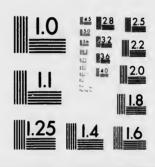


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Most readers are aware that the names Erasmus and Melanchthon are not the original native names of the persons who are thus usually designated in history and literature. They also probably know what the original names of these two distinguished men were. They know that Melanchthon is the German family name Schwartzerd, Blackearth, in a Greeised form. They may remember, too, the anecdote of the popularity of his Loci Communes or Theological Summary, at Rome, while circulating as the production of one Ippofilo da Terra-negra, but its instant condemnation when discovered to be the work of the German reformer Philip Melanchthon. They may know likewise that the family name of Erasmus was the Low-German one of Gerrit, in High-German Gerhard, fancifully and no doubt wrongly held to be a corruption of Gernhaber, an antique synonym of Liebhaber, of which Erasmus, Beloved, was supposed to be a sufficient translation. Moreover it will be remembered by some that the prenomen of Erasmus, namely Desiderius (which is intended to be identical in sense with Erasmus, the Beloved,) originated in the baptismal name of the little Gerrit, which was itself Gerrit, the same virtually as his surname: that, in fact, like Sir Cresswell Cresswell, the great scholar of Rotterdam was christened by his own family name, and that the reiteration that resulted was attempted to be rendered by the respectively Greek and Latin terms Desiderius Erasmus. (Both names were familiar enough at the time, as belonging to popular 'saints,' one being identical with the French St. Didier, the other with the Italian St. Elmo or Ermo.)

Now there are many other less familiar examples of somewhat similarly translated or quasi-translated names to be met with in literary

history; and as we have not been so fortunate as to light on any detailed collection of such instances, we have thought it might be of some interest and even occasional utility, to make a record here of our own memoranda in this regard, incidentally jotted down from time to time. We have seen such works as Barbier's Dictionaire des Ouvrages Anonymes et Pseudonymes, published in Paris in 1822; Wheeler's Dictionary of the Noted Names of Fiction, published at Boston in 1865; and the Handbook of Fictitious Names by "Olphar Hamst," published in London in 1868. But in these we find no detailed list of the class of names now referred to; and which we have ventured to style Metonyms, translated or quasi-translated names.

Salverte has a chapter on translated names; but the scope of his work (History of the Names of Men, Nations and Places, in their connection with the Progress of Civilisation) did not require him to enumerate more than a few examples. In Lower's Patronymica Britannica, the Latinised names are of a class to be met with only in the old Charters and legal records of England. Baillet's Auteurs Déguisés, had the work been within our reach, might possibly have helped us. We offer our collection simply as a contribution to a more complete list, for the use and information of the student who has occasion to consult the original authorities for the civil and literary history of the 16th century; and under correction, for we have not been able, in every instance, to recover the source of our notes. Hallam, Whewell, Disraeli, Dibdin and Brunet furnished us with some of them. Our translated names will be those which, like the instances already described, convey in a Latinised or Greeised form the sense, real or supposed, or approximated to, of the vernacular name. Our quasitranslated names will embrace such as have, for convenience, been moulded into a Latin form, and have assumed in the process a shape under which the vernacular form is not, at first sight, readily recognised; as, for example, Linnæus, for Linné, Grotius for de Groot.

At the period of the 'Revival of Letters,' when the Latin and Greek tongues came again to be familiarly understood among the literary men of Western Europe, and to be used by them with elegance in the writing of history and other works, and in correspondence and even common conversation with each other, it was found that the proper names of persons (as also of places) constituted, in many instances, sounds harsh to the ear, and forms uncouth to the eye, in the midst of the flow and harmony of the lately-revived, so-called classical languages.

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The plan was consequently soon adopted of softening and harmonising the names required to be used, either by translating them according to their etymology, or by resuming the forms of the same names as they were before becoming barbarised in the fourth and fifth centuries, or by suffixing convenient terminations.

For this smoothing-down of rough foreign proper names there was the authority and example of the great authors whose works were again becoming widely known. The Greek historians moulded to their own vocal organs the names of Persian and other Asiatic persons and places. Livy did the same with Etrurian, Oscan and Phœuician names. Cæsar and Tacitus did the same with places and persons in the West, the writers in each instance preserving in the metonym, material of high value now to the ethnologist and comparative philologist.

The fastidieusness of taste generated by the newly-revived studies carried men too far when, as in some of the literary clubs or academies in Italy, they adopted the custom of addressing each other by venerable names that did not, even in sound, belong to them: just as, centuries before, under the influence of another partial 'revival of letters,' Charlemagne had saluted his Chancellor Angelbert as Homer, and Alcuin, the head of the Palace-school, as Flaceus. (It was characteristic of the age in which this earlier revival had happened, that Charlemagne himself was styled by a name not taken from Greek or Roman annuls, but from the records of Holy Writ; -he was academically, so to speak, King David; while his superintendent of public works, and subsequent biographer, Eginhart, was addressed by the name of the ingenious nephew of Moses, Beseleel.) These are examples of pseudonyms, not metonyms: conceits playfully indulged in by great men, but not worthy of much attention. It was quite another thing to Latinise or Grecise a name that had become barbarised: or, when harsh and uncouth-looking from its Teutonic or other foreign constitution, to translate it, according to received analogies, into a corresponding equivalent term, in communications by writing or word of mouth, carried on between literary men.

The learned Greeks who found their way from Constantinople to Italy in the fourteenth and two following centuries, would readily shew their pupils how to transmute conveniently names that seemed uncouth; and to construct out of them others that would resemble those borne by themselves and by the Byzantine writers with whose works they were familiar. Here are the names of some of these literary emigrants:

Johannes Argyropylus, John Silvergate; Antonius Eparchus, Antony le Préfet; Nicolaus and Zachariah Calliergus, Nicholas and Zachary Fairwork; Georgius Gémistus or Pletho, George Fulman. Any one of these might be a metonym from the Teutonic or some other Western dialect, similar to those which we are about to enumerate. The names of the Byzantine writers are of a similar stamp: Johannes Stobæus, John of Stobi; Photius, Bright or Mauly; Maximus Planudes, Astray; Thomas Magister, the Teacher; Georgius Cheroboscus, Swincherd; Demetrius Triclinius, Butler, Buffetier; Theodorus Prodromus, Scout; Manuel Holobolus, Alelod; Georgius Syncellus, Fellowfriar, Confrère, Chum; Constantinus Psellus, Stammerer; Georgius Pachymeres, Clumsy; Theodorus Anagnostes, the Reader; Johannes Philoponus, Lovework,—to say nothing of earlier and more venerable names, Latin as well as Greek, simple and compound, all possessing visible vernacular significations.

Almost as fimiliar as the instances of Erasmus and Melanchthon, are those of Œcolampadius, professor of Divinity at Bâle in 1528; Bucer, professor of Divinity at Cambridge in 1549; and Capnio, the very learned preceptor of Melanchthon. The first is properly Hussgen, corrupted from Hausschein, Houselight; the next is Kuhhorn, Cowhorn; and the last is Reuchlin, Smoke. Capito, a friend of Bucer's, was really Koepetein, Headstone. Melissus, author of eight books of Meletemata, Stadies, printed at Frankfort in 1595, is Paul Biene, Bee (Melissa, bee). We have also a printer at Bern, named Apiarius. Cochlicus, author of a Historia Hussitarum, and an opponent of the Reformation, was Wendlestein, Cochlea, Periwinkle, Winkle. Perizonius, author of Origines Babylonicæ et Ægyptiacæ, was Voorbrock, Apron, perizon-e.

In the closters at Eale, not far from the resting-place of Erasmus, is a tablet to his friend Episcopius; and near by are other more recent memorials to members of the same family, whereon the vernacular name of Bischoff is resumed. Pareus, author of three folio volumes of divinity, in 1593, was Wangler, wange being cheek in German, and pareia being cheek in Greek. Macropedius, a writer of Dramatic pieces for the young, was Langevelt, macro having reference to Lange, and pedius to velte, field, campus, pedion. Opilio was Schaefer, Shepherd, opilio being shepherd, as though ovilio, from ovis. Lentilius was Linsenbarht, a supposed progeny of linse, German for lentils. Malleolus, a modest diminutive of Charles Martel's name, was Hem-

merlein, which is sufficiently English in sound to speak for itself. He was a divine of Zurich: some of his treatises were printed at Bâle in 1497. Jerome Bock, Anglicè Buck, a naturalist, whose Kreuter-buch was printed at Strasbourg in 1546, appears on the title page of the Latin version of that work, as Hieronymus Tragus, the equivalent of his name in Greek. Manneken, author of a Complete Letter Writer in 1476, elevates his family-name by Latinising it Virulus, not Homun-

his name in Greek. Manneken, author of a Complete Letter Writer in 1476, elevates his family-name by Latinising it Virulus, not Homunculus. Kammermeister, a distinguished commentator on the New Testament, was Camerarius, Chamberlain. (His family-name was once Liebhard.) Loos, in Low-German, erafty, compiler in 1581, of Illustrium Germaniæ Utriusque Catalogus, is Callidius. Kallison, a pupil of Melanchthon's, became Callistus and Calixtus, Formosissimus. Ulric Molitor in 1489 was doubtless a Mueller; as also Crato Mylius, a printer at Strasbourg, and a Farinator in 1477. Vermeulen is Molanus, and Walseemueller, Hylacomylus. The real name of Regiomontanus, the great mathematician at the close of the fifteenth century, was Mueller. Regiomontanus, Montrealer, is his designation as being a native of Konigsberg, Mont-real, in Franconia. Johannes de Tritterheim, a voluminous historical writer in 1546, is known as Trithemius. Jodocus Badius Ascensius, the learned printer, is no more than Josse Bade of the village of Asche, in Flanders. We meet with distinguished Hebrew scholars bearing the evident metonyms of Aurogallus and Acoluthus.

Giles Overmann, translator into Latin of the romance of the Ulespiegel (whence the French espièglerie), in 1657, is Ægidius Periander. The metonyms in -ander are very numerous. An obvious one is Neander for Neumann. Of this name there were many men of note. The family name of the modern theologian Neander was Mendel. He was born a Jew, and assumed the name Neander on relinquishing the Jewish faith. On a tablet in Westminster Abbey appears the following inscription under the name of a Franciscus Newmannus:—

Exutâ jam carne, animarum in sede Receptus, vere Neander factus est.

One Stephen Neumann figures as Homo Novus. Megander is Grosman. But Albertus Magnus is Albert de Groot. (His works consist of twenty-one folio volumes.) Theodorus Bibliander is Theodore Buchmann. Xylander, editor of Greek and Latin authors in 1532, was, in the vernacular, Holzmann, Woodman. Then we have several Osianders, Heiligmanner, a name now degenerated into Osmaun; and a medical

writer of Hesse, Johannes Dryander, John Eichmann. We may conjecture what the originals may have been of Onosander, Ganander, Nicander, Cratander, Kyriander and Melander. The last was perhaps Schaefer again, Sheep-man. Matthias Flach Francowitz, principal author of the Ecclesiastical History known as the Centurize Magdeburgenses, was Flacius and Flaccus Illyricus. Valentinus Paceus was Hartung Frid. (Hart, valens; Friede, page.)

Conradus Dasypodius, a mathematician, and translator of 'Theodosius and Autolycus on the Sphere,' in 1572, was Conrad Rauchfuss, Hairy-foot. Lycosthenes, compiler of a once well-known volume of Apophthegmata published at Geneva in 1633, is Wolf-hart, that is, as Kilian says, Fortis ut Lupus. Maurolycus also seems to speak for itself. Neoaëtos is Neuenaar, aar being eagle, that is, aëtos. Comes Neuenarius, Comes Neætius, and Comes Novæ Aquilæ, all mean Count Neuenaar. Pelargus is Storch, that is, Stork. The family-name of Joachim Fortius Ringelbergius, in 1516, was also Storch. An Abbot Anser bore the family-name of John Huss, Latinised. Luscinius was Nachtigall. Godofredus Rabus is Godfrey Raaban, Raven. In Rabanus Maurus we have a hint of how 'raven' may have been applied in some cases as a sobriquet. Maurus is 'The Moor.' Petrus Niger, a German, was the author of a work, Ad Judæorum Perfidiam Extirpandam, printed at Esslingen in 1475. Coracopetra was Rabenstein. Other names from colour are Cyaneus and Brunus. One from taste is Sapidus, a metonym however, probably, from Weise, Wiseman. Frederie Barba-rossa, i. c. russa, red, will be familiar to all. (Gildebertus is said to signify much the same—Rutilus barbâ.) There are many Lupuses; and a Canius, who was a Netherlander, de "ondt, the Hound. Wolfgang, a common prenomen, appears to have been simply furnished with the termination -us; although it is explained to be Lupi incessus, Wolfgait. Musculus, diminutive of Mus, is Mauslein, Little mouse.

Crusius is a quasi-Latinisation of the Low-German Kruys, Cross; also of Kraus. There are likewise a Crucius, a Cruciger and a Crucigerus. Van Horn became Ceratinus, 'keras' being 'horn.' Vander Steen was à Lapide, 'steen' being 'lapis.' Erastus is Lieber, akin respectively to Erasmus and Liebhaber, 'liebe' being 'eros,' love. Thomas Nangeorgus is Thomas Kirchmeyer, 'naos' being 'Kirch, ecclesia,' and 'meyer,' colonus-villicus, farm-bailiff.

Several authors are named Cellarius; all probably Kellners, that is Cellarers: one, in 1661, published in Amsterdam an Atlas of the Heavens. There are three Opsopoi, in all likelihood Kochs, that is, Cooks. Latinised names from trades or occupations are numerous. Pellicanus was Kurshner, Furrier, one dealing in pelles, peltries. Messenmaker, Cutler, is Cultrifex, in 1479, from culter, a knife. Hermanus Figulus was Herman Töpfer, Potter. We meet with Piscator, Fischer; Agricola, Pachter, Farmer; Serrarius, Sawyer, Holzsager; Caspar Sagittarius, Archer, Bogenschüke; with Latomus, Miner, Steinbrecher; with Sartor, and Sartorius, Taylor, Schneider; with a Pistor, Baker, doubtless Becker; a Ravisius Textor, Weaver, Weber; a Tinctor, Dyer, Farber; a Sutor, Shoewright, Schuster; and a Lapidanus, Stoner, Steiner: also with a Kaiser Karl Fidicen, who was surely a Fiddler, Geiger, or Lutist, Lother. A Felix Fidlerus or Fiedlerus occurs. The last epistle written by Melanchthon was to a Johannes Aurifaber, Goldsmith. It is signed "Philip Melanchthou, brevi moriturus," p. 430, Ed. Elzev. 1647. Georgius Acanthius we may suppose to have been George Dorn, that is, Thorn. Rivinus, the botanist, we know, was Bachman, from bach, beck, rivulus, rivus; and Vander Boeken or Beken, Torrentius. Vander Bosch was Sylvius, and Fagius was Buehlein, diminutive of Beech.

Printers as well as authors allowed their names to appear in Latin and Greek forms. Several of the metonyms already noticed appertained to printers. Oporinus is Herbst, that is, Harvest. Eucharius Cervicornus, at Cologne in 1520, is Eucharius Hirschhorn, Staghorn. (We meet with Cornucervinus also for Von Hirschhorn.) Petrus Cæsaris, a Fleming, was Pieter Keysere. Petrus Perna was Peter Ham, Schinte. Graphæus was probably Schreiber, and Cephalæus Hauptmann; Nicolaus Lupus, Wolf, was a printer at Lyons in 1499. We have not at hand the famous Epistolæ Obscurorum Virorum. Some amusing imitations of metonymised names would doubtless be found therein.

It is unnecessary to remark upon such direct Latinisations as Zumptius, Zuinglius, Vossius, Arminius (Hermansen); or on such obvious ones as Vredius for de Vree, Venius for Van Veen, Arimæus for Van Arum, Musius for Muys, or Chærius for Vander Keere, which in French is du Tour, that is, like Keere in Low-German, Turn or Circuit. Dodonæus, a physician and botanist in 1616, is Dodoens. Christian Gottlob Sachs was first Sachsius; then Saxius. Zypæus is Vanden Zype.

Judex is the name of a Danish writer on Printing. (We have the name Judge in English.) A Danish mathematician was named Nicolaus Raymarus Ursus. The Icelandic author of the Orkneyinga Saga, sive Historia Orcadensium, printed at Copenhagen in 1780, Jonas Joness, is, in effect, Jonas ap Jones. Reinier Gemma, surnamed the Frisian, must have been Jeweel, Jewel, in his own vernacular Low-German.

A surgeon of Ghent is renowned in 1722 under the name of Palingenius. This appears to have been a fanciful expansion of his real name, which was Palân. In like manner, from a partial similarity of sound, the name of the Cretan grammarian Moscopulus was usurped by Peter von Musschenbrock, literally, Swallow-brake. Noviomagns is simply a local name for Nimeguen, anciently Nieuwmegen. His real name was Geldenhaur; as that of Pomeranus was Bugenhagen. Myconius we once supposed to be a Grecising of some word signifying Baldhead; but Pipericornius, literally Pfeffercorn, Peppercorn, in his Chronicon Thuringiaeum, says, Fuit Myconius alio nomine Mecum dictus; but what Mecum may be a corruption of, is not evident. Tabernæmontanus, a naturalist, whose Eicones Plantarum appeared at Frankfort in 1588, was so named from his having been born at Tabernæ Montanæ, that is, Bergzabern, a town in the Palatinate (stadt in der Pfalz).

The famous name Paracelsus was probably intended to express a relation to Celsus, the great medical philosopher of the first century, and seems to be formed on the analogy of 'paradoxus,' 'contrary to opinion;' as though it would describe one who could astonish Celsus. Two of his Tracts are entitled respectively, Paragranum, Paramirum. It has however been imagined by some that 'Paracelsus' has reference to 'Hohenheim,' a place from which his father derived an agnomen; the family-name being Bombast von Hohenheim. The complete series of names possessed or assumed by Paracelsus himself was: Philippus Aureolus Theophrastus Paracelsus Bombastus ab Hohenheim Eremita. He was born in 1493 at Einsiedeln, the site of an ancient Swiss monastery: in monkish phraseology, the neighborhood was styled Helvetiæ Eremus. Hence comes the final term in the series of names borne by Paracelsus, Eremita. The inflated and mysterious words adopted professionally by Paracelsus are said to have been the original 'Bombast,' as applied to language. Here is a brief specimen of a letter of his to Erasmus, who had consulted him at Bâle in 1522: 'Quæ mihi sagax musa et Astoos tribuit medica, candidè apud me clamans: similium judiciorum manifestus sum auctor. Regio hepatis pharmacis non indiget, nec aliæ duæ species indigent laxativis. Medicamen est magistrale areanum potius ex re comfortativâ specificâ ex melleis abstersivis, id est, consolidativis.' More follows. (The Astoos is probably the mystic familiar, Azoth, kept by 'Bombastus,' as Butler speaks, Hud. iii. l. 628, "shut in the pummel of his sword.") Erasmus appears to have been well pleased with the opinion given. In his reply he says: 'Demiror unde me tam penitus noris semel duntaxat visum. Ænigmata tua non ex arte medicâ, quam nunquam didici, sed ex misero sensu verissima esse agnosco,' &c. The great specific of Paracelsus was a tineture of opium: a remedy omnino laudandum: hence by popular corruption our familiar word 'laudanum.'

In the metonymising of Italian personal names, the process is often simply to revert to the original form of the word. As when Perbuono becomes Perbonus; Giovinazzo, Juvenatius; Paolo Giovio, Paulus Jovius; Giovanni Giocondo, Johannes Jucundus; Feboni, Phæba nius, Vettori, Victorius; Settali, Septalius; Navigero, Naugerius Thus, Accorsi, author of the "Great Gloss," a work on Law in six folio volumes, published in the 13th century, is also Accursius. Sometimes a compound name is represented by a similar compound, as when Mezzobarba, the name of an annotator on Occo's Numismata Imperatorum Romanorum, becomes Mediobarbus. Sometimes the name is Latinised by a translation of its meaning in Italian: as when Banchieri, Bankers, Exchange-brokers, became Cambiatores, and Ricei, 'of the curied locks,' professor of Belles Lettres at Florence in 1500, became Crinitus, and Pietro Capretto, an Italian mystic writer in 1492, became Petrus Hædus (kid). Giovanni Giglis is Johannes de Liliis, Giglis being from Giglio for Lilio, that is Lilium, Anglied, Lily. Occasionally the name is Greeised in a similar manner: as when Forteguerra becomes Crateromachus, 'Strong i' th' Fight,' and Buonacorsi is supposed to be sufficiently expressed by Callimachus, signifying probably for the occasion, 'Of graceful action in the Tournament.' Johannes Victor Rossi, a Roman satirist, is, somewhat mixedly, Janus Nicius Erythraus, and Giampietre Arrivabene, elegantly, Eutychius. Ritius represents Riccio; also Riz, Ris and Rit. One would have supposed that Galcotto, 'Galley-slave,' would have chosen some more elaborate metonym than 'Galeottus.' By entitling a work of his 'De vulgo In

cognitis,' he, in the 15th century, forestalled the 'Things not generally known' of Mr. Timbs.

Local, territorial and family appellations are expressed by appropriate local and gentile adjectives. Thus Rucellai, head of the Platonic academy at Florence, is Oricellarius; Chiaramonti, Claramontius; Lorenzo de' Medici, Laurentius Mediceus; Ambrogio di Calepio, Ambrosius Calepinus. In Belcarius (Hist. Rer. Gallicarum), Ercole d'Este becomes Hercules Atestinus.

We have an interest on this continent in the name of Amerigo Vespucci. On the title page of his Novus Mundus, addressed to Lorenzo de' Medici, it is metonymised into Albericus Vespuccius. Albericus was softened into Americus: Italianised, it became Amerigo. In old French he is called Emeric de Vespuce. This identifying of Amerigo with Albericus determines the prosodiacal quantity of the penultima of America in Latin, all the Teutonic proper names in -icus having it long; but custom has rendered it short in America. In a volume of Latin and other verse in the Bodleian, of the date 1761, we have the old soldier of the reign of George II. describing his exploits on this continent and speaking in good iambics of

Americe sinus, et immanes lacus, Comata sylvis montium cacumina, Gravesque lapsus fluminum, urbium situs Et barbarorum corpora, et vultus truces, &c.

The familiar name of Columbus is the pure Latin form of the old North Italian and old French Colon, which in the latter language is also Coulon. Both are corruptions of Columbus, the masculine form of Columba, Dove. Peter Martyr looks as if it were a name belonging to our list of metonyms, but deceptively so. There are two Peter Martyrs. One the author of an Enchiridion de Nuper sub Carolo repertis Insulis, printed at Bâle in 1521, and of the De Orbe Novo Decades octo, printed at Alcala in 1530: works of interest, both of them, to us on this continent. On the title page of the old translation of the first-mentioned little tractate his name figures as Pierre Martyre de Millan: and in a copy of the work, now lying before us, he is styled Petrus Martyr, ab Angleriâ, Mediolanensis. The other Peter Martyr is the reformer so called, who was a native of Florence and professor of Divinity at Oxford in the reign of Edward VI. His family-name was Vermiglio or Vermeille, Latinised into Vermilius. Petrus Martyr

was the name under which a church hard by his father's house was dedicated. This suggested a baptismal name for the child.

Dante's name is an abbreviation of Durante; and Durante, as an Italian family-name, is Latinised into Durandus. In the case of the poet, however, it assumes a kind of Greek form, Dantes, when metonymised. In Keble's Prælectiones de Poeticæ Vi Medicâ he appears as Dantes Aligherus (to express Allighieri); and in the Poemata et Inscriptiones of Landor we have

Danten sæcula quina transierunt Cum Florentia funebres honores Solvit manibus optimi poetæ.

In the church of St. Onofrio at Rome is to be seen the brief inscription over the remains of Tasso: Torquati Tassi Ossa. Tasso we thus learn became Tassus, just as Bembo became Bembus. Paolo Sarpi, better known as Fra Paolo and Father Paul, historian of the Council of Trent, is Paulus Sarpus. But his name is often concealed under the anagram Pietro Soave Polano, formed from the words Paolo Sarpi Venetiano. (There is a writer on German Typography, named Paul Pater.) Aldo Pio Manuzio, the father of the Alduses, each, like himself, a learned printer either at Venice or Rome, is Aldus Pius Manutius. Aldo itself is said to have been Theobaldo abbreviated.

The name of Tifi Odassi, a writer of Macaronic verse in the 15th century, has, like that of the artist Taddeo Gaddi, when uttered by Italian lips, an Hibernian ring. In Latin it is dignified into Typhys Odaxius. This was probably a taking advantage of sounds. Giovanni Paolo Parisio in that way became Johannes Paulus Parrhasius, a name famous in its day, and liable to be confounded with that of the artistpupil of Socrates. (In passing, it may be remarked that some Irish names submit readily to the Italianising and Latinising process. The well-known Montreal name Donegana looks as if it were an example of this; and on the title page of a Compendium, in Latin, of Irish Church-history, anno 1621, we have it set forth that it was composed 'à Philippo Osulleuano Bearro, Iberno.') In Nicolaus Laurentius for Cola di Rienzi, we have a correction in Latin of a kind of slang once in vogue in Italy in regard to names,-the custom, that is to say, of speaking of persons of note by abbreviated, nursery-names. Giotti's name is said to be a fragment of Ambrogiotto, that is, little Ambrogio or Ambrosius. Italian writers Latinised the Scottish name Crichton into Critonius. In Italian itself the famous Crichton was Giacomo

Critonio. Buchanan makes it Crihtonius. Here we have helps to the pronunciation of the original name. In Latin versions of some of the treatises of Savonarola, that name is treated as purely classical We have also his letters printed at Paris in 1674: Hier. Savonarolæ Epistolæ. He is ordinarily known as Hieronymo and Girolamo da Ferrara: and is frequently quoted as Hieronymus Ferrarius, that is, by his Christian and local names Latinised. Old English writers speak of him as Jerome of Ferrarie, and Jerom Ferrarie.

The proud name of Julius Cæsar Scaliger or Scaligerns, eminent in he literature of the 16th century, was properly J. C. della Scala, of the della Scalas de Bordone, who were allied, it was asserted by Julius, to the princely della Scalas of Verona. Some who were irritated by the arrogance and ostentatiousness of Julius, professed to know that his name was simply Bordone; and that della Scala denoted the sign of his father's trade or the street where he lived. Joseph Justus, the illustrious son of Julius, took the trouble to re-assert a family connection with the noble della Sealas. This drew forth from Gaspar Scioppins, at Mentz in 1607, a refutation, or supposed refutation of that claim-Scaliger Hypobolimaus, (the supposititious Scaliger), hoc est, Elenchus Epistolæ Josephi Burdonis, pseudo-Scaligeri de Vetustate et Splendore gentis Scaligerae. Sannazaranus is a quasi-Latinisation of Sannazzaro, St. Nazarius, author in 1502 of the Arcadia, a pastoral romance, which was, in part, the model of our own Sir Philip Sidney's Arcadia. This writer is also spoken of by his academic pseudonym Actius Syncerus. The name of the Neapolitan poet Cariteo is the Italian form of his academic name, Chariteus. In this instance, the assumed name has caused the family-name to be forgotten.

Among French metonyms, that of the Stephani will perhaps be the most familiar. Vernacularly, the Stephani were the Etiennes, Estiennes, or Stephenses, a succession of learned printers who, throughout the whole of the sixteenth century, did admirable service. Henry, Robert, and Henry, junior, of this name, have the honour to be sometimes distinguished from each other in imperial fashion, as Stephanus I., II., III. Charles, Poul and Antony Stephens were also printers, but of less note. Another familiar metonym to be noticed here, in connection with the Etiennes, although otherwise out of its place, is Scapula, probably Schulterblatt, Shoulder-blade. Not many years since, 'Scapula,' like 'Donatus' and 'Calepinus' previously, had almost merged its personal associations in those of a book. A 'Donat' was a

grammar: a 'Calepin,' in French, was a note-book: and a 'Scapula' was, with us, a certain large Greek Lexicon. It had an origin not reputable. While Henry Stephens was bringing out his Thesaurus Linguæ Grææ, an assistant in his printing-office, Scapula, secretly made an abridgment of that ponderous work, and subsequently published it at Bâie. The lesser book, though itself of huge size, yet being the smaller of two evils,—(the greater being in the form of four folio volumes)—the sale of the latter was hindered, and the interests of Stephanus III. were so seriously interfered with, that his bankruptey ensued. A Scapula, now, is philologically valueless.

In the 16th century, we meet with the name Odet de Turnebu, borne by the author of a French comedy; and with Adrianus Turnebus, in the vernacular, Turnèbe, a Greek scholar and critical annotator. This name is said to be, in fact, the Scottish name Turnbull, Gallicised first into Tournebouf, and then partially Grecised into Turnebus, where -bus represents bous, that is, bouf, although in verse the termination is found short as well as long in quantity. The original Turnbull, in the time of King Robert Bruce, was, according to the Scottish legend, called Ruel. In 1644 we find printed at Paris a volume in quarto entitled Adami Blacvodæi Opera Omnia, including Varii Generis Poëmata. We here hardly recognise, in its Latin guise, the familiar Scottish name of Blackwood. Marbouf, a bishop of Rennes, Latinised his name into Marbodus.

In Sammarthanus we have a base metonymisation of the name 'de Sainte Marthe.' Two brothers of this name, Scævola and Louis, began the Gallia Christiana, a Church-history of France, publishing four volumes in folio under that title, in 1656, a work that has since swollen, without being completed, to fourteen volumes in folio. With this name we may compare the probably more familiar 'Nostradamus'—which is a similar base rendering of 'de Notre Dame'—the name, in the vernacular, of the great 'prophet' of 1555, "médecin du Roi Charles IX., et l'un des plus excellents astronomes qui furent jamais," so styled on the title page of the Lyons edition of his predictions in 1611. Lodelle's epigram on this personage is well known:—

Falsa damus cum nostra damus, nam fallere nostrum est, Et cum nostra damus, non nisi falsa damus.

Hieronymus Natalis, author of Meditationes, &c, in 1594, is Jerome Noël: that is: Noël having been, through the Provençal Nadal, Naël, originally Natalis, Noël is Latinised back into that form. Comitum

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Natalis, author of a work on Hunting, in 1681, is Noel des Comtes. Petrus de Natalibus, on the other hand, in 1493, is Pierre des Natalles.

In 1590 we meet with Guidonis Conchylii Poëmata. These are the Poems of Guy Coquille, jurisconsult and poet. Cornelius à Lapide, author of ten folio volumes of Scripture-criticism in 1657, is Corneille de la Pierre. The great grammarian and dialectician, Ramus, slain in the massacre of St. Bartholomew, was in plain vernacular, Pierre de la Ramée. But Camus, Caylus, Simus, Datus, Reglus, Dumus, and some others of a like appearance, do not belong to our metonyms.

Johannes Viator, a commentator on the book of Job, is Jean Pélegrin. Petrus Comestor, whose Historia Scholastica super Noyum Testamentum was printed in 1473, was Pierre le Mangeur. Antonius Sylviolus is Antoine Forestier; and Sylvius is du Bois. Macarius is l'Heureux. Dionysius Exiguus is Denis le Petit. Johannes Parvus is Jean Petit. Mercator is Mercier. Petrus Sarcinator is Pierre le Couturier.

Auratus is Dorat. Calceatus is Chaussé. Clericus is le Clerc. Curtius is le Court. Clusius is de l'Ecluse. Crucius is Le Croix. Creuxius is Le Creux. (This Le Creux is the author of a Historia Canadensis, sen Novæ Franciæ liber x, ad annum Christi MDLVI, printed at Paris in 1664.) Calvinus is Chauvin, Bald. Cognatus is Cousin. Paschasius is Pasquier. Regnius is le Roi. Renatus is Réné. Benenatus is Bienné, bookseller and printer in Paris in 1570.

Faber is Favre and le Fevre, i. e. Wright or Smith. Aurifaber is Orfevre, ouvrier en or. Tannaquil Faber is Tannaguy le Fevre, father of the learned Madame Dacier. Belearius (Rer. Gall. Hist., 4-5.) speaks of Jacobus vulgo Cor appellatus: Cordatum, he adds, quod Latinis aliud sonat [viz. Wise], quidam vocare malunt. This is the famous, so-called French Argonaut, Jacques Cour, of the year 1480. (See an admirable portrait of him at the beginning of his Life, by Louisa Stuart Costello.)

Johannes Vulteius, an epigrammatist of Rheims in 1537, is Jean Faciot, vultus and facies being akin. Omphalius is du Bellay, perhaps from a fancied connection with Umbilicus, through the Italian Ombelico, Bellico. Philibertus Hegemon, author of a book of Fables in 1583, is Philibert Guyde. Hadrianus Junius for Hadrian le Jeune seems to be a base metonym; as also are Pinus for du Pin and des

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Pins, and Feuardentius for Feuardent. A French copyist in 1344, is named Thomas Plenus Amoris: in English Fullalove occurs.

Latinised local surnames are common: Nicolaus Vernuleus, author in 1656 of Johanna Dareia, vulgo Puella Aurelianensis, is Nicholas de Vernulz. Jacobus de Vitriaco is Jacques de Vitry. (We meet also with a Ph. R. Vitriacus.) Demontiosius is de Montjoisieu. Bellojocanus is de Beaujeu. Alanis de Insulis is Alaine de l'Isle. De Veter-Ponte is Vipont. De Capite Fontium is Cheffontaines. Porretanus is de la Porrée. Serranus is de Serres. Licius is de la Lice. Baius, de Bay; Plovius, de Blonay. No remarks are necessary on Budæus for Budé, Finæus for Finé, Gallæus for Gallé, Duræus for Duré or Dury, Danœus for Danès, Cartesius for Des Cartes: on Petavius for Petau, Salmasius for Saumaise, Santolius for Santeuil: or on Muretus for Muret, Huetius for Huet, &c. Helvetius was probably, vernacularly, le Suisse, the Swiss. Theodorus Beza is Theodore de Bèze, like our Beda for Bede. He was also fancifully transformed into Adeodatus Seba. De Thou, commonly known as Thuanus, President of the Parliament of Paris, in his Universal History of the period 1546-1607, written in Latin, ingeniously translates the modern names, carrying the process to an extreme. With him, Chartier or Cartier is Quadrigarius, Charioteer; Entragues, Interamnas; Des Marets, Paludanus, &c.

In the Spanish and Portuguese languages, metonyms, when they occur, will be, in many instances, as in Italian, a return to a real or supposed ancient form. The Spanish name Sanchez thus becomes Sanctius, and the Portuguese Estaço, Statius. Enzinas, the first translator of the New Testament into Spanish, is Grecised into its equivalent, Dryander, Oakman, Aikman. The first person who sailed round the world was a Spaniard named Sebastian Canus. A learned Spaniard, author of three folio volumes of Institutiones Morales, &c., named Azorius, died in 1603. An eloquent Spanish prelate who, dying at the age of 40, left twenty-seven folio volumes of Theology, was named Tostatus. Each of these appears to be a Latinised name. In Spain, during the Moorish occupation, Oriental and Western tongues were in close contact. From this fact we derive the advantage of having some difficult names moulded for us into convenient shape. Avicenna, for example, is more readily uttered than the full native name-Abu Ali Hussain Ben Abdalla Ben Sina. We speak of the great commentator on Aristotle as Averrhoes, instead of Ebn Roshd. Rhases, a medical authority is, in full, Abu Beker Muhammed Ben Zacharia El Rasi. Ile is sometimes also Rhazeus. Albategnius is Muhammed Ben Gebir Albatani. Boabdilla is Abu Abdilah. Conversely, as we are informed, in Arabian writers Hippocrates figures as Bograt, Hipporchus as Abrachis, and so on. In some Spanish documents referred to by Froude, the English name Hawkins appears as Achines.

Oriental names and titles familiar to us through the Greek and Latin, as Xerxes, Darius, Ahasuerus, Porus, Chosroes, Sapor, would not be recognised by us in their vernacular forms.

After the Greek civilisation had invaded the previously-isolated Palestine, a custom arose there of adopting for use in intercourse with western men, western names possessing, to some extent, a like Hillel became Pollio; Joshua, Jason; Onias, Menelaus; Silas, Silvanus; Saul, Paul; and Hebrew or Aramaic names were made to assume a Greek form, Eliakim becoming Alcimus; Amittai, Matthæus; Yeragon, Hircanus. Even translations of names occur: as when Elnathan or Nathaniel becomes Dositheus or Theodotus. tullian's untenable theory may here be referred to: Quis neseit, he asks in his Liber Apologeticus against the 'Gentes,' nomen Iovis à Iehovâ deductum; et Adonis ab Adonai, Iacchi à Iah, et Vulcani à Tubal Cain, et Musæi à Moyse, et Iani, quo Noahum intelligo, à Iain vino. "By such devices," Huet said to Bochart, "the Hebrew or its dialect is made to furnish the origin of the names of King Arthur, and all the knights of the round table of Charlemagne, and the twelve worthies of France; and, if required, of all the Incas of Peru. Was it not wonderful sagacity in a German whom I knew, who would prove that Priam and Abraham, Æneas and Jonas, were the same persons?"

In the case of Chinese names the process of Latinising has been of use. Western men would not be in the habit of speaking so readily of Confucius and Mencius had not some ingenious Latinist brought Kungfu-tse and Meng-Tseu into those respectable forms. In like manner Tao-tze might be Taocius. (Somewhat similarly, Zerdusht or Zara-thustra has been moulded into Zoroaster.)

Sclavonic proper names, as exemplified in some Polish and Russian examples, look as if it would be difficult to make them presentable in Latin or Greek form. But to one familiar with the philological history of such names a legitimate mode of metonymising them would present itself. It is evident that such names as Przezdziecki and Oleszczynski, without manipulation, would lock ill at ease in a page of Latin. Sar-

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biewski, we observe, is metonymised into Sarbievius, and the family of Leszynsky is spoken of by de Thou as the domus Lascinia. The real name of the Polish poet Acernus, who died in 1608, was Klonowicz. (A sister of the emperor Justinian, by birth a Mosian, was called in her native speech Biglinitza: in Latin she became Vigilantia.)

Early Teutonic names have been subjected to the metonymising process. To the Latinisation of such names as Merwig, Chlotwig, Dictrich, are due the familiar Meroveus, Merovingian, Ludovicus, Louis, Theodoric. Deutsch or Teutsch itself was transformed in Italy into Theotiscus, whence the familiar, but (until lately) detested name Tedesco. On a medal of Gregory VIII., commemorative of the massacre of St. Bartholomew, we have the legend VGONOTTORUM STRAGES, 1572, where the word Huguenots, or Eid-genossen, Oath-bound associates, is metonymised, without being translated. Our 'Vortigern,' however, is more euphonic than the Latinised names assigned him by Gildas and Nennius. In the former he is Gurthrigurnus: in the latter, Guorthigirnus.

In England, the Latinisation of a proper name has seldom availed to supersede its vernacular form; nor does it appear that the practice of translating into expressions of equivalent meaning was in much favour. In a few instances, local epithets as designating individuals became familiar. Verulamius would be pretty widely recognised; but popularly, to this day, Francis, Baron Verulam and Viscount St. Albans, is simply Lord Bacon. Armachanus would be held to denote either the pre-Reformation reformer Richard Fitz Ralph, archbishop of Armagh in 1347, who translated the Bible into the Irish language; or else the illustrious James Usher, archbishop of the same see in 1626. Malmesburiensis might be taken perhaps for Thomas Hobbes; or else for William of Malmesbury, whose real name was Somerset. Odericus Vitalis is always quoted under that Latinised form. He was born at Shrewsbury in 1075. (The name of the Continental Vitalis is said to be a conceit for Vita Lis, 'Life is a Strife.') Asserius Menevensis, the adviser of Alfred the Great, is usually Asserius; but he is sometimes Azurius, from the Welsh asur, azure. He was a native of Wales. Giraldus Cambrensis is seldom Anglicised. Caius is Key or Kaye. Faber is, as we have seen, Wright or Smith. Carus may be a Latinisation of Car or Ker. (Buchanan so Latinises Ker.) Alabaster is Arblaster, i. e. Arbalistarius, Low-Latin for a cross-bowman. ter is Boys, duBois. Nequam was probably, in the first instance, Neck-

With 'William Rufus' all are familiar. Cæsar, as an English surname, has arisen from the disuse of a real family surname. Sir Julius Casar, master of the rolls, in the reign of James I., thought fit to drop the surname borne by his Italian ancestors. His father's name, on his migrating to England, from Previso, in 1550, was Cresar Adelmare-Dalmare, or Dalmarius. The first Earl of Chester, nephew of the Conqueror, was Hugh Lupus. Plantagenet comes near the Latin, de Planta Genista, 'wearing the cognisance of the broom-spray.' Duns Seetus means probably 'Duns of the northern dialect.' He was born in Northumberland. Erigena, on the face of it, is Erin-born. His full name was Johannes Scotus Erigena-a tautology probably, as in A. D. 880 Scotus alone would denote one 'Erin-born.' Pelagius is a Grecising of Morgan, Armoricus, 'of the sea-board.' He was abbot of Bangor in A. D. 400. Reginaldus Polus and Poli Synopsis are combiautions not unfamiliar to the English eye. Each involves a Latinisation of the common name Poole. Patrick Young, librarian to James L. metonymised his name into Patricius Junius. There is an author in 1602 of a Historia Britanniae Insulæ ab Origine Mundi, named Michardus Vitus, who, at Basingstoke, where he was born, would have been vulgarly known as Richard White. (Among continental writers there is a Hugo Candidus. Rhabanus Maurus was, as we have already seen, famous in the ninth century, together with numerons Nigers before and since.) Bovill is Bovillus, Bullock. Erasmus so Latinises the name of his English correspondent Bullock. Lovell is Lupellus, diminutive of Lupus. Llewellin has been Latinised into Leonellus. Brunel also probably represents indirectly an animal name. The popular satires in which beasts and birds are made to speak and act like brought into common use such terms as Reynard, Grimalkin, Bruin, Chanticleer, Partlet. There was in circulation in the 12th centary a Speculum Stultorum, entitled Brunellus; where Brunellus stands for a well-known patient but much abused quadruped. The author of this production was an English monk named Nigel Wiroker .-Erasmus makes Colet, Coletus, although the name, uncorrupted, is said to be Acolyta. Sir Thomas More, Erasmus metonymises into Morus. Influenced by the sound, he playfully inscribes to the English Chanceller his famous satire, the Encomium Moriæ, 'The Praise of Folly.' Pallas istue tibi misit in mentem inquies?" he supposes More to say to him on the occasion; he replies: "Primum admonuit me Mesi cognomen tibi gentile, quod tam ad Moriæ vocabulum accedit.

quam es ipse à re alienus. Es autem vel omnium suffragiis alienissimus. Deinde suspicabar, hunc ingenii nostri lusum tibi præcipuè probatum iri, propterea quod soleas hujus generis jocis, hoc est, nec indoctis, ni fallor, nec usquequaque insulsis, impendio delectari, et omnino in communi mortalium vitâ Democritum quendam agere." Cecil, Lord Burghley, allowed his name to be converted into Cæcilius, as though he had been descended from the gens Cæcilia of ancient Rome. The name was really Seysil, and previously Sitsilt. Belcarius, (de Beaucaire, the reforming archbishop of Metz,) in his Rerum Gallicarum Commentarii, Latinises Seymour into Semerus. With him, Leicester as a title is Licestrianus, and Warwick, Varvicus. Erasmus styles the Marquis de Verc, Princeps Verianus. Payne Fisher, Oliver Cromwell's poet-laureate, called himself Paganus Piscator.

With Sleidan, in his translation (published at Amsterdam in 1656) of Froissart and Philip de Comines, Derby is Derbius, the Earl of Derby is Comes Derbius; Lancaster, Lencastrius; Gloucester, Clocestrius; Harcourt, Haricurtius; Howard, Havartus; and St. Leger, Calangerius, where the English pronunciation of St. Leger is attempted to be expressed. The author of the so-called Chronicle of Turpin, first printed at Paris in 1527, makes Fergus, Ferragus and Ferracutus to be the same name. A quotation in a note to Browning's Paracelsus speaks of "Anglum quendam Rogerium Bacchonem." This is Roger Bacon, the "wonderful doctor" of the 13th century to whose writings Paracelsus is reported to have been much beholden.

Hallam says of Buchanan's Rerum Scoticarum Historia, "Few modern histories are more redolent of an antique air." Lit. Hist. ii. 356. The illusion is maintained by the classical sound of the proper names cuphoniously metonymised, without regard, however, to their etymology. With Buchanan Ramsay is Ramsæus; Huntley, Huntliæus; Cunningham, Cunigamius; Andrew Ker, Andreas Carus; Colin, Calenus; Arthur, Arcturus; Bruce, Brussius; Eliot, Æliotus; Creighton, Crihtonius, &c. Wishart he ventures to make Sophocardius. The name of the early Scottish historian Hector Boethius is a Latinisation of Hector Boëce, Boeis, probably Boyce. Sometimes he is Bœotius. We have seen Boyd transformed into Bodius, Price into Pricæus, and Ross into Rossæus. Alexander Ross, author of the curious cento entitled Virgilii Evangelizantis Christias, thus Latiniscs his name: although at the close of his dedication ad Illustrissimum Puerum, Carolum, Magnæ Britanniæ Principem, (afterwards Charles II.)

he subscribes himself Alex. Ros (Dew). On the title page (ed. Lond' 1628,) there is a representation of himself, crowned with laurel, and blowing a trumpet: an epigram underneath, with allusions to the conceit in Ros, explains the whole:

Hee est Virgilii quam cernis buccina, nuper
Muta, sed ad flatum nunc animata menm.

Illius hee laurus; jam nostra in fronte virescens
Que, nisi Ros foveat, marcida laurus crit.

Quid sine voce tuba est? vel quid sine Rose corolla?

Buccina voce crepat, laurea Rose viret.

Owen, the epigrammatist, is, on his own authority, and that of his encomiasts, at the beginning of his little volume, Audoëms. Andrew Borde, the original 'merry Andrew,' author of the 'Merrye Tales of the Madmen of Gotham,' called himself, by a kind of Artemus-Ward effort, Andreas Perforatus (Bored). The title page of Howell's 'Familiar Letters' has a Ciceronian aspect by virtue of its first heading—Epistolæ Hoellianæ. Fuller, in his Wornies of England, (i. 407) plays in his usual strain, on the name of Bp. Jewel. "It may be said of his surname, nomen, omen; Jewel his name and precious his virtues; so that if the like ambition led us Englishmen, which doth foreigners, speciously to render our surnames in Greek or Latin, he may be termed Johannes Gemma, on better account than Gemma Frisius entitleth himself thereunto." (Gemma Frisius we have already noticed.)

The ambition in 'foreigners' here slightingly glanced at by Fuller, was at a later period satirised by Arbuthnet in the proposed 'Memoirs of Martinus Scriblerus'; and by Sterne in his pretended quotations from Slawkenbergius, Metheglingius, &c. Almost the only names of Latin sound wont to be mentioned in modern English literature are those of the abstractions, Junius and Sylvanus Urban. In the Poëmata et Inscriptiones of 'Savagius Landor' the recent names of Brougham, Canning and Southey appear as Brogamus, Caninius and Sutheius.

A few titular episcopal signatures of Latin form, also, continue to be familiar to the English eye; such as Oxon., Ebor., Winton., abbreviations of the proper local adjectives in Latin. It is a note of the temper of the times, that a practice has crept in of writing, in the sense here referred to, Exeter instead of Exon., London instead of Londin. (short for Londiniensis). (According to old usage, 'Toronto' in this sense, should be written 'Toronton;' i. e. Torontonensis; episc. being

understood; on the analogy of Avenionensis from Avenio, Sulmonensis from Sulmo, &c.: and Colombon, for Colombon asis from Colombo in Ceylon.) It is not wholly alien to our subject to mention here that although Canadensis is a usually received term, in Science and Latin prose, Ferrarius, in his work on the 'Culture of Flowers,' printed at Pome in 1733, repeatedly employs Canadanus. He speaks of "fraga Canadana insolitæ magnitudinis," 'Canadian strawberries of an extraordinary magnitude,' and of a "vitis Canadana," 'a Canadian vine,' as flourishing in the Gardens of the Barberini palace. (The word seems to be founded on the analogy that has produced Cuban from Cuba, Texan from Texas.) A local possessive formed in Latin from 'Ontario,' viz. Ontarius, may also have some interest. It occurs in the Bodleian volume of Academic verse of the time of George II., before referred to:

"Jamque novæ gentes et centum uberrima regna Se Britonum titulis ultro regalibus addunt. Ex quo præruptis scopulis plaga pinea vastum Obsidet Osvegum, sonituque per arva marino Lata fremit, lacunmque Ontaria maxima sævit."

In 1551 Sebastian Castalio or Castellio produced a translation of all the books of the Bible in flowing and pleasant Latin. It is dedicated to our Edward VI. In it, the Jewish and other oriental names have a classic aspect, by being provided with suffixes and declined in accordance with the demands of the construction. Sir John Cheke said of this translation: (vide p. xxxii. Introduction to Castalio)-" Mehercle, majorem percipio fructum in legendo Castellionem quam in volvendis omnium scriptorum commentariis: oratio facilis est, explicata, dilucida, suavis, concinna et diserta: verba pura et Latina et quæ propius naturam rationemque Græcæ Hebraicæque locutionis attingunt." For comparison, here is a passage from Castalio: "Pudet confractum Moabitam, ejulate quiritantes, nuneiate ad Arnonem periisse Moabitam, sumptumque supplicium esse de terrà campestri, de Helone, de Jasa, denique de omnibus Moabiticæ terræ oppidis tam remotis tam vicinis." The corresponding passage in the Vulgate version runs as follows: "Confusus est Moab, quoniam victus est: ululate et clamate, annunciate in Arnon quoniam vastata est Moab, et judicium venit ad terram campestrem; super Helon, et super Jasa, et super omnes civitates terræ Moab, quæ longe et prope sunt."

In 1661, Duport, regius professor of Greek in the University of Cambridge, turned the Psalms of David into Homeric Greek, exhibiting much ingenuity in metonymising the Hebrew names. The following might be a couplet from the Iliad:

Σήωνα κρατερόφρου' 'Αμορραίων βασιλῆα, Καὶ Βασάνοιο μέδοντα, πελώριον ὅβριμον "Ωγον.

The reader of Aristophanes will remember how readily the Greek language lends itself to the manufacture of humorous compound terms, Modern Greek is equally adapted to the same purpose. A translation of Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress, published at Athens in 1854, renders the names given to the characters in that book, very well. Turnabout is Eumetabolos: Smoothman, Glucologos: Mr. Anything, Alloprosallos: Mr. Vain-confidence, Mettaiotharrhes: Giant Slaygood, Agathoctonos: Dare-not-lie, Phugopseudes: Standfast, Eustathes: Madam Bubble, Pampholux: Father Honest, Gero-Timios. This last epithet reminds one of the modern Greek term 'caloyer,' which possibly may have perplexed readers of Childe Harold. It is the modern Greek Kalo-ger, pronounced -yer, Kalos gerôn, 'the good old man,' 'the good father': the word occurs in connection with a description of the monastery of Zitza in Albania:

"The convent's white walls glisten fair on high: Here dwells the calo-yer, nor rude is he, Nor niggard of his cheer."

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