

HANDOUT - ABOUT SOME NEW FRAGMENTS OF THE *CORPUS HERMETICUM*

1- Hermetic testimonies on papyrus

No. 1.a. P. Vind. G. 29456, consisting of 2 fragments (A and D). Papyrus, scroll, opistograph, Greek, late second century. Edited.

No. 1.b. P. Vind. G. 29828, consisting of 2 fragments (B and C). Papyrus, scroll, opistograph, Greek, late second century. Edited.

No. 1.c. P. Vind. G. 180, one fragment (E). Papyrus, scroll, opistograph, Greek, late second century. Unpublished.

No. 1.d. P. Vind. G. 28249, one fragment (A'). Papyrus, scroll, opistograph, Greek, late second century. Unpublished.

No. 2. P. Vind. G. 12563. Papyrus letter, Greek, 253-268 (Gallienus emperor). Edited.

No. 3. P. Berol. 9794. Papyrus, scroll, Greek, third century. Edited.

No. 4. P. Louvre 2391 (commonly called Papyrus Mimaut). Papyrus, scroll, Greek, third century. Edited.

No. 5. Ohio 4578/4579. Papyrus, codex, Coptic, late third or early fourth century. Edited.

No. 6. Coptic Museum in Cairo, No. 10549. Papyrus, codex, Coptic, mid-fourth century. Edited.

No. 7. P. Berol. 17 027, consisting of 7 fragments (A-G). Papyrus, Greek, fourth century. Edited.

2- List No 4: P. Berol. 17027

- fragment A ↓

0- Περὶ θεοῦ
1-]έν τοῖς γενικοῖς, ὃ τ[άτ
2- πολλὰ]κίς εἰρήκαμεν νοῦ[v...
3-]τηλαυγέσ[τερ]ον π[ερὶ].....

1-]έν : [Εν μ]έν Stahl. τ[άτ : Τ[....., βιβλίοις] Stahl. // 2- νοῦ[v : νοῦ[v τὸν θεὸν εἶναι] Stahl. // 3- π[ερὶ : π[ερὶ
τούτων ἐροῦ-] Stahl. // 4- : [μεν Stahl.

- fragment D →

1-]τ[.....
2-]ἐστὶ τῶν ἄλλων[..
3-]κατὰ μετουσίαν[ν.
4-]οὐδὲ τ[ο]ῖς ζ[ώ]ο[ις]

2- [.. : [ζῶων Stahl. // 4- ζ[ώ]ο[ις : ζῶοι[ς Stahl.

completed with CH X 2

Τοῦτο ὁ δεός τοῦτο ὁ πατήρ, τοῦτο ὁ ἀγαθός, ὃ μὴδὲν
πρόσεστι τῶν ἄλλων. ὁ μὲν γὰρ κόσμος καὶ
ὁ ἥλιος κατὰ μετουσίαν καὶ αὐτὸς πατήρ, τοῦ
ἀγαθοῦ οὐδὲ τοῖς ζώοις ἴσως ἀλτῖος ἐστίν,

- fragment G →

1- διαλύσασ[..
2- κ[α]κία γι[..
3- ..]κακία γίνεταί.

διαλύσασα δὲ ἑαυτὴν ἐγγενᾶ λήθην, καὶ τοῦ καλοῦ καὶ ἀγαθοῦ οὐ μεταλαμβάνει. ἡ δὲ λήθη
κακία γίνεται.

3- List No 7: Ohio 4578/4579

Ohio 4579 →

1. νεειογωω[
2. ἄπε[.]ο ἡκεζο[π
3. πετρηῆ ὦ παε[ιωτ
4. πτρισμε[γιστος
5. η[.]τ[.]

// CH XIII 1

Σὺ δέ μου καὶ τὰ ὑστερήματα ἀναπλήρωσον οἷς ἔφησ
μοι παλιγγενεσίας <γένεσιν> παραδοῦναι προθέμενος
ἐκ φωνῆς ἡ κρυβήν· ἀγνοῶ, ὦ τρισμαέγιστε, ἐξ οἷας
μήτρας ἄνθρωπος ἐγεννήθη, σπορᾶς δὲ ποίας,
Fulfill your promise to me in which you said you
would set before me either openly or in secret the way
in which rebirth is bestowed. For I do not know,
Trismegistus, from what sort of womb or from what
kind of seed man is born.

Ohio 4578 ↓

1. [.. πνογ·τ ω]ηρι
μπνογ·τ
2. [πτηρη] εφῶν πτ[η]ρη ἡ
3. [ταχ..] εφεβαλ ἔν ἡλγ
4. [ηαμικ τηρο]γ: ὦ παει
5. [ωτ [] [.]

// CH XIII 2

{T} καὶ ποταπὸς ὁ γεννώμενος, ὦ πάτερ; ἄμοιρος γὰρ
τῆς ἐν ἐμοὶ οὐσίας καὶ τῆς νοητῆς. {E} ἄλλος ἔσται ὁ
γεννώμενος θεοῦ θεὸς παῖς, τὸ πᾶν ἐν παντί, ἐκ πασῶν
δυνάμεων συνεστώς, {T} αἰνιγμά μοι λέγεις, ὦ πάτερ,
καὶ οὐχ ὡς πατὴρ υἱῷ διαλέγῃ.
{T} And what kind of man is born, O father? For he has
nothing in common with me either in nature or mind.
{H} He who is born from God is of a different kind; he
is son of God and himself God, in all he is the All,
composed of all powers.
{T} You speak in riddles, O father, not like father to
son.

4- List No. 1.a-d: Vienna fragments

G 180 recto

G 28249 recto

1.]ταιομαντευ[1.]ηνξι[
2.] α ποινθαν[2.]πνη[
3.] ετι πραξε η[3.]η ενιτογ[
4.]ποτης του[4.]εια μον[
5.]πραξομενο[5.]λα κατα β[
	6.]ριζιον[

5- List No. 2: P. Vind. G. 12563

Ἑρμούπολεω[ς τῆς] μεγάλης ἀρχαίας καὶ σεμνοτάτης [καὶ] λαμπροτάτης [οἱ]
ἄρχοντες κα[ὶ] ἡ βουλὴ Αὐρηλίῳ Πλουτίῳ τῷ κρατίστῳ καὶ ἀπὸ Μουσείου χαίρειν·
καὶ ἔτι μὲν διατρίβοντός σου ἐπὶ τῆς βασιλευούσης [Ῥώμης], ἔνθα
τὰ μέγιστα κ[α]τορθώματα κ[α]τώρθωσας τῇ πατρίδι παρὰ [οὐρανίῳ τῇ]
τύχῃ τ[οῦ] κυρίου ἡμῶν Γαλλιανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ, μία αὕτη [ἡμῖν ε]ύχῃ
ὑπελείπ[ε]τ[ο] εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν σε ἐπανιέναι· κατὰ γὰρ τὸν [ἀρ]χαῖον
λόγον· εἰς ὅμματ' εὖνου ἀνδρὸς ἐμβλέπειν γλυκύ, τοῦ δὲ πατρῶου
ἡμῶν θεοῦ τρισμαέγιστου Ἑρμοῦ ὃς παρίσταται σοι πά[ν]ταχου συγ-
[α]ραμέν[ο]ν πρὸς τὴν ἐπάνοδον ὥστε καὶ γαληνὸν ἔχειν τὸ πέ[λα-]

10[γος -ca.?-]. . τ[. . .]οιχειοι[. .]ι[. . .]ν ἅμα τῆς λαμπροτάτης Ἀλεξανδρείας
 [- ca.25 -]ι ἔτι πλέον δριμυτέρῳ κα[τ]εσχε
 [- ca.25 -]σε ἀπολαμ[βάν]ειν το[.]αι[. . . .]ν
 [- ca.25 -]ν γνη[σι]αρ[.] υ[.]λ
 [- ca.25 -]μοις πο[.]ν[.]τη[-ca.?-]
 15[- ca.25 -]νοιον[- ca.15 -]ροθ[-ca.?-]

[The] magistrates and the Boule of Hermopolis the great, old and very venerable [and] very brilliant, to the most excellent Aurelios Ploution, member of the Museion, greetings.

As you spent time in the imperial Roma, where you are assured very great success for your country beside the celestial providence of your lord Gallienus Augustus, this only one was left to us, that you come back to your home. Indeed according the ancient word “in the eyes of a well-disposed man, it is sweet to watch.” And as our ancestral god Hermes Trismegistus, the one who is with you everywhere has assisted you in your return, so that the sea was ...