

ΟΡΕΣΤΗΣ.

ἄρ' ἐστὶν ἡ δύστηνος Ἡλέκτρα; θέλεις
μείνωμεν αὐτοῦ κάπακούσωμεν γόων;

ΠΑΙΔΑΓΩΓΟΣ.

ἤκιστα. μηδὲν πρόσθεν ἢ τὰ Λοξίου
πειρώμεθ' ἔρδειν καὶ τῶνδ' ἀρχηγετεῖν,
πατρὸς χέοντες λουτρά· ταῦτα γὰρ φέρει
νίκην τ' ἐφ' ἡμῖν καὶ κράτος τῶν δρωμένων.

80. OP. om. A. Παιδ. in Aug. b. Wrongly. ἄρ' P.

θέλεις μείνωμεν —;] 'Wishest thou we should remain?' Œd. R. 651.

81. κάνακούσωμεν] ἐπακούσωμεν L. supr. v. "I. e. καὶ ἐνακούσωμεν (!)," says Dind. Schol: ἀνακούσωμεν . ἐπακούσωμεν. Read κάπακούσωμεν (καὶ ἐπ.), with Nauck and Herwerden (ad Œd. R. 7), as I had myself also conjectured.

82. ΠΑΙ.] OP. Aug. b.

83. ἔρδειν (sic) A. L. Br. Herm. and edd. recc. ἔρδειν Ald. Turn. The Schol. on Arist. Ach. 330. expressly states that ἔρξας, in the sense of πράξας, takes the rough breathing. In Herodotus the mss. generally, if not always, give ἔρδειν. Cf. Elmsl. on Med. 1269.

καὶ πό] καὶ πὶ G.

καὶ τῶνδ' ἀρχηγετεῖν] Cf. Arist. Vesp. 846. ἀφ' Ἑστίας ἀρχόμενος.

ἀρχηγετεῖν] ἀρχαγετεῖν L. pr., it seems. 'To begin, commence.' I. q. ἀρχεσθαι. An unusual signification. Ἀνὴρ ἀρχηγέτης means 'a chieftain' Œd. R. 751., ἀρχηγὸς 'a founder' Œd. C. 60. We should have expected rather ἀρχηγετώμεν, 'let us begin.' Cf. Œd. C. 1019. Phil. 1395. Qu. ἀρχὴν λαβεῖν.

84. πατρὸς — λουτρά] Cf. 52. 434. Œd. C. 1599. λουτρά καὶ χοάς. Ant. 901 f. Æsch. Cho. 129. So νεοτέρων δωρήματα, &c.

λουτρά] λυτρά (in marg. θυσίας) F.

φέρει — ἐφ' ἡμῖν] I. e. 'Brings and puts in our power, secures to us.' A pregnant expression apparently, as explained by Wunder, &c. Unless indeed the passage be corrupt. Qu. ταῦτα γὰρ φέροι | νίκην τ' ἂν ἡμῖν —. Or ταῦτα γὰρ φέρειν | νίκην τέ φημι &c. Or — νίκην τ' ἔφασκε (or ἔφαινε, sc. Λοξίας) &c. Or — νίκην τε μέλλει (or πάντων) &c.

85. νίκην — καὶ κράτος] Cf. on Trach. 186. Œd. C. 1058. Æsch. Suppl. 951. εἶη δὲ νίκη καὶ κράτος τοῖς ἄρσεσιν. Dem. p. 381, 11. ἄρ' οὐ κράτος πολέμου καὶ νίκην — δίδόναι; Plut. Syll. 27. κράτος πολέμου καὶ νίκην. Oppian. Hal. IV. 105. νίκης τε γλυκύδωρον εἶλεν κράτος. Schneid. quotes also Tyrt. El. II. 11. δῆμον πλήθει νίκην καὶ κράτος ἔπεσθαι. Plut. de Def. Orac. 5. ἀνείλε νίκην καὶ κράτος τοῦ πολέμου τοῖς Ἑλλησιν ὁ θεός.

τῶν δρωμένων] Cf. on 1333.