§ 3. Zeus Lýkaios.

(a) Wolf-god or Light-god?

On the summit of Mount Lykaion in Arkadia was a far-famed cult of Zeus Lykaios. Tradition said that Lykáon, son of Pelasgos, had founded the town of Lykôsoura high up on the slopes of the mountain, had given to Zeus the surname of Lykaios, and had instituted the festival called Lýkaia1. On the significance of this group of names scholars are by no means agreed. Some take them to be pre-Greek or non-Greek?. Thus Fick maintains that they represent a Hittite tribe to be identified with the Lycaonians and Lycians of Asia Minor3, while Bérard argues for a Phoenician cult comparable with that of Baal4. Most critics, noting the essentially Greek aspect of the names in question, are content to seek an explanation in the language of Greece. But even here opinions are divided. Some, starting from the undeniable fact that the wolf (lýkos) plays a part in the local myths, hold that Zeus Lýkaios was in some sense a 'Wolf-god'.' This view, however, is open to a grave objection. The word Lýkaios cannot

Others with more circumspection abandon the slippery path of symbolism. W. Mannhardt Wald- und Feldkulte² ii. 336 ff. explains the Λύκαια as a solstice-festival involving a procession of 'Harvest-wolves' (cp. the Hirpi Sorani). W. Robertson Smith in The Encyclopædia Britannica⁹ Edinburgh 1886 xxi. 136 s.v. 'Sacrifice,' Lectures on the Religion of the Semites² London 1907 p. 366 n. 5, regards Zeus Λύκαιος as the god

Paus. 8. 2. 1, Aristot. frag. 594 Rose ap. schol. Aristeid. p. 323, 12 f. Dindorf, schol. Eur. Or. 1647, marm. Par. ep. 17 p. 8 Jacoby, Plin. nat. hist. 7. 205.

² P. Weizsäcker in Roscher Lex. Myth. ii. 2173.

³ A. Fick Vorgriechische Ortsnamen Göttingen 1905 pp. 92, 132.

⁴ V. Bérard De l'origine des cultes arcadiens (Bibliothèque des écoles françaises d'Athènes et de Rome Paris 1894 lxvii) pp. 48—93. Cp. also J. A. Hartung Die Religion und Mythologie der Griechen Leipzig 1865—1866 iii. 6, 26 ff., W. Mannhardt Wald- und Feldkulte² Berlin 1904—1905 ii. 342, 346.

⁸ Infra pp. 70 ff., 77 ff.

⁶ F. Creuzer Symbolik und Mythologie³ Leipzig and Darmstadt 1841 iii. 76 f. Λύκαιος = Λυκδεργος, Lupercus, 'Protector against the Wolf.' J. A. Hartung op. cit. iii. 6, 27 n. 45 Λυκαῖος, 'Wolf-god,' the wolf (λύκος connected with λύσσα) denoting fierceness. O. Jahn 'Über Lykoreus' in the Ber. sächs. Gesellsch. d. Wiss. 1847 Phil.-hist. Classe p. 423 drew a parallel between Zeus Λύκαιος of Mt. Lykaion and Zeus Λυκώρειος of Mt. Parnassos (Steph. Byz. s.v. Λυκώρεια), pointing out that in the myths of both localities the 'wolf' symbolises the exiled founder of the cult. W. Immerwahr Kult. Myth. Arkad. i. 21 ff. and W. H. Roscher in the Jahrb. f. class. Philol. 1892 xxxviii. 705 follow O. Jahn. O. Gruppe Gr. Myth. Rel. p. 805 likewise takes Zeus Λύκαιος to be Zeus god of 'wolves' i.e. exiles (ib. p. 918 n. 7). H. D. Müller Ueber den Zeus Lykaios Göttingen 1851 p. 13 ff. and in his Mythologie der griechischen Stämme Göttingen 1857—1861 ii. 78 ff. Λυκαῖος, 'Wolf-god,' the wolf being a symbol of his chthonian character (ib. p. 93f.). V. Jurgiewicz De Jove Lycao Odessæ 1859 pp. 1—32 reaches the same conclusions as H. D. Müller, adding Slavonic and Germanic parallels (ib. p. 19 ff.).

be derived from *lýkos*: it must be an adjective formed from a substantive *lýke*¹. But there is in Greek no such word as **lýke*, 'wolf'; and, if there were, it would mean 'a she-wolf²,' whereas the myths of Mount Lykaion mention none but he-wolves. Far more probable is the theory of those who understand *Lýkaios* as 'god of Light³.' The word *lýke* is quoted by Macrobius as an old Greek word for 'day-break⁴,' and its compound *amphi-lýke* is used in the *Iliad* of 'twi-light³.' They belong to a well-known family of words with

of a totemic Wolf-clan. L. R. Farnell Cults of Gk. States i. 41 is disposed to accept his theory. J. G. Frazer on Paus. 8. 38. 7 (iv. 386) says: 'The connexion of Lycaean Zeus with wolves is too firmly established to allow us seriously to doubt that he is the wolf-god.' C. W. Vollgraff De Ovidi mythopoeia Berolini 1901 pp. 5—36 holds that the ritual of Zeus Λύκαιος and the myth of Λυκάων presuppose the Arcadian cult of a sacred wolf, to which human victims were offered.

Adjectives in -αιος naturally derive from α- stems. The only exceptions are words like ὁδαῖος, νησαῖος, κηπαῖος, which have been formed on the analogy of ἀγοραῖος etc. and so go back to locatives in -αι (K. Brugmann Griechische Grammatik³ München 1900 p. 181: see also F. Bechtel in Collitz-Bechtel Gr. Dial.-Inschr. iii. 2. 507 no. 5295 and O. Hoffmann Die Makedonen Göttingen 1906 p. 173 f.). But Λύκαιος, even if we write it as Λυκαῖος, can hardly be thus explained as a locatival formation.

2 'A she-wolf' is regularly λύκαινα (cp. κάπραινα), never *λύκη. See W. Pape Etymologisches Wörterbuch der griechischen Sprache, zur Übersicht der Wortbildung nach den Endsylben Berlin 1836 p. 36. Lyk. Al. 481 λυκαινομόρφων Νυκτίμου κρεανόμων is criticized as a gross blunder by Tzetzes ad loc. δ τράγος (sic) κακῶς ἔφη· λυκομόρφων γὰρ ἄφειλεν εἰπεῦν οὐ γὰρ λύκαιναι, ἀλλὰ λύκοι γεγόνασιν οἱ Λυκάονος παῖδες κατὰ τοῦτον.

3 C. O. Müller The History and Antiquities of the Doric Race trans. H. Tufnell and G. C. Lewis Oxford 1830 i. 326 ff., id. Prolegomena zu einer wissenschaftlichen Mythologie Göttingen 1825 p. 290 f., J. F. Lauer System der griechischen Mythologie Berlin 1853 p. 180 ff., Gerhard Gr. Myth. p. 161 f., K. Schwenck Die Mythologie der Griechen Frankfurt a/M. 1843 p. 19, id. in the Rhein. Mus. 1839 vi. 541 f., Welcker Gr. Götterl. i. 210, L.-F. A. Maury Histoire des Religions de la Grèce antique Paris 1857-1859 i. 58 ff., L. Preller in Pauly Real-Enc. iv. 589, P. Welzel De Iove et Pane dis Arcadicis Vratislaviae 1879 pp. 4, 22 ('luce enim clarius est Iovem 'Αμάριον eundem esse ac Diespitrem et Auxaior eundem ac Lucetium' cp. Macrob. Sat. 1. 15. 14), Preller-Robert Gr. Myth. i. 127. E. Meyer Forschungen zur alten Geschichte Halle 1892 i. 61 (followed by C. Albers De diis in locis editis cultis apud Graecos Zutphaniae 1901 p. 33 f.) argues that 'ein in Wolfsgestalt verehrter Gott zum Lichtgott Zeus geworden ist,' but that the names Λύκαιος, Λυκάων, etc. 'sind Ableitungen von dem verschollenen nomen λυκα (λυκη) "Licht (Tag?)," und haben mit λυκο-s...nichts zu thun.' The latest and most efficient champion of the 'light'-theory is H. Usener Götternamen Bonn 1896 pp. 177 -216, who holds that Λύκος was an ancient god of light replaced by Zeus Λυκαΐος and Apollon Aukeios or Aukios.

4 Macrob. Sat. 1. 17. 37 ff. prisci Graecorum primam lucem, quae praecedit solis exottus, λύκην appellaverunt ἀπὸ τοῦ λευκοῦ. id temporis hodieque λυκόφως cognominant. Etc.

5 Π. 7. 433 ἡμος δ' οὐτ' ἄρ πω ἡώς, ἔτι δ' ἀμφιλύκη νύξ with schol. A. D. V. τὸ καλούμενον λυκόφως, τὸ πρὸς ὅρθρον. τουτέστιν ὁ βαθὺς ὅρθρος, παρὰ τὴν λύκην (λύγην D. V.), ὅ ἐστι σκοτίαν (σκίαν V.), οἰονεὶ λυκόφως τι ὄν, τὸ μὴ καθαρὰν φῶς ἀλλ' ἔτι σκοτώδες, schol. Τ. παρὰ τὴν λύγην, ὅ ἐστι σκιάν· καὶ λυκόφως τὸ μεταξὸ σκότους καὶ φωτός, and Eustath. in Π. p. 689, 15 ff. τὸ παρ' ἡμῶν ἱδιωτικώτερον λεγόμενον λυκόφως, adding derivations from λύγη 'darkness' and λυκόη 'a wolf-skin' as also ib. p. 809, 40 ff.

numerous relatives in both Greek and Latin¹. Indeed, our word 'light' is of kindred origin.

But etymology, unless supported by ritual and myth, can afford no certain clue to the nature of an ancient deity. Fortunately in the present case that support is forthcoming. Zeus Lýkaios was sometimes at least conceived as a sky-god, for his priest acted as rain-maker to the district? Again, Achaios the tragedian, a younger contemporary of Sophokles, appears to have spoken of Zeus Lýkaios as 'starry-eyed' (astéropos)3. An epithet of similar formation and of the same meaning (asteropos) is used by Euripides of the aither or 'burning sky' in connexion with Zeus'. This suggests that Zeus Lýkaios was a god of the aithér. Indeed, Creuzer long since pointed out that Zeus Lýkaios is none other than the Arcadian Zeus, whom Cicero and Ampelius describe as the son of Aethers. H. Usener further observes that, just as a Boeotian myth makes Lykos succeed his brother Nykteus on the throne7, so the Arcadian myth makes Lykaon succeeded by his son Nyktimos, the inference being that both pairs of names denote the alternation of 'daylight' (lyk-) and 'darkness' (nykt-)*. If Zeus Lýkaios was thus a god of daylight, certain statements made by Pausanias à propos of his cult gain a fresh significance. Lykôsoura founded by Lykdon was 'the first city that ever the sun beheld'.'

1 Infra p. 76.

3 Achaios Azanes frag. 2 Nauck² ap. schol. Eur. Or. 383 της αστερόπου (MSS. αστεροποῦ) Ζηνὸς θυσίας, cp. F. G. Welcker Die Griechischen Tragödien Bonn 1841 iii. 963. Arcad. p. 67, 13 Barker vouches for the accent αστέροπος: the analogy of χαροπός, 'bright-eyed,' suggests αστεροπός, cp. αστερωπός.

W. H. Roscher in the Jahrh. f. class. Philol. 1892 xxxviii. 705 supposes that dorepowos

denotes 'the god of lightning' (άστραπή, άστεροπή).

⁴ Eur. Ion 1078 f. Διδε άστερωπδε | ἀνεχόρευσεν αlθήρ, cp. Kritias Sisyphus frag. 1, 33 Nauck² ap. Plout. de plac. philos. 1. 6 and Sext. adv. math. 9. 54 το τ' ἀστερωπὸν οὐρανοῦ σέλας (so Plout., δέμας Sext.).

F. Creuzer Symbolik und Mythologies Leipzig and Darmstadt 1841 iii. 74 f.

6 Cic. de nat. deor. 3. 53, Ampel. 9. Cp. supra p. 27 n. 3.

7 Infra ch. i § 7 (d).

8 H. Usener Götternamen p. 199. The myths are collected and analysed in Roscher Lex. Myth. ii. 2169 ff., 2183 ff., iii. 492 ff., 498 f. W. H. Roscher Selene und Verwandtes Leipzig 1890 p. 140 ff. regards Nykteus and Lykos as personifications of the Eveningand the Morning-star: he is followed by Wörner in the Lex. Myth. iii. 496 f.

¹ Prellwitz Etym. Wörterb. d. Gr. Spr. 2 pp. 266, 275 cites for the stronger form of the root the Latin lūx, lūceo, lūna, for the weaker the Greek ἀμφιλύκη, λυκάβαι 'year' (lit. 'light-circuit': Fick in the Gött. Gel. Anz. 1894 clvi. 240 cp. Hesych. ἄβαι τροχόι), λυκαυγής 'twi-light,' λυκόφως 'twi-light,' λύχνος 'lamp,' etc. See further L. Meyer Handb. d. gr. Etym. iv. 519 ff., who adds λυκοψία 'twi-light,' and Walde Lat. etym. Wörterb. s.v. lūceo p. 349 f., who connects λύγδος 'white marble' with the same group of words.

Paus. 8. 38. 1.

On the very top of Mount Lýkaion was a mound of earth, known as the altar of Zeus Lýkaios, from which the greater part of the Peloponnese was visible: before the altar stood two columns bearing gilded eagles and 'facing the sun-rise1.' Finally, Pausanias says: 'Of the wonderful things to be seen on Mount Lýkaion the most wonderful is this. There is a precinct of Zeus Lýkaios on the mountain, and no man is allowed to enter it. Should any one disregard the rule and enter, he cannot possibly live longer than a year. It was said too that within the precinct all things, both beasts and men, alike cast no shadow. Consequently, when a beast takes refuge in the precinct, the hunter will not break in along with it, but waits outside and looking at the beast sees no shadow cast by it. Now at Syene on the frontier of Aithiopia, so long as the sun is in the sign of Cancer, shadows are cast neither by trees nor by animals; but in the precinct on Mount Lýkaion there is the same lack of shadows at all times and seasons2.' This marvel, which is attested by other grave and respectable authors3, though sceptics were not wanting4, probably hangs together with the Pythagorean belief that 'the souls of the dead cast no shadow and do not wink5.' The shadowless creature would on this showing be the man or beast already devoted to death. Dr Frazer, commenting on the passage quoted above from Pausanias, writes: 'Untutored people often regard the shadow as a vital part of a man and its loss as fatal. This belief is still current in Greece. It is thought that to give stability to a new building the life of an animal or a man is necessary. Hence an animal is killed and its blood allowed to flow on the foundation stone, or the builder secretly measures a man's shadow and buries the measure under the foundation stone, or the foundation stone is laid upon a man's shadow. It is supposed that the man will die within a yearobviously because his shadow is believed to be buried under the building1.' Trespassers on the precinct of Zeus Lýkaios not only lost their shadows, but were actually put to death?. Plutarch states that such persons were called 'deer' (élaphoi)3, that if they had entered the precinct voluntarily they were stoned to death, and that if they had entered it through ignorance they were sent away to Eleutherais. But, if the ultimate explanation of the shadowless precinct on Mount Lýkaion lies in the connexion once thought to exist between shadow and soul, it by no means follows that this was the explanation given by Greeks of the classical period. They may well have forgotten the real meaning of a belief to which they still clung and have attributed it to some irrelevant cause. That is what in point of fact they did. Polybios the historian, who as a native of Megalopolis would take a personal interest in matters Arcadian, writes as follows anent certain Carian superstitions: 'It appears to me that such tales are only fit to amuse children, when they transgress not merely the limits of probability but those of possibility as well. For instance, to assert that some bodies when placed in light cast no shadow argues a state of extreme obtuseness. Yet Theopompos has done this; for he declares that those who enter the holy precinct of Zeus in Arkadia cast no shadow, which is on a par with the statements that I mentioned just nows.' Theopompos, then, the historian of Chios, explained the miracle of Mount Lykaion by saying that beasts and men on the summit cast no shadow because they were there 'placed in light'.' This can only mean that a divine light encircled the mountain-top and made all shadows impossible. Mount Lýkaion, in fact, resembled

² Pseudo-Eratosth. catast. 1, schol. Arat. phaen. 91, schol. Caes. Germ. Aratea

p. 381, 16 ff. Eyssenhardt, Hyg. poet. astr. 2. 1, 2. 4.

Paus. 8. 38. 7, cp. Pind. Ol. 13. 152 ff. with schol. ad loc. and ad Nem. 10. 87, Polyb. 4. 33. 2, and infra p. 83 f. L.-F. A. Maury Religions de la Grèce i. 59, following K. O. Müller Prolegomena zu einer wissenschaftlichen Mythologie Göttingen 1825 p. 290 f. and W. Bäumlein in the Zeitschrift für die Alterthumswissenschaft 1839 vi. 1193, inferred that Zeus Λυκαΐος was a solar god. But K. Schwenck in the Rhein. Mus. 1839 vi. 541 f. already urged that he was a light-god rather than a sun-god.

² Paus. 8. 38. 6.

³ Theopompos ap. Polyb. 16. 12. 7 quoted below, schol. Kallim. h. Zeus 13 πῶν ζῶον εἰσιὸν ἐκεῖ (sc. to the birth-place of Zeus on the mountain in Parrhasia) μεμολυσμένον ἄγονον ἐγίγνετο καὶ σκιὰν τὸ σῶμα αὐτοῦ οὐκέτι ἐποίει.

⁴ Polyb. 16. 12. 7, Plout. quaestt. Gr. 39.

⁵ Plout. ib. On shadowless ghosts see J. von Negelein in the Archiv f. Rel. 1902 v. 18 ff.

¹ J. G. Frazer on Paus. 8. 38. 6 (iv. 384), citing B. Schmidt Das Volksleben der Neugriechen Leipzig 1871 i. 196 f. See also infra ch. i § 6 (g) vi. The way for this explanation was prepared by Plout. loc. cit., F. G. Welcker Kleine Schriften Bonn 1850 iii. 161, E. L. Rochholz Deutscher Glaube und Brauch im Spiegel der heidnischen Vorzeit Berlin 1867 i. 119, H. D. Müller Mythologie der griechischen Stämme Göttingen 1869 ii. 96 f. On the identification of soul with shadow see further E. B. Tylor Primitive Culture³ London 1891 i. 430 f., cp. 85 f., W. Wundt Völkerpsychologie Leipzig 1906 ii. 2. 40 ff., 84 ff.

They may have been dressed as deer before being chased or killed. To the examples of human ελαφοι that I collected in the Journ. Hell. Stud. 1894 xiv. 133 ff. should be added the stag-munimers of Syracuse (schol. Theokr. π. τῆς εὐρέσεως τῶν βουκολικῶν p. 5, 7 ff. Ahrens) and the man disguised as a stag, slain and eaten, in an epic fragment dealing with Dionysos (F. G. Kenyon in H. van Herwerden's Album Gratulatorium Trajecti ad Rhenum 1902 p. 137 ff. and A. Ludwich in the Berl. philol. Woch. Jan. 3, 1903 p. 27 ff.).

⁴ Plout. quaestt. Gr. 39.

Polyb. 16. 12. 6 ff.
Id. 16. 12. 7 ἐν φωτὶ τιθέμενα.

Olympos as described in the Odyssey¹, and was itself called Olympos. Pausanias says: 'They speak of it also as Olympos, while others of the Arcadians name it the Sacred Peak².' This Olympic glory, though not, as Theopompos presumably held and as Roscher³ certainly holds, the true explanation of the shadowless precinct, would be in thorough keeping with the character of Zeus Lýkaios as a god of light.

(b) Peloponnesian coin-types of Zeus Lýkaios.

It is almost certainly Zeus Lýkaios whose figure appears on the federal silver coinage of Arkadia throughout the greater part of the fifth century B.C.* These coins bear on their reverse side the legend Arkadikón, more or less abbreviated, and appear to have been struck by the Heraeans as presidents of the national Arcadian games held on Mount Lýkaion. Early specimens show Zeus seated on a throne with a himátion wrapped about his waist: he holds a sceptre in one hand, and over the other flies an eagle (figs. 39, 40). On later specimens the back of the throne terminates in a swan's neck (figs. 41, 42), and the eagle occasionally flies towards Zeus (fig. 43). Sometimes a thunderbolt is held on the lap of the god (figs. 43, 44). Sometimes, but rarely, he is repre-

 1 Od. 6. 41 ff. Eustath. in Od. p. 1550, 63 αίγλήεντα γὰρ τὰ έκεῖ καὶ μεστὰ αίθρης καὶ νεφέλαις ἀσκίαστα.

² Paus. 8. 38. 2. An Arcadian Olympos is mentioned by schol. Ap. Rhod. 1. 598, cp. Serv. in Verg. Aen. 8. 352, Hyg. fab. 225 p. 132 f. Schmidt. Roscher (Jahrb. f. class. Philol. 1892 xxxviii. 706) and Mackrodt (Roscher Lex. Myth. iii. 848, 24 f.) understand Apollod. 2. 5. 8 το λεγόμενον δροι "Ολυμπον of Mount Lýkaion, cp. Pedias. 21.

3 W. H. Roscher 'Die Schattenlosigkeit des Zeus-abatons auf dem Lykaion' in the

Jahrb. f. class. Philol. 1892 xxxviii. 701-700.

⁴ Head Hist, num.² p. 447 f., Babelon Monn. gr. rom. ii. 1. 843 ff. pl. 38, 8—18, Brit. Mus. Cat. Coins Peloponnesus p. 169 ff. pl. 31, 11—24, pl. 32, 1—9, P. Gardner Types of Gr. Coins pl. 3, 15, 16, 43, Overbeck Gr. Kunstmyth. Zeus pp. 26 f., 155, Münztaf. 2, 1—3. Cp. infra p. 90.

5 This was first shown by Imhoof-Blumer Monn. gr. p. 196.

⁶ Babelon Monn. gr. rom. ii. 1. 843 ff. pl. 38, 8, 9, 12, Brit. Mus. Cat. Coins Peloponnesus p. 169 f. pl. 31, 11—15, P. Gardner Types of Gk. Coins pl. 3, 43. I figure two specimens from my collection.

7 Fig. 41 is from a specimen in the British Museum, fig. 42 from another in my

collection.

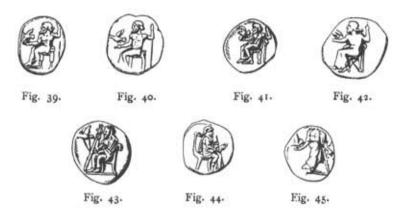
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⁸ Brit. Mus. Cat. Coins Peloponnesus p. 171 f. pl. 31, 23 (fig. 43), pl. 32, 3, Imhoof-Blumer Choix de monn. gr. (1871) pl. 2, 76, id. in the Zeitschr. f. Num. 1876 iii. 291 pl. 7, 3 and 4, Overbeck Gr. Kunstmyth. Zeus Münztaf. 2, 2 a.

Babelon Monn. gr. rom. ii. 1. 845 ff. pl. 38, 13 describes a specimen in the Luynes collection on which Zeus holds corn-ears (fig. 44). I take the object in his right hand to be a thunderbolt, as did F. Imhoof-Blumer in the Zeitschr. f. Num. 1876 iii. 290 pl. 7, 2.

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sented as standing with himátion, sceptre and eagle (fig. 45)¹. After the victory of Epameinondas at Leuktra in 371 B.C. the Arcadian League was reconstituted and issued coins with the types of Zeus



Lýkaios and Pan Lýkaios². The obverse design of the silver statér (fig. 46) is a magnificent head of Zeus wearing a bay-wreath: the reverse (figs. 47, 48) is Pan seated on a rock, over which he has



spread his cloak; he is human except for his horns and holds in his right hand a throwing-stick (lagobólon), while a pipe (sŷrinx) lies at his feet. The rock is inscribed Oly- (OAY) or Olym-(OAYM), and in one die (fig. 49) Chari- (XAPI). There can be no doubt that the laureate head is that of Zeus Lýkaios. It used to

1 Brit. Mus. Cat. Coins Peloponnesus p. 169 pl. 31, 10 (fig. 45), Babelon Monn. gr. rom. ii. 1. 849 f. pl. 38, 18. F. Imhoof-Blumer publishes a similar specimen in his Choix de monn. gr. 1871 pl. 2, 79 and in the Zeitschr. f. Num. 1876 iii. 292 pl. 7, 7.

² On Pan Λύκαιος see Roscher Lex. Myth. ii. 2168, 20 ff., iii. 1350 f.

3 Head Hist. num.² pp. 444 f., 450, Brit. Mus. Cat. Coins Peloponnesus pp. lix, 173, pl. 32, 10, P. Gardner Types of Gk. Coins pl. 8, 32 and 37, Overbeck Gr. Kunstmyth. Zeus pp. 93, 105 f., G. F. Hill Historical Greek Coins London 1906 p. 72 f., pl. 5, 37. Figs. 46—47 and fig. 48 are drawn from two specimens in the British Museum.

⁴ F. Imhoof-Blumer in the Zeitschr. f. Num. 1874 i. 128 n. 3, ib. 1876 iii. 288 f. pl. 7, 1 (in the Hague collection), cp. ib. 1875 ii. 6, 139 ff., 246 ff., and in the Num. Zeitschr. 1884 xvi. 264 pl. 5, 7 (at Klagenfurt, from the same die). I figure the latter specimen.

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be commonly supposed that the rock inscribed Oly- or Olym- was the Arcadian Olympos, i.e. Mount Lýkaion. Prof. Brunn alone maintained that the inscription was the signature of the dieengraver. Since the publication of the specimens reading Chari-Brunn's view has met with almost universal acceptance. Recently, however, Dr Head has suggested that Olym- and Chari- may be abbreviated names of festivals for which the coins were issued. Still, the old view is not definitely disproved. It remains possible that the name of the mountain, placed on the coin for purposes of identification, was afterwards replaced by the name of a self-satisfied engraver.

(c) Human sacrifice to Zeus Lýkalos.

Across the brightness of Mount Lykaion we have already seen one cloudlet pass. Such was its awful sanctity that the wilful intruder upon the holy ground was doomed to die, while even the unintentional trespasser must needs be banished. But those who knew more intimately the ritual of the mountain-top were aware that a gloom far deeper than this habitually hung about it. There is indeed a persistent rumour of human sacrifice in connexion with the cult. For the said ghastly tradition Platon is at once our earliest and our most explicit authority. Sokrates in the Republic remarks that at the sanctuary of Zeus Lýkaios he who tasted the one human entrail, which was cut up and mixed with the entrails of other victims, was believed to become a wolf. The author of the Platonic Minos implies that human sacrifice occurred on Mount Lykaion6; Theophrastos—as quoted by Porphyrios and Eusebios—states that it was offered at the festival of the Lykaia7. Pausanias

1 H. Brunn Geschichte der griechischen Künstler Stuttgart 1859 ii. 437.

² E.g. F. Imhoof-Blumer locc. citt., Head Hist. num. 1 p. 373.

³ Head *Hist. num.*² p. 445 cp. OAVNPIKON on coins of Elis, and suggests the 104th Olympiad celebrated by the Arcadians in 364 B.C. He interprets XAPI of the Charisia or Charitesia, festivals of the Charites, and notes that Charisios was the founder of Charisiai in Arkadia (Paus. 8. 3. 4).

⁴ Cp. ΠΕΙΩΝ on a coin of Ephesos figured *infra* ch. i § 5(b). It should also be noticed that the reverse-type of a unique tetradrachm of Messana, now at Berlin, shows a similar figure of Pan, with his *lagobólon* and a hare (symbol of the city): the god is seated on a rock, over which he has thrown his fawn-skin, and by him is the inscription PAN (G. F. Hill *Coins of Ancient Sicily* London 1903 p. 130 f. pl. 8, 15). If PAN describes Pan, presumably OAYM may describe Olympos.

5 Plat. rep. 565 D, cp. Polyb. 7. 13. 7, Isid. origg. 8. 9. 5.

6 Plat. Min. 315 C.

⁷ Theophr. ap. Porphyr. de abst. 2. 27 and Euseb. praep. ev. 4. 16. 10. But see infra p. 76 n. 3.

veils the ugly fact by a decent circumlocution: 'On this altar they offer secret sacrifices to Lycaean Zeus, but I did not care to pry into the details of the sacrifice. Be it as it is and has been from the beginning'.'

The concurrent testimony of these writers may be held to prove that Zeus Lýkaios was indeed served with human flesh, but it hardly enables us to determine how long this hideous custom survived. Theophrastos, who succeeded Aristoteles as head of the Peripatetic school in 322 B.C., says—'up to the present time'; and he is in general a trustworthy witness. But whether we can infer from the guarded language of Pausanias that five centuries later, in the reign of the refined and philosophical Marcus Aurelius, the same gruesome rite was still kept up seems to me at least very questionable². It would of course be talked about for many generations after it had been as an actual practice mitigated, superseded, or simply discontinued.

We should like to know more of the cannibal who was turned into a wolf. And here fortunately further evidence is forthcoming. We have in fact three parallel accounts, which deserve to be studied side by side. They unfold a most remarkable sequel:

PLINY nat. hist. 8. 81—82.

'Euanthes, who holds a high place among the authors of Greece, reports the following tradition as derived from Arcadian writings. A man belonging to a clan descended from a certain Anthos is chosen by lot and led to a particular pool in that locality. Here he hangs his clothes on an oak-tree, swims across, and goes off into desert places, where he is transformed into a wolf and for nine years associates with SAINT AUGUSTINE de civ. Dei 18. 17.

'To prove this, Varro narrates other equally incredible tales-that of the notorious magician Kirke, who likewise changed the comrades of Odysseus into animals, and that of the Arcadians, who were taken by lot, went across a particular pool, and there turning into wolves lived with beasts like themselves in the desert places of that locality. But, if they did not feed on human flesh, then PAUSANIAS 6, 8, 2,

¹ Paus. 8. 38. 7 trans. J. G. Frazer.

² From Plin. nat. hist. 8. 82 Scopas qui Olympionicas scripsit narrat Demaenetum Parrhasium in sacrificio, quod Arcades Iovi Lycaeo humana etiantum hostia faciebant, immolati pueri exta degustasse etc. (infra p. 72 n. 3) E. Meyer Forschungen zur alten Geschichte Halle 1892 i. 53 n. 1 infers that the human sacrifice, still kept up in the days of Demainetos, had been already abandoned when the Olympionicae was written.

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other wolves of the same sort. If during this time he has abstained from attacking men, he returns to the same pool and, having swum across it, gets back his shape looking nine years older than before. The story adds that he resumes the same clothing. The lengths to which Greek credulity will run are really amazing. Any falsehood, however outrageous, has its due attestation.

Again, Skopas, writer of a work on Olympic Victors, relates that Demainetos the Parrhasian at a human sacrifice, which the Arcadians were even in his day making to Zeus Lýkaios, tasted the entrails of the boy that had been immolated and thereupon turned into a wolf; but that in the tenth year he was restored to athletics, came back, and won a victory in the boxing - match at Olympia.'

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after nine years had gone by they swam once more across the same pool and were transformed into men again.

PAUSANIAS 6, 8, 2,

In conclusion he has actually mentioned by name a certain Demainetos, asserting that he, having tasted the sacrifice of an immolated boy, which the Arcadians were wont to make to their god Lýkaios, was thereupon changed into a wolf; and that in the tenth year he was restored to his own form, practised boxing, and won in a match at Olympia.'

'As to a certain boxer named Damarchos, a Parrhasian of Arkadia by race, I was not prepared to believe-with the exception of his victory at Olympia-the story told by sundry braggarts. For they say that he changed from a man into a wolf at the sacrifice of Zeus Lýkaios, and that in the tenth year afterwards he became a man again.'

Pliny and Saint Augustine are obviously drawing from the same well, vis. Varro1. Only, whereas Pliny cites Varro's sources without Varro's name, Saint Augustine cites Varro's name without Varro's sources. The sources in question are both satisfactory for our purpose-the ascertaining of popular belief. Euanthes was an author of repute, and moreover bore a name which is known to have occurred in Arkadia2: he professedly follows Arcadian writers. Skopas2 was probably wrong about the victor's name; for Pausanias read and copied the actual inscription on the man's statue-base¹. But whether the name was Demainetos or Damarchos makes no difference to us: the story told of him is identical.

Varro's statement, as evidenced by the foregoing extracts is twofold. It contains on the one hand Euanthes' general account of the Arcadian custom, on the other Skopas' particular exemplification of it. Comparing the two, we at once detect a discrepancy. Both agree that a man became a wolf for a period of nine years, after which he returned to human shape. But, whereas Euanthes speaks of him as having been chosen by lot, Skopas describes him as having tasted the entrails of an immolated boy. This discrepancy would indeed vanish altogether, if we assumed that the method of selection indicated by Platon in a passage already quoted-'he who tasted the one human entrail,' etc.-might be viewed as a kind of cleromancy or sortition. But it is better to suppose that the casting of lots was a later and more civilised substitute for the arbitrament of the cannibal feast.

Be that as it may, Euanthes has preserved various details of primitive import. He tells us that those who thus cast lots among themselves (and therefore, presumably, those who at an earlier date gathered about the banquet of human flesh) belonged to a clan descended from a certain Anthos. Now H. W. Stoll² and J. Töpffer3 have pointed out that the names Anthos, Anthas, Anthes, Antheus were given in sundry parts of the Greek world to mythical figures of a common type-the handsome youth who comes early to a cruel death just because he personifies the short-lived vegetation of the year. One of these 'Flower'-heroes, Anthas or

Damarchos from Euanoridas of Elis, whose 'Ολυμπιονίκαι he had just mentioned (Paus. 6. 8. t). Müller further conjectures that in Plin. nat. hist. 8. 82 we should read itaque Euanoridas qui Olympionicas scripsit (MSS. item or ita or itaque copas, whence Jan cj. Scopas, Schwartz in Pauly-Wissowa Real-Enc. i. 896 Harpocras, Gelenius Agriopas). But again see Jacoby in Pauly-Wissowa Real-Enc. vi. 845, and cp. Plin. nat. hist. index to 8 Euanthe apoca or apocha (so MSS .: Scopa Jan, Agriopa Gelenius, Agrippa vulg.) qui 'Ολυμπιονίκας. Immerwahr Kult. Myth. Arkad. p. 13 f. pushes Müller's speculation one stage further and proposes to identify Euanthes with Euanoridas, whom he calls 'Euanoridas-Euagriopas-Euanthes Agrippa'!

1 Paus 6. 8. 2. Both Δαμαίνετος (Collitz-Bechtel op. cit. i. 352 no. 1231 B 26, 38, C 42) and Aduapyos (ib. i. 341 no. 1189 A minor 15, 358 no. 1246 D 4) are Arcadian names.

¹ Varro de gente populi Romani frag. 17 (Hist. Rom. frag. p. 233 f. Peter).

² Collitz-Bechtel Gr. Dial.-Inschr. i. 357 no. 1247 B 3 cp. 20.

C. Müller Frag. hist. Gr. iii. 11 no. 33 would read Neanthes for Euanthes. But see Jacoby in Pauly-Wissowa Real-Enc. vi. 846.

³ C. Müller Frag. hist. Gr. iv. 407 suggests that Pausanias derived the story of

² H. W. Stoll in Roscher Lex. Myth. i. 360 f.

³ I. Töpffer in Pauly-Wissowa Real-Enc. i. 2358.

⁴ Thus Anthos, son of Hippodameia and Autonoos the ruler of a neglected and therefore barren land, was attacked and eaten by his father's horses, which he had driven from their scanty pasture: he was transformed by Zeus and Apollon into the bird drθos, and as such still retains his hostility to horses (Ant. Lib. 7: see also D'Arcy W.

Anthes, the son of Poseidon, was driven out of Troizen and founded Halikarnassos¹. His descendants the Antheadai² formed a priestly clan which, as we happen to know from an inscription found at Halikarnassos³, managed the cult of Poseidon in that city for over five hundred years. Poseidon was worshipped at the mother-city Troizen as Poseidon Phytálmios⁴, so that the functions of the Antheadai were almost certainly concerned with the propagation of vegetable life⁵. Arguing from analogy, I conclude that in Arkadia likewise the descendants of Anthos were a priestly clan charged with the upkeep of vegetation in connexion with the cult of Zeus Lýkaios⁵.

That the 'Flower'-hero might be associated with Zeus no less than with Poseidon we see from an inscription of Roman date found at Athens? It is a list of persons combining to build a gymnasium 'for Zeus Keraiós and Anthas.' Mr J. G. C. Anderson, who published this inscription with a careful commentary, remarked that many of the contributing members bore Boeotian names. He therefore proposed to identify Zeus Keraiós with Zeus Ámmon of Thebes⁸ and to regard Anthas either as a separate personage, the

Thompson A Glossary of Greek Birds Oxford 1895 p. 33). Anthos, eponym of Anthedon or Anthedonia the old name of Kalaureia, was lost as a child but found again by his brother Hyperes acting as cup-bearer to Akastos or Adrastos at Pherai (Mnasigeiton ap. Plout. quaestt. Gr. 19). Anthes, son of Poseidon and eponym of Anthana, was slain by Kleomenes, brother of Leonidas, who flayed him and wrote on his skin τοὺτ χρησμούτ τηρεῖσθαι (Philostephanos frag. 8 ap. Steph. Byz. s.v. 'Ανθάνα: but see C. Muller's note in Frag. hist. Gr. iii. 30). Antheias, son of Eumelos, was killed by falling from the car of Triptolemos (infra ch. i § 6 (d) i (β)). Antheus, son of Antenor, was a beautiful youth loved by Deïphobos and Alexandros, but accidentally struck and slain by the latter (Tzetz. in Lyk. Al. 132). Antheus, a prince of Halikarnassos, served as a hostage under Phobios, ruler of Miletos: Kleoboia or Philaichme, wife of Phobios, loved him and, unable to compass her desires, asked him to recover a tame partridge or a golden trinket for her from a deep well, and while he was doing it dropped a heavy stone on the top of him (Parthen. narr. am. 14).

1 Strab. 374, 656, Steph. Byz. s.v. 'Αλικαρνασσός.

² Steph. Byz. s.v. 'Αθήναι.

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3 Corp. inser. Gr. ii no. 2655, Dittenberger Syll. inser. Gr.² no. 608, Michel Recueil d'Inser. gr. no. 877.

4 Paus. 2. 32. 8, Bull. Corr. Hell. 1893 xvii. 98 no. 18: see further O. Höfer in Roscher Lex. Myth. iii. 2490. The inscription from Halikarnassos records the priests τοῦ Πο[σειδῶ]|νος τοῦ κατιδρυθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν τὴν ἀποικί[αν ἐκ]| Τροι(ζ)ῆνος ἀγαγόντων Ποσειδῶνι καὶ ἀπόλλ(ω)[νι].

5 See J. Töpffer in Pauly-Wissowa Real-Enc. i. 2358 ff.

6 On Zeus Λύκαιος with corn-ears see supra p. 68 n. 9.

7 Ann. Brit. Sch. Ath. 1896—1897 iii. 106 ff. no. 1 Συνθύται οἱ κατασκευάσαντες τὸ γυ μνάσιον Διὶ Κεραιῷ καὶ Ανθα · κ.τ.λ.

8 Paus. 9. 16. 1, cp. Kaibel Epigr. Gr. no. 833. 1 "Αμμωνος κεραιοῖο (Alexandreia), no. 835. 5 "Αμμωνος κεραιοῦ (Beirût), Phaistos ap. schol. Pind. Pyth. 4. 28 Ζεὺς Λιβύης Αμμων κερατηφόρε.

eponym of Anthedon in Boiotia¹, or more probably as a cult-title of Zeus comparable with that of Zeus Anthaleus, who is mentioned in a sacrificial calendar from the Epakria district?. The cult would thus be one of a Zeus presiding over animal and vegetable fertility, a god presumably worshipped by a guild of farmers. Mr Anderson's conclusion is sound, though his premises are shaky. I doubt whether Zeus Keraids is a mere synonym of Zeus Ammon. His 'horns' may be those of a bull, not a ram. In that case he resembled Zeus Ólbios, a god of fertility who in northern Greece had bovine horns, or Zeus Xénios (?) of Kypros, to whom the horned Kerástai were wont to sacrifice strangers till Aphrodite, offended at their savagery, changed them all into bullocks. Again, O. Höfer objects that, if Anthas had been merely a cult-epithet, we should have expected a repetition of the name Zeus before it. But this objection only brings into clearer light the indisputable fact that in Attike the hero Anthas stood in intimate relation to Zeus. Anthos occupied a like position on Mount Lykaion.

Now Anthos, son of Autonoos and Hippodameia, deprived his father's horses of their pasture and was therefore devoured by them⁶—a fate recalling that of Lykourgos, king of the Thracian Edonoi, who in order that his land might not remain barren was taken by his subjects to Mount Pangaion and there destroyed by horses⁷. That a similar end overtook Anthos on Mount Lykaion is at least a permissible conjecture; for the charred bones found nowadays on the summit of this mountain⁸ are said by the peasants to be 'the bones of men whom the ancients caused to be here trampled to death by horses, as corn is trodden by horses on a threshing-floor⁹.'

Conjecture apart, there is good reason to think that in time of

² Am. Journ. Arch. 1895 x. 210, J. de Prott Leges Graecorum sacrae Lipsiae 1896 Fasti sacri p. 46 ff. no. 26, 47 φ κριός Δ++. Διὶ 'Ανθαλεῖ οἶς Δ++, ἰερώσυνα ++.

3 Infra ch. ii § q (h) ii (\$).

4 Ov. met. 10. 220 ff., Lact. Plac. narr. fab. 10. 6, infra loc. cit.

O. Höfer in Roscher Lex. Myth. iii. 2491.

6 Supra p. 73 n. 4.

¹ He is called Anthas (Paus. 9. 22. 5, Steph. Byz. s.v. 'Aνθηδών), Anthios (schol. II. 2. 508, Eustath. in II. 271, 13 ff.), Anthedon (Steph. Byz. and Eustath. locc. citt.), and Anthes (Herakleid. Pont. ap. Plout. de musica 3); for all these local heroes are obviously one and the same.

⁷ Apollod. 3. 5. 1, Folk-Lore 1904 xv. 312 f. Other examples of men done to death by horses with a like intent are cited in the Class. Rev. 1904 xviii. 82, Folk-Lore 1904 xv. 388 n. 92. See further S. Reinach 'Hippolyte' in the Archiv f. Rel. 1907 x. 47—60=id. Cultes, Mythes et Religions Paris 1908 iii. 54—67.

⁸ Infra p. 82.

⁹ J. G. Frazer on Paus. 8. 38. 2 (iv. 382).

drought Zeus Lýkaios was placated with the sacrifice of a boy. Theophrastos indeed is reported to have said that this took place 'at the Lykaia'—an expression which, strictly taken, denotes the regular festival celebrated probably at the beginning of May². But the context of that very passage implies that human sacrifice, at least as exemplified by the cults of the Arcadian Zeus and the Carthaginian Kronos, was not a rite recurring at stated intervals but the last resort of a starving populace, practised only when crops failed and famine was imminent³. Even then the responsible clan devolved its blood-guiltiness upon a single man, who expiated his crime by disappearing from the neighbourhood. He hung his clothes upon a certain oak, swam across an adjoining pool, and was lost to sight in the wilderness beyond. What happened to him there nobody knew. It was whispered that he became a were-wolf.

The same combination of drought, oak-tree, and water occurs again in Pausanias' account of rain-magic on Mount Lykaion. It appears that, when the ground was parched and the trees blasted by the heat, the priest of Zeus Lýkaios took the branch of an oak-tree, stirred with it the water of the spring Hagno, and so caused the long-desired shower to fall. It can hardly be doubted that the oak-tree and the pool of the one case are the oak-tree and the spring of the other. If so, we have every right to say that

1 Supra p. 70 n. 7.

² P. Welzel De love et Pane dis Arcadicis Vratislaviae 1879 p. 23 n. 5 on the strength of Xen. 1. 2. 10 ἐνταθθ' (at Peltai) ἔμεινεν ἡμέρας τρεῖς· ἐν αῖς Ξενίας ὁ ᾿Αρκὰς τὰ Λύκαια ἔθυσε καὶ ἀγῶνα ἔθηκε· τὰ δὲ ἀθλα ἡσαν στλεγγίδες χρυσαῖ· ἐθεώρει δὲ τὸν ἀγῶνα καὶ Κῦρος.

See also Immerwahr Kult. Myth. Arkad. p. 20 f.

an oak-tree sacred to Zeus *Lýkaios* grew beside the spring Hagno. The primitive cults of Greece, as of other lands, constantly associated a holy tree with a holy well.

The simple folk of Arkadia were acorn-eaters. Pelasgos, their first king,—says Pausanias?—'introduced as food the fruit of oaktrees, not of all oaks, but only the acorns of the *phegós* oak. Since his time some of the people have adhered so closely to this diet that even the Pythian priestess, in forbidding the Lacedaemonians to touch the land of the Arcadians, spoke the following verses:—

There are many acorn-eating men in Arcadia Who will prevent you; though I do not grudge it you.'

Plutarch goes further and declares that there was 'a certain kinship' between the Arcadians and the oak-tree: they believed that they were the first of men to spring from the ground, just as it was the first of trees. But the relation of the oak to Zeus on the one hand and to his devotees on the other is a subject to which we shall have to return. For the present I pass on, noting merely that the existence of a clan whose business it was to promote vegetation at an ancient centre of oak-worship, if viewed in connexion with this alleged 'kinship' between the worshippers and the tree, is a phenomenon curiously suggestive of totemism.

A rite so unusual and impressive as the human sacrifice on Mount Lykaion had of course its explanatory myth. I quote again the garrulous but profoundly interesting Pausanias. From Pelasgos, introducer of the acorn-diet, he slips on to Pelasgos' son Lykaon, who gave to Zeus the surname Lýkaios and founded the Lycaean games. 'In my opinion,' he continues, 'Lycaon was contemporary with Cecrops, king of Athens, but the two were not equally sage in the matter of religion. For Cecrops was the first who gave to Zeus the surname of Supreme, and he refused to sacrifice anything that had life; but he burned on the altar the

³ Theophrast. ap. Porph. de abst. 2. 27 άπ' άρχης μέν γάρ αι των καρπών έγίνοντο τοις θεοίς θυσίαι · χρόνω δὲ τῆς ὁσιότητος ἡμῶν εξαμελησάντων, ἐπεὶ καὶ τῶν καρπῶν ἐσπάνισαν καὶ διὰ τὴν τῆς νομίμου τροφῆς ένδειαν εἰς τὸ σαρκοφαγεῖν ἀλλήλων ῶρμησαν, τότε μετά πολλών λιτών ίκετεύοντες το δαιμόνιον σφών αύτων απήρξαντο τοῖς θεοῖς πρώτον, οὐ μόνον ὅτι κάλλιστον ένην αύτοις και τούτο τοις θεοις καθοσιούντες, άλλα και πέρα των καλλίστων προσεπιλαμβάνοντες του γένους άφ' ου μέχρι του νύν ουκ έν Αρκαδία μόνον τοις. Αυκαίοις οὐδ' ἐν Καρχηδόνι τῷ Κρόνφ κοιν η πάντες άνθρωποθυτοῦσιν, άλλά κατά περίοδον, της τοῦ νομίμου χάριν μνήμης, έμφύλιον αίμα ραίνουσι πρός τους βωμούς, καίπερ τής παρ' αυτοίς όσίας έξειργούσης των ίερων τοις περιρραντηρίοις < καί > κηρύγματι, εί τις αίματος άνθρωπείου ueralrios. The excerpt in Euseh. praep. ev. 4. 16. 10 agrees with this verbatim, but is shorter, including only ἀφ' οὐ μέχρι τοῦ νῦν... ...πρὸς τοὺς βωμούς. The words τοῖς Auxalors are, I think, either a loose expression for 'in the rites of Zeus Likaios' or-less probably-a blunder for τψ Αυκαίφ Διί, due to haste and inattention on the port of Porphyrios, who did not realise that τῷ Λυκαίω Διί is needed to balance τῷ Κρόνω and that both together are contrasted as extraordinary sacrifices with the ordinary ritual described in the words κατά περίοδον κ.τ.λ. On the other hand M. Mayer in Roscher Lex. Myth. ii. 1503 f. holds that the words κατά περίοδον are corrupt and have expelled the name of some locality.

⁴ Infra ch. ii § 9 (a) iii.

¹ Hdt. 1. 66, Paus. 8. 1. 6, 8. 42. 6, Ail. var. hist. 3. 39, Plout. v. Coriol. 3, Artemid. oneirocr. 2. 25 (citing Alkaios frag. 91 Bergk* "Αρκαδες έσσαν βαλανηφάγοι), Philostr. v. Apoll. 8. 7 p. 320 Kayser, Nonn. Dion. 3. 287, Galen. de alimentorum facultatibus 2. 38 (vi. 621 Kühn), cp. de probis pravisque alimentorum sucis 4 (vi. 778 Kühn). See further P. Wagler Die Eiche in alter und neuer Zeit Wurzen 1891 i. 34 ff. Acorns figure frequently on coins of Mantineia (Brit. Mus. Cat. Coins Peloponnesus p. 184 f. pl. 34, 19—22, 24—28).

² Paus. 8. 1. 6 trans. J. G. Frazer.

⁸ Plout. quaestt. Rom. 92 ή παλαιδν ἀπ' 'Αρκάδων τὸ ἔθος, οῖς ἐστί τις συγγένεια πρὸς τὴν δρῦν; πρῶτοι γὰρ ἀνθρώπων γεγονέναι δοκοῦσιν ἐκ γῆς, ὥσπερ-ἡ δρῦς τῶν φυτῶν. That this 'kinship' with the oak was no mere metaphor appears from Lykophron's mention of the Arcadians as ἐγγόνων δρυός (Al. 480: Tzetz. ad loc. has ἐκγόνων δρυός) and the myth of Arkas and the oak-nymph Chrysopeleia (Class. Rev. 1903 xvii. 185).

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national cakes which the Athenians to this day call pélanoi. Whereas Lycaon brought a human babe to the altar of Lycaean Zeus, and sacrificed it, and poured out the blood on the altar; and they say that immediately after the sacrifice he was turned into a wolf. For my own part I believe the tale: it has been handed down among the Arcadians from antiquity, and probability is in its favour. For the men of that time, by reason of their righteousness and piety, were guests of the gods, and sat with them at table; the gods openly visited the good with honour, and the bad with their displeasure. Indeed men were raised to the rank of gods in those days, and are worshipped down to the present time....But in the present age, when wickedness is growing to such a height, and spreading over every land and every city, men are changed into gods no more, save in the hollow rhetoric which flattery addresses to power; and the wrath of the gods at the wicked is reserved for a distant future when they shall have gone hence. In the long course of the ages, many events in the past and not a few in the present have been brought into general discredit by persons who build a superstructure of falsehood on a foundation of truth. For example, they say that from the time of Lycaon downwards a man has always been turned into a wolf at the sacrifice of Lycaean Zeus, but that the transformation is not for life; for if, while he is a wolf, he abstains from human flesh, in the ninth year afterwards he changes back into a man, but if he has tasted human flesh he remains a beast for ever1.'

The myth of Lykaon has come down to us through various channels with a corresponding variety of detail. A useful conspectus is drawn up by O. Gruppe2, from which it appears that the sacrifice was offered either by Lykaon himself (this was the common tale)3 or by his sons4 (a variant meant to save the face of Lykaon). The victim is described occasionally as a guest of Lykaons, or a Molossian hostages, more often as a child of the

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neighbourhood1, more often still as Lykaon's son2 Nyktimos3 or grandson Arkas4. The child was according to one account sacrificed on the altar of Zeus, but according to the usual version dished up for his consumption at table. Punishment for this impious act fell on Lykaon, who was transformed into a wolf7, or struck by lightning8, or had his house struck by lightning while he himself became a wolf9. Some said that his sons suffered with him, all alike being killed by lightning10, or that they were killed by lightning and he changed into a wolf"; some even said that the sons were punished as guilty and not the father12. Many added that the flood followed in consequence of the crime13.

These rillets of tradition cross and recross one another with such complexity that it is difficult to map them or to make out which after all is the main stream. Nevertheless it seems certain that many, if not most, of them derive from distant sources of genuine folk-lore. Probably we shall not be far wrong, ifanticipating the results of a later section—we attempt to rewrite the story thus. Lykaon, king of the country and representative of Zeus Lýkaios, was as such held responsible for the weather and the crops14. If the land were distressed with drought, the king, in accordance with primitive custom15, must be put to death, passing on his divine rights and duties to a less impotent successor. In course of time this stern rule was modified 16. The king might

² Interp. Serv. in Verg. ecl. 6. 41, Arnob. adv. nat. 4. 24.

4 Pseudo-Eratosth. catast. 8, Hyg. poet. astr. 2. 4, schol. Caes. Germ. Aratea 89.

5 Paus. 8. 2. 3.

7 Paus. 8. 2. 3, Serv. in Verg. Aen. 1. 731, Myth. Vat. 1. 17, 2. 60.

8 Interp. Serv. in Verg. ecl. 6. 41.

10 Apollod. 3. 81, Tzetz. in Lyk. Al. 481. The youngest, Nyktimos, escaped, for Ge held up her hands, clasped the right hand of Zeus, and assuaged his anger.

11 Hyg, fab. 176.

13 Apollod. 3. 8. 2, Tzetz. in Lyk. Al. 481, interp. Serv. in Verg. ecl. 6. 41, Myth.

¹ Paus. 8. 2. 2-6.

² Gruppe Gr. Myth. Rel. p. 920 n. 4.

³ It went back to Hesiod (pseudo-Eratosth. catast. 8, schol. Arat. phaen. 27, Eustath. in Il. p. 302, 18 f. Cp. Hes. frag. 136 Flach).

Apollod. 3. 8. 1, Hyg. fab. 176, Nikolaos Damask, frag. 43 (Frag. hist. Gr. iii. 378 Müller), Souid. s.v. Aukaw, schol. Lyk. Al. 481, pseudo-Hekat. frag. 375 (Frag. hist. Gr. i. 31 Müller) ap. Natal. Com. 9. 9.

⁵ Serv. in Verg. Aen. 1. 731, Myth. Vat. 2. 60.

⁶ Ov. met. 1. 226 f.

⁷ Paus. 8. 2. 3 βρέφος... ἀνθρώπου, Nikol. Dam. and Souid. locc. citt. θύσαντές τινα

¹ Apollod. 3. 8. 1 ένα τῶν ἐπιχωρίων παίδα, Tzetz. in Lyk. Al. 481 ἐπιχώριον παίδα, pseudo-Hekat. loc. cit. ένα των έγχωρίων παιδαρίων.

³ Clem. Al. protr. 2. 36. 5 p. 27, 19 ff. Stählin, Nonn. Dion. 18. 20 ff., schol. Lyk.

⁶ Zeus had come in the guise of a working-man (Apollod. 3. 8. 1, Tzetz. in Lyk. Al. 481, pseudo-Hekat. loc. cit.) or stranger (Nikol. Dam. and Souid. loce. citt.).

⁹ Pseudo-Eratosth. catast. 8, Hyg. poet. astr. 2. 4, schol. Caes. Germ. Aratea 89, Ov. met. 1. 230 ff., Lact. Plac. in Stat. Theb. 11. 128.

¹² Nikol. Dam. and Souid. locc. citt., schol. Lyk. Al. 481. A second version given by schol. Lyk. ib. states that Zeus destroyed the sons of Lykaon with lightning till Ge stretched forth her hand and interceded for them, and that he turned some of them into wolves (cp. pseudo-Hekat. loc. cit.).

¹⁴ Frazer Golden Bough? i. 154 ff., The Magic Art i. 396 ff.

¹⁵ Id. ib. 2 i. 158 f., 3 The Magic Art i. 352 ff.

¹⁶ Id. ib.2 ii. 55 f., 3 The Dying God p. 160 ff. See also Folk-Lore 1904 xv. 392 ff.

sacrifice his son, or grandson, or the son of one of his subjects, or even, by a further relaxation, a stranger from afar in lieu of his own life. He thus discharged his original debt; but only to incur another of equal magnitude. For by slaying his son or grandson or subject he would render himself liable to the early law of bloodshed1. If a man slew a member of an alien tribe or city, he must either be slain himself in return or else pay a sufficient blood-price. But if he slew a member of his own tribe or city, no blood-price was allowed: he must be put to death, or-it was the only possible alternative-flee into perpetual exile. The king, therefore, taken in this dilemma, sought to escape by the expedient of the common feast, which enabled him to share his guilt with others. The feasters in turn transferred it to a single member of the 'Flower'-clan. And he had forthwith to pay the penalty otherwise incumbent on the king; he had, that is, either to die the death or to flee the country.

It would seem, then, that the myth of Lykaon has in effect preserved the first stages of a custom whose final form is given in the statements of Skopas and Euanthes. Not often does an aetiological myth supply so satisfactory an aition. Viewing the story as a whole, we cannot but feel that the connexion of Zeus Lýkaios with the light sky is a more fundamental feature of it than the transformation of his worshippers into wolves. He as god of the light sky normally bestowed the sunshine and ripened the crops. They on certain rare and exceptional occasions incurred bloodguiltiness in his service and had to disappear. They might be killed, or they might be exiled. Some of our authorities declare that Zeus struck them with lightning-an appropriate end for worshippers of a sky-god2. Others state that they became werewolves-again an appropriate fate for exiles and vagabonds3. This belief in were-wolves, which has from time immemorial prevailed throughout Europe4 and is even now to be traced in

Arkadia¹, naturally attached itself to the rite of eating human flesh². And lycanthropy often involved metamorphosis for a given term of years, after which the were-wolf returned to human shape³. But nowhere else, so far as I am aware, did this superstition stand in any special relation to the cult of Zeus. I conclude, therefore, that Zeus Lýkaios was not essentially, but only as it were by accident, a 'Wolf'-god. His original character was that of a 'Light'-god controlling the sunshine, the rain, and the crops.

(d) The Precinct of Zeus Lýkalos.

In 1903 Mr K. Kourouniotes trenched the altar and laid bare the precinct of Zeus *Lýkaios*. I will here summarise the results of the excavation⁴.

The top of Mount Lykaion (fig. 50)⁵ has three crests—Stepháni, the highest point (about 4615 ft above sea-level); Áe Liâs, somewhat lower (about 4550 ft); and Diaphórti, on which is a ruined tower, probably Turkish in origin. It is with Áe Liâs that we are concerned. This summit takes its name from Saint Elias⁶, whose little chapel stands on the south-east edge of a small level space adjoining the crest on its south side. The level is known locally as Tabérna from a shop, which was once established here to supply necessaries for the saint's festival.

London 1865, W. Hertz Der Werwolf Stuttgart 1862, W. Fischer Dämonische Wesen, Vampir u. Werwolf, in Geschichte und Sage (Aberglaube aller Zeiten iii) Stuttgart 1906. See also R. Leubuscher Dissertatio de Lycanthropia Medio aevo Berlin 1850, E. G. Welcker 'Lykanthropie ein Aberglaube und eine Krankheit' in his Kleine Schriften Bonn 1850 iii. 157—184, W. H. Roscher 'Das von der "Kynanthropie" handelnde Fragment des Marcellus von Side' in the Abh. d. sächs. Gesellsch. d. Wiss. Phil.-hist. Classe 1897 xvii. 3. 1—92.

¹ J. C. Lawson Modern Greek Folklore and Ancient Greek Religion Cambridge 1910 p. 240. On the were-wolf in modern Greece generally consult N. G. Polites περί Λυκοκανθάρων in the journal Πανδώρα 1866 xvi. 453 f., Μελέτη ἐπὶ τοῦ βίου τῶν Νεωτέρων Ἑλλήνων Athens 1871 i. 67 ff., and Παραδόσεις Athens 1904 ii. 1240 ff., where a full bibliography is given.

² Hertz op. cit. p. 39 (quoted by Gruppe Gr. Myth. Rel. p. 920 n. 3) adduces Indian and German examples of men transformed into beasts after tasting human flesh.

³ E.g. S. Baring-Gould op. cit. pp. 58 (Ireland: seven years), 59 ('Ossyrian' sic: seven years), P. Sébillot Le Folk-lore de France Paris 1906 iii. 55 (Normandy: seven years, sometimes three).

⁴ K. Kourouniotes in the 'Εφ. 'Αρχ. 1904 pp. 153--214. See also F. H. Marshall in the Class. Rev. : 905 xix. 280 f. Kourouniotes has further excavated the hippodrome etc. on Mt Lykaion (Πρακτ. άρχ. έτ. 1909 pp. 185-200 with figs., cp. Am. Journ. Arch. 1911 xv. 417).

⁵ From a photograph kindly sent to me by Mr Kourouniotes, through whose generosity I am enabled also to make use of the unpublished photograph (pl. viii) and the illustrations in the 'Εφ. 'Αρχ. loc. cit.

¹ H. E. Seebohm On the Structure of Greek Tribal Society London 1895 p. 41 ff. ('The Liability for Bloodshed'). Moreover, 'the sanctity of the stranger-guest, who as early as Homer and probably much earlier was placed under the protection of Zeus, was almost as great as the sanctity of the kinsman's life, and to slay him was a religious sin, for which, according to one legend, Heracles was sold into slavery to Omphale' (Farnell Cults of Gk. States i. 73 with note d).

² Folk-Lore 1904 xv. 385 f., 1905 xvi. 324 f.

³ See the facts collected by Gruppe Gr. Myth. Rel. p. 918 n. 7.

Note also that, according to Macrizi De valle Hadhramaut Bonn 1866 p. 19 f. (quoted by W. Robertson Smith Lectures on the Religion of the Semites London 1907 p. 88, R. Campbell Thompson Semitic Magic London 1908 p. 57 n. 1), the Sei'ar in Hadramaut can change to were-wolves in time of drought.

⁴ Recent monographs on the subject are S. Baring-Gould The Book of Were-Wolves

^{6 &}quot;Aη Λιας = "Aγιος 'Hλίας.

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The altar of Zeus forms the apex of Åe Liâs. It is circular in shape and flat like a threshing-floor, measuring 97 ft 6 ins. across. It is composed mainly of the remains of sacrifices, the rock being covered to a depth of 5 ft with a layer of ashes etc. In this layer are numerous bones, mostly those of small animals, but also of oxen and pigs: no human bones were recognised. All the bones had been burnt. Among the débris are large charred stones at



Fig. 50.

irregular intervals, lying singly or gathered together in small heaps. These served to prevent the ashes from being blown away from the exposed and wind-swept height¹. Small fragments of phiálai and skýphoi dating from the fifth and fourth centuries B.C. were found in the sacrificial stratum, also two small kotyliskoi, sundry portions of lamps, chips of roof-tiles—one inscribed AP oel in lettering of the

¹ Cp. Plin. nat. hist. 2. 240 in Laciniae Iunonis ara sub diu sita cinerem inmobilem esse perflantibus undique procellis (quoted by Kourouniotes) and the evidence collected infra p. 103 nn. 1—4, with regard to the summits of Olympos, Kyllene, and Athos.

Proof of the sanctity attaching to ashes has come to light at Orchomenos in Boiotia. Inside the houses of the second pre-Mycenaean stratum H. Bulle found numerous βδθροι, carefully lined with yellow clay. These pits were circular in plan and U-shaped in vertical section. They were for the most part filled with ashes, which appear to have been kept for religious reasons (H. Bulle Orchomenos München 1907 i. 25 ff.).



fourth century-and an almost shapeless terra cotta bird. metal finds included a silver coin of Aigina (c. 500 B.C.), two small tripods of beaten bronze, and an iron knife-altogether a meagre and disappointing collection.

The precinct, which occupies the level called Tabérna, is approximately 180 ft broad by 400 ft long. It is marked out by a line of unworked stones, a boundary that men or beasts could easily cross1. The earth here is blackish, but has no bones in it. Kourouniotes believes that the discoloration is due to the blood of animals slain as it were on the prothysis before they were burnt on the altar. Perhaps a geologist or an analytical chemist could supply a less gruesome explanation. In the soil of the precinct were found fragments of roof-tiles, part of an iron chain, a large key, a greave decorated with swans and serpents in relief and inscribed RMASANR... ... AIA⊗ANAI2, a bronze statuettebase, and two bronze statuettes. One of these was a beardless Hermes (c. 490-470 B.C.) in chitoniskos, chlamys, pilos, and winged boots; the other a later figure, probably of the same god, with chlamýs and pétasos3.

A little lower down than the eastern limit of the precinct Kontopoulos had discovered in 1897 two large bases about 23 ft apart, undoubtedly those of the two eagle-bearing columns mentioned by Pausanias4. In a gully north-east of the summit he had found also one marble drum from a Doric column of twenty flutes, and had erected it on the southern base (pl. viii). Kourouniotes continued the search, and was rewarded for his pains. He obtained other blocks belonging to the bases, which were thus proved to have resembled the three-stepped statue-bases of the fifth and fourth centuries B.C. The columns themselves were still standing in Pausanias' day, but the gilded eagles had gones. Kourouniotes accounts for their disappearance as follows. He points out that in the market-place at Megalopolis Pausanias saw an enclosure of stones and a sanctuary of Zeus Lýkaios containing altars, two tables, and two eagles7; and he suggests that these

^{1 &#}x27;Εφ. 'Αρχ. 1904 p. 159 f. fig. 1.

² Kourouniotes restores [Εὐτ]ελίδας ἀνέ[θηκε τῷ Λυκαίφ Διὶ καὶ τ]ᾳ 'Αθάνα.

^{3 &#}x27;Ep. 'Apx. 1904 pls. 9-10.

^{*} Supra p. 66 n. 1.

^{5 &#}x27;Ed. 'Apx. 1904 p. 173 f. fig. 7, cp. pl. 8, 1.

⁶ Paus. 8. 38. 7 πρό δὲ τοῦ βωμοῦ κίονες δύο ώς έπὶ ἀνίσχοντα ἐστήκασιν ήλιον, ἀετοὶ δὲ έπ' αὐτοῖς ἐπίχρυσοι τά γε ἔτι παλαιότερα ἐπεποίηντο.

⁷ Paus. 8. 30. 2 περίβολος δέ έστιν έν ταύτη λίθων και ιερόν Λυκαίου Διός, έσοδος δὲ ές αύτο ούκ έστι· τὰ γὰρ έντος έστι δη σύνοπτα, βωμοί τέ είσι τοῦ θεοῦ καὶ τράπεζαι δύο καὶ άστοι ταις τραπέζαις ίσοι.

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eagles had been carried off from the precinct on Mount Lykaion. However that may be, digging close to the northern base on the mountain-side, Kourouniotes came upon an interesting series of bronze statuettes illustrative of the cult¹.

The earliest of them, which he refers to the seventh century B.C., is a clumsy figure of Zeus with short legs and long body. The god stands erect. His raised right hand grasps a thunderbolt, his outstretched left has an eagle perched upon it (fig. 51)².

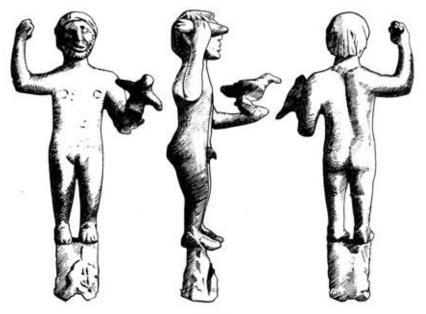
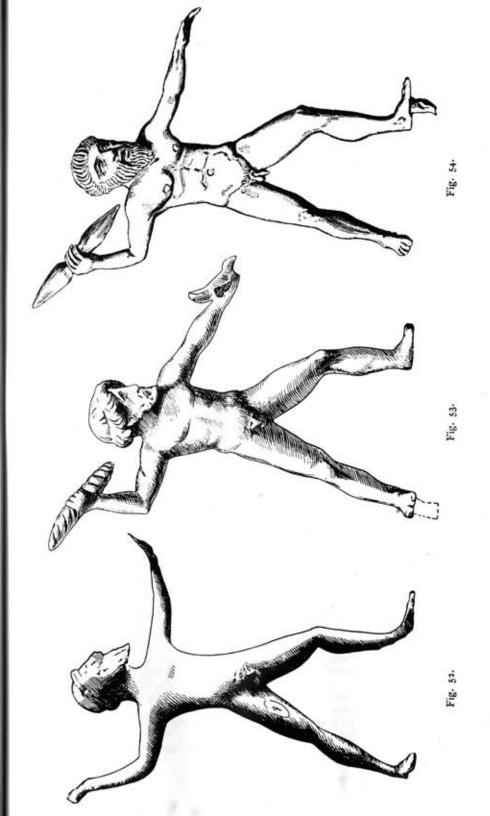


Fig. 51.

The second statuette shows Zeus striding forward with uplifted right hand and extended left. In the former there was once a bolt, in the latter perhaps an eagle (fig. 52)³. Similar statuettes, which



In addition to the bronzes here described there were found two figures of Hermes, showing traces of Polykleitos' style ('Εφ. 'Αρχ. 1904 p. 200 ff. figs. 20—22), another in the attitude of a runner (ib. p. 206 fig. 24), a coiled snake with two heads (ib. p. 211 fig. 27), and a votive ἀσκὸτ (ib. p. 212 fig. 28). The fact that at least three, probably four, statuettes of Hermes were found in or near the precinct requires explanation. Was there a cult of Hermes on the spot? For the dedication of one deity in the temple of another see the careful collection of facts in W. H. D. Rouse Greek Votive Offerings Cambridge 1902 p. 391 ff. But, as Miss Harrison has pointed out to me, T. Zielinski in the Archiv f. Rel. 1906 viii. 321 ff., ix. 25 ff. shows that the Hermes of the Hermetic cosmogony came to Kyrene from Arkadia. The remaining finds included ten engraved rings, one of bronze, the rest of iron.

^{2 &#}x27;Εφ. 'Αρχ. 1904 p. 181 f. figs. 8-10.

^{3 1}b. p. 185 fig. 11.

exemplify a type current about 480 B.C.¹, have been found at Olympia (fig. 53)² and at Dodona (fig. 54)³.

Thirdly (fig. 55)⁴ we have Zeus seated squarely on a throne, which is now lost. His hair is long and falls over his back; his beard is pointed; and his lips are drawn up in the usual archaic expression. He wears a *chitón* with short sleeves, and a *himátion* draped under his right arm and over his left shoulder. His feet, which are bare, rest on a footstool. Both arms are bent at the elbow, and both hands hold attributes. In the left is the lower



Fig. 55.

half of a thunderbolt; in the right—not, as we should have expected, a sceptre—but a short rod with a knob at the bottom and a crook at the top closely resembling the Roman *lituos*, the direct ancestor of the pastoral staff still borne by our ecclesiastical hierarchy⁵.

See the discussion by Miss C. A. Hutton in the Ann. Brit. Sch. Ath. 1896—1897 iii. 149—152 pl. 10, 1.

² Olympia iv. 18 f. nos. 43-45 pl. 7, 43, 45, pl. 8, 44. See infra ch. ii § 3 (c) iv (α).

³ C. Carapanos Dodone et ses ruines Paris 1878 pl. 12, 4, Staïs Marbres et Bronzes: Athènes² p. 362 no. 31. The finest specimen of this type is at Berlin: R. Kekulé von Stradonitz and H. Winnefeld Bronzen aus Dodona in den königlichen Museen zu Berlin 1909 pl. 1, A. Frickenhaus in the Jahrb. d. kais. deutsch. arch. Inst. 1911 xxvi. 30.

4 Έφ. Αρχ. 1904 p. 187 f. figs. 12-14, A. de Ridder in the Rev. Et. Gr. 1906 xix.

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On the derivation of the pastoral staff from the lituos see the Rev. H. T. Armfield in Smith-Cheetham Dict. Chr. Ant. ii. 1565 ff.

Kourouniotes reminds us that, according to tradition¹, Euandros, son of Hermes, led a colony from Pallantion in Arkadia into Italy, where he built a town Pallantion on the Palatine, and introduced the cult of Pan Lýkaios and the festival of the Lykaia, later known as the Lupercalia. This tradition points to an early connexion between Arkadia and Italy; and it is open to us to believe that the use of the lituos came to the latter from the former. But what exactly was the lituos? In shape it differs but little from that of the ordinary crooked stick carried by old-fashioned Greeks2. Monsieur H. Thédenat, after a review of the evidence, concludeson the strength of a note by Servius3-that the augur's lituos may have been a royal sceptre4. This conclusion is borne out by the Hittite rock-carvings of Boghaz-Keui (c. 1271 B.C.), where the priestly king carries a large reversed lituos. I would venture one step further and suggest that the lituos is ultimately the conventionalised branch of a sacred tree. If Zeus Lýkaios bears a lituos, it is because his sceptre, so to speak, was an oak-branch. His priestwe have seen-took an oak-branch in hand, when he acted as rainmaker on Mount Lykaion7. But, whether the lituos represents an original branch or not, it certainly serves as a quasi-sceptre. For this statuette (c. 550-500 B.C.) can hardly be dissociated from the fifth-century coinage of Arkadia, which-we have said 8-shows Zeus Lýkaios seated on a throne with a sceptre in his hand. In all probability both the statuette and the coins represent the cult image of the god?.

1 Pauly-Wissowa Real-Enc. vi. 839 ff.

² E. Saglio in Daremberg-Saglio Dict. Ant. i. 639 ff. A black-figured amphora shows Zeus enthroned with a crooked stick as sceptre (Mus. Etr. Gregor. ii pl. 48, 2, 2 b).

³ Serv. in Verg. Aen. 7. 187 lituum, id est regium baculum, in quo potestas esset dirimendarum litium.

⁴ H. Thédenat in Daremberg-Saglio *Dict. Ant.* iii. 1277 f. L. Siret in *L'Anthropologie* 1910 xxi. 303 would connect it with neolithic axe-handles: he sees in its form and theirs the arm of a cuttle-fish!

5 J. Garstang The Land of the Hittites London 1910 pp. 217, 229 pls. 68, 71.

Walde Lat. etym. Wörterb. p. 345 derives lituus, Gothic lipus, Old High German lid, 'limb,' from a root *lei-t-, 'to crook or bend,' which with another determinative gives the Old Icelandic limr, 'limb,' lim, 'branch,' and the Anglo-Saxon lim, 'limb, branch.'

On the royal sceptre as a conventionalised tree see Folk-Lore 1904 xv. 370 ff.

7 Supra p. 65; infra ch. ii § 9 (a) iii.

8 Supra p. 68. Specimens were found by Kourouniotes on Mt Lykaion.

⁹ The *lituos* is not elsewhere known as an attribute of Zeus. A bronze statuette found at Olympia shows him holding in his left hand a broken object, which ends below in a stud or knob. This Furtwängler Olympia iv. 17 pl. 7, 40, 40 a took to be the handle of a sword: Kourouniotes would restore it as a *lituos* (so also Stais Marbres et Bronzes: Athènes² p. 289 f. no. 6163).

A fourth figure, more clumsy in style, gives us Zeus standing on a square base. He is clothed in a long himation. In his clenched right hand he holds the remains of a thunderbolt; in his clenched left, no attribute at all (fig. 56)1.



Fig. 56.

A few other fragments—a right hand grasping part of a bolt2, the fore-part of a right foot3, and an eagle with spread wings (fig. 57 a, b)4-possibly belong to a larger statue, or statues, of Zeus, and may be assigned to the early fifth century.

The Cult of Zeus Lýkaios at Kyrene

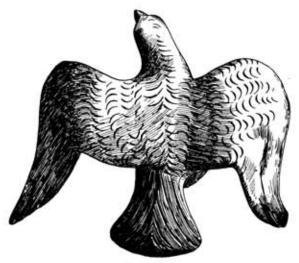


Fig. 57 a.



Fig. 57 b.

(e) The Cult of Zeus Lýkaios at Kyrene.

The cult of Zeus Lýkaios spread from Arkadia to Kyrene. There appears, indeed, to have been some ancestral link between these two places; for more than once Arcadians were called in to settle with authority political disputes that had arisen at Kyrene¹.

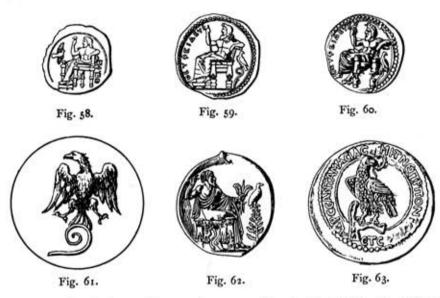
^{1 &#}x27;Εφ. 'Αρχ. 1904 p. 193 fig. 15.

³ Ib. p. 194 fig. 17.

^{4 16.} p. 195 f. figs. 18-19.

⁵ It may here be mentioned that the British Museum possesses a silver ingot, said to have been found in Sicily, which is inscribed $\triangle IOE \land VKA$ on one side, TRVION on the other, and was doubtless dedicated to Zeus Lýkaios by one Trygon (Brit. Mus. Guide Gk. Rom. Life 1908 p. 37 f. no. 70, Inser. Gr. Sic. It. no. 597). The romance imagined by Roehl Inser. Gr. ant. no. 523 is baseless.

¹ Hdt. 4. 161 (Demonax of Mantineia, shortly after 550 B.C.), Polyb. 10. 22. 2 f. and Plout. v. Philopoim. 1 (Ekdemos and Demophanes, or Megalophanes, of Megalopolis, in the third century B.C.). See also Archiv f. Rel. 1906 ix. 42 n. 1.



right hand of the god⁵, sometimes perches behind him on a stem or branch curved like a *lituos* (figs. 59, 60)⁶, and sometimes is absent altogether⁷. The remarkable adjunct of the eagle on a *lituos*-shaped branch cannot, so far as I know, be precisely paralleled.

1 Hdt. 4. 203.

¹ Cp. supra p. 68 f.

3 L. Müller Numismatique de l'Ancienne Afrique Copenhague 1860 i. 48 no. 184 fig. 184, ib. p. 67.

4 Id. ib. i. 49 no. 188, Hunter Cat. Coins iii. 568 (cp. ib. pl. 92, 2).

b L. Müller op. cit. i. 49 no. 190, Supplément p. 9 pl. 1, 190, Bunbury Sale Catalogue 1896 ii. 95 no. 717, Montagu Sale Catalogue 1896 i. 104 no. 801 pl. 10.

6 L. Müller op. cit. i. 49 nos. 185-187 fig. 185 (my fig. 59). Fig. 60 is from a

specimen in the British Museum.

In the Montagu Sale Catalogue 1896 i. 104 no. 799 pl. 10 the eagle appears to be seated on a rock. Cp. O'Hagan Sale Catalogue 1908 p. 79 no. 786 (?).

7 L. Müller op. cit. i. 49 no. 189 fig. 189.

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An eagle above and in contact with a transverse lituos is said to occur on a late bronze coin of Panormos (fig. 61)¹. But a better analogy is afforded by the eagle on a pine-tree before the seated figure of Zeus Aitnaios, which appears on a unique tetradrachm of Aitne (fig. 62)², or by the eagle on a crooked bough, probably representing the oaks of Zeus Stratios, which is found on imperial bronze coins of Amaseia (fig. 63)³. In view of the fact that the eagle and the lituos were both attributes of Zeus at the precinct on Mount Lykaion⁴ the combination of the two furnishes an additional reason for believing that the throned Zeus of Kyrene was indeed Zeus Lýkaios⁵.



Fig. 64.

In one detail the Zeus of these Cyrenaic coins differs from the Zeus of the Arcadian coins. His free arm is consistently shown resting on the low back of his seat in an attitude of easy indolence. Now this is a trait which is not seen in any other representation of Zeus on Greek coins. In fact, the only close parallel to it in the whole range of ancient Zeus-types is the careless and yet majestic

1 P. Paruta Sicilia Numismatica Lugduni Batavorum 1723 pl. 3, 23-

² Infra Append. B Sicily.

3 Brit. Mus. Cat. Coins Pontus etc. 8 pl. 1, 15; 11 pl. 2, 7 (=my fig. 63) Waddington—Babelon—Reinach Monn. gr. d'As. Min. i. 35 pl. 5, 11; 40 pl. 6, 5. On the oaks of Zeus Στράτιος see Class. Rev. 1904 xviii. 79 f., 372 fig. 5, Folk-Lore 1904 xv. 296, 306 f.

Supra p. 83 ff.

⁵ Head Hist. num. 1 p. 729, ib. 2 p. 869 says 'Zeus Ammon'—a curious blunder,

6 Overbeck Gr. Kunstmyth. Zeus p. 161.

pose of Zeus in the Parthenon frieze (fig. 64)¹. It is, therefore, highly probable that the cult-statue of Zeus Lýkaios existing at Kyrene in the period to which the gold coins belong was the work, if not of Pheidias himself, at least of some sculptor much under his influence. If further evidence be required, one may point to the fact that in a temple of Helios and Selene at Byzantion there was preserved as late as the eleventh century a white marble statue of Zeus ascribed to Pheidias, of which we are told that it 'seemed to be seated on a sofa².' Whether the product of Pheidiac art or not, Zeus at Kyrene reclined on his throne in an attitude of unusual repose. This, if I am not mistaken, earned for him the curious sobriquet of Elinýmenos³, Zeus 'Taking his Siesta⁴.'

(f) Zeus Lýkaios on a Spartan ('Cyrenaic') Kýlix.

F. Studniczka⁵ in dealing with the cults of Kyrene observed that a seated Zeus on a 'Cyrenaic' kýlix in the Louvre (fig. 65)⁶ bore a striking resemblance to the seated Zeus of the Arcadian coins, and proposed to identify the former with the latter as Zeus Lýkaios. And such he may well be. For the force of Studniczka's comparison is in no way weakened by Mr J. P. Droop's discovery that the original home of 'Cyrenaic' ware was not Kyrene but Sparta⁷. From Mount Lykaion to the Eurotas valley was no far

3 Hesych. Ελινύμενος · Ζεύς έν Κυρήνη.

⁵ F. Studniczka Kyrene Leipzig 1890 p. 14 f.

6 Pottier Cat. Vases du Louvre ii. 529, Vases antiques du Louvre 2me Série Paris 1901

p. 63 no. E 668, Arch. Zeit. 1881 p. 237 ff. pl. 12, 3.

⁷ Ann. Brit. Sch. Ath. 1907—1908 xiv. 2, 44 ff. See also R. M. Dawkins in the Journ. Hell. Stud. 1908 xxviii. 322 f. and in The Year's Work in Class. Stud. 1908 p. 17, A. J. B. Wace ib. 1909 p. 48 f. W. Klein Euphronios² Wien 1886 p. 77 had previously conjectured that the 'Cyrenaic' vases were made in Lakonike.

The subject cannot here be discussed in detail. But we must bear in mind that Sparta, as the mother of Thera, was the grandmother of Kyrene. It would not therefore be surprising to find that a ware originating in Sparta was made at Kyrene also. And this seems on the whole to be the simplest assumption in the case of the Arkesilas-kýlix (De Ridder Cat. Vases de la Bibl. Nat. i. 98 ff. no. 189). See J. R. Wheeler A Handbook of Greek Archaeology New York etc. 1909 p. 468 n. 1.

cry; and, if Alkman the great lyric poet of Sparta composed a hymn to Zeus Lýkaios¹, the Spartan potters very possibly represented the same deity on their cups. The Louvre kýlix is on this showing the artistic counterpart of Alkman's poem. Zeus, wearing a chitôn and tightly swathed in an ornamental himátion, is seated on his altar—a large stepped structure of stone blocks²—, while his eagle wings its way directly towards him. The god's long hair hangs over his back, and his upper lip is shaved in genuine Spartan style³.



Fig. 65.

Another 'Cyrenaic' kýlix, now in the Royal Museum at Cassel, shows a male figure enthroned in conversation with Hermes (fig. 66)4. It is at first sight tempting to regard this too as a representation of Zeus Lýkaios, in whose precinct sundry statuettes of Hermes were

2 See W. Reichel Über vorhellenische Götterculte Wien 1897 p. 40 f.

· Jahrb. d. kais. deutsch. arch. Inst. 1898 xiii Arch. Anz. p. 189 f. figs. 2-3.

A. H. Smith The Sculptures of the Parthenon London 1910 pl. 34, M. Collignon Le Parthénon Paris 1909 pl. 127, 30. Cp. Montfaucon Antiquity Explained trans. D. Humphreys London 1721 i. 29 pl. 10 no. 6 after Bartoli-Bellori Admir. Rom. ant. pl. 27.

² Kedren. hist. comp. 323 c (i. 567 Bekker) αὐτοῦ δὲ πρὸς γῆν ην βρέτας Διὸς ἐκ λευκοῦ λίθου, ἔργον Φειδίου, ἰζάνον τῷ δοκεῦν ἐπὶ κλίνης.

⁴ Hesych. ἐλινύων ἀναπαυόμενος. L. Müller op. cit. i. 67 f. regards the lituos-shaped branch of the Cyrenaic coins as a vine-shoot, and conjectures that Zeus Ἐλινύμενος meant not only 'le dieu qui repose' but also the god 'of the Vine-shoot' (ct. mag. p. 330, 39 f. ἐλινός ... τὸν κλάδον τῆς ἀμπέλου). But the epithet is obviously a participle.

¹ Alkman frag. 1 ff. Bergk⁴. Himer. or. 5. 3 (Alkman) ἐτύγχανε μέν διὰ τῆς Σπάρτης εἰς Διὸς Αυκαίου κομίζων ἄσματα, κ.τ.λ.

³ W. Ridgeway in Anthropological Essays presented to Edward Burnett Tylor Oxford

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Fig. 66.



Fig. 67

Zeus Lýkaios on a Spartan Kýlix

found. But the bird behind the throne is, as J. Boehlau remarked, merely put in to fill up the blank space and cannot pass muster as the eagle of Zeus. Moreover the vase is not to be dissociated from two others of the same sort. One of these, a kýlix in the Munich collection, again depicts a male figure on a lion-legged throne, conversing with similar gestures. His interlocutor is a female

figure, conceived on a smaller scale and enthroned over against him. The supports of the larger throne are in the shapes of a tree and an animal-species difficult to determine (fig. 67)3. The second vase, a fragmentary kýlix in the British Museum, once more shows a man on a lion-footed throne. Before him stands a woman, who raises her left hand with a gesture of reverence and in her right hand presents a pomegranate (fig. 68)4. This last vase fortunately enables us to fix the character of the other two; for its resemblance to the contemporary funereal reliefs of Lakonikes is quite unmistakeable. Indeed, further inspection reveals numerous points of contact between all three vases and the reliefs in question. I conclude, therefore, that what the reliefs were



Fig. 68.

in sculpture the vases were in ceramic art—a memorial of the divinised dead. This satisfactorily accounts for the enthronement

This vase is commonly thought to represent a genre scene—a man talking with a woman. But on 'Cyrenaic' ware religious or mythological types predominate (H. B. Walters History of Ancient Pottery London 1905 i. 341), and we may fairly suspect a deeper meaning. Studniczka op. cit. p. 23 suggests Apollon with the Hesperid Kyrene.

The animal supporting the throne has been variously interpreted as a hare (O. Jahn loc. cit.) or a dog (A. Dumont—E. Pottier Les céramiques de la Grèce propre Paris 1884 i. 302, Reinach Rép. Vases i. 434).

¹ Supra p. 83.

² Jahrb. etc. loc. cit.

³ Jahn Vasensamml. München p. 229 f. no. 737, Arch. Zeit. 1881 xxxix pl. 13, 5,

F. Studniczka op. cit. p. 8 fig. 3.

⁴ Brit. Mus. Cat. Vases i. 51 no. B 6 (Apollon? and Kyrene), Studniczka op. cit. p. 23 fig. 18 (Apollon or Aristaios? or Battos?? and Kyrene) and in Roscher Lex. Myth. ii. 1720 (Battos and Kyrene).

⁵ The best collection of facts concerning these reliefs is that given by M. N. Tod and A. J. B. Wace A Catalogue of the Sparta Museum Oxford 1906 p. 102 ff.

of the man and the woman, for the presence of Hermes the 'Conductor of Souls,' for the reverential attitude of the worshipper, and for her gift of a pomegranate. Finally, just as the funereal



Fig. 69.

reliefs tended towards simplification of type¹, so a 'Cyrenaic' kýlix in the National Museum at Athens reduces the whole scene of the enthroned dead to a mere head and shoulders (fig. 69)².

(g) Zeus-like deities in wolf-skin garb.

A small bronze statuette, found in the Rhine-district and procured by F. G. Welcker for the Museum of National Antiquities at Bonn, was believed by J. Overbeck to represent Zeus *Lýkaios*. The god stands erect holding a deep bowl or pot in his outstretched right hand and leaning with his raised left hand on some object now lost. He is clad over head, shoulders, and back in a wolf-skin, the fore-paws of which have been cut off, sewn on inside, and



Fig. 70.



Fig. 71.

¹ M. N. Tod and A. J. B. Wace op. cit. p. 107 f.

² J. P. Droop in the Journ. Hell. Stud. 1908 xxviii. 176 ff. figs. 16-4.

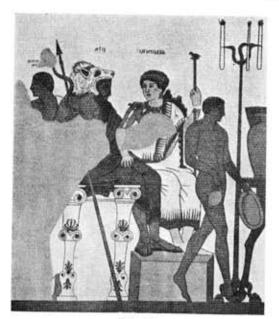


Fig. 72.



Fig. 73.

Zeus-like deities in wolf-skin garb

knotted round the wearer's neck (fig. 70)1. It will not be denied that this interesting bronze shows a Zeus-like god wearing a wolfskin. But we shall not venture to describe him as Zeus Lýkaios. For there is neither literary nor epigraphic evidence to prove that the Arcadian Zeus travelled as far north as he did south. And, even if that had been the case, his cult-type was widely different from this. Rather we shall agree with S. Reinach², who ranges the Bonn statuette3 along with a whole series of bronzes representing the Gallo-Roman Dis pater, the ancestor-Caesar tells us4-of all the Gauls. Such figures regularly hold a bowl in one hand and rest the other on a long-handled mallet. Many of them also wear a wolf-skin hood (fig. 71)5, though the nature of the skin is seldom so clearly marked as in this example. Reinach himself suggests that the Gaulish mallet-god may have got his wolf-skin from some Greek identification of him with the Arcadian Zeus Lýkaios⁶. But it must not be forgotten that in Etruscan tomb-paintings at Orvieto (fig. 72)7 and Corneto (fig. 73)8 Hades likewise is coifed in a wolfskin"; and from the Etruscan Hades to the Gallo-Roman Dis pater there is but a short step.

² Reinach Bronzes Figurés pp. 137-185.

3 Id. ib. p. 181.

4 Caes. de bell. Gall. 6. 18.

6 Reinach op. cit. p. 141 n. 2, cp. p. 162 n. 8.

⁷ G. Conestabile Pitture murali e suppellettili etrusche scoperte presso Ornieto nel 1863 da Domen. Golini Firenze 1865 pl. 11, Roscher Lex. Myth. i. 1807 f.

8 Mon. d. Inst. ix pls. 15 and 15 a, W. Helbig in the Ann. d. Inst. 1870 xlii. 27,

C. Scherer in Roscher Lex. Myth. i. 1805.

⁹ W. H. Roscher in the Abh. d. sächs. Gesellsch. d. Wiss. Phil.-hist. Classe 1897 xvii. 3. 44 f., 60 f. compares Lykas the hero of Temesa, who was 'horribly black' and wore a wolf-skin (Paus. 6. 6. 11) and Lykos the hero of Athens, who had the form of a wolf (Eratosth. ap. Harpokr. s.v. δεκάζων, alib.), arguing that in Greece as elsewhere 'die Todtengeister Wolfsgestalt annehmen.' A gold pendant seal of the sixth century B.C. from Kypros shows a male figure with the head and tail of a wolf thrusting a sword through a panther or lion (Brit. Mus. Cat. Jewellery p. 167 no. 1599 fig. 49 pl. 26). Furtwängler Masterpieces of Gk. Sculpt. p. 80 n. 1 recognises as Thanatos a winged youth with a wolf-skin or dog-skin cap, who carries off a girl on an Attic statuette-vase belonging to the end of the fifth century B.C. (Ath. Mitth. 1882 vii. 381 ff. pl. 12). A beardless head wearing a wolf-skin occurs on a copper coin of Sinope (H. Dressel in the Zeitschr. f. Num. 1898 xxi. 218 pl. 5, 6, Waddington-Babelon-Reinach Monn. gr. d'As. Min. i. 196 pl. 26, 15); but this, to judge from a copper coin of Amisos (Brit. Mus. Cat. Coins Pontus etc. xvi, 20 pl. 4, 3, Head Hist. num.² p. 497 (Amazon Lykastia?), Imhoof-Blumer Gr. Münzen p. 46 pl. 3, 20), is probably female. Furtwängler loc. cit. interprets

¹ J. Overbeck in the Jahrb. d. Vereins v. Alterthumsfreund. im Rheinl. 1851 xvii. 69-74 pl. 2, id. Katalog der königl. preuss. rhein. Mus. vaterländ. Alterthümer Bonn 1851 p. 98 no. 5, id. Gr. Kunstmyth. Zeus p. 266 f. Overbeck is followed by Gruppe Gr. Myth. Rel. p. 1116 n. 8.

⁵ Drawn from a cast of the bronze found at Saint-Paul-Trois-Châteaux (Drôme) and now in the Museum at Avignon (Reinach op. cit. p. 141 no. 146, Rép. Stat. ii. 21 no. 8). Another fine specimen from Vienne (Isère) is in the British Museum (Brit. Mus. Cat. Bronzes p. 142 no. 788, Gaz. Arch. 1887 xii. 178 pl. 26).