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HEB. GALÛŢ ŠÔLĔMÂ, A PEACEFUL COLONY

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In OLZ 10,308 (June, 1907) I pointed out that the τρισαλιτρία (OLZ 16,530) denounced in the Maccabean addition Am. 1:6-8 referred to the treacherous capture of the Maccabee Jonathan at Ptolemais in 143 B. c. (1 Macc. 12:48; 13:12). For 'Azzâ (Am. 1:6, 7) we must substitute ' $Akk\hat{a} = {}^{\iota}Akk\hat{o} = Ptolemais$. Also in the Maccabean poem glorifying Jonathan's triumphant return to Jerusalem after his exploits in Antioch, 145 B. c. (ZDMG 69, 172) we must read at the end of the second triplet (Zech. 9:5): $u\check{e}$ -' $a\check{b}$ aā $m\acute{e}l\underline{k}$ me-' $Akk\hat{a}$, counsel will perish from Accho, i. e. Accho will be at her wits' end, will be in despair (JBL 34, 54). In 1 Macc. 13:43 \mathfrak{E} and all Versions have Gaza instead of Gazara.

For galût in the second line of the pentastich Am. 1:6-8 we must read mišláht, mission, delegation (Ps. 78:49) and in the second hemistich of this line: lě-hasgîr [bě-mirmâ] la-'Arám, to deliver treacherously to the Syrians. The reading galût instead of mišláht is due to v. 9b where galût šělemâ (read šôlěmû or, in pause, šôlémû) denotes the peaceful colony of Jews in Tyre. The scribes have often repeated the same expression where the original text had a different word (cf. JBL 29, 106, n. 81: WF 217, l. 1.). After this hemistich we must again read la-'Arám instead of lä-'Ädôm, and this should be followed, not by uĕ-lô-zakrû bĕrît ahhîm, but by uĕ-šihhét rahmûu (read uě-šahhét rôhmâu) which appears in # before ua-ittór la-'ád appô uč-'äbratô šaměrâ la-näch. Appô and 'äbratô are nominatives, not accusatives. For the verbs natár, to be furious, and šamár, to rage, see Nah. 21, below. In Jer. 3:5 we must read, with Duhm, the Niphal innater = Assyr. innatir; the o before the r is due to dittography (Mic. 72, ζ). The clause ni-lô-zakrû běrît ahhîm is the second hemistich to 'al-rodfô bah-härb ahîu in v. 11b. Heb. galût means emigration; an emigrant is ben-gôlâ, but galût denotes also a settlement of emigrants, just as amousía has both meanings.



M šělemâ instead of šôlěmâ (Ps. 7:5) is based on Jer. 13:19 where the original text was galûţ šělemâ = 6 ἀποικώ τελεία. On the other hand, M hoğlâţ šělômîm (miswritten for galûţ šôlěmâ) in Jer. 13:19 is derived from the original reading in Am. 1:9, galûţ šôlěmâ. Also in Ps. 55:21 we must read šalâḥ iadâu bĕ-šôlēmâu hillêl bĕrîţô. The view that šôlém is participle Poel (for mcšôlém = Arab. musâlim, syn. muçâliḥ; GK § 52, s; § 55, b) is gratuitous; šôlém is participle Qal of a denominative verb derived from the noun šalôm; šôlém (Ps. 7:5) = îš šôlēmî (Ps. 41:10). For the form qôţêl instead of qaţêl see Nah. 42; cf. WdG 1, 136, B. 6 has alxμαλωσία τοῦ Σαλωμών in Am. 1:6, 9; I captivitas perfecta, and transmigratio perfecta in Jer. 13:19, Sũ have the same rendering (šēḇiţâ šalmēţā and galû šâlmâ) in all three passages.

The anti-Jewish attitude of the Tyrians is emphasized by Josephus (GJV³ 3, 127, below). An illustration of the manner in which some of the Hellenistic cities treated the peaceful Jews who lived among them is given in 2 Macc. 12:3-9; this passage states expressly that the Jews were desirous to live in peace (εἰρηνεύειν θέλοντες). Nevertheless the Hellenistic inhabitants of Joppa perpetrated a δυσσέβημα, a τρισαλιτρια. For the anti-Jewish attitude of Tyre we may compare also 1 Macc. 5:15; for Ashdod: 1 Macc. 10:84; 11:4, also 5:68; 16:10; for Ashkelon: 10:86; 11:60; for Akkaron: 10:89; for Philistia: 3:24, 41:4:22; 5:68; for Idumea: 1 Macc. 4:61; 5:3, 65; 2 Macc. 10:15; Dan. 11:40; Obad. 10-14 (Mic. 48-50). Cf. also the references to Tyre. Ashkelon, Akkaron, Aecho, Ashdod in the Maccabean poem Zech. 9:1-10, referred to at the beginning of this paper.

I subjoin text and translation of the three Maccabean insertions in the first chapter of the Book of Amos. Am. 1:3-5 and 12-15 were composed c. 740-735, and vv. 6-12 were added 600 years later, c. 140-135. I have explained the phrase lô ăšîbćnnû, I shall surely requite him, in OLZ 10, 306 (cf. TOCR 1, 327; JBL 29, 104, n. 61) and I have given text and translation of Am. 1:12-15 in AJSL 32, 71.

ועל-ארבעה לא אשיבנו להסגיר במרמה לארם: ואכלה את-ארמנתיה: ותומך שכט מאשקלון ואבר שארית פלשתים:: על-שלישה פשעי עכה
על-הגלותם משלחת שלמה
 ושלחתי-אש בחומת עכה
 והכרתי יושב מאשרור
 הססור של השלחן

י ועל־ארבעה לא אשיבנו אשיבנו על־הסגירם גלות שלמה לארם בלות שלמה לארם בלות שלמה לארם בחמיר הפגירה:

10 ושלחתי־אש בחומת הצר ועל־ארבעה לא אשיבנו ליעל־שלשה פשעי ארום בולא אשיבנו בל־ררפו בתרב אחיו בולא אשיבנו בל־ררפו בתרב אחיו בל־ררפו בתרב אחיו בל־ררפו שמרה לגצח:

12 ושלחתי־אש בחומת (בצרה) ואכלה את־ארמנותיה:

9 כה אמר יהוה 9 (γ) אמר יהוה 12 (ϵ)

אמר ארני יהוה 8~(eta)

6 (a כה אמר יהוה 6 (a לכה אמר יהוח (d

MACCABEAN ADDITIONS TO AMOS

6 αFor the threefold crime of Acca,
 aye, fourfold! I will requite her;
 For they captured a peaceful mission,
 betraying it to the Syrians.

- 7 To Acea's wall I'll set fire devouring all her mansions.
- 8 I'll cut off the dwellers from Ashdod, the truncheon-bearer from Ashkelon; I'll turn my hand against Akkaron, the last Philistine shall perish.β
- 9 γFor the threefold crime of Tyre,
 aye, fourfold! I'll requite her;
 They delivered a peaceful colony
 to the Syrians, [] {destroying their friends.}
- 10 To Tyre's wall I'll set fire devouring all her mansions.
- 11 For the threefold crime of Edom,
 aye, fourfold! I'll requite her;
 They pursued with the sword their brethren,
 {}[unmindful of brotherly bonds;]
 Their anger raged for ever,
 their fury stormed for aye.
- 12 To (Bozrah's) « wall I'll set fire devouring all her () mansions.

⁽a) 6 thus said JHVH

⁽B) 8 said (the Lord) JHVH

^{(7) 9} thus said JHVH

^{(8) 11} thus said JHVH

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I shall cut off the truncheon-bearer from Ashkelon (v. 8) means I shall deprive Ashkelon of her independence, bring her under my sway; 1 Macc. 10:86; 11:60 state that the men of Ashkelon did homage to Jonathan. The preceding hemistich I shall cut off the dwellers from Ashdod does not mean I shall destroy Ashdod and her inhabitants (cf. 1 Macc. 10:84; 11:4) but I shall expel the Hellenistic inhabitants of Ashdod and settle Jews there, as Simon did in Joppa and Gazara (1 Macc. 13:11). Cf. the fourth triplet (Zech. 9:6, 7) of the Maccabean poem referred to at the beginning of this paper:

ּוֹיֵשֵׁב צְדִיקּ באשְרור: ושקָצְיו מבְין שנְיו והיְה כאֶלף ביהוְרה:: 6 ∂והכרתְי גאְוֹן פּליטתִים7 והסִרֹתִי דמְיוֹ מפְיוֹונשאר גם-הְוֹא לאלהְינוֹ

ינגקרון כיבוסי γ (β)

ט ממור (a)

{}I'll destroy the Philistines' glory,
{so that godly mena dwell in Ashdod;}
7 I'll remove the blood from their mouth,
abominations from between their teeth;
They too, will be left for our God
and become like a clan in Judah.

(a) 6 bastards

(β) 7 and Akkaron like the Jebusites

The original reading caddiq was supplanted (cf. BL 62, n. 50; Nah. 32, 1. 27; 40, 1. 4; Mic. 94, n.*) by the gloss mamzér which was added by a Jew who believed that his coreligionists would be bastardized in Ashdod, as it happened in the days of Nehemiah (Neh. 13:24; cf. also Kings 216, 13). Peiser's idea (OLZ 4, 313) that mamzér is the Assyr. umâm çêri, beasts of the field (KB 6, 234, 1.86), is almost as bad as Riessler's rendering gulls will nest in Azot. Riessler (JBL 32, 111, n. 13) combines mamzér with Arab. mâzûr given by Freytag (4, 175)! The stem of Heb. mamzér appears in Arabic as mádira, to be rotten = Syr. maddár (e. g. bî'ê maddûrâtâ, rotten eggs). In Ethiopic we find manzer, spurious (NBSS 46). The Amosian line 'al-šělôšâ piš'ê Ädôm uĕ-'al arba'â lô ăšîbénnû, for the threefold crime of Edom, ave fourfold! I shall requite her, is rendered by Riessler: Zu der grössten und beklagenswertesten der Schandtaten von Edom lasse ich es Digitized by Google en.

The pronouns in Zech. 9:7 refer to Ashdod; the Hebrew text has the singular (his mouth, his teeth). For the blood cf. Deut. 12:23, and for the abominations, i. e. pork and other unclean food, Is. 65:4; 66:17. The last hemistich but one, They too, will be left for our God, means, The heathen who are left in Ashdod will be forced to embrace the religion of Jhyh and to observe the Jewish Law.

Bozrah in the Maccabean denunciation of Edom at the end of the first chapter of the Book of Amos is the modern al-Buçêrah, north of aš-Šôbak (ZAT 34, 230, ad n.·83; JBL 34, 186).
At the beginning of the Maccabean period the capital of the Edomites was not Bozrah, but Hebron (1 Macc. 5:65).