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IS ADDRESSED

WITH SENTIMENTS OF THE TRUEST REGARD

BY HIS SINCERE FRIEND,

JOHN BARLOW SEALE.

Cum quidam à me familiariter postularent ut aliquid de *Metri* componerem, diu sum equidem reluctatus; quod auctores utriusque linguae clarissimos non ignorabam multa, quae ad hoc opus pertinerent, diligentissime scripta posteris reliquisse. Sed quae ego ex causâ faciliorem mihi veniam meae deprecationis arbitraber fore, hæc accendebantur illi magis, quod inter diversas opiniones priorum, et quasdam etiam inter se contrarias, difficilis esset electio: ut mihi si non inveniendi nova, at certè judicandi de veteribus injungere laborem non injustè viderentur.

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THE following pages are the substance of a Lecture occasionally read to the young Gentlemen of CHRIST COLLEGE in the first Term, being designed as a supplement to the Elementary Rules of Greek Prosody.

It has been a frequent subject of complaint, that the books already written on this branch of Grammar are wanting in didactic perspicuity, and are rather calculated to establish the Proficient, than to assist the Learner. I except not Morell's Thesaurus itself, to which it has been almost universally objected, that the quantities of words are not *marked*, and that several references are made to the most difficult species of Verse. This objection, frivolous as it may seem, ought surely to be regarded by those who consult the improvement of young Scholars to whom the
subject

subject of Greek Quantity is new, and who are entirely unprepared to scan the verse to which they are referred. For though an useful treatise on Greek Prosody is prefixed to the Thesaurus, yet that treatise, from the *manner* and *number* of it's rules and instances, appears formidable to all but the Great Schools, and is for that reason, among others, too often overlooked.

Hephæstion and Terentianus Maurus, to whose authority so just a deference is paid by other writers, are confessedly placed out of the reach of beginners,—the one from it's being written in Greek—the other from the abstruseness of it's style. These considerations, concurring with the desire of several respectable Masters of Schools, have induced me to print this Analysis; and I hope that the plain and compendious form, in which the rules are here exhibited, may prepare the way to more difficult treatises, and facilitate the progress of Classical Students in general, as much as it has produced this effect where I am more immediately concerned.

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As an Appendix to this third Edition, I have subjoined the Metres of Horace, at the desire of a judicious and learned friend, who presides in one of the first Seminaries of the kingdom.

TABLE OF FEET.

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| IAMBUS | υ - | Θῦω. |
| TROCHEE | - υ | Σῶμα. |
| TRIBRACH | υ υ υ | Ἔθετο. |
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| SPONDEE | - - | Θῦμα. |
| DACTYL | - υ υ | Ἐνυπέ. |
| ANAPÆST | υ υ - | Μεγάλη. |
| | | |
| PÆON primus | - υ υ υ | Χαλκιδεῖα. |
| PÆON secundus | υ - υ υ | Ἐπώρμα. |
| PÆON tertius | υ υ - υ | Τελεσάντα. |
| PÆON quartus | υ υ υ - | Θεῖονης. |
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| CHORIAMBUS | - υ υ - | Ἡμίτερον. |
| ANTISPASTUS | υ - - υ | Χαλκιδεῖα. |
| IONICUS a majore | - - υ υ | Κοσμητόρι. |
| IONICUS a minore | υ υ - - | Βροτόλιγών. |
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| EPITRITUS primus | υ - - - | Ἀνικητών. |
| EPITRITUS secundus | - υ - - | Ἐνρήντων. |
| EPITRITUS tertius | - - υ - | Σωτηρίας. |
| EPITRITUS quartus | - - - υ | Φωνησῶα |

Others less in use, are;

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| Pyrrichius | υ υ | Ταδί. |
| Proceleusmaticus | υ υ υ υ | Βαθύκομα. |
| Amphibrachys | υ - υ | Ἐλευσί. |
| Creticus | - υ - | Ἐυρήθη. |
| Bacchius | υ - - | Χαλινῶ. |
| Antibacchius | - - υ | Ἐλθόντα. |
| Molossus | - - - | Ὀφθαλμῶς. |