

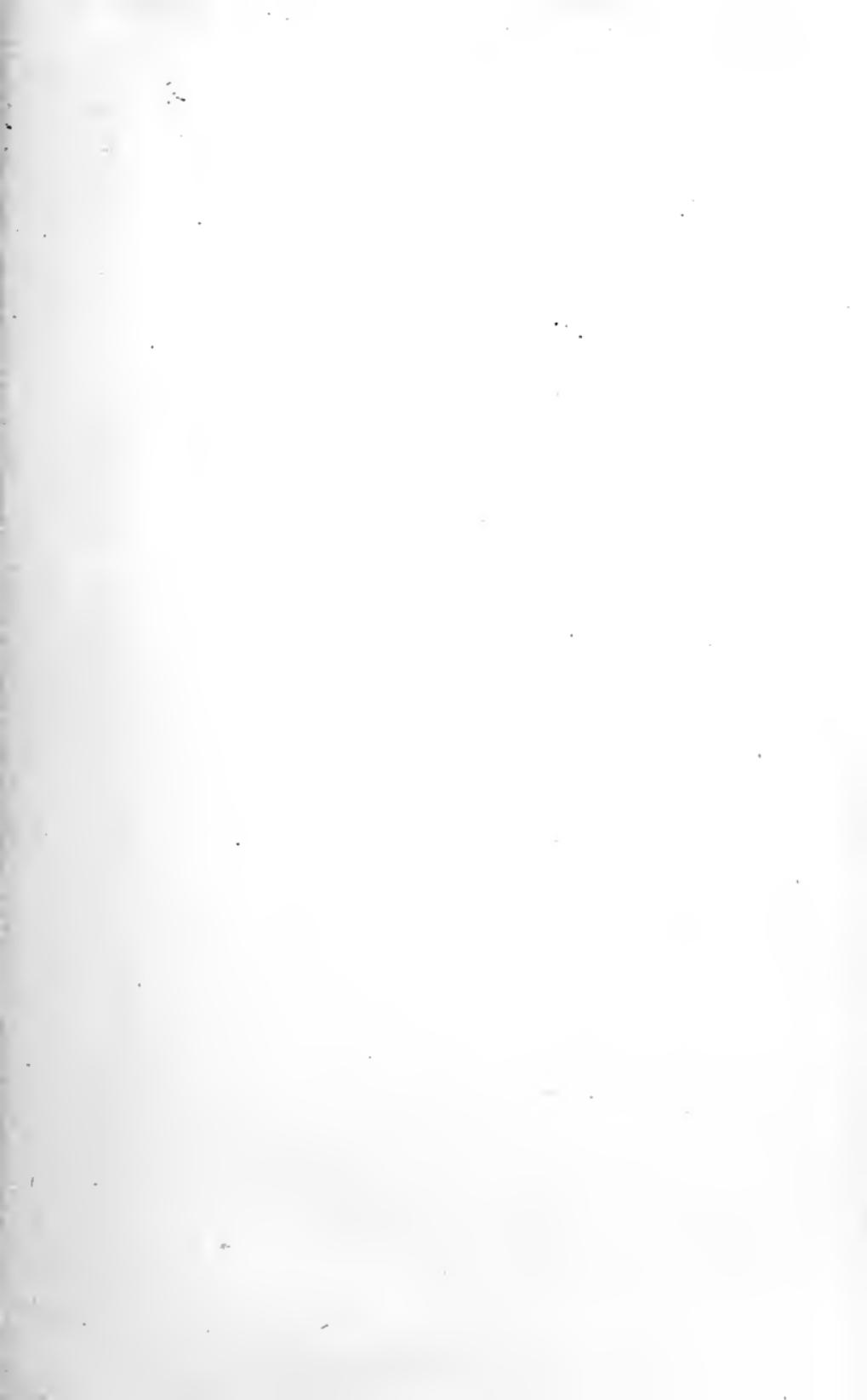
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THE
PHORMIO
OF
TERENCE

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PREFACE

This edition of the *Phormio* is intended primarily for students who make their first acquaintance with Roman comedy by reading the *Phormio*. On this account all deviations from the classical norm, whether in forms, syntax, or vocabulary, have been explained, and difficult passages translated. The explanations, however, have been kept within strict limits. Only enough has been given in each case to make the text intelligible to the student. Where further discussion of the points touched on is desirable, it is best given *viva voce* by the instructor. For the same reason the Introduction has been limited to a brief statement of essentials. It is assumed that the regular recitations will be supplemented by lectures by the instructor or class papers by the students dealing with such subjects as the origin and development of Roman comedy, the relation of Plautus' and Terence's plays to their Greek prototypes, the characteristic features of the *fabula palliata* and of the *fabula togata*, the occasions on which plays were produced in Rome and the methods of presentation, the influence of Roman comedy upon the drama of Italy, France, Germany and England, and so forth. If the instructor lectures on these subjects he will naturally seek his material from more comprehensive sources than the Introduction of a college text-book. If a student is required to write a paper on any of them, it is better that he should be sent to the library

for his information than that he should find it in his text-book.

I wish to acknowledge my indebtedness to Professors Dziatzko and Hauler, whose text I have with a few variations adopted; to Professors Elmer, Sloman, Morgan, and Davies, whose editions I have frequently consulted, and to Professor H. W. Johnston, editor of the series, who has given me many valuable suggestions.

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INTRODUCTION

i. LIFE AND WORKS OF TERENCE

Publius Terentius Afer was a native of Carthage. We do not know the date of his birth, but he seems to have been still in his prime when he died in 159 b. c. Roughly speaking his life falls in the period between the end of the second Punic war and the beginning of the third. He came to Rome as a slave and derived his name from his owner, Terentius Lucanus, a Roman senator. The latter noticed his ability, gave him a good education, and subsequently freed him. Terence became a member of that literary circle of which Scipio Africanus the Younger and Laelius were the central figures. While it is not probable that these men helped the poet in the composition of his plays, the fact that such a rumor arose is an indication of the closeness of his relations with them.

He wrote and exhibited six plays:

Andria, "The Maid of Andros," produced at the *Ludi Megalenses* in 166 b. c.

Heautontimorumenos, "The Self-Tormentor," *Ludi Megalenses*, 163.

Eunuchus, "The Eunuch," *Ludi Megalenses*, 161.

Phormio, *Ludi Romani*, 161.

Adelphoe, "The Brothers," at the funeral games of Aemilius Paulus, 160.

Heeyra, "The Mother-in-law," *Ludi Romani*, 160.

An unsuccessful attempt to present the *Hecyra* had been made at the *Ludi Megalenses* in 165; at the funeral games of Aemilius Paulus also the play was begun but not ended. Some of the other plays also were probably produced more than once during the poet's life-time.

All six plays belong to the class known as *fabula palliata*, the name being derived from the Greek cloak (*pallium*) which the actors wore. They are adaptations of Greek plays of the New Attic Comedy and so portray various phases of Athenian social life. The *Phormio* and the *Hecyra* are based on plays by Apollodorus (who flourished about 280 b. c.); the other four are from Menander (340–290 b. c.), the most famous of all the poets of the New Comedy.

The plays vary very much in the interest of their plots and characters; and we must infer, from the reception given the *Hecyra*, that Terence was not always successful in holding the attention of his audience. But the *Hecyra* is the weakest of the six plays, and cannot reasonably be used as a gauge of the playwright's popularity. In the other pieces, as for example in the *Adelphoe*, the *Andria*, and the *Phormio*, there is abundance of bright dialogue, interesting situations, and effective characterization. Terence is ingenious in the elaboration of his plots, skilful in disentangling complicated situations, and shows both in the development of his themes and in the delineation of character a sense of humor which,

while it lacks the rollicking quality of that of Plautus, his predecessor in Roman comedy, is keen and subtle. In his choice of language he was especially careful, and his style is justly regarded as a model of purity.

ii. THE PLOT OF THE PHORMIO

The main plot of the *Phormio* turns on the marriage of Antipho and Phanium. The former was the son of Demipho, a well-to-do citizen of Athens, the latter a penniless girl who had recently come with her mother from Lemnos to Athens. Her mother died shortly after their arrival, and Phanium was left with only her nurse Sophrona to take care of her. Antipho met her, fell in love with her, and determined to marry her. There were, however, many obstacles in the way. He was still a minor and he knew that his father would never consent to his marriage with a girl of obscure birth and no dowry. In his dilemma he consulted Phormio, one of that class of men known to the Athenians as "parasites," who lived by their wits and were always ready to take part in any intrigue in which they saw a chance of profit. Antipho's father was absent from Athens at the time, and Phormio proposed that Antipho should at once marry Phanium under such circumstances that he would be able to say that he had been forced into the marriage. The proposal was that he should take advantage of the Athenian law which ordained that

when a girl of marriageable age was left an orphan, her next of kin should either marry her himself or provide her with a dowry. It was agreed that Phormio, going into court, should swear that Antipho was Phanium's nearest kin, and that Antipho should not deny the allegation. The plan was completely successful; the court issued the order and the marriage took place.

It is shortly after this event that the play begins. When Demipho returns and hears of the marriage, his indignation knows no bounds. He denounces Antipho's ingratitude, stupidity, and disobedience; he berates his nephew Phaedria and his confidential slave Geta, both of whom he accuses of aiding and abetting Antipho, and he threatens to take legal proceedings against Phormio for his part in the transaction. He will, he declares, have the marriage annulled at once. Finding, however, that the situation presents many difficulties and that he gets very little assistance from the friends whom he consults, he decides to wait till his brother Chremes, the father of Phaedria, returns from abroad.

Chremes had gone to Lemnos, ostensibly to look after some property which belonged to his wife Nausistrata, but really to see another wife whom he had secretly married many years before and by whom he had a daughter. Demipho alone knew of this other marriage, and although he disapproved of his brother's conduct he had promised him that in due

time Antipho should marry the daughter. When Chremes returns to Athens and learns what has taken place he is very much disappointed. Now that Antipho is married, his hopes of getting his daughter established in life vanish. Moreover, on arriving in Lemnos he had found that his wife and daughter had gone to Athens in search of him. He lives in constant dread of his double life being exposed, and his fear is considerably increased by the fact that he is financially dependent upon his Athenian wife's income. Actuated by these motives he strongly supports Demipho's efforts to annul the marriage.

The old men, however, find that Phormio is not easily frightened, and when other measures fail, they are compelled to buy him off. He agrees for thirty minae (\$540) to take Phanium away from Antipho and marry her himself. He has no intention of doing this, but he has immediate need of just this amount of money. His need involves the secondary plot of the play which is concerned with another love affair, namely that of Chremes' son Phaedria and Pamphila, a slave girl upon whom her master Dorio had set a price of thirty minae. The money had already been paid to Phormio and Pamphila had been secured for Phaedria when Chremes, happening to meet the nurse Sophrona, learned that the girl whom Antipho had married was none other than his own daughter by his Lemnian wife. Chance had brought about the very thing which he had always

hoped for. Yet he did not entirely escape the consequences of his evil doing, for in the wrangle that took place between the two old men and Phormio when they tried to make him return the thirty minae, Phormio told Nausistrata the whole story of Chremes' other wife, giving her, as he expressed it, "something to din in his ears during the rest of his life."

iii. EARLY LATIN PROSODY

1. A long syllable preceded by a short is frequently shortened when the short syllable preceding or the syllable following has the ictus. The short preceding, however, must be a monosyllable or be at the beginning of a word. This is called the "Iambic law," because it affects iambic (˘ -) combinations. Examples: *Phorm.* 113 *enīm sē*; 145 *vel ōccidito*; 150 *et ād pōrtitores*; 209 *quīd hīc conterimus*; 342 *priōr bibas*; 800 *quīd īstuc*; 809 *ād īpsam*.

2. Final s does not always "make position," e. g., 660 *incertūs sum*; 683 *iussūs sum*.

3. Sometimes, before a word beginning with a consonant, the final *e* of *ille*, *inde*, *unde*, *quippe*, and *nempe* is suppressed, e. g., 109 *īll(e) qui*; 681 *īnd(e) sūmam*; 307 *nēmp(e) Phōrmionem*.

4. There were originally no double consonants in Latin. Even after their introduction there seems to have been uncertainty about the pronunciation of some syllables. For example the first syllable in *immo* is sometimes short: 528; 936.

5. The vowel in some final syllables retains the original long quantity, e. g., 9 *stetit*. An original long syllable also is sometimes retained, e. g., *ēs*, which was originally *ess*.

6. An original short vowel is sometimes preserved, e. g., 190 *prōtinam*; and an original short syllable, e. g., the nom. sing. masc. *hic*. That *hic* is so frequently treated as a long syllable by the poets of the classical period is due to the analogy of the nom. sing. neut. *hoc* (= *hocc*).

7. Hiatus is most frequently found with interjections or where there is a change of speaker. It frequently happens also that monosyllables ending in a long vowel or in *m* are not elided before a vowel or *h* but receive the ictus and are treated as short syllables. This is called semi-hiatus. Examples: 27 *qui aget*; 419 *nē agas*; 808 *quām ego*. Cf. Virg. *Aen.* vi. 507 *tē amice nequivi*.

8. Synizesis sometimes occurs in the different forms of *deus*, *meus*, *is*, *idem*, *ire*, *tuus*, *suus*, etc. Cf. also 4 *antehac*, 668 *proinde*.

iv. METERS

Only iambic and trochaic verses are used in the *Phormio*, and of these the iambic senarius is most frequently employed. It is the meter of ordinary dialogue and was spoken by the actors in a conversational tone without musical accompaniment. The trochaic septenarius, the iambic septenarius, and the

iambic octonarius were recited to a musical accompaniment, while the lyric parts, in which there are frequent changes of meter, were sung to a set tune.

The iambic senarius is so called because it consists of six iambi ($\text{˘} \text{˘}$). It is also called the iambic trimeter on the ground that the unit is not the single iambic foot, but the iambic dipody (pair of feet: $\text{˘} \text{˘} \text{˘} \text{˘}$) in which the first thesis (accented part of the foot) is stronger than the second.

For the iambus ($\text{˘} \text{˘}$) may be substituted:

the tribrah: $\text{˘} \text{˘} \text{˘}$

the spondee: $\text{˘} \text{˘}$

the dactyl: $\text{˘} \text{˘} \text{˘}$

the anapaest: $\text{˘} \text{˘} \text{˘}$

the proceleusmaticus: $\text{˘} \text{˘} \text{˘} \text{˘}$

Any substitution is allowed in any foot with the following exceptions: (1) the last foot is always an iambus or a pyrrhic (˘˘) treated as an iambus; (2) the proceleusmaticus probably does not occur in the fifth foot.

As spondee, dactyl, anapaest and proceleusmaticus are all *irrational*¹ substitutes for the iambus they are marked on the scheme in this way: >˘, >˘˘, ˘˘, ˘˘˘.

¹Called *irrational* because, on the principle that one long (˘) is the equivalent of two shorts (˘˘), the spondee, dactyl, anapaest and proceleusmaticus = ˘˘˘˘, while the iambus, for which they are substituted, = ˘˘˘.

SCHEME SHOWING THE POSSIBLE SUBSTITUTIONS IN
EACH FOOT

$\text{˘} \text{˘}$	$\text{˘} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{˘}$	$\text{˘} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{˘}$	$\text{˘} \text{˘}$
$\text{˘} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{-}$
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$\text{˘} \text{-} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{-} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{-} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{-} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{-} \text{-}$	$\text{˘} \text{-} \text{-}$
$\text{˘} \text{˘} \text{-}$ (most frequent in this foot)	$\text{˘} \text{˘} \text{-}$				

The verse usually has caesura, either the penthemimeral, i. e., after the arsis (unaccented part) of the third foot, or the hepthemimeral, i. e., after the arsis of the fourth foot. In the latter case there is frequently a secondary caesura in or a diaeresis after the second foot.

The student should make himself proficient in reading the iambic senarius before attempting the other meters used in the play. The schemes for the others (a table of which is given below) may be found in any of the standard grammars.

TABLE OF METERS

- 1-152. iambic senarii
- 153-154. trochaic octonarii
- 155. trochaic septenarius
- 156. iambic octonarius
- 157. trochaic octonarius
- 158-159. trochaic septenarii
- 160-162. iambic octonarii

- 163. iambic quaternarius
- 164–176. iambic octonarii
- 177–178. iambic septenarii
- 179. trochaic octonarius
- 180. trochaic septenarius
- 181–182. iambic octonarii
- 183. iambic quaternarius
- 184. iambic octonarius
- 185. trochaic septenarius
- 186. iambic octonarius
- 187–188. trochaic octonarii
- 189–190. trochaic septenarii
- 191. iambic quaternarius
- 192–195. iambic octonarii
- 196–215. trochaic septenarii
- 254–314. iambic senarii
- 315–347. trochaic septenarii
- 348–464. iambic senarii
- 465–468. trochaic octonarii
- 469–470. trochaic septenarii
- 471–478. iambic octonarii
- 479–480. trochaic octonarii
- 481–482. trochaic septenarii
- 483. iambic octonarius
- 484. trochaic septenarius
- 485. trochaic binarius catalectic
- 486. iambic octonarius
- 487–489. trochaic septenarii
- 490. iambic senarius
- 491. iambic septenarius
- 492. iambic octonarius

- 493–495. trochaic septenarii
 496. iambic octonarius
 497–501. trochaic septenarii
 502–503. iambic octonarii
 504–566. trochaic septenarii
 567–712. iambic senarii
 713–727. iambic octonarii
 728. trochaic octonarius
 729. trochaic quaternarius catalectic
 730–731. trochaic octonarii
 732. trochaic septenarius
 733–734. iambic octonarii
 735–738. trochaic octonarii
 739–741. trochaic septenarii
 742–747. iambic octonarii
 748–794. iambic septenarii
 795–819. iambic octonarii
 820–827. iambic septenarii
 828. iambic octonarius
 829–840. iambic octonarii
 841–883. trochaic septenarii
 884–1010. iambic senarii
 1011–1055. trochaic septenarii

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TERENTI

PHORMIO

INCIPIT TERENTI PHORMIO	
ACTA LVDIS ROMANIS	
L·POSTVMIO ALBINO L·CORNELIO MERVLA	
AEDILIBVS CVRVLIBVS	
EGIT L·AMBIVI VS TVRPIO[L·HATILI VS PRAENE STINVS]	
MODOS FECIT FLACCVS CLAVDI	6
TIBIS INPARIBVS TOTA	
GRAECA APOLLODORV EPIDICAZOMENOS	
FACTA IIII.	
C·FANNIO M·VALERIO COS.	10

Notices of this kind at the beginning of plays were called διδασκαλίαι (*didascaliae*). Those found in the mss. of Terence were probably written by grammarians of the Augustan age.

2. **ludis Romanis**, celebrated annually in September. Plays formed a part of the festival from an early date.

4. **aedilibus curulibus**: the superintendence of festivals was one of the duties of the curule aediles.

5. **egit**, “brought out.”—**L. Ambiuius Turpio**, Terence’s actor-manager.—[**L. Hatilius Praenestinus**] probably lived at a later date than Ambivius.

6. **modos fecit**, “composed the music.”—**Claudi**, sc. seruos.

7. **tibis (=tibiis) inparibus totā** (sc. *fabulā*), “on pipes of unequal size throughout the

play,” one for treble, the other for bass.—**Graeca**, sc. *fabula*.

8. **Apollodoru** = Απολλόδώρου, Gk. gen., “of Apollodorus,” a Greek poet born between 300 and 260 b. c. He was a representative of the New Comedy.—**Epidicazomenos**, Επιδικαζόμενος, *the Claimant*, the title of Apollodorus’ play. It was so called because the principal character, Phormio, *made a claim in court* that Antipho should marry Phanium. Terence borrowed the plot of the Greek play, but changed its name to the *Phormio*.

9. **facta IIII**: the *Phormio* was the fourth of Terence’s plays to be produced successfully.

10. **C. Fannio M. Valerio cos** (=consulibus), i. e., in 161 b. c.

G. SVLPICI APOLLINARIS PERIOCHA

Chremétis frater áberat peregre Démipho
Relícto Athenis Ántiphone filio.
Chremés clam habebat Lémni uxorem et filiam,
Athénis aliam cóniugem et amantem únice
Gnatúm fidicinam. máter e Lemno áduenit 5
Athénas; moritur; uírgo sola (aberát Chremes)
Funús procurat. íbi eam uisam Ántiphō
Cum amáret, opera párasiti uxorem áccipit.
Pater ét Chremes reuérsi fremere. deín minas
Trigínta dant parasítō, ut illam cóniugem 10
Habéret ipse: argénto hoc emitur fídicina.
Vxórem retinet Ántiphō a patruo ádgnitam.

The summaries (*periochae*) of the plots prefixed to the plays of Terence were composed by Caius Sulpicius Apollinaris, a grammarian of the second century A. D. The meter is the iambic senarius, in imitation of the meter most frequently employed by Terence in the play itself.

1. **peregre**, "abroad."

3. **Lemni**: Lemnos was an island in the Aegean.

4. **amantem unice**, "deeply in love with."

5. **gnatum** = *natum*. The

spelling with *g* was usual in Terence's time, and Sulpicius conforms to the old usage.

7. **procurat**, "attends to." —**ibi**, at the funeral.—**uisam** **Antiphō**, hiatus.

8. **opera parasiti**, "through the efforts of a parasite," i. e., Phormio.

9. **fremere**, "were furious," historical infinitive.—**minas**: a *mina* (*μνᾶ*) was about \$18.

12. **adgnitam**, old spelling of *agnitam*, "acknowledged (as his daughter)."

PERSONAE

PROLOGVS

DAVOS, *a slave*

GETA, *slave of Demipho*

ANTIPHO, *a young man, son of Demipho*

PHAEDRIA, *a young man, son of Chremes*

DEMIPHO, *an old man*

PHORMIO, *a parasite*

HEGIO

CRATINV^S } *legal advisers of Demipho*

CRITO

DORIO, *a slave-dealer*

CHREMES, *an old man, Demipho's brother*

SOPHRONA, *a nurse*

NAVSISTRATA, *wife of Chremes.*

CANTOR

Prologus: the term is here applied to the actor who speaks the prologue. **Cantor:** it was probably his duty to sing the lyrical parts while the actors to whom the songs were

assigned merely made appropriate gestures. The *cantor* also at the end of the play comes forward and tells the audience to applaud.



PROLOGVS

Terence defends himself against the criticisms of his rival Luscius Lanuvinus (vv 1-23); then commends his play to the favor of the audience (vv 24-34).

Postquám poëta uétus poëtam nón potest
Retráhere a studio et tránsdere hominem in ótium,
Maledíctis deterrére ne scribát parat;
Qui ita díctitat, quas ántehac fecit fábulas,
Tenui ésse oratióne et scripturá leui: 5
Quia núsquam insanum scripsit adulescentulum

1. poeta vetus: Luscius Lanuvinus, a rival poet, who had made every effort to discourage Terence in his dramatic work and to bring his plays into contempt.—**poetam**, Terence. He refers to himself in the third person throughout this polemic against Lanuvinus (1-21): cf. *hominem* (2), *nouos* (14), *hunc* (18), *hic* (19).

2. retrahere.. otium, “keep from his literary pursuits and reduce to idleness.”—**transdere**, an older form of *tradere*.

3. ne scribat, “from writing.”

4. qui, Lanuvinus.—**ante-hac fecit**, i. e., Terence. Cf. *scripsit* (6). Scan, *antehac*.

5. tenui . . . leui, “are (marked) by feeble phrasing

and a flimsy style,” pre-dicative characterizing ablatives.

6 ff. insanum adulescentulum, subject of *uidere* after *scripsit*.—**cervam fugere**, **canes sectari**, and **eam plorare**, **orare** depend upon *uidere*.—**eam**, i. e., *ceruam*; the subject of *subueniat* is *adulescentulus* understood — **sibi**, the hind. Terence is apparently satirizing a scene in one of the plays of Lanuvinus, in which some youth imagines that he sees the girl he loves transformed into a hind; pursued by hounds, she appeals to him for aid. Terence’s point is that Lanuvinus’ criticism of his plays was based on the fact that such bizarre episodes found no place in them.

Ceruám uidere fúgere et sectarí canes
 Et eám plorare, oráre ut subueniát sibi.
 Quod si íntellegereret, quóm stetit olím noua,
 Actórís opera mágis stetisse quám sua, 10
 Minus múlto audacter, quám nunc laedit, laéderet.
 Nunc sí quis est, qui hoc díeat aut sic cójitet:
 'Vetus sí poëta nón lacessissét prior,
 Nullum ínuenire prólogum possét nouos,
 Quem díceret, nisi habéret cui male díceret:' 15
 Is sibi responsum hoc hábeat, in medio ómnibus
 Palmam ésse positam, qui ártem tractant músicam.
 Ille ád famem hunc a stúdio studuit réicere:
 Hic réspondere uóluit, non lacéssere.
 Benedíctis si certáasset, audissét bene: 20

9. quod si, "but if."—**ste-**
tit, "succeeded." The vowel
 in the last syllable is long.
 See Introduction xiii.¹—**noua**,
 sc. *fabula*.

10. actoris, the *dominus gregis*, manager of the troupe of
 actors; he had probably taken
 the leading part.—**operā**.—
laederet, "would attack."

12 ff.: in these lines Terence
 anticipates the criticism of
 those who may say that Lanu-
 vinus had at least supplied
 him with material for his pro-
 logue. The frequent appear-
 ance of a polemical element in
 Terence's prologues is appa-
 rently glanced at.

13. non lacessisset, "had
 not assailed."

14. prólogum, "prologue."
nouos (sc. *poeta*): when
 preceded by *v* or *u* an
 original *o* before final con-
 sonants was not changed
 to *u* until after the time of
 Cicero.

16 f. in medio . . . positam,
 "the prize is open to all."

17. artem musicam, "the
 poetic art."

18. ad famem reicere,
 "force into poverty." Scan,
réicere.

20. audisset bene, "he
 would have been favorably
 spoken of."

¹ The references are to the pages of the Introduction.

Quod ab illo addatumst, sibi esse rellatum putet.
 De illō iam finem fáciam dicundi mihi,
 Peccándi quom ipse dé se finem nón facit.
 Nunc quíd uelim animum atténdite: adportó nouam
 Epídicazomenon quám uocant comoédiam 25
 Graecí, Latini Phórmionem nóminant,
 Quia prímas partis qui aget, is erit Phórmio
 Parasítus, per quem rés geretur máxume,
 Volúntas uostra si ád poëtam accésserit.
 Date óperam, adeste aequo ánimo per siléntium, 30
 Ne símili utamur fórtuna, atque usí sumus
 Quom pér tumultum nóstter grex motús locost;
 Quem actóris uirtus nóbis restituít locum
 Bonitásque uostra adiútans atque aequánimitas.

21. sibi ēsse: Iambic Law.
 See Introduction xii.

27. primas partis qui aget,
 "who will play the leading rôle." Scan, *qui ēget*; semi-hiatus. See Introduction xiii.

31. simili... atque usi su-

mus, "like that which we experienced."

32. grex, "troupe."—**motus locost** (*= loco est*), "was driven off the stage."

33. actoris, Lucius Ambiv-
 ius Turpio.

SCENE: *A street in Athens, leading R. to the Forum, L. to the harbor. In the background the houses of Chremes, L., Demiphō, c., and Dorio, R. Dorio's house is separated from Demiphō's by an alley. The scene remains the same throughout the play.*

ACT I

SCENE 1

The slave Davus comes to pay Geta the balance of a small debt. He has heard that Geta's young master has recently married, and he supposes that his friend needs the money in order to give the bride a present. He moralizes on the injustice of exacting gifts from slaves.

[*Darus enters, R., carrying a bag of money.*]

DAVOS

Amīcus summus méus et popularís Geta Heri ád me uenit. érat ei de ratiúncula Iam prídem apud me rélicuom pauxíllulum Nummórum: id ut confícerem. confeci: ádfero. Nam erílem filium éius duxisse aúdio Vxórem: ei, eredo, míminus hoc conráditur. Quam iníque comparátumst, ei, qui mínuſ habent, Vt sémp̄er aliquid áddant ditióribus!	35 40
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35. summus, "most intimate." — **popularis**, "fellow-countryman."

36. de ratiuncula, "of a petty account."

37. reliquum, adjective. This is always a word of four syllables in Plautus and Terence.—**pauxillulum**, substant-

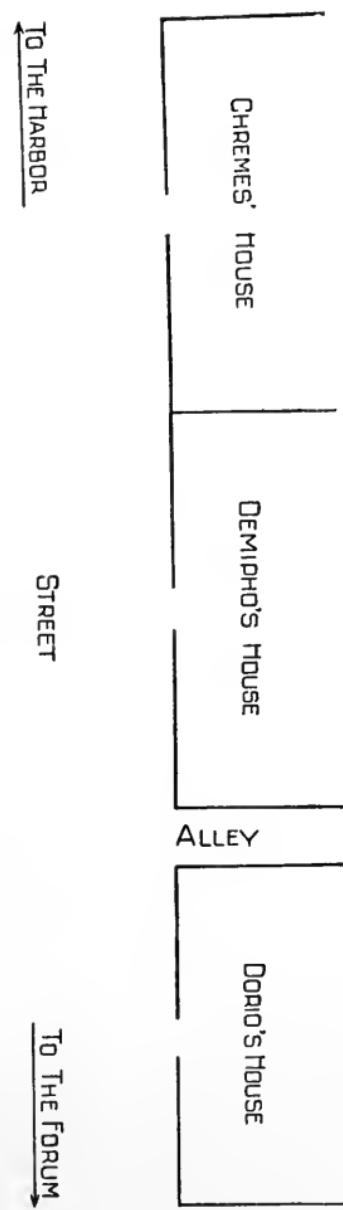
tive, "a trifle."

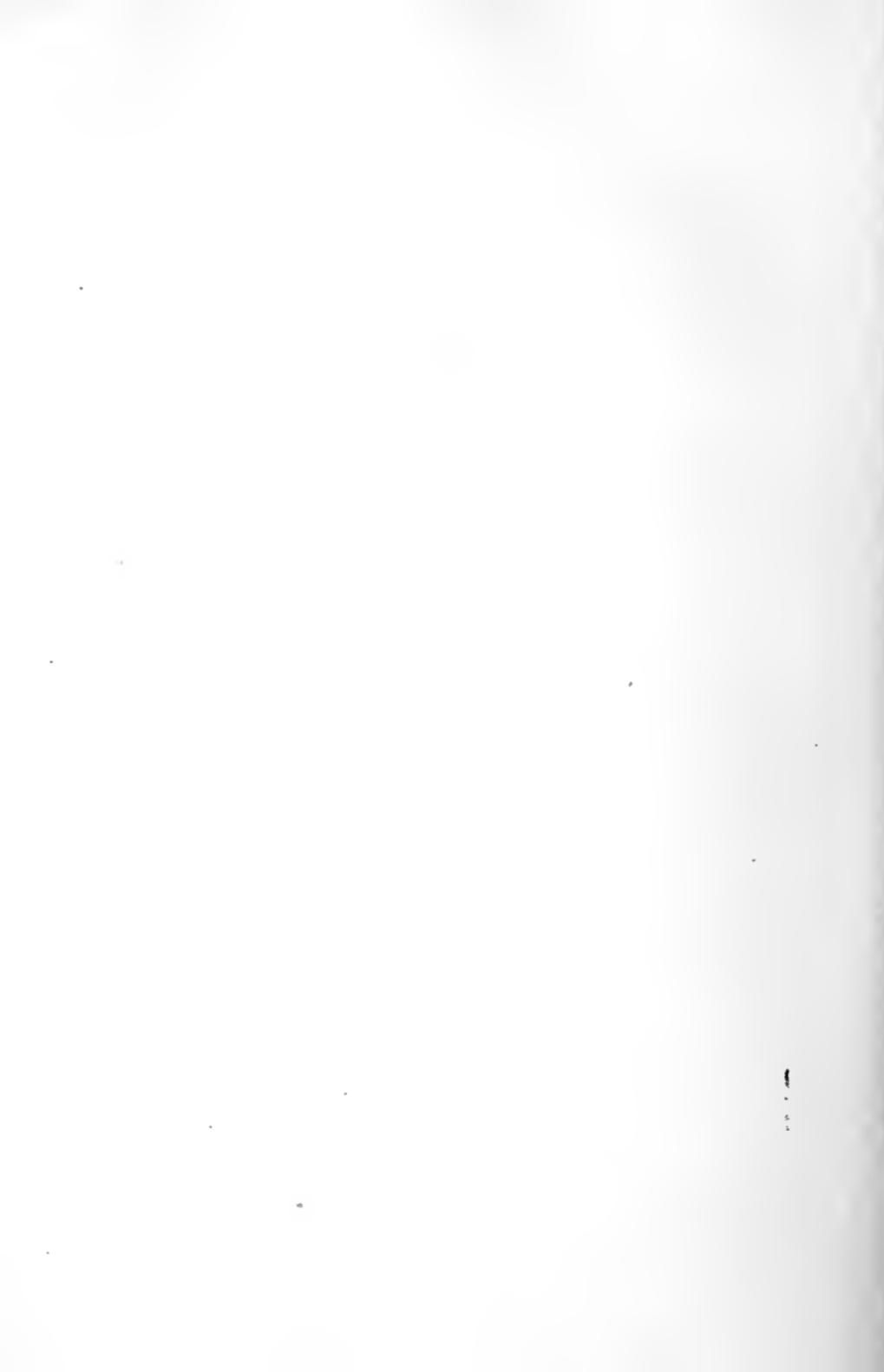
38. id ut conficerem, "(he asked me) to get it together."

39. erilem, "his master's." —**duxisse uxorem**, "has taken a wife."

40. ei, "for her."

41. comparatumst, "it has been ordained." —**ei**, "those."





Quod ille únciatim uíx de demensó suo
 Suóm defrudans génium conpersít miser,
 Id illa úniuersum abrípiet haud exístumans, 45
 Quantó labore pártum. porro autém Geta
 Feriétur alio múnere, ubi era pépererit;
 Porro aútem alio, ubi erit púero natalís dies;
 Vbi ínitiabunt. ómne hoc mater aúferet;
 Puer caúsa erit mittúndi. (*Sees Geta coming out of*
Demipho's house) sed uideón Getam? 50

SCENE 2

Geta tells Davus how, in the absence of the two old men, Demipho and Chremes, their sons Antipho and Phaedria had defied his own and the parental authority. Antipho, aided and abetted by Phormio, had married a penniless girl of unknown antecedents, while Phaedria had fallen in love with a slave-girl.

[Enter Geta from Demipho's house.]

GETA

DAVOS

GE. (*Speaking to some one within*) Si quís me quaeret
 rúfus . . DA. Praestost, désine. GE. Oh,

43. **Scan quod ille únciatim,**
 Iambic Law. See Introduction xii. — **demenso**, “allowance.”

44. **suom genium**, “his own self.” The identification of a person and his genius is frequent. — **defrudans** = *defraudans*. — **conpersit**, “has saved up,” from *conperco* (*conparco*).

46. **partum**, sc. *sit*. — **porro autem**, “then again.”

47. **ferietur alio munere**, “will be struck for another present,” lit., “by,” instrumental ablative.

48. **natalis dies**, “birthday.”
 49. **initiabunt**, “will initiate (him),” i.e., into some form of religious mysteries.

50. **uideon** = *uideone*.
 51. **rufus**, “red-headed.”
 Davus wore a red wig. — **praestost** = *praesto est*, “he’s here.”

At ego óbuiam conábar tibi, Daue. DA. (*giving, him the bag*) Áccipe, em:

Lectúmst; conueniet númerus quantum débui.

GE. Amó te, et non neeléxisse habeo grátiam.

DA. Praesértim ut nunc sunt móres. adeo rés redit: 55

Si quíis quid reddit, mágna habendast grátia.

Sed quíd tu es tristis? GE. Égone? nescis quo ín metu,

Quanto ín periclo símus! DA. Quid istue ést? GE. Scies, Modo út tacere póssis. DA. Abi sis, ínsciens!

Quoius tú fidem in pecúnia perspéxeris, 60

Verére uerba ei crédere? ubi quid míhi lucrist

Te fállere? GE. Ergo auscúlta. DA. Hanc operam tíbi dico.

GE. Senis nóstri, Daue, frátrema maiorém Chremem Nostín? DA. Quid ni? GE. Quid? éius gnatum Phaédriam?

52. at . . . tibi, "Why, I was trying to find you." *Obuiam* is used absolutely with *conari*. —**em**, "there!"

53. lectumst = lectum est, "it's picked (money)," i.e., there are no spurious or light coins in the lot.—**conueniet**, "will tally with."

54. amo te, "thank you very much," a formula of frequent occurrence.

55. adeo, "to this."

58. istuc = istud.

59. modo ut, "provided only."—**sis = si uis**, colloquial

expression, "will you!"

60. quoius = cuius. — **perspéxeris**, subjunctive in a characterizing clause after an incomplete antecedent.

61 f. ubi, relative, "in which affair."

62. operam dico, "am paying attention." The verb is *dico* (-are). Cf. *operam dare*.

63. maiorem, "elder."

64. nostin = nostisne. — **quid ni**, lit. "why not?" Translate "of course." — **gnatum**: see note on *Periocha 5*.

DA. Tam quám te. *GE.* Euenit sénibus ambobús simul,

65

Iter illi in Lemniūn ut ésset, nostro in Cíliciam Ad hóspitem antiquom. ís senem per epístulas Pelléxit, modo non móntis auri póllicens.

DA. Quoi tánta erat res ét supererat? *GE.* Désinas: Sic ést ingenium. *DA.* Oh, régem me esse opórtuit! 70
GE. Abeúntes ambo hic túm senes me filiis Relínquont quasi magístrum. *DA.* O Geta, prouinciam

Cepísti duram. *GE.* Mi úsus uenit, hóc scio; Meminí relinqui mé deo irató meo.

Coepi áduorsari primo: quid uerbís opust? 75
 Sení fidelis dúm sum, scapulas pérdidi.

DA. Venére in mentem mi ístaee; namque inseítiast Aduórsum stimulum cálces. *GE.* Coepi eis ómnia Facere, óbsequi quae uéllent. *DA.* Scisti utí foro.

67. **hospitem**, “guest-friend.”

68. **modo non**, “all but.”

69. (eum pellexit) **quo**i (=cui) . . .?

70. **regem**, “a rich man.”

72. **prouinciam**, “task.”

From “province” this word came to mean “sphere of duty,” “charge.”

73. **usus**, “experience.”

74. That he was left in so difficult a position shows, Geta thinks, that his tutelary deity was angry with him.

75. **aduorsari** = *aduersari*.

76. **scapulas perdidi**, a humorous desription of the frequent beatings inflicted upon him.

77. **istaec** = *ista*, the reference being to the points raised by Geta.

78. **aduorsum stimulum calces**, sc. *iactare*, “to kick against the pricks,” a translation of the Greek proverb *πρὸς τὰ κέντρα μὴ λακτιζέτω*.

79. **scisti uti foro**, “you know (how) to handle your market,” i.e., to adapt yourself to circumstances.

GE. Nostér mali nil quíequam primo; hic Phaédria 80
 Contínuo quandam náctus est puéllulam
 Citharístriam: hanc amáre coepit pérdite.
 Ea séruiebat lénoni inpuríssumo,
 Neque quód daretur quíequam; id curaránt patres. 85
 Restábat aliud níl nisi oculos páscre, Sectári, in ludum dúcere et reddúcere.
 Nos ótiosi operám dabamus Phaédriæ.
 In quo haéc discebat lúdo, exaduorsum ílico
 Tonstrína erat quaedam: híc solebamús fere
 Plerúmque eam opperíri, dum inde irét domum. 90
 Intérea dum sedémus illi, intéruevit
 Aduléscens quidam lácrumans. nos mirárier;
 Rogámus quid sit. ‘númquam aeque’ inquit ‘á modo
 Paupértas mihi onus uísumst et miserum ét graue.
 Modo quándam uidi uírginem hic uicíniae 95
 Miserám suam matrem lámentari mórtuam;
 Ea síta erat exaduórsum, neque illi béniuolus

80. *noster*, “my (young master);” sc. *fecit*.

81. *continuo*, “at once.”—
puellulam citharistriam, “a little harpist.”

83. *seruiebat*, “was the slave of.”

84. *quicquam*, sc. *erat*.

85. *oculos pascere*, “feast his eyes (on her).”

86. *ludum*, “school,” for music.

88. Order: *in ludo quo*, etc.—
exaduorsum ilico, “right opposite.”

89. *tōnstrīna*, -ae, f., “barber-shop.” See Johnston, *Private Life*, §253.

91. *illi* = *illic*.

92. *mirárier* = *mirari*, historical infinitive.

93. *aeque . . . ac*; cf. *simili . . . atque* (31).—*modo*, “just now.”

95. *hic uiciniae*, “in this neighborhood,” partitive genitive with adverb.

97. *sita erat*, “had been laid out.”

Neque nótus neque cognátus extra unam ániculam
 Quisquam áderat, qui adiutáret funus: míseritumst.
 Virgo ípsa fácie egrégia'. quid uerbís opust? 100
 Commórat omnis nós. ibi continuo Ántipho
 'Voltísnē eamus uísere?' alias 'cénseo:
 Eámus; duc nos sódes'. imus, uénimus,
 Vidémus. uirgo púlehra, et quo magis díceres,
 Nil áderat adiuménti ad pulchritúdinem: 105
 Capíllus passus, núdus pes, ipsa hórrida,
 Laerumaé, uestitus túrpis; ut, ni uís boni
 In ípsa inesset fóрма, haec formam exstínguerent.
 Ille, qui íllam amabat fídicinam, tantúm modo
 'Satis' inquit 'scitast'; nóster uero.. DA. Iám scio: 110
 Amáre coepit. GE. Seín quam? quo euadát uide.

99. **miseritumst**, "I pitied her."

101. **commorat** = *commo-uerat*. **ibi**, "thereupon."

102. **uoltisne** = *uultisne*.—**uisere**: an example of the infinitive of purpose sometimes found in Terence after verbs of motion.

103. **sodes** = *si audes*, "please." cf. *sis* (59). In *sodes* we see the survival of the original force of *audeo*, *to desire*; cf. *audius*.—**imus**, **uénimus**, **uidemus**: the asyndetic style is adopted to express the rapidity of their actions.

104. **quo . . . dices**, "more reason for one's saying so,"

second singular indefinite.

106. **passus**, "disheveled," from *pando*.

107. **uis boni**, "a great deal that was good," lit., "a power of good."

108. **forma . . . formam**, a play upon two meanings of the word, "form . . . beauty."

109. **ille**, Phaedria. Scan *ill(e) qu(i) illam*. See Introduction xii.—**tantum modo**, "only."

110. **scita**, "pretty."—**vero**, "but."

111. **scin** = *scisne*.—**quo euadat**, "how (the affair) turns out."

Postrídie ad anum récta pergit; óbsecrat
 Vt síbi eius faciat cópiam. illa enim sé negat
 Neque eum aéquom ait facere: illam ciuem esse Átticam,
 Bonám bonis prognátam: si uxorém uelit, 115
 Lege íd licere fáccere; sin alitér, negat.
 Nostér quid ageret nescire: et illam dúcere
 Cupiébat et metuébat absentém patrem.
DA. Non, sí redisset, eí pater ueniám daret?
GE. Ille índotatam uírginem atque ignóbilem 120
 Daret illi? numquam fáceret. *DA.* Quid fit déniqüe?
GE. Quid fíat? est parasítus quidam Phórmio,
 Homó confidens: qui illum di omnes pérdunt!
DA. Quid is fécit? *GE.* Hoc consílium quod dicám
 dedit:
 'Lex ést ut orbae, quí sint genere próxumi, 125
 Eis núbant, et illos dúcere eadem haec léx iubet.
 Ego té cognatum dícam et tibi scribám dicam;
 Patérnum amicum me ádsimulabo uírginis;

112. rectā, se. *uitā*.

113. ut . . . copiam, "that she (sc. *anus*) give him a chance to meet her." Sean, *ēius*.—**illa enim**, "(but) she indeed," *enim* being, as it usually is in Terence, a corroborative particle.—**negat se**, "refuses."

114. ciuem, feminine.

115. uxorem, "as his wife."

117. nescire, historical infinitive.—**ducere**: cf. 39 *duxisse uxorem*.

121. daret echoes *daret* of 119.

123. confidens, "bold."—
 qui, an old ablative used as an adverb, frequent in introducing imprecations. Cf. *utinam* in wishes.—**perduint**, old form of present subjunctive.

125. orbae, "orphans."

126. nubere is used of women marrying, as *ducere* of men.

127. tibi scribam dícam, "I'll bring an action against you." Note *dīca*, -ae, f., "a lawsuit," "an action."

Ad iúdices ueniémus; qui fuerít pater,
 Quae máter, qui cognáta tibi sit, ómnia haec 120
 Confíngam, quod erit míhi bonum atque cómmodum.
 Quom tu hórum nil reféllas, uincam scílicet.
 Pater áderit; mihi parátae lites: quíd mea?
 Illá quidem nostra erít'. DA. Iocularem audáciam!
 GE. Persuásumst homini: fáctumst; uentumst; uínci-
 mur; 135
 Duxít. DA. Quid narras? GE. Hóc quod audis.
 DA. Ó Geta,
 Quid té futurumst? GE. Nescio herele; unum hóce scio:
 Quod fórs feret, ferémus aequo animó. DA. Placet.
 Em istúc uirist offícium. GE. In me omnis spés mihiſt.
 DA. Laudo. GE. Ád precatorem ádeam eredo, quí
 mihi 140
 Sic óret: 'nunc amítte quaeso hunc; céterum
 Posthác si quicquam, níl precor'. tantum modo
 Non addit: 'ubi ego hinc ábiero, uel occídito'.
 DA. Quid paédagogus ílle, qui eitharístriam?

129. **qui**, "who."

130. **qui**, "how."

131. **quod**, "so far as."

133. **quid meā**, sc. *rē fert*.

136. **quid narras**, "you don't say so!" a frequent expression in colloquial Latin.

137. **quid te futurumst**, "what will be (done) with you?" A similar use of *fieri* with the ablative occurs.

138. **placet**, "I like that."

140. **precatorem**, "inter-

cessor," one who would plead with his master in his behalf.—**adeam**, "I will go," volitive subjunctive.

142. **si quicquam**, sc. *admisericordia*.—**tantum modo non**, "all but."

143. **uel** intensifies.—Scan, **uel occídito**, Iambic Law. See Introduction xii.

144. **paedagogus**, "attendant," a humorous appellation of Phaedria on account of his

Quid reí gerit? *GE.* Sic, tenuiter. *DA.* Non múltum
habet

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Quod dét fortasse? *GE.* Ímmo nil nisi spém meram.

DA. Pater éius rediit án non? *GE.* Non dum. *DA.*

Quíd? senem

Quoad éxpectatis uóstrum? *GE.* Non certúm scio,
Sed epístulam ab eo adlátam esse audiuí modo

Et ad pórtidores ésse delatam: hanc petam. 150

DA. Num quíd, Geta, aliud mé uis? *GE.* Vt bene sít
tibi. (*Exit Darus.* *Geta calls to a slave within.*)

Puer, heús. nemon hoc pródit? (*Enter a slave.*

Geta gives him the bag.) cape, da hoc Dórcio.

devotion to the little harpist. Properly speaking, the *paedagogus* was the slave whose duty it was to attend a child to and from school.—*qui citharistram*, sc. *sectabatur*.

145. quid rei gerit, “how is he getting along?”—**sic, tenuiter**, “so so, poorly.”

146. fortasse? immo: hiatus. See Introduction xiii. —**immo**, corrective as usual; it introduces the substitution of *nil*, etc., for the *non multum* suggested in 145. Translate, “say rather.”

147. pater, Chremes.

147. senem uostrum, Demiphō.

148. quoad expectatis, “when do you expect?”—*certum*, “for a certainty.”

150. portidores, “custom-house officials.”

151. num . . . uis, “nothing else you want of me, is there?”—a common formula of farewell.—**me**, accusative.—**ut**, etc., sc. *uolo*—a polite substitute for a negative reply.

152. puer, heus: he calls out to some slave within the house.—**Dorcio:** Dorcium, one of the female slaves of Demiphō’s household.

ACT II

SCENE 1

Antipho and Phaedria discuss their respective situations, each deplored his own and envying the other's lot.

[Enter Antipho and Phaedria from Chremes' house.]

ANTIPHO

PHAEDRIA

AN. Ádeon rem redísse, ut qui mi cónsultum optumé uelit esse,

Phaédria, patrem ut éxtimescam, ubi ín mentem eius aduénti ueniat!

Quód ni fuissem incógitans, ita éxpectarem, ut pár fuit.

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PH. Quid istúc est? *AN.* Rogitas? quí tam audacis fácinoris mihi cónsciu's?

Quód utinam ne Phórmioni id suádere in mentem íncidisset

Neú me cupidum eo ínpulisset, quód mihi principiúmst mali!

153. adeon rem redisse, “(to think that) the matter has come to this,” accusative with infinitive in an exclamation. The use of the particle *-ne* in such cases is not infrequent.—**qui . . . esse**, “who would be most interested in my welfare.”

154. ut, a mere repetition of the preceding *ut*.—**aduenti** = *aduentūs* of classical period.

156. istuc: the final syllable of this word, whether it is a pronoun (as here) or an adverb, is long, *c* representing *cc*.—**consciū's** = *conscius es*.

157. quod, “but.”

Nón potitus éssem: fuissest tum illos mi aegre aliquód dies,

At nón cottidiána cura haec ángeret animum,
PH. Aúdio. 160

AN. Dum expécto quam mox uéniat qui adimat hanc
mihi consuetudinem.

PH. Aliis quia defit quod amant aegrest; tíbi quia
superést dolet:

Amóre abundas, Ántipho.

Nam túa quidem hercle cérito uita haec expetenda
optándaque est.

Ita mé di bene ament, út mihi liceat tám diu quod amo
frui, 165

Iam dépecisci mórtē cupio: tú conicito cétera,

Quid ego ex hac inopiá nunc capiam, et quid tu ex
istac cópia;

Vt ne áddam quod sine súmptu ingenuam, líberalem
náctus es,

Quod habés, ita ut uoluísti, uxorem síne mala famá
palam: 169

Beátus, ni unum désit, animus quí modeste istaec ferat.

159. **non potitus essem**, “I should not have won her.”—**aliquod**=*aliquot*.

160. **audio**: Phaedria shows impatience.

161. **consuetudinem**, “union” i. e., with Phanius.

162. **aliis**: he is thinking of his own case.

165. **ita me di bene ament, cupio**, “so may the gods help

me, I desire.”—**ut**, “provided that,” depending upon the following sentence.

166. **depecisci morte**, “barter my life.”

167. **istac**, form with demonstrative particle *-ce*, instead of *istā*. Cf. **istaec** (170)=*ista*.

168. **ut ne=ne**.—**liberalem**, “cultured.”

Quod sí tibi res sit cum eó lenone quó mihist, tum
séntias.

Ita plérique ingenió sumus omnes: nóstri nosmet
paénitet.

AN. At tú mihi contra núnc uidere fórtunatus, Phaédria,
Quoi de íntegro est potéstas etiam cónsulendi, quíd
uelis:

Retinére amorem an mítttere; ego in eum íncidi infelíx
locum,

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Vt néque mihi eius sit ámittendi néc retinendi cópia.

Sed quíd hoc est? uideon égo Getam curréntem hue
adueníre?

Is est ípsus. ei, timeó miser, quam hic míhi nunc
nuntiérem.

SCENE 2

Geta comes in great excitement with the news that Antipho's father, Demipho, has returned to Athens: he himself has just seen him at the harbor. Geta and Phaedria try to induce Antipho to face the old man, but Antipho's courage is not equal to the interview. He runs away at his father's approach, and the other two are left behind to bear the brunt of Demipho's wrath.

[Enter Geta running, l.]

GETA

ANTIPHO

PHAEDRIA

GE. (*to himself, not seeing Antipho and Phaedria*)
Núllus es, Getá, nisi iam aliquod tíbi consilium
célere reperis:

Íta nunc inparátum subito tánta te inpendént mala;

174. *quoi=cui.—de integro,*
“anew.”

176. *copia*, “opportunity.”

179. *nullus es*, “it’s all over
with you.” He is talking to
himself.

Quae néque uti deuitém scio neque quó modo me inde
éxtraham;

Nam nón potest celári nostra díutius iam audácia.

AN. (to Phaedria) Quid illic commotús uenit?

GE. Tum témoris mihi púnctum ad hanc rem est:
érus adest. *AN. (to Phaedria)* Quid illúc malist?

GE. Quód quom audierit, quód eius remedium ínuen-
iam iracúndiae? 185

Loquárne? incendam; táceam? instigem; púrgem me?
laterém lauem.

Heú me miserum! quóm mihi paueo, tum Ántipho me
excrúciat animí:

Eíus me miseret, eí nunc timeo, is núc me retinet; nam
ábsque eo esset,

Récte égo mihi uidísssem et senis essem últus iracúndiam:
Áliquid conuasássem atque hinc me cónicerem pro-
tinam ín pedes. 190

AN. (to Phaedria) Quam nam híc fugam aut furtúm
parat?

GE. Sed ubi Ántiphonem réperiam? aut qua quaérere
insistám uia?

181. inde extraham, “I can
extricate myself from them.”

183. illic=ille, Geta.

184. erus, Demipho.

186. laterem lauem, “I
should be washing a brick.”
To attempt to wash the color
out of a brick was proverbial
for useless labor.

187. quom . . . tum, “on the
one hand . . . on the other.”—

animi, locative, “in mind.”

188. absque eo esset, “were
it not for him.”

189. mihi uidísssem, “I
should have looked out for
myself.”

190. aliquid conuasássem,
“I’d have packed up some-
thing.”

192. quaerere insistam, “set
about finding (him).”

PH. (*to Antipho*) Te nóminat. *AN.* (*to Phaedria*) Nescío quod magnum hoc núntio expectó malum.
PH. Ah.

[Sanun es?] *GE.* Domum íre pergam; ibi plúrimumst.

PH. Reuocémus hominem. *AN.* (*to Geta*) Sta
ílico. *GE.* (*without looking back*) Hem,

Satís pro imperio, quískis es. *AN.* Geta. *GE.* (*look-
ing back*) Ípsest quem uolui óbuiam. 195

AN. Cédo, quid portas, óbsecro? atque id, sí potes,
uerbo éxpedi.

GE. Fáciam. *AN.* Eloquere. *GE.* Módo apud por-
tum.. *AN.* Meúmne? *GE.* Intellexti. *AN.*
Óccidi. *PH.* Hem.

AN. Quíd agam? *PH.* (*to Geta*) Quid aís? *GE.*
Huíus patrem uidísse me et patruóm tuom.

AN. Nám quod ego huic nunc súbito exitio rémedium
inueniám miser? 200

(*Apostrophizing Phanium*) Quód si eo meae fortúnae
redeunt, Pháníum, abs te ut dístrahar,

Núllast mihi uita éxpetaenda. *GE.* Ergo ístaec quom
ita sint, Ántipho,

Tánto magis te aduígilare aequomst: fórtis fortuna
ádiuuat.

194. *sanun*=*sanusne*. — *plurimum*, “generally.”

195. *pro imperio*, “imper-
iously.”—*uolui obuiam*: cf.
obuiam conabar (52).

196. *cědō*, this old impera-
tive, “bring hither,” “show,”

here means “tell.”—*uerbo*, “in
a word.” He could not wait
for a long explanation.

201. *eo . . . ut*, “to this . . .
that.”—**Phanium**, Antipho’s
wife.

AN. Nón sum apud me. *GE.* Atqui ópus est nunc
quom máxume ut sis, Ántiphō;

Nám si senserít te timidum páter esse, arbitrá-
bitur 205

Cómmeruisse cúlpam. *PH.* Hoc uerumst. *AN.* Nón
possum inmutárier.

GE. Quíd faceres, si aliúd quid grauius tíbi nunc faciun-
dúm foret?

AN. Quom hóc non possum, illúd minus possem. *GE.*
Hoc níhil est, Phaedria: ílicet.

Quíd hic conterimus óperam frustra? quín abeo?

PH. Et quidem ego? (*They turn to leave the stage*)

AN. Óbsecro,

Quíd si adsimulo? (*assuming a bold expression*) Sátinest?

GE. (*without looking at him*) Garris. *AN.* Vóltum
contemplámini: em, 210

Sátine sic est? *GE.* (*looking at him*) Nón. *AN.* Quid
si sic? *GE.* Própemodum. *AN.* Quid síc? *GE.*

Sat est:

204. **apud me**, “myself.”
—**nunc quom maxume**, “now
especially.” Cf. *tum quom
maxume*, “then especially.”

206. **inmutarier** = *inmutari*
reflexive, “change my nature.”

207. The imperfect is used
because the supposition is
contrary to fact.—**grauius**,
“more disagreeable.”

208. **quom**, “since.” Note the
use of the indicative with
causal *quom* in Terence.

208. **possem**, for tense, cf.
faceres (207)—**ilicet** = *ire licet*,
“let us go,” lit., “one may
go.” The expression was
originally used in dismissing
an assembly.

209. **quin** = *qui+ne*, “why
not?”

210. **satinest** = *satisne est*.
Masks were not worn by actors
in Terence’s time. — **em**,
“there!”

Ém, istuc serua; et uérbum uerbo, pár pari ut respón-deas,

Né te iratus suís saeuidicis díctis protelét. *AN.* Scio.

GE. Ví coactum te ésse inuitum. *PH.* Lége, iudició.

GE. Tenes?

(*Sees Demipho in the distance*) Séd quis hic est senéx, quem uideo in última platea? ípsus est. 215
AN. Non póssum adesse. (*Turns to go*) *GE.* Ah, quíd agis? quo abis, Ántipho?

Mane, ínquam. *AN.* Egomet me nóui et peccatúm meum:

Vobís commendo Phánium et uitám meam. (*Hurries away*)—

PH. Geta, quíd nunc fiet? *GE.* Tú iam litis aúdies; Ego pléctar pendens, nísi quid me feféllerit. 220

Sed quód modo hic nos Ántiphonem mónuimus,
Id nósmet ipsos fácer oportet, Phaédria.

PH. Aufér mi ‘oportet’: quín tu quid faciam ímpera.

212. respondeas, volitive subjunctive, giving a command. The use of *ut* in such cases is purely formal, having come in as the opposite of *ne*.

213. saeuidicis, “furious.” —**protelet**, “rout.” This word is found only here.

214. Supply some verb of saying.—**tenes**, “understand?”

215. in ultima platea, “at the end of the street.”—**ípsus = ipse**, Demipho.

217. egomet, the particle *-met* adds emphasis.

219. To make the contrast sharper, **tu** and **ego** are placed first in their respective sentences.—**litis**, “accusations.”

223. quin impera, “command.” *quin* (see note on 209) was first used with indicatives in questions. These negative questions were practically positive commands, and so *quin* came to be used with imperatives.

GE. Meministin, olim ut fúerit uostra orátio,
In re íncipiunda, ad défendendam nójiam, 225
Iustum illam causam, fácilem, uincibilem, óptumam?

PH. Memini. *GE.* Ém, nunc ipsast ópus ea aut, si
quíd potest,

Melióre et callidióre. *PH.* Fiet sédulo.

GE. Nunc príor adito tu, égo in insidiis híc ero
Subcénturiatus, sí quid deficiás. *PH.* Age. (*Both*
withdraw to back of stage.) 230

SCENE 3

Demipho has heard of Antipho's marriage, and expresses his indignation in excited soliloquy. When Phaedria, coming forward, defends Antipho on the ground that he has been trapped into the marriage, the old man scoffs at his plea as that of an accomplice. Then Geta comes to Phaedria's support, but meets with little success. Demipho vows that he will not let Antipho live with his wife a single day, and demands an interview with Phormio.

[Enter Demipho, L.]

DEMIPHO

PHAEDRIA

GETA

DE. (to himself, not seeing Phaedria and Geta) Ítane
tandem uxórem duxit Ántipho iniussú meo?

224. *ut*, "of what character,"
lit. "how."

225. *ad defendendam noxi-
am*, "for saving us from
blame," more literally, "for
warding off blame."

226. *facilem*, "easily proved"
—*uincibilem*, "sure to win."

227. *ipsā*, i. e., *oratio* (224).—
—*quid*, "at all."

228. *fiet sedulo*, "I'll do my
best."

229. *in insidiis*, "in ambus-
cade."

230. *subcenturiatus*, "as a
reserve." Geta is using mili-
tary metaphors.

231. *ita tandem*, "so then."
—*tandem* is not infrequently
used in indignant questions.

Néc meum imperium—ac mítto imperium—nón simul-tatém meam

Reueréri saltem! nón pudere! o fácinus audax, ó Geta Monitór! *GE.* (*aside*) Vix tandem! *DE.* Quíd mihi dicent aút quam causam réperient?

Demíror. *GE.* (*aside*) Atqui réperiam: aliud cúra. *DE.* An hoc dicét mihi:

235

‘Inuítus feci; léx coëgit’? aúdio, fateór. *GE.* (*aside*) Places.

DE. Verúm scientem, tácitum causam trádere ad-uorsáriis,

Etiámne id lex coëgit? *PH.* (*to Geta*) Illud dúrum. *GE.* (*to Phaedria*) Ego expediám: sine.

DE. Incértumst quid agam, quía praeter spem atque íncredibile hoc mi óbtigit:

Ita sum írritatus, ánimum ut nequeam ad cōgitandum instítuere.

240

Quam ob rem ómnis, quom secúndae res sunt máxume, tum máxume

232. mitto, “pass over.”

233. reuereri, pudere infinitives used in exclamation.

234. uix tandem “(he has come to me) at last!” Geta expresses his surprise that

Demipho had not assailed him at the very beginning. *Tandem* points to the fact that Geta’s name had been mentioned only after Antipho’s; *uix* implies that it had been almost passed over.

235. aliud cura, “don’t

trouble about that,” lit., “care for something else;”—**an** here introduces a simple question.

237. verum scientem, tacitum, “but wittingly, without a word.”

238. illud durum (est).—**sine**, “leave it to me.”

239. praeter spem, “unexpectedly.”

240. animum instituere, “apply my mind.”

241. Construe, omnis oporet.

Meditári secum opórtet, quo pacto áduorsam aerum-nám ferant,

Períela, damna, exsília: peregre rédiens semper cágitet
Aut fíli peccatum aút uxorís mórtēm aut morbum
filiae;

Commúnia esse haec, fieri posse, ut né quid animo sít
nouom; 245

Quidquíd praeter spem euéniat, omne id députare esse
ín lucro.

GE. O Phaédria, incredíbile[st] quantum erum ánte
eo sapiéntia.

Meditáta mihi sunt ómnia mea incómmoda, erus si
réderir:

Moléndumst in pistríno, uapulándum, habendae cóm-pedes,

Opus rúri faciundum: hórum nil quicquam accidet
animó nouom. 250

Quidquíd praeter spem euéniet, omne id députabo esse
ín lucro.

Séd quid cessas hóminem adire et blánde in principio
áolloqui? (*Phaedria comes forward*).

DE. Phaédriam mei frátris uideo fílium mi ire óbuiam.

243. peregre rediens, “re-turning from abroad.”

245. communia esse haec
depends upon *cogit̄et* (243).—
ut ne=ne.

246. deputare depends upon
oportet.

247. quantum ante eo, “how
far I surpass.”

248. incommoda, “troubles.”

250. ruri: slaves always
dreaded to be sent to country
estates, where the work was
heavier and the treatment
harsher.—*nil quicquam*, “not
any.”

251. He mockingly repeats
the substance of Demipho's
words (246).

PH. Mi pátrue, salue. *DE.* Sálue; sed ubist Ántiphō? 255
PH. Saluóm uenire . . . *DE.* Crédo; hoc respondé mihi.

PH. Valet, híc est; sed satin ómnia ex senténtia?
DE. Vellém quidem. *PH.* Quid istúc est? *DE.* Rogitas, Phaédria?

Bonás me absente hic cónfecisti núptias.

PH. Eho, an íd suscenses nún̄c illi? *GE.* (aside) Artificém probum!

DE. Egon ílli non suscénseam? ipsum géstio 260
 Dari mi ín conspectum, nún̄c sua culpa út sciat
 Leném patrem illum fáctum me esse acérrumum.

PH. Atquí nil fecit, pátrue, quod suscénseas.

DE. Ecce aútem similia ómnia! omnes cóngruont:
 Vnúm quom noris, ómnis noris. *PH.* Haúd itast. 265

DE. Hie in nóxiast, ille ád dicendam caúsam adest;
 Quom illést, hic praestost: trádunt operas mútuas.

255. saluom uenire, sc. *te gaudeo:* Demipho cuts his nephew's greeting short.

256. hic, "here." — **ex sententia,** "to your liking."

257. uellem quidem, practically an optative subjunctive.

258. bonas, ironical.

259. id suscenses . . . illi, "are you angry at him for that?" cf. *quod suscenseas* (263).

260. egon . . . suscenseam, "shouldn't I be angry at him?"

—subjunctive of obligation or propriety.

260. suā culpā.

262. lenem patrem illum, in apposition to *me*.

265. quom . . . noris, "when you know one, you know all." In both cases *noris* is subjunctive, which, in the second singular indefinite, is regularly used not only in generalizing clauses, but also in independent general statements of facts.

266. hic: see Introduction xiii—**in noxia,** "in fault."

GE. (*aside*) Probe hórum facta inprúdens depinxít senex.

DE. Nam ni haéc ita essent, cum íllo haud stares,
Phaédria.

PH. Si est, pátrue, culpam ut Ántipho in se admíserit,
Ex quá re minus rei fóret aut famae témerans, 271
Non caúsam dico quín quod meritus sít ferat.

Sed sí quis forte málitia fretús sua
Insídias nostrae fécit adulescéntiae
Ac uícit, nostran cúlpa east an iúdicum, 275
Qui saépe propter ínuidiam adimunt díuiri
Aut própter misericórdiam addunt paúperi?

GE. (*aside*) Ni nóssem causám, créderem uera húnc loqui.
DE. An quísquam iudex ést, qui possit nóstare

Tua iústa, ubi tute uérbum non respóndeas, 280
Ita ut ille fecit? *PH.* Fúnctus adulescéntulist
Offícium liberális: postquam ad iúdices
Ventúmst, non potuit cójitata próloqui;
Ita eúm tum timidum ibi óbstupufecit pudor.

268. inprudens, “without knowing it.”

270. culpam in se admiserit, “has committed a fault.” In *admittere in se* as opposed to *committere* the emphasis is on the moral aspect of the deed.

271. ex . . . temperans, “which would result in his being careless of his fortune or good name.”

273. malitia, “sharp practice.”

275. iudicum: the genitive

is frequently used in co-ordination with a possessive pronoun.

280. tua iusta, “the justice of your claims.” —**tute**: the particle *-te* adds emphasis to the pronoun.

282. officium: *fungi* always takes the accusative in Terence.

283. cogitata, “what he had thought out.”

284. ibi, i. e., in court.—
obstupufecit: the antepenult is long.

GE. (*aside*) Laudo húnc. sed cesso adíre quam pri-
mum senem? 285

(*going up to him*) Ere, sálue; saluom te áduenis-
se gaúdeo. *DE.* Oh,

Bone cúsitos, salue, cólumen uero fámiliae,
Quoi cómmendaui filium hinc abiéns meum!

GE. Iam dúdum te omnis nós accusare aúdio
Inmérito, et me horunc ómnium inmeritíssumo. 290

Nam quíd me in hac re fácerre uoluistí tibi?
Suruom hóminem causam oráre leges nón sinunt,
Neque téstimoni díctiost. *DE.* Mitto ómnia:
Do istúc ‘inprudens tímuit adulescéns’; sino
'Tu seruo's'; uerum sí cognatast máxume, 295
Non fuít necesse habére; sed id quod léx iubet,
Dotém daretis, quaéreret aliúm uirum.

Qua rátione inopem pótius ducebát domum?

GE. Non rátio, uerum argéntum deerat. *DE.* Súmeret

285. **quam primum**, “as soon as possible.”

287. **uero**, ironical.

290. **horunc** = *horum*. See note on 167.

292. **seruom hominem**, “a slave,” *seruom* being used as an adjective. For the form in *-om* see note on 14. By the laws of Athens slaves could not be summoned into court to assist any of the parties in an action, nor were they admitted as witnesses except in murder trials.

293. **mitto**, “pass over.”

294. **do**, “grant.”

295. **seruo's** = *seruos es.*—
maxime, “closely.”

297. **daretis**, **quaereret**, subjunctive of obligation or propriety in past time.—**uirum**, “husband.”

298. **qua ratione**, “on what account.”

299. **ratio**: Geta ventures on a mild pun in using the same word as Demipho with a different meaning: Translate, “it wasn’t on account—it was cash down that was wanted.” (Morgan.)

Alicunde. *GE.* Alicunde? nihil est dictu fácilius. 300
DE. Postrémo si nullo álio pacto, faénore. *GE.* Hui,
 Dixísti pulchre! síquidem quisquam créderet
 Te uiuo. *DE.* Non, non síc futurumst; nón potest.
 Egon illam cum illo ut pátiar nuptam unúm diem?
 Nil suáue meritumst. hóminem commónstrárier 305
 Mihi istúm uolo aut ubi hábitet demonstrárier.
GE. Nempe Phórmionem? *DE.* Istúm patronum
 múlieris.
GE. Iam fáxo hic aderit. *DE.* Ántipho ubi nunc ést?
GE. Foris.
DE. Abi, Phaédria, eum requíre atque húc adduce.
PH. Eo:
 Rectá uia quidem illuc. (*Exit into Dorio's house*) *GE.*
 (*aside*) Nempe ad Pámphilam. (*Exit R*) 310
DE. Ego deós penatis hínc salutatúm domum

300. **alicunde**, "from some other source."

301. **faenore**, "(he should have borrowed it) on interest."
—*hui*, monosyllabic.

302. **pulchre**, ironical.

303. **te uiuo**: a loan to a minor, whose father was alive, could not legally be recovered.
—**non futurumst**, "it is not to be," i. e., he will never consent to Antipho's keeping Phanium as his wife.

304. **egon . . . ut patiar**, "what! I let!" *ut*, with or without interrogative *-ne*, is

used with questions or exclamations of indignation. The subjunctive is volitive in origin.

305. **nil suave meritumst**, "harsh treatment is what they deserve." **meritum** is a substantive. Sc. *eorum*.—**commónstrarier** = *commonstrari*.

307. **nempe Phormionem**, "you mean Phormio." Scan, *nēmp(e)* *Phōrmionem*. See Introduction xii.

308. **faxo**, an old future form, here used parenthetically. Translate "I'll see to it."—**foris**, "out."

Deuórtar; inde ibo ád forum atque aliquód mihi
Amícos aduocábo, ad hanc rem qui ádsient,
Vt ne ínparatus sím, si ueniat Phórmio. (*Exit into his house*).

ACT III

SCENE 1

Geta has seen Phormio. They have been discussing the latest developments in Antipho's affairs, and Phormio questions the slave about Demipho's bearing. He deliberates as to the best method of dealing with the old man, and decides upon a plan. He reveals some of his experiences as a parasite.

[Enter *Phormio and Geta, r.*]

PHORMIO

GETA

PH. Ítane patris aīs aduentum uéritum hinc abiisse?
GE. Ádmodum. 315

PH. Phánium relíctam solam? *GE.* Síc. *PH.* Et
iratúm senem?

GE Óppido. *PH.* (*to himself*) Ad te súmma solum,
Phórmio, rerúm redit.

Túte hoc intristí; tibi omnest éxedendum: accíngere.

311. **salutatum**, supine, "to reverence," the custom on returning home from a journey.

312. **aliquid** = *aliquot*.

314. **ut ne:** cf. 245.

315. **ítane aīs**, "so you say." —Sean, *aīs*. —**admodum**, 'very'.

316. **sic**, "yes."

317. **oppido**, "exceedingly."

—**summa rerum**, "the main issue." —**redit**, "devolves."

318. **tute**: see note on 280.—
hoc intristi, etc., a culinary metaphor, "you have made this (dish)." *interere* literally means "to rub or grate into." —**accingere**, "get ready."

GE. Óbsecro te. *PH.* (*to himself, paying no attention to Geta*) Sí rogabit . . *GE.* Ín te spes est. *PH.* (*to himself*) Éccere,

Quíd si reddet? *GE.* Tu ínpulisti. *PH.* (*to himself*) Síc, opinor. *GE.* Síbueni. 320

PH. (*to Geta*) Cédo senem: iam instrúcta sunt mi in córde consilia ómnia.

GE. Quid ages? *PH.* Quid uis, nísi uti maneat Phánium atque ex crímine hoc

Ántiphonem erípiam atque in me omnem íram deriuém senis?

GE. Ó, uir fortis átque amicu's. uérum hoc saepe, Phórmio,

Véreor, ne istaec fórtitudo in néruom erumpat déniue.

PH. Ah, 325

Nón itast: factúmst periculum, iám pedum uisást uia.

Quód me censes hómines iam deuerberasse usque ad necem,

Hóspites, tum cíuis? quo magis nōui, tanto saépius.

319. *si rogabit:* Phormio continues to talk to himself without paying any attention to Geta's interruptions.

320. *reddet, "retort."—sic:* Phormio after considering the different aspects of the question has decided upon a course of action.

321. *cedo, "produce."* See note on 196.—*corde, "mind."*

322. *uti=ut.*

323. *deriuem, "turn aside."*

325. *erumpat, "may end in," lit., "break out into."*

326. *periculum = periculum, "test," the first meaning of the word.—uia pedum, "my course."*

327. *quod = quot.—iam, "up to this time."—deuerberasse usque ad necem:* Phormio is probably exaggerating.

328. *quo = quanto.*

Cédo dum, enumquam iniúriarum audísti mihi scriptám dicam?

GE. Quí istuc? *PH.* Quia non réte accipitri ténnitur neque míluo, 330

Quí male faciunt nóbis; illis quí nil faciunt ténnitur, Quía enim in illis fructus est, in illis opera lúditur.

Áliis aliunde ést periculum, unde áliquid abradí potest: Míhi sciunt nihil ésse. dices 'dúcent damnatúm domum'.

Álere nolunt hóminem edacem, et sápiunt mea senténtia, 335

Pró maleficio sí beneficium súmmum nolunt réddere.

GE. Nón potest satis pro mérito ab illo tíbi referri grátia.

PH. Ímmo enim nemo sátiis pro merito grátiam regí refert.

Téne asymbolúm uenire unctum átque lautum e bálineis,

329. cedo dum, "come, tell me." This enclitic *dum* is frequently used with imperatives — **enumquam** (*en*+*umquam*): **en** adds intensity to the question.—**iniuriarum dicam**, "an action for damages."

—**scriptam**: see note on 127.

330. qui, "why?"—**tennitur** = *tenditur*.

332. enim is frequently used with *quia*. Translate "indeed"—**fructus**, "profit."

333. aliunde, "from different sources."—The clause introduced by *unde* qualifies *aliis*.

—**abradi**, "be exacted," lit., "scraped off."

337. potest.—*referre gratiam* means "to show one's gratitude."

338. immo is used here to introduce a more sweeping statement than that contained in the previous line. Translate, "say rather."—**regi**: a patron is sometimes called *rex*.

339. For *-ne* see note on 153. —**asymbolum**: ἀσύμβολος is properly used of one who does not contribute anything to a feast. Translate, "scot-free."

Ótiosum ab ánimo, quom ille et cúra et sumptu ab-
súmitur!

340

Dúm tibi fit quod pláceat, ille ríngitur: tu rideas,
Príor bibas, priór decumbas; céna dubia adpónitur.
GE. Quíd istuc uerbi est? *PH.* Vbi tu dubites quid
sumas potíssimum.

Haéc quom rationem íneas quam sint suávia et quam
cáräa sint,

Eá qui praebet, nón tu hunc habeas pláne prae-
sentém deum?

345

GE. (*seeing Demipho approaching*) Sénex adest: uide
quid agas; prima cōitiost acérruma.

Si eám sustinuerís, postilla iam, út lubet, ludás licet.
(*They retire to back of stage*)

340. ab animo, "in mind."—
ille, the patron who gives the
dinner.

341. ringitur, "chafes." The
word was originally used of a
dog snarling and showing his
teeth.—**rideas**, etc., subjunctive
of second singular indefinite
in a generalizing state-
ment of fact. See note on 265.

342. decumbas, "you re-
cline," i.e., on the dining-
couch.—**dubia**, "doubtful," ex-
plained by **ubi tu dubites**, "at
which you are in doubt." That
the adjective needed explana-
tion is shown by Geta's ques-

tion, *quid*, etc.—**potissimum**,
"in preference to everything
else."

344. rationem inreas, "you
reckon up," subjunctive of
second person singular indefinite
in a generalizing
clause.

345. non tu habeas, "do you
not consider." For mood, see
note on *rideas* (341).—**plane**,
with *habeas*. — **praesentem**,
"powerful."

346. coitio, "clash."

347. postilla (*post* + abla-
tive *illā*; cf. *posteū*), "after-
wards."

SCENE 2

Demipho and three friends, whom he has asked to help him with their advicee, enter from the Forum. To attract their attention Phormio begins a loud discussion of the case with Geta. He says that Demipho had treated his poor relative with neglect and contempt during his life-time, and now was showing the same heartlessness in denying the claims of his daughter. Demipho turns to him and demands an explanation. They exchange angry words and threats.

[Enter Demipho and his three advisers, R.]

DEMIPHO HEGIO CRATINVS CRITO PHORMIO GETA
DE. (to his friends) Enúmquam quoiquam cóntume-
 liósius

Audístis factam iniúriam quam haec ést mihi?

Adéste quaeso. *GE.* (aside to Phormio) Irátus est.

PH. (aside to Geta) Quin tu hóc age: 350
 Iam ego húnc agitabo.—(in a loud voice) Pró deum
 inmortálium,

Negat Phánium esse hanc síbi cognatam Démipro?

Hanc Démipro negat ésse cognatám? *GE.* Negat.

PH. Neque eíus patrem se scíre qui fuerít? *GE.* Negat.

DE. (to his friends) Ipsum ésse opinor dé quo agebam:
 séquimini. 355

348. *quoiquam* = *cuiquam*.

350. *quin*: for its use with imperative, see note on 223.—
hoc age, “look you,” an expression frequently used to attract some one’s attention.

351. *agitabo*, “I’ll stir him up.”

354. **neque**, etc.: note the order: what in English would be the subject of the dependent clause is in Latin the object of the preceding infinitive.

355. **de quo agebam**, “whom I was discussing.”

[*PH.* Nec Stílphonem ipsum scíre qui fuerít? *GE.*
Negat.]

PH. Quia egéns relictast mísera, ignoratúr parens,
Neclégitur ipsa. uíde auaritia quíd facit.

GE. Si erum ínsimulabis málitia, male aúdies. 359

DE. O audáciam! etiam me últro accusatum áduenit.

PH. Nam iam ádulescenti níhil est quod suscénseam,
Si illúm minus norat: quíppé homo iam grándior,

Paupér, quoи in opere uíta erat, ruri fere

Se cóntingebat; íbi agrum de nostró patre

Coléndum habebat. saépe interea míhi senex 365

Narrábat se hunc neclégere cognatúm suom;

At quém uirum! quem ego uíderim in uita óptimum.

GE. Videás te, atque illum nárras! *PH.* I in
malám crucem!

Nam ni éum esse existumássem, numquam tám grauis
Ob hanc ínimicitias cáperem in uostram fámiliam, 370
Quam is áspernatur núnc tam inliberáliter.

358. facit: the indicative is frequently used in indirect questions in early Latin.

359. male audies: see note on 20.

360. ultro indicates something *beyond* what would be expected. Translate, "actually."

361. quod suscenseam; cf. 259 and 263.

362. illum, Phanius's father.
—**grandior,** "advanced in years."

367. uiderim, subjunctive

in restrictive relative clause.

368. uideas te atque illum narras, "look at yourself as you describe him," i. e., contrast your own rascally character with the fine qualities you have described; **atque=ut**, "as." —**I in malam crucem:** for serious offences slaves were crucified, hence this form of imprecation.

370. ob hanc, i. e., Phanius.
—**numquam caperem,** "I should never have incurred."

GE. Pergín ero absenti mále loqui, inpuríssume?

PH. Dignum autem hoc illost. *GE.* Aín tamen, carcér?

DE. Geta!

GE. (*to Phormio, pretending not to hear Demipho*)

Bonórum extortor, légum contortór. *DE.* Geta!

PH. (*aside to Geta*) Respónde. *GE.* (*turning around*)

Quis homost? éhem. *DE.* (*to Geta*) Tace. *GE.*

(*to Demipho*) Absentí tibi 375

Te indígnas seque dígnas contumélias

Numquám cessauit dícere hodie. *DE.* (*to Geta*) Désine.

(*to Phormio*) Aduléscens, primum abs te hóc bona
ueniá peto,

Si tibi placere pótis est, mi ut respóndeas:

Quem amícum tuom aïs fuísse istum, explaná mihi, 380
Et quí cognatum mé sibi esse díceret.

PH. Proinde expiscare quási non nosses. *DE.* Nóssem? *PH.* Ita.

372. **pergin** = *pergisne*.

373. **dignum**, "deserved."—**tamen**, "still," i. e., in spite of Geta's protest.—**carcer**, "jailbird."

377. **hodie**, used without temporal force, for the sake of emphasis, like our impatient "now."

378. **bona uenia**, "with your kind permission."

379. **potis**, here neuter. It is also used as masculine and feminine. The form *pote* is equally indiscriminate as re-

gards gender. Notice, however, that *potis* is used before vowels, *pote* before consonants.—The **ut** clause depends upon *placere*.

381. **qui**, the old ablative, "how."

382. **expiscare**: in English also we speak of *fishing* for information.—**nosses**: the pluperfect is used because, according to Phormio, Demipho had known all along who Stilpo was.—**nossem**, an echo of *nosses* in both tense and mood.

DE. Ego mé nego; tu quí aïs, redige in mémoriam.

PH. Eho tú, sobrinum tuóm non noras? *DE.* Énicas.

Dic nómen. *PH.* Nomen? máxume. *DE.* Quid núnc taces?

385

PH. (*aside*) Perii hérkle, nomen pérdidi. *DE.* Quid aïs? *PH.* (*aside*) Geta,

Si méministi id quod ólim dictumst, súbice. (*to Demípho*) hem,

Non díco: quasi non nôsses, temptatum áduenis.

DE. Ego aútem tempio? *GE.* (*aside*) Stílpo. *PH.* Atque adeo quíd mea?

Stilpóst. *DE.* Quem dixti? *PH.* Stílponeim inquam nôueras.

390

DE. Neque égo illum noram néque mi cognatús fuit

Quisquam ístoc nomine. *PH.* Ítane? non te horúm pudet?

At sí talentum rém reliquissét decem,

DE. Di tíbi malefaciant! *PH.* Prímus esses mémoriter Progéniem uostram usque áb auo atque atauo próferens.

395

383. *redige*, "recall."

385. *maxume*, "certainly."

386. *perdidi*, "I have forgotten."

387. *subice*, "prompt."

388. *temptatum*, supine, "to sound me."

389. *atque adeo*, "and besides."—*quid meā*: see note on 133.

392 *istoc* = *isto*. — *horum*,

a genitive of the persons, *in whose presence* shame is felt.

393. *talentum*, genitive plural.—*rem*, "estate."

394. *malefaciant*: the first four syllables make a proœleusmaticus.—*primus esses memoriter proferens*, "you would have been the first to cite from memory."

DE. Ita ut dícis. ego tum quom áduenissem, quí mihi Cognáta ea esset, dícerem: itidem tú face.

Cedo qui ést cognata? *GE.* (*with pretended enthusiasm*)

Eu, nóstter, recte: (*aside to Phormio*) heus tú, caue.

PH. Dilúcide expedíui quibus me opórtuit

Iudícibus; tum id si fálsum fuerat, fílius 400

Quor nón refellit? *DE.* Fílium narrás mihi?

Quoius dé stultitia díci ut dignumst nón potest.

PH. At tú qui sapiens és magistratús adi,

Iudícium de eadem caúsa iterum ut reddánt tibi;

Quandóquidem solus régnas et solí licet 405

Hic de eádem causa bís iudicium apíscier.

DE. Etsí mihi facta iniúriast, uerúm tamen

Potíus quam litis sécter aut quam te aúdiam,

Itidem út cognata sí sit, id quod léx iubet

Dotís dare, abduc hanc, minas quinque accipe. 410

PH. Hahahaé, homo suavis. *DE.* Quíd est? num iniquom póstulo?

An ne hóc quidem ego adipíscar, quod ius públicumst?

396. *qui*, "how."

398. *cedo*, "tell."

399. *oportuit*, sc. *expedire*.

401. *quor* = *cur*.

405. *quandóquidem*: first foot a dactyl.

406. *apiscier* = *apisci*, "obtain." In classical Latin the compound *adipisci* is more frequent.

407. *uerum tamen*, "but still."

408. *litis secter*, "go to law," anticipatory subjunctive.

409. *itidem ut si*, "just as if."

410. *abduc . . . accipe*: an anacoluthon. We should have expected some such form as *dabo quinque minas, si hanc abduxeris*, but in his excitement Demipho resorts to imperatives.

411. *hahahaé*, trisyllabic.—*homo suavis*, "the pleasant fellow!" Not a vocative. Phormio is ironical.

PH. Itan tandem, quaeso, item út meretricem ubi abúsus sis,

Mercédem dare lex iúbet eī atque amíttere?

An, ut né quid turpe cíuis in se admítteret

415

Proptér egestatem, próxumo iussást dari,

Vt cum úno aetatem dégeret? quod tú uetas.

DE. Ita, próxumo quidem; át nos unde? aut quam ób rem? *PH.* Ohe,

'Actum' áiunt 'ne agas'. *DE.* Nón agam? immo haud désinam,

Donéc perfecero hóc. *PH.* Ineptis. *DE.* Síne modo. 420

PH. Postrémo tecum níl rei nobis, Démipho, est;

Tuos ést damnatus gnátus, non tu; nám tua

Praetérierat iam ad dúcendum aetas. *DE.* Ómnia haec

Illúm putato, quae égo nunc dico, dícere;

Aut quídem cum uxore hac ípsum prohibebó domo. 425

GE. (aside) Irátus est. *PH.* Tú té idem melius féceris.

DE. Itan és paratus fácere me aduorsum ómnia,

Infélix? *PH.* (aside to Geta) Metuit híc nos, tam etsi
sédulo

413. **tandem**: see note on 231.

415. **ut ne=ne.** Cf. 168 and 245 —*ciuis*, feminine. Cf. 114. — **in se admitteret**, "should be guilty of." See note on 270.

418. **at nos unde**, "but how (are) we (her next of kin)?"

419. **actum ne agas**, "don't plead a lost cause." —*aiunt*, "(as) they say," pointing to

the proverbial character of the preceding statement.

420. **ineptis**, "you're talking nonsense." —**sine modo**, "just let me (try)."

425. **cum uxore hac**, "wife and all."

426. **te**, ablative. —**feceris**, future perfect indicative.

427. **aduorsum**, post-positive preposition.

428. **tam etsi**, "although."

Dissimulat. *GE.* (*aside to Phormio*) Bene habent tibi principia. *PH.* (*to Demipho*) Quin quod est

Ferundum fers? tuis dignum factis feceris, 430

Vt amici inter nos simus. *DE.* Egon tuam expertam Amicitiam? aut te uisum aut auditum uelim?

PH. Si concordabis cum illa, habebis quaer tuam Senectutem oblectet: respice aetatem tuam.

DE. Te oblectet, tibi habe. *PH.* Minue uero iram.

DE. Hoc age; 435

Satis iam uerborumst: nisi tu properas mulierem Abducere, ego illam eiciam. dixi, Phormio.

PH. Si tu illam attigeris secus quam dignumst liberam, Dicam tibi inpingam grandem. dixi, Demipho.

(*aside to Geta*) Si quid opus fuerit, heus, domo me.

GE. (*aside*) Intellego (*Exit Phormio, R.*) 440

SCENE 3

Demipho's friends give him their advice.

DEMIPHO GETA HEGIO CRATINV S CRITO

DE. Quantá me cura et sollicitudine adficit
Gnatús, qui me et se hisce impediuit nuptiis!

429. bene habent=*se bene habent*.—*quin*; see note on 209.

430. feceris, future perfect indicative.

434. oblectet, subjunctive in a descriptive clause after an incomplete antecedent.—*aetatem tuam*, “your years.”

435. hoc age; note on 350.

437. dixi. Cf. use at

end of formal orations.

438. dignumst, “it's proper,” sc. *attингere*.

439. дicam . . . grandem, “I'll bring a big suit against you.”—*dixi*, **Demipho**, a mocking imitation of Demipho's last words.

440. domo me, sc. *arcessere*, “summon.”

Neque mi in conspectum prodit, ut saltem sciam,
 Quid de ea re dicat quidue sit sententiae. 444
(to Geta) Abi, uise redieritne iam an non dum domum.
GE. Eó (Exit into Demipho's house) — DE. Videntis
quo in loco res haec siet.

Quid ago? dic, Hegio. HE. Ego? Cratinum censeo,
Si tibi uidetur. DE. Dic, Cratine. CRA. Me ne uis?
DE. Te. CRA. Ego, quae in rem tuam sint, ea uelim
faciás. mihi

Sic hoc uidetur: quod te absente hic filius 450

Egit, restitui in integrum aequomst et bonum,
 Et id impetrabis. dixi. DE. Dic nunc, Hégio.

HE. Ego sedulo hunc dixisse credo; uerum itast:

Quod homines, tot sententiae; suos quoique mos.

Mihi non uidetur, quod sit factum legibus, 455

Rescindi posse; et turpe incepust. DE. Dic, Crito.

CRI. Ego amplius delibandum censeo:

Res magnast. HE. Num quid nos uis? DE. Fecistis
probe. (Exeunt advisers).

Incertior sum multo quam dudum. — *GE. (entering*
from Demipho's house) Negant

442. *hisce=his.* — *impedit-*
uit, "entangled."

444. *quid sententiae*, parti-
 tive genitive.

446. *siet = sit.*

447. *quid ago*: the indicative
 is frequently used in deliberative
 questions in early Latin.—
Cratinum censeo, sc. *dicere*.

449. *in rem tuam*, “to your
 interest.”

451. *restitui in integrum*,
 “be annulled.”

456. *incepstus = inceptu*
 (supine of *incipio*) *est*

458. *num quid nos uis*: see
 note on 151.

459. *dudum*, “formerly.”
 The impressiveness with which
 the *advocati* deliver their use-
 less opinions is conceived in
 Terence’s best style.

Redíssse. *DE.* Frater ést expectandús mihi: 460
 Is quód mihi dederit de hác re consilium, íd sequar.
 Percóntatum ibo ad pórtum, quoad se récipiat. (*Exit, l.*)
GE. At ego Ántiphonem quaéram, ut quae acta hie
 sínt sciat.

(*seeing Antipho approaching*) Sed eecum ípsum uideo
 in témpore hue se récipere.

SCENE 4

Geta tells Antipho what Phaedria, Phormio, and he himself have done in his behalf.

[*Enter Antipho, r.*]

ANTIPHO

GETA

AN. (*to himself*) Énim uero, Antiphó, multimodis cum
 istoc animo es uítuperandus: 465

Ítane te hinc abísse et uitam tuám tutandam aliís
 dedisse!

Álios tuam rem crédidisti mágis quam tete animum
 áduorsuros?

Nam út ut erant alia, illi certe quaé nunc tibi domíst
 consuleres,

462. *qucad*, "when."

464. *eccum* = *ecce eum*, the latter being an accusative of exclamation.—*in tempore*, "in the nick of time."

465. *enim uero*, "indeed," strongly assertive.—*cum istoc animo*, "and, that spirit of yours."

466. *itane te*, etc.: cf. 153.—*magis animum aduorsuros* (-*ersuros*), "would pay more attention to."

467. *tete*: cf. *tute* (280).

468. *ut ut*, "however." The repetition is for the sake of emphasis.—*illi*, Phanium.—*consuleres*: *consulere* with the

Né quid propter tuám fidem decépta poteretúr mali;
 Quó nunc miserae spés opesque súnt in te uno omnés
 sitae.

470

GE. (*coming forward*) Et quídem, ere, nos iam dúdum
 hic te absentem íncusamus, qui ábieris.

AN. Te ipsúm quaerebam. *GE* Séd ea causa níhilo
 magis defécimus.

AN. Loquere, óbsecro, quo nam ín loco sunt rés et
 fortunaé meae:

Num quíd patri subolét? *GE.* Nil etiam. *AN.* Eeqúid
 spei porrost? *GE.* Néscio. *AN.* Ah.

GE. Nisi Pháedria haud cessáuit pro te eníti. *AN.*
 Nil fecít noui.

475

GE. Tum Phórmo itidem in hác re ut aliis strénuom
 hominem praébuit.

AN. Quid is fécit? *GE.* Confutáuit uerbis ádmodum
 iratúm senem.

AN. Eu, Phórmo. *GE.* Ego quod pótui porro. *AN.*
 Mí Geta, omnis uós amo.

dative of the person means "to look out for some one's interests." The subjunctive is that of obligation or propriety, "you should have, etc."

469. quid: accusative after *potior*.—**mali**, partitive genitive with *quid*.

471. abieris, subjunctive in causal *qui* clause.

472. eā causā, i.e., Antipho's conduct.

474. num quid patri subolet,

"my father does not suspect anything, does he?" **subolet**, literally, "smells." This verb is found in the third person only, being used either impersonally or with a neuter pronoun (e. g., *quid* here) as subject.—**porro**, "for the future."

475. nisi, "except that."

476. praebuit = se praebuit, "has shown himself."

478. porro, "furthermore."

GE. Sic habent principia sese ut díxi: adhuc tranquilla res est,

Mánsurusque pátruom pater est, dum húc adueniat.

AN. Quíd eum? *GE.* Vt aibat 480

De eíus consilio sése uelle fáccere quod ad hanc rem áttinet.

AN. Quántum metuist míhi, uidere hue sáluom nunc patruóm, Geta!

Nam pér eius unam, ut aúdio, aut uiuam aút moriar senténtiam.

GE. Phaedria tibi adést. *AN.* Vbi nam? *GE.* Eecum ab suá palaestra exít foras.

SCENE 5

This scene belongs to the secondary plot. Phaedria endeavors to induce the slave-trader Dorio to wait three days, by which time he claims that he will have enough money to pay for Pamphila. Dorio, however, jeers at Phaedria's promises and states his intention of selling the girl at once to a soldier. When Antipho comes forward and points out to Dorio that he is breaking his agreement, the slave-trader is not in the least discomfited. Finally, as a last concession, he agrees to wait till the following morning.

[Enter Dorio and Phaedria from the former's house.]

PHAEDRIA

DORIO

ANTIPHO

GETA

PH. Dório,

485

480 f. The sentence **ut aibat . . . facere** is a blending of *uolt*, *ut aibat*, *facere*, etc. and *aibat sese uelle*, etc. Translate, "he wishes, so he said, to act."

481. **attinet**, "pertains."

482. **metuist** = *metuis* (genitive) *est*.

484. **eccum:** cf. 464. — **palaestra**, "training-school." Phaedria was so regular in his attendance at the house where Pamphila lived that it is here humorously referred to as his school.—**foras**, "out."

Audi óbseero. *DO.* Non aúdio. *PH.* Parúnper. *DO.*
Quin omítte me.

PH. Aúdi quod dicam. *DO.* Át enim taedet iam
aúdire eadem míliens.

PH. Át nunc dicam quód lubenter aúdias. *DO.*
Loquere, aúdio.

PH. Nón queo te exoráre ut maneas tríduom hoc?
quo núnc abis?

DO. Mirábar si tu míhi quiequam adferrés noui. *AN.*
(*aside to Geta*) Eí, 490

Metuó lenonem né quid . . *GE.* (*aside to Antiphō*)
suo suát capiti? idem ego uéror.

PH. Non dúm mihi credis? *DO.* Háriolare. *PH.* Sín
fidem do? *DO.* Fábulae.

PH. Faéneratum istúc beneficium púlchre tibi dicés.
DO. Logi.

PH. Créde mihi, gaudébis facto; uérum hercle hoc
est. *DO.* Sómnia.

PH. Éxperire; nón est longum. *DO.* Cátilenam
eandém canis. 495

PH. Tu míhi cognatus, tú parens, tu amíeus, tu . .
DO. Garrí modo.

487. audias, subjunctive in
an anticipatory descriptive
clause.

491. suo suat capiti, “devise
some mischief for himself.”—
suere, “to sew,” acquired the
force of “put together,” “de-
vise.” The *caput* and the
person are frequently identi-
fied. Geta’s speech is an

interruption and continuation
of Antiphō’s, so that *quid* is
the object of *suat*.

492. fabulae, “fairy-tales.”

493. faeneratum pulchre,
“richly repaid.” *Faenerari*
means properly “to lend
at interest.”—*logi* = *λόγοι*,
“words.”

495. cantilenam, “old song.”

PH. Ádeon ingenio ésse duro te átque inexorábili,
Vt neque misericórdia neque prémibus mollirí queas!

DO. Ádeon te esse incógitantem atque ínpudentem,

Phaédria,

Vt phaleratis dúcas dictis me ét meam ductes grátiis!

500

AN. (*aside to Geta*) Míseritumst. *PH.* (*to himself*) Ei,
uérbis uineor! *GE.* (*aside to Antiphō*) Quám uter-
quest similís sui!

PH. (*to himself*) Atque Ántiphō alia quom óccupatus
ésset sollicitúdine,

Tum hoc ésse mi obiectúm malum! *AN.* (*coming for
ward*) Quid istúc est autem, Phaédria?

PH. Ó fortunatíssime Antiphō. *AN.* Égone? *PH.*
Quoi quod amás domist,

Néque cum huius modi umquam úsus uenit út con-
flictarés malo. 505

AN. Míhin domist? immo, íd quod aiunt, aúribus
teneó lupum:

497. *adecn=adeone*. For the use of *-ne* with the accusative and infinitive in exclamation see note on 153.

500. *phaleratis*, "tinseled,"—*ducas*, "would lead me on."—*meam ductes gratiis*, "get my (girl) for nothing," lit., "for thanks (and nothing else.)"

501. *ei*, "oh!"—*miseritumst*: cf. §9.—*quám uterque*: see Introduction xiii.—*similis sui*, "like himself," i. e., true to his character.

502 f. *atque Antiphō*, etc., "and (to think that) this misfortune has fallen to my lot at a time when Antiphō," etc.

505. Contrue, *cum malo huius modi*.—*usus*, "experience."

506. *id quod aiunt*, "as they say." This or a similar phrase frequently accompanies proverbial expressions.—*auribus teneo lupum*: difficult to hold, dangerous to let go.

Nám neque quo pacto á me amittam néque uti retin-
eám scio.

DO. Ípsum istuc mihi in hóc est. *AN.* (*to Dório*)
Heia, né parum lenó sies.

(*to Phaedria*) Núm quid hic confécit? *PH.* Hicine?
quód homo inhumaníssimus:

Pámphilam meam uéndidit. *AN.* Quid? uéndidit?
GE. Ain? uéndidit? 510

PH. Véndidit. *DO.* Quam indígnum facinus, áncillam
aere emptám meo!

PH. Néqueo exorare út me maneat ét cum illo ut
mutét fidem

Tríduom hoc, dum id quód est promissum ab amíciis
argentum aúfero.

Sí non tum dedero, únām praeterea hóram ne oppertús
sies.

DO. Óbtundes? *AN.* Haud lóngumst id quod órat:
exorét sine. 515

Idem híc tibi, quod bóni promeritus fúeris, conduplicáuerit.

DO. Vérba istaec sunt. *AN.* Pámphilamne hac úrbe
priuarí sines?

Túm praeterea horúnc amorem dístrahi poterín pati?

508. hoc, *Phaedria*.—**heia... sies**, “come! don’t be a slave-trader by halves.” Antipho ironically urges upon Dorio the line of action which it is plain the latter is following.

510. ain = *aisne*. It is used as an exclamation “what!”

512. illo, the soldier who

was negotiating for Pamphila.

515. obtundes, “will you go on dinnig that into my ears?”

516. idem hic, “moreover he,” lit. “this same one.”

517. hac urbe privari, “to be sent out of the city.”

518. horunc = *horum*. — **poterin** = *poterisne*.

DO. Néque ego neque tu. *PH.* Dí tibi omnes íd quod es dignús duint!

DO. Égo te complurís aduorsum ingénium meum mensís tuli 520

Póllicitantem et níl ferentem, fléntem; nunc contra ómnia haec,

Répperi qui dét neque lacrumet: dá locum melióribus *AN.* Cérte hercle, ego si satis commemini, tíbi quidem est olím dies,

Quam ád dares huic, praéstituta. *PH.* Fáctum. *DO.* Num ego istúc nego?

AN. Iam éa praeteriit? *DO.* Nón, uerum haec eī ántecessit. *AN.* Nón pudet 525

Vánitatis? *DO.* Mínume, dum ob rem. *GE.* Stérculinum! *PH.* Dório,

Ítane tandem fácere oportet? *DO.* Síc sum: si placeo, útere.

AN. Síc hunc decipís! *DO.* Immo enim uero, Ántipho, hic me décipit:

519. neque ego neque tu:
Dorio means that it is neither his nor Antipho's business, but strictly Phaedria's.—**quod es dignus**, sc. *accipere*.—**duint** = *dent*.

520. aduorsum ingenium, “against my inclination.”

523. tibi, “for you,” i. e. Phaedria.

524. quam ad, “by which.” Notice the postpositive use of the preposition. The accusa-

tive marks the limit up to which deferment of payment would be permissible.—**fáctum**, i. e., *praestitutum*.

525. ea, i. e., *dies*.

526. uanitatis, “trickery.” —**ob rem**, “to my advantage.”

527. itane tandem: see note on 231.

528. immo enim uero, “no, indeed.”

Nam híc me huius modi scíbat esse, ego húnc esse
aliter créddi;

Iste me feféllit; ego isti níhilo sum aliter ác fui. 530
Séd ut ut haec sunt, támén hoc faciam: crás mane
argentúm mihi

Míles dare se díxit; si mihi príor tu attuleris, Phaédria,
Meá lege utar, út potior sit, quí prior ad dandúmst.
uale. (*Exit, R.*)

SCENE 6

Phaedria bewails the hardness of his lot, and Geta, urged by Antipho, casts about for ways and means of helping him. Presently Geta announces that he sees a solution of the difficulty, provided he can secure the assistance of Phormio. He and Phaedria then go in search of the parasite.

PHAEDRIA

ANTIPHO

GETA

PH. Quíd faciam? unde ego núnc tam subito huic
árgentum inueniám miser,

Quoí minus nihilost? quód, hic si pote fuísset ex-
oráier 535

Tríduom hoc, promíssum fuerat. *AN.* Ítane hunc
patiemúr, Geta,

Fíeri miserum, quí me dudum, ut díxti, adiuerit
cómiter?

Quín, quom opust, benefíciū rursum eī éxperiemur
réddere?

529. *scibat*=classical *scie-*
bat.

531. *ut ut*, see note on 468.

533. *potior*, "preferred."

535. *pote*, here masculine,

see note on 379.—*exoráier*=
exorari.

537. *dudum*, "a little while
ago."—*adiuerit*, subjunctive
in adversative *qui* clause.

538. *quin*, "why not."

GE. Scio equidem hoc esse aequum. *AN.* Age ergo,
sólus seruare húnc potes.

GE. Quíd faciam? *AN.* Inueniás argentum. *GE:*
Cúpio; sed id unde, édoce. 540

AN. Páter adest hic. *GE.* Scio; sed quid tum? *AN.*
Ah, díctum sapientí sat est.

GE. Ítane? *AN.* Ita. *GE.* Sane hércole pulchre suádes:
etiam tu hínc abis?

Nón triumpho, ex núptiis tuis sí nil nanciscór mali,
Ni étiam nunc me huius caúsa quaerere ín malo iubeás
crucem?

AN. Vérum hic dicit. *PH.* Quíd? ego uobis, Géta,
alienus sum? *GE.* Haúd puto; 545

Séd parumne est, quod ómnibus nunc nóbis suscensét
senex,

Ni ínstigemus étiam, ut nullus lócus relinquatúr
preci?

PH. Álius ab oculís meis illam in ígnatum abducét
locum? hem:

Tum ígitur, dum licét dumque adsum, lóquimini
mecum, Ántipho,

540. *sed id unde*, sc. *inveniam*.

541. *pater*, "my father."—*hic.*, "here."

542. *itane ita*: the hiatus is eased by the fact that there is a change of speaker—*etiam . . . abis*, "go away, won't you?" *etiam* is not infrequently used in impatient questions.

543. *non triumpho*, "can't I rejoice?"

544. *ni iubeas*, "without your ordering."—*huius causa*, i. e., on Phaedria's account.—*quaerere in malo crucem*, "seek disaster and death," lit., "in disaster."

547. *ni instigemus*: cf. *ni iubeas* (544).

Cóntemplaminí me. *AN.* Quam ob rem? aut quíd nam facturú's? cedo. 550

PH. Quóquo hinc asportábitur terrárum, certumst pérsequi

Aút perire. *GE.* Dí bene uortant quód agas! pede-temptím tamen.

AN. Víde si quid opis pótes adferre huic. *GE.* 'Sí quid'? quid? *AN.* Quaere óbsecro:

Né quid plus minúsue faxit, quód nos post pigeát, Geta.

GE. Quáero. saluos ést, ut opinor; uérum enim metuó malum. 555

AN. Nólí metuere: úna tecum bóna mala tolerábimus.

GE. Quántum opus est tibi argénti, loquere. *PH.* Sólæ trigintá minae.

GE Tríginta? hui, percárast, Phaedria. *PH.* Ístaec uero uílis est.

GE. Áge age, inuentas réddam. *PH.* O lepidum! *GE.* Aufér te hinc. *PH.* Iam opust. *GE.* Iám feres.

Séd opus est mihi Phórmionem ad hanc rem adiut- orém dari. 560

PH. Praéstost: audacíssume oneris quíduis inpone, híc feret;

Sólus est homo amíco amicus. *GE.* Eámus ergo ad eum ócius.

550. **cedo**: see note on 197.

551. Construe **quoquo ter-rarum**, partitive genitive.—certumst, "I am determined."

554. **faxit**, early subjunctive form.

555. **uerum enim**, "but indeed."

557. **quantum**, subject of *est*—**opus**, a predicate noun.

559. **iam**: Phaedria emphasizes the fact that his need is pressing.

562. **ocius**, "quickly." No comparative force is felt.

AN. Núm quid est quod operā mea uobis ópus sit?

GE. Nil; uerum ábi domum

Ét illam miseram, quam égo nunc intus scío esse
exanimatám metu,

Cónsolare. céssas? *AN.* Nihil est aéque quod faciám
lubens. (*Exit into Demipho's house*) 565

PH. Quá uia istuc fácies? *GE.* Dicam in itínere: modo
te hinc ámoue. (*Exeunt Phaedria and Geta, r.*)

ACT IV

SCENE 1

Chremes has just arrived from Lemnos. He tells his brother that on reaching Lemnos he found that his second wife with their daughter and servant had gone to Athens in search of him. He is afraid that his double life will now be exposed. The news of Antipho's marriage is another blow to him, for he and Demipho (who was in his confidence) had agreed that Antipho should marry the Lemnian wife's daughter.

[*Enter Demipho and Chremes, l.*]

DEMIPHO

CHREMES

DE. Quid? quá profectus caúsa hinc es Lemnúm,
Chremes,

Addúxtin tecum fíliam? *CH.* Non. *DE.* Quíd ita
non?

CH. Postquám uidet me eius máter esse hic díutius,
Simul autem non manébat aetas uírginis 570

563. *núm quid ēst; ópus*
sit; ábi: see Introduction
xii.—*opera meā*, “of my
services.”

567. *qua causa* = *cuius* (i. e.,
fíliam) causa.

569. *diutius*, “rather a long
time.”

Meam nélegantiam: ípsam cum omni fámlia
Ad mé profectam esse aíbant. *DE.* Quid illi tám diu
Quaeso ígitur commorábare, ubi id audíeras?

CH. Pol mé detinuit mórbus. *DE.* Vnde? aut quí?
CH Rogas?

Senéctus ipsast mórbus. sed uenísse eas 575
Saluás audiui ex naúta qui illas uéxerat.

DE. Quid gnáto obtigerit me ábsente, audistí,
Chremes?

CH Quodquidém me factum cónsili incertúm facit.
Nam hanc cóndicionem sí quoí tulero extrário,
Quo pácto aut unde míhi sit, dicundum órdinest. 580
Te míhi fidelem esse aéque atque egomet súm míhi
Scibam. ílle si me aliénus adfiném uolet,
Tacébit, dum intercédet familiáritas;
Sin spréuerit me, plús quam opus est scító sciet.
Vereórque ne uxor áliqua hoc resciscát mea. 585

572. **aibant** = *aiebant*; see note on 529.—**illi**, adverb = *illic*, “there,” cf. 91.

574. ff. Chremes does not care to give a detailed account of his life abroad, and is manifestly uneasy under his brother's questions. — **unde**, i. e., the cause of his illness.—**qui**, i. e., the nature of the disease.

578. **quodquidém**: first foot an anapaest.

579. **condicionem**, “match.”—**si . . . extrario**, “if I shall offer it to any outsider.”

580. **sit**: grammatically *condicio*, supplied from *condicionem*, is the subject, but Chremes is thinking of Phanius.—**ordine**, “in detail.”

581. **aequa atque**: cf. 93.

582. **scibam** = *sciebam*.

583. **familiaritas**, “good-feeling.”

584. **opus est scito**, “he need know.” This use of the ablative of a perfect participle passive with *opus est* and *usus est* is frequent in comedy.

585. **aliquā**, adverb = *aliquo modo*.

Quod sí fit, ut me excútiam atque egrediár domo,
Id réstat; nam ego meórum solus súm meus.

DE. Scio ita ésse; et istaec míhi res sollicitúdinist,
Neque défetiscar úsque adeo experírier,
Donéc tibi id quōd póllicitus sum effécero.

590

SCENE 2

Geta praises the cleverness of Phormio.

[Enter Geta, r. *He does not see the old men till v. 600.*]

GETA

DEMIPHO

CHREMES

GE. (*to himself*) Ego hóminem callidiórem uidi
néminem

Quam Phórmionem. uénio ad hominem, ut dícerem:
Argéntum opus esse et íd quo pacto fieret.

Vix dúm dimidium díixeram, intelléxerat:
Gaudébat, me laudábat, quaerebat senem.

595

Dis grátias agébat, tempus síbi dari,
Vbi Phaédriae esse osténderet nihiló minus

Amícum sese quam Ántiphoni. hominem ád forum
Iussi ópperiri: eo me ésse adducturúm senem.

Sed eccum ípsum. quis est ultérior? attat, Phaédriae

586. **me excutiam**, of a hasty departure, "decamp."

587. **id**, i. e., *ut me*, etc.—**meorum**, "of my belongings."

—**meus**, "my own."

589. **experirier** = *experiri*.

593. **argentum opus esse**, "money was needed." *opus*

is a predicate noun. cf. 557.—
fieret.

595. **quaerebat**, "inquired after."

598. **hominem**, Phormio.

600. **eccum ipsum**: see note on 464.—**ulterior**, "behind (him)."—**attat**, "wheu!"

Pater uénit. sed quid pértimui autem bélua? 601
 An quía quos fallam pro úno duo sunt míhi dati?
 Commódius esse opínor duplici spe útier.
 Petam hínc unde a primo ínstiti: is si dát, sat est;
 Si ab eó nil fiet, tum húnc adoriar hóspitem. 605

SCENE 3

Geta tells the old men that he thinks he has found a solution of their problem. He says that he has talked the matter over with Phormio and finds that the parasite, if he were paid, would be willing to take Phanium off their hands and marry her himself. Demipho at first refuses to entertain the idea of paying Phormio anything, but finally acquiesces. Antipho, who remains unnoticed in the background during the whole scene, is amazed at Geta's apparent treachery.

[Enter *Antipho*, unobserved, from *Demipho's house*.]

ANTIPHO GETA CHREMES DEMIPHO

AN. (*to himself*) Expécto, quam mox récipiat sesé Geta.
 Sed pátruom uideo cùm patre adstantem. eí mihi,
 Quam tímeo, aduentus húius quo inpellát patrem!

GE. (*to himself*) Adíbo [hosce]: (*approaching Chremes*)
 o salue, nóster Chremes! *CH.* Salué, Geta.

GE. Veníre saluom uólup est. *CH.* Credo. *GE.* Quid agitur? 610

Multa áduenienti, ut fít, noua hic? *CH.* Compluria.

601. *belua* implies stupidity, “donkey.”

602. *an*, introducing a simple question, frequently (as here) denotes remonstrance.

603. *duplici spe utier* (=uti), i.e., to have two strings to his bow.

604. *institi*, “intended.”

605. *hospitem*, “new-comer”

608. *huius*, Chremes.

610. *uolup*, an indeclinable noun used by Terence with *est* only: “I am delighted.”

611. *ut fit*, “as is usually the case.”

GE. Ita. de Ántiphone audístin quae facta? *CH.* Ómnia.

GE. (*to Demipho*) Tun díxeras huic? fácinus indig-
núm, Chremes,

Sic círcumiri! *CH.* Id cum hóc agebam cómmodum.

GE. Nam hercle égo quoque id quidem ágitans mecum
século 615

Inuéni, opinor, rémedium huic rei. *CH.* Quíd, Geta?

DE. Quod rémedium? *GE.* Vt abii ábs te, fit forte
óbuiam

Mihi Phórmio. *CH.* Qui Phórmio? *DE.* Is qui istánc..

CH. Scio.

GE. Visúmst mihi, ut eius témparem senténtiam.

Prendo hóminem solum: ‘quór non’ inquam, ‘Phórmio,
Vidés, inter nos síc haec potius cùm bona 621

Vt cómonamus grátia quam cùm mala?-

Erus líberalis ést et fugitans lítium;

Nam céteri quidem hercle amici omnés modo 624

Vno óre auctores fuére, ut praecipitem hanc daret.’

AN. (*aside*) Quid hic coéptat aut quo euádet hodie?

GE. ‘An légibus

612. *audistin*=*audistine*.

614. *circumiri*, “be hood-winked.”—*commodum*, adv., “just now.”

617. *fit forte obuiam*, “meets.” Cf. 52 and 195.

618. *is qui istanc*, sc., *defendit*.

620. *solum*, “by himself.”

622. *componamus*, “arrange.”

623. *fugitans*, used as an adjective.

624. *modo*: see note on 93.

625. *auctores fuere*, “advised.”—*praecipitem daret*, “should eject.”—*hanc*, Phanius.

626. *quo euadet hodie*, “what is he driving at,” more literally, “where now will he come out?”

Datúrum poenas díees, si illam eiécerit?
 Iam id éxploratumst: heía, sudabís satis,
 Si cum íllo inceptas hómine: ea eloquéntiast.
 Verúm pono esse uíctum eum; at tandem tamen 630
 Non cápit is ei res ágitur, sed pecúniae.'
 Postquam hóminem his uerbis séntio mollírier,
 'Solí sumus nunc hic' ínquam; 'eho, die quid uís dari
 Tibi ín manum, ut erus hís desistat lítibus,
 Haec hínc facessat, tú molestus né sies?' 635
AN. (aside) Satin ílli di sunt própitii? *GE.* 'Nam
 sát scio,
 Si tu áliquam partem aequí bonique díixeris,
 Vt est ílle bonus uir, tría non commutábitis
 Verba hódie inter uos'. *DE.* Quís te istaec iussít loqui?
CH. Immó non potuit mélius peruenírier 640
 Eo quó nos uolumus. *AN.* (aside) Óccidi. *DE.* Perge
 éloqui.
GE. A primo homo insaníbat. *CH.* Cedo quid póstulat?
GE. Quid? nímium quantum. *CH.* Quántum? dic.
GE. Si quís daret

627. daturum poenas, "will pay the penalty."

628. exploratum, "tested."

629. ea, "such."

630. uerum pono, "but I'll assume."—**at tandem tamen**, "but still after all."

631. capit is; the word *caput* includes civil and political as well as physical life. If Demipho lost the suit, it would simply be a matter of his pay-

ing a sum of money; he would not lose any of his civil rights.

—agitur, "is at stake."

632. mollirier = *molliri*.

635. facessat, colloquial, "take herself off."

636. satin . . . propitii, a euphemistic way of expressing doubt as to Geta's sanity.

638. ut . . . uir depends on the following sentence.

642. insanibat = *insaniebat*.

Taléntum magnum. *DE.* Immó malum hercle: ut
nīl pudet!

GE. Quod díxi adeo eī: ‘quaéso, quid si fíliam 645
Suam únicam locáret? parui ré tulit
Non súscipisse: inuéntast quae dotém petat.’
Vt ad paúca redeam ac míttam illius inéptias,
Haec déniqe eius fuít postrema orátio:

‘Ego’ ínquit ‘a princípio amici fíliam, 650
Ita ut aéquom fuerat, uólui uxorem dúcere;
Nam míhi uenibat ín mentem eius incómmudum,
In séruitutem paúperem ad ditém dari.

Sed mi ópus erat, ut apérte tibi nunc fábuler,
Aliquántulum quae adférret, qui dissóluerem 655
Quae débeo; et etiám nunc, si uolt Démiphō
Dare quántum ab hac accípio, quae sponsást mihi,
Nullám mihi malim quam ístanc uxorém dari.’

AN. (aside) Vtrúm stultitia fácerē ego hunc an málitia
Dicám, scientem an ínprudentem, incértus sum. 660

DE. Quid si ánimam debet? *GE.* ‘Áger oppositus
pígnori

644. magnum talentum, an Attic talent = 60 minae = \$1000.00. — **malum**, “drubbing,” sc., *dabo*.

645. adeo, “precisely,” with *quod*—*ei*.

646. locaret, “were giving in marriage.”—**parui re tulit** **non suscepisse**, “it has made little difference that he did not bring one up,”

648. pauca, “the few (essentials).”—**illius**: Scan, *illius*.

652. incommodum, “misfortune.”

655. qui, “wherewith.”

660. inprudentem, “unwittingly.”

661. animam debet, “is head over heels in debt,” lit., “owes his soul.”—**oppositus pígnri**, “mortgaged,” lit., “set against as a pledge.”

Ob décem minas est.' *DE.* Áge age, iam ducát: dabo.
GE. 'Aedículae item sunt ób decem alias.' *DE.* Ofei,
 Nimiúmst. *CH.* Ne clama: répetito hassee a mé dece.
GE. 'Vxóri emunda ancíllulast; tum plúscula 665
 Supelléctile opus est, ópus est sumptu ad nuptias:
 His rébus sane pórro pone' inquít 'decem.'

DE. Sescéntas proinde scribito iam míhi dicas:

Nil do. ínpuratus me ílle ut etiam inrídeat?

CH. Quaeso, égo dabo, quiésce: tu modo filium 670
 Fac ut íllam dueat, nós quam uolumus. *AN.* Eí mihi!
 Geta, óccidisti mé tuis falláciis.

CH. Mea caúsa eëicitur; mé hoc est aequom amítttere.

GE. 'Quantúm potest me cértiorem' inquít 'face,
 Si illám dant, hanc ut míttam, ne incertús siem; 675
 Nam illí mihi dotem iám constituerúnt dare.'

CH. Iam accípiat: illis répudium renúntiet;

Hanc dúcat. *DE.* Quae quidem ílli res uortát male!

CH. Oppórtune adeo argéntum nunc mecum áttuli,
 Fructúm quem Lemni uxoris reddunt praédia. 680

663. *sunt*, sc. *oppositeae pignorii*.

665. Geta tries to make Phormio's various wants seem smaller by using diminutives.

667. *porro*, "more."

668. *sescetas*, used indefinitely for a large number.—For *scribito dicas*, see note on 127.

669. *ut etiam inrideat*, subjunctive in an exclamation of indignation.—*etiam* indicates

that this is the last indignity.

673. *meā causā*.

674. *quantum potest*, "as soon as possible."

675. *illam*, Phanium.—*hanc*, the girl to whom he was engaged.

677. *repudium renuntiare* means "to break off an engagement." See Johnston, *Private Life*, §196.

679. *adeo*, "very."

680. *fructum*, "income."

Inde súmam; uxori tíbi opus esse díxero. (*Exeunt Chremes and Demipho into the former's house.*)

SCENE 4

Antipho reproaches Geta with having betrayed him. The slave, however, assures him that Phormio will not marry Phanium, and then describes the details of the plan. The money given by the old men to Phormio is to be loaned to Phaedria; by the time the day for the marriage of Phormio and Phanium has come, Phaedria's friends will have furnished him with the thirty *minae* which they had promised and he will repay Phormio. The latter will give the money back to the old men, stating that so many ill omens have occurred since he undertook to marry Phanium that he has decided to withdraw from his agreement.

ANTIPHO

GETA

AN. (coming forward) Geta. *GE.* Hém. *AN.* Quid egisti? *GE.* Émunxi argentó senes.

AN. Satin ést id? *GE.* Nescio hérkle: tantum iússus sum.

AN. Eho, uérbero, aliud míhi respondes ác rogo?

GE. Quid érgo narras? *AN.* Quíd ego narrem? operá tua

685

Ad réstim mihi quidem rés redit planíssume.

Vt té quidem omnes dí deae, superi ínferi,
Malís exemplis pérdant! em, si quíd uelis,

682. **emunxi**, "I've cleaned out."

686. **ad restim**: Antipho intimates that there is nothing left for him to do but hang himself.—Scan, **míhi quidem rés**.

687. **ut = utinam**.

688. **malis exemplis**, "terrible penalties," which would be an "example" to other evildoers.

Huic mánedes, qui te ad scópulum e tranquillo
áuferat.

Quid mínuſ utibile fuít quam hoc uleus tángere 690

Aut nóminare uxórem? iniectast spés patri

Posse íllam extrudi. cédo nunc porro: Phórmio

Dotém si accipiet, úxor ducendást domum:

Quid fíet? *GE.* Non enim dúeet *AN.* Noui. céterum

Quom argéntum repetent, nôstra causa scílicet 695

In néruom potius íbit. *GE.* Nil est, Ántiphō,

Quin mále narrando pôssit deprauárier.

Tu id quód bonist excérpis, dicis quód malist.

Audí nunc contra: iám si argentum accéperit,

Ducéndast uxor, út aīs (concedó tibi): 700

Spatiúm quidem tandem ádparandi núptias,

Vocándi, saeruficándi dabitur paúlulum.

Intérea amici quód polliciti súnt dabunt:

Inde íste reddet. *AN.* Quam ób rem? aut quid dieét?

GE. Rogas?

'Quod rés postilla mó̄nstra euenerúnt mihi! 705

Intro íit in aedis áter alienús canis;

Anguís per inpluuium décidit de tégulis;

Gallína cecinit; íterdixit hárniolus;

692. **porro**, "with regard to the future."

695. **scilicet**, ironical.

701. **spatiū**, sc. *temporis*.

702. **uocandi**, "of inviting (the guests)." — **paululum**, adjective.

703. **amici**, i.e., Phaedria's friends.

704. **inde**, "out of that." — **iste**, Phormio. — **reddet**, "will repay." — **quam ob rem**, "on what ground."

705. **quod** = *quot.*

706. **alienus**, "strange."

707. **inpluuium**, here = *compluuium*, the opening in the roof of a house.

Haríspex uetuit: ánte brumam autém noui
 Negóti incipere * * * * 710
 * * * ': quaé causast iustíssuma.
 Haec fíent. *AN.* Vt modo fíant! *GE.* Fient: mé uide.
 Pater éxit: abi, die ésse argentum Phaédriae. (*Exit Antiphō*)

SCENE 5

Demipho is about to pay Phormio the money. Chremes urges him to be sure to procure witnesses to the transaction, above all to make haste lest Phormio should change his mind and withdraw. It is also suggested that on his return he should ask Chremes' wife to call on Phanium and break to her the news of her separation from Antiphō and her marriage to Phormio.

[Enter Demipho and Chremes from the latter's house.]

DEMIPHO CHREMES GETA

DE. Quiétus esto, inquam; égo curabo né quid uerborúm duit.

Hoc témere numquam amíttam ego a me, quín mihi testis ádhibeam:

Quoi dem ét quam ob rem dem, cόmmemorabo. *GE.*
 (aside) Vt caútus est, ubi níl opust. 715

CH. Atque íta opus factost; ét matura, dúm lubido eadem haéc manet:

709. A *lacuna* in the text leaves the syntax of this and the following line in doubt.

712. **ut**, like *utinam*, here introduces a wish.

713. **duit** = *det.* *dare uerba*

is a colloquial expression meaning "to cheat."

714. **hoc**, the money which he has brought for Phormio.—**quin adhibeam**, "without summoning."

716. **facto** : see note on 584.

Nam si álera illaec mágis instabit, fórsitan nos réiciat.

GE. (*aloud*) Rem ipsám putasti. *DE.* (*to Geta*) Dúc
me ad eum ergo. *GE.* Nón moror. *CH.* (*to Demi-*
pho) Vbi hoc égeris,

Transíto ad uxorém meam, ut conuéniat hanc prius
quam hínc abit.

Dicát eam dare nos Phórmioni núptum; ne suscén-
seat;

720

Et mágis esse illum idóneum, qui ipsí sit familiárior;
Nos nóstro officio nón digressos ésse: quantum is
uóluerit,

Datum ésse dotis. *DE.* Quíd tua malum id ré fert?
CH. Magni, Démipho.

Non sáxis est tuom te offícium fecisse, íd si non fama
ádprobat:

Volo ipsíus quoque uoluntáte haec fieri, né se eiectam
praédicet.

725

DE. Idem égo istuc facere pójssum. *CH.* Mulier múlieri
magis cónuenit.

DE. Rogábo. (*Exeunt Demipho and Geta. R.*) *CH.*
—(*to himself*) Vbi illas núc ego reperíre possim,
cógito.

717. **altera illaec**, the girl to whom Phormio represented himself as engaged.

719. **conueniat**, “that she have an interview with.”—**hanc**, Phanium.

720. **nuptum**, supine.

721. **familiarior**, “better acquainted.”

723. **dotis**, partitive genitive.

—**tuā rē fert**; cf. 133 and 389.
—**malum**, interjection, “plague (take you)!”—**magni**, sc. *re fert*, genitive of value.

725. **ipsius**, Phanium. Scan, *uōl(o) īpsiūs*.

726. **conuenit**, “suits.”

727. **illas**, his Lemnian wife and daughter.

SCENE 6

Chremes sees Sophrona, his daughter's nurse, coming out of Demipho's house. He speaks to her, explains to her that he had passed under a false name in Lemnos, and to his delight learns that the dowerless girl whom Antipho has married is his own daughter; that the story told in court of Antipho's being her kinsman had been invented to enable him to marry her in spite of the fact that she had no dowry. Sophrona tells Chremes of the trouble they are in on account of Demipho's anger, but Chremes undertakes to placate him.

[Enter Sophrona from Demipho's house.]

SOPHRONA

CHREMES

SO. (*to herself, not seeing Chremes*) Quíd agam? quem
mi amícum inueniam mísera? aut quo consília
haec referam?

Aút unde auxiliúm petam?

Nám uereor, era ne ób meum suasum indígna iniuria
ádficiatur:

730

Íta patrem adulescéntis facta haec tólerare audió
uiolenter.

CH. (*aside*) Nám quae haec anus est, éxanimata a
frátre quae egressást meo?

SO. (*to herself*) Quod ut fácerem egestas me ínpulit,
quom scírem infirmas núptias

728. **consilia**, "matters for consideration."

732. **exanimata**, "in such a flurry."

733. **quod**, i.e., her action in

promoting the marriage between Phanium and Antipho.

—**quom scirem**, subjunctive in adversative *quom* clause. Terence uses the indicative also.

Hasce ésse, ut id consúlerem, interea úita ut in tutó foret.

CH. (aside) Cérte edepol, nisi me ánimus fallit aút parum prospíciunt oculi, 735

Meaé nutricem gnátae uideo. *SO. (to herself)* Néque ille inuestigátur, *CH. (aside)* Quid ago?

SO. Qui ést eius pater. *CH. (aside)* Ádeo, maneo, dum haéc quae loquitur mágis cognosco?

SO. (to herself) Quód si eum nunc reperíre possim, níhil est quod uereár. *CH.* East ipsa:

Cónloquar. *SO.* Quis hic lóquitur? *CH.* Sophrona. *SO.* Ét meum nomen nóminat?

CH. Réspice ad me. *SO.* Di óbsecro uos, éstne hic Stilpo? *CH.* Nón. *SO.* Negas? 740

CH. Cóncede hinc a fóribus paulum istórum sodes, Sóphrona.

Ne me ístoc posthac nómine appellássis. *SO.* Quid? non, óbsecro, es

Quem sémper te esse díctitasti? *CH.* St'. *SO.* Quid has metuís fores?

CH. Conclúsam hic habeo uxórem saeuam. uérum istoc me nómine

734. **ut id consulerem**: this clause takes up the preceding *quod ut facerem*, and like it is dependent upon *inpulit*.—**interea uita ut**, etc., clause of purpose.

737. **adeo**, “shall I approach?” present for future.

739. **hic**, adverb.

741. **hinc**, from his house, near which he was standing.—**istorum**, “in that direction,” i.e., past Demipho’s house, out of which she had just come.—**sodes** : see note on 103.

742. **appellassis**, old form of the perfect subjunctive.

Eo pérperam olim díxi, ne uos fórte imprudentés
foris

745

Effúttiretis átque id porro aliqua úxor mea rēscísceret.
SO. Istóc pol nos te hic ínuenire míserae numquam
pótuius.

CH. Echo díc mihi, quid reí tibist cum fámilia hac
unde éxis?

Vbi illaé sunt? *SO.* Miseram me! *CH.* Hém, quid
est? uiuóntne? *SO.* Viuit gnáta.

Matrem ípsam ex aegrítudine hac miserám mors con-
secútast.

750

CH. Male fáctum. *SO.* Ego autem, quae éssem anus
desérta, egens, ignóta,

Vt pótui nuptum uírginem locáui huic adulescénti,
Harúm qui est dominus aédiū. *CH.* Antiphónin?

SO. Em, istic ípsi.

CH. Quid? duásne uxores hábet? *SO.* Au, obsecro,
únam ille quidem hanc sólam.

CH. Quid illam álteram quae dícitur cognáta? *SO.*
Haec ergost. *CH.* Quíd aīs?

755

745. **perperam**, “wrongly.”—**foris effutiretis**, “you might
blab it all over town.”

746. **porro**, “in turn.”—
aliqua: cf. 585.

747. **istoc**, “on that ac-
count.”

748. Sean, **mihí**.

749. **illae**, his wife and
daughter.

751. **male factum**, “that’s
bad.” Chremes receives the

news coolly.—**quae essem**,
causal clause.

752. **ut potui**, “doing what
I could,” more literally “(so
far) as I was able.”—**nuptum**
locavi: cf. *dare nuptum* (720).
753. **istic**, dative.

754. **au obsecro**, hiatus. See
Introduction xiii.

755. **ergo**, continues the
previous assertion. Translate,
“I say.”

SO. Compósito factumst, quó modo hanc amáns habere pósset

Sine dóte. *CH.* Di uostrám fidem, quam saépe forte témere

Euénint quae non aúdeas optáre! offendí aduéniens Quocúm uolebam et út uolebam cónlocatam gnátam. Quod nós ambo opere máxumo dabámus operam ut fíeret,

760

Sine nóstra cura, máxuma sua cúra hic solus fécit.

SO. Nunc quíd opus facto sít uide: pater ádulescentis uénit

Eumque ánimo iniquo hoc óppido ferre áiunt. *CH.* Nil períclist.

Sed pér deos atque hominés meam esse hanc cáue re-sciscat quísquam.

SO. Nemo é me scibit. *CH.* Séquere me: intus cétera audiétis. (*Exeunt Chremes and Sophrona into Demipho's house.*)

765

756. **composito** = *ex com-
posito*, "by agreement."

760. **nos ambo**, Chremes
and his brother.

761. **hic**, Antipho.

762. **facto:** cf. 716 and

584.

ACT V

SCENE 1

Demipho has paid Phormio the money, but deplores the circumstances which have forced him to give money to such a rascal. On Geta's suggesting that even now Phormio may not keep his word, the old man becomes alarmed. He goes to ask Chremes' wife, Nausistrata, to call on Phanium.

[Enter Demipho and Geta, R.]

DEMIPHO

GETA

DE. Nostrápte culpa fácimus ut malís expeditat ésse,
Dum nímium dici nós bonos studémus et benígnos.

Ita fúgias ne praetér casam, quod áiunt. nonne id
sát erat,

Accípere ab illo iniúriam? etiam argéntumst ultro
obiéctum,

Vt sít qui uiuat, dum áliud aliquid flágiti confíciat. 770

GE. Planíssume. *DE.* Eis nunc praéniúmst, qui
récta praua fáciunt.

GE. Veríssume. *DE.* Vt stultíssume quidem illí rem
gesserímus.

766. nostrapte: -pte adds emphasis.—*ut . . . esse*, “that it pays (men) to be bad.”

767. nos, accusative subject of *dici*.

768. ita . . . casam: “Run so that you will not (run) past your house,” i.e., a man’s own house is his natural refuge in time of danger. The meaning of the proverb is that, in en-

deavoring to escape from an embarrassing situation, you should not in your excitement go to such extremes as to overlook the most obvious means of safety.

771. qui, ablative, “where-withal.”

772. illi, adverb, “in that affair.”—*gesserimus.*

GE. Modo ut hóc consilio póssiet discédi ut istam dúeat.

DE. Etiámne id dubiumst? *GE.* Haúd scio hercle, ut homóst, an mutet ánimum.

DE. Hem, mútet autem? *GE.* Néscio; uerúm, si forte, díco. 775

DE. Ita fáciam, ut frater cénsuit, ut uxórem eius huc addúciam,

Cum ista út loquatur. tú, Geta, abi prae, núnquia hanc uentúram. (*Exit into Chremes' house.*)

GE. (*to himself*) Argéntum inuentumst Phaédriae; de iúrgio silétur;

Prouísumst, ne in praeséntia haec hinc ábeat: quid nunc pórro? 779

Quid fíet? in eodém luto haesitás: uorsuram sólues,

773. modo ut, etc., “(let us) only (hope) that we may attain this end,” lit., “that it be come off with this plan.” —**hoc consilio:** explained by *ut* clause. — **possiet** = *possit*, impersonal.

774. ut homost, “considering the character of the man.”

775. autem is not infrequently used when one speaker repeats the word of another.

776. Scan, ut uxórem.

777. ista, Phanius.—**hanc**, Chremes’ wife, Nausistrata.

778. iúrgio, “row.” Geta is thinking of the censure and abuse which he and the others

had incurred on account of Antipho’s marriage with Phanius.

779. porro, “next.”

780. uorsuram solues: *uorsura*, means “the borrowing of money to pay a debt.” Geta had satisfied his master in regard to Antipho’s marriage by the pretended arrangement of a marriage between Phormio and Phanius, i.e., he had met one obligation by incurring another. The gist of his reflections now is that when the whole story comes out he will be made to pay a heavier penalty than ever.

Geta; praésens quod fuerát malum, in diem ábiit;
 plagae créscunt,
 Nisi próspicis. nunc hínc domum ibo ac Phánium
 edocébo,
 Ne quíd uereatur Phórmionem aut huíus oratióñem.
(Exit into Demipho's house.)

SCENE 2

Nausistrata assures Demipho of her willingness to help him. In money matters, however, she is not able to assist him as much as formerly on account of her husband's careless management of her estate.

[Enter Demipho and Nausistrata from Chremes' house.]

DEMIPHO NAVSISTRATA

DE. Age dum, út soles, Nausístrata, fac illa út placetur
 nóbis,

Vt suá uoluntate íd quod est faciúndum faciat. *NA.*
 Fáciám. 785

DE. Paritér nunc opera me ádiuues, ac ré dudum
 opituláta es.

NA. Factúm uolo; ac pol mínuś queo uiri cúlpa, quam
 me dígnumst.

DE. Quid aútem? *NA.* Quia pol meí patris bene
 pártá indiligénter

Translate, "you will (have to)
 pay the new debt (with in-
 terest.)"

783. huius, Nausistrata.

784. illa, Phanium.

786. pariter . . . ac, "just

. . . as."—**re** refers to the
 money she had lent him.
 Cf. v. 681.

787. factum uolo, "you're
 welcome," lit., "I want it
 done," a colloquial expression.

Tutátur; nam ex eis praédiis talénta argenti bína
Statím capiebat. uír uiro quid praéstat! *DE.* Binan
quaéso? 790

NA. Ac rébus uilióribus multó talenta bína. *DE.* Hui!

NA. Quid haéc uidetur? *DE.* Scílicet. *NA.* Virúm
me natum uéllem:

Ego osténderem, *DE.* Certó scio. *NA.* quo pácto
... *DE.* Parce sódes,

Vt póssis cum illa, né te adulescens múlier defetíget.

NA. Faciam út iubes. sed meúm uirum abs te exíre
uideo. 795

SCENE 3

Chremes expresses his regret that Demipho has already paid Phormio. He tells his brother that he has seen Phanium; that she is really a relative of theirs, and that no steps should be taken to annul the marriage. On account of Nausistrata's presence he cannot go into details, but when she returns to the house, he tells him the story.

[Enter Chremes from Demipho's house.]

NAVSISTRATA CHREMES DEMIPHO

CH. (*not seeing his wife*) Ehem, Démipho.

Iam illí datumst argéntum? *DE.* Curaui ílico. *CH.*
Nollém datum.

790. *statim*, "regularly."—
capiebat, i.e., her father.—
praestat, "surpasses."

791. *ac* introduces an important addition. — *rebus*
uilióribus multo, "when prices
were much lower."

792. *scilicet*, "of course."
Demipho, knowing that
Chremes had been appropri-

ating part of his wife's income for the support of his family in Lemnos, assents somewhat vaguely to Nausistrata's remarks.

793. *Scan*, *eg(o)* *osténderem*: See Introduction xii

794. *possis*, sc. *loqui*.

796. *ílico*, "immediately."

Ei, uideo uxorem: paéne plus quam sát erat. *DE.*
 Quor nollés, Chremes?

CH. Iam récte. *DE.* Quid tu? ecquíd locutu's cum
 ístac, quam ob rem hanc dúcimus?

CH. Transégi. *DE.* Quid aít tandem? *CH.* Abduci
 nón potest. *DE.* Qui nón potest?

CH. Quia utérque utrius est córdi. *DE.* Quid istuc
 nóstra? *CH.* Magni; praéterhac 800

Cognátam comperi ésse nobis. *DE.* Quíd? deliras.
CH. Síc erit.

Non témere dico: rédii mecum in mémoriā. *DE.*
 Satin sánus es?

NA. Au, óbsecro, uide ne ín cognatam pécces. *DE.*
 Non est. *CH.* Né nega:

Patris nómen aliud díctumst; hoc tu errásti. *DE.*
 Non norát patrem?

CH. Norát. *DE.* Quor aliud díxit? *CH.* Numquamne
 hodie concedés mihi 805

Neque intélleges? *DE.* Si tú nil narras? *CH.* Pérdis.
NA. Miror quíd siet.

DE. Evidem hérele nesció. *CH.* Vin scire? at íta
 me seruet Iúppiter,

Vt própior illi, quám ego sum ac tu, [homo] némost.
DE. Di uostrám fidem,

797. *paene plus*, sc. *dixeram.*

798. *istac*, Phanium.—*hanc*,
 Nausistrata.

799. *quid tandem*, “what in
 the world?”—*qui*, adverbial.

800. *Esse cordi alicui* means
 “to please,” “to be dear to

some one.”—*nostrā*: see note
 on 133.—*magni*: see note on
 723.

801. *erit*, “will (turn out
 to) be.”

805. *hodie*: cf. 377.

807. *ita . . . ut*, “so . . . as”;
 —*uin* = *uisne*.

Eámus ad ipsam: una ómnis nos aut scíre aut nescire hóc uolo. *CH.* Ah.

DE. Quid ést? *CH.* Itan paruam míhi fidem esse apúd te! *DE.* Vin me crídere? 810

Vin satis quaesitum mí istuc esse? age, fíat. quid? illa fília

Amíci nostri quíd futurumst? *CH.* Récte. *DE.* Hanc igitur míttimus?

CH. Quid ni? *DE.* Ílla maneat? *CH.* Síc. *DE.* Ire igitur tíbi licet, Nausístrata.

NA. Sic pól commodius ésse in omnis árbitror, quam ut coéperas,

Manére hanc; nam perlíberalis uísast, quom uidí, mihi.
(*Exit into Chremes' house.*) 815

DE. Quid istúc negotist? *CH.* Iámne operuit óstium?

DE. Iam. *CH.* O Iúppiter,

Di nós respiciunt: gnátam inueni núptam cum tuo filio. *DE.* Hem.

Quo pácto potuit? *CH.* Nón satis tutus ést ad narrandum híc locus.

DE. At tu íntro abi. *CH.* Heus, ne fílii quidem hoc nóstri resciscánt uolo. (*Exeunt into Demipho's house.*)

811. illā filiā : see note on
137.

813. ire : Nausistrata's services were no longer required.
818. potuit, impersonal.

SCENE 4

Antipho soliloquizes, expressing his pleasure at Phaedria's good fortune and lamenting the uncertainty of his own affairs.

[Enter Antipho, r.]

ANTIPHO

Laetús sum, ut meae res sése habent, fratri óbtigisse
quód uolt. 820

Quam scítumst, eius modí parare in ánimo cupiditátes,
Quas, quóm res aduorsaé sient, pauló mederi póssis!
Hic símul argentum répperit, curá sese expedíuit;
Ego nullo possum rémedio me euóluere ex his
túrbis,

Quin, si hóc celetur, ín metu, sin pátefit, in probró
sim. 825

Neque mé domum nunc rćiperem, ni mi éset spes
osténta

Huiúsce habendae. séd ubi nam Getam ínuenire
póssim?

[Vt rógem, quod tempus cónueniundi pátris me capere
suádeat.]

820. **ut**, "however."—**fratri**, "cousin."

821. **scitum**, "fine."

822. **quas**, accusative after
mederi, a colloquialism.—**paulo**, "with little," instrumental.
Antipho is contrasting his
cousin's love affair with his

own. In cases like that of
Phaedria, any difficulties
that occur are easily adjusted.
For his own troubles there
seems to be no remedy.

823. **hic**, Phaedria.

827. **huiusce**, Phanius.

SCENE 5

Phormio plans a holiday.

[Enter Phormio, R.]

PHORMIO

ANTIPHO

PH. (*to himself, not seeing Antipho*) Argéntum accepi,
trádidi lenóni; abduxí múlierem,

Curáui propria ut Phaédria poterétur; nam emissást
manu. 830

Nunc úna mihi res étiam restat quae ést conficiunda,
ótium

Ab sénibus ad potándum ut habeam; nam áliquod hos
sumám dies.

AN. Sed Phórmioſt. quid aīſ? *PH.* Quid? *AN.*
Quid nam núne facturust Phaédria?

Quo pácto satietátem amoris aít se uelle absúmere?

PH. Vicíssim partis tuás acturus ést. *AN.* Quas?
PH. Vt fugítet patrem. 835

Te suás rogauit rúrsum ut ageres, caúsam ut pro se
díceres;

Nam pótaturus ést apud me. ego me íre senibus
Súnium

Dicam ád mercatum, ancíllulam emptum dídum quam
dixít Geta;

829. **lenoni**, Dorio.—**muli-
erem**, Phaedria's inamorata.

830. **propria**, "for his own,"
ablative with *poteretur*.

832. **aliquod**: cf. 159.

833. **quid aīſ**, "halloa,
there!"

834. **satietaſtē abſumere**,

"to take his fill."

835. **partis tuas acturus est**:
cf. 27.

837. **Sunium**, a sea-port on
the south coast of Attica.

838. **mercatum**, "fair."—
dídum, "a little while ago."

Ne, quom híc non uideant, mé conficere crédant argen-túm suom.

Sed óstium concrépuit abs te. *AN.* Víde, quis egre-ditúr. *PH.* Getast. 840

SCENE 6

Geta tells Antipho and Phormio what he had overheard in Demipho's house; that Phanium was Chremes' daughter, that both the old men now approved of the marriage and that he had been sent to find Antipho.

[Enter Geta in haste from Demipho's house.]

GETA ANTIPHO PHORMIO

GE. (*not seeing the others*) Ó Fortuna, o Fórs Fortuna,
quántis commodítibus

Quám subito meo ero Ántiphoni ope uóstra hunc one-rastís diem!

AN. (*aside to Phormio*) Quíd nam hic sibi uolt? *GE.*
(*continuing his soliloquy*) Nósque amicos éius
exonerastís metu!

Séd ego nunc mihi céssو, qui non úmerum hunc onero
pállio

Átque hominem proprio ínuenire, ut haéc quae con-tigerínt sciát. 845

AN. (*to Phormio*) Núm tu intellegís, quid hic narret?

PH. Núm tu? *AN.* Nil. *PH.* Tantúndem ego.

840. **ostium concrépuit** : the noise was caused by some one drawing back the bolt of the door.

843. **sibi uolt**, "mean."

844. **mihi**, ethical dative, "bless me."—**úmerum . . . pallio** : by throwing his cloak back over his shoulder he could run more easily.

GE. (*to himself*) Ád lenonem hinc íre pergam; ibi núnc sunt. (*Begins to run*) *AN.* Heus, Geta! *GE.* (*without stopping or looking back*) Ém tibi.

Núm mirum aut nouómst reuocari, círsum quom institerís? *AN.* Geta!

GE. Pérgit herele. númeram tu odio tuó me uinces. *AN.* Nón manes?

GE. Vápula! *AN.* Id quidem tíbi iam fiet, nísi resistis, uérberō. 850

GE. Fámlíariórem oportet ésse hunc: minitatúr malum. (*Turns around*)

Séd isne est quem quaero án non? ipsust. cóngredere actutúm. (*Comes back*) *AN.* Quid est?

GE. O ómnium, quantúm est qui uiuont, hómo hominum ornatíssume!

Nám sine controuórsia ab dis sólus diligere, Antipho. *AN.* Íta uelim; sed quí istuc credam ita ésse mihi dicí uelim. 855

GE. Sátine est si te délibutum gaúdio reddo? *AN.* Énicas.

PH. Quín tu hinc pollicitáiones aúfer et quod férs cedo. *GE.* Oh,

848. *institeris*, "you have started."

849. *odio*, "hatfulness."

850. *uapula*, "to the whipping post with you!" lit., "be beaten" (imperative), a colloquialism.

851. *familiariorem . . . hunc*, "he must be pretty closely connected with me."

852. *actutum*, "immediately."

853. *ornatissume*, "most favored."

855. *qui*, "why."

856. With this use of **énicas** cf. *perdis*, 806.

857. *quod fers cedo*, "tell what (news) you bring."

Tú quoque aderas, Phórmio? *PH.* Aderam; séd tu cessas? *GE.* Áccipe, em:

Út modo argentúm tibi dedimus ápud forum, rectá domum

Súmus profecti; intérea mittit érus me ad uxorém tuam.

860

AN. Quam ób rem? *GE.* Omitto próloqui; nam níhil ad hanc rem est, Ántipho.

Úbi in gynaeceum íre occipio, púer ad me adecurrít Mida,

Póne prendit pállio, resupínat: respició, rogo

Quam ób rem retineát me; ait esse uétitum intro ad eram accédere.

‘Sóphrona modo frátre hue’ inquit ‘sénis introduxit Chremem’;

865

Eúmque nunc esse íntus cum illis. hóc ubi ego audiuī, ád fores

Súspenso gradú placide ire pérrexī, accessi, ástiti, Ánimam compressi, aúrem admoui; ita ánimum coepi atténdere,

Hóc modo sermóñem captans. *PH.* Eú, Geta! *GE.* Hie pulchérrum

869

Fácinus audiuī; ítaque paene hercle exclamaui gaúdio.

862. *gynaeceum*, “the women’s apartments,” which in Greece were a separate part of the house.

863. *pone*, “behind.”—*resupinat*, “pulls (me) back.”

867. *suspensu gradu*, “on tip-toe.”

868. *animam compressi*, “I held my breath.”

869. *hoc modo*, “in this way,” giving an imitation of the action he was describing.

870. *facinus*, “thing,” used in a good sense.

AN. Quód? *GE.* Quod nam arbitráre? *AN.* Nescio.

GE. Átqui mirificíssum:

Pátruos tuos est páter inuentus Phánio uxori tuae.

AN. Quíd aīs? *GE.* Cum eius consuéuit olim mátre in Lemno clánculum.

PH. Sómnium: utine haec ígnoraret suóm patrem?

GE. Aliquid crédito,

Phórmio, esse caúsa; sed me cénsen potuisse ómnia Íntellegere extra óstium, intus quae ínter sese ipsi égerint?

876

AN. Átque ego quoque inaúdiui illam fábulam. *GE.* Immo etiám dabo

Quó magis credas: pátruos interea índe hue egreditúr foras;

Haúd multo post cùm patre idem récipit se intro dénuo:

Áit uterque tibi potestatem éius adhibendaé dari. 880

Dénique ego sum míssus, te ut requírerem atque ad-dúcerem.

AN. Quín ergo rape mé. quid cessas? *GE.* Fécerò.

AN. O mi Phórmio,

Vále. *PH.* Vale, Antiphó. bene, ita me dí ament,

factum: gaúdeo. (*Exeunt Antiphò and Geta into Demipho's house.*)

873. *quid aīs*, "you don't say so!"

874. *utine . . . patrem*, "she not know her own father!"

877. *inaudiui*, "I have heard

something about." — **immo etiam dabo**, "but I'll tell you something besides."

880. *eius adhibendae*, "of keeping her."

SCENE 7

In a soliloquy Phormio states his intention of outwitting the old men and doing Phaedria a favor.

PHORMIO

Tantám fortunam de ínprouiso esse hís datam!
 Summa éludendi occasióst mihi núc señes 885
 Et Phaédriae curam ádimere argentáriam,
 Ne quoíquam suorum aequálium suppléx siet.
 Nam idem hóc argentum, ita út datumst, ingratiis
 Ei dátum erit; hoc qui cágam, re ipsa répperi.
 Nunc géstus mihi uoltúsque est capiundús nouos. 890
 Sed hínc concedam in ángiportum hoc próxumum,
 Inde híscē ostendam me, ubi erunt egressí foras.
 Quo me ádsimularam ire ád mercatum, nón eo. (*Withdraws into alley*).

SCENE 8

Phormio comes forward stating his willingness to marry Phanium at once. Demipho tells him that on his brother's advice he has decided not to send Phanium away; and as Phormio is no longer required to marry the girl, he must give back the money that has been paid to him. Phormio refuses to do so and says that if they attempt to force him to pay it he will tell Nausistrata about Chremes' Lemnian wife.

[Enter Demipho and Chremes from the former's house.]

DEMIPHO

CHREMES

PHORMIO

DE. Dis mágnas merito grátias habeo átque ago,

884. **de improuiso**, “unexpectedly.”

886. **curam argentariam**, “money worry.”

888. **ingratiis**, “against their

will,” i.e., the will of the old men.

889. **datum erit**, “will turn out to have been given.”—**qui**, “how.”—**re ipsa**, “in the case itself.”

Quando éuenere haec nóbis, frater, próspere. 895

CH. Estne íta uti dixi líberalis? *DE.* Óppido.

Quantúm potest nunc cónueniundust Phórmio,

Prius quám dilapidat nóstras trigintá minas,

Vt aúferamus. *PH.* (*coming forward*) Démiphonem
sí domist

Visam, út quod . *DE.* At nos ád te ibamus, Phórmio.

PH. De eadem hác fortasse caúsa? *DE.* Ita hercle.

PH. Crédidi: 901

Quid ád me ibatis? *DE.* Rídiculum. *PH.* An rebá-
mini

Me nón id facere, quód recepissém semel?

Heus, quánta quanta haec méa paupertas ést,
tamen

Adhúc curaui unum hóc quidem, ut mi essét fides. 905

Idque ádeo uenio núntiatum, Démipho,

Parátum me esse: ubi uóltis, uxorém date.

Nam omnís posthabui míhi res, ita uti pár fuit,

Postquam íd tanto opere uós uelle animum aduór-
terain. 909

DE. At híc dehortatus ést me, ne illam tíbi darem:

‘Nam quí erit rumor pópuli’ inquit, ‘si id féceris?

Olím quom honeste pótuit, tum non ést data;

Eam núnc extrudi túrpest’. ferme eadem ómnia,

Quae túte dudum córam me incusáueras.

896. *oppido*, “very.”

897. *quantum potest*, “as soon as possible.”

898. *dilapidat*, “squanders.”

901. *ita hercle*, “yes, indeed.”

906. *id adeo*, “just this,”

910. *dehortatus*, trisyllabic.

913. *eam . . . turpest*: cf.

413 f.

914. *dudum*, “a little while ago.”

PH. Satís superbe inlúditis me. *DE.* Quí? *PH.*
Rogas?

915

Quia ne álderam quidem illam potero dúcere;

Nam quó redibo ore ád eam quam contémpserim?

CH. (*aside to Demipho*) ‘Tum autem Ántiphonem
uideo ab sese amíttere

Inuítum eam' inque. *DE.* Tum aútem uideo filium
Inuítum sane múlierem ab se amíttere.

920

Sed tránsi sodes ád forum atque illúd mihi

Argéntum rursum iúbe rescribi, Phórmio.

PH. Quodne égo discripsi pórro illis quibus débui?

DE. Quid ígitur fiet? *PH.* Sí uis mi uxorém dare,

Quam déspondisti, dúcañ; sin est út uelis

925

Manére illam apud te, dós hic maneat, Démipho.

Nam nón est aequom mé propter uos décipi,

Quoī ego uóstri honoris caúsa repudium áltérae

Remíserim, quae dótis tantundém dabat.

929

DE. In' ín malam rem hinc cum ístac magnificéntia,

Fugitíue? etiam nunc crédis te ignorárier

Aut túa facta adeo? *PH.* Inrítor. *DE.* Tune hanc
dúceres,

Si tíbi daretur? *PH.* Fác periculum. *DE.* Vt filius

Cum illa hábitet apud te: hoc uóstrum consiliúm fuit.

915. *qui*, "how."

922. *rescribi*, "be paid back."

923. *discripsi porro*, "distributed at once."

926. *maneat*, "shall remain," volitive subjunctive.

928. *repudium remiserim*, "have broken off my engage-

ment," subjunctive in a *quoniam* causal clause.

930. *in'* = *isne*, from *eo*.—
magnificentia, "braggadocio."

932. *ignorarier adeo*, "to be so little known." — *inritor*, "I'm getting angry."

933. *periculum*, "trial."

PH. Quaesó quid narras? *DE.* Quín tu mi argentúm cedo. 935

PH. Immo uéro uxorem tú cedo. *DE.* In ius ámbula!

PH. Enim uéro, si porro éssæ odiosi pérgitis . . .

DE. Quid fácies? *PH.* Egone? uós me indotatís modo Patrócinari fórtasse arbitrámini; 939

Etiám dotatis sóleo. *CH.* Quid id nostrá? *PH.* Nihil. Hic quándam noram, quoíus uir uxorem . . *CH.* Hém. *DE.* Quid est?

PH. Lemni hábuit aliam, *CH.* Núllus sum. *PH.* ex qua filiam

Suscépit; et eam clam éducat. *CH.* Sepúltus sum.

PH. Haec ádeo ego illi iám denarrabo. (*Starts toward Chremes' house*) *CH.* Óbsecro,

Ne fáncias. *PH.* Oh, tune ís eras? *DE.* Vt ludós facit! 945

CH. Missúm te facimus. *PH.* Fábulae. *CH.* Quid uís tibi?

Argéntum quod habes cóndonamus te. *PH.* Aúdio. Quid uós malum ergo mé sic ludificámini

936. *immō uéro*, "in very truth."

937. *porro esse pergitis*, "continue to be."

938. *indotatis*, "dowerless (women)."

940. *nostra*: See note on 133.

941. *hic*, "here."

942. *nullus sum*: cf. 179.

943. *sepultus sum*, "I'm a dead man."

944. *adeo* gives precision to *haec*, "these very things."

947. *argentum condonamus te*, "we make you a present of the money." A few other examples of the double accusative with *condono* are found in the writers of comedy, but none occur in the classical period.

948. *malum*: see note on v, 723.

Inépti uostra púerili senténtia?

Noló uolo; uolo nóló rursum; cápe cedo; 950

Quod díctum, indictumst; quód modo erat ratum, ínritumst.

CH. (aside to Demipho) Quo pácto aut unde hic haéc resciuit? *DE.* Nescio;

Nisi mé dixisse némini certó scio.

CH. Monstri, íta me di ament, símile. *PH. (aside)* Inieci scrúpulum. *DE. (to Chremes)* Hem,

Hicíne ut a nobis hóc tantum argenti aúferat 955

Tam apérte inridens? émori hercle sátius est.

Animó uirili praésentique ut sis para:

Vidés tuom peccátum esse elatúm foras

Neque iam íd celare pósse te uxorém tuam.

Nunc quód ipsa ex aliis aúditura sít, Chremes, 960

Id nósmet indicáre placabílius est;

Tum hunc fñpuratum póterimus nostró modo

Vleísci. *PH. (aside)* Attat, nisi mi prospicio,
haéreo.

Hi gládiatorio ánimo ad me adfectánt uiam.

949. sententia here means “decisions.”

950. cedo, “give (her) up.”

951. inritum, “void.”

953. nisi, “except that.”

Cf. v, 475.

954. monstri simile, “like a miracle.”—**inieci scrupulum**, “I’ve made them uneasy.” From its original meaning “a small pointed stone,” *scrupulus* came to have the force

of “anything that pricks or causes uneasiness.”

955. hicine ut, etc.: see note on v, 304.

961. placabilius, “more likely to appease her.”

963. Phormio overhears what Demipho says to his brother.—**ulcisci. attat:** the change of speaker is the occasion of the hiatus. Cf. v, 146.—**haereo**, “I’m stuck.”

CH. (*to Demipho*) At uéreor ut placári possit. *DE.*
Bóno animo es:

965

Ego rédigam uos in grátiam, hoc fretús, Chremes,
Quom e médio excessit únde haec susceptást tibi.

PH. Itan ágitis mecum? satis astute adgrédimini.

Non hércle ex re istius me ínstigasti, Démipho.

(*to Chremes*) Ain tu? ubi quae lubitum fúerit peregre
féceris

970

Neque huíus sis ueritus féminaे primáriae,
Quin nóuo modo eī fáceres contuméliam,
Veniás nunc precibus laútum peccatúm tuom?
Hisce égo illam dictis íta tibi incensám dabo,
Vt né restinguas, lácrumis si extilláueris.

975

964. ad mē adfectant viam,
“they’re coming at me.” *Affectare viam* is “to take or enter upon a way” toward some person or thing.

965. at . . . possit, “but I have my fears about the possibility of appeasing her.”

966. ego . . . gratiam, “I’ll reconcile you.”

967. e medio excessit, “has departed from our midst,” a euphemism for death.—**haec,** Phanium.

968. itan agitis, “is this the way you treat me?”

969. ex re istius, “to his advantage,” i.e., Chremes’.

970. ain tu, “what do you mean?”—*ubi*, “when.”

971. neque sis veritus, “and

have not had respect for.”—**huius feminae primariae:** genitive with *uereri*. Other examples are cited from early Latin, and one from Cicero.

972. quin faceres contumeliam, “so as to refrain from insulting.”

973. lautum, “to wash away,” supine.

974. illam ita incensam dabo, “I’ll so kindle her wrath,” more literally, “I’ll make her so incensed.” For this causative force of *dare*, cf. such expressions as *adeo exornatum dabo* (*Ter. Heaut.* 950), and *inuentum dabo* (*id. Andr.* 683).

975. ne = non.—restinguas: the metaphor of a conflagra-

DE. Malum quod isti dí deaeque omnés duint.
 Tantáne adfectum quémquam esse hominem audácia!
 Non hóc publicitus scélus hinc asportárier
 In sólas terras! *CH.* (*aside to Demipho*) Ín id redactus
 súm loci,

979

Vt quíd agam cum illo nésciam prorsum. *DE.* Égo scio:
 In iús eamus! *PH.* Ín iús? huc, si quíd lubet. (*Goes
 toward Chremes' house*).

CH. Adséquere, retine, dúm ego huc seruos éuoco.
 (*Demipho seizes Phormio*)

DE. Enim néqueo solus: ádeurre. (*Chremes takes hold
 of Phormio*) *PH.* (*to Demipho*) Vna iniúriast
 Tecúm. *DE.* Lege agito ergo. *PH.* Álterast tecúm,
 Chremes.

984

CH. Rape húnc. *PH.* Sic agitis? énim uero uocést opus:
 Nausístrata, exi! *CH.* Os ópprime inpurúm: uide
 Quantúm ualet. *PH.* Nausístrata! inquam. *DE.* Nón
 taces?

PH. Taceám? *DE.* Nisi sequitur, púgnos in uentrem
 íngere.

PH. Vel óculum exculpe: est ubi uos ulciscár probe.

tion, introduced by *incensam*, is kept up.

976. malum, an imprecation. See note on 723.—
quod: the antecedent is *malum*.

977. Accusative with infinitive in exclamation.

978. *hoc scelus*, “this scoundrel.” — *asportarier* = *asportari*.

979. in id loci, to such a position.”

980. nesciam prorsum, “I’m utterly at a loss to know.”

983. enim nequeo, “why, I can’t.”—*iniuria*, “action for assault.”

985. enim uero, “of a truth.”

986. opprime, “shut.”

988. pugnos ingere, “punch.”

989. est ubi, “some day.”

SCENE 9

Nausistrata hears the truth.

[Enter Nausistrata from Chremes' house.]

NAVSISTRATA CHREMES DEMIPHO PHORMIO

NA. Qui nóminalat me? hem, quíd istuc turbaest,
óbsecero, 990

Mi uír? PH. (to Chremes) Ehem, quid nunc óbstipuisti?

NA. Quís hic homost?

Non míhi respondes? PH. Hícine ut tibi respóndeat,
Qui hercle úbi sit nescit? CH. Cáue isti quiequam
créduas.

PH. Abi, tánge; si non tótus friget, me énica.

CH. Nihil ést. NA. Quid ergo? quíd istic narrat?

PH. Iám scies: 995

Auseúlta. CH. Pergin erédere? NA. Quid ego óbsecro
Huic erédam, qui nil díxit? PH. Delirát miser

Timóre. NA. Non pol témerest, quod tu tám times.

CH. Egon tímeo? PH. Recte sáne: quando níl times,
Et hoc níhil est quod ego díco, tu narrá. DE. Scelus,
Tibi nárret? PH. Ohe tu, fáctumst abs te sédulo
Pro frátre. NA. Mi uir, nón mihi dices? CH. Át . .

NA. Quid 'at'? 1002

992. hicine ut: see note on v. 304.

993. creduas, early form of the present subjunctive.

995. quid istic narrat, "what is that man talking about?"—iam, "presently."

998. temere, "without reason."

999. recte sane, "Oh! of course not," an ironical corroboration of the denial implied in *egon timeo*.

1001. tibi, "to please you," ethical dative.

CH. Non ópus est dicto. *PH.* Tíbi quidem; at scito huic opust.

In Lémno *NA.* Hem, quid aīs? *CH.* Nón taceas? *PH.* clam te *CH.* Eí mihi!

PH. Vxórem duxit. *NA.* Mí homo, di meliús duint! 1005

PH. Sic fáctumst. *NA.* Perii mísera. *PH.* Et inde filiam

Suscépit iam unam, dúm tu dormis. *CH.* (*aside to Demipho*) Quid agimus?

NA. Pro di ínmortales, fácinus miserandum ét malum!

PH. (*overhearing Chremes*) Hoc áctumst. *NA.* An quicquam hódiest factum indígnius?

Qui mi, úbi ad uxores uéntumst, tum fiúnt senes! 1010
Démipho, te appélico; nam cum hoc ípso distaedét loqui:

Haécine erant itiônes crebrae et mánsiones díutinae Lémni? haecine erat éa quae nostros mínuit fructus uilitas?

DE. Égo, Nausistrata, ésse in hac re cúlpam meritum nón nego;

Séd ea quin sit ígnoscenda. *PH.* (*aside*) Vérba fiunt mórtuo. 1015

1003. scito opust: see note on 584.

1004. clam te, "without your knowledge."

1009. hodie: cf. 377 and 805.

1010. (i) sunt qui, "(these are the men) who."—**mi:** an ethical dative indicating the speaker's concern in the fact

narrated. Translate, "I regret to say"

1013. fructus, "income."

1015. sed (nego eum cul-pam meritum esse) quin ea, etc., "but (I deny that he has committed a sin so blame-worthy) that it does not admit of forgiveness," more literally,

DE. Nám neque neclegéntia tua néque odio id fecít tuo.

Víolentus fére abhinc annos quíndecim muliéculam Eám compressit, únde haec natast; néque postilla umquam áttigit.

Éa mortem obiit, é medio abiit, quí fuit in re hac serúpulus.

Quam ób rem te oro, ut ália facta túa sunt, aequo animo hóc feras. 1020

NA. Quíd ego aequo animo? cúpio misera in hác re iam defúngier;

Séd qui id sperem? aetátē porro mínuſ peccaturúm putem?

Iám tum erat senéx, senectus sí uerecundós facit.

Án mea forma atqua aétas nunc magis expetendast,
Démipho?

Quíd mi hie adfers, quam ób rem expectem aut spérem porro nón fore? 1025

PH. (*in a loud voice*) Éxsequias Chreméti quibus est cōmmodum ire, em témpus est!

"that it should not be forgiven."

1016. *tua*, "of you,"

1017. *abhinc*, "ago."

1019. *scrupulus*, "the difficulty."

1020. *ut alia facta tua sunt*, "in accordance with the rest of your conduct."

1021. *cupio in hac re defun-*
gier, "I want this affair to be

the last." *Defungier* means "to be through."

1022. *aetate*, "on account of his age."—*porro*, "in future."

1025. *quid me adfers*, "what grounds do you give me?"

1026. Phormio addresses the audience, parodying a public crier's announcement of a funeral. See Johnston, *op. cit.* § 434.

Sic dabo: age nunc Phórmionem quí uolet lacésito:

Fáxo tali sít mactatus átque hic est infortúnio.

DE. * * * * *

PH. (to himself) Rédeat sane in grátiam iam: súpplici satis ést mihi.

Hábet haec eī quód, dum uiuat, úsque ad aurem obgánniat.

1030

NA. Át meo merito crédo. quid ego núnc commémorem, Démipho,

Síngulatim, quális ego in hunc fúerim? *DE.* Noui aequé ómnia

Técum. *NA.* Merito hoc meó uidetur fáctum? *DE.* Minume géntium.

Vérum iam, quando áccusando fíeri infectum nón potest,

1034

Ígnosce: orat, cónfitetur, púrgat: quid uis ámplius?

PH. (aside) Énim uero prius quam haéc dat ueniam, míhi prospiciam et Phaédriae.

Heús Nausistratá, prius quam huic respóndes temere, audí. *NA.* Quid est?

PH. Égo minas trigínta per falláciam ab illoc ábstuli:

1027. **dabo**, "I'll give it (to him)."

1028. **fáxo** = *fecero*.—**tali** . . . **atque**, "such . . . as."

1030. **ei quod ad aurem obgánniat**, "something which she can din into his ear."

1031. **at meo merito credo**, ironical.

1032. **singulatim**, "in 'detail.'"—**in hunc**, "to him."

1033. **minume gentium**, "never in the world."

1034. **fíeri infectum**, "be undone."

1036. **prospiciam**, "I'll look out for."

Eás dedi tuo gnáto; is pro sua amíca lenoní dedit.

CH. Hém, quid aïs? *NA.* Adeóne indignum hoc tíbi uidetur, filius

1040

Hómo adulescens sí habet unam amícam, tu uxorés duas?

Níl pudere? quo óre illum obiurgábis? respondé mihi.

DE. Fáciet ut uolés. *NA.* Immo ut meam iám scias senténtiam,

Néque ego ignosco néque promitto quícquam neque respóndeo

Príus quam gnatum uídero; eius iudício permitto ómnia:

1045

Quód is iubebit fáciam. *PH.* Mulier sápiens es, Nausístrata.

NA. (*to Demipho*) Sátin tibist? *DE.* Ita. *CH.* (*aside*) Immo uero púlchre discedo ét probe

Et praeter spem. *NA.* Tú tuom nomen díc mihi quid sit. *PH.* Phórmio:

Vóstrae familiae hércle amicus ét tuo summus Phaé-driae.

NA. Phórmio, at ego ecástor posthac tíbi, quod potero, quód uoles

1050

Fáciamque et dicám. *PH.* Benigne dícis. *NA.* Pol meritúmst tuom.

PH. Vín primum hodie fáceré quod ego gaúdeam, Nausístrata,

1048. *praeter spem*, “be-yond my expectation.”

an oath confined to women.—

1050. *ecastor*, “by Castor,”

“so far as I shall be able.”

Ét quod tuo uiro óculi doleant? *NA.* Cúpio. *PH.*
Me ad cenám uoca.

NA. Pól uero uoco. *DE.* Eámus intro hinc. *NA.*
Fíat. sed ubist Phaédria 1054
Iúdex nóstter? *PH.* Iam híc faxo aderit. (*Exit R. to
look for Phaedria; the others go into Chremes' house*)
Cantor. (*to the audience*) Vós ualete et plaúdite!

1053. **quod tuo uiro oculi** | your husband's eyes ache."—
doleant, "which shall make | **tuo uiro**, dative of reference.







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