is called by two other names in 2.772 simulacrum atque ipsius umbra Creusae. The word *imago* is also used of the false phantom of Aeneas prepared by Juno, 10.643 exsultat imago, 10.656 Aeneae imago, 10.663 quaerit imago; and of the false phantoms which Aeneas accuses Venus of producing, 1.407–8 falsis ludis imaginibus. Thus in general the word seems to be employed of a mere appearance as a dream or vision, whether true or false. This is perhaps also true of *simulacrum*, which, as we have just noted, is used of the vision of Creusa (2.772), and which seems to be employed of ghostly visitations in general, such as appeared on earth after Caesar's death (G 1.477 simulacra

in the lower world is the *umbra*; ⁶¹ but, since only six lines after Aeneas calls the dream-phantom an *imago*, Vergil uses the same term of the shade Anchises (6.701 manus effugit imago), and since the word *umbra* is applied in 6.894 (datur exitus umbris) to the dreams that leave Hades, we must conclude that this distinction will not hold. And the haunting specter of Dido (4.386 ⁶²) is an *umbra* too.

13. As for the ghost that supposedly haunts the tomb ⁶³ and thus is associated with the ashes buried there, though it seems to be described in 5.81 cineres animaeque umbraeque paternae by the phrase animaeque umbraeque, it is usually called the manes: ⁶⁴ 3.303–4 libabat cineri Andromache manisque vocabat Hectoreum ad tumulum, 4.34 id cinerem aut manis credis curare sepultos?, 4.427 nec patris Anchisae cineres manisve revelli, 10.827–28 te parentum manibus et cineri, si qua est ea cura, remitto. Doubtless it is this ghost too for whom altars were erected at the funeral of Polydorus, 3.63 stant manibus arae, and whom Aeneas called at the funeral of Deiphobus, 6.506 magna manis ter voce vocavi,

modis pallentia miris) and haunted the mystical grove of Albunea (7.89 multa modis simulacra volitantia miris). But neither imago nor simulacrum is restricted to this meaning. Besides being applied to the shade of Anchises in 6.701 manus effugit imago (which might be a mere echo of the same words as applied to Creusa in 2.793), imago is also used of the shade of Adrastus in the lower world (6.480 Adrasti pallentis imago), who is one of the group termed animae just below (6.486 circumstant animae). And simulacrum is similarly used of the shades who listened to Orpheus, G 4.472 umbrae tenues simulacraque luce carentum. Here as in 2.772 of Creusa, we find simulacrum combined with umbra; but whereas there umbra is applied to a vision that we might rather expect to call a simulacrum, here simulacra is used of a group of shades that we would naturally term umbrae.

- ⁶¹ Cf. 6.390 umbrarum hic locus est, 6.401 exsanguis terreat umbras.
- ⁶² Quoted at the beginning of this paragraph.
- 63 It must be noted that the idea that the ghost is actually in the tomb with the ashes, though it may have prompted the type of ritual described, is not carried out consistently in the passages here cited. The tombs of Hector and Deiphobus are in reality empty (inanem in both 3.304 and 6.505). Andromache may be calling Hector's shade from his old tomb in Troy to his new one in Epirus, but Deiphobus' shade is clearly in Hades (6.494–534). The ashes of Anchises are doubtless in the tomb in Sicily to which Aeneas and his followers here betake themselves (5.75–76), but his shade is not; it, like that of Deiphobus, is in the nether world, and it has to be summoned up from there (note manis Acheronte remissos in 5.99).
- ⁶⁴ Is it the influence of this invariable plural that has led to the occasional use of the plural for other words of kindred meaning? We may note not only 5.81 animaeque umbraeque cited just above, but also G 4.501 prensantem umbras, 6.510 omnia solvisti funeris umbris, 10.519 inferias quos immolet umbris and 11.81–82 quos mitteret umbris inferias, and 4.571 subitis exterritus umbris, where the references are respectively to the shades of Eurydice, Deiphobus, and Pallas, and the vision of Mercury.

and at the anniversary ceremonies for Anchises, 5.98-99 animam vocabat Anchisae manisque Acheronte remissos. 65 But elsewhere the manes are localized in the lower world 66 with the animae or umbrae, from whom they at times seem to be distinct, with power to treat them well or ill; cf. the notoriously difficult passage 6.743 quisque suos patimur manis, 67 and also 12.646-49 vos o mihi, manes, este boni, quoniam superis aversa voluntas. 68 sancta ad vos anima descendam. When Orpheus seeks to win back Eurydice, the shades are moved by his music (G 4.471-72 cantu commotae umbrae ibant tenues), but his grim task is to propitiate the manes and Pluto (G 4.469-70 manis adiit regemque tremendum nesciaque humanis precibus mansuescere corda); and when he has won a concession, his madness in looking back is not to be pardoned by these implacable beings (G 4.489 ignoscenda quidem scirent si ignoscere manes, and 505 quo fletu manis, qua numina voce moveret?). Yet in the later reference to the Orpheus story, the manes are not distinct from the animae or umbrae; in 6.119 potuit manis accersere coniugis Orpheus, Orpheus' quest for the manes of his wife is likened to that of Aeneas for the anima of his father. We may note too 10.524 per patrios manis, 10.534 patris Anchisae manes, and 11.688-89 nomen patrum manibus referes; also 4.387 manis sub imos (quoted in § 12). And finally in 10.819-20 vita per auras concessit ad manis, the vita is said to go

⁶⁵ Already referred to in note 63. In this passage, note the parallelism, animam manisque, like that in animaeque umbrazque (in 5.81, cited above).

⁶⁶ Indeed, at times they are mentioned simply to symbolize the lowest depths of the earth. So G 1.242–43 illum sub pedibus Styx atra videt manesque profundi (of the pole in the nether world); 3.565 subducta ad manis imos desedimus unda (of a ship in the trough of the waves); 8.243–46 ac si terra dehiscens infernas reserte sedes superque immane barathrum cernatur, trepidentque immisso lumine manes (of an earthquake); 12.883–84 o quae satis ima dehiscat terra mihi, manisque deam demittat ad imos (Juturna's despairing prayer). Note too, though here there may be more thought of the manes as individuals, 4.387 haec manis veniet mihi fama sub imos (Dido's curse); 11.180–81 non vitae gaudia quaero, sed gnato manis perferre sub imos (Evander's lament). Of Juno's summoning of Allecto from the infernal regions (7.325 infernisque ciet tenebris), Venus says, 10.39–40 manis movet, where manis seems to refer to Hades in general, for it certainly does not appear that the fury Allecto belongs to the manes.

⁶⁷ For a discussion of just what is, or at least may be, meant by manes here, see Nettleship ad loc. I myself have attempted to deal with this problematic passage, CW 20 (1927) 215–19.

⁶⁸ Note that here the manes are referred to almost as though they were divinities of the lower world, corresponding to the gods above. So too 10.33-34 tot responsa secuti quae superi manesque dabant. We are reminded of the familiar term di manes, which, however, Vergil does not use.

to the manes just as elsewhere (11.831 = 12.952 vita fugit sub umbras) it is said to go to the umbrae.⁶⁹

- 14. As for the *umbra*, it too is met in a number of different meanings, some of which have already been referred to in connection with other terms. It is used as follows: like *anima* in the invocation introducing the account of the nether world, ⁷⁰ as a general designation of the inhabitants of this world, in 6.264 di quibus imperium est animarum, umbraeque silentes (cf. also 6.390 umbrarum hic locus est); like *simulacrum* of the shades
 - ⁶⁹ Both of these passages have already been cited above (§ 7).
- ⁷⁰ The umbrae are used as a general cover-term suggesting the lower world in general, just as are the manes; see note 66. Cf. with the first passages quoted there, typifying the lowest depths, 4.24-26 sed mihi vel tellus optem prius ima dehiscat vel pater omnipotens abigat me fulmine ad umbras, pallentis umbras Erebo noctemque profundam (Dido's prayer) and 6.404 imas Erebi descendit ad umbras (said by the Sibyl, of Aeneas' journey); also 7.770-71 pater omnipotens aliquem indignatus ab umbris mortalem infernis ad lumina surgere vitae (of the return journey, from darkness to light). Particularly common are the phrases sub umbras and per umbras: we meet the former in 4.660 sic, sic iuvat ire sub umbras, and 6.577-79 Tartarus patet in praeceps tantum tenditque sub umbras quantus ad aetherium caeli suspectus Olympum; and the latter in 6.461-62 iussa deum, quae nunc has ire per umbras, per loca senta situ cogunt noctemque profundam, 6.490 videre virum fulgentiaque arma per umbras, 6.618-19 Phlegyas miserrimus omnis admonet et magna testatur voce per umbras, and 12.880-81 possem misero fratri comes ire per umbras. In passages such as these, it is not always possible to be sure whether the meaning of umbras is "shades" in the sense of spirits or in that of shadows. I think the meaning must be "spirits" in 6.404 and 4.660, where imas ad umbras and sub umbras respectively remind us of manis sub imos in 4.387; and likewise in 6.618-19, where probably the same group is referred to by umbras as by omnis. But the meaning "shadows" seems more likely in 6.490 and 6.577-79, where the umbrae are contrasted respectively with the gleaming arms and with the aerial view to the top of Olympus; and in 6.461-62, where the second per phrase certainly has a purely local meaning, and accordingly the first one may well have such a meaning too. Similarly in regard to the invocation, 6.264 di quibus imperium est animarum, umbraeque silentes, it might be suggested that the following line, 265 et Chaos et Phlegethon, loca nocte tacentia late, also favors the interpretation of umbrae as local rather than personal in force, in keeping with Phlegethon and loca. However, Chaos may be either a god of the underworld (as seems to be the case in 4.510) or the vast, dark underworld itself; and I think in this double sense the name perhaps forms a connecting link between the two personal terms, namely the gods of the shades and the silent shades themselves, and the two local terms, namely the river Phlegethon and the dark, silent regions themselves (the emphasis on silence may be meant to emphasize the secrecy of the mysteries that the poet is about to reveal). We have the same double idea, of beings and regions, in 5.733-35 non me impia namque Tartara habent, tristes umbrae, sed amoena piorum concilia Elysiumque colo. only here the order is chiastic, a b b a, with tristes umbrae and piorum concilia of the shades, and Tartara and Elysium of the places; whereas in 6.264-65 it is straightforward, a a b b, with a connecting link that can count as either a or b between a a and b b. Another ambiguous passage involving the umbrae is 1.547 crudelibus occubat umbris, where both syntax and sense are obscure; see Conington ad loc.

listening to Orpheus, in G 4.472 umbrae tenues simulacraque luce carentum (see § 13); like imago of the shade of Eurydice which Orpheus tries vainly to grasp, in G 4.501 prensantem nequiquam umbras (see note 64), as *imago* is used of the shade of Anchises which Aeneas tries vainly to embrace, in 6.701 manus effugit imago (see § 12); like vita of the variarum monstra ferarum at the entrance to Hades, in 6.294 frustra ferro diverberet umbras (cf. 6.292 tenuis sine corpore vitas, on which see note 41): like simulacrum and imago of the vision of Creusa, in 2.772-73 simulacrum atque ipsius umbra Creusae et nota major imago (see note 60); of the dream-likeness of Mercury, in 4.571 subitis umbris (see note 64); like imago of the phantom Aeneas made by Juno, in 10.636 tenuem sine viribus umbram (cf. imago in 10.643, 656, and 663, and see note 60). Sacrifices are offered to the umbra as they are to the manes, in 10.519 inferias quos immolet umbris and 11.81-82 quos mitteret umbris inferias (cf. on the offerings to the manes 5.77-79 and 96-98 for the manes of Anchises, and 3.66-67 for the manes of Polydorus).

- 15. Not only are the anima, the vita, the umbra, the imago, the simulacrum, and the manes all used more or less interchangeably, but they are frequently confused with the corpus, which certainly ought to be kept distinct from them. This is probably in large part due, as has been said (\S 3), to the identification, already illustrated (\S 5–11), of the ego with both the anima and the corpus.
- 16. Thus we sometimes find the *corpus* in the world of the dead. The shades crossing the river in Charon's skiff are called *corpora* in 6.303 subvectat corpora cumba, though not long afterward they are correctly called *animae* when dislodged from the boat to make room for Aeneas $(6.411-12 \text{ alias animas deturbat, quoted once more near the close of the paragraph). And again the word is used of the throng of shades on the river-bank, <math>G$ 4.475 and the identical 6.306 defuncta corpora vita, though they are correctly termed *umbrae* just before the first occurrence of the line (G 4.472 umbrae ibant tenues) and *animae* shortly after the second (6.319 quid petunt animae?). As a matter of fact, the *umbra* or *anima* should be identified not with the *corpus* but with the very *vita* of

⁷¹ Thoroughly literal and logical expressions are met in 6.713–14 animae quibus altera fato corpora debentur, 6.719–21 putandum est animas ad tarda reverti corpora?, 6.751 incipiant in corpora velle reverti.

which the *corpus* is said to be deprived ⁷² (cf. note 41). The same type of expression (*corpora defuncta vita* or *corpora mortua*) is implied by the use of *corpora viva* ⁷³ for living passengers across the Styx in 6.391 corpora viva nefas Stygia vectare carina; *corpora* alone ought to have been enough: compare Aeneas' corporality as emphasized by his effect upon the boat (6.413–14 gemuit sub pondere cumba sutilis et multam accepit rimosa paludem) in contrast with the *animae* that were routed out by Charon to make room for him (6.411–12 inde alias ⁷⁴ animas, quae per iuga longa sedebant, deturbat laxatque foros), and further his contrast with the *umbrae* of 6.294 (frustra ferro diverberet umbras) that he strove to stab, and with the *imago* of his father (6.700–2 ⁷⁵) that he strove to embrace.

17. Elsewhere it is not the *corpus* that is assigned to the dwelling of the *anima*, but the *anima* that is assigned to the dwelling of the *corpus*. Perhaps the most striking example of this sort is 3.67–68 animamque sepulcro condimus. This may be explained as having reference to the laying of the spirit, and in this connection Conington's note *ad loc*. is of interest: "Gossrau remarks that there was a distinction between the Greek and the original Roman belief, the former placing the spirit of the buried body in the infernal regions, the latter in the tomb along with the body. Virg., in that case, must be supposed to have held himself free to adopt either view: here he is a Roman, in Book 6 a Greek." The im-

⁷² In this connection we may note that only a few lines above the phrase *defuncta corpora vita*, we find its precise reverse, *sine corpore vitas* (6.292), applied, with far more precise logic, to the monsters at the entrance (they too are *umbrae*; note 6.294, quoted at the close of this paragraph).

⁷³ Contrast the exact use of the terms in 8.485 mortua iungebat corpora vivis.

⁷⁴ Alias here, of course, does not mean "other" in our sense.

⁷⁵ Ouoted in note 40.

⁷⁶ The following words, 3.68 et magna supremum voce ciemus, further complicate the situation by presenting a scarcely consistent conception: as Conington says, "'condimus' and 'ciemus' rather jar with each other, 'ciere' being specially used of calling up a shade to upper air"; for this he compares 4.490 nocturnos ciet manis. (Here instead of ciet the variant reading movet also exists. However, there does not seem to be any significant difference between ciet and movet; note 7.325 infernis ciet tenebris and 10.39-40 manis movet—both already quoted in note 66—with apparently identical meanings, the two passages alike referring to Juno's summoning of Allecto from Hades.)

⁷⁷ On the difference in religious views of the two peoples, Conington might well have compared E 8.98 saepe animas imis excire sepulcris, an expression of native Italian superstition without parallel in the Greek prototype (Theocritus 2). It is noteworthy that in the similar description of witchcraft in the Aeneid, 4.490 nocturnosque ciet manis (on which see note 76), there is no indication as to the whereabouts of

propriety of making a Roman out of Aeneas (or a Greek either for that matter) is doubtless no more serious than other similar discrepancies to be found in the Aeneid. However, I cannot help feeling that Vergil wrote animam sepulcro condimus not because he was being a Roman rather than a Greek for the moment, but simply because he could not write of the long-dead Polydorus corpus sepulcro condinus, 78 and so he does the nearest and next-best thing—somewhat as we are told that Cassandra raised her eyes to heaven, for she could not raise her fettered hands, 79 or that Orpheus' mere tongue went on calling Eurydice, even as his soul departed. 80 In other words animam sepulcro condinus is perhaps a special variant, to suit a special case, of the regular expression, such as we meet in 5.47-48 reliquias divinique ossa parentis condidimus terra, 11.204–5 corpora multa virum terrae infodiunt, 11.22–23 corpora terrae mandemus, 10.904 corpus humo patiare tegi, 6.161 corpus humandum, 11.593-94 corpus feram tumulo, 11.102-3 corpora redderet ac tumulo sineret succedere terrae, 2.542-43 corpus exsangue sepulcro reddidit. An inexactitude of a different type is the consigning to the tomb not of just the anima but of the whole ego; examples of this sort have already been noted, namely, 9.213-14 sit qui me mandet humo (§ 9), and 6.149-52 iacet exanimum tibi corpus amici totamque incestat funere classem; sedibus hunc refer suis et conde sepulcro (note 18).

18. In the preceding paragraph, 11.22–23 was cited as an expression of normalcy; but right after it there occurs another anomaly, 11.24–26 animas, quae sanguine nobis hanc patriam peperere suo, decorate supremis muneribus. Here the funeral decorations are ordered to be bestowed upon animae; yet as a matter of fact it is not animae that can be so adorned, but corpora, whose animae are already departed (cf. 10.908 animam diffundit). To be sure, it might be urged that the tribute bestowed upon the the manes, while in the same book, 4.242 animas ille evocat Orco, it is very definitely from the netherworld that Mercury summons the souls of the dead. Horace's witches, like the one in the Aeneid and unlike the wizard in the Eclogue, are of indeterminate nationality in this respect; they summon up the dead (Serm. 1.8.28–29, Epode 17.79), but we are not told whence.

⁷⁸ Of course no actual inhumation of the body was possible here. Polydorus had been buried long since (cf. 3.41 *sepulto*), though without the rites now duly solemnized by the Trojans (3.62 instauramus Polydoro funus).

⁷⁹ 2.405-6 ad caelum tendens ardentia lumina frustra, lumina, nam teneras arcebant vincula palmas.

⁸⁰ G 4.525-26 Eurydicen vox ipsa et frigida lingua anima fugiente vocabat.

body is enjoyed and felt as an honor by the departed spirit; but the form of expression is inaccurate just the same.⁸¹ Similarly, in 6.884–85 purpureos spargam flores animamque nepotis his saltem accumulem donis, a floral offering, probably at the grave, is said to be made to the *anima*.⁸²

19. Again in 10.827–28 Lausus' dead body (confused with Lausus himself⁸³) is to be placed not with his fathers' ashes alone but with their ashes and their manes; and in 4.427 ⁸⁴ Dido declares that she has abstained from disturbing not Anchises' ashes alone, but his ashes and his manes. ⁸⁵ This surely seems like a mixture of the concrete and the abstract, the material and the spiritual. To be sure, Nettleship, according to his note on 4.34, appears to believe that manes here "seems to stand for the material part of what survives after death," and cites several examples of the same usage from other writers; yet the word manes certainly seems to

⁸¹ An additional element of confusion is introduced by the descriptive clause quae sanguine nobis hanc patriam peperere suo (11.24-25), which is applicable neither to the corpora nor to the animae, but to the living persons who once united the two, and who truly accomplished great deeds at the cost of their blood. There is a similar not quite logical association of blood and soul in 2.116-18 sanguine placastis ventos et virgine caesa; sanguine quaerendi reditus animaque litandum, where we are told that the Greeks earlier appeased the gods by means of blood and a maiden slain, but that now they must make atonement by means of blood and a soul. Perhaps we might explain the second clause as embodying a combination of the material and the immaterial that jointly constitute the complete man, sanguis being used here as corpus is elsewhere; so too 12.765 Turni de vita et sanguine certant. The anima, or vita, has no blood, though it may be associated with blood at the moment of death, as in the passages quoted in note 16; the vita that is destroyed by lack of blood, in 7.534 (quoted in note 42), is quite different, being the breath. For the bloodlessness of the anima, which is evidently the cause of its insubstantiality (on which see note 40), cf., in addition to Odyssey 11 passim, Vergil's reference to exsanguis umbras (6.401) and Horace's query, num vanae redeat sanguis imagini? (Carm. 1.24.15). In the same way as the members of a particular group of animae in Hades are identified with living beings who saved their fatherland at the cost of their blood, so too are the members of another group of animae identified with living beings who, by committing suicide, cast out those very same animae, in 6.434-36 tenent maesti loca, qui sibi letum insontes peperere manu lucemque perosi proiecere animas. Cf. too the general confusion in G4.475-77 =6.306-8, discussed above in § 10.

⁸² Of course animam is used here not of Marcellus' present state as Anchises now sees him (cf. 6.680 inclusas animas), but of his future state when, having lived and died, he shall once more have joined the shades. How Anchises, who is never going to leave the Elysian Fields (cf. 6.744 pauci laeta arva tenemus), is going to be able to make this offering, we should not spoil a moving and beautiful scene by inquiring.

⁸³ Cf. above, § 9, and note 51.

⁸⁴ Quoted in § 13.

⁸⁵ On the association of these see § 13.

have an immaterial force, 86 being used for instance only a few lines ahead of the first cited of these "ashes and manes" passages in this sense in contradistinction to the corbus (10.819–20 tum vita per auras concessit maesta ad manis corpusque reliquit 87). Moreover, it is possible in interpreting the passage on which Nettleship has written this note—4.34 88—to say, not that the manes are here material like the cinis, but that the cinis is here immaterial like the manes—that is, the line may very well mean not "Do the empty ashes in the tomb care about such things?", but "Does the anima—in the underworld 89—mind such things?" 90 Certainly a decided personality is here attributed to the cinis as well as to the manes 91 (if only the personality of indifference to worldly happenings); cf. also 4.28–29 above, ille meos amores abstulit; ille habeat secum servetque sepulcro. The same statement applies to the cinis mentioned alone in 4.623-24 (cinerique haec mittite nostro munera) without the manes at all: the gift here to be bestowed upon the ashes is not like the empty decorations of 11.24-26,92 or flowers of 6.884,93 but a distinct tribute of emotion which Dido implies her ashes will know about and rejoice in, just as elsewhere (4.38794) a message is to reach her among the manes. Again in 6.379 the Sibyl says "ossa piabunt," where it is not really Palinurus' bones, but his anima—or his manes according to Conington that must be appeased.

20. Perhaps the oddest confusion of the mortal and immortal, the material and spiritual, is found in 6.510 omnia Deiphobo solvisti

⁸⁶ See the discussion of the term in § 13.

⁸⁷ Cf. sup., §§ 7 and 13.

⁸⁸ Quoted in § 13.

⁸⁹ This is not wholly incompatible with the use of the term *sepultos*, of which Conington says that it is "a significant epithet: 'they are underground: how should they care for what goes on above?'"

⁹⁰ I am inclined to think that Vergil is representing Dido's unwise counsellor Anna as the prototype of the Epicurean, just as he surely represents his noble hero as the prototype of the Stoic; see my article "Pietas versus Violentia in the Aeneid", CW 25 (1931) 9-13 and 17-21, especially 10 and 19. If we are to be completely consistent about this, we should assume that to Anna the ashes are wholly material and the manes non-existent. But she does mention the manes; and we need not seek to be more consistent than Vergil himself.

⁹¹ Than manis sepultos resembles animam sepulcro condimus in 3.67–68, discussed above, 8 17.

⁹² Quoted in § 18.

⁹³ Quoted in § 18.

⁹⁴ Quoted in §§ 12 and 13.

et funeris umbris, where the shade is actually said to belong to the body—and the dead body at that! 95 The explanation is probably that funeris stands for eius—i.e. Deiphobi—by a confusion exactly the converse of that occurring just above in 6.507, where te as used by Aeneas stands for tuum corpus or funus. 96 Of course the logical (but intolerably clumsy) form would be Deiphobo et (Deiphobi) funeri et (Deiphobi) umbris 97 (i.e. to Deiphobus, both body and soul 98); and then the present confused form was reached because both funus and umbrae were conceived of as in a certain sense equivalent to Deiphobus. In other words, once more, though in a particularly peculiar form, we find the formula that we started out with, that both corpus (here funus) and anima (here umbrae) are conceived of as being in a certain sense equivalent to ego. 99

- 96 Quoted and discussed in § 9.
- 97 Cf. 5.80-81, quoted above, § 9.

⁹⁵ There can be no doubt that *funeris* means "dead body" here; cf. 9.490-91 quae nunc artus avulsaque membra et funus lacerum tellus habet?

⁹⁸ Funeral honors are conceived of as being bestowed upon the body in 5.47–48 and 11.22–23, both quoted in § 17; upon the ashes in 6.213 cineri ingrato suprema ferebant; upon the soul in 3.67–68, quoted in § 17, and in 6.884–85 and 11.24–26, both quoted in § 18; and upon the entire man in 6.152, quoted in § 17.

⁹⁹ Possibly not dissimilar to this body-soul confusion is the confusion which has given rise to the highly anomalous passage E 3.102 hi certe—neque amor causa est—vix ossibus haerent. The sheep may be thought of as represented—by a very common metonymy—either by their exterior structure (skin) or by their interior structure (bones); and so here, instead of saying that their skin scarcely clings to their bones, Menalcas tells us that they themselves (the sheep) scarcely do so. (Some editors do away with this difficulty by adopting the lection his for hi; but this necessitates explaining neque as equivalent to non or to ne . . . quidem, which on the whole appears to me to involve even more serious difficulties than the reading hi.)

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