

EPIGRAMS¹

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ON TIMOCRITUS

HERE sleeps the valiant Timocritus free from
life's sorrows and cares;
Ares spares not the brave, only the coward he
spares.

¹These epigrams are of uncertain authority, but are included in the remains of Anacreon by Bergk. The first four epigrams were formerly supposed to be among the earliest effusions of the Teian muse, and (three of them) to commemorate certain friends or relatives whom the poet lost in conflicts which took place between the Thracians and Teians after the latter had sought an asylum at Abdera, Thrace. Cleëonorides, as Barnes observes, seems to have been drowned in attempting a voyage from Abdera to his native country of Teos in winter.