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a linguist its owner may be. At all events it is in that belief, and with no other desire than to do something for this branch of study, that I have ventured upon the present edition.

No attempt has been made to alter in any way either the substance or the arrangement of the Grammar. Citations, it is true, have been again verified, and slight errors here and there have been tacitly corrected. To facilitate reference, not only has the very full Table of Contents been set in its usual place, but its items have also been applied throughout the book, in the form of rubrics to the several sections. With a similar design an Index of Passages, wanting in the original, has been drawn up and placed at the end of the volume.

Among other friends who have been helpful towards the preparation of this version, I have specially to thank Professor Robertson of Glasgow University, for much kindly encouragement and wise counsel. Above all I must express my deep indebtedness to the distinguished author himself, Professor Nöldeke, for the unfailing courtesy and unwearied patience with which he lent his invaluable guidance and assistance, as the proof-sheets passed through his hands. Thanks are also due to Herr W. Drugulin and his staff, for again encountering, with a very considerable measure of success, the typographical difficulties, which a work of this nature must present.

JAMES A. CRICHTON.

PREFACE TO THE FIRST EDITION. 〇

This book does not claim to be in any respect a *complete* Syriac Grammar. It is true that with the material at my disposal I might have added very considerably to not a few sections; but any treatment of grammatical phenomena which aimed at completeness in every detail required quite other manuscript studies, than were at all open to me. Practical considerations too imposed a severe limitation. I trust however, that even within restricted limits, I have succeeded in producing something which may be of use.

I have taken my material from the best sources within reach, entirely disregarding Amira and the other Maronites. Besides the Jacobite and Nestorian grammarians and lexicographers now in print, I have made use of Severus of St. Matthaëus (usually, but incorrectly, styled "of Tekrit") as he appears in the Göttingen manuscript. The Directorate of the Göttingen Library, with their accustomed liberality, farther sent me, at my request, from their manuscript treasures, the large grammar of Barhebraeus together with his Scholia; and, with no less readiness, the Library-Directorate of Gotha sent me the Vocabulary of Elias of Nisibis. These manuscripts yielded produce of many kinds. It would have been an invaluable assistance to me, if I had had before me the *Masoretic* tradition of the Syrians, with some degree of completeness. Of this, however, I had at command at first—in addition to the epitomes which are found in printed works—only a few extracts, which

(¹) Somewhat shortened at the close.—The first edition (1880) was dedicated to J. P. N. Land (Died 30. Ap. 1897).

I had myself noted down in earlier years, from the well-known Nestorian Masora of the year 899 (Wright's Catalogue 101 *sqq.*) and from the London "Qarqafic" manuscripts (Rosen-Forshall 62 *sqq.*; Wright 108 *sqq.*). The deficiency was made up, at least to some extent, by the amiability of Wright, Zotenberg and Guidi, who—in answer to a host of questions about the mode of writing this or that word in the Masoretic manuscripts in London, Paris and Rome—furnished me with information which in many cases had been gained only after prolonged search. A careful collation of the entire Masoretic material, allowing for the chance mistakes of individual scribes, especially if it were accompanied by an attentive observation of good, vocalised manuscripts of the Bible, would let us know pretty accurately and fully how the Jacobites on the one hand, and the Nestorians on the other, were wont to pronounce Syriac in the Church use. Any point in which these two traditions are found to be in agreement must have been in use prior to the separation of the two Churches, that is, at the latest, in the 5th century. Although in the recitative of the Church Service there was doubtless a good deal of artificiality, yet we have in it a reflex at least of the living speech. The Grammar of Jacob of Edessa (*circa* 700) is unfortunately lost, all but a few fragments. What the later systematisers give, has, generally speaking, no more authority than can be traced to the Church tradition. Even the observant Barhebraeus, towering as he truly does by a head and shoulders over the rest of his countrymen, has not always surveyed this tradition completely, while sometimes he explains it incorrectly. Now and then too, following mere analogy, he presents forms which can with difficulty be authenticated in the genuine speech. Accordingly if here and there I do not notice Barhebraeus' data, I trust it will not be attributed to a want of acquaintance with them on my part. Still less could editions like Bernstein's "Johannes", or Joseph David's "Psalter" (Mosul 1877)—which unfortunately gives an "improved" text of the Peshitā—constitute an absolute authority for me, although I am greatly indebted to them. I need hardly mention that in the matter of vocalisation I have made large use of the well-known complete editions of the Old Testament and the New Testament, and of both the Nestorian

and the Jacobite-Maronite tradition. In this process, however, I have endeavoured to observe a due spirit of caution. Even the examination of the metrical conditions found in the old "poets" (*sit venia verbo!*) has not been without results for determining grammatical forms.

Still, even when all authoritative sources have been disclosed, a good deal will continue to be obscure in the Phonology and Morphology of Syriac, as it is only for the Bible and a few ecclesiastical writings that an accurate tradition of the pronunciation exists. So much the less will the expert be disposed to find fault with me, for having left here and there, upon occasion, a mark of interrogation.

As regards the *Orthography* of the consonantal writing, we are very favourably situated at the present time, when a long series of texts reproduces for us with accuracy the style of writing followed in manuscripts, from the 5th century onwards.

The *Syntax* I have based wholly upon original authors belonging to the age in which Syriac was an absolutely living speech. I have relied specially upon prose works, and among the poets I have given preference to those who write a simple style. Only a very few of my supporting-passages come down as far as the 7th century: the others range from the 2nd to the 6th. To bring in Barhebraeus or Ebedjesu for the illustration of the Syntax, is much the same as if one sought to employ Laurentius Valla, or Muretus, as an authority for *original* Latin. All the examples I have myself collected, with the exception of about a dozen. Naturally I have made much less use of strongly Graecising writings, than of those which adhere to a genuine Aramaic style. From the ancient versions of the Bible I have, without farther remark, adduced such passages only as are free from Hebraisms and Graecisms. Looking to the great influence of the Peshitā on the style of all subsequent writings, I might perhaps have gone somewhat farther in quoting from it. All the citations from the O. T. I have verified in Ceriani's edition, so far as it has proceeded. Other translations from the Greek I have used only very exceptionally,—in fact almost never except to illustrate certain Graecisms which were in favour. No doubt even the best original writings in Syriac give evidence of the strong influence of Greek Syntax; but, on

the other hand, everything is not immediately to be regarded as a Graecism, which looks like one. The Greek idiom exercised its influence with all the greater force and effect, precisely at those points where Syriac itself exhibited analogous phenomena.

Although, in the composition of this book, I have continually kept an eye upon kindred dialects and languages, I have nevertheless refrained almost wholly from remarks which touch upon Comparative Grammar. Not a few observations of that character, however, will be found in my "Grammar of the New-Syriac Language" (Leipzig 1868) and my "Mandaean Grammar" (Halle 1876). Here and there, besides, I have tacitly rectified a few things which I had said in those works. The great resemblance of Syriac to Hebrew—and that especially in Syntax—will, I hope, be brought into clearer light than heretofore, by the mere description of the language given in this book. A similar remark may be made with regard to special points of contact in the case of Syriac and Arabic.

I have been obliged to avoid almost entirely any reference to my authorities in the Phonology and the Morphology. I have also refrained from quoting the works of modern scholars. A brief manual cannot well separate between widely-known facts and special stores either of others or of one's own. But yet I do not mean to miss this opportunity of referring to the fact, that I am peculiarly indebted to Prof. G. Hoffmann's essay, contained in ZDMG XXXII, 738 *sqq.*, even as I am farther under deep obligation to this dear friend of mine, for many an epistolary communication and encouragement, with reference to the present work. Prof. Hoffmann also enabled me to make some use, at least for the Syntax, of his edition of the Julianus-Romance (Leyden 1880) before it was given to the public. Unfortunately it was then too late to permit my utilising that story still more thoroughly. I have farther expressly to declare my adherence to the conception of the roots *ʿw* and *ʿw*, which Prof. August Müller has set forth in ZDMG XXIII, 698 *sqq.*, and which Prof. Stade coincidently follows in his Heb. Gramm., although I am not blind to the difficulties which cling even to that theory.

As I wished to avoid extreme prolixity, I was obliged to seek for some adjustment between the two systems of vowel-marking. Whoever weighs the practical difficulties, and particularly the typographical difficulties, will, I trust, find the plan which I have adopted here, to be fairly suitable, although I cannot myself regard it as entirely satisfactory. In the latter part of the Syntax I have made an attempt to employ the One-point System, occasionally introducing the Two-point System, and applying proper Vowel-signs only where they seemed to be required in order to ensure clearness. That attempt was bound to show a certain amount of arbitrariness and vacillation. The reader may always reflect, that in many cases different ways of marking have prevailed according to place and time, and that very seldom indeed does an old manuscript, which employs the points with any degree of fulness, continue to be perfectly consistent in this matter. As regards the carrying-out of this marking, I must apologise for the circumstance that the points are not of the same size throughout: distance from the place of printing made it difficult to correct this slight inequality.

The division into *paragraphs* aims in nowise at logical consistency: still less is this to be looked for in the process of subdivision which has been applied to not a few of the paragraphs. In every case my sole concern was to break up the subject-matter into comparatively small sections, so as to facilitate the survey and the reference from one passage to another.

I take for granted in those who mean to use this Grammar some acquaintance at least with Hebrew. Whoever desires to learn Syriac from it, without the help of a teacher, will do well to impress upon his memory at first merely the fundamental characteristics of the Orthography, the Pronouns, something of the Flexion of the Nouns, the Paradigm of the Strong Verb, and the most important deviations of the Weak Verbs, — as also to acquire some acquaintance with the attachment of the Pronominal Suffixes. Then let him read easy, vocalised texts, next, extracts from the Bible, as they are to be found, for example, in Rödiger's "Chrestomathia"—a compilation to be highly commended even on other grounds. The learner may at first pass many difficulties

by, but in time he should with increasing care try to find out in the Grammar the explanation of anything which may arrest his attention. If, at a later stage, he goes systematically over the whole of the Grammar, including the Syntax, there will no longer be so much that is strange in appearance to him. And even to a teacher—dealing with beginners in Syriac, or any other Semitic language, who already understand something of Hebrew—an analogous procedure may be recommended. Familiarity with the Nestorian punctuation will be gained most readily from Urmia- [and New York-] editions of the Bible, although these do not give the system in completeness—doubtless for typographical reasons—and, besides, are not free from mistakes.

The Table of Characters, from Euting's master-hand, will suffice to exhibit the development of the Aramaic Character, at least in several of its leading types, from its earliest form up to the oldest Estrangelo, and the farther development of this last, up to the more modern script.

In conclusion I beg once more to tender an emphatic expression of my warmest thanks to the Library-Authorities, as well as to the personal friends, who have been helpful to me in the composition of this book.

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PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION.⁽¹⁾

Although I did not reckon upon the necessity arising during my lifetime for a new edition of the Syriac Grammar, I still have continued to note down in my own copy—following my general practice—many additions and improvements. A good deal of this material, accordingly, I was able to devote to the new edition. Amongst other things, I have compared the citations already given from the Life of Simeon Stylites, with a transcript of the London Codex lent me by Prof. Kleyn of Utrecht, now deceased. It would appear however, that the Vatican text is upon the whole nearer the original, than the one in the British Museum.

I have endeavoured to introduce a considerable number of improvements in points of detail, but I have abstained from radical alterations except in a very few cases. In the Syntax I have added to the number of the examples. The Syriac Bible has been more largely drawn upon than in the former edition, particularly as regards the Gospels, and especially the Synoptic Gospels. These last exhibit almost invariably an exceedingly flowing, idiomatic style of Syriac, which upon the whole reads better than the Semitic Greek of the original. This feature comes into still stronger relief in the more ancient form of the text—as contained in C. (*Curetonianus*) and S. (*Sinaiticus*)—than in our usual text P. (*Peshitā*). The Syriac Old Testament frequently approximates the original Hebrew text too closely; and, precisely because of the intimate relationship of the languages, we sometimes find ourselves at a loss as to whether the verbal reproduction is still in conformity with the true

⁽¹⁾ [This edition in the original is dedicated to Prof. Guidi].

Syriac idiom, or is really a Hebraism. It should farther be noticed, that the genuine Syriac Canon is of much less compass than that of the Western Churches, and lacks, for instance, the Book of Esther and the Chronicles. The punctuation, therefore, of these last books in the Urmia edition, is of more slender authority than that of the others, which reproduces an ancient and established tradition, although it is not free from mistakes.

Many Syriac words, of which the form is not in keeping with the rules of Aramaic, have been proved now to be loan-words from the Assyrian. I have frequently drawn attention to such strangers. In this matter I follow Jensen's data in Brockelmann's Syriac Lexicon, and partly, direct communications from Jensen himself, as well as Delitzsch's Assyrian Dictionary. In the case of some words however, which are now indeed looked upon as being borrowed from the Assyrian, it is perhaps a matter of doubt whether the supposed borrower may not be the lender, or whether the words concerned may not be part of a common stock.

I have increased the number of references from one paragraph to another, but the order of these paragraphs remains the same. As the figures indicating that order have not been altered, quotations made in accordance with the paragraphs of the old edition are suitable also for the new. The few additional paragraphs which have been introduced, bear severally the number of the one which immediately precedes, *a b* being attached thereto.

The new edition has received much benefit from the discussion of the first by Prof. G. Hoffmann in the "Lit. Centralblatt" of 4th March, 1882,—as well as from other printed and written notices from his hand.

The late Prof. Bensley, as well as Dr. J. O. Knudson and Dr. H. Schulthess farther earned my gratitude by pointing out various inaccuracies, particularly errors of the press. And after all, in preparing the second edition, I came upon a few more blunders, some of them rather serious. If, as I venture to hope, the new form of the book should turn out to be tolerably free from annoying mistakes of the press, this is due very especially—seconded by the dexterity of the compositor—to the

careful first correction of proofs, undertaken by Dr. Chamizer, the director of the printing house of W. Drugulin.

The abbreviations which I have adopted are for the most part clear enough in themselves. Besides those which have already been mentioned as indicating the three Texts of the Gospels, viz. P. C. and S. the following perhaps should be noticed:—

Addai = The Doctrine of Addai, The Apostle (ed. by G. Phillips).

Aphr. = The Homilies of Aphraates (ed. by W. Wright).

Anc. Doc. = Ancient Syriac Documents (collected and edited by W. Cureton, with a preface by W. Wright).

Apost. Apocr. = Apocryphal Acts of the Apostles. Vol. I (ed. by W. Wright).

Barh. = Barhebraeus.

Ephr. = S. Ephraem Syri Opera (Roman edition).

Ephr. Nis. = S. Ephraemi Syri Carmina Nisibena (ed. by G. Bickell).

Isaac = Isaaci Antiocheni Opera (ed. by G. Bickell).

Jac. Ed. = Jacob of Edessa.

Jac. Sar. = Jacob of Sarūg.

John Eph. = The Third Part of the Ecclesiastical History of John, Bishop of Ephesus (ed. by W. Cureton).

Joseph = Histoire complète de Joseph, par St. Ephraem[?] ed. by Paul Bedjan, 2. ed. Paris 1891).

Jos. Styl. = The Chronicle of Joshua, The Stylite (ed. by W. Wright).
[wrongly attributed to Joshua.]

Jul. = Julianos der Abtrünnige (ed. by J. G. E. Hoffmann).

Land = Anecdota Syriaca (ed. by J. P. N. Land).

Mart. = Acta Martyrum Orientalium et Occidentalium (ed. by Steph. Ev. Assemanus).

Moes. = Monumenta Syriaca ex Rom. codd. Collecta (ed. by G. Moesinger).

Ov. = S. Ephraemi Syri, Rabulae Episcopi Edesseni, Balaei Aliorumque Opera Selecta (ed. by J. Jos. Overbeck).

Sim. = Life of St. Simeon Stylites,—in the 2nd Volume of the *Acta Martyrum* (ed. by Steph. Ev. Assemanus).

Spic. = *Spicilegium Syriacum* (ed. by W. Cureton).

Of Syriac abbreviations note 'ⲙⲟ = ܡܘܢܘ "and the rest" = &c.

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NOTE ON THE ENGLISH EDITION.

I am glad to have the opportunity of expressing here my satisfaction with Dr. Crichton's translation of my book, and my hearty recognition of the great care and ability with which he has performed his task. Special thanks are also due on my part to the translator, for rectifying certain errors which had crept into the original work in the case of several of the citations. I venture to hope that the book, in its new form, will prove useful to a still wider circle of readers.

Strassburg i. E. March 1904.

TH. NÖLDEKE.

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INTRODUCTION.

From the time the Greeks came to have a more intimate acquaintance with Asia, they designated by the name of "Syrians" the people who called themselves "Aramaeans". *Aramaic* or *Syriac*, in the wider sense of the word, is a leading branch of the Semitic speech-stem,—particularly of the Northern Semitic. This language, extending far beyond its original limits, prevailed for more than a thousand years over a very wide region of Western Asia, and farther did duty as a literary language for less cultivated neighbouring populations. It separated into several dialects, of which some have been preserved for us in literary documents, and others only in inscriptions.—It is one of these Aramaic dialects which we purpose to describe in the present work. This particular dialect had its home in Edessa and the neighbouring district of Western Mesopotamia, and stretched perhaps as far as into Northern Syria. Accordingly it is called by the authors who make use of it, the "*Edessan*" or "*Mesopotamian tongue*", but usually it lays claim to the name of *Syriac* pure and simple, as being the chief Syriac dialect. Occasionally indeed it has also been designated *Aramaic*, although, in Christian times, the name "Aramaic" or "Aramaean" was rather avoided, seeing that it signified much the same thing as "heathen".

Syriac, in the narrower meaning,—that is to say, the dialect of Edessa—, appears to have come somewhat nearer to the Aramaic dialects of the Tigris regions, than to those of Central Syria and Palestine. As far, however, as our imperfect knowledge goes, the dialect stands out quite distinctly from all related ones.

In Edessa this dialect was employed as a literary language, certainly long before the introduction of Christianity. But it attained special importance, from the time the Bible was translated into it (probably in the 2nd century) and Edessa became more and more the capital of purely Aramaic Christianity (in a different fashion from the semi-Greek Antioch). With Christianity the language of Edessa pushed its way even into the kingdom of Persia. By the 4th century, as being then Syriac pure and simple, it serves (and that exclusively) the Aramaean Christians on the Tigris as their literary language. During that period, so far as we know, it was only in Palestine that a local Aramaic dialect was — to a certain extent — made use of by Christians, for literary purposes. The Syriac writings of the heathen of Harrân, the neighbouring city to Edessa,—of which writings, unfortunately, nothing has been preserved for us—, must have exhibited but a trifling difference at the most from those of the Christians.

The language and its orthography already present such a settled appearance in the excellent manuscripts of the 5th century, that we can hardly doubt that scholastic regulation was the main factor in improving the popular tongue into the literary one. The Greek model has been effective here. The influence of Greek is shown directly, not merely in the intrusion of many Greek words, but also in the imitation of the Greek use of words, Greek idiom and Greek construction, penetrating to the most delicate tissues of the language. Numerous translations and imitations (such as the treatise on Fate, composed after Greek patterns by a pupil of Bardesanes, about the beginning of the 3rd century) furthered this process. But we must carefully distinguish between Greek elements which had made good their entry into the language, and such Graecisms as must have been forced upon it by pedantic translators and imitators. Many Hebraisms also found their way into Syriac through the old translations of the Bible, in which Jewish influence operated strongly.

The golden age of Syriac reaches to the 7th century. The Syrians of that day belonged partly to the Roman empire, and partly to the Persian. The cleavage was made more pronounced by the ecclesiastical divisions, occasioned specially by the unhappy Christological controversies.

The Persian Syrians decided mostly for the teaching of the *Nestorians*,—the Roman Syrians for that of the *Monophysites* or *Jacobites*. And when the Academy of Edessa, the intellectual capital, was closed (489) to the former as declared heretics, they founded educational institutions of their own,—of which in particular the one at Nisibis attained to high repute. This separation had as a consequence an abiding severance of tradition, even with respect to the language and the mode of writing it. Assuredly the variety of the common dialects in olden time cannot have been without influence upon the pronunciation of Syriac, in the mouths even of cultivated persons in different localities,—just as in Germany the Upper-Saxon language of polite intercourse assumes a very perceptible colouring, conditioned by the local dialect it meets with, in the case of the inhabitant for instance of Holstein or the Palatinate or Upper Bavaria,—or as in Italy the Tuscan tongue is similarly modified, in the case of the native of Lombardy, Genoa or Naples. Many of these differences, however, rest doubtless upon rules of art laid down by the Schools. So far as we find here a genuine variety in the forms of the language, it is sometimes the Eastern, sometimes the Western tradition, which preserves the original with the greater fidelity. Naturally the more consistent of the two is the Western, which as a whole restores to us the pronunciation of the Edessans, in the remodelled form in which it appeared about the year 600 or 700,—that is, at a time subsequent to the golden age of the language.

The conquest of the Aramaean regions by the Arabs brought the commanding position of Syriac to a sudden close. True, it lived on for sometime longer in Edessa, and Aramaic dialects long maintained themselves in remote districts, as they partly do up to the present day; but Syriac speedily lost its standing as a language of cultivated intercourse extending over a wide region. The very care which was now devoted to the literary determination of the old speech is a token that men clearly perceived it was passing away. It can hardly be doubted that about the year 800 Syriac was already a dead language, although it was frequently spoken by learned men long after that time. The power of tradition, which keeps it up as an ecclesiastical language, and the zealous study

of ancient writings,—had the effect of leading even the later Syriac authors, among whom were several considerable men, to wield their ancestral speech with great skill. Besides, the influence of the actually living tongues—the Aramaic popular dialects and the Arabic—did not attain its prevalence with such a disturbing effect as might have been expected. But on the whole, for more than a thousand years, Syriac—as an ecclesiastical and literary language—has only been prolonging a continually waning existence.

PART FIRST.

ORTHOGRAPHY AND PHONOLOGY.

I. ORTHOGRAPHY.

LETTERS.

§ 1. A. The character most in use in Syriac printing is that of Form of the letters. the West-Syrians (Jacobites and Maronites), of which the proper name is *Sertā* (*Sertō*). It has been developed out of the older one, which is called *Estrangelo*, properly *στρογγύλη*. This character also is pretty often employed in printing, particularly in more recent times. The same thing may be said of the Nestorian character, which comes nearer the *Estrangelo* than the *Sertā* does. We accordingly give, in the following Table not only the *Sertā* letters of the alphabet but also the old or *Estrangelo* letters, as well as the Nestorian letters.

B. All Syriac styles of writing are *Cursive*; the most of the letters must be connected right and left within the word,—and thus several small modifications of shape arise. In the case of the *Sertā*, we give all these forms; for the *Estrangelo* and the Nestorian character it may suffice to give the special final forms, in addition to the main forms.⁽¹⁾

The form, which is given here in European character, of the names of the letters, aims at representing the older pronunciation: brackets enclose the diverging pronunciation of the later West-Syrians. Secondary forms, varying both in sound and character, are also met with.

(1) Cf. besides, the Plate of Alphabetical Characters by EUTING, appended to this work.

Usual Syriac Character.				Estrangelo.	Nestorian.	Names.	Sound-Value and Transcription.	Hebrew Equivalents.	Numerical Value.
1. Unconnected— (Detached finals).	2. Connected on right— (United finals).	3. Connected on left.	4. Connected right and left.						
~	~	~	~	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ālaf (Ōlaf)	Spiritus lenis (ʿ)	א	1
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Bēth	b; v (β)	ב	2
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Gāmal (Gōmal)	g (hard); gh (γ)	ג	3
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Dālath or Dāladh (Dōlath or Dōladh)	d; dh (ð)	ד	4
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Hē	h	ה	5
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Wau	w	ו	6
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Zain, Zēn, or Zai	soft s (z)	ז	7
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Hēth	hard h (ħ)	ח	8
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Tēth	emphatic t (ṭ)	ט	9
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Yōdh (Yūdh)	y	י	10
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Kāf (Kōf)	k; kh	כ	20
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Lāmadh (Lōmadh)	l	ל	30
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Mīm	m	מ	40
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Nūn, Nōn	n	נ	50
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Semkath	s	ס	60
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ē	peculiar guttural (ʿ)	ע	70
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Pē	p; f, ph	פ	80
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ṣādhē (Ṣōdhē)	emphatic s (ṣ)	צ	90
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Qōf	guttural k (q)	ק	100
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Rēsh (Rīsh)	r	ר	200
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Shīn	sh	ש	300
Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Ⲁ	Tau	t; th (θ)	ת	400

At the end of a word we can only have a form from the 2nd column or the 1st, and from the one or the other according as the preceding letter has a form connecting to the left (Col. 3) or not. Forms from Col. 4 can only appear in the interior of a word; while initial forms must be taken from Col. 1 or 3.

Rem. The most judicious course for the beginner will be to impress upon his memory only Cols. 1 and 3.

C. 𐌆 with { is generally written 𐌆 (𐌆), but initial { with 𐌆 thus, 𐌆. For {𐌆 one sometimes puts 𐌆, and thus draws in this case two words together. In Nestorian script 𐌆 is given for final 𐌆 (𐌆).

For 𐌆, 𐌆 as single letters or as ciphers, one generally writes 𐌆, 𐌆.

In manuscripts 𐌆 and 𐌆 are often mistaken for each other from their resemblance; so is it with 𐌆 and 𐌆, and also with 𐌆 on the one hand and 𐌆, 𐌆, 𐌆, and 𐌆 on the other. Farther it is frequently difficult to distinguish 𐌆 from a simple 𐌆, and occasionally even 𐌆 from a simple 𐌆. Even in many printed copies 𐌆 and 𐌆 are far too like one another:⁽¹⁾ farther, 𐌆 and 𐌆, and 𐌆 and 𐌆 are not sufficiently discriminated.

§ 2. The *pronunciation* of the letters can of course be determined only approximately. Notice the following: 𐌆 𐌆; 𐌆 𐌆 𐌆 have a twofold pronunciation, one hard, answering to our *b g d k p t*, one soft, aspirated or rather sibilated. Soft 𐌆 is nearly the German *w*, or the English and French *v*; soft 𐌆 = *γ* (*gh*) is nearly the Dutch *g* (like the Arabic *غ*); soft 𐌆 = *ð* (*dh*) is the English *th* in *there, other*; soft 𐌆 = *kh*, or the German *ch* in *ach* (not that in *ich*); soft 𐌆 the German, English, and French *f*; soft 𐌆 = *θ* (*th*) is the English *th* in *think, both*.⁽²⁾ On the changes of the hard and soft pronunciations v. §§ 15, 23 *sqq.*

𐌆 is always the vowel-sounding English *w*, never the German *w*, and accordingly it quiesces easily and completely into a *u*. 𐌆 has also more of a vowel character than the German *j*, being nearly the English *y*.

(1) *Translator's Note:* The same may be said for 𐌆 and 𐌆.

(2) *Translator's Note:* In the transcription followed in this Edition, soft 𐌆 will be represented by *v*, soft 𐌆 by *kh*, soft 𐌆 by *f* or *ph*, and soft 𐌆 by *th*; while soft 𐌆 and 𐌆 will be rendered by *γ* and *ð* respectively.

$j = z$ is a soft s as in *chosen*, German s in *Rose*, French in *choisir* or French z in *zéro*.

$\omega = h$ is quite a foreign sound to us, an h rattled in the throat (Arabic ح). The East-Syrians pronounce it as a very hard Swiss ch (Arabic ح).

$\zeta = t$ is an emphatic and completely unaspirated modification of t , in which the tip of the tongue is pressed firmly against the palate; ζ is a similar modification of k , produced in the back part of the mouth. ζ and ζ are employed by the Syrians as equivalents for the Greek sounds τ and κ , which at all events were quite unaspirated.

$\mathfrak{z} = s$ is an emphatic articulation of the sound of s , by no means to be rendered as a German z (= ts).

$\mathfrak{z} = \text{'}$ is a guttural breathing, again quite foreign to us, which is formed by a peculiar compression of the upper part of the windpipe. It is nearly related to ω , and even to the Spiritus lenis ('). Those who render it by the latter sound will make the least considerable mistakes.

$\mathfrak{z} = \text{š}$ is the German *sch*, the English *sh*, or the French *ch*.

\mathfrak{z} seems to have been a lingual-dental, not a guttural.

The remaining consonants have nearly the same sound as the corresponding German or English ones.

DISPOSITION OF WORDS.

Disposition
of words.

§ 3. Particles, which consist of only a single letter, *i. e.* of a consonant with a short vowel, are attached as prefixes to the following word, thus ܠܡܠܟܐ *bēmalkā*, “in rege”, not ܠܠܡܠܟܐ , ܘܩܘܩܬܐ *waqṭal*, “and killed”, not ܘܘܩܘܩܬܐ , &c.

Certain short words, and to some extent even longer ones, which together belong to the same idea, are also frequently written as one, though not invariably. Thus ܐܘܠܐ or ܐܘܠܐ *āf lā* “neither”, “not even”; ܒܪܢܫܐ or ܒܢܫܐ *bar nāš*, “son of man”, *i. e.* “man”; ܟܘܠܝܘܡ or ܟܘܠܝܘܡܐ *kul yōm* “every day”; ܟܘܠܡܕܝܘܡܐ or ܟܘܠܡܕܝܘܡ *kul meddem* “quicquid”; ܪܘܗܘܩܘܕܫܐ , more commonly ܪܘܗܘܩܘܕܫܐ *rūh qudšā* “spirit of holiness”, “the Holy Ghost”; even ܡܪܝܢܐܝܫܘܫܘܫܐ instead of ܡܪܝܢܐܝܫܘܫܐ *māran Ješū mēšihā* “our Lord Jesus Christ”, appears. On the fusion

together of two words, of which the one ends in **ⲗ**, while the other begins with **ⲓ** (**ⲗ**), see above § 1 C.

VOWEL EXPRESSION (A) BY VOWEL LETTERS.

§ 4. A. The letters **ⲓ** - **ⲟ** are frequently made use of by the Syrians to express vowel sounds.

Vowel expression:
(a) By vowel letters.
Actual use.

ⲓ denotes every final **ā** and **ē**, and in certain cases **ē** within the word; that **ā** was pronounced **ō** by the later West-Syrians, and that **ē** in part **ī**. Thus **ⲙⲁ mā** (*mā*); **ⲙⲁⲕⲁ malkā** (*malkō*), **ⲙⲁⲙⲥⲁ mamsē**; **ⲛⲉ nē** (*nē*); **ⲡⲁⲛ pēran** (*pīran*).

ⲗ denotes every **ī** in the middle and end of a word, also certain cases of **ē** in the middle: **ⲃⲓḥ** *bīš*; **ⲃⲓ** *bī*; **ⲉⲛ** *dēn*; **ⲉⲛ** (*ēn*). For **ē** there appears also **ⲁ**: **ⲕⲉⲛ** or **ⲕⲉⲛ** (*kēn* § 46). In an open syllable **ē** is frequently not expressed at all, e. g. **ⲙⲉⲥⲕⲉⲛⲁ** (*meskēnā* (*meskēnā*); in ancient MSS. it is sometimes unindicated even in a closed syllable, e. g. **ⲕⲉⲛ** *hērēn*.

ⲟ in the middle and end of a word denotes any long or short *u* or *o*: **ⲕⲩⲙ qūm**; **ⲡⲩⲣⲕⲁⲛⲁ purqānā**; **ⲛⲉⲗⲟⲛ neylōn** (*neylūn*); **ⲧⲉḥḥⲁⲧⲉḥ teš-bohtā** (*tešbuhtō*); **ⲙⲁⲕⲁ malkū**; **ⲟ** *ō*. Only the very common words **ⲕⲟⲗ kol**, **ⲕⲟⲗ** “all”, “every”, and **ⲙⲉⲧⲧⲟⲗ mettol**, **ⲙⲉⲧⲧⲟⲗ** “because of” are often in old times, and always in later times, written without **ⲟ**, thus **ⲕⲟⲗ**, **ⲙⲉⲧⲧⲟⲗ**. The Cod. Sin. frequently leaves out the **ⲟ** even in other words, e. g. **ⲕⲟⲗⲙⲁ** for **ⲕⲟⲗⲙⲁ** *luqal*.

ⲟ and **ⲗ** farther express the diphthongs *au* and *ai*: **ⲕⲟⲗ lau**; **ⲕⲟⲗ baitā**; the diphthongs *ūu* and *ēu* are written **ⲉ**: **ⲕⲟⲗ gallū**; **ⲛⲉⲗⲟⲛ neylēu**.

B. A final and originally short *a* in Greek words is expressed by **ⲓ**: in pronunciation it was doubtless always lengthened. Greek *α* in the middle of a word is also often written **ⲓ**, e. g. **ⲉⲟⲩⲙⲁⲧⲁ** or **ⲉⲟⲩⲙⲁⲧⲁ** *dōg-mata* &c. Even the Syriac *a* is sometimes thus expressed, e. g. **ⲧⲁⲗⲗⲁ** *tallā* for the usual **ⲧⲁⲗⲗⲁ**. In the very same way **ⲗ** appears pretty often for **ⲓ** in the middle of a word, e. g. **ⲉⲡⲓⲗⲟⲕⲟⲡⲟⲥ** (or **ⲉⲡⲓⲗⲟⲕⲟⲡⲟⲥ**) *episkopā*, **ⲕⲣⲓⲥⲧⲟⲥ** (**ⲕⲣⲓⲥⲧⲟⲥ**) *chrīstos*. In quite isolated examples this happens even in Syriac words, as **ⲕⲓⲣⲁ** (**ⲕⲓⲣⲁ**) *gīsrā*; **ⲥⲓⲣⲣⲉ** (**ⲥⲓⲣⲣⲉ**) *šīyrē*.

Greek ϵ and α are in some writings expressed by α , e. g. $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ $\lambda\acute{\epsilon}\xi\iota\varsigma$. The desire to render Greek vowels with accuracy gave rise to various strange forms of transcription among learned Syrians.

Greek σ on the other hand is frequently left entirely unexpressed, e. g. $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *Βασίλειος*, alongside of $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$; $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$, $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ alongside of $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$, $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *ἐπίσκοπος*. Thus the placing of the vowel letters in Greek words is far more fluctuating than in native ones.

Apparent use of $\dot{\iota}$.

§ 5. A distinction is to be made between the employment of $\dot{\iota}$ as a vowel sign and those cases in which it has its place from etymological considerations,—especially from having been formerly an audible *spiritus lenis*: e. g. $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *malakhā* “angel”, from $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$; $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *bērā* (*bīrō*) “a well” from $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ (Hebrew $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$); $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ “*allin*” “enter” (pl. part.), because of the sing. $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ “*ā’el*” “enters” (sing. part.) &c.

Vowel expression: (b) By other signs. Simple points.

VOWEL EXPRESSION (B) BY OTHER SIGNS.

§ 6. This insufficient representation of vowel sounds was gradually made up for by new signs. At first, in some words which might be pronounced in various ways, a *point over* the letter concerned was employed to signify the fuller, stronger pronunciation, and a *point under* it to denote the finer, weaker vocalisation, or even the absence of vowel sound. Thus there was written (and is written) $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *‘ēvādā* “a work”, set over against $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *‘avdā* “a servant”; $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *mān* “what?” and *man* “who?”, $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *men* “from”; $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *qāṭel* “he kills” (part.) and *qattel* “he murdered” (Paël), $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *qēṭal* “he killed” (Peal); $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *ša(n)tā* “a year”, $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *šenthā* “sleep”; $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *malkā* “king”, $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *melkā* “counsel”; $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *tāvā* “good”; $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *ṭebbū* “fame”; $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *hau* “that” (masc.), $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *hū* “he”; $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *hāi* “that” (fem.), $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *hī* “she”; $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *hānōn* “those”, $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *hennōn* “they” &c. Frequently it is held to be sufficient to indicate by the upper point the vowels \bar{a} , a ,—e. g. in $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *sēyāmā* “setting”, $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *aidā* “what?” (fem.), $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *dahhīl* “timorous”, without giving also to words written with the same consonants the under point proper to them, viz:— $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *sīmā* “set”, $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *īdā* “a hand”, $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *dēhīl* “terrible”. Here too we must note the employment of α almost without exception to signify the suffix of the 3rd pers. fem. sing., e. g. $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *bāh* “in her” as set over against $\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$ *bēh*

“in him”; **مقتلتها** *qētaltāh* “thou hast killed her”; and so also **مقدمه** *qēdāmēh* “before her”; **يعتلها** *neqtētāh* “he is slaying her” (Impf.), &c.

In the latter case this system has already in part given up the exact, and relatively phonetic significance of the ‘points’. That significance, however, came to be abandoned in many other cases besides, as when, for instance, one began to write **هم** *sām* “he placed”, because it is a Perfect like **مات** *qētāl*. Other considerations too mixed themselves up with the matter; thus it became the practice to write the 1st pers. sing. perf. with — over the first consonant, e. g. **قتلت** *qetleth* “I killed” (*interfeci*). The points, upper and under,—particularly the former,—are often wrongly placed; thus **حخ** is found for **ح** ‘*āved* “does”, and **ملاف** for **ملا** *sāleq* “ascends”.

§ 7. Farther, a second or third point was often added to distinguish more exactly between verbal forms in particular; for example, there was written **خجلا** ‘*evdeth*, **حجلا** or (East-Syrian) **حجلا** ‘*evdath* “she did”; **منه** *manū* “who is?” compared with **منه** *mānau* “what is?”; **خبا** *bērē* “creatus” as distinguished from **جبا** *bērā* “creavit” and **خبا** *bārē* “creat”, &c. This complicated system, often fluctuating according to districts and schools, and seldom faithfully attended to by copyists, still maintained a footing in many forms, even alongside of the employment of a more exact indication of the vowels.

Combination of points.

§ 8. Out of this punctuation then, there was formed, with the Nestorians first of all, a complete system of Vowel-Signs. To be sure it never attained to perfect consistency and universal acceptance: even the appellations of the vowels fluctuate a good deal. The system is used in Nestorian impressions, on the authority of good manuscripts, after the following scheme:—

System of vowel-marking by points.

—̣̣̣ ā *Pēthāhā*, e. g. **ب** *bā*.

—̣̣̣ ā *Zēqāfā* (or according to Nestorian pronunciation, *Zēqāpā*): **ب** *bā*.

—̣̣̣ ē, ī *Rēvāsā arrīkhā* or *Zēlāmā pēšiqā*: **ب** *bē*.

—̣̣̣ ē *Rēvāsā karyā* or *Zēlāmā qašyā*: **ب** *bē*.

—̣̣̣ ī *Hēvāsū*: **ب** *bī*.

⊙ u, ū ‘*Ēšāšā allīšā*: **بو** *bu*.

⊙ o, ō ‘*Ēšāšā rēwīhā*: **بو** *bo*.

Rem. This orthography,—which otherwise is tolerably consistent,—substitutes in certain cases $\overset{\cdot\cdot}{\text{—}}$ for $\overset{\cdot}{\text{—}}$, for no reason that can be discovered, *e. g.* in Passive Participles like $\overset{\cdot\cdot}{\text{حـ}}$ “built”. In old manuscripts $\overset{\cdot\cdot}{\text{—}}$ is largely interchangeable with $\overset{\cdot}{\text{—}}$ or $\overset{\cdot\cdot}{\text{—}}$. $\overset{\cdot\cdot}{\text{—}}$ is also found in isolated cases for $\overset{\cdot}{\text{—}}$, particularly for an initial $\overset{\cdot}{\text{ـ}}$. $\overset{\cdot\cdot}{\text{—}}$ is also written for $\overset{\cdot}{\text{—}}$. For other variations, v. §§ 42. 46. 48.—On the representation of *ai* and *au* v. § 49 A.

System of vowel-marking by Greek letters.

§ 9. Much clearer is the *system of vowel designation by small Greek letters* set above or below the line,—a system which grew up among the Jacobites about A. D. 700. Unfortunately, however, this system represents in many parts a later pronunciation of the vowels, which had become prevalent at that time, so that we cannot in the Grammar altogether dispense with the other system,—the Nestorian. The method practised is as follows:

- $\overset{\times}{\text{—}}$ a *Pêthōḥō*.
- $\overset{\circ}{\text{—}}$ \bar{o} (older \bar{a}) *Zêqôfō*.
- $\overset{\wedge}{\text{—}}$ e *Rêvôṣō*.
- $\overset{=}{\text{—}}$ \bar{i} (partly for old \bar{e}) *Hêvôṣō*.
- $\overset{\text{^}}{\text{—}}$ - $\overset{\sim}{\text{—}}$ u (partly for old o) *Êṣôṣō*.

Rem. Sometimes $\overset{\text{^}}{\text{—}}$ or $\overset{\sim}{\text{—}}$ is found for $\overset{=}{\text{—}}$ *i. e.* H, η , following later Greek pronunciation; for $\overset{\text{^}}{\text{—}}$ or $\overset{\sim}{\text{—}}$ there appears ϵ , and ω too for o . This ω has been in use with the interjection ὦ! “O!” from very ancient times: a later and disfigured form is ὦ! . The diphthongs *au* and *ai* are written ⊙^{\times} , ⊖^{\times} ; $\text{⊙}^{\times\vee}$ is an earlier form for ⊙^{\times} ; and similar forms occur for other diphthongs.

Mixed system.

§ 10. A combination of a modified point-system with the Greek system is in favour among the later West-Syrians and in our own impressions. In this usage

- $\overset{\cdot}{\text{—}}$ = $\overset{\times}{\text{—}}$.
- $\overset{\cdot\cdot}{\text{—}}$ = $\overset{\circ}{\text{—}}$.
- $\overset{\cdot\cdot}{\text{—}}$ and $\overset{\cdot}{\text{—}}$ without distinction = $\overset{\wedge}{\text{—}}$.
- $\overset{\cdot\cdot}{\text{—}}$, $\overset{\cdot}{\text{—}}$ or merely $\overset{\cdot}{\text{—}}$ = $\overset{=}{\text{—}}$, $\overset{\text{^}}{\text{—}}$.
- ⊙ or ⊖ without any certain distinction = $\text{⊙}^{\text{^}}$.

§ 11. *Rem.* No one of these systems carries out a distinction between long and short vowels. The designation of vowels by the Syrian Grammarians as “long” or “short” rests upon a misunderstanding of Greek terms and has nothing to do with the natural quantity. Thus the first and certainly short *e* in *neylē* is directly designated as “long *Révōšō*”, and the second and long *e* as “short”. The original *o* is for the Jacobites a “short *Ēšōšō*”; for the Nestorians on the other hand it is “broad”, while *u* is for the former “long”, for the latter “compressed”; and in neither case is the quantity of the vowel considered, but merely the quality.

Marking length of vowels.

§ 12. No established sign has been formed to denote the want of any vowel (*Sh^eva quiescens*), nor yet the absence of a full vowel (*Sh^eva mobile*). Here and there the sign — (§ 6) or — (§ 17) serves this purpose.

Marking absence of vowel.

§ 13. A. Examples: *Nestorian*: ܣܘܬܐ ܠܡܠܝܠܐ ܕܡܠܟܐ ܕܝܠܗܘܢ *sūth lémillē dēmalkā dīlhōn.* *Greek*: ϸϩϩϩ ϸϩϩϩ ϸϩϩϩ ϸϩϩϩ *sūth lémelē dēmalkō dīlhūn.* *Mixed*: ܣܘܬܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ ܕܝܠܗܘܢ. The blending might be contrived in many other ways besides, for instance, ܣܘܬܐ ܠܡܠܟܐ &c.

Examples: use of vowel signs.

B. From practical considerations, we employ in this work the Greek vowel-signs almost always, using however,—in conformity with the practice of the East-Syrians, and in general of the West-Syrians also,—the sign — for that vowel which is pronounced *ē* by the East-Syrians, and *ī* by the West-Syrians, and in most cases discriminating *o* (original *o*, West-Syrian *u*) from $o \overset{\curvearrowright}{\text{—}} = o$ (original *u*).

C. Syriac manuscripts are commonly content with the indication of the vowels given in § 6: only occasionally do they give exact vowel signs. But Nestorian manuscripts, in particular, are often fully vocalised. Many Nestorian manuscripts of the Scriptures produce quite a bewildering impression by the large number of points of various kinds employed in them (cf. § 14 *sqq.*).

OTHER READING-SIGNS.

§ 14. Very ancient is the point which never fails in genuine Syriac manuscripts,—that which distinguishes *š* from *ʔ*.

Diacritic point in *š* and *ʔ*.

Rukkākhā
and
Quššāyā.

§ 15. The *soft pronunciation* (*Rukkākhā*) of the letters ܐ ܘ ܝ ܠ (§ 2) can be expressed by a point placed under them, the *hard pronunciation* (*Quššāyā*) by one placed over them, e. g. ܢܝܫܘܒܐ *nēsavt* “thou didst take”, ܢܝܫܘܒܐ *nesbeth* “I took” &c. (For farther examples v. in particular § 23 *et sqq.*). In the case of ܐ the hard sound is commonly indicated by a point set within the letter, something like ܐ̣; and by ܐ̤ is represented the sound of the Greek π (§ 25), which diverges from this, being completely unaspirated⁽¹⁾ and peculiarly foreign to a Semite. Others set down ܐ̣ = *f*, ܐ̤ = *p*, and ܐ̥ = π. We shall however denote the Syriac hard *p* also by ܐ̤.

This system, of which certain variations appear (such as ܐ̣̣, with two points, instead of ܐ̣) is only carried out in very careful writing. In Nestorian manuscripts, however, particularly those of later origin, and in Nestorian printed matter, the system is largely employed. At the same time these points are usually left out, when they would interfere with the vowel points, e. g. ܕܝܢܐ, not ܕܝܢܐ̣; ܡܝܬܝܒܐ, not ܡܝܬܝܒܐ̣.

Plural
points.

§ 16. A. From the oldest times, and regularly, *plural forms*, of substantives in the first place, have been distinguished by two superscribed points —, called *Sēyāmē*⁽²⁾: thus ܡܠܟܐ, ܡܠܟܐ̣̣ *malkē, malkāthā* “kings, queens” are distinguished from the singulars:—ܡܠܟܐ, ܡܠܟܐ̣̣ *malkā, malkēthā*. And so also ܡܠܟܘܬܐ *malkau* “his kings” &c., although in such a case there was no possibility of mistaking the word for a singular.

B. Substantive plurals in ܐ commonly receive the sign —, but not those of the predicative adjective, thus, ܐܡܡܝܢ *ammīn* “cubits”, but ܐܝܢܐ *sarrīrīn* “(are) true”.

True collective nouns, which have no special plural, must take —, e. g. ܚܝܬܐ *ānā* “a flock”, but we have ܒܥܪܐ *baqrā* “herd (of cattle)”, because a plural ܒܥܪܐ̣̣ *baqrē* “herds” appears.

(1) Answering to the representation of τ by ܐ̣ (not by ܐ̤) and of κ by ܐ̥ (not by ܐ̤).

(2) The Hebrew appellation in vogue,—*Ribbūi* is naturally unknown to the Syrians. It was borrowed by a European scholar from the Hebrew Grammarians, and means “plural”.

The feminine plural-forms of the finite verb and of the predicative adjective take —, *e. g.* **كُتِبْنَ** “they (fem.) wrote”, **يَكْتُبْنَ** “they (fem.) write” (Impf.), **لَيْسْنَ** “are good (f.)”. Only, these points are generally wanting, when the 3rd pl. fem. in the perfect is written like the 3rd sing. masc. (§ 50 B).

With the numerals there is a good deal of fluctuation. The rule that only feminine numbers of the second decade,—because they end in the plural in *ē*,—are to be supplied with —, is seldom strictly followed. Numerals with *ī* generally take —; farther, all which end in *ē*,—in particular **اِثْنَيْنِ**, **اِثْنَيْتَيْنِ** “two”. The plural sign is the rule in numerals which have a possessive suffix (§ 149).

C. Generally speaking, a tolerable uniformity is found,—and that in old manuscripts,—only in cases under A; in cases under B, these manuscripts often omit the sign —, where it should stand, and employ it instead in other cases, but without consistency, *e. g.* in the masc. of the finite verb, as **اُعْتَمِدُوا** “they (masc.) found”; **يُسَلِّمُونَ** “that they (masc.) may be sanctified”.⁽¹⁾

D. The position of the points — was not thoroughly determined: most frequently they were permitted to rest upon the third or fourth letter from the end of the word. Much depends here on the fancy of the writer; the position most favoured is over those letters which do not rise high above the line. With the point of the letter *ī* the plural sign generally blends into *ī*, *e. g.* **اَلرَّجُلَيْنِ** “lords”; **اَلْحَقِيْقَيْنِ** “true”; still there are found also **اَلْمُعْتَمِدِيْنَ** “revered”, **اَلْاِثْنَيْتَيْنِ** “twenty”, **اَلْقَرْيَاتِ** “villages”, and many others.

§ 17. Here and there a line over the letter is found as a sign of the want of a vowel, *e. g.* **اَلْمُتَفَرِّقِيْنَ** *pēley* “were divided”, as contrasted with **اَلْمُتَفَرِّقِيْنَ** “distributed”; **اَللَّحْمِ** *lahm* “my bread”. Oftener this — stands as a sign that a consonant is to be omitted in the pronunciation, *e. g.* **اَلْمَدِيْنَةِ** *mēdītā* “town”, **اَلْبِطْنَةِ** *bath* “daughter”, **اَلْوَا** *wā* “was”. The West-

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In many cases the doubling has entered in a secondary way, as in **الله** *allāhā* “God”, **اِذْب** *eddabbah* “I sacrifice”.

B. The doubling at all events very early fell away, when merely a *sh^eva* followed the doubled consonant, *e. g.* in **يَشِي** “desire”, properly *reggēthā*, then *regthā*, and even very early through assimilation (§ 22) *rekthā*; so **يَشِي** *bezzēthā* “booty”, *bezhā*, *besthā*. Thus **يَشِي** “it is touched”, properly *methgaššēšā*, was early pronounced like *methgaššā* or even *methgašā*.

C. A very ancient dissolving of the doubling in the case of *r*, with compensation in lengthening the vowel, appears to occur in **يَشِي** *gērā* “arrow” from *garrā*; **يَشِي** *hērē* (*hērīn* &c.) “free”, from *harrē*; **يَشِي** *bēryāthā* “streets” from *barryāthā*. Thus perhaps also **يَشِي** (&c.) “with” from *šadd*.

D. Consonants written double were originally separated by a vowel, though very short, *e. g.* **سَمَمَم** *φάρμακα sammāmē*, later *sammē*; **سَمَم** “waves” *galālē*, later *gallē*; **سَمَم** “wormwood” *gedādē*, later *geddē*. By a false analogy even **سَمَمَم** *φάρμακα sammāmē* is accordingly often written instead of **سَمَم**, and in fact **سَمَم** for the singular instead of **سَمَم** *sammā*; and similarly in like cases. An actual exception to that rule is furnished only by cases like **سَمَم** or **سَمَم** *ettēsīm* “was set”; **سَمَم** or **سَمَم** *ettēir* “was awakened” &c. (§§ 36. 177 B).

In Greek words letters are sometimes written double, even when such doubling does not occur in the original, *e. g.* **Φιλίππος** often instead of **Φιλίππος** or **Φιλίππος**.

Assimila-
tion.

§ 22. When two consonants came together in the living speech, and still more in the somewhat artificial recitation of the Bible in religious service, the first consonant was frequently modified by the second, so that a *media* before a *tenuis* was turned into a *tenuis*, a *tenuis* before

a *media* into a *media*, and so forth. **ʔ** was pronounced like **h** (e. g. **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ** “vehemently angry” like **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ**), for **ʔ** is a *media* and **h** a *tenuis* like **ʔ** (in spite of the assibilation); **rd** like **hd** (e. g. **ܦܪܦܠ** “conquers” like **ܦܗܦܠ**; **ܘܪܝܫܐܢܐ** “of Zacharias” like **ܘܗܝܫܐܢܐ**); *vice versa* **h** like **ʔ** (e. g. **ܫܘܚܐܢܐ** “disgrace” like **ܫܘܪܐܢܐ**). Farther **ʔ** was given like **h** (e. g. **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ** “greedy” like **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ**), and even **h**, with suppression of the emphasis before the unemphatic **ʔ**, like **h** (e. g. **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ** “sorrowful” like **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ**). The East-Syrians went much farther in this process, for they prescribed e. g. **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ** even for **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ** “to break”; **ܦܪܦܠ** for **ܦܪܦܠ** “they burn”; and they gave to **h** immediately before **ʔ**, **ʔ**, **ʔ**, the sound of the French *j, ge* (Pers. **ژ**), e. g. in **ܫܘܫܘܪܐܢܐ** “an account”. This subject might be treated at great length. Notice that such assimilations take place even when the consonants affected were originally separated by a *shēva* (ē).—The written language exhibits only a few traces of these changes. (1)

Rem. A very ancient reversed assimilation consists in **h** always becoming **ʔ** in Aramaic roots (2) at the beginning of the word, as the emphatic **ʔ** corresponds more accurately to **h** than does **ʔ**. Similar equalisations in all roots might farther be pointed out.

RUKKĀKHĀ AND QUŠŠĀYĀ.

Rukkākḥā
and
Quššāyā.
R. and Q. in
individual
words.

§ 23. A. The rules for *Rukkākḥā*, i. e. the soft (assibilated, hissing, or aspirated) pronunciation and for *Quššāyā*, i. e. the hard (or unaspirated) pronunciation, originally affect all the letters **ʔ ʔ ʔ ʔ ʔ** [*Be-ghadhkhephath*] in equal measure. But the East-Syrians for a very long time have nearly always given **ʔ** a hard sound; only in the end of a syllable have they sometimes given it a soft pronunciation. (3) The

(1) The proper name **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ** (Num. 25, 15) is written in CERIANI's Pesh. **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ**, where *sh* has the sound of *zh*. In Aphr. 111, 6, and Ephr. Nis. 71 v. 65 (in one Codex) it still stands **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ**.

(2) **ܘܫܗܘܪܐܢܐ** “stone” would form an exception, but this word is probably of foreign origin.

(3) And in that case, apparently, they always make it quiesce into *u*. Even the best Nestorian MSS. are, from these circumstances, of almost no value for an

following rules accordingly are not applicable to the East-Syrian pronunciation of **š**.

B. These letters are hard in the beginning of words, *e. g.* **ܘܫܝܬܐ** “house”, **ܘܫܝܬܐ** “camel”, &c. (but notice § 24 and 25).

C. **ܘܫܝܬܐ ܘܫܝܬܐ ܘܫܝܬܐ** experience R. — (*i. e.* take the soft pronunciation) after any vowel, however short, when they do not happen to be doubled. Thus after a full vowel **ܘܫܝܬܐ ܘܫܝܬܐ ܘܫܝܬܐ**, &c.

On the other hand these letters undergo Q. (*i. e.* take the hard form) when they are doubled: **ܘܫܝܬܐ** (ܘܫܝܬܐ), **ܘܫܝܬܐ** (ܘܫܝܬܐ), **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, &c., and even after long vowels **ܘܫܝܬܐ** (*rāggīn* “they desire”), **ܘܫܝܬܐ** (*bāttē* “houses”), &c.

Farther they take Q. immediately after consonants: **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, &c. Diphthongs too have the effect of a consonantal ending, thus **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, &c.

Exceptions: **ܘܫܝܬܐ** “as”, which is pronounced *akh*.

Even the mere *sh^eva mobile* effects R. just as a vowel would: **ܘܫܝܬܐ** (*qēvol*), **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, &c. Thus is it also when one of the particles **ܘܫܝܬܐ** is prefixed: **ܘܫܝܬܐ**; but **ܘܫܝܬܐ** (*lēvānē*); **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, but **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, &c. So too is it when several of these words or particles are prefixed, *e. g.* **ܘܫܝܬܐ ܘܫܝܬܐ ܘܫܝܬܐ**; **ܘܫܝܬܐ ܘܫܝܬܐ ܘܫܝܬܐ**; &c. Except upon the first consonant, these prefixes however have no effect, thus, **ܘܫܝܬܐ** *kēthāvā*, **ܘܫܝܬܐ** *lakthāvā*, originally *lakhēthāvā*, not *lakhtāvā* &c.

Regularly the *sh^eva mobile* has a softening effect after a consonant originally doubled, thus **ܘܫܝܬܐ** (*manhēthā*), **ܘܫܝܬܐ** (*manhēthā*), &c. So also, of course, when the consonant furnished with *sh^eva mobile* is preceded by another which is quite vowelless, as in **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, **ܘܫܝܬܐ**, &c.

D. But many a *sh^eva mobile* fell away (*sh^eva mobile* transmuted into *sh^eva quiescens*) at a time when the influence which it exercised upon the softening process (*Rukkākhā*) was still a living one, with the result that the influence of the hardening process (*Quššāyā*) in turn ap-

enquiry into R. and Q. of *p*. Besides even good MSS. and prints contain errors sometimes, as regards these ‘points’.

peared. On the other hand such falling away occasionally came about at a time when the influence referred to was no longer in being, so that *Rukkākāhā* remained effective even after the disappearance of *sh^eva mobile*. Upon the whole R. has been abandoned more completely in the case of the falling away of an *ê* that had originated from *i* (*e*), than in that of an *ê* from *a*: compare **تَجْر** “scabies” from *garāvā*, with **تَجْر** “scabiosus” from *garivā*. It makes no difference whether the foregoing syllable,—now a closed one (ending in *sh^eva quiescens*),—has a long or a short vowel; cf. **لَهَجِب**, **فَجِب**, **وَجِب**, and other derivatives from the act. part. Peal⁽¹⁾; **عَفَمَد**, **أَجِنَد** “I awakened him”, &c.

In the interior of words R., when it comes after an earlier *sh^eva mobile* unpreceded by two consonants without a full vowel or by a double consonant, is now kept up only here and there, and that particularly in the verb: cf. even cases like **بَلَدَن** *nēldān* (*nīldōn*) “they bring forth children”, from *nēlādān*. For the substantive,—cf. cases like **فَلَجِب**, contrasted with the Hebr. **מַלְכַי** from *malūkhai* (but v. § 93) and **مَلْجَم**, contrasted with **מַלְכָּת**.

E. The usage in the case of Fem. **ل** is specially fluctuating, for the **ل** here is often hard after a consonant, and often on the other hand soft. This **ل** has nearly always Q. [*i. e.* it is pronounced hard, as if with *Dag. lene*] after syllables which have a long vowel, particularly *ī* or *ū*, *e. g.* **عِينَد**, **يُونَد**, **مَخُونَد**, **بِعَالَد**, **بِلَاوَد**, **وَادَد**, **فِينَد**, **قَانَد**, **صَاعَد**, **مَبْعَد**, **وَأُونَد**, **نَشْءَد**, &c. Exceptions:—**قَصْدَد**, **قَصَدَد**, **جَدَد**⁽²⁾; **نَشْءَد**, and some others. With *ā*: **نَسَد**, **هَنْصَد**, **هَنْصَدَد**, **نَحَد**, &c.; but **زَمَد**, **مُزَمَد**, **مُزَمَدَد**, **مُزَمَدَد**, **مُزَمَدَد**, **مُزَمَدَد**, **مُزَمَدَد**, **مُزَمَدَد**, and a few others. Always Q. (*i. e.* *Quššāyā*, or *Dag. lene*) after **ع**, *e. g.* **عَصْبَد**, **زَنْبَد**. After syllables with *ā*, perhaps R. of **ل** somewhat preponderates: **سَجَد**, **فَجَد**, **عَمِيدَد**, **عَمِيدَد**, **عَمِيدَد**, **عَمِيدَد**, **عَمِيدَد**, **عَمِيدَد**, &c.; yet **مُيَدَد**, **مُيَدَد**, **مُيَدَد**, **مُيَدَد**, and many others. With *ē* Q. has the preponderance: **عَجَد**, **عَجَد**, **عَجَد**, and many others; yet **عَجَد**, and so too, forms

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(2) According to the best traditions.

like أَصْبَبُ , مُصِيبُ (to which وَجِبُ , أَجِبُ also belong). So أَصْبَبُ “anger”, and the like. With *u* and *o* we have أَصْحَبُ , أَصْحَابُ , أَصْحَابُ , &c., overagainst أَصْحَابُ , أَصْحَابُ . Individual peculiarities are very complicated here, and the tradition occasionally varies. On the whole Q. is preferred after *r*, *l*, and *š*, and R. after *‘*, *m* &c., in the **L** of the termination أُ [*i. e.* **L** in that feminine termination, is generally sounded *hard* after *r*, *l*, and *š*, and *soft*, or with assibilation, after *‘* and *m*]. The analogy of words of similar form or meaning has exercised great influence here. Something will be said on this head afterwards in treating of the parts of speech.

F. The quite peculiar Q. of أَصْبَبُ , أَصْبَبُ (along with أَصْبَبُ , أَصْبَبُ) “six”, “sixty” points to the loss of a *sh^eva* in remote times [v. D].

G. Like أَصْبَبُ “anger” we also have أَصْبَبُ , أَصْبَبُ “my, their anger”; here farther, analogy in this way breaks through the old law, that Q. must stand immediately after a consonant [v. C]. Thus أَصْبَبُ , أَصْبَبُ “my, their gold”, following أَصْبَبُ “gold” (from *dahāvā*), and many others. Thus the **L** of the 3. sing. fem. in the Perf. (at least according to the usual pronunciation) remains always soft: أَصْبَبُ “she has killed him”, أَصْبَبُ “she has killed me” (as against أَصْبَبُ “I have killed him”, &c.). On the other hand the **L** of the 2. pers. in the Perf. is kept hard in all circumstances, thus أَصْبَبُ “thou hast killed” (and أَصْبَبُ “thou”), as well as أَصْبَبُ “thou hast revealed”, أَصْبَبُ “thou (f.) hast revealed”; أَصْبَبُ , أَصْبَبُ “Ye (m. and f.) have revealed” &c.

In other respects too we find remarkable deviations from the fundamental rules, *e. g.* in أَصْبَبُ (§ 149) “they four (f.)” or “the four of them”, where **L** might have been expected. Although the fundamental rules are still clear, they became practically ineffective even at an early stage; and thus it came about that entirely similar cases often received dissimilar treatment. Besides, fluctuations of all kinds in the dialects and in the school-tradition, manifest themselves in the matter of R. and Q.⁽¹⁾

(1) Even the best MSS. are not entirely free from error in their use of these points.—And in one or two cases, a distinction, founded upon R. and Q., has been established between words consisting of the same letters,—just through arbitrary pre-

H. Original doubling in the termination preserves Q. in **ذ** (like **ذ**) “great”, **حَد** “a pit”, **ذ** (from **ذ**) “side”, **ذ** “place”; so too **أنت** *at* = *att* from *ant* “thou”; so also **لَب** “my heart” (like **لَبَّ**), **غَد** “my good fortune” (like **غَدَّ**) and the like. On the other hand we have **سِ** “six” (its doubling early disappeared), **سِ** “side” (also **سِ** “my side”) and verbal forms like **سِ** “lowered”, **سِ** “longed for” (and also in the plural **سِ** &c.).

I. Secondary doubling, which causes Q., we find regularly in the 1st sing. Impf. when the first radical has a vowel, as in **أَسَم** “I tread”, **أَقْب** “I tell lies”, **أَحْب** “I bless thee”, **أَحْب** “I hunt”, &c. Farther in the Aphel in some verbs middle **ه**: **أَفَع** “made ready”, **أَفَع** “measured”, as contrasted with **أَفَع** “gave back”, &c. (§ 177 D).

J. Words, which are otherwise like-sounding, are often distinguished through R. and Q., as **أَفَع** “thou hast revealed”, and **أَفَع** “I have revealed”; **أَفَع** *qešthā* from *qeššēthā* (f. of Hebr. **שק**) “stubble”, and **أَفَع** (**שק**) “a bow”, &c.

§ 24. R. appears in the beginning of a word, when this word is closely associated with a preceding one which ends in a vowel, thus **أَفَع**, John 16, 8; **أَفَع**, John 16, 16; **أَفَع**, John 10, 38 (Bernstein) &c. The slightest pause, however, interrupts the softening. Similarly, two closely-associated words, of which the first ends in the same consonant as that with which the second begins, or a consonant like it, are so pronounced together that a doubling appears, which is indicated by the Q. of both of them: **أَفَع** *massabbappē* (instead of **أَفَع**) “playing the hypocrite”; **أَفَع** “hypocrite”; **أَفَع** “ink-bottle”.

R. and Q.
in closely
associated
words.

§ 25. According to the prescriptions of the Schools, Greek words are not to be subjected to the rules for softening and hardening. Thus **أَفَع** *dēparōpā* (**πρόσωπον**); **أَفَع** “from Philippos”, &c. (where **ف** is

Greek
words.

scription on the part of the Schools. Thus against all rules, they would have us say **أَفَع** “I dye”, but **أَفَع** “I dip into”; farther **أَفَع** “shut”, but **أَفَع** “hold”, although these words are identical. The distinction, besides, between **أَفَع** “resurrection” and **أَفَع** “share” was hardly known to the living speech. In addition to these examples there is a medley of cases resting upon the caprice of the Schools.

An **ح** or **ج** falls away before the **ل** of a suffix in cases like **يَحْيِيهِ** 'abbitā (or 'abbittā?; West-Syr. doubtless 'abitō) "thick (f.)"; **عَسِيهِ** "simple (f.)"; **عَهْدَهُ** "ye despised"; **جَهْدَهُ** "thou didst curse"; **إِعْجَلَهُ سَوْبَ** "gavest him power"; **جَبَلَهُ** "Church"; **مَرَبَبَهُ** "net"; **حَجَبَهُ** "work"; **إِجْبَاهُ** "ye (f.) perished"; **وَمَهَبَهُ** "I commanded you"; **حَجَبَهُ** "didst", and many others. In just the same way a pair of **ل**'s coalesce, in words like **إِدْوَلَهُ** *avhet* for *avhetht* "madest ashamed"; **إِدْوَلَانَهُ** "madest us ashamed" &c. The marking with R. and Q. varies; in effect, in all these cases only hard **ل** remains. For **سَبَلَهُ** *hedattā* "nova", one writes **سَبَلَهُ** straight away, and **سَبَلَهُ** "bride" for **سَبَلَهُ**.

Radical **ح** falls away before **ل** in **سَبَلَهُ**, **سَبَلَهُ**, **سَبَلَهُ**: pronounce *hathā* &c., "novus" &c.

C. A final **ل** has early dropped off in the absolute state of Feminines: **آ** coming from *ath*, **ū** from *ūth*, **ī** from *īth*, e. g. **لَجَا** "bona"; **لَجَا** "bonitas"; **لَاؤَب** "confession"; in their construct state the **ل** remains: **لَجَبَا**, **لَجَبَا**, **لَاؤَبَا**; and so also in the singular case of **فَجْتَبَا** "a certain (f.)", and in many adverbs (§ 155).

D. Unusual is the assimilation found in **لَجَا** "wing" from *gedpā*, as also the falling out in **لَاؤَبَا** "this" from *hādēnā*, and in other pronouns (§§ 67 *Rem.* 1; 68 *Rem.* 2).

LABIALS.

§ 27. **ح** and **ج** are sometimes interchangeable. Thus **لَجَا** Labials. frequently occurs for **لَجَا** "pitch"; and occasionally on the other hand e. g. **لَجَا** is found for **لَجَا** "happy", and **لَجَا** for **لَجَا** "Friday". The East-Syrians have, from remote times, pronounced **ح** quite like **و** (*w*, *u*); *av* accordingly becomes *au*, and *wv*, *ū*, e. g. **سَبَلَا** *šūhā*. They also pronounce **ح** like **و**, in cases where they leave it unusually soft and do not turn it into *p* (§ 23 A). Generally this transition is found in **لَجَا** "magnī", **لَجَا** "magnates"; **لَجَا** "made great", for **لَجَا**, **لَجَا**, **لَجَا** (§ 146). Compare **لَجَا** "an ant" from **لَجَا** (§ 31).

Liquids.

LIQUIDS.

n. § 28. *N*, as first radical, is almost always assimilated to the consonant immediately following it: **أُفِم** “brought out”, from *anpeq*; **يُفَم** “goes out”, from *nenpoq*; **يُسِم** “brings down”, from *manheth*; **يُزِم** “plantest”, from *tenšov*, &c. Exception is made when *o* follows: **يُزِم** “roars”; **يُبِم** “grows clear”; **يُزِم** “lights”, &c. (yet **يُزِم** “thrusts” from *nenhaz*), and in other very rare cases (§ 173 A).

As second radical, *n* is assimilated in some nouns: **جُفَل** “necklace”; **جُفَل** “oppression”; **أُفَل** “face”; **سُفَل** “side”; **أُفَل** “occasion”; **مُفَل** “foundation”, from *enqā* &c.,—as against **جُفَل** “congregation”; **هُفَل** “tail”, which originally must have had a short vowel after the *n*, &c. The *n* that falls away is still written in **سُفَل** “side”, and **أُفَل** (pronounce *attā* § 26) “woman”, construct state **أُفَل**; so in **أُفَل** f. **أُفَل** “thou”, pl. **أُفَل**, f. **أُفَل**.

Farther, *n* loses its sound in many cases before **أُفَل** of the feminine ending: **أُفَل** *gefettā* from *gefentā* “vine”; **أُفَل** “cheese”; **أُفَل** “brick”; **أُفَل** “a field-measure”; **أُفَل**, **أُفَل** (¹) “fig”; and with *n* still written, in **أُفَل** “town”; **أُفَل** “ship”; **أُفَل** “a time”; **أُفَل** “year”; and in **أُفَل** “incense”, the *n* of which is still pronounced by others.

In **أُفَل** *gabbārā* “hero”, the nasal which serves as compensation for the doubling has been stroked out later.

On the dropping off of the *n* in the Imperative v. § 171 C, and in certain substantives, § 105.

l. § 29. *L* falls away when next to another *l*, in **أُفَل** *mamlā* “speech”, written also in fact **أُفَل**; and in **أُفَل** *matlā* “covering”. Thus most Syrians say **أُفَل** *govlā* “countenance” (others *govelā*).

It farther falls away in many forms which come from **أُفَل** “to go” (v. § 183), as also in forms from **أُفَل** (v. same section).

r. § 30. *R* falls out in **أُفَل** “daughter”, construct state—(but not in the emphatic state **أُفَل**).

(¹) Thus, with hard *l* according to the best tradition. Probably the sing. of **أُفَل** “corals” was pronounced as **أُفَل** (Talmudic **אורי**).

§ 31. We have unusual abbreviations in several nouns which are formed from the doubling of a short root ending in *r*, *l*, *n*, *m*: thus **ܥܥܝܠܐ** “chain”, from *šelsaltā* (cf. **ܩܩܥܐ** “tape-worms”); **ܥܥܘܠܐ** “wheel”; **ܥܥܘܪܐ** “throat” from *gargartā*; **ܥܥܥܐ**, **ܥܥܥܐ** “plough” from *genqēnā*; **ܥܥܥܘܢܐ** (1) “an ant”, probably from **ܥܥܥܘܢܐ**, and one or two others.

Unusual Abbreviations with Liquids.

§ 31^b. *n* beginning a word becomes *l* in several foreign words, like **ܚܚܘܕܐ**, along with **ܚܚܘܕܐ**, from *νοδμμος*, *nummus*; **ܚܚܘܕܐ** with **ܚܚܘܕܐ**, from the Persian *namat* “carpet”.

n becoming *l* in foreign words.

GUTTURALS.

Gutturals.

§ 32. **ʾ** for the most part loses in Syriac its consonantal sound. As an initial sound it falls away along with its vowel in many words to which it belongs: **ܐܢܥܐ** or **ܢܥܐ**, **ܐܢܩܐ**, **ܐܢܩܐ**, **ܐܢܩܐ** “man”, “men”, &c.; **ܐܨܒܐ** or **ܨܒܐ**, &c. “another”; **ܐܨܒܐ** or **ܨܒܐ** “last”, **ܐܨܒܐ** “his last”, &c.; **ܐܨܒܐ** “related”; **ܐܢܐ** or **ܢܐ** in certain cases for **ܐܢܐ** “I”. Even in writing, this **ʾ** is without exception wanting in **ܐܨܒܐ** “end”; **ܐܨܒܐ** “one” (m. and f.); **ܐܨܒܐ** “sister”; **ܐܨܒܐ** “pocket” (bag), and “bearing beam” (rafter) (v. **ܐܨܒܐ**); **ܐܨܐ**, &c. “come”; **ܐܨܐ**, &c. “go”; **ܐܨܐ**, **ܐܨܐ** “goose”, from **ܐܨܐ**; **ܐܨܐ** (properly “there”) = **ܐܨܐ**.

Falling away of initial **ʾ**.

§ 33. A. As a medial, **ʾ** disappears completely according to the usual pronunciation, when it immediately follows a consonant or a mere *shēva*; and the vowel of the **ʾ** is transferred to the preceding consonant. Thus (a) **ܡܩܘܠܐ** *matev* “makes good” for *maʿev*; **ܢܥܐܠܐ** “demands” for *neš'al*; **ܥܥܐܠܐ** “hater”; **ܥܥܐܠܐ** “unclean” f. (constr. st.) &c. (b) **ܩܘܠܐ** “was good” *tev* for *tēev*; **ܩܘܠܐ** *šilā* “demanded” (part.); **ܩܘܠܐ** “beautiful”; **ܩܘܠܐ** “beautiful” (pl.); **ܩܘܠܐ** “blaming”, &c. So too after prefixes: **ܩܘܠܐ** “of the father”, from **ܩܘܠܐ** + **ܩܘܠܐ**; **ܩܘܠܐ** “to the artificer” *lummānā*; **ܩܘܠܐ** “and ate”; **ܩܘܠܐ** “in what? (f.)” &c. In writing, such an **ʾ** is always left out in **ܩܘܠܐ** “bad”, from **ܩܘܠܐ**, in **ܩܘܠܐ**, **ܩܘܠܐ** “teaches”, “teachest”, &c. for **ܩܘܠܐ**, &c.; farther, generally in the compound **ܩܘܠܐ** for **ܩܘܠܐ** “although”.

Treatment of medial **ʾ**.

(1) This vocalisation with *au* is much better supported than that with *u* (**ܥܥܥܘܢܐ**).

Although this falling away of the *ʾ* is very ancient, yet the East-Syrians frequently retain it as a consonant in such cases: thus *e. g.* they prefer to punctuate **يَعَالِي**, **حَالِي**, without pushing forward the vowel to the preceding consonant, as if it should still be read *neš'al*, *bē'āthā*; but all this without consistency.

B. Between two vowels *ʾ* receives with many Syrians (always?) the pronunciation *y*, *e. g.* **اَيَّ** *ōyar* “air” (West-Syr.). This pronunciation, which occasionally finds expression even in writing, *e. g.* **اَيَّ** for **اَي** “defiled” (§ 172 A B), has however not been general.

In the end of a syllable *ʾ* always loses its consonantal value: **مَدَّ** “I demanded”, is in sound the same as **مَدَّ**; **أَكَلَ** “eats” = **أَكَلَ**; **كَبَّ** “are growing old” = **كَبَّ**, &c. Etymology alone can decide here, as in many other cases, whether *ʾ* is a mere vowel-letter or an original guttural (Arabic *Hemza*). Such an *ʾ* is now no longer written in cases like **كَبَّ** from *saggv* (cf. **كَبَّ**, **كَبَّ**, &c.) “much”. On the changes of vowels at the disappearance of such an *ʾ* v. § 53.

§ 34. An *ʾ*, which in the beginning of the syllable ought to receive a vowel *sh^eva*,—according to the analogy of other consonants,—retains a full vowel instead; but in the middle of a word it gives up this vowel to the foregoing consonant (by § 33 A) and loses its own consonantal value. The vowel is $\overset{x}{\text{}}$ or $\overset{z}{\text{}}$, and the latter even in many cases where it was originally *a*. Thus **كَبَّ** “spoke”, compared with **مَلَ** “killed” 3. s. (originally *amar*, *qatal*); **كَبَّ** “spoken”, compared with **مَلَ** “killed” (from *qatil*); **أَكَلَ** “eat”, like **مَلَ** “kill”,—**كَبَّ** “is being eaten” (like **مَلَ** “is being killed”); **مَلَ** “angel” = **مَلَ**; **كَبَّ** “afflicted” *machevē* (East-Syrian **كَبَّ**) &c. The Nestorians occasionally write in these cases — (§ 17) *e. g.* **كَبَّ**, which is even improperly used for regular vowels, as in **كَبَّ** = **كَبَّ** (§ 45) “her foundations”. An *o* (perhaps lengthened?) has been thus maintained in **كَبَّ** (Plural of **كَبَّ** “manger”) from *ōrawāthā*. Such an *ʾ* with a *sh^eva* disappears without leaving a trace in **كَبَّ**, **كَبَّ** “their multitude” from **كَبَّ** for *soyā*.

§ 35. Seeing that a radical *ʾ* frequently thus falls away in pronunciation, it is often left out also in writing, and that even in the oldest

Auxiliary
vowel
of the *ʾ*.

Ortho-
graphic
Note on *ʾ*.

manuscripts, *e. g.* **مفعملا** for **مفعملا** “food”; **نعملا** for **نعملا** “eats”; **فلا** for **فلا** “face”. On the other hand **ل**, even when a manifestly superfluous letter, is yet placed in words where it should not have appeared at all,—as in **مفعملا** for **مفعم** “to take”; **لحكم** for **لحكم** “ye enter”; **لحظ** for **لحظ** “report”; **لماصب** for **لماصب** “stand” (pl.); **لماول** for **لماول** “delay”; **لماول**, **لماول** and even **لماول** for **لماول** or (West-S.) **لماول** “pity”, &c.; or it stands in the wrong place, like **لماصلا** for **لماصلا** “uncleanness”; **لماولا** for **لماولا** “question”; **لماولا** for **لماولا** “demanded” (part.) &c.; or it is doubled instead of being written once, as in **لماولا** for **لماولا** “comforts”, and the like. The superfluous **ل** is a good deal in favour in certain causative forms, particularly in short ones, *e. g.* **لماولا** = **لماولا** “gives life”; **لماولا** “injures”.

§ 36. In certain cases a vowel-less **ل**, followed by an **ل**, blends with **ل** becoming **ل**. that letter into a hard **ل** doubled and generally written **ل** (pointed **ل**, **ل**, **ل**, **ل**, which all express the same sound, § 26): in older days it was often signified by a single **ل**. Thus, regularly, in the reflexive of Aphel **لماولا**, **لماولا**, for *eth'aqtal*; **لماولا** “was established” (**لماولا**) v. § 177 D &c. Thus, besides, in **لماولا** “was held” (**لماولا**) for *eth'eheh*, and occasionally in similar forms (§ 174 C). A single **ل** is almost always written for **ل**, if another **ل** precedes by way of prefix, *e. g.* **لماولا**, **لماولا**, instead of **لماولا**, **لماولا**.

§ 37. Even before the orthography was elaborated, a **د** followed by another **د** in the same root became **د** (**الد** “rib”, from **د**; **د**; **د** “doubled”, from **د**, and many others)⁽¹⁾: In like manner, with the West-Syrians, a **د** coming immediately before **د** becomes **د** and is treated like it in every respect. Thus **د** “remembered”,—pronounce **د**, from **د**; **د** “recollection”,—pronounce **د**; **د** *methehed* for **د**, &c. This change, which becomes noticeable even in the fourth century, and is occasionally indicated also in writing (**د**, **د** for **د**, **د** “to be in heat”), has however remained unknown to the East-Syrians.

§ 38. **د**, which as an initial letter had, even in ancient times, often **د**.

(1) Cf. **د** “mentha” [‘mint’] from **د**.

passed into *l* (e. g. in **ل** secondary form of **ل** “they”, and in the Aphel **ل** from *haqtel*, &c.), falls away in pronunciation in many forms of the suffix of the 3rd sing. masc., e. g. **ل** *malḳau* from *malḳauhī*, “his kings”; **ل** “built it” (m.); **ل** “kills him”. The personal pronoun—**ل** “he” or **ل** “she”—loses the *o*, when it is enclitic, e. g. **ل** *qētalū*; **ل** *lēhū* or **ل** *lēhū*; **ل** *mānāi* from *mānā hī*; **ل** *mānā hū*. In fact **ل**, **ل**, **ل** are often written for **ل**, **ل**, **ل**. So always **ل** “not”, from **ل**. From **ل** **ل**, **ل** **ل** come **ل**, **ل**: but **ل** **ل** is occasionally written even yet, though we do not so often meet with **ل** **ل**.

The *o* of **ل** “fruit”, falls away when employed as an enclitic: **ل**, **ل** (§ 299), &c.

The *o* of the very common verb **ل** “to give” falls away in the Perfect in all cases where it had a vowel; thus **ل**, **ل**, **ل**, **ل**, &c. The East-Syrians suppress the *o* even in cases like **ل**, &c., and similarly in **ل**, **ل**, &c.

For **ل** “Judah”, **ل** “a Jew”, &c. (from **ل**, **ل**, &c.) one may say also **ل**, **ل** *Yūdā*, *Yūdāyā*. **ل** &c. are written even without *o*.

Greek *ῥh.*

§ 39. In Greek words **ل** is often written to express the aspirated *ρ*, e. g. **ل** *Páwχ*, **ل**, **ل** (along with **ل**, **ل** and other forms of transcription) *παρρησία*, &c. This *o* has no consonantal value, and only in mistake is it treated occasionally as a true consonant.

Vowel-Letters *o* & *u*. Usual changes.

THE VOWEL-LETTERS *o* AND *u*.

§ 40. A *W* beginning a root becomes *y* in Syriac, as in Hebrew, when it is not protected by certain prefixes. Root *WLD* thus yields **ل** “child”; **ل** “she bare”; but **ل** “he begat”; **ل** “birth”, &c. The initial *w* is however kept in **ل**, **ل** “and”; **ل** “it is becoming” (and so **ل** *f*; **ل** “decently” &c.); **ل** “an appointment” (and thus **ل** “to appoint”, **ل** “to agree upon”); **ل** “vein”; add the interjection **ل** “woe!”, whence **ل** “the woe”; so too **ل** “bee-eater”, and **ل** “a kind of partridge”, which two words evidently are meant to re-

produce the natural calls of these birds. Other words beginning with **o** like **رُزِقَ** “rose” are foreign or uncertain.

B. **o** and **u** have both of them too much of the nature of vowels to be able to stand as true consonants in the end of a syllable; they always form in that case simple vowels or diphthongs, thus: **وَعَدَ** “promise” (with **عَدَ** *šaudi* “promised”) *šūdāyā*, not *švdāyā*, for it was frequently even written with just one **o**⁽¹⁾; **لَا** *lau* “not”, not *lav* (from *lā-ū*, *lahū* § 38); **دَعَا** (East-Syrian **دَعَا**) “called” *qērau*; **كَلَّمَ** “revealed” (3 pl.) *gallū* (not *gallū*)⁽²⁾; **بَيْتٌ** “house” *baitā*; **قَامَ** “rise” *qāimūn*; **أَرَادَ** “Edessena” *Orhāitā*, &c.

C. **u** without a full vowel always becomes *ī* in the beginning of the syllable. In the beginning of a word **u** is often written for it; thus **سَد**, **سَد**, **سَد** *šed* “sat”, from **سَد**; **وَدَا**, **وَدَا** *wda* “knew”, from **وَدَا**; **دَعَا**, **دَعَا** “knowledge”; **شَهْرٌ**, **شَهْرٌ** “month” (emphatic state **شَهْرٌ**); farther, **سَد** or **سَد**, **سَد** or **سَد** &c. In later times the **u** is not so often written in such cases as it was in earlier days. But still the **u** is always found in **شَهْرٌ** “honour”, **يَدٌ** “hand”, **يَوْمٌ** “day”, and thus in **شَهْرٌ**, **يَوْمٌ** &c. On **سَد** along with **سَد**, and **سَد** instead of **سَد** v. § 38.

So too, within the word, **سَد** “is given”, from **سَد**; **سَد** “their breast”, from **سَد**; **سَد** “cap”, from **سَد**; **سَد** “their commotion”, from **سَد**, &c.

In a closed syllable *ye* or *yi* becomes *ī* in **يَدٌ** “exists”, and in the foreign names **يَسْرَائِيلَ** or **يَسْرَائِيلَ** “Israel”; **يَسْمَاعِيلَ** “Ismael” (both with orthographic variants); **يَسْرَائِيلَ** (for **يَسْرَائِيلَ**); and **يَسْمَاعِيلَ**. Quite exceptionally, other forms are found, v. § 175 A, *Rem*.

For **يَسُوعَ** “Jesus” the Nestorians say **يَسُوعَ** *Īsō*.

(1) *Vice versa*,—because **oo** was pronounced like **oe**, the words pronounced *šukōnō*, *šudōlō* were in later times written **سوكونو**, **سودولو**, where the doubled **o** had no etymological foundation, since these words in their fundamental form are *šukkānā*, *šuddālā*, and belong to *šakken* “presented”, and *šaddel* “enticed”.

(2) The barbarous custom of pronouncing **u** in the end of a syllable like a German *w* or indeed an *f*, instead of giving it a vowel sound (e. g. **אָפִיּוּ** *afīu*, **מֵלֶאכָהּ** *mēlākāhū*), should be given up in Hebrew too.

D. In the middle of the word, *ya* becomes *ī* in the adverbial ending *āith*, from and along with *āyath* (§ 155 A). **o**, which appears as an initial letter without a full vowel only in **o** “and” (A *supra*), is sometimes treated within a word just like **o**. Thus from remote times there appear as alternative forms **هَائِوَيْثَا** *haiwēthā* and **هَائِوَيْثَا** *hayūthā* “animal”; **تَبْوَيْثَا** and **تَبْوَيْثَا** “joy” (§§ 40 D; 101; 145 F)⁽¹⁾: forms with *ū* in these cases have become more usual; while other forms,—for instance, **لَائِوَيْثَا** along with **لَائِوَيْثَا** (لَائِوَيْثَا) “weariness”, **وَيْوَيْثَا** (East-Syrian) along with **وَيْوَيْثَا** “that they may have room”—occur only in isolated cases.

E. A **o** after *ā*, and before another vowel, is pronounced by the East-Syrians like **l**, thus **لَائِوَيْثَا** “lives”, **لَائِوَيْثَا** “at last”, like *hāē*, *hērāath*, &c.⁽²⁾ (thus the converse of § 33 B). Perhaps old modes of writing, like **وَيْوَيْثَا** for **وَيْوَيْثَا** “spiritual”(pl), are founded upon this. If the vowel succeeding **o**, after *a* or *ā*, is *e* or *i*, then the difference between the highly vocal *y* and **l** is hardly perceptible. Whence come the interchangeable forms **مَيْوَيْثَا** and **مَيْوَيْثَا** “dead”; **وَيْوَيْثَا** “remaining” and **وَيْوَيْثَا** (§ 118); **وَيْوَيْثَا** and **وَيْوَيْثَا** “give me to drink” (§ 196) &c.: Thus old MSS. have **وَيْوَيْثَا** for **وَيْوَيْثَا** “truly” (§ 155 A).

F. In the same way *awu* and *a'u* are scarcely distinguishable by the ear. Accordingly we find, for example, **وَيْوَيْثَا** or even **وَيْوَيْثَا** for **وَيْوَيْثَا** “they threw” (§ 176 E), **وَيْوَيْثَا** or **وَيْوَيْثَا** for **وَيْوَيْثَا** “they struck him” (§ 192), &c. Similarly, **وَيْوَيْثَا** as well as **وَيْوَيْثَا** “matter”.

G. **o** serves in rare cases as a mark of a vowel and a consonant at one and the same time; *e. g.* in **وَيْوَيْثَا** *nēvīyā* “prophet” (in which the conclusion must have a sound differing very little indeed from that in **وَيْوَيْثَا** “come”, &c.); **وَيْوَيْثَا** *šayūthā* “form”; and in the before-mentioned **وَيْوَيْثَا** *ašqāyīm*. Similarly **وَيْوَيْثَا** for **وَيْوَيْثَا** *quryāyīm* “rustici” (to avoid the triple **o**).

H. The Greek *ω*, *ω*, &c. are sometimes treated as monosyllables, sometimes as dissyllables, for instance: **وَيْوَيْثَا** *ιδιώτης*; **وَيْوَيْثَا** *ξενία*,

(1) With the old poets these words are sometimes dissyllabic, sometimes trisyllabic. The Nestorians prefer the dissyllabic pronunciation of **وَيْوَيْثَا** at least.

(2) Accordingly they like to put a small **l** over such a **o**.

ܡܫܝܚܐ *Maschiôn*, together with ܡܫܝܚܐ; ܡܫܝܚܐ; ܡܫܝܚܐ *διαθήκη* (along with ܡܫܝܚܐ); ܡܫܝܚܐ *πραιτόριον* (and ܡܫܝܚܐ) &c.

§ 41. In Semitic inflection *ā* appears instead of a theoretical *aya*, or *awa*, e. g. *qām(a)* “stood”, like *qatal(a)* “killed”; *galāt* (Syriac *gēlāth*) “she revealed”, like *qatalat*: *ī* instead of *awī*, e. g. *qīm* “stood (part.)” for *qawīm*, &c.

o and — as representing the 2nd and 3rd radical.

But in these cases the question turns very little indeed upon actual sound-transitions. Of quite predominant importance here, are those ancient analogical modes of formation, which mount up to a time long before the separation of the several individual Semitic tongues.

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LONG AND SHORT VOWELS IN OPEN AND CLOSED SYLLABLES.

§ 42. Long vowels in open syllables remain unshortened. Syriac however has closed syllables with long vowels, even in the middle of the word, e. g. ܡܫܝܚܐ “ye stood” (2. m. pl.), ܡܫܝܚܐ “ye raised”, and later formations like ܡܫܝܚܐ (first from *bērīkhēthā*) “*benedicta*”, ܡܫܝܚܐ “sit” (part.), ܡܫܝܚܐ “I awoke him”, &c. The East-Syrians have a marked inclination to shorten long vowels in closed syllables, and accordingly they often write straight away ܡܫܝܚܐ “eternities”, for ܡܫܝܚܐ, &c., and so too in the final syllables of ܡܫܝܚܐ for ܡܫܝܚܐ, &c. On the other hand they incline to lengthen short vowels in an open syllable, if these are exceptionally retained, and thus, e. g., regularly write ܡܫܝܚܐ “she threw it (m.)” for ܡܫܝܚܐ.

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Rem.—As they have ceased to notice that the *—*, which they perhaps write in ܡܫܝܚܐ but pronounce short, is a long vowel, they set down now and then *—* for short *a*, e. g. ܡܫܝܚܐ for ܡܫܝܚܐ, ܡܫܝܚܐ “they teach” (part.).

§ 43. A. Short vowels in closed syllables remain; but in open syllables short vowels have, in Aramaic, at a very early stage passed mostly into *sh^eva mobile*. This occurrence is precisely what has given the language its characteristic stamp. Thus, for instance, ܡܫܝܚܐ *qēṭal* from *qatal* “killed”; ܡܫܝܚܐ from *dahav* (cf. ܡܫܝܚܐ) “gold”; ܡܫܝܚܐ from *mamlīkhīn*

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“are kings” (sing. **ܩܝܣܝܢܐ**), &c. Then in Syriac even the *sh^{va} mobile* has often quite disappeared, as we are able in part to establish, even for very early times, through the relations of Rukkākḥā and Quššāyā (§ 23 D): compare also the treatment of originally doubled consonants (§ 21 B).

B. A sharpened syllable does not count for an open one, even when the double-consonant is itself simplified (§ 21 A, B). Thus the short vowel remains, with resulting hardness, in **ܩܝܒܐ** (*rabbī*, West-Syrian *rabī*) “brought up”; **ܩܝܒܐ** “interest”; **ܩܝܩܩܐ** (*māḥḥem*) “heats”; **ܩܩܩܐ** (*quttālā*) “murder”; and so even **ܩܩܩܐ** “asked”; **ܩܩܩܐ** “question” (for theoretical *ša²el, šu²ālā*). Here and there the falling away of the doubling in the pronunciation is to be made up for by lengthening the vowel.

C. But still in certain cases a short vowel holds its ground even in an open syllable: thus with **ܐ** as the initial letter of a syllable (§ 34), e. g. **ܩܩܩܐ** for **ܩܩܩܐ** “angel”; in the secondary forms **ܩܩܩܐ**, **ܩܩܩܐ** for **ܩܩܩܐ**, **ܩܩܩܐ** “stands”, “sets” (§ 177 C); in many later forms like **ܩܩܩܐ**, **ܩܩܩܐ** (§ 158 D); and in the forms of the Imperative with Object-suffixes like **ܩܩܩܐ** “lead me” (§ 190), &c. So also is it in forms like **ܩܩܩܐ** “she revealed it” (§ 152), a recent formation from **ܩܩܩܐ** + **ܩܩܩܐ**. The Nestorians (always?) lengthen the *a* in such cases (§ 42).

D. Where there had been two open syllables with short vowels, one of these had of course to remain; thus **ܩܩܩܐ** from *dahavā* “gold”; **ܩܩܩܐ** from *dakharū* “a male”; **ܩܩܩܐ** from *qatalath* “she killed”, &c.

E. So too, when the prefixes **ܩ** **ܩ** **ܩ** **ܩ** come before a vowel-less consonant, their vowel remains as an *a*⁽¹⁾, thus **ܩܩܩܐ** from **ܩܩܩܐ** + **ܩܩܩܐ** “in a king”; **ܩܩܩܐ** “to a man”; **ܩܩܩܐ** “who killed”; **ܩܩܩܐ** “and took”. With the words mentioned in § 51, which may assume an **ܐ** as their commencement, the prefix **ܩ** is given as **ܩ**, and so with the other prefixes, thus **ܩܩܩܐ** “in the written bond”; **ܩܩܩܐ** “to the six”, &c.

Thus too, *a* appears in the corresponding case, when several such prefixes come together at the beginning of a word: **ܩܩܩܩܐ** “*et regis*”,

(¹) With **ܩ** and **ܩ**, *a* is the original vowel; perhaps **ܩ** has just been adapted thereto by analogy, though originally it appears to have been *bi*; and certainly analogy explains the treatment of **ܩ**, which is shortened from *dī*.

from $\text{ܡܝܚܠܐ} + ܝ + ܝ + ܝ$; ܘܕܝܚܡܝܠܐ “and to him that is involved in murder”, from $\text{ܡܝܠܐ} + ܕ + ܝ + ܕ + ܝ$; ܘܕܝܡܠܐ from $\text{ܡܠܐ} + ܝ + ܕ + ܝ + ܝ$, &c. (but of course ܘܕܝܡܠܐ , ܘܕܝܡܠܐ , &c.).

If the second consonant of such a word is an *l*, then the prefix usually takes the vowel: ܘܡܠܐ “and a hundred” *wamā* from *wam'ā* = $\text{ܡܠܐ} + ܝ$; ܘܕܠܐ “who wearied” *dati* from *dati*; ܘܘܥܠܐ “and put on thy shoes” *wasan* from *was'an*, &c. And yet, along with these are also found, through ignoring the *l*, forms like ܘܡܠܐ “and demanded” *wēsel* = *wē* + *sel* (along with ܘܡܠܐ); thus, in particular, we most frequently have ܘܘܥܠܐ , ܘܘܥܠܐ , ܘܘܥܠܐ , and other forms from ܘܘܥܠܐ “to heal”.

When two such prefixes stand before initial *l*, the *l* is generally neglected, *e.g.* ܘܘܥܠܐ “and in whom or what?”, from $\text{ܘܘܥܠܐ} + ܕ + ܝ + ܝ$; ܘܘܥܠܐ “and to thy mother”; ܘܘܥܠܐ “to him who remembered us”; ܘܘܥܠܐ “*et Deo*”, &c.—More rarely with ܘܘܥܠܐ : ܘܘܥܠܐ “to him who neglected”, from $\text{ܘܘܥܠܐ} + ܝ + ܝ + ܝ$; ܘܘܥܠܐ “he who is on the way”, &c. The same fluctuation is found with *ye*: ܘܘܥܠܐ “who or what is in hand”; ܘܘܥܠܐ , with ܘܘܥܠܐ , ܘܘܥܠܐ (East-Syrian § 40 C); ܘܘܥܠܐ , &c.

Rem. The old poets express themselves in all these cases either with or without the *a* according to the requirement of the verse.

An *u*, originating according to § 40 C, yields with such a prefix the forms ܘܘܥܠܐ , ܘܘܥܠܐ , &c., *e.g.* ܘܘܥܠܐ or ܘܘܥܠܐ “and knew”, from ܘܘܥܠܐ , ܘܘܥܠܐ (= ܘܘܥܠܐ) + *o*.

Rem. The Nestorians oddly give the vowel *a* to the prefixes before ܘܘܥܠܐ , ܘܘܥܠܐ , &c., “Judah, Jew”, thus ܘܘܥܠܐ , ܘܘܥܠܐ , &c.

SOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT VOWEL-CHANGES.

Some of the most important vowel-changes. *ā*.

§ 44. The *ā* is retained with the East-Syrians, but has become *ō* with the West-Syrians. The former also set down — for the most part to represent the Greek *α*, particularly in an open syllable,—for which the West-Syrians prefer to keep — .

Before *n* the transition from *ā* to *ō* is partly found even earlier; thus in the sporadically occurring ܘܘܥܠܐ , ܘܘܥܠܐ , ܘܘܥܠܐ , ܘܘܥܠܐ , &c., for ܘܘܥܠܐ “there”, ܘܘܥܠܐ “eight”, ܘܘܥܠܐ “spices”, ܘܘܥܠܐ “menstruans”; in

اوه = اوه “also”⁽¹⁾; still more usual are يهتلا “temptation” (from يهتلا though somewhat different in signification [“test or trial” 2 Cor. 2. 9]); يهتلا as well as يهتلا “revelation”; يهتلا “vegetables” &c. (§ 74).

- a. § 45. *a* has frequently become *e*, e. g. يهتلا “she killed”, from *qatalath* (cf. يهتلا “he killed him”); يهتلا “flesh”, from *basarā*, &c. Here and there the vocalisation fluctuates between *a* and *e*: the East-Syrians especially give preference, upon occasion, to the former; e. g. in يهتلا *alas* for يهتلا “afflicted” (§ 174 A); يهتلا for يهتلا “foundation”; يهتلا for يهتلا “cavern”; يهتلا for يهتلا “course, run”; and in several others that have a guttural for the middle letter.

A š, immediately followed by another consonant, sometimes occasions *e* instead of *a*: يعنيت instead of *aškah*, *maškah* “find” (§ 164); يعنيت “texture”, contrasted with يهتلا “course”; يهتلا “feast” (but يهتلا the same) overagainst يهتلا “chastisement”; يعنيت “bed”, يعنيت “service”, contrasted with يهتلا “covering”, يهتلا “petition” (but يهتلا “narration”)⁽²⁾: notice farther يعنيت, يعنيت, يعنيت (§ 51). Similarly *s* in يهتلا “behind”, from يهتلا + د, where according to other analogies *ba* was to be expected.

- ē. § 46. Within the word an *ē* has sometimes been produced through the quiescing of a consonantal *l*, as in يهتلا “well”; يهتلا or يهتلا “head”; يهتلا “says” (§ 53): and sometimes it has been produced in other ways, as in يهتلا “stone”, يهتلا, يهتلا, or يهتلا, “right, just” (§ 98 C). In an open syllable *ē* is, without regard for etymology, expressed freely by *l*, or even not expressed at all (and in the same way the Greek *αι* and *ε* are dealt with: thus even يهتلا *qērsā* = *καίρός*), while in a closed syllable *l* (or even *al*) is set down by preference: In later times *l* is more prevalent; e. g. the old form يهتلا, becomes later يهتلا *nefēšā* “refreshment, recovery”; and يهتلا *limēna* “harbour” takes later the form يهتلا, &c.

(1) يهتلا “Persians” is probably an intentional defacement of the other and still more usual form يهتلا: The hostile nation was denoted by a word which means “pudenda”.

(2) يهتلا “a pledge” is a borrowed word from the Assyrian, and accordingly does not belong to this class.

This \bar{e} became to a large extent \bar{i} with the West-Syrians: They said **نمار** *nīmar* “says”, **هرينو** *hērīnō* “*alius*”, **ریشو** *rīšō*, **كيفو** *kīfō*, **كيب** *kīn*, &c. Yet they keep the \bar{e} in **لاوفو** “eats”, **فأوفو** “food”, **كوفو** “arrow”, &c.; and there are found still in isolated cases **نعارو** as well as **نعارو** as well as **فأوفو** (Inf.) “to swear”, **الوفو** as well as **الوفو** “are lost” (2. m. pl.), &c. (§§ 174 A, 175 B). **ا**, **ب**—or the defective form of writing *i*,—are (even apart from etymology) in these cases almost invariably certain marks of an original \bar{e} . The style of writing of the East-Syrians separates \bar{e} with tolerable consistency from \bar{i} (1).

In the end of a word the West-Syrian transition from \bar{e} to \bar{i} , except in **ب** (= Hebr. **ב**) appears only in Greek words in η , e. g. **بيقو** or even **بيقو** *διαθήκη* for **بيقو** of the East-Syrians. Otherwise \bar{e} remains here: **كوفو** “reveals”, **كوفو** “kings”, &c.

§ 47. The short \bar{e} seems to have been \check{e} in the West, from ancient times; in the East it was pronounced sometimes as \check{e} , sometimes as \check{i} . This difference has no grammatical significance.

A short \check{e} may often be lengthened in the concluding syllable through the (original) tone: thus **كوفو** “terrifies”, **كوفو** “I killed” (in which cases the second vowel is written by the East-Syrians with \bar{e}) should perhaps be pronounced *dāhēl*, *qetlēth*: It is the same perhaps with the monosyllabic **كوفو** (كفم) “suddenly” and **كوفو** “six”, for which **كوفو** and **كوفو** are found in very old MSS. Yet this is not certain; and still less certain is it whether such a lengthening was generally practised. But beyond all doubt **كوفو** “my son” (§ 146) has a long \bar{e} .

§ 48. The \bar{o} (\bar{u}) with the West-Syrians at an early date coincided \bar{o} , \bar{u} with **و** (\bar{e} , \bar{u}). It has been retained only in the interjections **او** and **او** “oi” (for which others say **او**). Thus we have otherwise **قوتولو** for **قوتولا** *qātūlā* “murder”; **سوتولو** for **سوتولا** *sētūthā* “prayer”, &c. Moreover such an East-Syrian \bar{o} appears not seldom to be only the result of toning down an original \bar{u} , especially in the neighbourhood

(1) Now-a-days the East-Syrians pronounce \bar{e} ,—both in cases where it corresponds to the \bar{e} and in those where it corresponds to the \bar{e} of the West-Syrians,—for the most part very like \bar{i} , and yet in another way than the pointed **ب**.

of a guttural or an *r*, e. g. **تعفة** (§ 40 C), **رحفة** “small”, **سوة** “hole”, **مصفحة** “report”, **مفحة** “rock”, and many others: so too in the neighbourhood of an *n*, e. g. **أوناة** “oven”, **بفتنة** “tent”. In many cases **o** may denote an *o* originally short, but lengthened by the tone; so perhaps in **بمفحة** “kills”, **مفحة** “sanctuary” (§ 103), &c. Still, there is as little certainty about this as about the similar case in § 47.

The East-Syrians in particular distinguish also a short **o** (*o*) from a short **o** (*u*), but this distinction is of little importance. Here too a guttural or an *r* frequently seems to bring about the **o** pronunciation, e. g.: **يعفحة** “glory”, **أوناة** “manger”, &c.

It is curious that the West-Syrians have, besides the form **كول** “all”, the form *kol*, which accordingly they have to write **كول**. Is it a lengthened *kōl*? So too **كولج**, **كولج**, &c.

While even with the East-Syrians the sound *o* began pretty early to pass into *u*, the tradition varies a good deal in the case of **o** and **o**; but with respect to cases of grammatical importance there is no doubt whatever.

Greek *o* and *ω* are with the West-Syrians either retained,—and then they are written **o**^o, **o**^u, e. g. **أوناة**, **أوناة** *θρόνος*—, or they become *u*. There is a good deal of variation in the usage, e. g. **كولج** and **كولج**, **كولج**, **كولج** and **كولج** *ἡγεμών* &c.

With the East-Syrians **o** corresponds to the Greek *o* and *ω*, in so far as they keep from altering the words more decidedly.

As they cannot express an *o* without a vowel letter, they put **o** with defective-writing for the Greek *o*, *ω*, and pronounce it *ā*, e. g. **أوناة**, **أوناة** *Theodāros* for **أوناة**, **أوناة** *Θεόδωρος*.

ai and au.

§ 49. A. The diphthongs *ai* and *au* remain very steady, particularly in the beginning of a word, although in dialects the pronunciation *ē* and *ō* occurred. Commonly, however, simplification of the diphthong prevails in a closed syllable. The West-Syrians farther proceed (according to § 46) to turn the *ē* occasionally into *ī*, and the *ō* always into *ū* (§ 48): thus, along with **أوناة**, **أوناة** “house”; with **أوناة**, **أوناة** “strength”; with **أوناة**, **أوناة** “eye”; **أوناة** from *méyallain*, “they reveal”; **أوناة** from *têrain*, “two”; **أوناة**, **أوناة**, **أوناة** “end”, &c. So by analogy from **أوناة** (*in*

oculo = *coram*) even in an open syllable **حجبة** &c. *coram eo*; but only in the prepositional use; for example, otherwise, **لحيتيه** “to his eyes”.

مما “their, my death”, **جديف** “your eye”, &c. form no exception, for in these cases it was only in the last development that the syllable became a closed one. Thus also is explained perhaps the retention of the *ai* before suffixes, in forms like **مملكيم** (from *malkaikā*), **مملكين** (from *malkainā*) “thy, our kings”, and in verbal forms like **جحد** and **جحد** (from *gēlaitā*, *gēlainā*) “thou didst reveal”, “we revealed”. In **جحد** “is not”, from **لا**, the diphthong is of more recent origin. On the other hand we have simplification in **لؤلؤ**, **لؤلؤ** “cow”, from *taurēthā*, and in East-Syrian **لؤلؤ**, **لؤلؤ** *lēlyā*, *lēlyā*, West-Syrian **لؤلؤ**, usually **لؤلؤ** from *laulēyā* “night”. So too in **جحد**, **جحد** “egg” from *baīēthā*, pl. **جحد**.

B. The East-Syrians for the most part write **و** for **و**, and much more rarely **و**. So also in cases where the *w* is virtually doubled, as in **نوب** = **نوب** “pointed out”; **نوب** “thou remainest”; **نوب** = **نوب** “windows”, &c. Thus too in **نوب** = **نوب** “Lords”, and other plurals of that kind; farther in cases like **نوب** = **نوب** “give ye him to drink”; **نوب** = **نوب** “they overthrew me” (§ 192).

Sometimes on the other hand they write **ن** for **ن**, e. g. **نوب** for **نوب** “barefooted”, and always in the Imperative **نوب** = **نوب** “kill him”.

The West-Syrians also write an *au* produced by *ā* and *u* coming together,—with the vowel-sign **و**, e. g. **مملك** *malkau* “is king”, although the separate members are **مملك** + **مملك**. With them indeed **مملك** would have the sound *malkōu*.

LOSS OF VOWELS.

Loss of vowels.

§ 50. A. Final vowels coming immediately after the original tone-syllable have all fallen away. This happened to *ā* even before the settlement of the orthography, thus **ن** from *lānā* “to us”; **ن** from *á(n)tā* “thou”; **مملك** from *gētáltā* “hast killed”, &c. (but **مملك** *malkā* “king”, &c.). Other final vowels too have at quite an early date thus fallen away,

without leaving a trace. On the other hand many vowels of this kind are still set down in consonantal character, although they had ceased to be pronounced even in the oldest literary epoch represented by documents (*circa* 200 A. D.)⁽¹⁾, and are ignored in punctuation. These are:—

(1) *ū* of the plural in the Perfect and Imperative after consonants: **مُكَّلَه** *qétal* from *qétālū*; **مُكَّلِه**, **مُكَّلِه**, **مُكَّلِه**; **مُكَّلِه** “they praised”, &c. (but we have the full sound in **مُكَّلِه** *gélau*, **مُكَّلِه** *gallāu* “revealed”, &c.).

(2) *ī* of the suffix of the 1st sing. after consonants, thus: **مُكَّلِه** *malk* “my king” from *malkī*; **مُكَّلِه** “killed me”; **مُكَّلِه**, **مُكَّلِه** “revealed me”, &c. (but **مُكَّلِه** “my kings”; and also the monosyllables **مُكَّلِه** “in me”, **مُكَّلِه** “to me”, in which no falling away was possible: So too **مُكَّلِه**, **مُكَّلِه** “I wholly”, “the whole of me” [“my totality”]).

(3) *ī* of the suffix of the 3rd sing. m. **مُكَّلِه** with the noun: **مُكَّلِه** *malkau* from *malkauhī* “his kings”, and with the Verb in cases like **مُكَّلِه**, **مُكَّلِه**, **مُكَّلِه**, **مُكَّلِه**, no doubt from *gétāihī* &c.

(4) *ī* of the 2nd fem. sing. in **مُكَّلِه** *at* from *a(n)ti* “thou” (f.); **مُكَّلِه** *malkékh* from *malkékhī* (both with *é?*); **مُكَّلِه**; **مُكَّلِه**; **مُكَّلِه**; **مُكَّلِه**, &c.

(5) In the following special cases: in **مُكَّلِه** “from quiet” = “suddenly”, absolute state of **مُكَّلِه** from *šéli* (like **مُكَّلِه**); in **مُكَّلِه** “when?” from *emmāthai*; **مُكَّلِه** “yesterday” from *ethmâtē*; and the derived word **مُكَّلِه** “the day before yesterday”; lastly in the much maimed form **مُكَّلِه** (or **مُكَّلِه**) “last year”.

B. Even in very ancient MSS. the unpronounced **ب**’s are often wanting: a similar **و** is more rarely omitted. Conversely **ب**, which one was in the habit of so often writing,—apparently without cause,—was in some cases attached parasitically to words ending in a consonant; *e. g.* there occurs in old manuscripts **مُكَّلِه** for **مُكَّلِه** “God” (Construct State); **مُكَّلِه** for **مُكَّلِه** “August”; **مُكَّلِه** for **مُكَّلِه** “spirit”. Occasionally it is

⁽¹⁾ Even the hymns of Bardesanes seem to neglect them, as regards the number of syllables.

employed as a diacritic mark of the 3rd sing. fem. of the Perf. *e. g.* **ܡܗܠܝܬ** for **ܡܗܠܝܬܐ** “she killed”. Such an employment of **ܐ** in the 3rd pl. fem. Perf. has gradually come into full use with the West-Syrians; **ܩܬܝܬܐ** “they (f.) killed”, for the old **ܩܬܝܬܐ** retained by the East-Syrians (from original *qētālā*, not *qētālī*). The employment of **ܐ** in the 3rd sing. fem. Imperf.,—coming into view in rather late times,—prevails among the West-Syrians, though not quite so universally; **ܐܘܟܠܐ**, **ܐܡܫܠܐ** “she kills”, &c., in order to distinguish it from the 2nd sing. masc., **ܐܡܫܠܐ**, **ܐܡܫܠܐ** “thou killest”: the Nestorians are completely unacquainted with the **ܐ** in this usage.

NEW VOWELS AND SYLLABLES.

New vowels and syllables. Vowel prefixed. (Alaf prosthetic).

§ 51. An **ܐ** with a vowel is sometimes prefixed to an initial consonant which has not a full vowel. Thus **ܐܝܫܬܐ** in **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “six”, **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “sixty”, alongside of **ܐܝܫܬܐ**, **ܐܝܫܬܐ**; **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “a written bond” along with **ܐܝܫܬܐ**, and always **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “drank”; farther **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “already” sometimes for **ܐܝܫܬܐ**. Frequently so in Greek words with *στ, σπ*, like **ܐܝܫܬܐ** or **ܐܝܫܬܐ** *στρατεία*, **ܐܝܫܬܐ** and **ܐܝܫܬܐ** *σπειρα*, &c.

The prefix, pretty frequently met with in ancient MSS. before **ܐ**, is probably to be pronounced **ܐ**; *e. g.* **ܐܝܫܬܐ** for **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “Beloved”; **ܐܝܫܬܐ** for **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “upper garment”; **ܐܝܫܬܐ** for **ܐܝܫܬܐ** ⁽¹⁾ “firmament”; **ܐܝܫܬܐ** for **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “contented”, and many others. So too **ܐܝܫܬܐ** for **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “a meal”; **ܐܝܫܬܐ** for **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “ice”. In the frequently occurring **ܐܝܫܬܐ** the *u* of the rarer form **ܐܝܫܬܐ**, **ܐܝܫܬܐ** is brought to the front. The early adopted Persian word *rāzā* **ܐܝܫܬܐ**, more rarely **ܐܝܫܬܐ**, **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “a secret” seems to have been pronounced with a vowel-prefix, which however is ignored in the pointing.

§ 52. A. The poets sometimes insert an *e* before **ܐ** after a word ending in a consonant, *e. g.* **ܐܝܫܬܐ** **ܐܝܫܬܐ** “is to them” *ith elhōn* (with three syllables) = **ܐܝܫܬܐ**.

Auxiliary vowels.

⁽¹⁾ **ܐܝܫܬܐ** is measured as dissyllabic like **ܐܝܫܬܐ** in MOESINGER'S Monumenta Syriaca II, 86 v. 152 *et passim*, but **ܐܝܫܬܐ**, **ܐܝܫܬܐ** as trissyllabic in Jacob of Sarūg, Thamar v. 247, 251.

B. Essentially the same thing takes place frequently within the word. Especially when a consonant without a full vowel follows one that has no vowel, a short vowel is inserted often between the two to facilitate pronunciation. Thus $\text{ܡܝܫܪܐ} = \text{ܡܝܫܪܐ}$ “sunrise”; $\text{ܫܝܚܐ} = \text{ܫܝܚܐ}$ “fear”; $\text{ܐܝܚܦܝܡ} = \text{ܐܝܚܦܝܡ}$ “you permit *or* remit”; $\text{ܐܝܫܝܚܐ} = \text{ܐܝܫܝܚܐ}$ “thou fearest (f.)”; $\text{ܝܪܚܝܡ} = \text{ܝܪܚܝܡ}$ “they buy”; also $\text{ܡܝܫܘܪܐ} = \text{ܡܝܫܘܪܐ}$ “she swears”; $\text{ܐܝܚܘܩܐ} = \text{ܐܝܚܘܩܐ}$ “quaking”; and $\text{ܐܝܚܘܩܐ} (= \text{ܐܝܚܘܩܐ})$ v. *infra* C) “question”. Particularly does this occur when one of the letters is a liquid or $\text{ܕ} \text{ܠ} \text{ܘ} \text{ܘ} \text{ܘ}$; on the other hand it is never found between sibilants and dentals. A marked amount of fluctuation however prevails in individual cases in the pronunciation of the various dialects and schools. With the old poets the longer forms, as indicated by the metre, are upon the whole rare; they abound in the vocalisation of the Bible, with both East- and West-Syrians.

C. The small stroke under the letter, called *mehagyānā* “the accentuator”, serves as a sign of the fuller pronunciation particularly with the East-Syrians; the one above the letter, called *marhētānā* “the hastener”, as the sign of the shorter (§ 17). Yet often the full vowel is also written instead of the former, thus ܐܝܚܘܩܐ or $\text{ܐܝܚܘܩܐ} = \text{ܐܝܚܘܩܐ}$ “I empowered”.

The sign — stands sometimes too in cases where the vowel which is supposed to be inserted is an original vowel, *e. g.* in $\text{ܡܝܚܘܩܐ} = \text{ܡܝܚܘܩܐ}$ from *galqaltā*. Sometimes it is not easy to say whether a vowel is original or inserted. Here and there such a vowel alters the original vocalisation more strongly; thus from ܚܘܩܘܩܐ “scorpion”, has come the West-Syrian ܚܘܩܘܩܐ and then the East-Syrian ܚܘܩܘܩܐ .

The inserted vowel is mostly *e*, but often too it is *a*, especially before gutturals, and before *q* and *r*.

The relations of Rukkākḥā and Quššāyā suffer no alteration through this insertion, as several of the foregoing examples show.

INFLUENCE OF THE CONSONANTS UPON THE VOWELS.

§ 53. An ܝ originally a consonant and ending a syllable in the middle of a word becomes, in combination with a preceding *a* or *i*, an \bar{e} , which for the most part is farther developed with the West-Syrians into \bar{i} .

Thus **رَأْسًا** from **رَأَسَ** “head”; **يَقُولُ** “says”; **تَأْكُلُ** “eats”; **أَقُولُ** “I say”; **ذُئِبًا** “wolf”, from **ذَاعَ**; **جَيْدًا** “a well” (also written **جِدًا** § 46), and so forth.

On the other hand the **ا** becomes **ā** in **جِئًا** “small cattle”, through the influence of the neighbouring gutturals from **جَعْنَانًا**; **جَحْتَبًا** “battlements” from **عَجْعَتَانًا**; **تَجَلًا** “a certain thorny shrub” from **عَجَلَانًا**; and similarly **تَبًا** “bosom” from **تَعْنَانًا** for original **تَعْنَانًا**.

In the end of the word we have **بًا** from **na'**. In other cases **ا** is retained here according to the analogy of corresponding forms ending in other gutturals, *e. g.* **لُجَلًا** “unclean” (§ 100); **لُجَلًا** “polluted”; **جَبًا** “consoled” (§ 172), &c.

§ 54. **ا** **و** **ه** and **ي** as final radicals, especially when they close the syllable, transform an **ě** into an **ā**; thus, **يَنْبُ** “knows” (compared with **يُنِ** “sits”); **يُقَسِّدُ** “sacrificed”, compared with **يُقَسِّدُ**; **بَجِهَ** “arose”, for **néveh**; **يُبْدِي** “leads”, for **nedābber**; **أَوْجَعْنَا** “we made known”; **بَجِهْنَا** “you arose”; **فَجَسَدًا** “a bird”; **أَوْجَعْنَا** “you led”, &c. (§ 170).

Of the other gutturals and of **r**.

In rare cases the transformation of an **ě** into **a**, before these final consonants, has been retained from very remote times, as for instance in **يُفْتَحُ** “opens”; compare on the other hand **يُفْتَحُ** “slaughters”, &c. (§ 170). In certain cases they have the effect even of transforming a following **e** (or **o**?) into **a** (v. § 169).—On the exchange of **a** and **e** in words which have middle gutturals v. § 45.

On the shading off of an **a** into **e** through the influence of a sibilant, v. § 45; and of a **u** into **o**, effected by a guttural v. §§ 48, 49. In like manner the gutturals, as well as other consonants, particularly emphatic ones, must have brought about a special shading of the vowels in still other instances, without the writing giving much indication of such delicate turns.

3. STRONGER ALTERATIONS.

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§ 55. We find these, for instance, in the blending of Participles and Adjectives with the Subject-Pronouns: *e. g.* **أَتَمُّنَا** (from **أَتَمُّنَا**) from **قَاتِلِينَ** **a(n)tōn**; **أَتَمُّنَا** from **أَتَمُّنَا**; **أَتَمُّنَا** “*benedicta tu*”, from **أَتَمُّنَا**; **أَتَمُّنَا** from **أَتَمُّنَا** (§ 64 A), &c. Blendings with **أَتَمُّنَا** appear in still other situations, *e. g.* **أَتَمُّنَا** **أَتَمُّنَا** **أَتَمُّنَا** “*thou art gold*”;

أَنْتَ *“ubi es?”*; أَنْتَ *bar bārōyat* “thou art the son of the Creator”; أَنْتَ *dēhayyēt* “vitae es”, &c. Still in these cases the preservation of the separate portions is the more usual practice.

Amongst other instances we meet with extraordinary mutilations in the numerals of the second decade (§ 148 B); and farther in certain compounds (§ 141).

4. Tone.

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§ 56. The Nestorians now put the tone on the penult throughout, and that very distinctly. The Maronites⁽¹⁾, on the other hand, put the tone always, or almost always, on the last syllable, when it is a closed syllable, e. g. أَيْزَل *ōzél*, قَيْلَات *qetlát*, نَيْزَقَيْف *nezdqéf*, يَوْمَيْن *yaumēn*, جَيْسِي *Ješī*, and so also in endings with a diphthong, e. g. إِتَاو *etáu*, تَلْمِيذَاو *talmīdāu*, شَبْقُونَا *šabqūnā*, عِبْنَانَا *ebnēnā*. On the other hand they always, or nearly always, put the tone on the penult, when the word ends in a simple vowel: إِتَو *ētō*, نَيْتَا *nītā*, شَبْبَا *šōbā*, نَيْهْوَا *nēhwā*, أَمَو *āmō*, مَيْلَا *mēlā*, سَوْفَرَا *sófrā*, هَوْنَا *hōnā* &c. Occasionally a secondary tone also becomes perceptible. At an earlier time the final syllable invariably had the principal accent.

(1) I am indebted to my friend GUIDI, following the communications made by P. CARDAHI, for the data on the accentuation of the Maronites.

PART SECOND.

MORPHOLOGY.

§ 57. The large majority of all Semitic words, as is well known, are derived from roots which for the most part have three, but occasionally even four or more 'Radicals'. If the *three* radicals are firm consonants, the roots are then called *Strong*: but if one of the radicals is \circ or — (frequently appearing as a vowel), or if the due weight of the word is attained by the doubling of one of two firm radicals, then the roots are called *Weak*. On practical grounds we retain this method of treating roots, without insisting farther on the point that even with strong roots a radical is often demonstrably of quite recent origin, while on the other hand there is much variety in the origin of weak forms of the root, and while in many cases at least, the assumption of an original *Waw* or *Yod* as a radical, or that of a third radical with the same sound as the second, is a pure fiction. Thus we speak of roots *primae* \circ or — (פ, פ) [Pe Waw, Pe Yod] meaning those whose first radical is taken as *W* or *Y*; so of roots *mediae* \circ or — (ע, ע) [Ayin Waw, Ayin Yod], and *tertia* — and *mediae geminatae* (עע) [Lamed Yod, and Ayin doubled]. In addition we have frequently to deal specially with words of which ז is a radical; for this sound (cf. § 33 *sqq.*) undergoes many modifications. In like manner we have to treat of words which have *n* as the first letter of the root. The forms too, which have a guttural or an *r* as second or third radical, are, by reason of certain properties, brought occasionally into special notice.

Variation
of weak
roots

§ 58. *Weak roots* vary a good deal in their weak letters. Thus **החם, הום, חמי, יהם** (to which is added another secondary form **חמת**) are essentially modifications only of the same fundamental root, which means “hot”. In particular, roots **עו** and **עע** are very closely related. Thus also in Syriac they very readily change into one another: the substantive belonging to **פוד** “to err” (Perf. **פֹּד**, Impf. **יִפְּד**) is **פֹּדָא**, as if from **פוד**; and along with the frequently occurring **הון** “to pity” **הון** is found (Perf. **הֹן**, Impf. **יִהֹן**), and with **כּוּף** “to bend”, **כּוּפָא**, &c.

Roots *med.*
gem.

§ 59. Forms *med. gem.* in Syriac attain like weight with that of the strong forms, by doubling not the second radical, but the first, when it is possible, *i. e.* when a prefix ending in a vowel precedes it. Thus from **גז** “to shear” **אַגְגֵז** (*aggez*) (answering to **אַמְגֵז**); **אַגְגֵז** (*eggoz*) (= **אַמְגֵז**); **אַגְגֵז** (*negzūn*, properly *neggēzūn*) (= **אַמְגֵז**); **אַתְבֵּג** “you (fem. pl.) love” (= **אַתְבֵּג** from **חבב**); **אַסְסַל** “boiler” (from **חם** “to warm”); **אַחְדַּל**, **אַחְדַּל**, **אַחְדַּל** “entrance”, &c.

Yet in some nouns we find the general Semitic method,—*i. e.* the method of either directly or virtually doubling the third radical, even with the prefixes mentioned: thus **אַחְדַּל** “needle” (not **אַחְדַּל**); **אַחְדַּל** or **אַחְדַּל** (East-Syrian) “shield”; **אַחְדַּל** “a booth” (*mētalthā*, properly *mētallēthā*), pl. **אַחְדַּל** (*mētallē*); **אַחְדַּל** “sieve”; **אַחְדַּל** “a cave”; and **אַחְדַּל**, **אַחְדַּל**, &c., mostly used adverbially, “completion” (**חמם**), “continually”.

Two *l*'s stand beside each other like two different consonants⁽¹⁾ in **אַחְדַּל** “speech”; **אַחְדַּל** “cover, shelter” (§ 46); and the quadrilateral form **אַחְדַּל** “face”. In these formations, however, the *l* is again dropped in the usual pronunciation (§ 29), so that in point of fact the regular form makes its appearance. Add the peculiar form **אַחְדַּל**, **אַחְדַּל** &c. “to lament”⁽²⁾. The following appear to be later formations: **אַחְדַּל** “mockery”, from **אַחְדַּל** (**הלל**); and from **אַחְדַּל**, **אַחְדַּל** “a prayer”. Thus, farther, regularly in the Ethpeel **אַחְדַּל** “was shorn” (as compared with **אַחְדַּל** “shore”).

(1) **אַחְדַּל**, formed in this way Judges 3, 22 “a part of the abdomen” is pronounced *marqā*, but others read **אַחְדַּל**.

(2) **אַחְדַּל** “to finish” is a word borrowed from the Assyrian.

In Syriac too the second and third radicals, when identical, are always kept in separate existence, if a long vowel comes between them, in the course of the formation, *e. g.* سَنِل “pardoned”; مَنِل “favour”, &c., as well as when the first of the two is itself doubled, *e. g.* اِثَّهَنَّان *ethhannan* “begged for pardon”.

§ 60. With roots of four radicals we also rank such as are demonstrably formed originally from roots of three radicals with well-known suffixes or prefixes, but which are treated in the language quite like quadrilateral forms, *e. g.* حَجَّج “to enslave”, properly a causative form from حَجَّج; يَجِّب “to estrange”, “to alienate”, from يَجِّب “strange”, from نَجَّج, &c. Quadrilateral roots.

§ 61. Nouns, properly so called (Substantives and Adjectives), and verbs, have in all respects such a form that they are subject to the scheme of derivation from roots composed of three or more radicals, although sufficient traces survive to show that this condition was not, throughout and everywhere, the original one. The only marked divergences in formation, however, are found on the one hand with the Pronouns (which originate partly in the welding together of very short fragments of words), and on the other hand with many old Particles. To these two classes, the Pronouns and Particles,—we must therefore assign a separate place, although both in conception and usage they belong to the Noun. The same treatment must be extended to the Numerals, which, to be sure, stand in form much nearer to the usual tri-radical formations. Nouns and verbs.

§ 62. Overagainst all true words, or words that express some conception, stand the *expressions of feeling*—or the *Interjections*, which originally are not true words at all, but gradually enter,—at least in part,—into purely grammatical associations, and even serve to form notional words. Thus وُ “woe!” is a mere exclamation of pain, and ف “fye!” one of detestation; but وُ حَجَّج “woe to the man!” or ف حَجَّج “fye upon the man!” is already a grammatical association of words, and وُ “the woe” is a regular noun. ⁽¹⁾ Interjections

(1) This subject might be treated at great length.

Such Interjections are **اِ** (§ 9), **اِو!** “O!” **اِو**, **اِو** “O!”; **اِو!** “Ah!”; **اِو!** “Ho! Ho!” (in mockery), &c. Also the demonstrative form **اِو** “Here!” “Lo!”, which is greatly employed in the formation of Pronouns and Adverbs, is to be regarded as originally an interjection.

I. NOUNS.

1. PRONOUNS. (1)

PERSONAL PRONOUNS.

§ 63. (a) *Subject-Forms.*

Nouns.

Pronouns.

Personal
Pronouns.
Subject-
Forms.

		<i>Separate Forms.</i>	<i>Enclitic Forms.</i>
Singular.	1. pers. “I”	اِنَا (اِنَا)	اِنَا (اِنَا), اِنَا
	2. pers. “Thou” {	m. اِنَا	اِنَا
	f. اِنَا	اِنَا	
3. pers. {	m. “He”	اِنَا	اِنَا , اِنَا (§ 38)
	f. “She”	اِنَا	اِنَا
Plural	1. pers. “We”	اِنَا , اِنَا	اِنَا
	2. pers. “You” {	m. اِنَا	اِنَا
	f. اِنَا	اِنَا	اِنَا
3. pers. {	m. “They”	اِنَا	اِنَا
	f. اِنَا	اِنَا	اِنَا

On **اِنَا** “he is”, **اِنَا** “she is” v. § 38.

Rem. The form **اِنَا**,—(originally *anahnán*, but in our literature certainly no longer of three syllables, indeed seldom having two as *ánahnán*, and commonly being monosyllabic in speech, and merely a remnant of early orthography for **اِنَا**, **اِنَا**),—is found only in old manuscripts.

اِنَا, **اِنَا**, besides representing enclitic Subject-forms or Copula-forms (§ 311 sq.), represent also for the 3rd pers. pl. the Object, which is ex-

(1) Notice the points (§ 6), which with many of these words are set down almost without exception, even with the full vocalisation.

pressed by Suffixes for the other persons (§ 66). They also appear, though rarely, in other connections (§ 220 B).

§ 64. *Enclitic forms* of the 1st and 2nd pers. often coalesce with participles and,—though more rarely,—with adjectives; in such cases marked transformations occasionally occur. In particular in the plural, the first portion [*i. e.* the participle] loses its final *n*, while the second [the pronoun] loses its *h* or *a(n)*. In the 2nd pers. singular, the first portion always loses a short vowel before the final consonant. Thus with **مُكَلِّمًا**

Enclitic forms with participles and adjectives.

“killing” (f. **مُكَلِّمًا** &c.); **كَلِّمًا** “revealing”; **عَقِيْبًا** “beautiful”; **وَجَلًا** “clean”:—Sing. 1. m. **أَنَا مُكَلِّمًا** or **مُكَلِّمًا أَنَا** “I kill”; **أَنَا كَلِّمًا**, **كَلِّمًا أَنَا** “I reveal”;

أَنَا عَقِيْبًا “I am beautiful”; **وَجَلًا أَنَا** “I am clean”.

1. f. **أَنْتِ مُكَلِّمًا**; **مُكَلِّمًا أَنْتِ**; **عَقِيْبًا أَنْتِ**.

2. m. **وَجَلًا**; **عَقِيْبًا**; **كَلِّمًا**; **مُكَلِّمًا**; or without coalescing: **مُكَلِّمًا**; **وَجَلًا أَنْتَ**; **عَقِيْبًا أَنْتَ**;

2. f. **مُكَلِّمًا** or separately **مُكَلِّمًا**; **عَقِيْبًا أَنْتِ**; **وَجَلًا أَنْتِ**; **مُكَلِّمًا أَنْتِ**.

Plural 1. m. **مُكَلِّمِينَ**; **عَقِيْبِيْنَ**; **وَجَلِيْنَ**; or written separately, though pronounced in exactly the same way: **مُكَلِّمِيْنَ**

(**مُكَلِّمِيْنَ أَسْمَ**); **عَقِيْبِيْنَ**; **وَجَلِيْنَ**;

1. f. **قَتْلُكُمْ سَيِّئٌ** (say *qāt-lānan*, &c.).⁽¹⁾

2. m. **مُكَلِّمِيْنَ**; **عَقِيْبِيْنَ**; **وَجَلِيْنَ**; or written separately, though spoken in the same way:—**مُكَلِّمِيْنَ**;

عَقِيْبِيْنَ; **وَجَلِيْنَ**.

2. f. **قَتْلُكُمْ سَيِّئٌ**; **عَقِيْبِيْنَ**⁽²⁾ or written separately, **مُكَلِّمِيْنَ**; **عَقِيْبِيْنَ**;

B. *Rem.* In more ancient times *en* or *n* appears also with the poets⁽³⁾ as an enclitic form of the 1st sing., and in fact this is often

(1) For the feminine form the masculine form **مُكَلِّمِيْنَ**, &c. sometimes appears.

(2) When the participle or adjective ends in **لِيْنَ**, the 2nd fem. pl. form of the enclitic, and the participle are written separately.

(3) In homely prose I find such a form in the Rules for Monks of M^t Izlā, of the year 571 (*Rendic. della Accad. dei Lincei* 1898, 43, 10); **حَدِّم** *i. e.* **حَدِّمِيْنَ** “I beseech”. Ebedjesu substitutes for it the usual **حَدِّمْنَا**.

written **ب**, through confusion between it and the object-suffix: *Masc.* after **ل**: **أدعُ** = **أدعُ** "I call"; **أعترف** "I acknowledge", **أشير** "I point out", &c. (1): *Fem.* **أجيب** = **أجيب** "I pass over"; **أقول** "I say"; **أصعق** "I am alarmed", **أصعب** "I wish", **أصير** "I am forsaken".

§ 65. (b) *Suffixed personal pronouns.*

Possessive
suffixes.

Possessive suffixes.

Singular.	1. pers.	(§ 50 A) "my"			
		and after vowels			
	2. pers.	m.	أنا	أنا	"thy"
		f.	أنت	أنت	"thy"
	3. pers.	m.	هو	هو	"his"
		f.	هي	هي	"her"
Plural.	1. pers.	نحن			"our"
	2. pers.	m.	أنت	أنت	"your"
		f.	أنتن	أنتن	"your"
	3. pers.	m.	هم	هم	"their"
		f.	هن	هن	"their"

§ 66.

Object
suffixes.

Object suffixes.

Singular.	1. pers.	and after vowels			أنا	"me"
		" " " "			أنا	"thee"
	2. pers.	m.	أنت	أنت	أنت	"thee"
		f.	أنت	أنت	أنت	"thee"
	3. pers.	m.	هو	هو	هو، هو، and هو	(§ 50 A) "him"
		f.	هي	هي	هي	"her"
Plural.	1. pers.	نحن			نحن	"us"
	2. pers.	m.	أنت	أنت	أنت	"you"
		f.	أنتن	أنتن	أنتن	"you"
	3. pers.	m.	The enclitics أنا، أنت، هي serve instead of suffixes for the			
		f.	3 rd pers. pl. (§ 63).			

For the method of attachment of the Possessive Suffixes v. §§ 69, 145, 149, 157, 199; and for that of the Object- or Verbal-suffixes v. § 184 *sqq.*

(1) Masculine forms from strong roots are very rare.

DEMONSTRATIVE PRONOUNS.

§ 67. (a) *For what is nearer*; “this”: masc. **هَذَا**, **هَئِذَا**—fem. **هَذِهِ**: Demonstrative Pronouns
Plural **هَؤُلَاءِ** (m. and f.).

Rem. A rarer secondary form from **هَئِذَا** is **هَذَا**.

We get **هَؤُلَاءِ** with **هَؤُ** (§ 38). For **هَئِذَا** comes a **هَئِ** before **هَؤُ**, thus **هَؤُ هَئِذَا** *hādāi (hōdōi)*.

(b) *For what is more distant*; “that”: masc. **هَؤُذَئِكَ**; fem. **هَؤُذِئِكَ**; Plural masc. **هَؤُولَئِكَ**, fem. **هَؤُولِئِكَ**.

Rem. 1. **هَؤُولَئِكَ**, **هَؤُولِئِكَ** “*illi, illae*” must not be too closely associated with **هَئِذَا** “*hic*”, merely because of a casual similarity of sound. The forms for “this” are compounded out of *den, dēnā, dē, illēn* with *hā* (§ 62); those for “that”, out of the personal pronouns *hū, hī, hennōn, hennēn* with *hā*.

Rem. 2. Only in very old writings there appear in isolated instances the farther forms **هَؤُولَئِكَ** “*illi*”, **هَؤُولِئِكَ** “*illae*”, and **هَؤُولِئِكَ** “*illi*” (a fem. form corresponding to the last is not known); the three forms given may be pronounced something like *hālōkh, hālēkh; hānōkh*. Very rarely indeed there appears also **هَؤُ** = ***هَؤُولِئِكَ** “*hi, hae*”.

INTERROGATIVE PRONOUNS.

§ 68. **مَنْ** “who?”. **مَنْ**, **مَنْ**, **مَنْ**, **مَنْ** “what?”.

With **هَؤُ**, **هَؤُ**: **مَنْ**, and fem. **مَنْ** **هَؤُ** “who?, who is?”. **مَنْ** “what is?”. Rarely **مَنْ** for **مَنْ** (§ 44).

مَنْ “which?” or “what?” *m.*; **مَنْ** “which?” *f.*; Pl. **مَنْ** “which?”.

Rem. 1. **مَنْ**, **مَنْ**, **مَنْ**, **مَنْ** have sprung from *mā + den, dēnā*; **مَنْ**, **مَنْ**, **مَنْ** from the interrogative *ai* with *dēnā, dā, illēn*.

Rem. 2. **مَنْ**, &c. is often improperly held as a demonstrative, because, like other interrogatives, it stands as correlative to the relative (§ 236).

THE RELATIVE PRONOUN.

§ 69. The relative pronoun is **مَنْ**, **مَنْ** (§ 43 E), which has a very wide range of use. The older form *dā* still shows itself in the *Separate possessive pronoun*, formed through its composition with the preposition **مَنْ** The relative pronoun.

and the possessive suffixes (§ 65); **ܘܢܝ** “my”; **ܘܢܝܟܝܘܢ** “thy” *m.*; **ܘܢܝܟܝܘܢܝܗܘܢ** “thy” *f.*; **ܘܟܘܢܝܗܘܢ** “his”; **ܘܟܘܢܝܗܘܢ** “her”—**ܘܟܘܢܝܗܘܢ** “our”; **ܘܟܘܢܝܗܘܢ** “your” *m.*; **ܘܟܘܢܝܗܘܢ** “your” *f.*; **ܘܟܘܢܝܗܘܢ** “their” *m.*, **ܘܟܘܢܝܗܘܢ** “their” *f.*

2. Nouns in the stricter sense.

(Substantives and adjectives.)

A. Gender, Number, State.

General statement: Paradigm of the simplest forms.

2. NOUNS IN THE STRICTER SENSE.

(SUBSTANTIVES AND ADJECTIVES.)

A. GENDER, NUMBER, STATE.

§ 70. Every Syriac substantive or adjective has a gender, a number, and a state. The indications of all three conditions are very closely associated together, and almost interpenetrate one another. We shall therefore deal here with the three, at one and the same time.

Syriac has two *genders*, Masculine and Feminine, two *numbers*, Singular and Plural⁽¹⁾, and three *states*, Absolute, Construct, and Emphatic. The *Emphatic State* is formed by appending an *ā* (originally *hā*?) which possessed the significance of the Article (the Determination), but this meaning has for the most part been lost. The *Construct State* is the form of the noun immediately before a Genitive. A noun, which has neither of the States named, stands in the *Absolute State*. The Emphatic state is of by far the most frequent occurrence in Syriac substantives. Many are no longer met with in either of the other two states, or only in quite isolated cases: accordingly substantives at least are presented here throughout, in the Emphatic state, as being the form lying next to hand, even if not the most original. The other two states have no special ending for the singular of Masculines, nor for that of Feminines without the feminine sign. The termination of the Emphatic state (*ā*) combines with the masculine plural-ending to form *aiyā*, which again is generally farther blended into *ē*. The usual feminine ending in the Singular, was *at*, which has maintained itself as *ath* in the Construct state, but has become *ā* in the Absolute state. The plural-ending for Masculines in the Absolute state

(¹) Various traces of the Dual are still met with, but this Number has no longer a life of its own.

is *ān*, and in the Construct state, *ai*: the corresponding endings for Feminines are *ān*, *āth*.

We give at this point, as an example of the most usual formations, the Adjective **كَب** “wicked”.

	Singular.			Plural.		
	St. abs.	St. constr.	St. emph.	St. abs.	St. constr.	St. emph.
m.	كَب	كَب	كَبَل	كَبَع	كَبَع	كَبَعَل
f.	كَبَل	كَبَع	كَبَعَل	كَبَع	كَبَع	كَبَعَل

Rem. Notice that the absolute state of the feminine singular and the emphatic state of the masculine singular for the most part sound alike.

On **اِي** and **اِي** v. § 23 E.

§ 71. Certain words insert a *y* (or *i*, v. § 40 C) before the feminine ending:—

Insertion of **ي** before the feminine ending.

(1) First, those words (in all their forms) which terminate in the suffix *ān*, *ōn*, (*ūn*): e.g. from **مُجَلِّج** “murdering”, the feminine sing. abs. state is **مُجَلِّجَان**, the constr. state **مُجَلِّجَات**, the emphatic state **مُجَلِّجَاتِ**; the feminine plural abs. state **مُجَلِّجَات**, the constr. state **مُجَلِّجَات**, the emph. state **مُجَلِّجَاتِ**. So from **رِجْلُ رِجْلَانِ** *regulus*, we have the feminine **رِجْلَانِي**, &c. This analogy is followed in such old borrowed words as **ΠΡΩΧΗ** *πτωχή*, pl. **ΠΡΩΧΑΝΙ**, **ΠΡΩΧΑΝΙ** (but emphatic state fem. **ΠΡΩΧΑΝΙ**).—*Exceptions*, **أَسْنَانِي** fem. from **أَسْنَان** “related”, and **إِنْسَانِي** fem. from **إِنْسَان** *secundus*.

(2) Next, the adjective **رَجْوَة** “little” in all its forms (fem.), except in the emphatic state sing.: **رَجْوَات**, **رَجْوَات** (but **رَجْوَاتِ**);—**رَجْوَاتِي**, **رَجْوَاتِي** (?), **رَجْوَاتِي**.

(3) Probably it is the same with Nomina agentis of the form **جَدْف**. For the singular we have **فُجْدَانِي** “rebellious”, and the analogously-treated, although Greek, word **إِسْوَرْتِي** *ασώρτη*; for the plural of the absolute state, only **إِسْوَرْتَانِي**. The abs. and construct states of these Nom. ag. almost never appear. In other cases [emph. st. pl.] there occur **مُهْرَسَانِي** “destroying”; **أَحْوَاتِي** “transitory things”; **مُجَلِّجَاتِي** “murderous”, &c. Forms like **مُتَلِّجَاتِي** “mortal” &c., without *y*, are of less frequent occurrence.

(4) So too, in the plural of feminine forms of Diminutives in **وَه** (**أَهْوَاتِي** “yard [court]”, pl. **أَهْوَاتَانِي**) — is inserted, as also in the case of a number of other substantives, which before the feminine ending have

a consonant preceded by a long vowel, a doubled consonant, or two consonants. Thus **جِباةٌ** “bundle”, pl. **جِباةٌ**; **مِياةٌ** “tunic”, pl. **مِياةٌ**; **مِياةٌ**; **مِياةٌ**; **مِياةٌ** (مِياةٌ) “place”; pl. **مِياةٌ**; **مِياةٌ**; **مِياةٌ** “tail”; pl. **مِياةٌ**, and many others. This formation is of more frequent occurrence in later times. Some have secondary forms, e. g. **مِياةٌ** “knife”; pl. **مِياةٌ** and **مِياةٌ** (as well as **مِياةٌ**).

Pl. emph.
st. in *aiyā*.

§ 72. The plural-ending in the emphatic state was properly *aiyā* (from *ai + ā*): this ending **اِيَا** is still shown in the short words **بِنا** “sons”; **بِنا** “years”; **بِنا** “kinds”; **بِنا** “breasts”; **بِنا** (= **بِنا** § 40 C) as well as **بِنا** “hands”; **بِنا** “curtain” (= **بِنا** “face”). For all these words v. § 146.

Aiyā appears farther in the plural emphatic state,—through blending the final vowel of the root,—in adjectives and participles in *ē* and *ai* (*yā* in Emph. st. sing.), with the emphatic ending: **مِيا** “hard” (Emph. st. **مِيا**), **مِيا**; **مِيا** (st. abs. **مِيا**) “fool”, **مِيا**; **مِيا** “lamed”, **مِيا**, &c.

So with the substantives **بِنا** “kid”, **بِنا**; **بِنا** “a talent (weight)”, **بِنا**; **بِنا**; **بِنا** “reed”, **بِنا**; **بِنا**; **بِنا** “bowels”, **بِنا**; and so with the *Plur. tantum* **بِنا** “water” (and **بِنا**, **بِنا** “heaven” § 146); farther **بِنا** “young (of animal)”, **بِنا** (later formation **بِنا** § 79 A); **بِنا** “image”, **بِنا**; **بِنا** “price” (later formation **بِنا** “images”).—But not with the abstract nouns—**بِنا** “a rent”, **بِنا** (as against **بِنا** “one who is torn”, **بِنا**); **بِنا** “cold”, **بِنا**.

Abs. and
constr.
states (cor-
respond-
ing).

§ 73. In the absolute state of the plural, such substantives have *ān*, so far as they appear in it at all: **بِنا**; **بِنا**; **بِنا**; **بِنا**; **بِنا**. Thus too the pronunciation of the very rare word **بِنا** must be *šēmān* and not *šēmēn*. But the Adjectives have *ēn*: **بِنا**; **بِنا**; **بِنا** (from **بِنا** and from **بِنا**) &c.

In the construct state of the plural, such Substantives have *ai*: **بِنا**; **بِنا**; **بِنا**; **بِنا**; but the Adjectives, *yai*: **بِنا**; **بِنا** “herdsmen”; **بِنا** “criers”; **بِنا** “pointing out”, &c. (cf. with this section § 145 K *infra*).

Plur. from
enlarged
forms in *ān*.

§ 74. The following Masculines form their plural from enlarged forms in *ān*. They are to some extent words of closely related meaning:—

فِطْر "fruit"; فِطْر (أَحْمَل) § 21 D), seldom فِطْر. (1)

فِطْر φάρμακον; فِطْر (مَقْتَل) § 21 D).

فِطْر "fragrance"; فِطْر (also فِطْر § 44) and فِطْر.

فِطْر "scent"; فِطْر.

فِطْر "frankincense"; فِطْر and فِطْر. (2)

فِطْر "salve"; فِطْر.

فِطْر "wine"; فِطْر (also فِطْر § 44). (3)

فِطْر "colour"; فِطْر, usually فِطْر.

فِطْر "dyed stuff"; فِطْر and فِطْر.

فِطْر "wool"; فِطْر "woollen stuffs".

فِطْر "flesh"; فِطْر, together with فِطْر. (4)

فِطْر "race" (γένος); فِطْر, also with فِطْر.

فِطْر "foliage"; فِطْر.

فِطْر "ruler"; فِطْر and فِطْر. From that form (فِطْر)

the singular فِطْر has been derived anew.

فِطْر "priest"; فِطْر, usually فِطْر.

فِطْر "teacher"; فِطْر (very rarely indeed a sing. from it occurs فِطْر);

فِطْر "magnates" (v. § 146). (5)

§ 75. *Feminine substantives in فِطْر* have فِ in the absolute state Fem. in
fihā. of the singular (§ 26 C). Thus فِطْر "garment", فِطْر; فِطْر "journey", فِطْر; فِطْر "beam", فِطْر; فِطْر "usury", فِطْر. In the construct state فِطْر: فِطْر "narration", فِطْر. But in adjectives, e. g. فِطْر

(1) The East-Syrians say *abbā* (§ 45) &c., with *a*. The abs. state is فِطْر: So far as such state appears in the case of the others, it is dealt with in a corresponding way.

(2) Singular فِطْر is "tar".

(3) Thus the *Plurale tantum* فِطْر "spices" clearly belongs to a sing. فِطْر; and so فِطْر "herbs", and فِطْر "seeds, plants" must be plurals of فِطْر and فِطْر (also a pl. فِطْر). The singular of فِطْر "a certain wedding dainty" is probably فِطْر.

(4) فِطْر "fleshy layers", "membranes" is not however a plural from فِطْر, since it is feminine. The singular would probably be فِطْر.

(5) Some few are uncertain. Perhaps several others of those named have simple plurals.

“*pura*”, the absolute state is **مَلِكٌ**, the construct, **مَلِكِي**. In the plural all have the consonantal *y*: **مَلِكِي**, **مَلِكِي**, &c.

Fem.in *ūthā*.

§ 76. A. Words in **مَلِكَةٌ** (purely feminine abstract nouns) have **مَلِكَةٌ** in the absolute state of the singular (§ 26 C), and **مَلِكَةٌ** in the construct state, while in the plural they have for states abs., constr., emph. — **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**. Thus for instance, **مَلِكَةٌ** “kingdom”, **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**; and in plural **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**.—**مَلِكَةٌ** “a request”, **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**; plural, **مَلِكَةٌ**, &c.—**مَلِكَةٌ** “chastisement”; **مَلِكَةٌ**, &c.

From **مَلِكَةٌ** “healing”, there is formed (from an old ground-form **مَلِكَةٌ**) **مَلِكَةٌ** or (§ 40 C) **مَلِكَةٌ**. Even from **مَلِكَةٌ** “half”, **مَلِكَةٌ** “testimony”, **مَلِكَةٌ** “inheritance”, the plural is **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**; still there is also found, conformably to the original formation, **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**.

From **مَلِكَةٌ** “manliness” comes the plural **مَلِكَةٌ** “wonders”.

B. Notice specially besides: **مَلِكَةٌ** “image” (**مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**); pl. **مَلِكَةٌ** (**مَلِكَةٌ**). **مَلِكَةٌ** “thing” (**مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**); pl. **مَلِكَةٌ** (**مَلِكَةٌ**). **مَلِكَةٌ** “animal” and **مَلِكَةٌ** “joy” (for and with **مَلِكَةٌ**⁽¹⁾, **مَلِكَةٌ** § 40 D) form regularly **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**; Plural being, of course, **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**.

Fem.in *ōthā*.

§ 77. *Feminines in ōthā*⁽²⁾: **مَلِكَةٌ** “prayer”, constr. state, **مَلِكَةٌ**,—pl. **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**. So **مَلِكَةٌ** “thigh”, **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**; **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ** “sawdust”. On the other hand **مَلِكَةٌ** “stroke”, abs. st. **مَلِكَةٌ**: in plural **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ** (without *a* before *o*).

Fem.in *āthā*.

§ 78. *Feminine forms in āthā*⁽³⁾ (in the singular occurring nearly always in the emphatic state) have in the plural *awāthā*: **مَلِكَةٌ** “thumb”, **مَلِكَةٌ**; **مَلِكَةٌ** “portion”, **مَلِكَةٌ**, **مَلِكَةٌ**, &c. Similarly **مَلِكَةٌ** (for **مَلِكَةٌ**) from **مَلِكَةٌ** “a hundred”. Some of these words in *āthā* form the plural

(¹) But of course the Abstract Noun **مَلِكَةٌ** = **מליכות** “liveliness”, which is formed by **מל** “living”, combined with the suffix *ūth* (§ 138),—although in outward appearance it coincides with **מליכות** = **מליכות** “animal”—has **מל** in the Abs. st. and **מל** in the Constr. st.

(²) The Singular-forms not adduced (st. abs. or constr.) I cannot vouch for. The corresponding Plural-forms (in *ān* and *āth*) are easily supplied.

(³) **מליכות**, pl. **מליכות**, properly an Abstract noun, is masculine, when it means “associate”.

as if the **ل** belonged to the stem and they were masculine: thus **حَدِّدٌ** “seeking for”, **حَدِّدٌ**; **أُتْرَجٌ** “dirt” (for **سُتْرَجٌ** § 33 A), **أُتْرَجٌ**.

يَمْعُضٌ “oath” (Abs. st. **يَمْعُضٌ**, constr. st. **يَمْعُضٌ**) remains unaltered in the plural, **يَمْعُضَاتٌ**; or from a secondary form **يَمْعُضَاتٌ**, it forms **يَمْعُضَاتٌ**.

أُتْرَجٌ “sister”,—plural, **أُتْرَجَاتٌ** v. § 146.

§ 79. A. A number of masculine substantives in **ل** form their plural **Pl. in wāthā** in **أُتْرَجَاتٌ**, instead of following § 72. (1)

Thus in particular:

أُتْرَجٌ “manger”, **أُتْرَجَاتٌ** (2) (§ 34); **أُتْرَجٌ** “lion”, **أُتْرَجَاتٌ** (§ 146); **كَمْعَلٌ** “pipe”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** “breast”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** (and **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**); **كَمْعَلٌ** “serpent”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** “crane”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** “throne”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** “heap”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** (for **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** § 49 A) “night”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** “bowels”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**, generally **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** (§ 72); **كَمْعَلٌ** “rent”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** (as well as **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**); **كَمْعَلٌ** “extracting-fork”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** “horse”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** (3); the compound **كَمْعَلٌ** “pillow” (§ 141), with the irregular plural, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** (4); and the substantive participles: **كَمْعَلٌ** “shepherd”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** “physician”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** “Lord”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** (§ 146); **كَمْعَلٌ** “cup-bearer”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**.

So also the feminine **كَمْعَلٌ** “sheep”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; and **كَمْعَلٌ** “mill”, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** with **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**.

Farther **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** from **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** “a mule”, for which others give **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** (not so well authenticated). (5)

Besides, it is common with Greek words,—particularly feminines: **كَمْعَلٌ** **μῶδιος**, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** **πλατεῖα**, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** **γωνία**, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**, and many others. Also with other terminations: **كَمْعَلٌ** **κῶλον**, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** **στάδιον**, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**; **كَمْعَلٌ** **μηχανή**, **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**, and many others.

(1) I adduce those only which are well attested.

(2) So the later formation **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** for **كَمْعَلَاتٌ** (§ 72), where the short **u** is treated as long.

(3) A late formation is **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**.

(4) This form appears to be the only correct one.

(5) Later formation,—**كَمْعَلَاتٌ**. Along with it there is found (from the rare **كَمْعَلٌ**) the fem. **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**, plural **كَمْعَلَاتٌ**.

The vocalisation is not always certain in these cases: occasionally secondary forms are found besides, as from **مَدِينَة**, **مَدِينَات** (§ 72).

The peculiar **إِنْدَان** “pot-stand, hearth”, properly a plural-form, forms a new plural, **إِنْدَانَات**: a secondary form is **إِنْدَانِ**.

B. In addition the following words, not ending in *yā*, form plurals in **أَلْسَان**:—

(1) Masculines, taking ^r before the **ا**: **مَكَانَات** “place, **قُوَّةَات**;⁽¹⁾ **قُوَّةَات** “strength”, **سِنَانَات** (and **سِنَانَات**); **جَنَانَات** “heart”, **جَنَانَات** (and **جَنَانَات**); **رِيَانَات** “river”, **رِيَانَات**; **نِيَانَات** “midday”, **نِيَانَات**. In the later speech there are a few additional examples.

(2) Feminines, not taking ^r before the **ا**: **أَهْلَانَات** “folk”, **أَهْلَانَات**; **أَهْلَانَات** “wall”, **أَهْلَانَات** (usually **أَهْلَانَات** § 80); **أَهْلَانَات** “sign”, **أَهْلَانَات**; **أَهْلَانَات** “village”, **أَهْلَانَات**; **أَهْلَانَات** “fever”, **أَهْلَانَات** (§ 114); **أَهْلَانَات** “fire”, **أَهْلَانَات** (also **أَهْلَانَات**); **أَهْلَانَات** “lip”, **أَهْلَانَات** (§ 146).⁽²⁾

Feminine-
ending
treated as
a radical.

§ 80. In §§ 78 and 79 B we have already had several feminines which treat their **ا** in the plural as if it belonged to the stem. So, farther, **أَهْلَانَات**, **أَهْلَانَات** “twig”, **أَهْلَانَات**, **أَهْلَانَات**; **أَهْلَانَات** “sweat”, “exudation”, **أَهْلَانَات**; **أَهْلَانَات**: **أَهْلَانَات** “bag”, “beam”, **أَهْلَانَات**; **أَهْلَانَات** “tribute”, **أَهْلَانَات**; perhaps too **أَهْلَانَات** “sting, prick”⁽³⁾ belongs to this class, with pl. **أَهْلَانَات**: perhaps also **أَهْلَانَات** “stem” with pl. **أَهْلَانَات**. Several plurals of Abstracts like **أَهْلَانَات**, as pl. of **أَهْلَانَات** “care”, are doubtful (**أَهْلَانَات** “contention”, “litigation” is regular: **أَهْلَانَات**). **أَهْلَانَات** “a balance” has, according to some, the pl. **أَهْلَانَات**, but **أَهْلَانَات** is better (for *massēāthā* √ **أَهْلَانَات**).

Falling
away of
fem.-ending
in pl.

§ 81. A large number of feminines, particularly names of plants, have a feminine termination in the singular, but not in the plural. Thus *e. g.* **أَهْلَانَات** “ell”, **أَهْلَانَات**; **أَهْلَانَات** “wall”, **أَهْلَانَات**; **أَهْلَانَات** (commonly **أَهْلَانَات** § 51) “a patch”, **أَهْلَانَات**; **أَهْلَانَات** “garden”, **أَهْلَانَات**; **أَهْلَانَات** “egg”, **أَهْلَانَات** (along with **أَهْلَانَات** “vaults”); **أَهْلَانَات** “ship”, **أَهْلَانَات** (with **أَهْلَانَات**);

(1) The simple pl. is given in **أَهْلَانَات** “in all places”,—“everywhere”.

(2) Notice with regard to the foregoing sections that the East-Syrians write **أَهْلَانَات** for **أَهْلَانَات** (§ 49 B).

(3) This (with **ا**) seems to be the correct form. If, however, the *t* is hard, as another line of tradition represents it to be, then it belongs to the root.

سَاعَةً “hour”, سَاعَةٌ; عَامًا “year”, عَامٌ (§§ 72, 146); كَلِمًا “word”, كَلِمَةٌ; مَخِيمًا “tent”, “hut”, مَخِيمٌ (§ 59); مَخِيئًا “pit”, مَخِيئَةٌ; عِنْدًا “grape”, عِنْدٌ; شَعِيرًا “wheat”, شَعِيرٌ; صَاعًا “barley”, صَاعٌ; لَبًا (لَبَل) “fig”, لَبٌ (§ 28); شَيْبًا “a kind of thorn”, شَيْبٌ, &c., &c.

Notice—سَعَةً “vertebra” (and سَعَةً), شَعِيرًا (secondary form شَعِيرَةٌ); شَعِيرًا “charcoal”, شَعِيرَةٌ (later additional forms شَعِيرَةٌ and شَعِيرَةٌ § 71); شَعِيرًا (secondary form شَعِيرَةٌ) “vine-shoot”, شَعِيرَةٌ (§ 28); جَبًا “cheese”, جَبٌ; حَجْرًا “brick”, حَجْرٌ.

The foreign word عَجَبًا (عَجَب) “sabbath” (whose ل is properly a radical) is treated in this way:—عَجَبًا, عَجَبًا; in abs. st. sing. عَجَبٌ.

§ 82. Other feminines do not have a feminine termination in the singular, but take one in the plural. Thus, for instance اِهْتِمَالًا “way”, اِهْتِمَالَاتٌ; اِهْتِمَالًا; اِهْتِمَالًا “earth”, اِهْتِمَالَاتٌ; اِهْتِمَالًا; اِهْتِمَالًا “soul”, اِهْتِمَالَاتٌ; اِهْتِمَالًا; اِهْتِمَالًا “wind, spirit”, اِهْتِمَالَاتٌ and اِهْتِمَالَاتٌ, &c.

Assumption of fem. ending in pl.

Several separate the forms of the plural according to the signification, e. g. عَيْنًا “eye, fountain”, عَيْنَاتٌ “eyes”,—عَيْنَاتٌ “fountains”, &c. V. in §§ 84 and 87, the words concerned. (1)

Of masculines, only يَهْمَلٌ forms its plural in this way, يَهْمَلَاتٌ (rarely the constr. st. يَهْمَلَاتٍ;—before suffixes يَهْمَلَاتٍ, &c.) along with يَهْمَلَاتٌ (but absolute st. only يَهْمَلَاتٍ); similarly [with double forms] قَطْرَاتٌ “names”, together with قَطْرَاتٍ, from قَطْرٌ; and اِجْتِبَاتٌ “fathers”, together with اِجْتِبَاتٍ from اِجْتِبٌ (§ 146).

§ 83. An old feminine ending *ai* appears only in the following words, which are no longer capable of inflection and always stand in the absolute state of the singular:—

Feminine-ending: ai.

بَهْلَوِيَّةٌ “quails”; يَهْمَلِيَّةٌ “a kind of bird”; بَهْلَوِيَّةٌ “a kind of gnat”; سَفَرِيَّةٌ “spider”; اِيْلَوِيَّةٌ “condition (terms)”; اِيْلَوِيَّةٌ “error”; اِيْلَوِيَّةٌ “concealment” (only in اِيْلَوِيَّةٌ “in secret”).

§ 84. A large number of feminines do not have a feminine termination in the singular. I give here a list of ascertained words (2) of this

List of feminines not having a fem. ending.

(1) Very frequently a transferred meaning takes *āthā*; while the word in its proper meaning takes *ē*. The latter is properly a dual form in this case.

(2) Some doubtful words like عَجَبٌ = עָבַד I Kings 6, 9—I have purposely

kind,—though of course not complete,—arranged alphabetically, keeping out Greek words, except a few that have been greatly altered. Those which always take the feminine-ending in the plural I mark with “*āthā*”; those which form the plural in both ways (§ 82), with “*āthā* and *ē*”. The others form the plural only after a masculine type, *so far as a plural of theirs can be authenticated at all*.

كؤا bowl.	كؤا troop. (4)
كؤا ear, <i>āthā</i> (handle &c.) and <i>ē</i> .	كؤا stick. (4)
كؤا way, <i>āthā</i> .	كؤا vine.
كؤا hand (Plurals v. § 146).	كؤا column in book. (4)
كؤا rib.	كؤا wheel.
كؤا ship.	كؤا wādy.
كؤا mother (Plurals v. § 146).	كؤا north.
كؤا cloak.	كؤا tail.
كؤا σατῆρ.	كؤا side, rib, <i>āthā</i> and <i>ē</i> .
كؤا (properly pl. or rather dual from كؤا “nose”) face.	كؤا a skin, bottle.
كؤا hyena.	كؤا handful.
كؤا earth, <i>āthā</i> .	كؤا axe.
كؤا stone (1) (testic.).	كؤا little finger.
كؤا field. (2)	كؤا field, <i>āthā</i> .
كؤا she-ass.	كؤا bird of prey.
كؤا spring.	كؤا finger-nail, claw.
كؤا knee.	كؤا right hand.
كؤا herd. (3)	كؤa jackal.
	كؤa stone.

excluded.—The number of such Feminines may actually be a good deal larger than has come under observation up to the present time at least. The same remark holds good of the fluctuations in the matter of gender.

(1) Besides, كؤا, pl. كؤا.

(2) Besides, كؤا, pl. كؤا (§ 71). It is a foreign word.

(3) The feminine كؤا “wormwood” (§ 21 D) no doubt had a sing. كؤا and accordingly belongs to § 81. Exactly the same seems to be the case with كؤا “sedge-grass”.

(4) Rare in the masc., and not so well supported.

ܘܨܘܘܠܐ liver.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ (ܘܨܘܠܐ, &c.) ark (probably a foreign word).
 ܘܨܘܠܐ bee-hive.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ tunic (pl. v. § 71).
 ܘܨܘܠܐ talent.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ raft.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ wing, *āthā* and *ē*.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ handful, bowl.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ body, belly, *āthā*.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ shank.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ shoulder, *āthā*.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ tablet.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ sickle. ⁽¹⁾
 ܘܨܘܠܐ shield.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ rising (of the sun), east.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ load.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ calf.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ needle.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ salt.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ copper-coin.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ going-down (of the sun), west. ⁽²⁾
 ܘܨܘܠܐ fire (pl. § 79 B).
 ܘܨܘܠܐ, ܘܨܘܠܐ thread (seemingly *λυέα*).
 ܘܨܘܠܐ soul, *āthā*.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ sheep (pl. § 79 A).
 ܘܨܘܠܐ knife, *āthā*, *ē* (and ܘܨܘܠܐ § 71, 4).

ܘܨܘܠܐ shield.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ left-hand.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ locks (of hair).
 ܘܨܘܠܐ bit.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ goat.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ side, hip, *āthā*.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ eye, *āthā*, (source, &c.) and *ē*.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ storm.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ small cattle.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ cloud.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ boughs. ⁽³⁾
 ܘܨܘܠܐ sprout.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ heel, track. ⁽⁴⁾
 ܘܨܘܠܐ (v. § 52) scorpion.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ trough.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ bed, *āthā*.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ mist.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ yoke.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ idolatrous altar (from the As-
 ܘܨܘܠܐ ܘܨܘܠܐ finger, *āthā* and *ē*. [syrian).
 ܘܨܘܠܐ dish.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ a little bird.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ pot.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ hedgehog.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ cat, pl. ܘܨܘܠܐ (foreign word of unknown origin).
 ܘܨܘܠܐ louse, weevil.
 ܘܨܘܠܐ a liquid measure. ⁽⁵⁾

(1) More rarely ܘܨܘܠܐ.

(2) The sing. of ܘܨܘܠܐ “loins” was probably ܘܨܘܠܐ.

(3) Sing. is probably ܘܨܘܠܐ “mane”; the plural ܘܨܘܠܐ also means “mane”; there is also a pl. ܘܨܘܠܐ.

(4) ܘܨܘܠܐ —“tracks”—belongs to the sing. ܘܨܘܠܐ.

(5) The ܘ here is altered from ܐ: the word originally had the fem.-ending.

𐤊𐤍 horn, *āthā* and *ē*.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌 grated cover. (1)
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀 foot, *āthā* (bases) and *ē*.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤌 spear.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤍 mallow.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤎 mill (pl. § 79 A).
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤏 herd (especially of horses, word
 from the Persian).

𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤐 an enveloping upper garment
 (word appears to be borrowed from
 the Assyrian).
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤑 corpse (from the Assyrian).
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤒 tooth *āṯā* (peaks) and *ē*.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤓 navel.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤔 worm.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤕 south.

Add hereto all names of letters, like 𐤊𐤍𐤌, 𐤊𐤍𐤌, &c.

Farther, add feminine proper names, to which also the Hebrew words 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤕 "earth", 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤖 "Hades", &c. belong.

Out of the above list certain groups of significations may be readily recognised as mostly feminine, *e. g.* limbs appearing in pairs (but 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤑 "arm"; 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤒 "breasts", &c. are masc.), as well as certain simple utensils and vessels, &c.

Fluctuation
of gender in
names of
animals.

§ 85. *Names of animals, which for the most part are feminine, appearing sometimes however as masculine, especially when they denote male individuals,—are :*

𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤑 frog.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤒 hare.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤓 bear.

𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤔 partridge.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤕 stork.
 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤖 pigeon.

The correctness of using these words as masculines—is not quite established in every case. On the other hand, certain other names of animals, which have been noted above as being feminine, may occasionally be made use of in the masculine gender. (2) Conversely, the masculines 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤕 "camel", 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤖 "ass", when they have to denote females, are also employed as feminines. Also the word 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤑 "horses" appears in the meaning "mares" as fem. (as well as 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤑).

Radical 𐤌
treated as
fem.-end-
ing.

§ 86. *Nouns formed with the sign of the feminine, 𐤌, remain feminine, even when this termination is not so readily recognisable as being such a sign. Thus, for example 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤑 "sign"; 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤒 "fever"; 𐤊𐤍𐤌𐤀𐤓*

(1) From *cracti*, a vulgar form of *clatri* or *clathri*, which again is traceable to *κλῆθρα* "bars".

(2) Often we can by no means determine the gender by the name alone.

“sister”; **مَعْدَا** “bow” (pl. **مَعْدَالَا**); **سَا** “bag” (§ 80). The feminine termination is doubtless also present in the feminine **دَبَا** “home”, “village” (Assyrian word); **رَمْبَا** “sting”, (§ 80); **رَجْبَا** or **رَجْبَا** “pitch”. Cf. p. 57, Note (5). But **لَبَا** “dirt”, and **سَمْحَا** “sweat”, occur certainly as masculines, though very rarely.

On the other hand phonetic analogy attracts to the feminine gender the following words, which have a radical **ل**:—**لَعْبَا** “ground”; **لَلْبَا** “glue”; **لَمْبَا** “mote (**מחבט**?)”; **לַעְבָּא** “anise” (foreign word); **לַעְבָּא** “cypress”; **לַעְבָּא** “disposition” (**לשון**); **לַעְבָּא** “leek”; **לַעְבָּא** “self-sown grain” (foreign word?); **לַעְבָּא** “rust”; **לַעְבָּא** “sediment”, “lees”. In isolated cases the otherwise masculine nouns which follow are employed in the feminine: **לַעְבָּא** (East-Syrian **לַעְבָּא**) “abyss”; **לַעְבָּא** “truth”; **לַעְבָּא** “adornment” (from which even appears a pl. **לַעְבָּא**, as if in accordance with § 75) ⁽¹⁾; **לַעְבָּא** “terror” (but only masculine **לַעְבָּא**, and many others). **לַעְבָּא** “being” is almost always fem.

§ 87. *Other words are common to both genders*:—**לַעְבָּא**, **לַעְבָּא**. Nouns of common gender.
 “orange”, m. and f., (foreign word).
לַעְבָּא “cattle”, sing. f. and pl. f.; yet also pl. m.
לַעְבָּא “urn”, “sarcophagus” (foreign word) m. and f.
לַעְבָּא “dwelling” (pl. **לַעְבָּא**, **לַעְבָּא**); in particular when meaning “convent”, always f. (and then too, pl. always **לַעְבָּא**).
לַעְבָּא “time” (*Zeit*) m.; “time” (*Mal*) generally f. (as also **לַעְבָּא**, **לַעְבָּא**, “times”).
לַעְבָּא “a rod” m., very rarely f.
לַעְבָּא (**לַעְבָּא**) “palate”; pl. **לַעְבָּא** m. and f.
לַעְבָּא “sword”, “destruction”, m. and f.
לַעְבָּא “companion” m. and f.
לַעְבָּא “word”, f. (pl. § 81); only as a dogmatic expression, **ὁ λόγος**, (not in a natural sense), m.
לַעְבָּא “source”, f. (pl. **לַעְבָּא**, more rarely **לַעְבָּא**); rarely m.
לַעְבָּא “moon”, m. and f.

⁽¹⁾ It is of course possible that on the other hand the root is **צב**, and that the **ל** has only come from **לַעְבָּא** into the new root **צבת**.

ܩܥܡܐ “weevil”, m. and f.

ܕܢܨܐ “copy (of a writing)” m. and f.

ܡܠܝܩܡܐ “quiver”, m. and f. (foreign word).

ܐܘܠܐ “wind”, “spirit”, preponderatingly f., especially in the sense of “wind”; pl. ܐܘܠܐܘܬܐ and ܐܘܠܐܘܬܐ (this only f.).

ܩܡܩܡܐ “firmament” (Hebr.) m., rarely f.

ܩܚܠܐ “stalk”, f. (like the more usual ܩܚܠܐܐ, pl. ܩܚܠܐܐ) seldom m.

ܩܨܐ “herd” (of swine and demons) m. and f.

ܩܥܩܠܐ “heaven”, is employed as sing. m., sing. f., and pl. m. (in this last use almost confined to translations of the Bible).

ܩܥܥܠܐ “sun”, m. and f.

ܩܢܐ “spike”, “ear of corn”, m. and f.

ܩܥܠܐ “leg”, “stem” f., seldom m.

ܩܘܘܠܐ “flood” (Hebrew) m. and f.

ܩܠܐ “brook” m. and f.

Gender of
Greek
words.

§ 88. Greek words keep their native gender in the large majority of cases. Thus for instance the following are fem.: ܩܥܩܠܐ “a letter” ܣܳܐܩܪܐ; ܩܥܩܠܐ (constr. st. ܩܥܩܠܐܐ) “robe” ܣܳܘܠܐܗ; ܩܩܩܠܐ “gastric disease” ܩܩܩܠܐ; ܩܩܩܠܐ “sword” ܣܳܡܦܗܩܪܐ (this from Persian *šamšēr*); ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ (Acc.); and the numerous words in ܩܩܩܠܐ (ܩܩܩܠܐ § 46). Amongst others almost all those in ܩܩܩܠܐ are masc., as also ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ; ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ; ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ; ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ. Yet many variations occur here too. Thus ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ is m.; ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ, is fem.; ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ, is mostly f.; ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ, (also ܩܩܩܠܐ) appears too as masc.; ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ “price” is held as fem. in the sing. or as masc. in the pl. ܩܩܩܠܐ (like the Syriac word of the same meaning ܩܩܩܠܐ); ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ is mostly f., yet m. also; ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ is m. and f.; ܩܩܩܠܐ “gallery” ܩܩܩܠܐ (f.) m. and f. &c.

Greek neuters are oftenest masc. in Syriac; yet sometimes they are also fem.: Thus is it with ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ; ܩܩܩܠܐ ܩܩܩܠܐ (ܩܩܩܠܐ and other secondary forms) ܩܩܩܠܐ; ܩܩܩܠܐ (ܩܩܩܠܐ, ܩܩܩܠܐ) ܩܩܩܠܐ = *velum*, &c. ܩܩܩܠܐ “hot water boiler” ܩܩܩܠܐܐ *caldarium* occurs as m. and f.

Greek
plural-
endings.

§ 89. Greek words pretty frequently form Syriac plurals (particularly when, in the Syriac fashion of their singular, they end in ܩܩܩܠܐ),

Defective
nouns.

§ 91. Many substantives appear only in the singular, others only in the plural. A good many,—particularly of those of the masculine form,—want the absolute and construct states, at least in the singular, or have these supplied only later and artificially, or at least they rarely appear in them. On the other hand a very few appear merely in the construct state or in the absolute state.

Certain ab-
stracts ex-
pressed by
plurals.

§ 91^b. An Abstract expressed by the pl., is found in **سِنَا** “life”; **رَحْمَةً** “compassion”; **سَلَامَةً** “emancipation”; **زَوْجًا** “marriage”; **هَيْبَةً** (East-Syrian **هَيْبَةً**) “betrothal”.

B. Survey
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B. SURVEY OF THE NOMINAL FORMS.

§ 92. We deal here only with forms consisting of three or more radicals, and with bi-radicals which have become quite analogous to those forms;—as **فَمُولًا** “mouth”, **قَمُولًا** “bow”, &c. (to which many others are added, that can no longer be authenticated by us as such). For the other bi-radicals, or for words in other respects very irregularly formed,—v. under anomalous forms § 146. Besides, in instituting this survey, we are in no way aiming at completeness.

According to § 91,—in many substantives, particularly such as have not a feminine ending, we can only authenticate the Emphatic state in the singular. In most cases, however, this form is itself sufficient, particularly with words which have a feminine ending, to enable us to construct the other contingent State-forms.

Alterations are sustained by the ground-form, through the approach of the endings, but, as a rule, in cases only where vowels originally short take thereby a place in an open syllable. The Construct state (with which, in words that have no feminine ending, the Absolute state coincides) exhibits words in most instances as still in their relatively original form, cf. **مَدْرَجًا**, **مَدْرَجًا**, **مَدْرَجًا**, &c., which in the Emphatic state become, according to § 43 A, **مَدْرَجًا**, **مَدْرَجًا**, **مَدْرَجًا**. Many words of the simplest form are exceptions to this rule; and in these words it is only the Emphatic state which retains the vowel in its own place (**مَدْرَجًا**; Absolute and Construct states, **مَدْرَجًا** for *mark* § 93). In certain respects feminine formations also are exceptions, like **مَدْرَجًا**; constr. st. **مَدْرَجًا**, &c.

(AA) TRI-RADICAL NOUNS UN-AUGMENTED EXTERNALLY.

(AA) Tri-radical nouns un-augmented externally. Preliminary observations.

THE SHORTEST FORMS.

§ 93. Forms with short vowel of the first radical and absence of vowel of the second (originally *qatīl*, *qitīl*, *qutīl*) coincide so frequently in Syriac with those which had a short vowel both after the first and the second radical (*qatal*, *qatīl*, *qital*, &c.), that we can only in part keep them separate.

The monosyllabic ground-form *qatīl*, &c., when no ending is attached, throws the vowel behind the 2nd radical, in the case of a strong root, e. g. *ܩܬܝܠ* for *malk*, *ܩܘܕܝܫ* for *qudš*.

The insertion of an *ä* after the 2nd radical in the plural (Hebrew *mēlāchīm*, *malēchē* from *malakīm*, *malakai* from *malk*) is still shown in a few traces. On this rests the double writing in *ܩܬܝܠܐ*, *ܩܬܝܠܐ*, &c. (§ 21 D), which springs from a time when the plural '*amāmē*' was still formed from the singular *ܩܬܝܠܐ*. Some few of these nouns, farther, 'soften' the 3rd radical in the plural as if it followed a vowel: thus *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "herb"; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* (East-Syrian) from '*esävē*'; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "theft", *ܩܬܝܠܐ* (East-Syr. tradition); *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "thousand"; *ܩܬܝܠܐ*, *ܩܬܝܠܐ*; and *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "stock", *ܩܬܝܠܐ*, &c. The influence of the original vowel in these cases is evident in some examples; e. g. in *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "ways, journeys", from *halakhāthā* from *ܩܬܝܠܐ* out of original *halakhathā*. But the large majority fashion the plural forms directly according to those of the singular.

§ 94. A. With *a* and *e* of strong root: (a) *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "king", absolute and construct states *ܩܬܝܠܐ*; pl. *ܩܬܝܠܐ*, absol. st. *ܩܬܝܠܐ*, constr. st. *ܩܬܝܠܐ*, &c. With *a* and *e* of strong root.

In the constr. and abs. states of the sing. an *e* appears in these cases throughout: *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "bone", *ܩܬܝܠܐ*; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "lord", *ܩܬܝܠܐ*; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "soul", *ܩܬܝܠܐ*. So *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "belly"; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "servant"; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "evening"; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "image"; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "taste"; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "rope", and many others.

On the other hand, *a* appears before a final guttural and *r* (§ 54): *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "door", *ܩܬܝܠܐ*; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "body"; *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "morning", &c.

With feminine ending: *ܩܬܝܠܐ* "queen", abs. state *ܩܬܝܠܐ* (does it occur?), constr. st. *ܩܬܝܠܐ*; pl. *ܩܬܝܠܐ*, abs. st. *ܩܬܝܠܐ*, constr. st. *ܩܬܝܠܐ*, &c.

B. (b) With *e*: **وَحْدًا** “half”, abs. and constr. st. **وَحْدِي**; pl. **وَحْدَانًا** (the East-Syrians **وَحْدَانًا** § 93), **وَحْدِي**, **وَحْدِي**, &c.—In the abs. and constr. states of the sing., here also *e* appears throughout, e. g. **وَحْدِي** “foot”, **وَحْدِي**; **وَحْدِي** “silver”; **وَحْدِي** “herb”:—but of course **وَحْدِي** “flesh”, &c.

With feminine ending: **وَحْدَانًا** “plant”, **وَحْدَانًا** (**وَحْدَانًا** § 52 B) “fear”, &c. But also **وَحْدَانًا** “brook” (others **وَحْدَانًا**); **وَحْدَانًا** “calf” (or **وَحْدَانًا** § 52), constr. st. **وَحْدَانًا**, pl. **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** for **وَحْدَانًا** “vine” (§ 28), and some others,—belong to this class.

C. (c) Manifest traces of an originally short vowel after the second radical are farther shown by **وَحْدَانًا** “gold” (from *dahāvā* § 23 D), abs. and constr. st. **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “milk”⁽¹⁾; **وَحْدَانًا** “raven”; **وَحْدَانًا** “town”; **وَحْدَانًا** “bread”, &c.; and with transition to *e*: **وَحْدَانًا** “wing” (from *kanafā*); **وَحْدَانًا** “dampness” (West-Syrian **وَحْدَانًا**), and many others. That words like **وَحْدَانًا** “hope”, **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “*mas*”, **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “flesh”, **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “husk”; **وَحْدَانًا** “prey”; **وَحْدَانًا** “earth” (as a material) belong to this class, can no longer be recognised by the form: on the other hand the *a* of the abs. and constr. st. of **وَحْدَانًا** “beard”, **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “time”, **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “camel”, **وَحْدَانًا**, manifestly refers them to this class.

D. The adjectives, which mostly had *ē* after the 2nd radical, do not show any clear trace of it (§ 23 D): **وَحْدَانًا** “leprous”, **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “sleeping”, **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “stammering”, **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “new” (§ 26), **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “difficult”, **وَحْدَانًا**, and many such. *a* is shown in this class not only by those which end in a guttural, like **وَحْدَانًا** “unfruitful”, **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “brought low”, **وَحْدَانًا** (West-Syrian **وَحْدَانًا**); **وَحْدَانًا** “difficult”, **وَحْدَانًا** (generally **وَحْدَانًا**); **وَحْدَانًا** “foolish”, **وَحْدَانًا**.

There was an original *e* also in **وَحْدَانًا** “shoulder”, **وَحْدَانًا**, and in **وَحْدَانًا** “liver”; probably also in **وَحْدَانًا** “heel” (still with softening).

E. Various forms with feminine ending are yielded, agreeing in part with those under (a) and (b). Thus of words with originally two *a*’s: **وَحْدَانًا** “soul”, abs. st. **وَحْدَانًا**, constr. st. **وَحْدَانًا**, pl. **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا** “expenditure”, **وَحْدَانًا** (also **وَحْدَانًا**); **وَحْدَانًا** “level place”, **وَحْدَانًا**; **وَحْدَانًا**.

(1) With the generality of these words the constr. and abs. st. of the singular cannot be authenticated.

“time”, **زَمَانٌ**, &c. So of adjectives: **مَعْدِبٌ** “humble (f.)”, **مَعْدِبٌ** “hungry (f.)”, **حَصِيمٌ** “difficult (f.)”, **سَبِيٌّ** “new (f.)” (§ 26); to which add **سُجِيٌّ** “socio”, &c.; all these have in the pl. **مَعْدِبَاتٌ**, &c., with *a* of 1st radical. Other adjectives have always *a* with the 1st: **نَجِسٌ** “unclean (f.)”; **سَبْخٌ** “waste” (pl. **سَبَخَاتٌ**, with soft *د*); **يَجْفٌ** “modest”; **جَهِيٌّ** or **جَهِيٌّ** (§ 52 B) “pregnant”, &c. So the East-Syrians have **زَمَانٌ**, the West-Syrians **زَمَانٌ** “unclean” (f.).

With *e*, **زَمَانٌ** “alms”, **زَمَانٌ**; **زَمَانٌ**, **زَمَانٌ** (§ 52 B) “howling”; **زَمَانٌ** “course” (§ 52 B; the East-Syrians **زَمَانٌ** (1)), **زَمَانٌ**, &c. So the adjectival **زَمَانٌ** “a female”, abs. st. **زَمَانٌ**, pl. **زَمَانَاتٌ**.—Cf. **زَمَانٌ** “cluster of grapes”, **زَمَانٌ** (§ 81).

§ 95. *With forms from roots primae l*, section § 34 comes frequently into operation. To this class belong, amongst others, **زَمَانٌ** “hire”, constr. st. **زَمَانٌ**; **زَمَانٌ** “earth”, **زَمَانٌ**;—**زَمَانٌ** “mourning”;—**زَمَانٌ** “ship”, **زَمَانٌ**.

Feminines: **زَمَانٌ** “testicle”—**زَمَانٌ** “groan” (pl. will be **زَمَانَاتٌ**); **زَمَانٌ** “what is lost” (West-Syrian **زَمَانٌ**, constr. st. **زَمَانٌ**).

§ 96. *Primae - (o)*: **زَمَانٌ** “month”, constr. and abs. st. **زَمَانٌ** (With *a* and *e* of roots primae - (o)); **زَمَانٌ** “offspring”, &c.—Feminines: **زَمَانٌ** “knowledge”, “science”, **زَمَانٌ**; **زَمَانٌ** (West-Syrian **زَمَانٌ**) “loan”, **زَمَانٌ**, **زَمَانٌ**; **زَمَانٌ** “excrement”. — *o* remains in **زَمَانٌ** “an agreement” (§ 40 A), constr. and abs. st. wanting.

§ 97. *Mediae l*: **زَمَانٌ**, **زَمَانٌ** “head”; **زَمَانٌ**, **زَمَانٌ** (§ 53)—**زَمَانٌ** “well”; **زَمَانٌ** “wolf”; **زَمَانٌ** “pain”, **زَمَانٌ**—**زَمَانٌ**, **زَمَانٌ** “fig” (§ 28)—**زَمَانٌ** “weariness”, **زَمَانٌ**; **زَمَانٌ** “luxus” (only in pl.); **زَمَانٌ**, constr. st. **زَمَانٌ** “butter”—**زَمَانٌ** “question” (§ 52 B), **زَمَانٌ**.

§ 98. *Mediae o (and -)*. To the simplest formations with *a*, there correspond forms like **زَمَانٌ** “end”, **زَمَانٌ** (§ 49 A); **زَمَانٌ** “day”, **زَمَانٌ**; **زَمَانٌ** “death”—**زَمَانٌ** “house”, **زَمَانٌ**; **زَمَانٌ** “eye”, **زَمَانٌ**; **زَمَانٌ** “summer”. (With *a* and *e* of roots mediae o (and -)).

With **زَمَانٌ** “understanding”, and the foreign word **زَمَانٌ** “dye”, the East-Syrians form the abs. and constr. st. **زَمَانٌ**, the West-Syrians **زَمَانٌ**.—Feminines: **زَمَانٌ** “stature”; **زَمَانٌ** “twig”; but **زَمَانٌ** “cow”—**زَمَانٌ** “wild goat” (fem.), but **زَمَانٌ**, **زَمَانٌ** “egg” (§ 49 A).

With *ī*: **زَمَانٌ** “judgment” (117); **زَمَانٌ** “yoke”, &c.

(1) Similar differences of form are farther met with.

B. To forms with two *a*'s from strong roots, correspond (§ 41) those with *ā*, like **فلا** “voice”; **هجد**, **هجدل**, f. **هجدل** “an old person”; **جمدا** (abs. st. **جفلا**, constr. st. **جمدا**) “distress”, &c. But along with these appear relatively later forms having a consonantal *w*: **فوسدا** “free space”, and **فوددا** (East-Syrian **فوددا**) §§ 52; 49 B) “a quaking”; **فوسدا** (**فوسدا**) “amazement”.

C. A special class is formed by words with *ē* (*ī*) like **جرفلا** “stone”; **فسلا** “fragrance”; **جلدا** “demon”; **فردا** “fruit”; **جلاب**, **جلاب**, **جلاب** “just”; **جلاب**, **جلاب** “deaf”; **جلاب** “falsehood”, and some others, which in part at least spring from roots *med. o* and follow their analogy.

With *a* and *e* of roots with middle *n*.

§ 99. *With middle n.* The shortest forms here in part assimilate the *n*, according to § 28; thus **جددا** “oppression”; **فقدلا** “countenance”; **فسلا** “palate”⁽¹⁾ &c. But otherwise **فعدلا** “assembly”. The constr. st. of **جدلا** “goat” is **جدلا**. From **فعدلا** “side” with **فعدلا** comes the expression **فعدلا** (the throwing out of *n* being only a later alteration).

With *a* and *e* of roots *tertiae l.*

§ 100. *Radical l in the 3rd position* still leaves its traces in **فعدلا** (**فعدلا** for **فعدلا** § 34) “hatred”; **فعدلا** (**فعدلا**) “zeal”; **فعدلا** “simile”, parable”; **فعدلا**; and in the adjective **فعدلا** “unclean” (abs. and constr. st.), emph. st. **فعدلا**, f. **فعدلا**, **فعدلا**, **فعدلا** or **فعدلا** (East-Syrian).—Otherwise the forms of *tert. l* pass into those of *tert. u*.

With *a* and *e* of roots *tert. - (o)*.

§ 101. *Tert. - (o)*⁽²⁾: **فعدلا** “he-goat”; **فعدلا** “mill”—**فعدلا** “meditation”; **فعدلا** “concealment”, &c. all want the constr. and abs. st.; only **فعدلا** “rest” still forms an abs. st. **فعدلا** (§ 50 A).—With *o*: **فعدلا** “serenity”; **فعدلا** “swimming”; **فعدلا** “ceasing”; **فعدلا** “look” (pl. **فعدلا**, **فعدلا**); and some few feminines **فعدلا**, **فعدلا** “joy”; **فعدلا**, **فعدلا** “beast” (§§ 40 D; 76 B); cf. **فعدلا** and **فعدلا** (§ 97). Perhaps also **فعدلا** “share” (if it stands for **فعدلا**).

To those with short vowel after the 2nd radical, correspond several substantives like **فعدلا** “reed”; **فعدلا** (plural form) “heaven” (§ 146); and many adjectives like **فعدلا** “pure”; **فعدلا** “hard”, &c. Feminines: **فعدلا**;

(1) The secondary form—**فعدلا**, usually in the pl. **فعدلا**, must belong to § 94 C: Probably also **فعدلا**.

(2) On the plurals of these forms v. §§ 72 and 79 A.

(abs. st. **قَمَل**, constr. st. **قَمَلِي**; pl. **قَمَلَات**); **مَقَال**, &c. Similarly the substantives **حَيْل** “creation”, pl. **حَيْلَات**; **قَتِيل** “direction”, **قَتِيلَات**; **إِلِيل** (East-Syrian **اللب**) “fat-tail”; **مَيْل** “village” (§ 146), and many others, which however,—at least part of them,—belong to the simplest forms.

There are, farther, special forms of the second kind, in *āthā*: **حَبَل** “seeking”; **هَفَل** “smell”; **لِل** (for **لِلِل**) “dirt”, &c., as well as those spoken of in § 77, like **رَحَل** “prayer”, &c.,—to which farther belong **حَجَل** “dung-cake” (**حَجَلَات**⁽¹⁾ appears as its plural, with constr. st. **قَجَب**), **مَهَفَل** (as well as **مَهَفَلَات**) “rennet—calf’s paunch—for curdling milk”, and **مَحَل** “wax”.

§ 102. Forms *mediae geminatae*. In those without fem.-ending, no distinction can be maintained between the first and second formations: **جَمَل** “folk” **جَمَلَات**, **جَمَعَتَا**, **جَمَعَتَا** (§ 21 D); **إِفَل** “brook”; **دِفَل** “dew”; **زِد**, **زِدَات** “great”; **مِعَل** “priest”; **تَل**, **تَلَات** “living”:—**جَخَل** “heart”, **جَخَلَات**; **زَدَل** “bear”; **زِدَات** “wormwood” (pl.). With Fem.-ending **جَدَل** “bride”, **جَدَلَات**; **زَدَل** “magna”; **تَدَل** “viva”—**جَدَلَات** “cause”, **جَدَلَات**, **جَدَلَات**, **جَدَلَات**; **جَدَلَات** “word”, **جَدَلَات** (pl. **جَدَلَات** § 81).—According to the second formation **جَدَلَات** “produce”, **جَدَلَات**; **تَدَلَات** (West-Syrian **تَدَلَات**) “lamentation”, **تَدَلَات**.

With a and e of roots *mediae geminatae*.

§ 103. *With u*. The forms *qufl* and *quful* were never so separated as, for instance, *qatl* and *qatul*. Certain traces of a vowel after the 2nd radical are shown (in the softening of the 3rd), which vowel however can hardly be called original. The *u* frequently takes the second place (or remains there only).

With u of strong root.

Of *strong roots*, and those similar to them: **كَمَعَل** “body”; **كَمَعَلَات**, &c.; **قَمَعَل** “holiness”; **رَمَعَل** “remoteness”; **رَمَعَلَات** “bribery”; **لَمَعَل** “length”; **كَمَعَلَات** “knee”; **سَمَعَلَات** “desolation”; **أَمَعَلَات** “strength”; **كَمَعَلَات** “trembling” (without assimilation of the *n*), &c.: abs. and constr. st. **مَعَمَر**, **مَعَمَرَات**, **مَعَمَرَات**, **مَعَمَرَات**. So also the adjectival **كَمَعَلَات** “uncircumcised” (originally formed differently, it would seem), **حَمَعَلَات**; as well as **كَمَعَلَات** *ἀμφοτεροδῆξιος*, and **كَمَعَلَات** “limping”, “*claudus*”⁽²⁾. But **كَمَعَلَات** “way” and **كَمَعَلَات** “meeting” have **كَمَعَلَات** and **كَمَعَلَات**.

(1) Others read **حَجَلَات**.

(2) If, however, this is **كَمَعَلَات** with *Quššāyā*, then it belongs to § 114.

Feminines (to some extent at first formed differently): كَسِبَ "whispering", كَسَبَتْ; كَهْنًا "blessing", كَهَنَتْ; ذَيْلًا "tail", ذَيْلَتْ (and ذَيْلًا § 71); أَلْفًا, أَلْفًا (§ 52 B) "clef"; نَمَسًا, نَمَسَتْ "kiss", نَمَسَتْ; إِسْبًا, إِسْبًا "riddle", إِسْبَتْ; نَمَسًا (perhaps نَمَسًا) or نَمَسًا (§ 51) "patch", pl. نَمَسَات and نَمَسَات &c. But نَمَسًا "measure", نَمَسَتْ, نَمَسَتْ, نَمَسَتْ; نَمَسًا "coal", نَمَسَتْ; نَمَسًا "vertebra", نَمَسَتْ and نَمَسَتْ (§ 81); ذَيْلًا = ذَيْلًا "tail".

With u of weak roots.

§ 104. *Mediae o*: نَمَسًا, نَمَسًا "wind, spirit"; نَمَسًا "fire", &c.—With *o*: نَمَسًا "owl".—Feminine نَمَسًا "form".

Tert. i: نَمَسًا "multitude", constr. st. with feminine ending نَمَسًا.

Tert. u: نَمَسًا "manger" (pl. § 79 A); نَمَسًا "young animal", نَمَسًا (§ 72); نَمَسًا "likeness", نَمَسًا (id.).—Feminines: نَمَسًا "evil-speaking, abuse", نَمَسًا; نَمَسًا "cap"; نَمَسًا "wailing", نَمَسًا; نَمَسًا "kidneys" (pl.), &c. (1).

Mediae gem.: نَمَسًا, نَمَسًا (§ 48) "all", emph. st. نَمَسًا; نَمَسًا "place", نَمَسًا; نَمَسًا "bosom"; نَمَسًا "pit"; نَمَسًا "strength"; نَمَسًا (or نَمَسًا) "marrow"; نَمَسًا "deaf person".—Feminines: نَمَسًا "place", نَمَسًا, نَمَسًا, pl. نَمَسَات (§ 71); نَمَسًا "lamentation".

With falling away of 1st rad.

§ 105. We have the remains of a formation from *prim. o* with falling away of the 1st radical in نَمَسًا "sleep", from نَمَسًا, constr. st. نَمَسًا, abs. st. نَمَسًا, as if it were *med. gem.*, but East-Syrian still نَمَسًا; farther نَمَسًا "care" (also indeed نَمَسًا, نَمَسًا); نَمَسًا "wrath"; نَمَسًا "excrement" (as well as نَمَسًا). Perhaps also نَمَسًا (for نَمَسًا) "stem" belongs to this class (pl. نَمَسَات, نَمَسَات as if from نَمَسًا). So نَمَسًا "sweat".—Similarly from *prim. u*: نَمَسًا and نَمَسًا "breath" from نَمَسًا; and perhaps نَمَسًا "lot" and نَمَسًا "lot" and "strip, rag" (it must have Greek π § 15); farther نَمَسًا pl. نَمَسَات "drop".—Of *prim. i* in the same way: نَمَسًا "end", constr. st. نَمَسًا (as if from نَمَسًا); and نَمَسًا "pocket" and "beam" (for نَمَسًا from نَمَسًا), pl. نَمَسَات. It is obvious that the speech itself takes over these words into other classes (2).

(1) Whether it is *o* or *u* here,—is not in every instance certain.

(2) نَمَسًا (نَمَسًا, نَمَسًا) "church", which according to its formation belongs to this class, is borrowed from the Hebrew (עֲרֵב).

WITH \bar{a} AFTER THE FIRST RADICAL.

§ 106. (a) *a* after the 2nd radical is or was found in the case of: دَجَم , ⁽¹⁾ جَلَمَل , جَلَقَل , جَلَقَت “eternity”, world”; سَلَمَل “seal” ⁽²⁾; and perhaps نَبَل “axe” (East-Syrian نَبَل). The usual form of the Act. Part. of the simple stem of the verb has *e* after the 2nd: وَسَم “loving”; وَسَمَل , وَسَمَل , &c.— فَيَم “flying”; بُجَم “breaking” (§ 54)— فَام “standing”, مُسَم ; هَمَل “hating”, هَمَل “hater, enemy” (§§ 33 A; 172 C); عَل “revealing”, عَلَم ; بَل “beautiful”, بَلَم .— جَلَم “entering” (عَلَم), جَلَم or جَلَم &c. Sometimes the Participial form is purely substantive, thus فُرْم “a fuller”, بُرْم “doorkeeper” (which have no verb supporting them).—Feminines: Abs. st. وَسَمَل ; مُسَمَل ; هَمَل ; عَلَم ; بَلَم ; جَلَم or جَلَم , عَلَم or عَلَم , بَلَم or بَلَم . In the Emph. st. mostly substantive: وَسَمَل “eating”, “consuming”; مُسَمَل “column”, &c.— مُسَمَل . With the 3rd rad. a guttural: وَسَمَل “bird”; بُرْم “island”, &c. (§ 54); but so also with *a* وَسَمَل “nape of the neck”; جَلَم “waggon” (others جَلَم).— تَبَل “whore”, تَبَل ; فَبَل “beam”, Abs. st. فَبَل (§ 75), فَبَل , &c.— هَبَل .

With \bar{a} after the 1st rad.:
With short vowel after 2nd rad.

§ 107. (b) With \bar{o} after the 2nd radical, *Nomina agentis* may be formed from every Part. act. of the simple verb stem (Peal): مُرْمَل “murderer”; مُسَمَل , مُسَمَل , &c.—Feminines: مُسَمَل ; مُسَمَل , &c. (on the plurals of the feminines v. § 71). We join to this class several other substantives, like بُرْم “jackal”; فَبَل (with \bar{o} according to exact tradition) “table”.

With \bar{o} after 2nd rad.

§ 108. (c) Some few have \bar{i} after the 2nd radical, like فَبَل “weaver’s beam”; اَسَمَل “a marsh”— فَبَل “a weaver’s beam”; وَسَمَل “*brevia*”; زَبَل “storm of rain”; قَبَل “club”, &c.

With \bar{i} after 2nd rad.

WITH SHORT VOWEL OF THE 1ST AND \bar{a} OF THE 2ND RADICAL.

§ 109. The short vowel must become throughout (except with \bar{i}) a mere *sh^eva* (§ 43 A); it is in very many cases no longer possible to determine whether it was originally *a*, *i* or *u*. Many varieties have met together here.

With short vowel of the 1st and \bar{a} of the 2nd rad.

(1) The Nestorians distinguish the Construct st.—hardly ever occurring in old times in the meaning “world”—artificially by the vocalisation دَجَم .

(2) سَلَمَل is a very ancient word borrowed from the Egyptian.

For example we have Abstract nouns, particularly numerous *Nomina actionis* from verbs of the simple stem: **سَدَامَل** “confirming by seal”; **سُنْ** “decision”; **مِطَا** “war”; **حَدَا** “deed”; **حَدَلَا** “swallowing”; **سُنْ** “looking at”, “regard”; **مِطَلَا** “covenant”; **دَوْرَا** “exulting”; **زَجَلَا** “inclination”; **بِهَدَا** “becoming”; **إِمْفَا** “honour” (§ 40 C); **إِغْبَا** “pouring out”; **إِغْبَا** (East-Syrian **إِغْبَا**) “fetter”⁽¹⁾. Also **إِيلَا** “help” probably belongs to this class. Add **عَجَلَا** “cough”; **عُيْلَا** “weakness of the eyes”, and several other names of bodily ailments.

Farther, **سَعْنَا** “ass”; **حِطْنَا** “wild-ass”; **أَنْف**, **نَع**, &c. “man” (§§ 32; 146), and **إِلَهَا** “god”.—Add to these, adjectives like **مِجَا** “smooth”; **مِطَب** “bald”; **رُخْسَا** “baldheaded”; **مِجِنَا** “hairy”; **رُخْلَا** “hook-nosed”; **عِئِم** “swarthy”; **حَدَلَا** “worn out”; **عَلَب** “out of one’s mind”; **دَوْرَا** “impaired in mind”⁽²⁾.—Feminines: **مِمْصَلَا** “resurrection”; **عِمْصَلَا** “discovery”, “invention”; **مِمْبَلَا** “appeal”, &c. Farther, **بِغْبَلَا** “sawdust”; and several other words for “parings”, “filings”.

With short vowel of the 1st and *i* (ē, ai) of the 2nd rad.:
With *i* of 2nd rad.

WITH SHORT VOWEL OF THE 1ST AND *ī* (*ē*, *ai*) OF THE 2ND RADICAL.

§ 110. All Passive participles belonging to the simple stem (excepting those of *tert.* **ب**) have *ī* after the 2nd radical (and originally *a* after the 1st); so also have many adjectives: thus—**مِمْبَلَا**, **مِمْصَلَا** &c. “killed”; **إِمْفِنَا** “said”; **إِمْفِنَا** “day-labourer”; **إِمْصَلَا** “sad”, “an ascetic”; **تَجِب** “born”; **شَامَر** “shorn”. From *med.* **وَسَب** “caught”; **تَس** “mild”; **قَمَر** “placed” (f. **قَمِمْبَلَا** “treasure”) &c.; but **دَوَس** “wide”; **حَقَب** “blind”.—From *tert.* } farther, the pl. **هَمْتَلَا**, **هَمْتَلَا**, fem. sing. **هَمْتَلَا** “hated” (cf. § 172 C; the sing. abs. state would be **هَمْت**). Thus also many substantives, like **مِمْكَلَا** “crown”; **مِمْقَتَلَا** “ship”, &c.

With *e* of 2nd rad.

§ 111. An *ē*, which generally becomes *ī* with the West-Syrians, is exhibited by **بِمْبَلَا** “terror”; **بِمْجَلَا**, West-Syrian **بِمْجَلَا** or **بِمْقَلَا**, **بِمْقَلَا** “recovering breath”, “recreation”; **بِمْجَلَا**, **بِمْقَلَا** “ambush”. Probably one or two others are to be met with.⁽³⁾

(1) Perhaps belonging to § 116.

(2) I adduce adjectives here, without adhering to consistency, sometimes in the Abs. st., sometimes in the Emphatic.

(3) The East-Syrians read **مِمْبَلَا** for **مِمْبَلَا** “fulness” (**مِمْبَلَا** “flood” is an Assyr.

§ 112. Diminutives were formed by a *u* after the 1st, and an *ai* after the 2nd radical. Whence we have in Syriac still **ܚܘܨܘܬܐ** “young man”, and f. **ܚܘܨܘܬܐ** “young girl”; **ܫܝܢܘܬܐ** “sucking-pig”; and with *u* still **ܟܘܙܠܐ** “gazelle”. **ὄμηρος** “hostage” has been turned into a like form: **ܐܘܡܝܪܐ**. With *ai* of 2nd rad.

WITH SHORT VOWEL OF THE 1ST AND \bar{u} (\bar{o}) OF THE 2ND RADICAL.

§ 113. The short vowel was *a*,—predominating with the adjectives, or *u*,—predominating with the Abstract nouns. Here there seems to be no specific distinction between the \bar{u} and the \bar{o} ; \bar{o} is in fact a derived shade from \bar{u} . With short vowel of the 1st and \bar{u} (\bar{o}) of the 2nd rad.

A few exhibit the signification of a Passive Participle (as in Hebrew): **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “loved”, f. **ܘܫܘܒܐ**; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “hated” m., **ܘܫܘܒܐ**, **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “an unloved woman”; **ܘܫܘܒܐ**; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “concubine” (“*quae calcatur*”), pl. **ܘܫܘܒܐ**; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “thing stolen”⁽¹⁾; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “report”, pl. **ܘܫܘܒܐ**. Farther, **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “garment”; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “virgin”, **ܘܫܘܒܐ**, &c.; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “little” (§ 71); **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “synagogue”, **ܘܫܘܒܐ**, **ܘܫܘܒܐ**; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “burial”; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “circumcision”; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** (for **ܘܫܘܒܐ** § 26) “bride”—**ܘܫܘܒܐ** “ringlet”; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “skirt”; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “bunch of grapes”—**ܘܫܘܒܐ** “vomiting”; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “name of a star-image”.⁽²⁾

WITH DOUBLING OF THE MIDDLE RADICAL.

§ 114. (1) With two short vowels. There are only a few cases; several can no longer be recognised by outward marks, and have passed over to other classes, probably at an early date. Some may have been originally quadriliteral, and the doubling may thus have been caused by the assimilation of an *n*: **ܘܫܘܒܐ**; **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “small bird”, abs. st. **ܘܫܘܒܐ**, pl. **ܘܫܘܒܐ**; **ܘܫܘܒܐ**. With doubling of the middle rad.: With two short vowels.

borrowed-word). East-Syrian **ܘܫܘܒܐ** “chasm”, “cave” instead of **ܘܫܘܒܐ** is no doubt just a way of writing **ܘܫܘܒܐ**—which also occurs—necessitated by leaving out the *n*.

(1) Perhaps this word, which has no known plural, has a short *u*. In that case it stands for **ܘܫܘܒܐ**, and belongs to § 94 E.

(2) This seems more accurate than **ܘܫܘܒܐ**, for with the old poets the word is dissyllabic.—In addition to the forms given above, notice **ܘܫܘܒܐ** (**ܘܫܘܒܐ**) “matter”, “mass”, “sum” (properly “fulness”).

ثَبَّوْءٌ “threshing-floor”; اِبْدَانٌ “wedder”; اِبْدَانٌ “little finger”; مَحْجَلٌ “stalk”, مَحْجَلٌ with مَحْجَلَةٌ, pl. مَحْجَلَةٌ; مَحْجَلَةٌ “ladder”; مَحْجَلَةٌ “hedg-hog”; مَحْجَلَةٌ “shield”; مَحْجَلَةٌ “bar”; يَحْجَلُ “one who tows a vessel”; and no doubt several more. Perhaps كَحْجَلٌ “raven”, and سَحْجَلٌ “stork” also belong to this class.

An old feminine form of this kind is also found in اِبْغَبَةٌ “fever” (f. from the Hebrew פֶּשַׁע), constr. st. اِبْغَبَةٌ, pl. اِبْغَبَةٌ.

With *a* after the 1st, and *ā* after the 2nd rad.

§ 115. (2) *With a after the 1st and ā after the 2nd radical.* Adjectives of degree, *Nomina agentis*, and names of occupations,—through-out: زَهِبٌ “pure”, “victorious”, زَهِبٌ, زَهِبٌ, &c., يَزِبٌ “contentious”; مَيِّمٌ “firm”, from يَمِيزُ, but with *w*, تَمَّوْءٌ “keenly eyeing, greedy”; تَمَّوْءٌ “thief”; لَحَّجِبٌ “butcher”; تَمَّوْءٌ “tailor” &c. As *nomina agentis* these forms belong to verbs of the simple stem (Peal); yet there are found with the double-letter stem (Pael) مَحْجَلٌ “speaking” (مَحْجَلٌ to speak); تَمَّوْءٌ “destructive”; يَزِبٌ “liar”; يَزِبٌ “liar”; مَحْجَلٌ “leader”; مَحْجَلٌ “babbling”. —تَمَّوْءٌ “hero” (§ 28).—So too تَمَّوْءٌ “pit”; تَمَّوْءٌ (others تَمَّوْءٌ) “fly”.

With *e* after the 1st and *ā* after the 2nd rad.

§ 116. (3) *With e after the 1st and ā after the 2nd radical* there are but a few: مَحْجَلٌ “covering”; لَحَّجِبٌ “shadow”; اِبْغَبَةٌ “smoke”; مَحْجَلٌ “root”; مَحْجَلٌ “roof”; مَحْجَلٌ “tongue”; مَحْجَلٌ “hook” (pl. مَحْجَلَةٌ); and the adjective تَمَّوْءٌ “white” (تَمَّوْءٌ, تَمَّوْءٌ, &c.) (1).

With *u* after the 1st and *ā* after the 2nd rad.

§ 117. (4) *With u after the 1st and ā after the 2nd radical*, a *nomen actionis* can be formed from *any* verb in *Pael* or its reflexive, *Ethpaal*: thus مَحْجَلٌ “murdering”, from مَحْجَلٌ (he) “murdered”; مَحْجَلٌ “warning”; مَحْجَلٌ “combining”; مَحْجَلٌ “supporting”; مَحْجَلٌ “pairing”; مَحْجَلٌ “question”; مَحْجَلٌ (abs. st. مَحْجَلٌ) “off-putting”; مَحْجَلٌ “howling” (from مَحْجَلٌ), &c. So also مَحْجَلٌ “shipwreck” from مَحْجَلٌ *ναυαγῆν*.—Farther the adjectives of colour: اِبْغَبَةٌ “black”; مَحْجَلٌ “red”; مَحْجَلٌ “yellow”; مَحْجَلٌ “reddish”; مَحْجَلٌ “party-coloured (?)” (2) and مَحْجَلٌ “hard stone”.—Perhaps also مَحْجَلٌ “pomegranate”.

(1) مَحْجَلٌ “left hand” is quadriliteral (= مَحْجَلٌ).

(2) So too is formed مَحْجَلٌ, مَحْجَلٌ, which, however, must be κλάσος. To these names of colours, مَحْجَلٌ (§ 116) belongs. مَحْجَلٌ, مَحْجَلٌ (f. st. abs. مَحْجَلٌ § 71) “artistic”, “artificer” is probably of Assyrian derivation.

§ 118. (5) *With a after the 1st and ī after the 2nd radical* a large number of adjectives are formed, especially such as are found with intransitive verbs as verbal adjectives or perf. participles (part of them being pretty recent formations). Thus **يَفِيس** “gone out”; **اَرَا** “gone”; **اَضَب** “lost”; **يَأْت** “sitting” (“having set oneself, seated”); **جَتَب** “parted, departed”; **مَيْت** “near”; **يَتَسَف** “far”; **اُتْسَو** “long”; **زُفِيس** “soft”; **عَجَلِي** “mighty”; **هَيَسَب** “much”, **هَيَسَبَا**, **هَيَسَبَانَا**, **هَيَسَبَانَا**, &c.; **اِيَاب** “come”, **اِيَابَا**, **اِيَابَانَا**, **اِيَابَانَا**; **بَتَّوَب** “been”, **بَتَّوَبَا**; **مَيَاتَا** or **مَيَاتَا** (§ 40 E) “dead”; **فَرَسَب**, **فَرَسَبَا** “fragrant”, &c. To distinguish these from the form **مَهَلَا** they are commonly written with the upper point (§ 6), e. g. **مَهَلَسَبَا** = **مَهَلَسَبَا** “humble”, compared with **مَهَلَسَبَا** or **مَهَلَسَبَا** = **مَهَلَسَبَا** “spread under”. The active signification is remarkable in **اِيَابَا**, **اِيَابَانَا** “guide”.

With a after the 1st and ī after the 2nd rad.

§ 119. (6) *With a after the 1st and ū after the 2nd radical*, appear many adjectives like **جَحَمَلِي** “dull, dark”; **تَعَمَرِي** “sour”; **بَشَعَت** “lean”; **عَجَمَلَا** “lying still”, and many others:—**بِكْهَبَا** “child”, f. **بِكْهَبَا**; **جَحَمَلَا** “pillar”; **عَجَمَلَا** and **عَجَمَلَا** “rod”; **اِيَابَا** “oven”, “furnace”, &c. So also **مَهَلَسَبَا** “cucumber” (for **קמחן**) § 146.

With a after the 1st and ū after the 2nd rad.

§ 120. (7) *With e after the 1st and ā, ō after the 2nd radical* there are a very few forms, as **بَحَفَا** “wasp”; **بَحَفَا** “bee”; **تَعَمَرِي** “dark”, and **تَعَمَلَا** “darkness”. Thus some say **تَعَمَلَا** “throat” (others **تَعَمَلَا**). Also **قَتَمَلَا** “disposition” (from **שׂוּת** “to place”) belongs, one would say, to this class.

With e after the 1st and ā, ō after the 2nd rad.

§ 121. WITH DOUBLING OF THE 3RD RADICAL.

The following seem to be thus formed: **הַפְלָא** “idol’s-altar”; **מַחְלָא** “stream”; **פְּרִינָא** “millet”, of which however the first is certainly, the others probably, ancient borrowed-words. Possibly **פְּרִינָא** “bridle”, pl. **פְּרִינָא** is of this class.

With doubling of the 3rd rad.

(BB) OF NOUNS OF FOUR OR MORE RADICALS WITHOUT EXTERNAL INCREASE.

(BB) Nouns of four or more radicals without external increase. Various forms.

§ 122. We class under this head also those nouns in which the multilateral character is brought about either by the repetition of one, or two radicals, or by the insertion of a formative consonant in the root.

To the former belong *e. g.* **مَحَلَّلٌ** from **كَدَلَ**; **مَجْمَعٌ** from **سَلِمَ**; **حُحْلٌ** from **دَلَل**: to the latter **مُحَدِّثٌ** from **دَهَرَ**; **شَمَمٌ** from **حَمَمَ**, &c. In the last resort indeed all multiliteral roots are reducible to those of three or of two syllables.

Almost no adjectives are found among these forms.

The vowels vary considerably. The chief classes are represented by the following words: **تَنْزِيَةٌ** “threshing-sledge”; **مَنْجَلٌ** “skull”; **وَيْدَانٌ** “widow”;—**حَدِيدٌ** “iron” (originally with *e* of the *z*); **حَبْلٌ** “corn, kernel”—**قَقْعِيلٌ** “bugs”—**كُورٌ** “throne”, constr. st. **كُورِيٌّ** (pl. **كُورِيَّاتٌ**); **كُورِيٌّ** “mouse”; **كُورِيٌّ** “knuckle, ankle”; **مَعْدِلٌ** “countenance”—**جَدْفَالٌ** “mist”—**بَهْمَةٌ** “meeting” (from **بَهْمٌ**); **بَهْمَةٌ** “milliped” or “centiped” (lit. “hand-hand”); **حُتٌّ** “hut”, “tabernacle”; **حُجْلٌ** “storm”; **بِهْمٌ** “nourishment”—**رُؤْيٌ** “ray of light”—**رُؤْيٌ** “a kind of locust”; **رُؤْيٌ** “crumb of bread”; **رُؤْيٌ** “scarecrow”; **رُؤْيٌ** “a slender thread” (forms of this kind have occasionally a diminutive signification)—**رُؤْيٌ** “lentils”, and many others.

To this class belong also the forms spoken of in § 31, like **رُؤْيٌ** “throat” for *gargartā*; **رُؤْيٌ** “wheel”, from *gilgēlā*, &c.: as well as **رُؤْيٌ**, &c. from **رُؤْيٌ** (§§ 27; 146), and perhaps **رُؤْيٌ** “star”.

§ 123. A special class, corresponding exactly to those treated of in § 117, is formed by the *Abstract nouns in u—ā*, which serve as *nomina actionis* to all verbs which are regarded as quadriliteral. As **رُؤْيٌ** stands to **رُؤْيٌ**, so **رُؤْيٌ** stands to **رُؤْيٌ**, as well as **رُؤْيٌ** “subjection” to **رُؤْيٌ**, &c. Thus *e. g.* we have **رُؤْيٌ** “instruction”; **رُؤْيٌ** “perplexity”; **رُؤْيٌ** “exaltation”; **رُؤْيٌ** “constancy”; **رُؤْيٌ** “haughtiness” (connected with reflexive **رُؤْيٌ**); **رُؤْيٌ** “nourishment, food” (with **رُؤْيٌ**); **رُؤْيٌ** or **رُؤْيٌ** “promise” (with **رُؤْيٌ** § 40 B, and retaining the ‘hard’ *u*); **رُؤْيٌ** “announcement” (exactly similar); **رُؤْيٌ** “kindling, vehemence” (with **رُؤْيٌ**); **رُؤْيٌ** (for **رُؤْيٌ** § 40 B) “twittering” (with **رُؤْيٌ**) &c.

Similarly have been formed **رُؤْيٌ** “addition” from **رُؤْيٌ**; **رُؤْيٌ** “brand” from **رُؤْيٌ**; and **رُؤْيٌ** “clothing” from **رُؤْيٌ** (cf. **رُؤْيٌ**).

§ 124. *Five-lettered nouns* have mostly sprung from the repetition of the last two radicals. Thus the adjective **ܥܡܡܢܐ** (&c.) “complete”; **ܨܚܚܐ** “ivy”; **ܨܘܘܢܐ** “cataract”, “*gutta serena*”; **ܥܡܢܦܐ** a kind of bird (“piper”); **ܦܨܦܐ** “spark”.

Five-lettered nouns.

§ 125. Among the multilaterals some old compounds may be hiding, as for instance **ܦܨܦܢܐ** “bat”, and the much mutilated form **ܦܨܦܢܐ** “frog” (the Aramaic original form being **ܦܨܦܨܦܐ**). Besides, some of these nouns may be suspected of being foreign words, e. g. **ܥܘܘܢܐ** “skeleton”, “corpse”.

Presumptive compounds.

(CC) FORMATIONS WITH PREFIXES.

(CC) Formations with prefixes: With *m*.

WITH *M*.

§ 126. A. As in all Semitic tongues, so in Syriac *m* is extensively employed in Noun-formation. First fall to be considered here the Participles of all derived verbal stems (Conjugations), like **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, pass. **ܡܡܦܠܐ**; **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, **ܡܡܦܠܐ**; **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, &c. For these v. Verb *infra*. So too the Infinitives, like **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, &c.

B. With *ma* are formed, besides, (1) words with short vowel after the 2nd radical **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “tent”; **ܡܡܦܠܐ** and **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “descent” (נחת cf. § 26 B); **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “taking” (נשא); **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “mounting”, and so **ܡܡܦܠܐ** (לק § 183); **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “chariot”, “boat”; **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “womb”, &c.—**ܡܡܦܠܐ**, **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “intelligence” (ידע cf. § 175 A); **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “a well-known person”, “an acquaintance”; **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “sitting”, “seat”; **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “gift”.—**ܡܡܦܠܐ** “drink”; **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, constr. st. **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “journey”, and so **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, abs. st. **ܡܡܦܠܐ** (§ 75)—**ܡܡܦܠܐ** “oath” (§ 78)—**ܡܡܦܠܐ** “hazard” (נשא § 80). To this section belong also **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “eating”, **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, and **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “coming”, **ܡܡܦܠܐ** and **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “going”; **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “cooking” (§ 53).—**ܡܡܦܠܐ** “besom” (East-Syrian **ܡܡܦܠܐ**).

From forms *med. gem.*, **ܡܡܦܠܐ** and **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “entrance”—**ܡܡܦܠܐ** “speech” (§ 29)—**ܡܡܦܠܐ**, **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “shield” (גן); **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “hone” (שן) (§ 59).

From middle *o* are to be brought into this class forms like **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “station”; **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “washing-tub”; **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “city”; **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “net”, &c. The last may have been originally a participle, as is certainly the case with **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “nurse” (for **ܡܡܦܠܐ**).⁽¹⁾

(1) **ܡܡܦܠܐ**, **ܡܡܦܠܐ** “sacrificial bowl” is a borrowed Hebrew word.

A short *u* occurs in **مِدَاوِدَا** “food”, abs. st. **مِدَاوِلَا**, pl. **مِدَاوِدَا**; **مِدَاوَم** “lasting”, “ever” (§ 59); so too **مِدَاوَمِدَا** “an acquaintance”, and several others. **مِدَاوَمَلَا** (according to others **مِدَاوَمَلَا**⁽¹⁾) “comb”, “crest”, is a special, secondary form.

C. (2) Words with *ā* after the 2nd rad. **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “weight”; **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “magician”; **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “a pencil for staining the eyes”; **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “saw” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “birth”; **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “rising (of the sun)” — pl. from **مِدَاوَمَلَا**; **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “bundle” and many others.

D. (3) Words with *ū* (ō) **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “fountain” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “bellows”; **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “storm”; **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “stumbling”, “offence” (the last two also with *ō*); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “gush”, “torrent” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “weight”, and many others.

E. *Me* appears (apart from the cases cited above of **مِدَاوَمَلَا** from *ma*) in **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “web”; **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “dwelling”, “house-story”.

H. With *mu*: **مِدَاوَمَلَا** (others say **مِدَاوَمَلَا**) “spindle”.

G. With *mā*: **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “nourishment” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “cistern”: a few other doubtful cases might be added.⁽²⁾

WITH *T*.

With *t*.

§ 127. A number of Abstract nouns occur, which mostly belong to the Pael or its reflexive, in part also to the Aphel: Sometimes they have taken a concrete meaning. Such formations, amongst others, are:

مِدَاوَمَلَا “help” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “roof” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “ornament” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “disciple”, f. **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “female disciple” (***مِدَاوَمَلَا**); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “vexation” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “something added” (دَاوَمَلَا); — **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “compensation”, “hostage” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “flattery” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “combat” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “object of disdain” (دَاوَمَلَا); — **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “settler” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “remnants” (دَاوَمَلَا).

With short vowel after 2nd rad., and feminine-ending: **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “be-seeching” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “mockery” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “pollution” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “groaning” (دَاوَمَلَا for دَاوَمَلَا § 174 C); — **مِدَاوَمَلَا** (East-Syrian **مِدَاوَمَلَا**) “shame” (دَاوَمَلَا); **مِدَاوَمَلَا** (East-Syrian **مِدَاوَمَلَا**) “ad-

(1) **مِدَاوَمَلَا** also appears (§ 52).

(2) **مِدَاوَمَلَا** “city” (دَاوَمَلَا) seems to have been borrowed from the Assyrian.

dition" (إِهْوَاء);—إِعْمَادٌ "service" (عَمَد);—إِعْدَادٌ "glory", "praise" (عَدَّ), pl. إِعْتِدَالٌ; إِعْجَابٌ "wonder", "miracle" (عَجَب), إِعْجَابٌ; إِعْتِقَادٌ "trade" (عَقَد), إِعْتِقَادٌ. To this section also belong probably إِبْقَاعٌ "urine", and إِبْرَاقٌ "skeleton":—With vowel originally short, also—إِعْتَابٌ "clothing" (عَبَّ); إِعْتِبَانٌ "education" (عَبَّ); إِعْتِبَانٌ "narrative" (عَبَّ), إِعْتِبَانٌ; إِعْتِبَانٌ "praising" (عَبَّ); إِعْتِبَانٌ "foundations" (عَبَّ), &c.—إِعْقَابٌ "camp" (عَقَب).

So perhaps إِعْتِبَانٌ "atonement" (عَبَّ) and إِعْتِبَانٌ "corruption" (عَبَّ), if they stand for *إِعْتِبَانٌ, *إِعْتِبَانٌ and do not take the abstract termination *ūthā* (§ 138).

A few others too seem to be formed with a *t*, but of a different sort,—like إِعْتِبَانٌ, إِعْتِبَانٌ "worm".

§ 127*.

OTHER PREFIXES.

Other prefixes.

Some of these are matter of doubt. We have:

(1) *o*, *i* in إِعْتِبَانٌ, إِعْتِبَانٌ "palace"—إِعْتِبَانٌ "threshold" (here *i* is perhaps a mere starting sound, in accordance with § 51), إِعْتِبَانٌ; إِعْتِبَانٌ "flute" (دَبَب); إِعْتِبَانٌ "manuscript" (from عَبَّ, root عَقَب); إِعْتِبَانٌ *concentus* (عَقَب, root عَقَب).

(2) *ya*, as it seems, we have in إِعْتِبَانٌ "jerboa"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "a kind of antelope"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "mandragora"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "smoke"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "toad"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "thorny rhubarb".

(DD) FORMATIONS WITH SUFFIXES.⁽¹⁾

WITH *ĀN* (*ŌN*).

(DD) Formations with suffixes: With *ān* (*ōn*). Abstract nouns and nouns substantive.

§ 128. A. In this class appear many Abstract nouns and common nouns (*a*) with *a* after the 1st rad.: إِعْتِبَانٌ "plague"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "residue"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "error"⁽²⁾; إِعْتِبَانٌ (طَرَب) "rock", &c.

(b) With *u*: إِعْتِبَانٌ "oppression"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "gain"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "command"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "doctrine"; إِعْتِبَانٌ "refuse" (*tert. i*); and many other abstract

(1) In part with prefixes at the same time.

(2) إِعْتِبَانٌ, for which also occurs إِعْتِبَانٌ "perdition"; "the nether world", is perhaps borrowed from the Hebrew.

nouns; but only a few forms from roots *tert.* **ب**, like **تَوَهَّنَا** “wedding-gift”; **كُحْنَا** “swelling” (along with **جُحْنَا**).

(c) With *e* **جُنَا** “building”; **بُجْنَا** “harm”; **زُحْنَا** “thought”; **أُجْنَا** “pronouncing”; **رُجْنَا** “will”; and many other abstract nouns from *tert.* **ب**.—So also **شَرْنَا** “look”. A few besides, like **يُنْنَا** “distinction”; **جُحْنَا** “sloth” (perhaps **جُنَا** “time” for **نَظَرْنَا**?).

Rem. Of such doubling as we have in **פָּקְדוֹן**, **הַזְּבִיז**, no sure trace is any longer to be found. So far as we can settle it, the 2nd rad. is *always* soft, the 3rd hard.

B. Instead of *ān* we have an old ending *ōn* (*ān*) in **يَعْتَبِرُ** “temptation”, “affliction” a secondary form to **يَعْتَبِرُ** “experiment”, “trial”; **رُحْنَا**, **كُحْنَا** “revelation”; and, according to East-Syrian pronunciation, **دَاوُونَا** (*dawōnā*) “pity”, West-Syrian **دَاوُونَا** (*dawōnō* = *dawānā*); v. § 44.

C. Of substantives with prefixes in this class:—**يَمْعَجْنَا** “decamping”; **يَحْجْنَا** “entry”; **يَصْعَجْنَا** (p. 183) “ascent”, &c. So too, **يَحْرُجْنَا** “girths”. Perhaps also **يَاوْنَا** “alarm” (from **يَاوِي**?)⁽¹⁾.

Adjectives.

§ 129. *ān* (f. *ānyā*, *ānithā* &c. § 71) is attached to a great variety of words, to form *adjectives*. Thus **يُنْجِي** “earthy, earthly”; **نُحِي** “fiery”; **يُحْنِي** “talkative”; **يُحْرُونَا** “one who is possessed” (from **يُحْرُونَا** “demon”); and so **يُحْرُونَا** (from the Persian **يُحْرُونَا** “demon”); **يُحْرُونَا** “heavenly”; **يُحْرُونَا** “slandorous” (from **يُحْرُونَا**); **يُحْرُونَا** “menstruans” (from **يُحْرُونَا** “menstruation”); **يُحْرُونَا** “whitish”; a feminine from it is **يُحْرُونَا** “white poplar”. So **يُحْرُونَا** “shadow”.

From **يُحْرُونَا** “throat” is formed **يُحْرُونَا** “gluttonous”; so **يُحْرُونَا** “spotted” from **يُحْرُونَا** “spot” (pl. **يُحْرُونَا**); **يُحْرُونَا** “comet” from **يُحْرُونَا** “*fimbria*”.—In other cases the **ل** of the feminine remains before *ān*, as in **يُحْرُونَا** “quarrelsome”; **يُحْرُونَا** “given to anger”; **يُحْرُونَا** “womanly”; **يُحْرُونَا** “angry”, &c.; and even from substantives without this ending, similar forms in **يُحْرُونَا** are derived, *e. g.* **يُحْرُونَا** “happy” (along with **يُحْرُونَا**) from **يُحْرُونَا** “health”, “happiness”; **يُحْرُونَا** “warlike”; **يُحْرُونَا**,

(1) The meaning of the word in Is. 16, 3 is not quite certain: later writers employ it according as they severally understood this passage.

شَيْحِي (§ 52 B) “strong”; جَائِئِي “painful”; مُهَيِّئِي “indicating a *σχημα*” (مُهَيِّئِي), &c.

Specially in favour are adjectives of this form like مُهَيِّئِي “intelligent”; زَيْهَرِي “angry”; وَهَّيِي “crafty” (from وَهَّاهَا, *πόρος*, like وَهَّيِي “to be cunning”); تَعَجَّبِي “anxious”, and many others. In these cases no Abstract noun like مَهَيِّئِي can any longer be pointed to as the fundamental form; and with the most of them such an Abstract noun has never existed.—So too, جَسْمَعِي “flatterer” (جَسَم “to flatter”) (1).

§ 130. Farther, *Nomina agentis* may be formed by the suffix *ān* *Nomina agentis.* from all Participles which begin with *m*: and so participles from Peal are alone excluded. Thus مَمِيضِي “one who praises” (from مَمِيض); مَبِيئِي “enlightener” (مَبِيئِي); مَبِيئِي “one who provokes” (مَبِيئِي); مَبِيئِي “tempter” (مَبِيئِي); مَمِيضِي “one worthy of praise” (مَمِيضِي); مَمِيضِي “one who has to be ordained” (مَمِيضِي), &c.

In some quadrilaterals the *m* thereupon falls away. The ascertained cases of this sort are مَبِيئِي “interpreter” (along with مَبِيئِي); مَبِيئِي “braggart”; مَبِيئِي “bloody” (together with مَبِيئِي)—(otherwise, however, مَبِيئِي “refractory”, &c.).

§ 130^b. The following appear to be formed in *m*: مَمِيضِي “file” with *m*. (from مَمِيض “to rub down”); مَمِيضِي “turtle-dove”, f. مَمِيضِي; مَمِيضِي “lark”; مَمِيضِي “hoar frost” (not quite certain; a secondary form is مَمِيضِي), and a few others. Cf. § 132.

DIMINUTIVES.

Diminutives.

§ 131. Diminutives are formed at pleasure with *ōn*: e. g. مَمِيضِي with *ōn*. “*regulus*”; مَمِيضِي “minor god”; مَمِيضِي “little book”; مَمِيضِي “little boy”; مَمِيضِي “little son”, &c.—Feminines take مَمِيضِي (§ 71, 1), e. g. مَمِيضِي “ship” (f.); مَمِيضِي; مَمِيضِي “little ear”; مَمِيضِي “small stone”; مَمِيضِي “a little bed”. *l* of the feminine termination is retained before this suffix: مَمِيضِي “small town”; مَمِيضِي “a small church”; مَمِيضِي “a short letter”, &c. However, we have مَمِيضِي “ane-

(1) On the termination مَمِيضِي v. *infra* § 136.

“mone” “little bride” from **مَدِينَة** and **خَيْمَة** (to be pronounced no doubt as **جَيْمَة**) “curricie” from **جَيْمَة**. From the pl. **قَوَائِم** (sg. **مَدِينَة**) appears in this way **مَدِينَة** “short words”.

With *m̄*.

§ 132. *Rem.* *m̄* may also be a Diminutive suffix: **قَفِينَة**, secondary form to **قَفِينَة** “small bird”. Yet it is not to be held as altogether certain.

With *ōs*.

§ 133. *With* *ōs*. Not so frequently met with as *ōn*: thus *e. g.* **نَيْفَة** “hatchet”; **كَيْفَة** “small fish”; **كَيْفَة** “little boy” (without any ground-form in use); **كَيْفَة** “little boy”, &c.—Feminine forms have **كَيْفَة**, pl. **كَيْفَات** (§ 71). *L* of the fem. termination falls away before the suffix: **كَيْفَات**; “small court” from **كَيْفَات**; **كَيْفَات** “small garden” from **كَيْفَات**; **كَيْفَات** “small bowls”, “cups” from **كَيْفَات**; **كَيْفَات** “little girl”.

Others.

§ 134. *Rem.* **كَيْفَات** *ὀδρίσκη* from **كَيْفَات** likewise appears to be a Diminutive. Besides these we still have traces of other diminutive-endings, notably in secondary forms of the more familiar names. Compare farther § 112, as well as Diminutives formed by reduplication of the 3rd rad. § 122. Add thereto, although not attested by very old authority, **كَيْفَات** “a little hill”, pl. **كَيْفَات**, from **كَيْفَات** “hill” (1), alongside of **كَيْفَات**.

With *āi*.

WITH *ĀI*.

With *āi*
alone (*nāi*).

§ 135. *With* *āi* (**كَيْفَات**, **كَيْفَات**, &c.) corresponding adjectives⁽²⁾ were formed at pleasure, from substantives, and more rarely from other nouns; notably national appellations. Thus *e. g.* **كَيْفَات** “fiery” from **كَيْفَات**; **كَيْفَات** “kingly”; **كَيْفَات** *οἰκείος*; **كَيْفَات** “foreign” from **كَيْفَات** “foreign country”; **كَيْفَات** “foreign”; **كَيْفَات** “naked” (from the adjective **كَيْفَات**); **كَيْفَات** “external”; **كَيْفَات** “internal”; **كَيْفَات** “alone” (from the adverb **كَيْفَات**); **كَيْفَات** “belonging to”, “proper” (from **كَيْفَات** § 69), &c.—

(1) Is **كَيْفَات**, **كَيْفَات** (in Arabic dress **كَيْفَات**) “street” *ὀδὸς* by any chance an old Diminutive from **كَيْفَات** “broad street” *πλατεία*?

(2) This mode of formation for the derivation of appellatives was much less frequently employed in remoter times than it came to be in later days, in the scholastic style of learned translators and imitators of Greek writings.

يهنئ “Greek” (noun and adj.); إجلئ “Alan”; تهنئ “Jew”; ههنئ “Hindoo” from the Persian *Hindū*; كههنئ “man of Kardū” from *Qardū*; وههنئ “Parthian” from *Parthau*.

From the feminine ههنئ “old woman”, ههنئ “old-womanish”; but from إهنئ, — ههنئ, πολιτικός; and thus appears إهنئ *ikéssios* from إهنئ.

From جئئ “night” (§ 49 A); جئئ, but also جئئ.

From plurals are formed: يهنئ “effeminate” (يهنئ “women” § 146); وههنئ “maidenly” (وههنئ “maidens” § 146); إهنئ “fatherly” (إهنئ), together with يهنئ “patrician”; وههنئ “motherly” (وههنئ § 146); ههنئ “nominal” (ههنئ). Cf. with these § 138 A. Similarly كههنئ “rustic”, from كههنئ (§ 146).

From نهنئ “booth”, and كههنئ “banishment”, are formed ههنئ “host”, “innkeeper”, وههنئ “exile”, “outlaw”; so ههنئ (ههنئ?) “beginner”. From وههنئ “glass”, وههنئ “glazier”.

From name of month يهنئ: يهنئ “Teshrīn (as adj.)”, or “autumnal”. So ههنئ “monk”, especially “novice”, from ههنئ *κοινόβιον*.

Final *ē* or *ai* falls away throughout before the suffix. Thus وههنئ “Roman”, from وههنئ *Ρώμη*; ههنئ “clerk”, “sacristan”, from وههنئ *κόγχη* (“choir”); وههنئ “of Moses” from وههنئ; ههنئ “Ninevite” from ههنئ; وههنئ from وههنئ (name of a place); وههنئ “from the convent of St. Matthew” (ههنئ). Similarly وههنئ “of Edessa”, from وههنئ; وههنئ from *Ἀπάμεια*; وههنئ from وههنئ “Samaria”. But وههنئ “northern” from وههنئ.

Short vowels have fallen out originally at the approach of the suffix, to the extent required by § 43. Thus وههنئ “Persian”, from وههنئ (which itself is of course nothing but a more convenient pronunciation of *Pārs*); وههنئ “Babylonian”, from وههنئ; وههنئ “Aramaic”, “heathen”, from the original *Arām*⁽¹⁾; وههنئ “Arabian”, “Arab” (still with soft *ā*, v. § 23 D) from *Arav*; وههنئ “from *Mausil*”; وههنئ.

(1) The West-Syrian schools arbitrarily derived وههنئ “Aramaic” from وههنئ, which is a copy of the Hebrew ארם, and they left the genuine وههنئ with the signification of “heathen”.

“of *Garmaq*”; **جرحينا** “barbarian” from *βάρβαρος*; **إنعجنا** (along with **إنعجنا** §§ 42 and 52 B) “royal” from the royal name **إنعج** *Arsaces*; **جمضنا** “from *جهم*” (locality-name); cf. **دمشقنا** “from Damascus” **دمشقنا**; and **مقدونيا** “from *Καππαδοκία*”. A like mode of formation will probably hold good also in other cases, which we can no longer settle: Thus the national appellation from **إضرب** is doubtless **إضربنا**, not **إضربنا**, &c. But in other cases, the need of having the primitive word clearly recognised may have had an influence here,—even at an early period,—in defiance of phonetic rules. Thus **دلومنا** “from *Dēlōm*”. From **بخف** come **محصنا** and **محصنا**.

More decided abbreviations we have in **بئرنا** from **بئر** (river at Edessa), as well as from **بئرنا** (*Bardesanes*); **زبنا** from **زب** (*Sidon*); **سنا** “from *Harrān*”, **سنا** (also **سنا**), from **سرج**; **سنا** “from *سرج*”; **سنا** “from *سرج*”.

The following are also irregular: **إسرائيلنا** “Israelite” from **إسرائيل**; and **إشمائيلنا** “Ishmaelite” from **إشمائيل**.

As shown by several of the foregoing examples, the ending may be attached even to compounds: thus,—to give farther instances—**عنقنا** (late formation) *ἐλεφάντινος*, from **قلا** “bone of the elephant”, *i. e.* “ivory”; **عينا** “from *عنا*”, &c. Yet along with these we have **سنا** “Mesopotamian”, from **سنا**; **سنا**, from **سنا**; **سنا** “overseer of the refectory” (**سنا**); **سنا** “of *Bardesanes*”—*v. supra*.

Many names of cities form their *gentilicium* first from a form with *n*. Probably the ending was originally *ānāi*, but pronounced *nāi* in certain words. Thus **سنا** “from *سنا*”, and probably **سنا** “from *سنا*” (along with it, but occurring more rarely, **سنا**).—From **سنا** comes **سنا** (probably *Karmōnāyē*).

In the *gentilicia* of foreign names of localities, the forms of the foreign language are sometimes made perceptible, *e. g.* **سنا** “from *سنا*”, after the Persian form *Marwazī*; **سنا** “from *سنا*”, after the more ancient Persian form *Rāgīk*.—Many more transformations too, which cannot now be checked, appear assuredly in such *gentilicia*.

One Abstract noun in *āi*, which however is perhaps of different origin, is **جِبْجِبْ**, more rarely **جِبْجِبْ**, “blame” (constr. st. **جِبْجِبْ**).

§ 136. The compound, made up of *ān* (§ 129) and *āi*, which we had even in the *gentilicia*, appears often, and especially in the more scientific diction, in derivatives from appellatives: the **ل** of the fem. is almost always retained before it: Thus **تُهْزَنْلَا** “fiery”; **يَعْفَنْلَا** *ψυχικός*; **تُهْزَنْلَا** *πνευματικός*; **جِبْأَنْلَا** “ecclesiastical”; **جِتْأَنْلَا** “yearly”; **كُهْزَنْلَا** “blessing”; **كُهْجِبْأَنْلَا** “begging”, &c.: With the falling away of the feminine ending, however, in **جِعْدَنْلَا** “chain-formed”, from **جِعْدَانْ**.

As *ān* even by itself is used in this way,—which assumes a **ا** before the feminine ending,—it is not always certain whether, for instance, a form ending in **لَا** is to be read **تَنْبِ** or **لَنْبِ**. There are actually found variants like **إِنْجَنْبِ** and **إِنْجَنْبِ** *ἐπίγειος* (f.) Jas. 3, 15.

WITH *ī*, *y*.

§ 137. These forms are, it may be, of much diversity of origin; in part of them at least the *ī* may have been originally identical with that which has coalesced with another ending into the *āi* of the preceding sections.

To this section belongs the *i* of feminine forms like **إِنْجَنْبِ**, **رَحْدَنْبِ**, &c. (§ 71). So, farther, we have **إِنْجَنْبِ** “bee”, pl. **إِنْجَنْبِ**; **هَنْوَنْبِ** “swallow”; **إِنْجَنْبِ** “dog-fly”; **سَوْوَنْبِ** “female snake” (**سَوْلِ** “snake”, pl. **سَوْلِ** § 79 A); **سَفْغَنْبِ** “dinner”; **جِئَنْبِ** “streets” (§ 21 C); **تَجْجِبَنْبِ** “cancer”; **مُخْغَنْبِ** “shivering fit in ague”; **تَلْزَنْبِ** “a breaking out”; **جِهْوَنْبِ** “a breaking out”; **كُهْجَنْبِ**, **كُهْجَنْبِ** “bubo (in the human body)”; **سَوْوَنْبِ** “purple”; **حِيقَنْبِ** “stomach of ruminants”; **حِيقَنْبِ** “shivering fit in ague”; **عِدْوَنْبِ** “flame”; **بِصْمَنْبِ** “baptism”; **بِصْمَنْبِ** “flute” (and others of this form), &c.

Farther, many masculine abstract nouns, like **سَلْهَجَنْبِ** “robbing”; **كُهْجَنْبِ** “oppressing”; **إِهْهَنْبِ** “fettering”; **هَنْقَهْجَنْبِ** “overturning”; **جَهْجَمْبِ** “embracing”; **جَهْجَمْبِ** “formation”; **كُهْجَنْبِ** “sadness”⁽¹⁾, &c.

Perhaps also words like **نُزَنْبِ** “north” might belong to this class.

(1) Some of the Syrians have foolishly turned the form **إِنْهَمْبِ** “affliction”,—fashioned according to this section,—into a form **إِنْهَمْبِ**, as if it had the Greek ending *ια*.

WITH *ŪTH*.

With *ūth*.

§ 138. A. This suffix serves to form Abstract nouns from nouns of all kinds (for inflection v. § 76). Thus *e. g.* مَدِينَةٌ “kingdom”; بِيْرَةٌ “heroism”; وِرْثَةٌ “inheritance”; مَوْتٌ “mortality”; خَيْرٌ “externality”, “exterior”; نِعْمَةٌ “goodness”, “good”; صِفَةٌ “property, attribute”; تَرْكٌ “abandonment” (from مَدِينَةٌ *nomen agentis* from مَدِينٌ “was abandoned” § 130); كَلِمَةٌ “revelation”; رِجَافٌ “consent” (رِجَافٌ), &c. So even كَرْهٌ *οικονομία*. The extension of this mode of formation is unlimited: particularly in scientific diction new examples are constantly appearing. Many of these forms, however, are very old, such as قَدِيمٌ *χάρις*; قَدِيمٌ “extreme old age”; بِيْرَةٌ “belief”, their primitive words being no longer extant. Infinitives in *o*— also belong to this section (v.—‘Verb’). From plurals are formed اَبْنَاءٌ “fatherhood”, alongside of اَبْنَاءٌ “patrocinium”, and اَبْنَاءٌ “maidenhood” (cf. herewith § 135).

B. From roots *tert.* — there are formed مِثَالٌ “equality” (from مِثَالٌ, مِثَالٌ); نَيْبٌ “purity”; مَجْدٌ “magnificence”; زِنَةٌ “fornication” (from زِنَةٌ, زِنَةٌ); عِلْمٌ “childlessness”, and many others. But, alongside of these, there are other forms also which follow a more ancient method,—that of omitting the last radical: كَلِمَةٌ “innocence” (from كَلِمَةٌ); مَدِينَةٌ “banishment”; مَعَالٌ “a meal”; حُكْمٌ “petition”.—In مَدِينَةٌ “form”, and رَكْمٌ “thing” (§ 76 B), and likewise in مَدِينَةٌ “correction” (مَدِينَةٌ, مَدِينَةٌ); مَدِينَةٌ “censure”; مَدِينَةٌ “watering”; مَدِينَةٌ “fight”; مَدِينَةٌ “banquet”,—it is not quite certain whether or not the abstract-suffix belonged originally to these words: and the same question arises in the case of اِنْحَاءٌ “atonement”, and اِنْحَاءٌ “corruption” (§ 127).

Traces of other word-forming suffixes.

§ 139. TRACES OF OTHER WORD-FORMING SUFFIXES.

Traces of suffixes, like *ām, el, n* (فَهْرٌ “flea”) are still repeatedly met with, but the words concerned no longer form an established class, and they may be regarded as multiliterals.

FOREIGN SUFFIXES.

§ 140. The suffix *αριος*, current in later Greek, but originally Latin,—which appears in several words, like **بانياريوس** “bath-master”, and some others,—has also been joined to the Persian but adopted word **اهل** “pillar”, the Persian **خار** “falcon”, and the pure Syriac **الاج** “ship”, thus: **اهل** *στυλίτης*; **خار** “falconer”; **الاج** “ship-master”. The Persian *kān* is added to the Syriac **سفن** “ass”; **سفن** (properly **سفن**) “ass-driver”, and to the Greek **κοιτών**: **سفن** “chamberlain”. So, in addition, we have **βωτρυαδης** from the Syriac **هفلا** “a bunch of grapes”. From **لعج** “played” is formed, after the fashion of Greek words like *εὐθηνία* or *σαφήνεια*, **لعج** “a game”. Cf. **اهل** “luxury”, “wantonness” [I Tim. 5, 6] *στρήνος* (or rather a secondary form—not yet, it is true, otherwise authenticated—*στηνεία*).

Foreign suffixes.

C. COMPOUNDS.

§ 141. Several words, regularly and closely associated in a genitive connection, are treated as a single word, and attach to their second member those endings, which the first (standing in the constr. st.) should have received. Thus **اهل** (constr. st. of **اهل** “ground” § 146) forms with **اهل** (pl. **اهل**) “wall” a firm compound **اهل** “foundation”, of which the plural is **اهل**; from this quite a new verb then originates, **اهل** (also written **اهل**) “he founded”. So too are treated several compounds of **اهل** “house”, *e. g.* **اهل** *مخه* “tombs”, “graves built inside”; **اهل** *مفعل* “storehouses”; **اهل** *جد* “houses of nativity”, *i. e.* “constellations of nativity” (*γενέσεις*), &c.; and also other compounds, such as **اهل** (“lord of...”?) “enemy”, **اهل** “enemies”, **اهل** “female enemy”, **اهل** “enmity”; **اهل** “beginnings of a month”; **اهل** “*capra montis*”, “steinbock”, pl. **اهل** “steinbocks”; **اهل** “wild goats”; **اهل** “sentence” (“judicial decision”), pl. **اهل**; **اهل** “punishments”; and thus also several others, though not a great number of them,—while, in cases quite analogous, the ordinary procedure is followed, *e. g.* **اهل** *ملا* “*filia vocis*”, *i. e.* “word”,

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pl. **حَنَامِلًا**, and so with all compounds of **حَنَ** “son” and **حَنَل** “daughter”, however close the combination may sometimes be.

Some compounds show a more decided blending of sounds. Thus, for instance, **حَهْبَل** “pillow” [“cushioned couch”—“*pulvinar*”], pl. **حَهْبَلَةٌ** (§ 79 A), of which the first portion is equivalent to **حَب**, while the second is a form nearly related to **حَبْلٌ** “foundation”. So **حَبْلَان** ‘name of a tendon’ = **حَبْلَان**; **حَبْلَان**, **حَبْلَان**⁽¹⁾, pl. **حَبْلَان** or even **حَبْلَان** “navel” = **حَبْلَان** “basis(?) of the navel”, and some others. Cf. § 125.

Gender of such compounds.

§ 142. The second member of such compounds determines even the gender and number. Thus **حَبْلَان** “*domus* (m.) *sabbatis* (f.)” i. e. “refectory”, and **حَبْلَان** “chapel”, “house of prayer” are feminine: **حَبْلَان** “half of the day”, “mid-day”, is used as masculine: **حَبْلَان** “face (f. pl.) of the door (m. sing.)” = “curtain” is always masc. sing.

Compounds with tā.

§ 143. A special class is formed by nouns compounded closely with **لَا** “not”, like **لَا حَبْلَان** “immortal”, f. **لَا حَبْلَان**, pl. **لَا حَبْلَان**, **لَا حَبْلَان**, &c.; **لَا حَبْلَان** “immortality”; **لَا حَبْلَان** “non-arrival”, &c.

Remark on the treatment of Greek proper-names.

D. REMARK ON THE TREATMENT OF GREEK PROPER-NAMES.

§ 144. *Greek proper-names* in *ος* and *ας* are used either in the nominative- or vocative-form: **حَبْلَان**; **حَبْلَان**; **حَبْلَان**; **حَبْلَان** (**Θεοδῶς**), &c.; or (used, however, also as subject &c.) **حَبْلَان**; **حَبْلَان**; **حَبْلَان**; **حَبْلَان**; **حَبْلَان**; &c. The East-Syrians however write **حَبْلَان** for this **حَبْلَان** and **حَبْلَان**, or even **حَبْلَان** without any difference in the pronunciation.

The termination *ιος*, *ειος* very frequently falls completely away: sometimes there still remains of it a **حَبْلَان** alongside of **حَبْلَان** **Μαυρίκιος**; **حَبْلَان** **Ἰγνάτιος**; **حَبْلَان**, **حَبْلَان**, **حَبْلَان** **Βασιλείος**; **حَبْلَان**, **حَبْلَان**, **حَبْلَان** **Ζηρόβιος** (also **حَبْلَان**); **حَبْلَان**, **حَبْلَان** **Λεόντιος**, &c. This happens too, though much more rarely, with the simple *ος*, e. g. **حَبْلَان**, as

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well as **حصه** چهل *Bássos*; **انهم** *Arwūnos*. Of course there are found, besides, many deviations from the accurate Greek forms, which are not limited to the terminations.

E. ATTACHMENT OF THE POSSESSIVE SUFFIXES.

Attachment of the possessive suffixes.

§ 145. A. The Suffixes enumerated in § 65 coalesce with the *ai* of the pl. m. into the following forms:

Suffixes of the Plural.	{	“my”	أنا	“our”	نحن
		“thy (m.)”	أنت	“your (m.)”	أنفك
		“thy (f.)”	أنت	“your (f.)”	أنفك
		“his”	هو	“their (m.)”	أنهم
		“her”	هي	“their (f.)”	أنهن

Thus the same scheme holds throughout; only **هو** from *arhi* constitutes a deviation. Notice that the otherwise constantly soft **ح** of the 2nd pers. becomes hard after *ai*.

Example: **قضا** “judgment” (constr. and abs. st. **قضاء**; pl. **قضاءات**, **قضاءات**).

Singular:

قضاء my judgment	قضاءنا our judgment
قضاءك thy (m.) judgment	قضاءك your (m.) judgment
قضاءك thy (f.) ”	قضاءك your (f.) ”
قضاءه his ”	قضاءهم their (m.) ”
قضاءها her ”	قضاءهم their (f.) ”

Plural:

قضاءات my judgments	قضاءاتنا our judgments
قضاءاتك thy (m.) judgments	قضاءاتك your (m.) judgments
قضاءاتك thy (f.) ”	قضاءاتك your (f.) ”
قضاءاتهم his ”	قضاءاتهم their (m.) ”
قضاءاتهم her ”	قضاءاتهم their (f.) ”

B. No difficulty of any kind is occasioned in attaching the suffixes to any noun, of which the stem or ground-form (*i. e.* the form left after removal of the termination *ā*) has a long vowel—or another consonant

without a vowel—before the final letter, or ends in a double-consonant: thus *e. g.*, like **بَيْتًا** given above, **حَدَمَةٌ** “garment”; **حَدَمَةٌ**, **حَدَمَةٌ**, **حَدَمَةٌ**; **حَدَمَةٌ**; **حَدَمَةٌ** “silver”: **حَدَمَةٌ**⁽¹⁾, **حَدَمَةٌ**⁽²⁾; **أُمٌّ** “mother”; **أُمٌّ**, **أُمٌّ**⁽³⁾, &c.

The vocalisation in these cases is, throughout, the same as in the emphatic state.

Rem. No difference of treatment is exhibited here between words of the simplest formation with originally one short vowel, and those with originally two short vowels. Like **دَاهِيَةٌ** (from *dahāvā*), we have not merely **دَاهِيَةٌ**, but also **دَاهِيَةٌ**, **دَاهِيَةٌ**⁽⁴⁾. If,—besides **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا** from **أَثَرًا** (for *atharā*) “place”,—**أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا** are occasionally met with, it is not the original vocalisation which is maintained therein, but one which is to be understood as a method of facilitating pronunciation in accordance with § 52 B, just as, with words of the simplest formation there is written also upon occasion **أَثَرًا** (= **أَثَرًا**), **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**.

C. This method prevails also with all terminations of the pl. f.; and suffixes are attached thereto in the same way as to the singular. Like **أَثَرًا** “queens” we read, for instance, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**; **أَثَرًا**, &c. It is the same with those of the pl. m.,—with the exception of many forms *tertiæ* — for which *v. infra*, K. Like **أَثَرًا** “kings”, **أَثَرًا** “witnesses”, we have **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**; **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, &c.

D. Even with forms which have a short vowel before the final consonant, including the feminine termination *ath* (أَثَرًا) the vocalisation entirely resembles, for all suffixes, that of the emphatic state, with the exception of the 1st sing. and 2nd and 3rd pl. Thus like **أَثَرًا** “taking”, from **أَثَرًا**, and **أَثَرًا**, from **أَثَرًا**, so too **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, &c.

E. At the approach of the suffixes of the 1st sing. and 2nd and 3rd pl., the short vowels before the final consonant are frequently retained,

(1) Thus **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**; **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, &c.
 (2) Thus **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, &c.
 (3) Thus **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, &c.
 (4) Thus **أَثَرًا**. Cf. farther **أَثَرًا**, **أَثَرًا**, &c.

although in other cases they disappear, no doubt from the analogy of the other forms. They are retained throughout, where there is no feminine ending, except in the instances given under J: Thus **مِيعِد** (مِيعِدَةٌ, مِيعِدَةٌ &c.); **مِيعِدِي**, **مِيعِدِي**, **مِيعِدِي**, **مِيعِدِي**, **مِيعِدِي**. So **مِيعِدِي** “my burden”; **مِيعِدِي** “my speech”; **مِيعِدِي** “their seat”; **مِيعِدِي** “my friend” &c.

F. *a* of the feminine-ending *ath* disappears before these suffixes [that is to say, the analogy of the emph. state is followed], when the middle consonant has a short vowel; thus like **اِجْدَاب** “vengeance”, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**, and **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**; **اِجْدَاب** “watch”, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**; **اِجْدَاب** “thought”, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**; **اِجْدَاب** “service”, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**; **اِجْدَاب** “praise”, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**; **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**; **اِجْدَاب** “a mother”, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**; **اِجْدَاب** “throat”, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**; **اِجْدَاب** “eating”, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**, &c. So **اِجْدَاب** “vine” (for **اِجْدَابَةٌ**), &c.

Thus also with many, which have a long vowel in the syllable preceding the *l* of the feminine: **اِجْدَاب** “rest, pleasure”, **اِجْدَابَةٌ**; **اِجْدَاب** “my enemy (f.)”; **اِجْدَاب** “their hair”; **اِجْدَاب** “proxima mea”; **اِجْدَاب** “their synagogue”; **اِجْدَاب** “their first”; **اِجْدَاب** “net”; **اِجْدَاب** “evil”; **اِجْدَاب** “my mare”, **اِجْدَاب** (also written **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَاب**, but all to be pronounced *mīl*) “my dead (f.)” (§ 26 B).

Where the long vowel represents a radical *o* or *u*, there is a good deal of fluctuation. Thus **اِجْدَاب** “their city”, but **اِجْدَاب**; with reversed procedure in **اِجْدَاب** “my good”, but **اِجْدَاب**; **اِجْدَاب** “my Lady, mistress”, as well as **اِجْدَاب** “my necessity”; **اِجْدَاب** “height”, **اِجْدَاب** “court”; **اِجْدَاب** “hour”. With falling away again, **اِجْدَاب** “their form”, and with *a* **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَاب** “troop”. In some cases the usage has fluctuated. Thus **اِجْدَاب** “their treasure” with Ephraim, while in the Bible tradition we have **اِجْدَاب**. From **اِجْدَاب** “church” the East-Syrians have **اِجْدَاب** *‘ēdath*, the West-Syrians **اِجْدَاب** *‘it*.

G. Th *a* is retained, when the middle consonant wants the vowel. Thus **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَاب** “tear”; **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَاب** “blessing”; **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَاب** “fright”; **اِجْدَاب** “riddle”. So too **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَاب** “question”; **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَاب** “fatigue”; **اِجْدَاب**, **اِجْدَاب**.

شَبَوَاجِف “joy” (from *hadwéthā*, or *hadūthā* § 40 D. 101), &c. Thus also with diphthongs, like مِهْجَدَاب “stature”; رَهْجَدَابِف “quaking”; تَهْجَدَاب “guilt”, &c.—It is the same when the middle radical is doubled in cases like زُنْجَدَاب “pleasure”; زُنْجَدَابِف; فُجَدَاب “word”; تَيْجَدَاب “garden”; عَيْجَدَاب “basis”; هَيْجَدَاب “place”, &c. هَيْجَدَاب “sleep” conforms to these examples: هَيْجَدَابِف; while from analogous formations (§ 105) we have زُجَدَابِف “care”; نَعْبَدَاب (for which, however, the old poets have نَعْبَدَابِف). So اُجَدَاب “maid-servant”; نَنْجَدَابِف “end”; اُجَدَاب “basis”.

H. The feminines of derivatives from *tertia* ُ present no difficulty. لُ, لَو are there retained unaltered: عَضَاب “prisoner (f.)”; مَيْل “city”; اِلَهْجَدَاب “praising”; قَهْجَدَاب “conversation”; حَقَّعْجَدَابِف “escort”.—مَسْجَدَاب “stroke”; رَحْفَاجِف “prayer”.—Similarly, of course, with those in لُ, and abstracts in لَم.

J. Forms which end in ل in the abs. st. sing. preserve their vocalisation before the suffixes of the 2nd and 3rd sing. and the 1st pl. thus, كَهْجَدَاب “pious”; كَهْجَدَابِف “throne”; تَهْجَدَابِف; كَهْجَدَابِف, &c.

كَهْجَدَاب (constr. st. كَهْجَدَابِف), جَعْبَدَاب “camp”, يَعْجَدَاب “drinking” form with the suffix of the 1st sing. كَهْجَدَابِف, جَعْبَدَابِف. In other cases those which end in ل in the emphatic st. have َل, which is either not pronounced at all, as in East-Syrian, or, as in West-Syrian, pronounced as a simple ̄: sometimes only one simple ُ is written instead of the two: زُنْس (زُنْس) § 17) or زُنْس “my meditation”; زُجْس or زُجْس “my boy”; زُجْس or زُجْس “mine elect”; سُجْمَس “my suffocation”; زُجْس “my shepherd”. If the ل stands after a vowel, the suffix is then at all events silent; thus from كُنْجَدَاب “creator”, كُنْجَدَاب; from مَيْن “call”, مَيْن.

The ُ of the suffix is in like manner silent after ِ as final radical: كَهْجَدَاب “my consolation”; هَلْجَدَاب “mine enemy, [my hater]”; and so كُنْجَدَاب “my lord” (= كُنْجَدَاب).

Before the suffixes of the 2nd and 3rd pl. we have, in accordance with § 40 C, عَهْجَدَابِف “their confusion”, &c. So too the West-Syrians have عَهْجَدَابِف, &c., while the East-Syrians have عَهْجَدَابِف, &c.

K. In the pl. short adjectives may treat the radical *y* as a strong consonant, but they may also fashion shorter forms: مُتَبَيِّنُونَ “those who see you”, alongside of مُجْتَبِفُونَ “their captors”, مُجْتَبِفٌ “our captors”; مُتَبَيِّنُونَ “those who drink it”; مُتَقِيُونَ and مُتَّقِيُونَ “his pious ones”; مُجْتَبِفُونَ and مُجْتَبِفُونَ “his young men”. Pure substantives have always the shorter form: قَدِحُونَ, قَدِحَةٌ, قَدِحٌ “bowels”; مُتَبَيِّنُونَ “catuli ejus”, &c. So عَجَلْنَا “heaven”: عَجِيفٌ, &c. Compare with all this § 73.

L. Greek words in ὄσος, ὄσι (pl.), ὄσος, &c. do not take suffixes (§ 225).—διαθήκη takes suffixes, as if it were a plural, without however being construed as a plural: ὁ διαθήκη, “his testament”; ἡ διαθήκη (sg. f.) &c. In the very same way occur ἡ τιμή, “my, his price” from τιμή as a sing. fem. Perhaps there are still other Greek words in η, which are thus treated.

F. LIST OF ANOMALOUS NOUNS.

F. List of anomalous nouns. Substantives and adjectives.

§ 146. أَبٌ “father”
 إِخْوَةٌ “brother”
 سَوْءٌ “father-in-law” } end properly in ū:

Accordingly we have أَبٌ, إِخْوَةٌ, سَوْءٌ, أَبٌ, إِخْوَةٌ, سَوْءٌ, إِخْوَةٌ, إِخْوَةٌ, إِخْوَةٌ. So أَبٌ, إِخْوَةٌ, سَوْءٌ, &c. But, أَبٌ “my father”, إِخْوَةٌ “my brother”, سَوْءٌ “my father-in-law”. Abs. and constr. states are wanting.—Pl. أَبٌ (أَبْتٌ, أَبْتَفٌ, &c.), but إِخْوَةٌ or إِخْوَةٌ, سَوْءٌ.

أُخْتٌ “sister” (without constr. or abs. st.); أُخْتٌ, أُخْتٌ, &c.; pl. أُخْتٌ.—سَوْءٌ “mother-in-law” (plur.?):

أُمٌّ “mother”; أُمٌّ, أُمٌّ, &c.; pl. أُمَّةٌ.

بَنٌ “son”; emph. st. بَنٌ. With suff. بَنٌ, بَنٌ, &c., but بَنٌ, بَنٌ, بَنٌ, pl. بَنٌ, بَنٌ, &c.

بِنٌ “daughter”; wanting abs. st.; constr. st. بِنٌ; بِنٌ, بِنٌ, &c.; but بِنٌ; pl. بِنٌ, بِنٌ, &c.

عَمٌ “name”; عَمٌ, عَمٌ, &c.; pl. عَمَةٌ, and عَمَةٌ.

عَمٌ “blood”; عَمٌ, عَمٌ, pl. عَمٌ.

ܪܦ “kind, species”; constr. st. ܪܦ (West-Syrian ܪܦ); pl. ܪܦܬܐ, ܪܦܬܐ, ܪܦܬܐ, &c. An early naturalised Persian word.

ܪܦܐ “mamma”; ܪܦܐ; pl. ܪܦܐܬܐ, ܪܦܐܬܐ, ܪܦܐܬܐ.

ܪܦܐ “hand” (for ܪܦܐ; § 40 C); constr. st. ܪܦܐ, particularly in transferred application and adverbial use (ܪܦܐ “by means of”, “owing to”; ܪܦܐ “by the side of the river”, &c.), and ܪܦܐ (substantively); thus before suffixes:—ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ, &c. (ܪܦܐܘܢ “through them”: In West-Syrian appears indeed the artificial formation ܪܦܐܘܢ *δ’ αὐτοῦ*). Pl. ܪܦܐܬܐ, ܪܦܐܬܐ; ܪܦܐܬܐ; ܪܦܐܬܐ; with suffix, ܪܦܐܘܢ, &c. ܪܦܐܘܢ (East-Syrian ܪܦܐܘܢ “handles”).

ܪܦܐ “heaven”; ܪܦܐ (§ 73), ܪܦܐ, ܪܦܐ, &c.: In form always plural.

ܪܦܐ “water”; ܪܦܐ, ܪܦܐ. With suffixes, at pleasure either ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ, or ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ, &c.

ܪܦܐ “ground, bottom”; constr. st. ܪܦܐ, East-Syrian ܪܦܐ, (almost never occurring except in combinations like ܪܦܐܘܢ “foundation”; ܪܦܐܘܢ “waste from storehouses”). With suff. ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ; Pl. ܪܦܐܬܐ; and with suff. ܪܦܐܘܢ; and also ܪܦܐܘܢ “their seats”, &c.

ܪܦܐ “year”; abs. st. ܪܦܐ; constr. st. ܪܦܐ (doubtful whether used with suffixes): pl. ܪܦܐܬܐ, ܪܦܐܬܐ, ܪܦܐܬܐ; with suff. ܪܦܐܘܢ, &c.

ܪܦܐ “maid-servant” (probably without abs. or constr. state); ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ, &c.—ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ.

ܪܦܐ “lip”: abs. st. ܪܦܐ; constr. st. ܪܦܐ; ܪܦܐ, &c.—ܪܦܐܘܢ.

ܪܦܐ, ܪܦܐ “side, face”; ܪܦܐܘܢ. Defective parts supplied from ܪܦܐ “face”, ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ; &c.; (properly Dual of *anp* “nose” § 28).

ܪܦܐ, ܪܦܐ (better ܪܦܐܘܢ “lungs”. Pl. ܪܦܐܘܢ; according to others (perhaps more correctly) ܪܦܐܘܢ, *i. e.* ܪܦܐܘܢ).

ܪܦܐ “house”: abs. st. ܪܦܐ (§ 26 C); constr. st. ܪܦܐ; ܪܦܐ, &c.: pl. ܪܦܐܬܐ, ܪܦܐܬܐ, ܪܦܐܬܐ, ܪܦܐܬܐ, &c.

ܪܦܐܘܢ, ܪܦܐܘܢ (two different modes of writing down the same pronunciation of the word *attā, atō*) “woman”: constr. st. ܪܦܐܘܢ; ܪܦܐܘܢ, &c.

Pl. **يَقْتَحِبْنَ**, **يَقْتَحِبُ**, **يَقْتَحِبُ**, &c.—As a diminutive, appears **أَتَدَاتِي** “little women”. Sing. of this form is said to be **أَتَدَاتِي**.

أَنَّهُ, **أَنْهُ** “one”, **τὸς** (“man”); pl. **أَنْعَمَ**, **أَنْعَمَ** “several”, “certain” **τινές**. The emph. st. **أَنْعَمَ** signifies “man”, “of human nature”, but much more frequently it bears the original collective sense, “men” or “people”. It is never found in the emph. st. in the plural; but in the constr. st. and with suff. it is found only in the pl.: **أَنْعَمَ مِنْهَا** “the people of the town”, &c.; **أَنْعَمَ** “his people”, &c. “Man” is more accurately expressed by “son of man” or “a son of men” **جِنُّهُ**, **جِنُّهُ**, **جِنُّهُ**, **جِنُّهُ**; pl. **جِنُّهُ**, **جِنُّهُ**. Very rarely we meet with **جِنُّهُ** “man”; rarely with **جِنُّهُ** “woman”.

جَحَلًا or **جَحَلًا**, **جَحَلًا** (§ 49 A); there is no constr. st., and it is almost never used with suff. Abs.st. is **جَحَلًا** (for which **جَحَلًا** is often improperly written, § 16 C. Rem.) and **جَحَلًا** (not so good) in the combination **جَحَلًا** “by night and day” (§ 243), also “the space of a night and a day”. On rare occasions the words are found in reversed order **أَصَمَّ حَكَّ**. Pl. **جَحَلًا**, **جَحَلًا**.

أَيُونًا, **أَيُونًا** “lion” (for **أَيُونًا**); no constr. or abs. st. Pl. **أَيُونًا**.—Fem. **أَيُونًا** “lioness”; pl. no doubt **أَيُونًا**.

أَيُونًا (for **أَيُونًا**) “cucumber”; pl. **أَيُونًا**, **أَيُونًا**, and later form (as if we had in this case the abstract-ending **أَيُونًا**).

أَيُونًا (only used of God and of Christ), and **أَيُونًا** (= **أَيُونًا**) “master, lord” constr. st. **أَيُونًا**. A secondary form of the constr. st. *mār* appears to present itself in **أَيُونًا** **أَيُونًا** Spic. 41, 15, and even **أَيُونًا** in the ancient Inscription ZDMG XXXVI, tab. 1, 8 = **أَيُونًا** “the lord of the gods”, *i. e.*, *Zeus*⁽¹⁾. Abs. st. wanting; **أَيُونًا**, **أَيُونًا**, &c.; pl. **أَيُونًا** and more rarely **أَيُونًا**; with suff. **أَيُونًا**, &c.; or even **أَيُونًا** (but hardly a corresponding constr. st., or corresponding forms with suffixes).—Fem. **أَيُونًا**, **أَيُونًا**; &c.

أَيُونًا “city, village”; abs. st. **أَيُونًا**; constr. st. **أَيُونًا**, also **أَيُونًا**; with suff. **أَيُونًا**, **أَيُونًا**, &c.; pl. (the collective) **أَيُونًا**; constr. st. **أَيُونًا**;

(1) In **أَيُونًا** Euseb. Church Hist. 395, 5 (but the manuscript is of the year 462) we have before us no doubt merely a short-hand mode of writing. The phrase intended must have been the common one, *mārē khol*.

no abs. st. Pl. with suff. (1) **قَهْ تَهْ**, **قَهْ تَهْ**, (2) more frequently **قَهْ تَهْ**, **قَهْ تَهْ**, **قَهْ تَهْ**, **قَهْ تَهْ**, &c.—As secondary forms of the pl., **قَهْ تَهْ** and **قَهْ تَهْ** (§ 89, end).—Cf. besides the purely artificial imitation **قَهْ تَهْ مَدِينَاتِ** *κωμοπόλεις* [“village-towns”, or “country towns”].

سَعْفَا “ass”; pl. **سَعْفَا**, but also (when a collective, like **قَهْ تَهْ**) **سَعْفَا**.

With suff. **سَعْفَا**, **سَعْفَا**, &c.

اَهْ صَفَا “folk”; pl. **اَهْ صَفَا**, **اَهْ صَفَا**; in isolated cases, **اَهْ صَفَا**, **اَهْ صَفَا**.

لَحْلَحَا, f. **لَحْلَحَا** “young” forms, as an adjective and also in the meaning “servant”, in accordance with rule, **لَحْلَحَا**, **لَحْلَحَا**; **لَحْلَحَا** (“his young men”), &c.; **لَحْلَحَا**, **لَحْلَحَا**, &c.; but in the meaning “boy”, “girl”: **لَحْلَحَا**, **لَحْلَحَا** (it is a matter of question whether it has suffixes in this meaning); **لَحْلَحَا**. In like manner **مِرْبَا** “piece (of bread)”; pl. **مِرْبَا** and **نَبْ** “breast”, with **نَبْ** (§ 79 A), as well as **نَبْ**.

لَهْ “like”; pl. f. emph. st. **لَهْ**, pl. m. **لَهْ**, **لَهْ**. The other forms are doubtful.

اَهْ “alius”: **اَهْ**; f. **اَهْ** (East-Syrian: **اَهْ**); **اَهْ**; **اَهْ**; **اَهْ**; **اَهْ**; **اَهْ**; **اَهْ**.

وَهْ “great”, “master”, &c.; **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**, &c. Pl. “great, tall, grown up”, **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**; **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**—“great ones”: **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**; **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**; **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**, &c.; f. **وَهْ**, &c.—“teachers”: **وَهْ**, **وَهْ**, &c. In close combinations, in pl. constr. st. we have, **وَهْ**, **وَهْ** “householders”; **وَهْ** **وَهْ** “high priests”, &c.—In very rare instances we may even come upon a singular **وَهْ**, (used as an Adjective): Probably the forms **وَهْ** &c. never occurred as plurals in the earlier times.

So **وَهْ** **وَهْ** “small” (pl.), of which the singular in use is **وَهْ**. The sing. **وَهْ** is very rarely used indeed.

From **وَهْ** “roofing”, the West-Syrians form **وَهْ**, the East-Syrians **وَهْ**, as if it stood **وَهْ**: thus they treat the word exactly in the way which is usually adopted with forms *med. gem.* (§ 59).

Pro-nominals.

§ 147. We might mention here also one or two nouns of vague meaning:

وَهْ “something” (exceedingly rare, **وَهْ**), indeclinable: a later pl. however is **وَهْ** “things”.

فَجْتَا “a certain one” f. فَجْتَا.

فَجْتَا (East-Syrian) and فَجْتَا (West-Syrian) “a certain number”, from فَجْتَا (فَجْتَا) (v. § 146) and the above-mentioned فَجْتَا.

3. NUMERALS.

3. Numerals.

§ 148.

CARDINAL NUMBERS.

Cardinal numbers. Leading forms.

First Decade.

	m.	f.		m.	f.
1.	شِبْرَا	شِبْرَا	6.	إِبْعَا، إِبْعَا	إِبْعَا
2.	لَاوْبَع	إِلَاوْبَع	7.	عِبْجَا	عِبْجَا
3.	لَاجْبَا	لَاجْبَا	8.	إِضْنَا	إِضْنَا
4.	إِذْجَا	إِذْجَا	9.	إِبْعَا	إِبْعَا
5.	شَحْفَا	شَحْفَا	10.	عِبْجَا	عِبْجَا

Rem. شِبْرَا “some”; f. شِبْرَا, may be regarded as plural of شِبْرَا.

B. The numerals 11—19 show secondary forms of many sorts, and fluctuate in their vocalisation. Various modes of expressing the vowels, which are occasionally found, are very doubtful or to be rejected altogether.

Second Decade.

	m.	f.
11.	شِبْرَا	شِبْرَا (شِبْرَا).
12.	لَاوْبَع	إِلَاوْبَع (إِلَاوْبَع).
13.	لَاجْبَا	لَاجْبَا (لَاجْبَا).
14.	إِذْجَا ⁽¹⁾	إِذْجَا (إِذْجَا) and إِذْجَا (rarely).
15.	شَحْفَا ⁽¹⁾	شَحْفَا، شَحْفَا.
16. ⁽²⁾	East-Syrian: إِبْعَا and: إِبْعَا West-Syrian: إِبْعَا	East-Syrian: إِبْعَا، إِبْعَا. West-Syrian: إِبْعَا.

(1) Known to the author only from grammatical tradition.

(2) In all expressions of the numeral 16 attested by ancient authorities (šet-ta'sar, šetta'sērē; šētha'sar, šētha'sērē; (e)šta'sar) only one l is taken into account:

	m.	f.
17. مَجْدِهِي (rarely)	مَجْدِيحِي, commonly مَجْدِيحِي	مَجْدِيحِي (مَجْدِيحِي) & مَجْدِيحِي (rarely).
18. اَمْوَالِيحِي (rarely)	اَمْوَالِيحِي	اَمْوَالِيحِي (اَمْوَالِيحِي).
19. اَعْدِيحِي (rarely).	اَعْدِيحِي, commonly اَعْدِيحِي	اَعْدِيحِي (اَعْدِيحِي).

C. *Tens*. The tens are:

20. عِشْرِينَ	60. عِشْرِينَ, عِشْرِينَ
30. ثَلَاثِينَ	70. سَبْعِينَ
40. اَرْبَعِينَ	80. اَرْبَعِينَ, also written اَرْبَعِينَ
50. خَمْسِينَ	90. تِسْعِينَ

100 is مِائَةٌ (مِائَةٌ, مِائَةٌ v. § 43 E).

200 is مِائَتَانِ (others مِائَتَانِ).

300 is مِائَتَانِ, &c.

1000 is اَلْاَلْفُ.

10,000 is عَشْرَةُ (better perhaps عَشْرَةُ).

From مِائَةٌ appears in the emph. st. مِائَةً "one hundred", pl. مِائَاتٌ. So اَلْاَلْفُ from اَلْفٌ, pl. اَلْاَلْفُ (¹); and عَشْرَةُ from عَشْرَةٌ; pl. عَشْرَاتٌ. The plurals of اَلْفٌ and عَشْرَةٌ are joined, exactly like other substantives, to the numerals from 2 to 9, which are placed before or after them, in order to form a multiple of 1000 or 10,000; e. g. اَرْبَعَةُ اَلْاَلْفِ 4000; اَلْاَلْفُ خَمْسُونَ 5000; عَشْرَةُ اَلْاَلْفِ 50,000.

E. With the larger numbers the higher order always comes first: اَرْبَعَةُ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ, 421 (f.); اَلْاَلْفُ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ, 386 (f.); اَلْاَلْفُ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ, 7337 (Ezra 2, 65); اَلْاَلْفُ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ, 1017 (2, 39); اَلْاَلْفُ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ, 42,360 (2, 64); اَلْاَلْفُ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ, 54,400 (Num. 2, 6), &c.

Forms with
suffixes.

§ 149. The numbers from 2 to 10 yield special forms with suffixes, to indicate groups:

accordingly we meet sometimes also with اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ, اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ, the last the f. of *ēšta'sar* and certainly to be pronounced *ēšta'serē* or *ēšta'esrē*.—The form usual in print اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ (after the analogy of اَلْاَلْفِ اَلْاَلْفِ, &c.) appears to be met with only in pretty late manuscripts.

(¹) The pronunciation of the secondary form اَلْاَلْفِ is uncertain. Perhaps اَلْاَلْفِ.

2. **اَيْنِ** “we two”; **اَيْنِ** “you two”; **اَيْنِ** “they two”. This number alone has in addition a feminine form used in this meaning **اَيْنِي**, &c.
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| 3. اَيْنِي “they three” ⁽¹⁾ | 7. اَيْنِي |
| 4. اَيْنِي | 8. اَيْنِي (?) |
| 5. اَيْنِي | 9. اَيْنِي (?) |
| 6. اَيْنِي | 10. اَيْنِي |

§ 150. The abs. st. of the masc. numbers from 2 to 19(?) appears in the meaning of “the *n*th day of the month” (always, to be sure, with prep. **ح**):

Days of the months.

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| 2. اَيْنِي ⁽²⁾ “on the 2 nd day of the month”. | | |
| 3. اَيْنِي “on the 3 rd day of the month”. | | |
| 4. اَيْنِي | 9. اَيْنِي | 13. اَيْنِي |
| 5. اَيْنِي | 10. اَيْنِي | 14. اَيْنِي |
| 6. اَيْنِي | 11. اَيْنِي | 15. اَيْنِي |
| 7. اَيْنِي | 12. اَيْنِي | 17. اَيْنِي |
| 8. اَيْنِي | | |

§ 151. Another substantive-form is **اَيْنِي** “the Twelve” (Apostles or a similar company); **اَيْنِي** “his Twelve”; also—**اَيْنِي** “quaternion”, “four together”, and **اَيْنِي** “decade”.

Another substantive-form.

§ 152. Forms of the constr. st. in **اَيْنِي** appear occasionally for the purpose of denoting things which are closely associated: **اَيْنِي** “the ten cities” (*Δεκάπολις*); **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** “their six wings”; **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** “the four winds”; **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** “a week”; **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** “her four points”; **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** “his four corners”.—For **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** “the Hexameron (of the Creation)” **اَيْنِي** is doubtless better. From the somewhat forced formation **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** **اَيْنِي** there is current as pl. **اَيْنِي** or **اَيْنِي**.

Numerals in compound expressions.

(1) I give only the forms of the 3rd m. pl. Notice the hardness of the **اَيْنِي**, which, however strange it may seem, is quite certain.

(2) Also **اَيْنِي**, like **اَيْنِي**.—I give the vowels in those forms only in which they are certain.

Other formations, of an artificial character and modelled on the Greek, are **لَاكِب فَتَلَا** (say **لَاكِب فَتَلَا**) *δυσφυσίται*; **لَاكِب حَصَلَا** *ἀμφοτεροδέξις*, &c.

Ordinal numbers.

§ 153.

ORDINAL NUMBERS.

1 st حَبَبُ (also حَبَبَا , abs. st. حَبَب).	6 th عَبْدَانَا (W.-Syrian عَبْدَانَا).
2 nd اِثْنَانَا , f. اِثْنَانَانَا ; more rarely اِثْنَانَا , f. اِثْنَانَانَا (§ 71).	7 th عَبْدَانَانَا .
3 rd اِحْتِثَانَا .	8 th اِحْتِثَانَانَا .
4 th اِحْتِثَانَانَا .	9 th اِحْتِثَانَانَانَا .
5 th اِحْتِثَانَانَانَا .	10 th اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَا .

Sometimes this formation is carried still farther, and one says, for instance, **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَا** “the 15th”; **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَانَا** “the 20th”. So even **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَانَانَا** “the ten-thousandth”; but there are no such forms from **مِائَة** 100 or **اَلْاَلْف** 1000. Generally speaking, these forms are avoided in practice.

These are true adjectives. In the constr. st. they mostly signify so-many-fold; *e. g.* **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَا** “with four wings”.

Other forms derived from numerals.

§ 154. *Rem.* From the simple numbers are formed, besides, derivatives of all sorts. Thus one or two fractional numbers, like **اِحْتِثَانَانَا** “a third part” (but **اِحْتِثَانَانَا** “three years old”); **اِحْتِثَانَانَا** “a fourth”; **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَا** “a fifth”; **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَا** “an eighth”; **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَانَا** “a ninth”; **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَانَانَا** “a tenth” (1).— We have also adverbs, like **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَا** “in the third place” (§ 155 A), &c., and verbs like **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَا** “to do three times”, &c. A strange formation is given in **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَا** “for the second time”: the termination is Greek in form; no doubt it was originally **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَا**, an emph. st. of **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَا**.

4. Particles.

4. PARTICLES.

ADVERBS AND CONJUNCTIONS.

Adverbs and conjunctions.

§ 155. A. Adverbs of quality are sometimes expressed by bare nominal forms (in the abs. st.), *e. g.* **عَبَبَا** “beautifully”; **حَصَبَا** “badly”, “ill”; **حَصَبَانَا** “in vain” (which does not occur as an adjective); **حَصَبَانَا** (end)

(1) In old authors I find only **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَا**, **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَانَا**, **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَانَانَا**. For “a sixth” I find, but only late, **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَانَانَانَا**. There is a quite recent form, after the Arabic *suds*, **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَانَانَانَانَا** or plainly **اِحْتِثَانَانَانَانَانَانَانَانَانَا**.

“completely”, and a few more. To this class belong the Feminine forms, which in ancient fashion preserve the *th* in the abs. st. used adverbially, particularly **جَبِيًّا** “barely”; **بَدِيًّا** (others **بَدِيًّا**) “very”; **نَبِيًّا** “actively”; **لَمًّا** “without eating”; **عَدًّا** and **عَدِيًّا** “at the same time”; **فَرِيًّا** “finely”, “handsomely”; **اِسْنَةً** “for the second time”; **اِحْتِمَامًا** “for the third time”; and in **يَوْمَ يَهْدِيهِ** “to make a present of”, “to bestow” (*χαριζομαι*). So too **اَسْنَةً** “at last”, and **مَبْصُوتًا** “first”. From the *āyath* of these forms (f. of *āi* § 135) has then sprung **اِسْتِ**, the usual termination by means of which Adverbs of Quality are formed from all adjectives and from many substantives: **عَقِيًّا** “beautifully”; **عَبِيًّا** “truly”; **بُورًا** “purely”, “pure”; **مُخْتَبِئًا** “hidden”, “secretly”; **اِلَهِيًّا** “divinely”, &c. Notice **اَسْبِيًّا** (East-Syrian **اَسْبِنَانًا**) “another way”, (§ 146), and **رَحْفَانًا** “little” (adv.) (**رَحْفَانًا** also seems correct) with the *y* of the f. (§ 71).—**س** or even **س** is sometimes written for **س** (§ 40 E): **عَبِيَّتًا**; **جَانَّتًا** “justly” = **جَانَّتًا**. In a few cases, a form occurs with the preposition **د**:—**جَانَّتًا** “lastly”, “at last”; **دِيَانَتًا** “in Latin fashion”; **جَانَّتًا** “six-fold”.

Farther, many words compounded with prepositions are used as adverbs, *e. g.* **جَمِيًّا** “thoroughly”; **اِحْتِمَامًا** “scarcely”; **اِحْتِمَامًا** (¹) “in truth”, in rare instances **اِحْتِمَامًا** and **اِحْتِمَامًا**; **اِحْتِمَامًا** (¹) “first” (vowels not quite certain). **اِحْتِمَامًا**, **اِحْتِمَامًا** (§ 156) “all at once”; **اِحْتِمَامًا**, **اِحْتِمَامًا**, **اِحْتِمَامًا** “at the same time”.

B. Some adverbs of place and time, most of them being compounds of prepositions, are as follows:—

اِحْتِمَامًا “above”.

اِحْتِمَامًا, **اِحْتِمَامًا** “below”.

اِحْتِمَامًا (¹), **اِحْتِمَامًا** (¹) “downward”.

اِحْتِمَامًا (East-Syrian, as it seems, **اِحْتِمَامًا**) “in earlier times”, “of old”.—

So **اِحْتِمَامًا**; and **اِحْتِمَامًا**, **اِحْتِمَامًا** (¹).

اِحْتِمَامًا “overagainst”.

اِحْتِمَامًا, **اِحْتِمَامًا** “now” (present time).

(¹) Notice the peculiar plural-ending.

حَتَّىٰ حَتَّىٰ (vocalisation not quite certain) “up till now, hitherto, still”.

يَوْمَئِذٍ “to-day”; غَدًا “to-morrow”; أَمْسًا “yesterday”; اِثْنَيْنِ “two days ago”.

سَنَةً أُخْرَىٰ “last year”; السَّنَةَ الْآتِيَةَ, السَّنَةَ الْآتِيَةَ “next year”. إِذَا “when?”; إِذَا (¹) “then”.

أَيْنَ “where?”; لِمَا “why?”: هُنَا “here”; مِنْ هُنَا (= مِنْ هَا), مِنْ هُنَا “from here”, “hence”; مِنْ هُنَا “where...from”, “whence?”; هُنَا “hither”, “this way”, “on this side” (لِ هَا); مِنْ هُنَا “from this place”; لِمَا “where?”; لِمَا “whither, where...to?” (these two forms are found only in one old text); هُنَا “here”; هُنَا “here”; هُنَا “there”; هُنَا “yonder”: هُنَا “away there”, “on that side” (لِ هَا).

الآن “now”; حَتَّىٰ حَتَّىٰ “up till now”, “still”, “yet”; الآن “now”, “thus”.

دَائِمًا, دَائِمًا, دَائِمًا “at all times”.

سَدَىٰ “already”, “perhaps”, “possibly”, &c.

كَفَىٰ “sufficiently”, “already”.

سَدَىٰ “already”.

The phrases سَدَىٰ سَدَىٰ “son of his day” “on the same day” سَدَىٰ سَدَىٰ “at the same hour” and سَدَىٰ سَدَىٰ “backward” (§ 321 B) are used quite adverbially.

C. Adverbs of Quality of the most general kind; Connective Adverbs, of which some have more special significations of Space or of Locality; and pure *Conjunctions*:

كَيْفَ “how?”; أَيْ “as” (and its combinations: cf. § 364); مِنْ هُنَا “thus” (with Prepositions: مِنْ هُنَا “thereupon”; مِنْ هُنَا “thereof, therefrom”, &c.). أَيْ “thus”; مِنْ هُنَا “thereupon”; with هَا, مِنْ هَا or مِنْ هَا “thereupon”; مِنْ هَا “on this account”.— مِنْ هُنَا “thus”. أَيْ “namely”. *أَيْ (²) (on very rare occasions heading a

(1) Also, مِنْ هُنَا “thenceforward”, &c. In the same way many more of the adverbs mentioned here may be combined with Prepositions.

(2) In what follows, an asterisk (*) marks those particles which never, or only exceptionally, stand at the beginning of the sentence.

بَيْنَ⁽¹⁾ (no suff.); بَيْنًا; بَيْنِ “between”.

تَحْتِ (not used with suff.); تَحْتًا pl.; تَحْتِ (before suff. too?) “under”.

عَلَى as pl. “upon” (عَلَى, عَلَىَّ &c.; in poetry often عَلَىَّ, عَلَىَّ &c.); عَلَىَّ “over”.

مَعَ “with”.

لِأَنَّ “with”, “to”.

لِأَنَّ (§ 21 C) pl. “with”, “to”.

مُتَمَمِّم pl. “before”: مُتَمَمِّم “before” (not with suff.), *مُتَمَمِّم (only before suff.).

مُتَمَمِّم (not with suff.), مُتَمَمِّم “round”, “about”.

مُتَمَمِّم pl.; *مُتَمَمِّم (only before suff.) “instead of”.

حَتَّى “until”, “up to” (not with suff.).

*مُتَمَمِّم (only before suff.) “like”.

مُتَمَمِّم (مُتَمَمِّم; not with suff.); *مُتَمَمِّم, *مُتَمَمِّم (only before suff.) “for the sake of”, “on account of”.

مُتَمَمِّم (from مُتَمَمِّم + م “on the track of”) “after”.

مُتَمَمِّم (مُتَمَمِّم + م “hiding from”) “behind”.

مُتَمَمِّم pl. “without”.

مُتَمَمِّم “against”: مُتَمَمِّم pl. (§ 49 A) “coram”.

مُتَمَمِّم “in conformity with”.

مُتَمَمِّم [ex inopia] “without” (not with suffix).⁽²⁾

Of these, some have already been formed by intimate blending with ل and د. And so ل and د are still set before many prepositions, in some cases without perceptible modification of the meaning, e. g. لَمَّا “παρα τινος”; مَعَ مُتَمَمِّم “from behind, behind”; لَمَّا “after”; مَعَ لَمَّا “below”, &c. Cf. مَعَ لَمَّا “from without” [مَعَ لَمَّا being “foris in campo”]; مَعَ لَمَّا “from within” [مَعَ لَمَّا meaning “in medio”]; along-side of مَعَ لَمَّا, مَعَ لَمَّا.

(1) Not to be confounded with the like-sounding مَعَ when used adverbially, meaning “in the house of, i. e. in the place of”.

(2) The limits of the idea of a Preposition are not exactly determined. Several of the cases cited here might be excluded, such as مَعَ لَمَّا “according to the mouth”, مَعَ لَمَّا “in the eye”,—while others might be added, like مَعَ لَمَّا “by the hand of”, “by means of”.

ܥܘܢ may be used for “without”, just like ܥܘܢ alone.

> must of necessity stand in ܕܘܢܐ “as far as, up to”: rarely are found ܕܘܢܐ “as far as in” (“even in”). Very rare is ܥܘܢܐ “over, above”.

§ 157. With suffixes: (1) Singular Forms; ܥܘܢܐ, ܥܘܢܐ, ܥܘܢܐ, &c., Preposition with suffixes according to § 145 A. So ܥܘܢܐ, ܥܘܢܐ, ܥܘܢܐ, &c.; but ܥܘܢܐ and ܥܘܢܐ. (2) Plural Forms: ܥܘܢܐܐ, ܥܘܢܐܐ, ܥܘܢܐܐ, ܥܘܢܐܐ, &c., likewise according to § 145 A. Such is the procedure too with those forms which even without suffixes end in *ai* (pl.), (to which class also belongs ܥܘܢܐ for *ܥܘܢܐ, sg.): ܥܘܢܐܐ, ܥܘܢܐܐ, &c. (ܥܘܢܐܐ, &c.).

ܥܘܢܐ and ܥܘܢܐ keep their *a* before the suff. of the 1st sing., and 2nd and 3rd pl.: ܥܘܢܐܐ, ܥܘܢܐܐ; ܥܘܢܐܐܐ, ܥܘܢܐܐܐ; but ܥܘܢܐܐܐ, ܥܘܢܐܐܐ, &c. So ܥܘܢܐܐܐ, ܥܘܢܐܐܐ, &c. (more rarely ܥܘܢܐܐܐ) but ܥܘܢܐܐܐ.

ܥܘܢܐ for the most part takes the suffixes at once, yet ܥܘܢܐܐܐ is found alongside of ܥܘܢܐܐܐ, ܥܘܢܐܐܐ.

II. VERBS.

II. Verba.

§ 158. A. The Syriac verb appears, sometimes with *three* radicals, Preliminary observations. sometimes with *four* (§ 57). It makes no difference in the inflection, whether the verb is primitive, or has been derived from a noun.

B. The *Tenses* are *two* in number: *Perfect* and *Imperfect* (called also *Aorist* and *Future*). The different Persons, Genders, and Numbers are indicated in the *Perfect* by terminations, and in the *Imperfect* by prefixes, or by prefixes together with terminations. Add to these the *Imperative*, which agrees for the most part with the *Imperfect* in vocalisation, but is inflected by terminations only. Several of the terminations in the *Perfect* and the *Imperative* are now silent (§ 50). Lastly fall to be considered the *Verbal Nouns*, closely related to the finite Verb, viz, the *Infinitive*, and the *Participles* (as well as *Nomina actionis*, and *Nomina agentis*). The inflectional marks in the finite verb are always

the same, except that they occasionally undergo a slight alteration when **ـ** is the final radical. They are as follows:—

C.		<i>Perfect.</i>	
Sg. 3 m. — 3 f. أَـ ^x 2 m. أَـ 2 f. أَـ (the ـ silent) 1. أَـ		Pl. 3 m. ○ (silent); أَـ ⁴ 3 f. — (or silent ـ); أَـ ⁽¹⁾ 2 m. أَـ 2 f. أَـ 1. أَـ	
		<i>Imperfect.⁽²⁾</i>	
Sg. 3 m. د 3 f. د 2 m. د 2 f. دَـ — د 1. د }		Pl. 3 m. دَـ — د 3 f. دَـ — د 2 m. دَـ — د 2 f. دَـ — د 1. د ⁽³⁾	
		<i>Imperative.</i>	
Sg. m. — f. ـ (silent)		Pl. m. ○ (silent), أَـ ⁴ f. أَـ ⁽⁴⁾ , ـ (silent).	

D. Where longer and shorter endings appear together, the latter are in all cases nearer the original forms. Contrary to the general rule given in § 43 [v. § 43 C], the assumption of these longer [and later] endings occasions no falling-away of short vowels in the open syllable; compare cases like **مَلِكُكُمْ**, **مَلِكِكُمْ** (sg. **مَلِكٌ**, **مَلِكًا**) with **يَمْلِكُكُمْ**, **يَمْلِكِكُمْ** (sg. **يَمْلِكُ**, **يَمْلِكًا**); **حَدِيثٌ** with **يَحَدِيثُكُمْ**. **سَبِّ** is also found written for **سَبِّ**, e. g. **مَلِكٌ سَبِّ** = **مَلِكِي**. In the Imperative pl. f. the longer form is far more usual than the shorter.

E. The 3. f. pl. Perf. is written with a **ـ** (and **ـ**) in later West-Syrian texts; but the old orthography is retained with the East-Syrians,

(1) In more ancient MSS. **ـ** is also found written without **ـ**, e. g. **سَبِّ** for **سَبِّ** “worshipped”, &c. (§ 4 A).

(2) The vocalisation of the Prefixes is different in different cases.

(3) The 1st pl. of the Impf. invariably coincides with the 3rd m. sg.

(4) In the older MSS. also written with **ـ** alone, e. g. **سَبِّ** for **سَبِّ** “hear ye”.

according to which the form is exactly the same as the 3 sg. m., except in the case of verbs that have **u** for their last radical. The West-Syrians frequently supply the 3 f. sg. Impf. too with a purely orthographic **u**, to distinguish it from the 2 m. (§ 50 B). Also in the shorter form of the Imperative pl. f. the **u** might well be merely a later addition.

TRI-RADICAL VERBS.

Tri-radical verbs.

§ 159. These form the following *Verbal Stems* [or Forms, sometimes called *Conjugations*]: the simple conjugation *Peal* (فعل; Hebrew Qal) with its reflexive *Ethpeel* (فعل); the conjugation employed to denote, first, intensity and then too the causative and other allied meanings,—having the middle radical doubled, and called *Pael*, (فعل, Hebrew *Piel*) together with its reflexive *Ethpaal* (فعل Hithpael); the causative conjugation *Aphel* (فعل Hiphil), with its reflexive, *Ettaphal* (فعل or فعل § 36).

The reflexives have for the most part acquired a passive meaning.

Rem. Ettaphal is much the most rarely used of these Reflexives, and is upon occasion replaced by Ethpeel and Ethpaal, e. g. فعل “to be preached”, instead of فعل from فعل; فعل “to be mocked”, instead of فعل from فعل.

Attention is called to § 26 A and § 26 B in dealing with the Reflexives.

Forms seldomer used, like the Causative فعل “to enslave” and several others, we find it more to the purpose to take in with the Quadri-literal (§ 180 f.).

VERBS WITH THREE STRONG RADICALS.

Verbs with three strong radicals. *Peal.*

§ 160. A. *Peal.* In this conjugation there is a specially *Transitive* form, which in the Perfect has *a* as the fundamental vowel of the second radical, and in the Imperfect and Imperative *o* (*u*) or it may be *e*; and a specially *Intransitive* form with *e* in the Perfect, and *a* in the Imperfect and Imperative: (1) فعل, فعل, فعل “to kill”; فعل, فعل, فعل “to do”. (2) فعل, فعل, فعل “to be left remaining”.

Of strong verbs with *e* in the Impf. and Impt. the only examples are **حجج**, and **رج** “to buy”.⁽¹⁾ A few verbs *primae n* also take *e* (§ 173 B), as well as a few weak verbs.

Several intransitive verbs have the *e* of the Perfect changed into *a*, and thus have a uniform *a* in both Perfect and Imperfect. Thus **عجج**, **يعجج** “to rule”; **عجج**, **يعجج** “to be tired out”; **عجج**, **يعجج** “to be enough”; **عجج**, **يعجج** “to exult”, and the other verbs which treat *w* as a firm consonant; **عجج**, **يعجج** “to happen”; and several others.⁽²⁾ We exclude from this list verbs *secundae* or *tertiaee gutturalis* (§ 169 sq.).

Several have secondary forms: thus **عجج**, **يعجج** and **عجج**, **يعجج** “to be strong”, “to overpower”, although **عجج** in the Perf., and **يعجج** in the Impf. might be most in favour. Through an intermixture of transitive and intransitive expression, the following verbs have *e* in the Perf., and *o* in the Impf. and Impt.: **عجج**, **يعجج** “to reverence”; **عجج**, **يعجج** “to keep silence”; **عجج**, **يعجج** “to be near” (cf. **عجج**, **يعجج** “to descend”, and, it is said, **عجج**, **يعجج** “to be lean”, § 175 B).⁽³⁾

B. The only certain remains of a Perfect in *o* are found in **عجج** “bristled”, “stood up” Job 7, 5; 30,3; Lamentations 4, 8; Ps. 119, 120; and **عجج** “they (f.) grew black”, Nahum 2, 10.

Hardness and softness of the radicals.

§ 161. The letters **ع د ه** [Beghadhkephath] are, in conformity with general rules (§ 23), soft, as 1st Radical in the Impf. and Inf. of the *Peal*: they are hard as 2nd rad. in the Impf. and Inf., but soft elsewhere in that stem; as 3rd rad. they are soft, except after a closed syllable; accordingly they are hard in the 3rd f. sg. Perf., the 1st sg. Perf., and the lengthened forms of the Participle. Examples: (1) **عجج**; **يعجج**. (2) (a) **عجج**, **يعجج**; (b) **عجج**, **يعجج**, &c. (3) (a) **عجج**, &c.; (b) **عجج**, **يعجج**.

Ethpeel.

§ 162. In the *Ethpeel* notice the transposition of the vowel in the Imperative **عجج**, also written **عجج** or **عجج** § 17 (as compared with Perf. **عجج**; Impf. **عجج**).

(1) In very rare cases occurs also the Impt. **عجج**.

(2) Some, which grammarians have cited, are uncertain or utterly incorrect.

(3) The forms of the Impf. of *Peal* verbs, cited by PAYNE-SMITH in ‘*Theo. syr.*’ are not all well attested; several are decidedly inaccurate.

Here the consonants that may be softened are always hard as 1st rad., soft as 2nd, and soft as 3rd except after a closed syllable, and in the Imperative, thus—: **اِبْفَبْج**, &c., but **اِبْفَبْجِب**, **اِبْفَبْجِب**, and **اِبْفَبْجِبْ**.

§ 163. The characteristic of the *Pael* and *Ethpaal* is the doubling of the 2nd radical. This letter is accordingly always hard, just as the 3rd is always soft. In *Ethpaal* the 1st rad. is always hard; in *Pael* it is soft in the Impf., with the exception of the 1st pers., where hardening appears: **اِبْفَبْجِب**, &c. (§ 23 F). Pael and Ethpaal.

The Imperative *Ethpaal*—with the East-Syrians, and in older times even in the West,⁽¹⁾—coincided with the Perfect; but with the West-Syrians at a later date the form of the *Ethpeel* came into very general use in this case, although the 3rd rad. could never be hard. Thus Imperative **اِبْفَبْجِب**, West-Syrian **اِبْفَبْجِب** (usually written **اِبْفَبْجِب** or **اِبْفَبْجِب**). Still even the West-Syrians retained in some cases the original form, e. g. always **اِبْفَبْجِب** (take (thou) pity on”⁽²⁾).

§ 164. The characteristic of the *Aphel* is a foregoing **ا**, of which the guttural sound [ʔ] falls away, however, after prefixes; on **اِبْفَبْجِب** “to find” with *e*, v. §§ 45 and 183. Aphel and Ettaphal.

The 1st rad. is constantly soft after prefixes, the 2nd hard, and the 3rd soft. It is the same with *Ettaphal*.

§ 165. *Participles*. The Participles undergo changes for Gender and Number, as adjectives. *Peal*, *Pael* and *Aphel* have an Active and a Passive Participle. The Part. act. *Peal*, has *ā* after the 1st rad., and *e* after the 2nd, which falls away without a trace, when it comes into an open syllable (§ 106): sg. m. **مَفْعَلٌ**; sg. f. **مَفْعَلَةٌ**; pl. m. **مَفْعَلُونَ**; pl. f. **مَفْعَلَاتٌ**. The Part. pass. has an *ī* after the 2nd rad. (§ 110): **مَفْعَلٌ**, **مَفْعَلٌ**, &c. All other participles have an *m* as a prefix. The participles of *Ethpeel*, *Ethpaal*, and *Ettaphal*, as well as the active participles of *Pael* and *Aphel*, agree completely in their vocalisation with the corresponding forms Participles.

(1) The old poets always employ the trisyllabic forms.

(2) On the other hand several of the abbreviated forms have also penetrated into the East-Syrian traditional usage, such as **اِبْفَبْجِب** “shake thyself” Is. 52, 2, for which Ephr. III, 537 B still has **اِبْفَبْجِب**.

of the finite verb, *e. g.* **فَعَلَمْتُ**, **فَعَلِمْتُ**, like **يَعْلَمُ**, **يَعْلِمُ**; **فَعَلِمْتُ**, **فَعَلِمْتُ**; **فَعَلِمْتُ**; **فَعَلِمْتُ**, &c. The participles passive of Pael and Aphel have *a* in place of *e* after the 2nd rad.: **فَعَلِمْتُ**, **فَعَلِمْتُ**. When this *a* comes into an open syllable, it falls away exactly like the *e* of the Active form, and so **فَعَلِمْتُ**, **فَعَلِمْتُ**, for example, may as easily be active as passive.

On the joining of the Participles to the attached subject-pronouns, v. § 64 A.

Nomina
agentis.

§ 166. *Nomina Agentis* are formed by the Peal in the form **فَعَلِمْتُ** (**فَعَلِمْتُ**, **فَعَلِمْتُ**, &c., § 107); and by the other stems by attaching *ān* to the Participles: Ethpeel **فَعَلِمْتُ**; Pael **فَعَلِمْتُ**; Ethpaal **فَعَلِمْتُ**; Aphel **فَعَلِمْتُ**; Ettaphal **فَعَلِمْتُ** (§ 130).

Infinitive.

§ 167. *Infinitive*. The Infinitive Peal has the form **فَعَلِمْتُ** (also written **فَعَلِمْتُ**⁽¹⁾, it is true, but incorrectly); the other Infinitives have *ā* after the 2nd rad., and *ū* for a termination, *i. e.* they take the form of the abs. st. of Abstract Nouns in *ūth*: the *th* re-appears before Pronominal suffixes.

Rem. On *Nomina actionis* v. § 117 (123); cf. also § 109.

(¹) In Ex. 5, 17, the reading **فَعَلِمْتُ** is well supported, alongside of the usual **فَعَلِمْتُ**.

§ 168.

REGULAR VERB.

	Peal.	Ethpeel.	Pael.
Perf. sg. 3 m.	مَلَّ	وَمَلَّ	مَلَّ
3 f.	مَلَّتْ	وَمَلَّتْ	مَلَّتْ
2 m.	مَلَلْتُمْ	وَمَلَلْتُمْ	مَلَلْتُمْ
2 f.	مَلَلْتُنَّ	وَمَلَلْتُنَّ	مَلَلْتُنَّ
1	مَلَلْتُ	وَمَلَلْتُ	مَلَلْتُ
pl. 3 m.	{ مَلَلُوا مَلَلْتُمْ	{ مَلَلُوا مَلَلْتُمْ	{ مَلَلُوا مَلَلْتُمْ
3 f.	{ مَلَلْنَ، مَلَلْنَ مَلَلْتُنَّ	{ مَلَلْنَ، مَلَلْنَ مَلَلْتُنَّ	{ مَلَلْنَ، مَلَلْنَ مَلَلْتُنَّ
2 m.	مَلَلْتُمْ	وَمَلَلْتُمْ	مَلَلْتُمْ
2 f.	مَلَلْتُنَّ	وَمَلَلْتُنَّ	مَلَلْتُنَّ
1	{ مَلَلْتُ مَلَلْتُ	{ مَلَلْتُ مَلَلْتُ	{ مَلَلْتُ مَلَلْتُ
Impf. sg. 3 m.	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ
3 f.	يَمَلُّ (يَمَلُّنَّ)	يَمَلُّ (يَمَلُّنَّ)	يَمَلُّ (يَمَلُّنَّ)
2 m.	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ
2 f.	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ
1	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ
pl. 3 m.	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ
3 f.	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ
2 m.	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ
2 f.	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ
1	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ	يَمَلُّونَ
Impt. sg. m.	مَلِّ	وَمَلِّ	مَلِّ
f.	مَلِّ	وَمَلِّ	مَلِّ
m.	{ مَلِّ مَلِّ	{ مَلِّ مَلِّ	{ مَلِّ مَلِّ
f.	{ مَلِّ مَلِّ	{ مَلِّ مَلِّ	{ مَلِّ مَلِّ
Part. act. m.	مَلِّ	وَمَلِّ	مَلِّ
f.	مَلِّ	وَمَلِّ	مَلِّ
pass. m.	مَلِّ	وَمَلِّ	مَلِّ
f.	مَلِّ	وَمَلِّ	مَلِّ
Inf.	مَلِّ	مَلِّ	مَلِّ

	Ethpaal.	Aphel.	Ettaphal.
Perf. sg. 3 m.	أَمَلَّ	أَمَلَّ	أَمَلَّ
3 f.	أَمَلَّتْ	أَمَلَّتْ	أَمَلَّتْ
2 m.	أَمَلَّتَا	أَمَلَّتَا	أَمَلَّتَا
2 f.	أَمَلَّتَا	أَمَلَّتَا	أَمَلَّتَا
1	أَمَلَّ	أَمَلَّ	أَمَلَّ
pl. 3 m. {	أَمَلَّوْا	أَمَلَّوْا	أَمَلَّوْا
	أَمَلَّوْا	أَمَلَّوْا	أَمَلَّوْا
3 f. {	أَمَلَّتْنَ	أَمَلَّتْنَ	أَمَلَّتْنَ
	أَمَلَّتْنَ	أَمَلَّتْنَ	أَمَلَّتْنَ
2 m.	أَمَلَّتَا	أَمَلَّتَا	أَمَلَّتَا
2 f.	أَمَلَّتَا	أَمَلَّتَا	أَمَلَّتَا
1 {	أَمَلَّ	أَمَلَّ	أَمَلَّ
	أَمَلَّ	أَمَلَّ	أَمَلَّ
Impf. sg. 3 m.	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ
3 f.	يَمَلُّ (يَمَلُّتْ)	يَمَلُّ (يَمَلُّتْ)	يَمَلُّ (يَمَلُّتْ)
2 m.	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ
2 f.	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ
1	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ
pl. 3 m.	يَمَلُّوْنَ	يَمَلُّوْنَ	يَمَلُّوْنَ
3 f.	يَمَلُّوْنَ	يَمَلُّوْنَ	يَمَلُّوْنَ
2 m.	يَمَلُّوْنَ	يَمَلُّوْنَ	يَمَلُّوْنَ
2 f.	يَمَلُّوْنَ	يَمَلُّوْنَ	يَمَلُّوْنَ
1	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ	يَمَلُّ
Impt. sg. m.	أَمَلِّ (أَمَلِّ)	أَمَلِّ	أَمَلِّ
f.	أَمَلِّتْ (أَمَلِّتْ)	أَمَلِّتْ	أَمَلِّتْ
pl. m. {	أَمَلِّوْا (أَمَلِّوْا)	أَمَلِّوْا	أَمَلِّوْا
	أَمَلِّوْا (أَمَلِّوْا)	أَمَلِّوْا	أَمَلِّوْا
f. {	أَمَلِّتْ (أَمَلِّتْ)	أَمَلِّتْ	أَمَلِّتْ
	أَمَلِّتْ (أَمَلِّتْ)	أَمَلِّتْ	أَمَلِّتْ
Part. act. m.	مَمَلٌّ	مَمَلٌّ	مَمَلٌّ
f.	مَمَلَّتْ	مَمَلَّتْ	مَمَلَّتْ
pass. m.		مَمَلٌّ	
f.		مَمَلَّتْ	
Inf.	مَمَلِّ	مَمَلِّ	مَمَلِّ

VERBS WITH GUTTURALS. (1)

Verbs with
gutturals.
Mediae
gutturalis.

§ 169. A guttural (א, נ, ע) or *r*, as 2nd radical, sometimes causes *a* to appear after it in the Impf. and Impt. Peal, instead of *o*, or again,—a change which also happens in certain other cases (v. § 160),—it may cause *a* to appear in the Perf. Peal instead of *e*. Which of the two cases,—outwardly identical,—is before us, it is not always easy to say. (2) Thus we have **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ** (as well as **יָחַדְתָּ**) “to step”; **יָרַח**, **יָרַחְתָּ** “to cry out”; **יָחַשׁ** (West-Syrian **יָחַשׁ** (3)), **יָחַשְׁתָּ** “to grind”; **יָבַד**, **יָבַדְתָּ** “to rebel”; **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ** “to set (of heavenly bodies)”, (but **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ** “to sift” and “to give security”); **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ** (§§ 37; 174 G), **יָחַדְתָּ** “to remember”, and others besides, although several are rather doubtful. As the examples which have been given above indicate, some of these forms are fluctuating.

However, in most of these verbs *mediae guttur.* or *r*, no such effect appears, *e. g.* **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ** “to overthrow”; **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ** “to flee”; **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ** “to testify”, &c.

§ 170. A guttural (א, נ, ע) or *r*, as 3rd radical, when it closes the syllable, always changes *e* into *a* (§ 54). Thus, for example, **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ**, **יָחַדְתָּ**, **יָחַדְתָּ**, **יָחַדְתָּ**, **יָחַדְתָּ**, which correspond respectively to the forms **יָחַדְתָּ**, **יָחַדְתָּ**, **יָחַדְתָּ**, **יָחַדְתָּ**, **יָחַדְתָּ**, **יָחַדְתָּ**. The difference in sound between the Active and Passive Participles accordingly falls away in Pael and Aphel; *e. g.* **יָחַדְתָּ** is the Act. Part. Pael (equivalent to **יָחַדְתָּ**) as well as the Pass. (equivalent to **יָחַדְתָּ**).

Tertiae
gutturalis.

This rule is illustrated also in the Peal of many Intransitives, which properly would have *e* in the Perfect. To this class belong the great majority of those verbs *tert. guttur.* and *r*, which have *a* in the Perf., Impf.,

(1) Exclusive of *l*.

(2) *Translator's Note:* For instance, in the example **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ**,—is this form a result of the influence of the guttural upon an original form **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ**, or upon an original form **יָחַד**, **יָחַדְתָּ**? If the former, the guttural has taken effect upon the *e* of the *Perf.*, changing it into *a*; if the latter, the guttural has taken effect upon the *u* or *o* of the *Impf.*, changing it into *a*.

(3) Seems less original.

and Impt. Peal throughout, *e. g.* **عَمِيَ** (for *šēme*), **يَعْمَى** “to hear”; **هَجَى**, **يَهْجَى** “to sink in, to be immersed” (Trans. **هَجَى**, **يَهْجَى** “to set in, to immerse”); **زَيَّبَ**, **يَزَيِّبُ** “to seethe”; **سَهَى**, **يَسْهَى** “to be wanting”, and *all* that have *o*, *e. g.* **أَمِنَ**, **يَأْمِنُ** “to wonder”.

Of course in some *few* cases descending from remote times such a guttural has changed even the *o* of the Impf. and Impt. into *a*; thus:—**رَمَى**, **يَرْمِي** “to remember”; **رَمَى**, **يَرْمِي** “to drag away”; **أَمَرَ**, **يَأْمُرُ** and **أَمَرَ**, **يَأْمُرُ** “to break”; **أَفْتَحَ**, **يُفْتِحُ**, rarely **أَفْتَحُ** “to open”; **عَمَرَ**, **يَعْمُرُ**, rarely **عَمُرُ** “to serve, to cultivate”; **أَبْرَأَ**, **يَأْبِرُ** and **أَبْرَأَ**, **يَأْبِرُ** “to slaughter”. In the *large majority*, however, of *transitive verbs tert. guttur.*, we have *o* alone (sometimes of original formation, sometimes of later analogous formation). This vowel has even penetrated to some extent into original Intransitives, as in **أَعْرَضَ**, a secondary form to **أَعْرَضَ**, “to strip off” (but only **أَعْرَضَ** “to send”); **أَحْضَى** (more rarely) alongside of **أَحْضَى** “to seek”; **أَحْضَى** alongside of **أَحْضَى** “to devour”; **أَحْرَى**, more rarely **أَحْرَى**, “to grow less” (only **أَحْرَى** “to remove”).

Rem. The practice of treating as exceptions, cases of *o* in verbs *tert. guttur.* and *r* is accordingly incorrect: such verbs surpass in number not only (by a large majority) those transitives which have *a* in the Impf., but even those intransitives, of which the *a* of the Impf. is original.

VERBA MEDIAE †.

*Verba
mediae †.*

§ 171. A. These verbs present no difficulty, if the rules given in § 33 are attended to. The † falls away in pronunciation whenever it stands in the end of a syllable. The same thing happens, at least according to the usual pronunciation, when the † comes after a consonant without a full vowel. The vowel of the † in the latter case is transferred to the 1st radical. This applies also to the vowel which has to appear with † in place of the mere *sh^eva* [§ 34]. Thus:

In the Perf. Peal **جَدَلَّ** (= **جَدَلَّ**) “demanded”, **جَدَلَّ**, **جَدَلَّ**, **جَدَلَّ**, &c.—Impf. **يَجْدُلُّ** (= **يَجْدُلُّ**) &c.—Impt. **جَدَلَّ**, **جَدَلَّ** &c.—Part. act. **جَدَلَّ**, **جَدَلَّ**; Passive **جَدَلَّ**, **جَدَلَّ**.—Inf. **جَدَلَّ**.—

Ethpeel $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ — $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$; Impt. $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ —Inf. $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, &c.—Aphel $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$,— $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, &c.

Rem. In the Ethpeel the West-Syrians read $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ for $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$.—Part. pass. of Aphel in the emph. st. $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$; East-Syrian $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ (§ 34). In the Peal is found $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ with hard ع (through blending with the otherwise like-sounding forms *mediae gem.* § 178); but the more original form with soft ع , $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ &c. is met with, as well as the other.

B. In the Pael and Ethpaal the vocalisation is quite the same as in the case of strong radicals: $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ (“to ask”), $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$; $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$; $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$.

Rem. For $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ (Ethpeel) “to be evil”, there occurs frequently with the West-Syrians, even at an early date, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ (with transition to *primae* ع).—In like manner, occasionally $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ “*displicet*” (3 f. sg. Impf.) for $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$.

VERBA TERTIAE ع .

§ 172. A. In some few verbs a final radical ع in Pael and Ethpaal still operates as a guttural, by altering *e* into *a*. The ع itself must of course fall away in pronunciation, and must give up its vowel to the preceding consonant. Of these verbs, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ “to comfort” is of specially frequent occurrence. It has the following inflection, exactly like $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ for instance, with the exception of the falling away of the ع in pronunciation:—

*Verba
tertia e l.*

<i>Pael</i> : Perf. sg. 3 m.	$\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$	pl. 3 m.	$\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$
3 f.	$\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$	3 f.	$\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$ ($\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$)
2 m.	$\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$	2 m.	$\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$
2 f.	$\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$	2 f.	$\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$
1	$\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$	1	$\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$

Impf. $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$.

Impt. $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$.

Part. act. and pass. $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$.—Inf. $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$.

Ethpaal $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$; $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$; $\text{عَمِلَ}^{(1)}$, &c.

(¹) “Was demanded”, and “begged to be excused”, or “declined” (*παραιτεῖσθαι*).

Rem. In these and similar verbs un-etymological modes of writing are frequently met with, e. g. **جِءَا** (§ 35), **مَجْنَأَه** (§ 33 B), &c.

B. In rare cases, however, there appear transitions to the inflection of verbs *tert. ـ* (§ 176) even in those verbs, which usually are still inflected after the above fashion. It is no doubt owing to this tendency, that forms like **جِءَاه**, **جِءَاه**, equivalent to **جِءَاه**, **جِءَاه** are occasionally pronounced with an audible **ه** (like **جِءِه**; with the diphthong). Farther there appears **جِءَاه** Impt. sg. f. instead of **جِءَاه** (like **جِءَاه** *tert. ـ*), **جِءَاه** Perf. 3 pl. f. instead of **جِءَاه** “were polluted” (like **جِءَاه**), where, but for the mere retention of a written **ه**, the form of *tert. ـ* is completely attained. Thus **جِءَاه** alternates directly with **جِءَاه** (“to be proud”; **جِءَاه** with **جِءَاه** (also written **جِءَاه**, § 33 B) “to pollute”.

C. Quite isolated is an example of a similar formation for the *Peal* in the finite verb, viz.—**مءَاه** (like **وَجِءِه**) “were dark-coloured” (properly from *κράντος* § 117, *Rem.*); from this verb also there is an Ettaphal **مءَاه** and what is like a Part. pass. Pael (pl. f.) **مءَاه**.—Participles of *Peal* are found in the substantive forms **مءَاه** “tutor”, pl. **مءَاه** (from *θεωρία*?)—to which belong the Pael **مءَاه**, and Ethpaal **مءَاه** (also written **مءَاه**, **مءَاه**), with the *nomen agentis* **مءَاه** “tutor”—, and **مءَاه** “hater”, “enemy”, pl. **مءَاه**, f. **مءَاه**, and the adjective Part. pass. **مءَاه** “hated (f.)”, pl. m. **مءَاه**, **مءَاه** (verbal Part. **مءَاه**, **مءَاه**, **مءَاه**, constr. st. **مءَاه** (1)). **مءَاه** “I have been hated” appears also.

Rem. The verbs mentioned in this section might thus be held to be about the only ones, in which the **ه** is still treated as a guttural. Otherwise Verbs, which originally were *tert. ه*, pass completely over to the formation *tert. ـ* (as even **مءَاه** “to be beautiful”, which is usually reckoned as belonging to this section).

(1) In Aphr. 286, 5, for **مءَاه** “who hate reproof” there is a variant **مءَاه** “haters (enemies) of reproof”.—Cf. farther **مءَاه** “hated” § 113 (and **مءَاه** “hatred” § 100). The other derivatives look as if from *tert. ـ*.

VERBA PRIMÆ J.

§ 173. A. The *n* as 1st rad. is assimilated to the following one, if *Verba primæ* it comes directly upon it (§ 28), which can happen only in the Peal, Aphel and Ettaphal,—thus from **يُخْرَجُ** “to go out”, **يُخْرَجُ** = **يُخْرَجُ**; **يُخْرَجُ** = **يُخْرَجُ**, &c. Several verbs are excepted, which have *ay* as 2nd rad.; e. g. from **يُضَيِّقُ** “to be bright”, we have **يُضَيِّقُ**, **يُضَيِّقُ**; and from **يُصَوِّقُ** (the West-Syrians, it seems, have **يُصَوِّقُ**) “to roar”, **يُصَوِّقُ**, **يُصَوِّقُ**. So from **يُصَوِّقُ** “to be barefooted”, **يُصَوِّقُ** (but from **يُصَوِّقُ** “to descend”, **يُصَوِّقُ**, **يُصَوِّقُ**, &c.).

Rem. Rare cases, like **يُصَوِّقُ** for the usual **يُصَوِّقُ** “vows”; **يُصَوِّقُ** = **يُصَوِّقُ** “to slaughter” (Inf.), &c. are probably rather graphical than grammatical deviations.

B. In the Peal, some verbs have, along with *a* in the Perf., *a* also in the Impf. (and Impt.). Thus in particular **يُخْرَجُ** “to take”, **يُخْرَجُ**; **يُخْرَجُ** “to blow”, **يُخْرَجُ**; and of course the intransitives *tert. gutt.* **يُخْرَجُ** “to come forth”, **يُخْرَجُ**; **يُخْرَجُ** “to well forth”, **يُخْرَجُ**; **يُخْرَجُ** “to fall off”, **يُخْرَجُ** &c. Only a few preserve the intransitive pronunciation in the Perf., like **يُخْرَجُ** “to adhere to”, **يُخْرَجُ**.

Of transitives: **يُخْرَجُ** “to keep” has *a* in the Impf., **يُخْرَجُ**, but **يُخْرَجُ** is met with also. *O* is found besides in the Impf. with *tert. gutt.* in **يُخْرَجُ** “to vow”, **يُخْرَجُ**; **يُخْرَجُ** “to dig or cut through”; **يُخْرَجُ**; **يُخْرَجُ** “to blow or sound”, **يُخْرَجُ**; **يُخْرَجُ** “to bark”, **يُخْرَجُ**.

Many more of these verbs have *o* in the Impf. and Impt. (*v.* what follows).

In the Impf. (Impt.) the following have *e*:—**يُخْرَجُ** “to fall”; **يُخْرَجُ**; **يُخْرَجُ** “to draw”, **يُخْرَجُ**; **يُخْرَجُ** “to shake”, **يُخْرَجُ**; **يُخْرَجُ** “to cast lots”, **يُخْرَجُ**; add to these **يُخْرَجُ** “gives” (of which **يُخْرَجُ** serves as the Perf. § 183).

Notice farther **يُخْرَجُ** “to step down”, “to descend”, **يُخْرَجُ**, and **يُخْرَجُ** “to be lean”, **يُخْرَجُ** (not certain) § 160 A.

C. In many of these verbs the Impt. Peal loses the *n* altogether. Thus **يُخْرَجُ** “take”; **يُخْرَجُ** “blow”; **يُخْرَجُ** “adhere to”; **يُخْرَجُ** or **يُخْرَجُ** “keep”; **يُخْرَجُ** “fall”; **يُخْرَجُ** “draw”; **يُخْرَجُ** “shake”; **يُخْرَجُ** “step down”; **يُخْرَجُ** “perforate”; **يُخْرَجُ** “strike”; **يُخْرَجُ** “sift”; **يُخْرَجُ** “plant”; **يُخْرَجُ** “slay”; **يُخْرَجُ** “kiss”; **يُخْرَجُ** “pour”; **يُخْرَجُ** “put away”; **يُخْرَجُ** “go out”.

On the other hand the *n* is retained in the Impt. in *e. g.*, **نَبَوُّ** “vow”, **بَعَفَا** “bite”, and perhaps in the most of those which have *a* in the Impf., (farther in those which are at the same time *tert.* **ب**, like **بَارَبَ**, from **بَارَا** “to quarrel”) and in those which do not assimilate the *n*, like **نَبَوُّ** “become clear”, “dawn”⁽¹⁾.

The following synopsis shows the principal forms, which deviate from the usual type of the verb.

Peal.

Perf. بَعَفَا , بَعَفَا , بَعَفَا .			Impt.		
Impf.			Impt.		
بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا
بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	
بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	
بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	
بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	بَعَفَا	
بَعَفَا &c. بَعَفَا &c. بَعَفَا &c.			بَعَفَا &c. بَعَفَا &c. بَعَفَا &c.		
Aphel بَعَفَا , بَعَفَا ; بَعَفَا , بَعَفَا — بَعَفَا .			Ettaphal بَعَفَا , بَعَفَا &c.		

E. *Rem.* In these verbs softness or hardness in the consonants depends in every case absolutely on the general rules given in § 23, and that which is noted in § 161 *et sqq.* A consonant to which *n* is assimilated has the value of a double consonant, and must accordingly be hard, while the one that follows can never be hard.

VERBA PRIMAE {

§ 174. A. The { must, in accordance with § 34 take a full vowel in place of a *sh^eva*, and this vowel is *e* in the Perf. Peal and in the whole of Ethpeel: **بَعَفَا**, **بَعَفَا**, while it is *a* in the Part. pass. Peal: **بَعَفَا**.

Rem. The East-Syrians use *a* even in the Perf. Peal of some verbs: **بَعَفَا** “oppressed”; **بَعَفَا** “was angry”; **بَعَفَا** “met”;—farther, **بَعَفَا** “mourned”, and **بَعَفَا** “baked”, which are at the same time *tertiæ* **ب**. But in other cases they too have **بَعَفَا**, &c.

(1) In many verbs *primæ* the formation of the Impt. does not admit of being established with any certainty. The vowels too of the Perf. and Impf. in many verbs of this class are uncertain.

Verba primæ {

B. The prefix-vowel of the Impf. Peal and the Inf. Peal forms, with the radical *l*, an *ē* (§ 53), which for the most part becomes $\bar{=}$ ⁽¹⁾ with the West-Syrians in those verbs that have *a* in the Impf., as well as in those verbs that are at the same time *tert.* **ب**,—while in verbs with *o* it remains *ē*. With *a* in the Impf. and Impt. are **بُجِبْ** “to perish”, **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ**; and perhaps two or three more: add thereto **بُجِبْ** “to go”, **بُجِبْ**, but Impt. **بُجِبْ** (§ 183). To this class belong also **بُجِبْ** “to bake”, **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ** “to mourn”, **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ** “to come”, **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ**, but Impt. **بُجِبْ** (§ 183). On the other hand with *o* are **بُجِبْ** “to hire”, **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ** “to hold”, **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ**; **بُجِبْ** “to eat”, **بُجِبْ**, and many others.

Verbs with *o* take *a* as the vowel of the *l* in the Imperative: **بُجِبْ**, the others take *e*: **بُجِبْ**.

C. In the Ethpeel notice the application of § 34, according to which, in certain forms the *e* which *l* must take instead of the *sh^eva* is thrown forward on the *l*; the same thing is done with the regular *a* of the other forms of Ethpeel, as well as of all those of Ethpaal: **بُجِبْ** and **بُجِبْ** “to be oppressed”; **بُجِبْ** (or **بُجِبْ** §§ 17; 34 *Rem.*); f. **بُجِبْ**, Impt. **بُجِبْ**. In the Ethpeel of **بُجِبْ** “to take”, however, the *l* is assimilated to *l* instead, the *l* becomes hard and the *e* falls away (§ 36): **بُجِبْ** (written also **بُجِبْ** merely), **بُجِبْ**, &c. Others too have sometimes a like formation, e. g. **بُجِبْ** “you are bound” (say **بُجِبْ**). It is exactly the same with **بُجِبْ** “to groan” ⁽²⁾.

D. For the Paal it has to be noted that the 1st sing. Impf. is not **بُجِبْ**, like **بُجِبْ**, but simply **بُجِبْ**. Of course the *a* of the *l* passes over to the prefixes in cases like **بُجِبْ**, **بُجِبْ**. In **بُجِبْ** “to teach” this *l* is almost always parted with, even in writing, e. g. **بُجِبْ** = **بُجِبْ**, **بُجِبْ** &c. Individual cases of this kind are found also with other verbs, e. g. **بُجِبْ** “goes away”, instead of **بُجِبْ** (= **בָּנָה** Denominative from **בָּנָה** “way”).

⁽¹⁾ There are sporadic exceptions in accordance with § 46, like **בָּנָה** Sap. 14, 10 as variant for **בָּנָה**; **בָּנָה**; **בָּנָה**; Deut. 4, 26 as var. for **בָּנָה**; and various forms from **בָּנָה** (§ 183) (**בָּנָה** *Septuaginta* John 16, 20 BERNSTEIN).

⁽²⁾ The language takes **בָּנָה** as root and sometimes even forms derivatives from it, like **בָּנָה** “groaning”.

Pael.

Perf. أَجَرَ .—Impf. تَجِرُ , تَجِرِينَ .— أَجِرُ (1st sing.).—Impt. أَجِرْ .—Part. act. مُجِرٌ , مُجِرَةٌ ; pass. مُجَرٌّ , مُجَرَّةٌ .—Inf. مُجِرَةٌ .

Ethpaal.

Perf. أَجَّرَ , أَجَّرْتِ , &c.—Impf. يُجِرُّ , يُجِرُّنَّ .—Impt. أَجِّرْ (أَجِّرِي).—Part. مُجِرِّئٌ , مُجِرِّئَةٌ .—Inf. مُجِرِّئَةٌ .

Aphel $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{أَجَّرَ} \\ \text{أَجَّرْتِ} \end{array} \right\}$
 Ettaphal $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{أَجَّرَ} \\ \text{أَجَّرْتِ} \end{array} \right\}$ v. Inflection of verbs *primae* ◦.

VERBA PRIMAE ◦ AND ُ.

§ 175. A. In verbs of this sort, which besides are not numerous, *Verba primae* ُ appears throughout, except in Aphel and Ettaphal, (and setting aside ◦ & ُ. the exceptions mentioned in § 40 A, viz: Part. act. Peal مُجِرٌ “it is fitting”, and the Pael مُجِرٌّ “to appoint”, along with Ethpaal مُجِرِّئٌ) both for original ُ and for original ◦ (and in part for ل, v. § 174 F).

Instead of ُ with *sh^eva*, ِ \bar{i} has to appear (§ 40 C) in Peal and Ethpeel, thus:— أَجَرِ , تَجِرِي , أَجَّرِي , تَجِرِينِي , &c. ل is often written instead of it, in the beginning of the word, e. g. أَجَرُوا = أَجَرُوا “they inherited”, &c.⁽¹⁾

In the Perf. Peal, those verbs which do not end in a guttural or r (with the exception of يَتَوَدَّ §§ 38; 183) have e, thus أَجَرُوا “inherited”; بَارُوا “bare”; سَبَّأُوا “sat”; سَبَّأُوا “burned”; but of course أَجَرُوا “knew”; أَجَرُوا “was heavy”.

In the Impf. and Inf. Peal the two most frequently occurring verbs of this class, أَجَرُوا and سَبَّأُوا , lose their ُ, but instead double (and harden) their 2nd rad., and so become here like to verbs *primae* ِ. They farther lose the ُ in the Impt. Peal (as also does أَجَرُوا which does not appear in the Impf.), thus: أَجَرُوا ; سَبَّأُوا ; أَجَرُوا , أَجَرُوا (◦), &c. (cf. أَجَرُوا , أَجَرُوا § 126 B). The rest pass over entirely, in the Impf. and Inf. Peal, to the analogy of those verbs *primae* ل, which have a in the Impf., e. g.

(1) An individual case is found even of أَجَرُوا “I have gained” = أَجَرُوا Apost. Apocryph. 306, 7; also أَجَرُوا “she knew” = أَجَرُوا Spicileg. Syr. 40, 8 (both cases after أَجَرُوا).

ܒܪܚܝܢܐ, ܒܪܚܝܢܐ (cf. § 23 D) from ܒܪܚܐ (1). These have likewise *a* in the Impt. and preserve the 1st rad. as ܒ.

B. In the *Aphel*, ܦܝܡ “to suck” still shows the radical ܦ: ܦܝܡ; and so also runs ܦܝܠ “to wail”, (if it is really an *Aphel*). All the rest have *au* in the *Aphel* and *Ettaphal*: ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ; ܦܝܠܐܘܦܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܦܐ; ܦܝܠܐܘܚܐ “to dry up”, &c. In this form ܦܝܡ occurs as well as ܦܝܡ. In the inflection this *au* or *ai* is treated exactly like *e. g.* the *aq* in ܦܝܠܐܘܩܐ.

C. In the *Pael* and *Ethpaal* these verbs are not discriminated from strong verbs: *e. g.* ܦܝܠܐ, ܦܝܠܐܝܠܐ; ܦܝܠܐ, ܦܝܠܐܝܠܐ, &c. are exactly like ܦܝܠܐ, &c.

D. The following tabular statement shows the principal forms which deviate from the general type:

Pael.

Perf.	ܦܝܠܐ (2), ܦܝܠܐܝܠܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܦܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܚܐ.
Impf.	{ ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ—ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܦܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܦܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ. (1 st sing.).
	{ ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ—ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܦܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ.
Impt.	{ ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ.
	{ ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ.
Inf.	ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ—ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ.—Part. pass. ܦܝܠܐ.

Ethpeel.

Perf. ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܦܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ.—Impf. ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܦܐ.—Inf. ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ.

Aphel.

ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܦܐ—ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ.—ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ.

Ettaphal.

ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܦܐ—ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ.—ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ, ܦܝܠܐܘܨܐ.

Rem. Examples of the Impt. *Ethpeel* like ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ and Impt. *Ethpaal* ܦܝܠܐܘܬܐ scarcely ever appear.

(1) Here too with the West-Syrians the ܠ² is occasionally still retained instead of the ܠ, *e. g.* ܠܠܝܢܐ (Deut. 33, 19 according to Barh.), ܠܠܝܢܐ (Bernstein's Johannes S. VI), instead of the usual ܠܠܝܢܐ, ܠܠܝܢܐ (variant of ܠܠܝܢܐ Matth. 26, 74).

(2) “to borrow”, “to lend”.

VERBA TERTIAE ٣.

§ 176. A. Verbs *tertia* ٣ deviate from the strong verb much more decidedly than the classes hitherto described. The radical *i, y* Verba
tertia ٣ brings about a vowel-termination, and is fused with the endings in various ways. In the Perfect Peal a transitive form of pronunciation with *ā* in the 3rd sing. m. (like **فَطَلَ** “threw”) and an intransitive with *ī* are to be distinguished; but side by side with the latter form there appears and that widely, one with *ā* (e. g. **سَبَّ** and **سَبَّيْ** “rejoiced”⁽¹⁾). In the Impt. Peal the transitive form in *ī* has almost completely supplanted the intransitive form in *ai*, v. *infra* D.

B. The *Perf.*, except in Peal, always has *ī*, which, like the *ī* of the intransitive Peal, is retained even before endings, and with **o** forms the diphthong **يو** *ū*. The later West-Syrians often attach an additional ٣, of course a silent one, to the 3rdpl. f. as a diacritic mark, e. g. **اُكْتُبُو** = **اُكْتُبُو٣** “they (f.) are revealed”.

Notice the difference between the 1st sing. **اُكْتُبِي** with soft **l** and the 2nd sing. m. **اُكْتُبِي** with hard **l** in all classes⁽²⁾; in the transitive Peal, at least with the East-Syrians, it farther happens that the 1st sing. has *ē* (**اُكْتُبِي**).

C. The *Impf.*, when without any of the endings, terminates in **ا**— in all classes; the same is the case with the active *Participles*. With that **ا**— the ending *ūn* blends into **ون** (West-Syrian *ūn*), and the ending *in* into *ēn*.

D. The *Impt.* sing. m. ends in *ā* in the Pael, Ethpaal, Aphel, (and Ettaphal?).—In the Impt. Ethpeel the ending with the West-Syrians is *ai*, e. g. **اُكْتُبِي** “reveal thyself”; **اُكْتُبِي** “show thyself”; the East-Syrians vocalise the 1st rad., after the analogy of the strong verb, and write a double, but silent ٣, thus: **اُكْتُبِي**, **اُكْتُبِي**. The West-Syrians

(1) So **تَعَلَّ** “swore”, alongside of the less frequent **تَعَلَّ**. As variants of the West- and East-Syrian tradition, without consistency on either side, **تَعَلَّ** and **تَعَلَّ**; along with **تَعَلَّ** is found **تَعَلَّ** &c.

(2) Transgressions against this rule in manuscripts and editions are due to oversight.

also often say **أُجِبُّ** as well as **أَجِبُّ** “repent”, and even in very early times it is found written⁽¹⁾ plainly **أَجِبُّ**.

The intransitive form of the Impt. sing. m. Peal was properly *ai*. But this form is authenticated with certainty still only in **أَجِبُّ** “swear” (of the class *primae* ٠ at the same time), occurring alongside of **أَجِبُّ**, and in **أَجِبُّ** “drink” (with prefix **أَ**, according to § 51) from **أَجِبُّ**. In other cases the form throughout is **أَجِبُّ** “rejoice”, &c. (On **أَجِبُّ** “come”, v. § 183).

E. The 3rd pl. m. Perf., at least in Peal, and in like manner the Impt. m. pl., and the 3rd pl. f. Perf. in all the verb-classes, [or Conjugations] have occasionally *lengthened* forms: **أَجِبُّوا** (أَجِبُّوا, أَجِبُّوا) = **أَجِبُّوا**; **أَجِبُّوا** = **أَجِبُّوا**; **أَجِبُّوا** = **أَجِبُّوا**; **أَجِبُّوا** = **أَجِبُّوا**, &c.; there is also written instead, **أَجِبُّوا**, **أَجِبُّوا**, **أَجِبُّوا** &c. For **أَجِبُّوا** of the Imperative pl. f. there is also found **أَجِبُّوا**, e. g. **أَجِبُّوا** i. e. **أَجِبُّوا** “pray ye” (§ 40 E). More rarely we meet here with the short forms in ٠ (probably *āi*) like **أَجِبُّوا** “rejoice ye” (f.); **أَجِبُّوا** “be ye like” (f.). In the 1st pl. perf. we meet with **أَجِبُّوا** &c. as well as **أَجِبُّوا** &c.

F. The *Ettaphal* does not occur with sufficient frequency to call for its consideration in the Paradigm. Besides, the only form open to doubt is the Impt. sing. m.; all the other forms follow the analogy of the other reflexives.

On the blending of the Participles in *ē*, and pl. *ēn*, with affixed subject-pronouns v. § 64 A.

Rem. Verbal forms, which showed ٠ as 3rd rad. no longer appear.

⁽¹⁾ **أَجِبُّوا**, as it is usually printed in Rev. 2, 5 and 15, is inaccurate. [Gutbir gives **أَجِبُّوا**]. And yet this remarkable form of the Imperative **أَجِبُّوا** will have to be recognised, for likewise in Euseb. Church Hist. 211, 1 the two manuscripts which belong to the 6th century have **أَجِبُّوا** for *μετανοήσον*. The other two,—tolerably ancient also, have **أَجِبُّوا**. It looks like a regular Ethpaal form, but the verb appears to occur only in the Ethpeel.

PARADIGM OF VERB TERTIAE ب.

	Peal.		Ethpeel.	
Perf. sg. 3. m.	فَعَلَ	سَبَّ	أَفْعَلَ	
3. f.	فَعَلَتْ	سَبَّتْ	أَفْعَلَتْ	
2. m.	فَعَلْتُمْ	سَبَبْتُمْ	أَفْعَلْتُمْ	
2. f.	فَعَلْتُنَّ	سَبَبْتُنَّ	أَفْعَلْتُنَّ	
1.	فَعَلْتُ	سَبَبْتُ	أَفْعَلْتُ	
pl. 3. m.	فَعَلُوا	سَبَبُوا	أَفْعَلُوا	
3. f.	فَعَلْنَ	سَبَبْنَ	أَفْعَلْنَ	
2. m.	فَعَلْتُمْ	سَبَبْتُمْ	أَفْعَلْتُمْ	
2. f.	فَعَلْتُنَّ	سَبَبْتُنَّ	أَفْعَلْتُنَّ	
1.	فَعَلْنَا	سَبَبْنَا	أَفْعَلْنَا	
Impf. sg. 3. m.	يَفْعَلُ		يَفْعَلُ	
3. f.	يَفْعَلُ		يَفْعَلُ	
2. m.	يَفْعَلُونَ		يَفْعَلُونَ	
2. f.	يَفْعَلْنَ		يَفْعَلْنَ	
1.	يَفْعَلُ		يَفْعَلُ	
pl. 3. m.	يَفْعَلُونَ		يَفْعَلُونَ	
3. f.	يَفْعَلْنَ		يَفْعَلْنَ	
2. m.	يَفْعَلُونَ		يَفْعَلُونَ	
2. f.	يَفْعَلْنَ		يَفْعَلْنَ	
1.	يَفْعَلُونَ		يَفْعَلُونَ	
Impt. sg. m.	فَعِّلْ		أَفْعِّلْ	(أَفْعِّلِي)
f.	فَعِّلِي		أَفْعِّلِي	
pl. m.	فَعِّلُوا		أَفْعِّلُوا	
f.	فَعِّلِي		أَفْعِّلِي	
Part. act. sg.	فَاعِلٌ	سَابِّ	أَفْعَالٌ	فَاعِلَةٌ
pl.	فَاعِلُونَ	سَابِّونَ	أَفْعَالُونَ	فَاعِلَاتٌ
pass. sg.	فَعُولٌ	سَابِّ		
pl.	فَعُولُونَ	سَابِّونَ		
Inf.	فَعِّلْ		فَعِّلْ	

	Pael.	Ethpaal.	Aphel.
Perf. sg. 3. m.	יָצַח	יָצַח	יָצַח
3. f.	יָצְיִחַ	יָצְיִחַ	יָצְיִחַ
2. m.	יָצַחְתָּ	יָצַחְתָּ	יָצַחְתָּ
2. f.	יָצַחְתְּ	יָצַחְתְּ	יָצַחְתְּ
1.	יָצַחְתִּי	יָצַחְתִּי	יָצַחְתִּי
pl. 3. m.	יָצַחוּ	יָצַחוּ	יָצַחוּ
3. f.	יָצְיִחוּ	יָצְיִחוּ	יָצְיִחוּ
2. m.	יָצַחְתֶּם	יָצַחְתֶּם	יָצַחְתֶּם
2. f.	יָצַחְתֶּן	יָצַחְתֶּן	יָצַחְתֶּן
1.	יָצַחְתֶּם	יָצַחְתֶּם	יָצַחְתֶּם
Impf. sg. 3. m.	יֵצֵחַ	יֵצֵחַ	יֵצֵחַ
3. f.	יֵצְיֵחַ	יֵצְיֵחַ	יֵצְיֵחַ
2. m.	יֵצֵחַ	יֵצֵחַ	יֵצֵחַ
2. f.	יֵצְיֵחַ	יֵצְיֵחַ	יֵצְיֵחַ
1.	יֵצֵחַ	יֵצֵחַ	יֵצֵחַ
pl. 3. m.	יֵצְיֵחוּ	יֵצְיֵחוּ	יֵצְיֵחוּ
3. f.	יֵצְיֵחוּ	יֵצְיֵחוּ	יֵצְיֵחוּ
2. m.	יֵצַחְמוּ	יֵצַחְמוּ	יֵצַחְמוּ
2. f.	יֵצַחְמוּ	יֵצַחְמוּ	יֵצַחְמוּ
1.	יֵצַחְמוּ	יֵצַחְמוּ	יֵצַחְמוּ
Impt. sg. m.	יֵצֵחַ	יֵצֵחַ	יֵצֵחַ
f.	יֵצְיֵחַ	יֵצְיֵחַ	יֵצְיֵחַ
pl. m.	יֵצְיֵחוּ	יֵצְיֵחוּ	יֵצְיֵחוּ
f.	יֵצְיֵחוּ	יֵצְיֵחוּ	יֵצְיֵחוּ
Part. act. sg.	יֹצֵחַ, מֵצֵחַ	יֹצֵחַ, מֵצֵחַ	יֹצֵחַ, מֵצֵחַ
pl.	יֹצְיָחַ, מֵצְיָחַ	יֹצְיָחַ, מֵצְיָחַ	יֹצְיָחַ, מֵצְיָחַ
pass. sg.	יֹצָח, מֵצָח	יֹצָח, מֵצָח	יֹצָח, מֵצָח
pl.	יֹצְיָח, מֵצְיָח	יֹצְיָח, מֵצְיָח	יֹצְיָח, מֵצְיָח
Inf.	מֵצֵחַ	מֵצֵחַ	מֵצֵחַ

VERBA MEDIAE ◦ AND ٔ.

§ 177. A. Verbs, whose 2nd rad. is looked upon as a ◦, or rather verbs which replace the 2nd rad. by a long vowel, are still farther removed from the general type, in Peal, Aphel, Ethpeel and Ettaphal, than the preceding class. Verba
medie
◦ & ٔ.

In *Peal* they have *ā* in the Perf. between the two firm radicals (مَرَّ “stood”), and *ū* in the Impf. and Impt. (مَرَّ، مَرَّ). The intransitive مَاتَ “to die” alone has *ī* in the Perf. (مَاتَ).⁽¹⁾ In the Part. act. they have *ā-e*, and with lengthening, *āi-* (مَرَّ، مَرَّ): in the Part. pass. *ī* (مَرَّ), and in the Inf. *ā* (مَرَّ). The Inf. is sometimes written inaccurately مَرَّ. The only verb which still exhibits middle ٔ, has *ī* in the Impf. and Impt. (مَرَّ، مَرَّ)⁽²⁾; in other respects it is exactly like those with middle ◦.

B. In the *Aphel* *ī* appears throughout (مَرَّ، مَرَّ), except in the Part. pass. and the Inf. (مَرَّ، مَرَّ).—It is the very same in *Ettaphal*, where only the Inf. has *ā* (مَرَّ، مَرَّ—مَرَّ). The *Ethpeel* agrees completely with the *Ettaphal*, or rather the *Ethpeel* in these verbs is quite supplanted by the *Ettaphal*. In the reflexives even a single ٔ may be written for the double ٔ (§ 36). The frequently occurring reflexive of مَرَّ “to persuade” (with Greek π § 15, from πείσαι) is written مَرَّ، مَرَّ, and oftenest مَرَّ (*etris*), by assimilation of the ٔ to the π. So by a wrong use, in a few rare cases even مَرَّ “to burst out in anger” (“to boil”).

C. The prefixes ٔ ٔ ٔ are applied in the *Peal* and *Aphel* without a vowel. And yet forms of the prefix with a vowel are not infrequently found, particularly in the poets, like مَرَّ، مَرَّ، مَرَّ “wakens up”, مَرَّ; rarely we have Infinitives like مَرَّ “to remain”. Whether forms of three syllables like مَرَّ occurred also, is not certain.

(1) Very rarely indeed مَرَّ is said to appear.

(2) But not in the Perf., where only *sām* occurs, not *sīm*. In verbs *med. ◦* no trace has been retained of an intransitive mode in the Impf. and Impt. *Peal*.

	<i>Aphel.</i>	
Perf.	Impf.	Impt.
أَقَمَ	نَقَمَ	أَقَمَ
أَقَمُوا	أَقَمَ	أَقَمُوا
أَقَمْتُمْ	نَقَمْتُمْ	أَقَمْتُمْ
أَقَمْتُمْ	Part. act. مَقَمٌ	
أَقَمْتُمْ	pass. مَقَمٌ	
أَقَمْتُمْ	Inf. مَقَمٌ	

Ettaphal and Ethpeel.

مَقَمْتُمْ، مَقَمْتُمْ — مَقَمْتُمْ، مَقَمْتُمْ — مَقَمْتُمْ، مَقَمْتُمْ.

VERBA MEDIAE GEMINATAE.

§ 178. A. Verbs which restore the 3rd rad. by doubling the 2nd are in their origin closely related to verbs *med. o*, and they still repeatedly give and take to and from them (§ 58). They double the 1st rad. after prefixes, otherwise the 2nd if it is preceded and followed by a short vowel. When there is no ending, and immediately before consonants, the 2nd consonant remains without doubling. Only Peal, Aphel, and Ettaphal fall to be considered here.

In the Perf. Peal all these verbs of course have *a*, and in the Impf. and the Impt. sometimes *o*, sometimes *a*: e. g. جَا “to enter”, حَفَا, حَفَا; شَا “to shear”, نَجَفَا; نَجَفَا “to grope”, &c.—تَم “to be hot”, يَم; يَم “to be old”, يَم; يَم “to be abominable”, يَم; يَم “to covet”, يَم, and many others. The latter set are plainly intransitives. Only فَر “to err” has فَر with *e*.

B. The Part. act. is like that in verbs *mediae o*: مَقَمٌ, مَقَمٌ; but doubling makes its appearance whenever the Participle is lengthened: مَقَمٌ, مَقَمٌ, &c. Also in these forms, particularly in جَا “to enter”, an } is usually written, which however has no significance for pronunciation: جَا or جَا; جَا or جَا. A superfluous } is also sometimes written in the Aphel (§ 35) e. g. حَمَمْتُكَ “to love” for حَمَمْتُكَ (Inf.).

desire to distinguish it from اَمَمْتُ “eaten” (§ 23 G. Rem.). At the same time it is stated that, “in the land of Harrān”, that is, in the very home of the dialect, they say اَمَمْتُ. Thus always مَمَمْتُ &c.

C. In forms furnished with prefixes (Impf. and Inf. Peal, and the whole of Aphel and Ettaphal), hardening always appears: thus **خَفِر** “robs”; **خَفِيَ** “hatched”, &c. In this, as also in other respects, these forms (and the Impt. Peal likewise) agree entirely with the formations of verbs *primae* 1, so that sometimes a doubt may actually exist as to whether a verbal form belongs to the one or to the other.

In the Perf. Peal the 2nd rad. becomes hard, only when an original vowel following it has been retained: thus like **خَفِرَ** “dashed in pieces”, **خَفِيَ**, **خَفِيَ**, also **خَفِه** and even in the later formations **خَفِي**, **خَفِي**; but **خَفَا**, **خَفَا**. In the Impt. it is always correspondingly soft: **خَفِي**, **خَفِي**.

D. In the *Ethpeel* the 2nd and 3rd rads. (contrary to the fundamental rule) are kept separate, and the inflection is quite the same as in the strong verb. Only,—when the two come together, the mode of writing is sometimes simplified, *e. g.* **خَفِرَ** for **خَفِرَ** (like **خَفِرَ**); **خَفِرَ** for **خَفِرَ** (like **خَفِرَ**) from **خَفِرَ** “to be robbed”, **خَفِرَ** “to be imputed”.—In the *Pael* and *Ethpaal* these verbs exactly resemble the strong verbs, although the pronunciation, at least in later times, in cases like **خَفِرَ** (properly *paqqéqath*) allowed of a simplification (to *paqqath* or even *paqath*).

E. We give in what follows a complete paradigm of the *Peal* (short only of the secondary forms).

	<i>Perf.</i>	<i>Impf.</i>	<i>Impt.</i>
sg. 3. m.	خَفِرَ	خَفِرَ	sg. m. خَفِرَ
3. f.	خَفِرَتْ	خَفِرَ	f. خَفِرَتْ
2. m.	خَفِرَا	خَفِرَ	pl. m. خَفِرُوا
2. f.	خَفِرَاتُ	خَفِرَ	f. خَفِرْتِ
1.	خَفِرْ	خَفِرَ	
pl. 3. m.	خَفِرُوا	خَفِرُوا	Part. act. خَفِرٌ, خَفِرَاتُ
3. f.	خَفِرْنَ, خَفِرَتْ	خَفِرْنَ	pass. خَفِرَتْ
2. m.	خَفِرَا	خَفِرَا	
2. f.	خَفِرَاتُ	خَفِرَاتُ	Inf. خَفِرْ
1.	خَفِرْ	خَفِرْ	

For the *Aphel* the following abstract may suffice: Perf. **أَخْرَجَ**, **أَخْرَجُوا**; **أَخْرَجْتَهُ**, **أَخْرَجْتُمُوهُ**;—Impf. **يَخْرِجُ**, **يَخْرِجُونَ**—Impt. **أَخْرِجْ**, **أَخْرِجْتُمْ**;—Part. act. **مُخْرِجٌ**, **مُخْرِجُونَ**;—Part. pass. **مُخْرَجٌ**, **مُخْرَجُونَ**.—Inf. **مُخْرَجَةٌ**.

The Ettaphal would run **أَخْرِجْ**, &c.

VERBS WEAK IN MORE THAN ONE RADICAL.

§ 179. A. Verbs, which contain two weak radicals, present almost no peculiar difficulties. Verbs *primae* **د**, which are at the same time *tert.* **ب**, show the peculiarities of both classes, *e. g.* from **بَدَأَ** “to damage” **بَدَأَ**; Aphel **أَبْدَأَ**, **أَبْدَأُوا**; Impt. Aphel **أَبْدَأْ** “cause to forget”; **أَبْدَأَهُ** “put to the proof”, &c. They retain the *n* in the Impt. Peal: **أَبْدَأْ**, &c.

Verbs weak
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radical.

Verbs *primae* **د**, which are at the same time *med.* **و** or *med. gem.*, retain their *n* in all circumstances, thus *e. g.* **نَامَ** (*med.* **و**) “sleeps”; **يَبِئ** (*med. gem.*) “is abominable”.

B. Verbs *primae* **ل**, which are at the same time *tert.* **ب**, correspond: **أَلَلَّ** “to wail”; **أَبَلَ** “to bake” (East-Syrian **أَبَلَّ**, **أَبَلُوا**; **أَبَلُوا**, **أَبَلُوا**; **أَبَلُوا**); (also **أَبَلُوا** § 174 B, *Rem.*); Impt. **أَبَلْ**; f. **أَبَلِي** (East-Syrian **أَبَلِي**); Ethpeel **أَبَلُوا**, &c. (For a third verb of this kind, which appears in the Peal, **أَبَلُوا**, v. § 183). Pael **أَبَلْ** “to heal”, **أَبَلْ** &c.

It is the same with verbs which are at once *primae* and *tertiarum* **ب** [*i. e.* they show the variations associated with both types of weakness in the radical]: **تَعَبَلَّ** “to swear”; **تَجَلَّ** “to sprout”: **تَعَبَّ** or (intr.) **تَعَبَّه** (§ 176 D, *Rem.*);—**أَبَدَلَ**, **أَبَدَلُوا**; **أَبَدَلُوا** (also **أَبَدَلُوا** § 175 A, *Rem.*); Aphel **أَبَدَلْتُ**, **أَبَدَلْتُمْ**, to which add **أَبَدَلْتُ** “to confess” and a few others which do not occur in the Peal: **أَبَدَلْتُ**, **أَبَدَلْتُمْ**, &c.

C. Verbs *tert.* **ب**, which have a *w* as 2nd rad., *e. g.* **أَحَبَّ** “to accompany”; **عَدَّ** “to be equal”, keep it always as a consonant, and accordingly do not diverge at all from the usual type of verbs *tert.* **ب**: *e. g.* **أَحَبَّ**; **أَحَبُّوا**; **أَحَبُّوا**; **أَحَبُّوا**, &c.

D. Even in verbs *secundarum* **ل**, which are at the same time *tert.* **ب**, the procedure is in accordance with the rules elsewhere given. What effect these rules have is shown in the following forms: Perf. **أَخْلَفَ** “to find

fault with”, f. **فَارِب**, pl. **فَارَاه**; Imp. **قَارِب**, f. **فَارِب**; Inf. **مَجْبِلًا**. Ethpeel **إِبْجَاب**.—
Intrans. Perf. **لَاب** “to grow tired”, **لَابَّ**, **لَابَّبَ**, **لَابَّبَتْ**, **لَابَّبَتْ**, **لَابَّبَتْ** and **لَابَّ**,
لَابَّ; Imp. **لَابَّ**, **لَابَّبْ**, **لَابَّبِي**; Part. **لَابِّ**, **لَابِّ**; Inf. **مَجْلًا**. Aphel **إِلَاب**; Part. f.
مَجْلَابًا, &c.

E. Several other combinations, which however occur very seldom indeed,—such as *primae* **ل** and *med. gem.* in **لَاو** (**لَاو**) “thou art groaning”, or *prim.* **ل** and *med.* **و** in **لَاوَجَّ** ⁽¹⁾ “she longed for”, or *primae* **ب** and *secundae* **ل** as in **بَارَب** “she longs for”, **بَارَبَات** (improperly written **بَارَاب** § 33 B) “he longed for”, and the triple weakness in **لَاو** (Pael) “to restore to harmony”, Ethpaal **لَاوَات** (also written, to be sure, **لَاو**)—need no special explanation. **لَجَّ** “to lament” (§ 175 B) has its two *l*'s always separated: **لَجَّجَّ**, &c.

QUADRILITERAL AND MULTILITERAL VERBS.

§ 180. As Quadrilaterals we reckon here both those verbs which cannot readily be traced back to shorter stems, such as *e. g.* **فَلَّ** “to scatter”, and those, in which this is easily done. To the latter class belong, amongst other:—

(1) Causatives formed with *ša*, like **سَجَّ** “to enslave”; **سَجَّ** “to suspend”; **سَجَّ** “to complete”; and (from *primae* **و** or **ل**) **سَجَّ** “to proclaim”; **سَجَّ** “to stretch forth”; **سَجَّ** “to promise”; **سَجَّ** “to delay” (سجج).

(2) The few quadrilaterals formed with *sa* **سَجَّ** “to hasten”; **سَجَّ** “to bring against”; **سَجَّ** “to tend or nurse” (probably from سس).

(3) Denominatives in *n*, like **سَجَّ** “to be possessed”, from **سَجَّ** “demoniac” (adj. from **سَجَّ** “demon”); **سَجَّ** “to sustain”, “to hold out”.

(4) Denominatives in *i*: **سَجَّ** from **سَجَّ** “foreign”; **سَجَّ** *οἰκιστῶν* from **سَجَّ** *οἰκιστῶς* (from **سَجَّ** “house”).

(1) This form is at an early date disfigured in many ways.

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(5) Denominatives formed by reduplication of the 3rd radical, like **جَدَجَ** “to make a slave of” (**جَدَجَ**); **جَرَجَ** “to wrap in swaddling clothes” (**جَرَجَ**).

(6) Reduplicated forms like **جَمَجَمَ** “to chew the cud” from **جَمَر**; **جَمَجَمَ** “to become stupid” from **جَمَر**.

(7) Reduplicated forms like **جَجَجَ** “to complicate”, and **جَنَجَنَ** “to drag”, from **جَلَل**; **جَرَجَ**, **جَرَجَ** “to shake”; and **جَمَجَمَ** “to raise up” from **جَم**, **جَم**.

(8) Forms like **جَمَجَمَ** “to maintain”, “to nourish”, from **جَمَر**; **جَمَجَمَ** “to be wreathed”, from **جَمَر**; **جَمَجَمَ** “to lean upon a staff” (**جَمَجَمَ**). And so too, others of all sorts.

To these may be added simple Denominatives like **جَلَجَلَ** “to teach” from **جَلَجَلَ** “disciple”; **جَمَجَمَ** “to pledge”, from the Assyrian borrowed-word **جَمَجَمَ** “pledge”; **جَمَجَمَ** “to become a proselyte”, from the Jewish word **جَمَجَمَ**; **جَمَجَمَ** “to give form” (**جَمَجَمَ**), &c.; and, along with these, even compounds like **جَمَجَمَ** “to become man”, from **جَمَجَمَ** + **جَم**, &c. Along with these Quadrilaterals there are many also from Greek words, like **جَمَجَمَ** “to accuse”, from *κατήγορος*; **جَمَجَمَ** “to remove”, “to depose”, from *καθάρσεις*, &c.; **جَمَجَمَ** “to rob” from *λῆστές*.

The Quadrilaterals have an Active form, and a Reflexive form: **جَمَجَمَ** “to roll” (trans.), **جَمَجَمَ** “to roll” (intrans.); **جَمَجَمَ** “to teach”, **جَمَجَمَ** “to be taught”; **جَمَجَمَ** “to estrange”, **جَمَجَمَ** “to become estranged”; **جَمَجَمَ** “to notify”, **جَمَجَمَ** “to understand, or know”, &c. Many appear in the reflexive form only.

§ 181. *The inflection is exactly that of the Pael and corresponding* **Inflection.**

Ethpaal, except that in this case the two middle consonants take the place of the one double consonant, thus: **جَمَجَمَ** like **جَمَجَمَ**, **جَمَجَمَ**, **جَمَجَمَ**; Impf. **جَمَجَمَ**; Imp. **جَمَجَمَ**; Part. act. **جَمَجَمَ**, **جَمَجَمَ**; pass. **جَمَجَمَ**, **جَمَجَمَ**; Inf. **جَمَجَمَ** (*Nomen actionis* **جَمَجَمَ** § 123).— Reflexive **جَمَجَمَ**, **جَمَجَمَ**; Impf. **جَمَجَمَ**, **جَمَجَمَ**; Imp. **جَمَجَمَ**; Part. **جَمَجَمَ**, **جَمَجَمَ**; Inf. **جَمَجَمَ**.

It makes no difference whether the 2nd letter be a **o** or a **u**, as, for instance, in **يُصَيِّدُ** “to support”; **يُعْزِّبُ** “to announce”.

Those which end in *ī* follow entirely the analogy of the Pael of *tert.* **u**, e. g. **يُصَيِّدُ** “to complete”, **يُصَيِّدُ**, **يُصَيِّدُ** (2nd sing. m.), **يُصَيِّدُ** (1st sing.), **يُصَيِّدُ**; Impf. **يُصَيِّدُ**, **يُصَيِّدُ**; Impt. **يُصَيِّدُ**.— Reflexive **يُصَيِّدُ**, **يُصَيِّدُ**, &c. Of an Impt. of the Reflexive of such verbs I know only the forms **يُصَيِّدُ** ⁽¹⁾ (**يُصَيِّدُ**?) and **يُصَيِّدُ** ⁽²⁾; and these do not end in *ā*, as one would have expected.

Multiliteral
verbs.

§ 182. In like manner several Quinqueliterals also appear. To this class belong first, verbs which repeat the two last radicals, like **يُصَيِّدُ** “to have bad dreams”, from **يُصَيِّدُ** “a dream”, and **يُصَيِّدُ** “to stir up fancies”, the reflexive of which, **يُصَيِّدُ** “to have fancies”, (from **يُصَيِّدُ** “a little lamp”, a borrowed-word from the Persian) occurs frequently. Farther, words occur like **يُصَيِّدُ** (**يُصَيِّدُ**) “to show one’s self off”, “to swagger”. The inflection of these verbs is quite like that of the Quadriliterals, except that here it is generally the first consonant which is without the vowel.

Rem. Detached words like **يُصَيِّدُ** “to be at law” (**يُصَيِّدُ**); **يُصَيِّدُ** “to be a *κυβερνήτης*”, and even **يُصَيِّدُ** “to be an enemy” (**يُصَيِّدُ**), and **يُصَيِّدُ** “to be a *χριστιανός*” are to be regarded as affected malformations, which in no way belong to the language.

LIST OF ANOMALOUS VERBS.

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§ 183. (1) **يُصَيِّدُ** “to find” (Aphel) instead of **يُصَيِّدُ**; so **يُصَيِّدُ**, **يُصَيِّدُ** (Part.), **يُصَيِّدُ**. Only the Part. passive is transferred to the Peal: **يُصَيِّدُ** ⁽³⁾. A new Aphel, certified only in later times, appears perhaps in **يُصَيِّدُ** “to cause to find” Job 7, 2 Hex.

(1) LAGARDE, Anal. 20, 28 (6 Codd.).

(2) Gregor. Naz. Carm. II, 23, 21; but **يُصَيِّدُ** in Testam. Jesu Christi 104, 12.

(3) So **يُصَيِّدُ** “foedus” (adj.) from **يُصَيِّدُ** “foedare” &c. A Peal **يُصَيِّدُ** in this or in a similar meaning does not otherwise occur. The forms given by PAYNE-SMITH 4158 all belong to the Pael. **يُصَيِّدُ** is properly, perhaps, a Shaphel of **يُصَيِّدُ**.

doubt **بَتْنِي**, **بَتْنِي**). Now this readily passes into the form of verbs *primae* †: even at a pretty early date there is found written **بَتَل**, and the later West-Syrians at least have **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**, &c. The Inf. too is **بَتَل** (**بَتَل**, **بَتَل**).—Part. **بَتَل**, f. **بَتَل**; pl. **بَتَل** or **بَتَل**, f. **بَتَل** (†). The Aphel too is formed as if from *med. gem.*: **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**; **بَتَل** (Part. pass.); **بَتَل** (*Nomen agentis* **بَتَل**). The mode of writing which is preferred for these Aphel forms is **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**, &c. (§ 35). So with the Ettaphal **بَتَل**.

(8) **بَتَل** “to be”. The Perf. **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**, &c. is quite regular: as an enclitic, however, it loses (v. §§ 38; 299) its **ب**: **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**, &c. The Impf. also is usually quite regular: **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**, &c.; still, the following secondary forms occur, in which the **ب** has fallen out, and with no difference of meaning: **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**, **بَتَل** (2 sing f.). Even the first two forms are far less frequently employed than the full forms, and the others still less frequently, in particular the last one. Notice alongside of the Part. **بَتَل**, **بَتَل** “being, becoming”, the Part. pass. **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**, pl. **بَتَل** (Emph. st. **بَتَل**) “existing” (or “created”) and the verbal adjective **بَتَل**, **بَتَل** “been” (§ 118).

VERBS WITH OBJECT-SUFFIXES.

§ 184. V. *supra* § 66.

Verbs with object-suffixes. (a) With strong termination. Leading rules.

The 1st person of the verb cannot have the suffixes of the 1st joined to it, nor the 2nd those of the 2nd.⁽¹⁾ There is no suffix of the 3rd pl.; the separate **بَتَل**, or **بَتَل** supplies its place.

بَتَل,—which comes in room of **بَتَل** after a vowel-ending,—becomes, with **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**; with **بَتَل** it becomes **بَتَل**; with **بَتَل**, **بَتَل** (§ 50 A. (3)).

Before Suffixes, **بَتَل** of the 2nd sg. m. Perf. is modified into **بَتَل**;

بَتَل of the 2nd sg. f. Perf. into **بَتَل**;

بَتَل of the 1st pl. Perf. into **بَتَل**;

(1) Not to be confounded with the adjective **بَتَل**, **بَتَل**, &c. “living”, “active”.

(2) The only exception known to me is the poetical expression **بَتَل**: “that I might see myself”, Ephr. II, 506 C.

the ending $\text{فَ} (\text{لَف})$ into فَد , فَد (لَد);
 the ending $\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$ into فَد (more rarely فَد);
 the ending $\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$ into فَد ;
 the ending $\text{فَ} (\text{لَف})$ into فَد (لَد);

and the 3 pl. f. Perf. is made to end in \bar{a} .

The \bar{a} of these forms is wanting, however, before the suffix of the 2nd sing. f. $\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$, which here preserves its e , (probably also in the 3rd pl. f. before the suffix of the 2nd pl.).—Secondary forms also occur in which the suffix of the 3rd sing. m. ($\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$) retains the e .

The forms of the Impf. which end in the 3rd consonantal rad. (3 sg. m. and f.; 2 sg. m.; 1. sg. and pl.) assume an \bar{i} before the suffixes of the 3rd sing.; the Impf. sing. m. takes an \bar{a} or an ai before all suffixes, when it ends in a consonant.

Attention should be paid to the distinction between $\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$ and $\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$ in the different persons of the verb. Only the East-Syrians, however, are consistent in this matter; the West-Syrians frequently give a *hard* sound even to the $\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$ of the 3rd sing. fem.

The verbal forms are least altered before the suffixes of the 2nd pl. ($\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$ and $\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$).

Seeing that these suffixes $\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$ and $\text{فَ}^{\text{ـ}}$ are treated entirely alike, and that, besides, very few vouchers are found for the latter, I leave it out of the Paradigm. For the forms of the Impf. which end in the 3rd rad., the 3rd sing. m. may suffice as their representative; for those in $\bar{u}n$, the 3rd pl. m.; for those in $\bar{a}n$, the 3rd pl. f.

I mark with an asterisk (*) those forms, of which the accuracy does not appear to be fully established.

§ 185.

REGULAR VERB

	Sg. 1 st .	Sg. 2. m.	Sg. 2. f.
<i>Perfect Peal.</i>			
Sg. 3. m.	مَلَّحِب	مَلَّحِب	مَلَّحِب
3. f.	مَلَّحِبَت	مَلَّحِبَت	مَلَّحِبَت
2. m.	مَلَّحِب	—	—
2. f.	مَلَّحِبَت	—	—
1.	—	مَلَّحِب	مَلَّحِب
Pl. 3. m.	مَلَّحِبُوا	مَلَّحِبُوا	مَلَّحِبُوا
3. f.	مَلَّحِبْنَ	مَلَّحِبْنَ	مَلَّحِبْنَ*
2. m.	مَلَّحِبُوا	—	—
2. f.	مَلَّحِبْنَ	—	—
1.	—	مَلَّحِب	مَلَّحِب*
<i>Impf. Peal.</i>			
Sg. 3. m.	تَمَلَّحِب	تَمَلَّحِب	تَمَلَّحِب
2. m.	{ تَمَلَّحِب تَمَلَّحِبْ	—	—
2. f.	تَمَلَّحِبْنَ	—	—
Pl. 3. m.	تَمَلَّحِبُوا	تَمَلَّحِبُوا	تَمَلَّحِبُوا
3. f.	تَمَلَّحِبْنَ	تَمَلَّحِبْنَ	تَمَلَّحِبْنَ*
<i>Impt. Peal.</i>			
Sg. m.	مَلَّحِبْ	—	—
f.	مَلَّحِبِي	—	—
Pl. m.	{ مَلَّحِبُوا مَلَّحِبُوا	—	—
f.	{ مَلَّحِبْنَ مَلَّحِبْنَ*	—	—
<i>Inf. Peal.</i>	يَمَلَّحِب	يَمَلَّحِب	يَمَلَّحِب
<i>Pael.</i>	صَمَلَّحِبُوا	صَمَلَّحِبُوا	صَمَلَّحِبُوا

Observations on the Perfect.

§ 186. *On the Perfect:* For the 3 pl. m. there appears also before suffixes, although rarely, the lengthened form in *ūn(ā)*, as **هَمَّهْنِيَّة** “they laid him”; **سَبَّوْنِي** (no doubt **سَبَّوْنِي**) “they encompassed me”:—Overbeck’s ‘Ephraim Syr. &c.’ 137, 9; **أَلْحَمْنِي** “they entrusted thee”.—Julianus 90, 25; **أَيْقَمْنِي** “they gave thee suck” Jac. Sar., Constantin v. 402 Var. (cf. § 197).—In the same way there occur for the 3 pl. f. forms with *ēn(ā)*, like **خَجَّيْنِي** (also written **حَجَّيْنِي**, which has been inaccurately understood as **حَجَّيْنِي**; hardly perhaps to be pronounced **حَجَّيْنِي**).

For the 3rd sg. f., with suffix of the 2nd pl. there is found as a variant for **حَلَّيْتِي** “conceived you” Is. 51, 2, the doubtless more original **حَلَّيْتِي** (from the intrans. **حَلَّي**).

The 3rd pl. m. sometimes remains without ending before the suff. of the 2nd pl.: **أَلْرَجِي** (East-Syrian **أَلْرَجِي** § 174 A) Judges 10, 12 “they oppressed you”; and **أَلْحَجِي** *ἐτάραξαν ὑμᾶς*, Acts 15, 24 (also Hark.).

Examples of variations.

§ 187. The trifling *variations* from the Paradigm, which are called for in Intransitives, in certain weak roots, and in the Pael and Aphel, are shown by the following examples, to the analogy of which the other forms also give way: *Intransitives*; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “she loved her”; **حَلَّيْتِي** “she conceived me”.—*Weak*; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “he held her”; **أَلْحَجِي** “he met you”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “she held me”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “begat us”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “she brought thee forth”; **أَلْحَجِي** “I knew you”; **أَلْحَجِي** “they knew thee”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “he gave her”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “I gave thee” (§ 183); **أَلْحَجِي** “he begged thee”; **أَلْحَجِي** “they begged thee” (others—**أَلْحَجِي**, **أَلْحَجِي**, cf. § 171); **أَلْحَجِي** “he heard you”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** (others—**أَلْمَعْنِي** § 184) “she set her”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “thou didst set me”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “I set thee”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “I set you”; **هَمَّهْنِي**, **هَمَّهْنِي** “they set him”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “he dug it (f.)”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “she dashed it (m.) in pieces”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “I desired her”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “they dragged him forth”.

Pael and Aphel: **أَلْمَعْنِي** “he blessed him”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “he received us”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “he ordered you”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “he reached him, or came up with him”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “she received him”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “she dipped me”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “I strengthened thee”; **أَلْمَعْنِي** “thou (f.) didst make me angry”;

ʾəḥḥabū “I made known to you”; ʾəḥḥabū “we blessed you”; ʾəḥḥabū
 “we made known to you”; ʾəḥḥabū “you delivered him up”;
 ʾəḥḥabū “they deflowered her”; ʾəḥḥabū “they (f.) praised him”;
 ʾəḥḥabū “made (3 pl. f.) us astonished”; ʾəḥḥabū “found (3 pl. f.) him”;
 ʾəḥḥabū “he made him ascend” (§ 183); ʾəḥḥabū “I led you forth”;—
 ʾəḥḥabū “thou comfortedst me” (§ 172 A); ʾəḥḥabū “polluted (3 pl.)
 him”; ʾəḥḥabū “they asked us”;— ʾəḥḥabū “he raised him up”; ʾəḥḥabū
 “thou didst disturb her”; ʾəḥḥabū “she disturbed thee”; ʾəḥḥabū “they
 raised him up”, “established him”; ʾəḥḥabū “they persuaded him”.—
 ʾəḥḥabū “he loved me”; ʾəḥḥabū “thou lovedst me”; ʾəḥḥabū “I loved
 you”; ʾəḥḥabū “they made him eager”; ʾəḥḥabū “he introduced him”;
 ʾəḥḥabū “they introduced thee (f.)”; ʾəḥḥabū “I introduced you (pl.)”.

§ 188. *On the Imperfect*: The 2nd form of the 2nd sg. m. accom- On the
Imperfect.
 dates itself entirely to the Impt. sg. m. (§ 190). It serves properly to
 denote prohibition (with ʾəḥḥabū “not”), but it stands also in other uses, just
 as the original form stands also in prohibition.

The 2nd sg. f. also takes before suffixes the form ʾəḥḥabū: thus,
 ʾəḥḥabū “thou (f.) dost hunt me”; ʾəḥḥabū “thou art justifying him”;
 ʾəḥḥabū “thou art choking her”.

The forms of the suff. of the 3rd sg. m. ʾəḥḥabū and ʾəḥḥabū alternate
 without distinction in the cases concerned. With f. suff., forms like
 ʾəḥḥabū in place of ʾəḥḥabū, &c. occur more rarely.

For ʾəḥḥabū there occurs in the Codex Sinaiticus ʾəḥḥabū (how pro-
 nounced?), interchanging with the usual forms, e. g. ʾəḥḥabū “I take
 him” (= ʾəḥḥabū); ʾəḥḥabū “finds him”; ʾəḥḥabū “I place him”;
 ʾəḥḥabū “I pity him”, &c. So ʾəḥḥabū “judges him” Isaac I, 242
 v. 397. Isolated cases of ʾəḥḥabū used instead, occur in the Cod. Sin., e. g.
 ʾəḥḥabū “gives him power” (= ʾəḥḥabū); so ʾəḥḥabū “we con-
 strain him” Vita St. Antonii ed. Schulthess 11 paen. (4)

(4) There is an additional example there of such a form. The editor draws
 attention,—in the Introduction p. 5, Rem. 3—, to several others in the cod. D of the
 Vita Alexis.

The very rare forms in **ع** instead of **ه** before suffixes are hardly certain, like **بهمصوب** “they support me” Apost. Apocr. 316, 4 *ab. inf.* and **بهمصوب** according to Martin in a *Karkafish* gloss of a Parisian Codex of Jer.

Examples
of varia-
tions.

§ 189. *Examples of variations*⁽¹⁾: With *a*: **تبيجف** “he takes you away”; **ايبيجف** “I break you”; **ايهيجف** “I take you”; **ايهجب** “I take her”; **ايهقبهت** “I kiss him”; **ايههون** “keep (3 pl.) him”; **ايههون** “thou (f.) plantest her”;— **ايهجب** “I give thee (f.)”; **ايهجب** “I give you (f.)”;— **ايهفحجف** “she eats you”; **ايههت** “I hold him”; **ايههت** “they hold him”; **ايههون** “they inherit it (f.)”; **ايههون** “you know her”;— **ايههت** § 34 “I beg him”; **ايههت** “you beg me, or ask me”;— **ايههت** “I judge thee (f.)”; **ايههت** “we judge him”; **ايههت** “I judge you”; **ايههت** “they judge thee (f.)”; **ايههت** “they (f.) listen to him”; **ايههت** “they place him”;— **ايههت** “lusts after her”.

Pael and *Aphel*: **ايهت** “blesses us”; **ايهت** “thou causest me to dwell”; **ايهت** “I gather thee (f.)”; **ايهت** “they give thee (f.) gain”; **ايهت** “they glorify him”; **ايهت** “they (f.) glorify thee”; **ايهت** “thou (f.) provokest me to anger”; **ايهت** “he brings tidings of good to you”; **ايهت** “baptises you”;— **ايهت** “I cast him out”; **ايهت** “they cast you out”; **ايهت** “they comfort you”;— **ايهت** “he asks thee”; **ايهت** “they ask him”; **ايهت** “I ask you”;— **ايهت** “I teach thee”; **ايهت** “I teach you”;— **ايهت** “I establish him”;— **ايهت** “he awakens him”; **ايهت** “they (f.) awaken us”; **ايهت** “he establishes you”; **ايهت** “they establish him”;— **ايهت** “thou directest me aright”; **ايهت** “he profanes it (her)”; **ايهت** “thou (f.) lovest him”; **ايهت** “thou (f.) vexest me”; **ايهت** “they shatter him (or it) in pieces”.

On the Im-
perative
and the 2nd
Sing. m.
Impf.

§ 190. A. *On the Imperative*: Besides the two forms of the pl. m. noted in the Paradigm, there are other two secondary forms occurring here and there, as, for instance, **ايهت** “leave him”, and **ايهت**

(1) For 2nd form of the 2nd sg. m. v. on the Impt. § 190 C.

“sacrifice him” (v. under F). There are some traces found of a form of the sg. f. like **مَلُفٌ جِئِب** or even **مَلُفٌ جِئِب**.

B. The sg. m. *always* retains the vowel immediately before the 3rd rad., thus not merely in **مَلُفٌ جِئِب**; **عَمِجِب** “hear me”; **حَدَّؤِب** (East-Syrian **حَدَّؤِب** § 174 G) “think on me”, “remember me”; **نَشِئِب** “love her”; **رَجِئِب** “buy her”; **حَدَّؤِب** “make him”—**تَجِئِب** “learn it” (and of course **هَمِئِب** “place her”; **كُفِئِب** “curse him”), &c., but also in the *Pael* and *Ethpaal*, as **إِسْخِئِب** “fix his bounds”: **يُئِب** “observe her”; **إِئِب** “teach me”; **جِئِب** “comfort me”; **تَجِئِب** “cherish her”; **إِعْخِئِب** “deliver him up”; **ؤِب** “make known to me”; **ؤِب** “make known to her”; **ؤِب** “lead me in”.

So too verbs *primae* **د** and **و**, with falling away of the 1st rad.: **عَمِئِب**, **عَمِئِب** “kiss him”, “kiss me”; **مِعِئِب** “follow me”; **هَمِئِب** “take her”; **سَمِئِب** “draw me”; **عَمِئِب** “give her”; **ؤِب** “give him”⁽¹⁾; **ؤِب** “acknowledge him”.

C. Exactly the same vocalisation holds good also in the 2nd form of the 2nd sg. m. *Impf.* **إِفِئِب** “thou deliverest me”; **إِسْخِئِب** “thou art choking her”; **إِنْخِئِب** “thou lovest him”;—**ؤِب** “thou art drawing her”; **ؤِب** “thou givest him”;—**ؤِب** “thou sprinklest me”;—**ؤِب** “thou deliverest me up”; **ؤِب** “thou teachest me”; **ؤِب** “thou destroyest me”; **ؤِب** “thou ledest us in”, &c.

D. Such a vowel, however, is not found in the shorter form of the pl. m. Notice that the vowel *u* stands here, in the *Peal*, even with verbs which have *a* or *e* in the *Impf.* and *Impt.*: *e. g.* **ؤِب** “take ye him away”; **ؤِب** “make him”; **ؤِب** “hear ye me”; **ؤِب** “say ye of him” (and of course **ؤِب** “judge ye him”; **ؤِب** “curse ye her”), &c.—*Pael* and *Aphel*: **ؤِب** “save me”; **ؤِب** “make him secure”; **ؤِب** “take him”; **ؤِب** “lead us away”; **ؤِب** “lead him away”; **ؤِب** “cast him out”; **ؤِب** “comfort ye him”, &c. But in **ؤِب** “put shoes upon him”, a vowel is of course needed for

⁽¹⁾ Barh., for Ex. 22, 26 and 1 Sam. 21, 9, would have **ؤِب**, but that is hardly correct.

the *l* (§ 34). This is the formation adopted by some writers even in the case of very short forms **اَبْجِهْ**, **اَبْجِهْ** “give ye him”, “give her”; **اَبْجِهْ** “take ye her”; while others say **اَبْجِهْ**, **اَبْجِهْ**; and even **اَبْجِهْ** (= **اَبْجِهْ**) occurs.

So too in the sg. f. of Pael and Aphel there should be no vowel before the 3rd rad., thus: **مَحْسَبْ** “praise me”; **مَحْسَبْ** “entice him”; **مَحْسَبْ** “suckle him”; **مَحْسَبْ** “cause me to hear”; still we find also **مَحْسَبْ**; **مَحْسَبْ**; **مَحْسَبْ** “take him”; and in fact this corresponds to the vocalisation of the Peal (as **مَحْسَبْ** “hold him”). Cf. the fluctuation between **مَحْسَبْ** and **مَحْسَبْ** “believe me” (§ 197). Thus **مَحْسَبْ** (others **مَحْسَبْ**), and **مَحْسَبْ** “preserve her”.—For a longer form in *mā* as in the Impf. v. § 198 A.

E. Altogether, only a few examples occur of the pl. f., as **مَحْسَبْ** “praise him” (without any vowel before the 3rd rad.), or of the longer form **مَحْسَبْ** “listen to me”.

F. In the pl. m. in *ūn(ā)* two forms stand overagainst each other in the Peal,—the more usual one, like **مَحْسَبْ** “bury me”; **مَحْسَبْ** “take him”; **مَحْسَبْ** “hear me”,—and the less common one, with the vowel before the 3rd rad., like **مَحْسَبْ**; **مَحْسَبْ** “slay him”; **مَحْسَبْ** “taste me”. The forms *primae* follow the second of these two modes, like **مَحْسَبْ**, **مَحْسَبْ** “take me”, “take him”; **مَحْسَبْ**, **مَحْسَبْ** “preserve him”, “preserve her” (cf. in addition **مَحْسَبْ** “listen to me”; **مَحْسَبْ** “judge him”, &c.). The vowel is always retained in the Pael and Aphel: **مَحْسَبْ** “receive me”; **مَحْسَبْ** “guard her”; **مَحْسَبْ** “make known to me”; **مَحْسَبْ** “clothe him”; **مَحْسَبْ** “cast ye him out”.

G. For **مَحْسَبْ** (sg. m.) the East-Syrians write **مَحْسَبْ** (§ 84 B).

§ 191. *On the Infinitive*: In the Peal cf. farther **مَحْسَبْ**, **مَحْسَبْ** “to give her”, “to give thee”; **مَحْسَبْ** “to judge her”.

Occasionally forms are met with, which, following the analogy of the Impf., insert an *i* before the suff. of the 3rd sg. m.:—**مَحْسَبْ** “to take

him” (in place of **ܘܥܡܪܘܗ**); **ܘܕܢܘܗܘܘܐ** “to pay him”; **ܘܕܥܘܕܘܗܘܐ** “to set her free”; **ܘܕܡܩܨܘܗܘܐ** “to enchant⁽¹⁾ him”.

The forms of the Aphel, as **ܘܕܡܩܨܘܗܘܐ**, &c. correspond to those of the Pael; in verbs *mediae* **ܘ**, we have **ܘܕܠܗܘܘܐ** “to lead thee back”, &c.

§ 192. *Verbs tertiae* **ܘ** require special treatment. The *ā* of the 3rd sg. m. Perf. is retained before suffixes; and it is the same with the vowel endings of the root in the Impf. and Impt. On the other hand, the *ī* of the Perf. and the *ā* of the Inf. pass into *y*, except before **ܘܦܢܝܘܢ**, and **ܘܦܢܝܘܢ**. Notice the transmutations of the diphthongs peculiar to each: *au* into *a(w)ū* **ܘܦܢܝܘܢ**^r (also written **ܘܦܢܝܘܢ**^r, **ܘܦܢܝܘܢ**^r: East-Syrian **ܘܦܢܝܘܢ**^r, &c. § 49 B): *iu* into *yū*; *āi* (Impt. sg. f.) into *ā(y)ī* **ܘܦܢܝܘܢ** (or written **ܘܦܢܝܘܢ**). For orthographic differences also with *ē* in these cases, v. *infra*.

Verba tert. — with Suffixes. Leading rules.

§ 193. We give the forms of the Perf. complete in the *Paradigm*, **Paradigm.** for Peal and Pael, and from the latter the corresponding forms of the Aphel are easy to construct. Only we omit the 2nd pl. f. (in **ܘܦܢܝܘܢ**) which can hardly be authenticated, but which at any rate follows exactly the analogy of the 2nd sg. m. (*i. e.* of the strong verb). In the Impt. we require to cite the Pael forms for the sg. m. only. It is not necessary to cite them at all in the Impf. It may suffice generally for this section of the *Paradigm* to note down one single personal form ending in **ܘܦܢܝܘܢ**, seeing that the forms with other endings follow the analogy of the strong verb.

(1) Geop. 95, 22; Clemens 136, 18; Is. 37, 34, Hex.; Clemens 140, 13, 14 (twice); three examples from the Codex of 411 A. D.

PARADIGM OF VERB TERT.
 (Peal and

<i>Perfect.</i>		Sg. 1.	Sg. 2. m.	Sg. 2. f.
Sg. 3. m.	Peal	كَلِمَ	كَلِمَ	كَلِمَ
	Pael	كَلِمَ	كَلِمَ	كَلِمَ
3. f.	Peal	كَلِمَتِ	كَلِمَتِ	كَلِمَتِ
	Pael	كَلِمَتِ	كَلِمَتِ	كَلِمَتِ
2. m.	Peal	كَلِمْتُ	—	—
	Pael	كَلِمْتُ	—	—
2. f.	Peal	كَلِمْتِ	—	—
	Pael	كَلِمْتِ	—	—
1.	Peal	—	كَلِمْتُ	كَلِمْتُ
	Pael	—	كَلِمْتُ	كَلِمْتُ
Pl. 3. m.	Peal	كَلِمُوا	كَلِمُوا	كَلِمُوا
	Pael	كَلِمُوا	كَلِمُوا	كَلِمُوا
3. f.	Peal	كَلِمْتِ	كَلِمْتِ	كَلِمْتِ
	Pael	كَلِمْتِ	كَلِمْتِ	كَلِمْتِ
2. m.	Peal	كَلِمْتُمْ	—	—
	Pael	كَلِمْتُمْ	—	—
1.	Peal	—	كَلِمْتُمْ	كَلِمْتُمْ
	Pael	—	كَلِمْتُمْ	كَلِمْتُمْ
<i>Impf.</i>	Peal	كَلِمُ	كَلِمُ	كَلِمُ
<i>Impt.</i> sg. m.	Peal	كَلِم	—	—
	Pael	كَلِم	—	—
sg. f.	Peal	كَلِمِي	—	—
pl. m.	Peal	كَلِمُوا	—	—
pl. f.	Peal	كَلِمْتِ	—	—
<i>Inf.</i>	Peal	كَلِمَ	كَلِمَ	كَلِمَ
	Pael	مِنَ كَلِمَتِ	مِنَ كَلِمَتِ	مِنَ كَلِمَتِ

On the
Perfect.

§ 194. *On the Perfect*: The **ل** of the 2nd pers. always remains hard; the East-Syrians usually extend this process to the 1st sg. also, except in the Peal, — contrary to the ancient practice — while the genuine West-Syrian tradition leaves the **ل** soft in this position. Notice the forms of the 3rd f. sg. in the Pael and Aphel, which preserve the *a*, for which the East-Syrians put *ā* (e. g. **أُؤْمِنِبَاهِ** “she threw him”, § 43 C).

Forms from these verbs of the 3rd m. pl. in *ūn(ā)* before suffixes are very rare, the only cases known to me being the following two: **سَأَوْهْنِيَو** “they saw him” Mark 6, 49 S.; and **مَسَّوْهْنِيَو** “they scourged him” Land II, 26, 11: on the other hand individual cases of the 3rd f. pl. in *ēn(ū)* are somewhat oftener met with, like **سَأَيْتَو** “they (f.) saw him” = **سَأَيْتَو**.

Forms of Aphel: **أُؤْمِنِيَه** “he threw him”; **أَهَّجَّجِيَه** “he increased you”; **أَوْصَّجَّجِيَه** “I adjured you (f.)”; **أَهَّلَّهِيَه** “they rejected her”; — **أَسَبَّيَه** “he enlivened me”; **أَسَبَّبِيَه** “she enlivened me”; **أَسَبَّبِيَه** “thou didst enliven me”.

On the
Imperfect.

§ 195. *On the Imperfect*: The *ē* before the suff. of the 2nd pl. is often not expressed through **ب**: **أَسَهَّجِيَه** = **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “I show you”, &c. The forms which do not end in **ل** follow closely the analogy of the strong verb; cf. **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “they call upon him”, alongside of **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “they drink it (m.)”; **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “they call thee”; **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “they deliver thee (f.)”; **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “they (f.) see him”, alongside of **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “they (f.) revile him”; **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “you (f.) call me”; **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “they (f.) bewail her”; — **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “thou (f.) callest me”; **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “thou (f.) bringest him up”, and even **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “thou (f.) seest her”, which can only be **أَسَهَّجِيَه** (§ 188).

Answering to the forms cited above (§ 188) there are found, without **و**, in Cod. Sin. a few like **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “I see him” (= **أَسَهَّجِيَه**); **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “I show him”. And answering on the other hand to the forms referred to in the end of that section there occurs in Cod. D of Alexis (Var. to 18, 17), as well as in the Sinai Codex of the Acts of Thomas (Burkitt 10, 11) = Wright’s Apost. Apocr. 315, 3, **أَسَهَّجِيَه** “I see him”.

Rem. A poet (in Barh. gr. I, 151, 19) says once **أَسَهَّجِيَه** **ل** (instead of **أَسَهَّجِيَه**) “do not loose him”, following the analogy of the 2nd form of the 2nd sg. m. in the strong verb (§ 190 G).

§ 196. *On the Imperative*: Longer forms of the pl. m. are found, like هَإِذْهِبْ , alongside of هَإِذْهِبْ “loose me”; جِئُونِي (جِئُونِي for proper جِئُونِي) “accompany me”; إِجْرِئْهُ “heal him”. Forms of the 2nd pl. f. without *n* before the suffix hardly ever occur. Modes of writing are found like وَجِّئْتِ = وَجِّئْتِ “cover (f.) us”; مَنْجِئْهُ “call ye (f.) upon him”.—For the 2nd sg. f. a shorter style of writing is found, as إِعْطَيْتِ “give (f.) me to drink” = إِعْطَيْتِ .

On the Imperative.

As in the Impf., so here also, forms occur without *o*, though very rarely indeed: هَبِئْهُ “throw him” (Lagarde, Anal. 11, 11), and جَبِئْهُ (Wright, Catal. 897 *b*, 19) “answer him” (for هَبِئْهُ , جَبِئْهُ). Farther, there occurs in the refrain of an ancient Church Hymn⁽¹⁾ جَبِئْهُ “answer her”, a dissyllable, thus doubtless جَبِئْهُ according to the analogy of مَنْجِئْهُ .

§ 196*. *A transition of verbs tert. to the formation of verbs tert.* is indicated by the expressions جِئْهُ “they comforted him” (Perf.), and “comfort ye him” (Impt.); جِئْهُ “comfort ye me”,—which occur as secondary forms of جِئْهُ , جِئْهُ (cf. § 172 B).

Transition of Verbs tertiae to Verbs tertiae before Suffixes. Quadriliteral's before Suffixes.

§ 197. *The Quadriliterals* (taken in the wide sense of the term adopted above, § 180) bear themselves before suffixes also, exactly like the Pael forms. A few examples will suffice: Perf. جَدَّجَتْهُ “he reduced her to slavery”; جَمَّجَتْهُ (or جَمَّجَتْهُ § 52 B) “they exalted thee”; جَبَّجَتْهُ “were stubborn against him”; جَبَّجَتْهُ “ye believed in him”. With *ūn* جَهَّجَتْهُ “they tore him in pieces”.⁽²⁾

Impf. أَرْجِئْهُ (or أَرْجِئْهُ § 52 B) “she raises thee up”; أَرْجِئْهُ “he supports him”; أَرْجِئْهُ “I support you”; أَرْجِئْهُ “they enslave him”, &c.

Impt. (with retention of the vowel before the last radical) أَرْجِئْهُ “set him or it forth”; أَرْجِئْهُ “save me”; and thus too the 2nd form of the 2nd sg. m. Impf. أَرْجِئْهُ “thou enslavest him”.—Plural أَرْجِئْهُ

⁽¹⁾ Said to be by Ephraim; in the *Officium Feriale* of the Maronites, for Thursday, Noon, at the end (Roman edition of 1863, p. 355 *sq.*; Kesruân ed. of 1876, p. 414 *sq.*). The refrain is repeated eight times.

⁽²⁾ Overbeck 292, 25 (in four syllables).

“suffer me”, of course without the vowel; but the usage fluctuates between **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** and **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “believe (f.) me”.

The Quadrilaterals which end in **ܐ** correspond to the Pael forms of verbs *tert.* **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; cf. **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “perfected him or it (m.)”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “he nourished you”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “nourishes thee”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “perfects me”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “tend me” (Impt.), &c.

Reflexive.
Verbs be-
fore Suf-
fixes.

§ 198. A. Of Reflexive verbs, only a few, that have become transitive, appear with suffixes: Of those ending in a strong rad., there occur in particular **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “to remember”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “to remember”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “to surround”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “to put on”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “to meditate on”;—and the Quadrilateral **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “to recognise”. Examples: Perf. **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “thou didst remember her”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “I remembered thee”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “we provided ourselves therewith”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** (3 pl. f.), &c. *Impf.* **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**, &c. *Impt.* **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** and also **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** from the lengthened form (§ 190 D) ⁽¹⁾; *pl.* **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**. There occur also, however, with a strange imitation of the vocalisation of the Peal, **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** and **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** ⁽²⁾, alongside of **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** and **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**.

Inf.: **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**.

B. Of reflexives *tertiæ* **ܐ** we have **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**, **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “he told of him, of her”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “they forgot me”; **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “I tell of her”.

ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ.

§ 199. **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “is”,—properly something like “existence” (ground-form **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ**,—of which the emph. st. **ܐܘܨܘܒܝܢܝܐ** “the being” **τὸ ὄν** is still quite current as a substantive)—in practice passes completely over to the class of verbs. It combines with itself possessive suffixes, which are attached

⁽¹⁾ Jacob of Sarūg in Mart. II, 242 middle.

⁽²⁾ These forms are well authenticated by both East- and West-Syrians—Josh. 6, 3sq.; 2 Kings 11, 8; Ps. 48, 12 (in Hex. also), although the other form has likewise good authority (Ceriani's Text).

to the original ending *ai*, in the very same way as to the *ai* of the pl. (§ 145 A). Thus:

أَنَا — I am.	أَنَا — We are.
أَنْتَ — Thou art.	أَنْتَ — You are.
أَنْتِ — Thou (f.) art.	أَنْتِ — You (f.) are.
هُوَ — He is.	هُوَ — They are.
هِيَ — She is.	هُنَّ — They (f.) are.

Besides this usage, **أَنَا** may be combined with the separate Personal pronouns.—v. § 302.

With a foregoing **لَا** we have **لَا أَنَا** or **لَا أَنْتَ** “is not”. The contracted form also takes suffixes, e. g. **لَا أَنَا هُوَ** “he is not”, &c.

PART THIRD.

SYNTAX.

I. THE SEPARATE PARTS OF SPEECH.

The separate parts of speech. Preliminary observations.

§ 200. In this branch of the subject we adhere to the division, which has already been adopted in the "Morphology", of all the words of the language into *Nouns* and *Verbs*. This is a division, however, in which there cannot be any sharp line of demarcation. Participles, for instance, which in origin belong to the Noun, must on account of their essentially Verbal treatment be taken with the Verb; and it appears a proper course farther, to associate with them in certain cases even the Predicative Adjective (§§ 254 D; 314).—With the Noun we again reckon Adverbs and Prepositions; and the treatment of Copulative Conjunctions will come up farther on in dealing with combinations of two or more sentences.

1. NOUNS.

A. GENDER.

1. Nouns.
A. Gender.

§ 201. A real distinction betwixt *Neuter* (what is inanimate) and what has gender, is known to Syriac, only in the interrogative pronouns "what?" **مَآ**, **مَآ**, **مَآ**, **مَآ**, and "who?" **مَآ**. In the short-hand use of the adjective or pronoun standing alone, the Feminine usually takes the place of our Neuter: Thus, *e. g.* **مَآ** "something else" Jos. St. 5, 7;

وَأَب “*id quod*”; وَأَب “*hoc*”; جَمَّ وَأَب “*therewith, in addition to this*” Ov. 176, 5; وَأَب وَأَب “*this however*” Jos. St. 12, 11; وَأَب وَأَب “*that which happened*” Moes. II, 68, 25; وَأَب وَأَب *ἐνός δέ ἐστι χριστός* Luke 10, 42; cf. Aphr. 250, 19; وَأَب “*the good*”; وَأَب “*the evil*” Gen. 2, 9 and frequently; وَأَب “*properly*”, “*in a fitting manner*” Aphr. 460, 5, &c. Cf. cases like وَأَب . . . وَأَب “*and that which still more . . . can &c.*” Spic. 19, 10 (where the relative وَأَب is construed as feminine), and many instances in accordance with § 254.

But that the Masc. also is permissible in this case is shown, first by the adverbial use of words like وَأَب “*finely*”; وَأَب “*well*”; وَأَب “*ill*” &c. (§ 155 A). This is farther shown by instances like وَأَب وَأَب Aphr. 424, 22 or وَأَب وَأَب Aphr. 170, 13 “*they discern not good from evil*”; and farther وَأَب وَأَب “*either to good or to evil*” Spic. 3, 6; وَأَب وَأَب “*crafty for what is good*” Aphr. 190, 4; in the Emph. st. وَأَب وَأَب “*takes neither too little nor too much*” Ephr. II, 485 B; وَأَب وَأَب “*and judge what is hateful and what is beautiful*” Ephr. II, 316 C. Thus frequently وَأَب “*what is bad*”; وَأَب “*what is good*”, &c. = “*the bad*”, “*the good*”. With the Pronoun, cases like وَأَب “*this is what*” are not abundant (Aphr. 211, 8; 396, 3); but they occur often after prepositions, as in وَأَب “*on that account*”; وَأَب “*therefore*”. And وَأَب “*that is*”; وَأَب “*but that is*” = “*namely*” are of very frequent occurrence.

In the Plur. however the Fem. is exclusively employed: وَأَب “*goods*”, “*bona*”; وَأَب *ταῦτα* (only construed as fem.); وَأَب “*all this*”; وَأَب وَأَب “*for, both of these*” Aphr. 9, 16 and various other examples.

B. ABSOLUTE STATE; EMPHATIC STATE.

§ 202. A. Originally the Emph. St. denoted the Determination [as did the prefix ה in Hebrew]: מלך was “*a king*”, מלְכָא “*the king*”. But the use of the emph. st. became so prevalent in Syriac, that very scanty traces now remain of its original and proper signification. This is clearly shown by cases like وَأَب “*a few days*” Spic. 1, 1, and by the circumstance that a

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very large number of substantives appear now only in the emph. st. Add to this, that the Abs. St., even where it still survives, may almost always have the emph. st. substituted for it in the Substantive, and that it appears repeatedly even in determined words. But if the difference of meaning in the two states is in this way as good as lost completely for the language, there are still many cases⁽¹⁾ in which the abs. st. appears in the substantive often, or indeed preponderatingly, on the ground of its original signification. It occurs in the following cases:

B. (1) In several genuine Syriac Proper-names, which being determined in themselves required no determining sign. Thus names of localities like **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Pillars”; **بَيْتَيْ** (also **بَيْتَيْ**) = *gen nešrīn* “Eagles’-nest”; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Mountain of the Servants (of God?)”; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Image-town” (near Edessa, Jos. St. 58, 2); **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Thirsty Hill” Anc. Doc. 73, 13, and many others; but, along with these, many appear in the emph. st. like **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Wall”; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Fortress”, &c. Names of Persons: **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Beloved”; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Patricius” (together with **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ**); **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Seunior”; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Justificata” (f.) &c.; but here too the emph. st. preponderates, as in **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Little”; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Humble”; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Brother” &c. Thus the poets make use even of **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “The Heavens” as a proper name, as in Isaac II, 4 v. 32; 344 v. 1753 and in several other instances. Of course foreign proper-names like **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** &c. receive no mark of the emph. st.

Rem. Constant epithets of proper-names were retained in the Abs. st. in earlier times: thus in the names of the Months still **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** or **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Tešrī First” (= October); **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “Kānōn Second (= January) &c.

C. (2) In distributive repetition: **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “every year” Sirach 47, 10; Jos. St. 26, 18; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “from day to day” frequently; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “from time to time” frequently; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “at times” Aphr. 45, 5; **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** **بَيْتَيْ** “numerous are the laws in all kinds of kingdoms, lands, and districts” Spic. 18, 16;

(1) In the Plural and in the Abstract form in *ūth* the Abs. st. occurs much more frequently than elsewhere; the characteristic forms (in *īn*, *ān*; *ū*) may still be fashioned here in every case.

جَرَّكَه رُكَّه “with any thing” Aphr. 308, 18; **بِزِي** “step by step” Ephr. Nis. p. 77 v. 98; **جَمَبَسًا مَدَبَسًا** “city by city” repeatedly; **مَعَ مَدَبَسًا** **بِحَبَسًا** “ἀπὸ πόλεως εἰς πόλιν” Matt. 23, 34; **أَقْرَبُ يَوْمِ يَأْتِيهِمْ** “he shall be cut to pieces, limb by limb” Jul. 87, 17; **دَجَلَجٍ جَجَلٍ** “on any pretext whatsoever” Ov. 221, 6; **حَلِهْ جَهْلُ بَجْمًا جَمًا** “in vexation from all sorts of straits” Mart. I, 185, 12; **كُلِّ يَهْ يَهْ** “of all manner of kinds” Aphr. 267, 2, and repeatedly; **أَقْرَبُ يَوْمِ يَأْتِيهِمْ جَتَقِبْ** “they stood in crowds” Addai 2, 12 &c. Yet the emph. st. occurs here also: **مَعَ أَحَلَّ** **حَلَّ** “from time to time” Sim. 301 mid.; **مَدَبَسًا إِجْر مَدَبَسًا** “city with city” Is. 19, 2; **سِرْبًا سِرْبًا** “a loaf of bread a-piece” Judges 8, 5; cf. Matt. 24, 7; Ps. 19, 3 &c. Matt. 24, 2 has in P. **جَارِ جَلًا جَارِ** **λίστος ἐπὶ λίστου**, and thus Aphr. 412, 17; but in S. the reading is **حَارًا حَلًا حَارًا**.

D. (3) After **كَلًا**, with Numerals and in similar connections: **كَلًا** **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “all good, beautiful and excellent kinds” Aphr. 297, 8; **كَلًا** **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “with all zeal” Ov. 178, 7; **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “all possessions” Ov. 166, 24; **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “with all caution” Prov. 4, 23; **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “with all evils” Prov. 5, 14; **كَلًا** **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “every shoulder (f.) has been stripped” Ezek. 29, 18; **كَلًا** **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “all remedies in every place” Ephr. III, 251 A; **كَلًا** **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “in every time of distress” Sirach 2, 11; **كَلًا** **كَلًا** **كَلًا** *pāsan airian* Matt. 19, 3—and very often thus. More rarely the emph. st. occurs here, and particularly in the pl., e. g. **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “all the streams” Eccl. 1, 7; **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “to all believers” Aphr. 202, 1 &c. For **كَلًا** **كَلًا** “to all pains” Aphr. 135, 3 there is a variant **كَلًا** **كَلًا**.

Along with numerals; (a) when the numeral precedes: **سَبْ** **سَبْ** **سَبْ** *καρδία και ψυχή μία* Acts 4, 32; **سَبْ** **سَبْ** **سَبْ** *ἐξ ἐνὸς αἵματος* Acts 17, 26; **سَبْ** **سَبْ** “two worlds” Ephr. III, 111 C; Ov. 135, 7, 8; **سَبْ** **سَبْ** **سَبْ** “the days of the twenty-two reigns of Judah” Aphr. 84 *ult.* and very often thus;—(b) When the numeral follows: **سَبْ** **سَبْ** **سَبْ** *ἐτῶν ἑκτῶ* Acts 9, 33; **سَبْ** **سَبْ** “a hundred days” Aphr. 483, 4; **سَبْ** **سَبْ** “seven hundred years” Land II, 277, 3 &c. In like manner also **سَبْ** **سَبْ** “on any pretext” Ov. 187, 10; **سَبْ** **سَبْ** “on a day” Ov. 167, 26 &c. Even when strict determination is

present, the Abs. st. may be retained alongside of the numeral: **أَرْبَعَةٌ** “these four months” Sim. 276, 5; **أَرْبَعَةَ أَشْهُارٍ** *ἐν ταύταις ταῖς ἑστέρας ἐντολαῖς* Matt. 22, 40 (Aphr. 24, 4, 9); **ثَلَاثَةٌ** *ἀπὸ τῶν τριῶν πλῆθῶν [τούτων]* Rev. 9, 18 (Gwynn); **ثَلَاثَةٌ** “these three righteous ones” Aphr. 453, 12; **اِثْنَيْنِ** “these two powerful kingdoms” Jul. 106, 27 &c.

But in all these cases the Emph. st. is permissible also, and in several of them it is much more usual, cf. **سَبْعَةٌ** *سَبْعَةَ* “one soul (abs.) and one mind (emph.)” Moes. II, 72, 12; **صَوْتٌ** “with one voice” Acts 19, 34; **حَكِيمٌ** *حَكِيمًا* “one wise man” Aphr. 394, 12; **سَبْعَةٌ** “seven kine” Gen. 41, 3 (v. 2 *سَبْعَةَ*); **عَشْرٌ** *عَشْرًا* “ten thousand wicked names” Jul. 76, 24 (together with *عَشْرًا* “ten thousand villainies and crimes” *ibid.* 34, 4) and countless others.—**عَشْرًا** Ephr. III, 303 B; cf. Aphr. 481 *sqq.* where **عَشْرًا** appears oftenest with the numeral following, but sometimes *عَشْرًا*; so too **أَحَدٌ** *أَحَدًا* *ἓως ὥρας ἐνάτης* Matt. 27, 45 P. S., alongside of *أَحَدًا* *περὶ τὴν ἐνάτην ὥραν* *ibid.* 46.—**أَحَدٌ** “one of the stars” Spic. 3, 18.—For **ثَلَاثَةٌ** “of those three men” Aphr. 16, 19 there is a variant **ثَلَاثَةً**, and the emph. st. in itself suits the passage better.

E. Similarly, with **كَمْ** “how much?” and “some”: **كَمْ** “how many times?” and “several times”—frequently; **كَمْ** *πόσας σπυρίδας* Matt. 16, 10; **كَمْ** *πόσα* *τσαῦτα ἔτη* Luke 15, 29; so Sim. 348 mid.; but **كَمْ** “how much expense?” Jos. St. 15, 17; **كَمْ** “how many wantons?” Sim. 344, where there are farther examples. **كَمْ** *πόσοι μίσθιοι* Luke 15, 17 P. C., but S. *كَمْ*.

Sometimes also with **مَا** *مَا* “what pain?” Spic. 40, 20; **مَا** “on what thing?” Zingerle, Chrest. 407 v. 33 (Isaac); **مَا** “in what things?” Aphr. 8, 14 &c.; but **مَا** *ποία ἐντολή* Matt. 22, 36 &c.; and **مَا** *ἐν ποία ἐξουσία* alternates with **مَا** Matt. 21, 23, 24 and 27; Luke 20, 2 (cf. C. and S.)⁽¹⁾.

(1) Similarly **مَا** *مَا* “what sort of use (abs.) and advantage (emph.)?” Aphr. 204, 20, if the text is quite accurate.

F. (4) Often, in negative expressions; **وَلَا تَهْتَبِي** “without sparing” Ov. 170, 8; **وَلَا تَنْتَلِجَنَّ** “without sin (pl.)” frequently; **وَلَا حِسْبَةَ** “without number” frequently; **وَلَا مَهْجَةَ** “without money” Ex. 21, 11; and often in this way with **وَلَا**; But **وَلَا يَهْجَلُ** **وَلَا يَهْتَبِي** “without money (emph.) and without price (abs.)” Is. 55, 1; **وَلَا قِسْمًا** **وَلَا يَنْدِقَهُ** “without trial (emph.) and without admonition (abs.)” Aphr. 252, 2; **وَلَا اِيْمَانًا** “without faith” Aphr. 214, 1, together with **وَلَا اِيْمَانًا** *ibid.* 206, 21, and frequently; and thus the emph. st. is not unfrequently found with **وَلَا**. For **وَلَا حِسْبَةً** *ἀτεκνος* Luke 20, 29 *sq.*, C. and S. have **وَلَا حِسْبَةَ** — **حَسْبٌ كَمَا لَيْ** “there is no profit” Prov. 10, 2; **حَسْبٌ كَمَا لَيْ** Hebr. 7, 18; **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** “and let there be no remembrance of Jeroboam” Sirach 47, 23 (Var. **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ**); **حَسْبٌ اِيْمَانًا** “the world of death [or the abode of destruction] has no covering” Job 26, 26; **وَلَا يَرْحَمُ** **حَسْبٌ** “who has no pity” Prov. 17, 11 (and often with **حَسْبٌ**); **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** “and to no place do they go out” Ov. 212, 14; **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** “and he answered never a word to his judges” Aphr. 222, 8. Cf. Luke 1, 33 and many a like example. Thus farther **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** “was not called the possessor of riches” Spic. 46, 7. But the Emph. st. is still more used even in such cases.

Similarly in a conditional clause **لِيَلْقَا نَفْسًا تَقِيًّا** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** “for if a wicked man happen to meet us” Aphr. 297, 1; this however is unusual.

G. (5) In certain adverbial expressions like **حَسْبًا** “on foot”; **حَسْبًا** “from one end to the other”; **حَسْبًا** “once”; **حَسْبًا** and **حَسْبًا** “for ever”; **حَسْبًا** “out of quiet”, *i. e.* “unexpectedly, suddenly” (also **حَسْبًا**) and many others. So **حَسْبًا** *ἐν πνεύματι* in various uses Matt. 5, 3 P. (C. and S. different); 22, 43 P. (C. **حَسْبًا**); Philox. 106, 9; Rev. (Gwynn) 1, 10; 4, 2; 17, 3; 21, 10 (the later version has always **حَسْبًا**).

H. (6) In some combinations the Abs. St. is always retained. Thus **حَسْبًا** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** “the image of the word”, “the written text” (definite); **حَسْبًا** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** “*a νυχθήμερον*” (§ 146) ⁽¹⁾; **حَسْبًا** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** *θεάνθρωπος*; **حَسْبًا** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** = *κωμόπολις*

(1) Indeclinable: **حَسْبًا** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ** *May, Nova Coll. X, 341 a = Land III, 208, 23,* for which line 20 has **حَسْبًا** **وَلَا يَذْكُرُ**

Mart. I, 100, 24 &c.; and after these patterns later writers have formed more of the same kind, as **ܘܠܗܘܢ ܕܘܠܘܢܗܘܢ ܕܘܠܘܢܗܘܢ** (as pl.) &c. **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “*domus plorantis*” sg. abs. st., *i. e.*, “house of mourning”, is assumed by the usage of the language to be a compound of a pl. emph. st., and takes suffixes accordingly, thus: **ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢܐ** &c.

I. (7) The Absolute State is farther found pretty frequently in other scattered instances, particularly in fixed phrases. Forms in **ܠܘ** (§ 138) especially incline to stand in it. And yet even in these the Emph. St. is almost always the one which is found in actual use. Examples: **ܐܢܝܢܐ**; **ܐܢܝܢܐ** **ܐܢܝܢܐ** *τις, τινες* (§ 146); **ܥܠܡ ܥܠܡ** “Peace!”, “Peace be to thee!”, frequently; **ܕܘܠܘܢܗܘܢ** “in kindness” Aphr. 448, 15; **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “from youth to the grave” (emph. st.) Ephr. III, 225 B; **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “at another time” Aphr. 461, 10, for which *ibid.* 458, 15 **ܘܠܗܘܢ**; **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “redeemed by precious blood” Aphr. 260, 10; **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “keep thou with care faith in the Son of God, and with purity (emph.) baptism” Jac. Sar., Thamar v. 407; **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “for another day” Ov. 136, 2; and thus **ܘܠܗܘܢ** frequently as a substantive “another” [ein Anderer] *e. g.* Matt. 11, 3; John 4, 37; 5, 7; 21, 18; **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “a good remembrance be to . . .” Aphr. 305, 2; **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “glory [be] to . . .” frequently, (along with **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “glory [be] to . . .”); **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “the rich man is anxious about years in which he is no longer to be alive” Aphr. 268, 1 &c.⁽¹⁾ Philox. has frequently **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “spiritual” (like **ܘܠܗܘܢ** v. sub section G, 5), *e. g.* 29, 8; 500, 5. Much more frequently than elsewhere, the abs. st. is used in the Old Testament, especially in certain books, *under the influence of the Hebrew text and the Targum tradition*. Cases like **ܘܠܗܘܢ** Gen. 9, 25; **ܘܠܗܘܢ** Ps. 50, 1; 84, 7; 136, 2; **ܘܠܗܘܢ** Ps. 104, 4 **ܘܠܗܘܢ** Dan. 4, 8, 9, 18; 5, 11 hardly conform to the genuine Syriac usage. On the other hand the rather more frequent use of the abs. st. in so ancient a writing as the letter of Mārā bar Serapion (Spic. 43 *sqq.*) must be regarded as a genuine record of antiquity.

K. But when the realisation of the difference in meaning between

(1) For **ܘܠܗܘܢ** “with bodily strength” Spic. 5, 14, the MS. has **ܘܠܗܘܢ**.

the emph. st. and the abs. in the Substantive had disappeared, even ancient poets ventured to set the latter state alongside of **أَب** "this", which is formed like an abs. st.: **دَعَى دَعَى نَم** Ephr. II, 424 D (but **أَب يَهْمَل** III, 263 D); **دَعَى دَعَى** "in this generation" Ephr. III, 3 C; **دَعَى رَجِي** "during this time" Isaac II, 80 v. 169.⁽¹⁾ Thus even in prose and verse **دَعَى دَعَى** Ephr. Nis. p. 4 v. 7; 100 v. 189; Ephr. (Lamy) I, 245, 16; 261, 21; II, 411, 11, 14 (**دَعَى دَعَى** I, 391 *ult.*); Jul. 119, 6; Philox. 518, 13, 20 and frequently (519, 12 var. **دَعَى دَعَى**); like **أَب دَعَى** Jul. 89, 3 "in that time". Later poets, especially of the Nestorian order, go much farther in the arbitrary employment of the abs. st. for the emph.

L. (8) Many foreign words do not form any emph. st. at all; thus the Greek **ἀνὴρ**, **πραιτώριον**, **διαθήκη**; the Persian **جَبَال** "jackal", **زَهْمِي** "weasel" &c., as well as the Greek plurals § 89. Some Greek words often lose even their final *α*, e. g. **خَوْرَا**, alongside of **فَهْوَا** (**فَهْوَا**); **βήμα**, alongside of **جَمَل**, **جَمَل** &c.

M. (9) Syriac Feminines in *ai* (§ 83) stand always in the abs. st.; thus **عُجْب** "error", "the error".

§ 203. Several of the above examples already show that the *at-*tributive Adjective to a noun in the abs. st. stands also in the abs. st.; cf. farther **كَلِمَا كَلِمَا** **πᾶν πονηρὸν ῥήμα** Matt. 5, 11; **رَحِيمِي رَحِيمِي** "true men" Ex. 18, 21; **حِجْم كَهْمِي** "to a foreign people" Ex.*21, 8; **رَجِي رَجِي** "rich man, poor man" Aphr. 302, 20, 21 (303, 8, 9 in the same connection **رَجِي رَجِي**, **رَجِي رَجِي**); **يَسْقِي** **كَتَف** "wicked thoughts" Aphr. 296, 13; **حِجْم نَقْم** "with wise reflection" Spic. 48, 20; **أَب شَمَل شَمَل** "like an evil beast" Ephr. (Lamy) I, 369, 17 &c.

Yet there are also cases like **حَدِيحِي لَجَلِي** **هَدِيحِي هَدِيحِي** "to these three true witnesses" Aphr. 461, 3 (where variant is **هَدِيحِي**), cf. Eus. Ch. Hist. 146, 1; **أَبف** **أَبف** **أَبف** **لَجَلِي** **رَجِي رَجِي** "those (these) three righteous men" Aphr. 16, 19; 454, 3 (in both passages a variant **رَجِي رَجِي**); **أَبف** **أَبف** **أَبف** "these ten small books" Aphr. 200, 15, where the

⁽¹⁾ These are all the undoubted examples which I have been able to collect. In Ephr. also the emph. st. with **أَب** is far more frequent.

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signification is determined; **وَلِكُلِّ مَقْدَامٍ وَفِي نَفْسٍ** “and to all modes of bodily death” Anc. Doc. 101, 3. Cf. farther Philox. 367, 6; Jos. Styl. 70, 10; John v. Tella (Kleyn) 28, 5. *Vice versâ*, with a word standing in the emph. st., but indefinite in meaning, and in form exchangeable with the abs. st., the attributive adjective occasionally assumes the abs. st., as in **سَبْعَةَ عَشَرَ عَشْرًا** *ἑπτα ἑτερα πνεύματα* Matt. 12, 45 (C. **وَسَبْعَ**; S. without **سَبْعَةَ**); **سَبْعَةَ كِلَابٍ فِي بَشَرِهِمْ** “seven kine fat in their flesh” Gen. 41, 18 (otherwise in v. 2 and v. 19); and in very loose connection **أَفْ يَوْمًا يَكْفِي** *“ἡμέρας ἱκανάς”* Acts 9, 43; **أَفْ يَوْمًا يَكْفِي** *“ἀργύρια ἱκανά”* Matt. 28, 12; **أَفْ يَوْمًا يَكْفِي** *“γυναικῶν τε τῶν πρώτων οὐκ ὀλίγαι”* Acts 17, 4; and oftener still in the singular: **أَفْ يَوْمًا يَكْفِي** *“ἀργύρια ἱκανά”* Matt. 28, 12; **أَفْ يَوْمًا يَكْفِي** *“not a little gold”* Jos. St. 37, 5; **أَفْ يَوْمًا يَكْفِي** *“not a short time”* Aphr. 165, 13; Sim. 363 *inf.* Thus often **أَسْبَحٌ** when standing before the noun: **أَسْبَحٌ** “another body” Ephr. Nis. p. 96 v. 54 &c. (§ 211 B); and even when standing after it **إِلَهُ** *“another god”* Jac. Sar., Constantin v. 28. 632.—The peculiar substantives **أَسْبَحٌ** (§§ 83; 202 M) always indeed take their adjectives in the emph. st., e. g. **أَسْبَحٌ** *“on the rigorous condition”* Moes. II, 74, 3. An incongruity, no longer felt, exists in rare cases like **أَسْبَحٌ** *“a man that is a worker of miracles, a solver of difficulties [knots]”* Land III, 213, 14 (the 2nd epithet is from the passage in Dan. 5, 12, unskillfully translated);—**أَسْبَحٌ** *“all discerning people who know good from evil”* Bedjan, Mart. II, 572, 10. In these cases the undetermined genitives occasion the proper indeterminateness of the constr. st. In the immensely preponderating mass of cases, a substantive, furnished with an adjective, stands like the adjective itself in the emphatic state.

§ 204. A. The Abs. St. however, in the *adjective* is the proper form of the *predicate*. Thus e. g. **أَسْبَحٌ** *“bread hidden is pleasant”* Prov. 9, 17; **أَسْبَحٌ** *“his sin is not great”* Aphr. 45, 8; **أَسْبَحٌ** *“love is high above dissension”* Aphr. 256, 15; **أَسْبَحٌ** *“stolen waters are sweet”* Prov. 9, 17; **أَسْبَحٌ** *ὀφθαλμός σου πονηρός ἐστίν* Matt. 20, 15 (a question); **أَسْبَحٌ** *ἐν σοὶ λείπει* Luke 18, 22; **أَسْبَحٌ** *“even the fire of nature in him is cold”* Philox. 355, 1 &c. A favourite proceeding is the alteration

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of an attributive adjective, standing in the emph. st., into a predicative one in the abs. st. and attached by the relative *?*: cf. *e. g.* **حداًجرا لىبنا** “by the strait gate and the way which is narrow” Aphr. 447, 2, where **حداًجرا لىبنا** or **كراهوننا ملىبنا** might stand as well.

Very seldom indeed in good texts are there cases like **اسبب** “for the reward of deeds is one thing (adj. in abs. st.) and the reward of words is another thing (adj. in the emph. st.)” in the Testament of Ephr., Ov. 141, 14.⁽¹⁾

B. On the other hand the emph. st. sometimes stands along with the Personal Pronoun, both when the latter is the direct subject, and when it is merely the copula. This usage proceeds perhaps from a substantive conception of the adjectives, *e. g.* **قتول انا** “[you] who are evil persons” Matt. 7, 11; 12, 34; **ببنا سب** πολλοί εσμεν Mark 5, 9; **ببنا سب** “while you are guilty (guilty persons)” Aphr. 144, 7; **ببنا سب** “we are honest men” Gen. 42, 11, 31; **ببنا سب** “you are wise persons” Aphr. 293, 16; **ببنا سب** “am I a great man?” Joseph 26, 14 [Ov. 282, 1]; **ببنا سب** “he also is a mortal” Ov. 67, 9; **ببنا سب** “the Egyptians are circumcised persons” Aphr. 210, 10; **ببنا سب** “that these things are true (or that this is the truth)” Spic. 18, 7; **ببنا سب** “invisible is the nature of the Godhead” Ov. 84, 18; **ببنا سب** **ببنا سب** “these parts are dumb and silent” Ov. 63, 12, and many other like instances. But the abs. st. would be permissible in all these cases, and it is the more usual form in such cases, *e. g.* **ببنا سب** “I am naked, thou art naked” Gen. 3, 10 and 11; **ببنا سب** “I am powerful” Aphr. 269, 12; **ببنا سب** “we, who are poor” Aphr. 119, 22; **ببنا سب** “there, with him (Death) are they naked” Aphr. 426, 1; **ببنا سب** “his weapons are weaker than ours” Aphr. 137, 21 &c. Cf. cases like **ببنا سب** “the sinner, even while he is alive, is a dead man⁽²⁾ for God, but

(1) The reading is certain; even the Roman edition does not note any variants. There can hardly be any suggestion of metrical exigency in this case, for the deficient syllable might easily have been made up otherwise, *e. g.* by a **سب**.

(2) Thus pretty often **ببنا سب** and **ببنا سب** in the Predicate. Cf. C.

(f.) is immortal” Aphr. 125, 10; **مَعْتَلًا إِيسَرَةً مَدْحِيَّةً** “the leaders of the Romans are gentle” Jos. St. 89, 13.

E. With verbs like “to show one’s self as”, “to be found”, “to be called” &c., the emph. st. of the Adjective occurs perhaps rather more frequently than the abs.: **إِسْرَبَ سَجِيًّا** “showed himself brave” Ov. 159, 9; **إِعْلَامِيذٌ زَكِيًّا** “was found victorious” *ibid.* line 10; **رُفَعَاءٌ نَقِيَّةٌ** “who are called wise men” Aphr. 506, 17 &c., but **إِعْلَامِيذًا** *εὐρέθη ἐν γαστρὶ ἔχουσα* Matt. 1, 18; **فُعِدِمَتِيذٌ نَكِيَّةٌ مَعَ فُجِدَةٍ تَبَحِيَّةٍ** “are found devoid of all knowledge” Spic. 2, 18; **بَعْدَ فُضِيَّتَعَفٍ فُضِيَّةٌ** “your words proved false” Joseph 38 *ult.* [Ov. 288, 7]. For **فَاعِيُونَتَا** “*φαίνονται ὠραῖοι*” Matt. 23, 27 P., Aphr. 307, 5 has **مَدْعُ فُعِيَّةٍ**; the reading is different in S.

F. The Predicative Adjective, however, stands of necessity in the emph. st. when it is quite definitely determined: **يَحْمَدُذُ ذَبِيْعًا وَجَعَمَةُ** “Jacob is the persecuted, and Esau the persecutor” Aphr. 403, 14 (v. *ibid.* 403 *sqq.* for several other such sentences); **أَنَا أَمَّا فَيَبُحُنَا وَأَنَا أَنَا أَسْبِيْلًا** “I am the first, and I am the last” Is. 48, 12; **وَأَنَا مَدِيْمِيَّةٌ أَدَاةٌ وَفُجِدَةٌ مَلِكَمَةُ** “for he was certainly the most distinguished person in all the kingdom” Aphr. 55, 3; **وَيَبِيْلًا أَسْبِيْلًا وَرَقَبَتٌ فَيَبُحُنَا** “the last testament, which is the first” Aphr. 28, 9; **فَأَيُّهُ سُنْخُرٌ وَأَيُّهُ زَكِيًّا** “who may be the guilty one, and who the innocent” Ov. 191, 9.

C. GENITIVE AND CONSTRUCT STATE.

§ 205. A. The Genitive relation is still frequently expressed in various forms of reference by the Construct State: **مَدْحِي خُجَالًا** “king of Babylon” Aphr. 468, 18 (along with **يَحْكُمُ خُجَالًا** *ibid.* 471, 16 as well as 2 Kings 20, 12, and frequently); **تَبِيْعًا هِنَا** “*belua dentis*” *i. e.* “rending animal” [“carnivorous animal”, “wild beast”] frequently; **خَمِيْنِي فُجِدَةٍ** “remembrance of his master” Ov. 185, 12; **صَفْوَةٌ مَنِيْدَةٌ نَقِيَّةٌ** “in the overflowing of the measure of debts” Aphr. 462, 3; **حَزِيْنَمَا فَيَبِيَّةٌ نَقِيَّةٌ** “by reason of the uncleanness of the lust after his sister” (*i. e.* “his unclean lust after &c.”) Aphr. 354, 6; **فَلَا رَقَبَتِيَّةٌ** “the sound of songs” Aphr. 229, 18; &c. In all these cases the emph. st. with **فِي** might likewise

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be used. But this is not permissible in specially close combinations, like **حَدِيدُ خَطَرٍ** “enemy”; **عَمَلًا لَّحِيلًا** “taking up the burden”, *i. e.* “zeal”; **حُكْمًا** “judgment”; **جِدَارٌ مَخْدُومٌ** “refectory” (and in other combinations with **جِدَارٌ**); **جِدَارٌ مِثْلِهِ** “son of his nature” *i. e.* “of the same nature as he is”; **جِدَارٌ** “a freeman” [“son of the free”] (and others with **جِدَارٌ**, **جِدَارِيَّةٌ**, **جِدَارِيَّةٌ**) &c. The constr. st. also prevails in those combinations, in which the first half is an adjective, whose relation to the Genitive may be of various kinds: **فِيهِمْ بَقِيَّةٌ** or **عَقْلًا** “taken or bereft of understanding” *i. e.* “without understanding” Aphr. 53, 13; Jul. 47, 10, and frequently; **عَقْلِي جُذِيَ** “whose heart has been torn out”, *i. e.* “without understanding” Mart. I, 35 mid.; **حُلِيَّةٌ تَجْتَمِعُ** “clothed in splendour” Joseph 196, 6 [Ov. 296, 10]; **حَيَاتِي سَتْرًا** “whose life is accursed” Aphr. 110 *ult.*; **هَيْبَتِي كَثِيرَةٌ** “of many forms” Ov. 168, 23; **يَقِينًا وَبِحَيْثُ** “πολύτιμον” Matt. 13, 46 [lit. “heavy or costly in price (pl.)] &c. With affixed (reflexive) Personal pronoun, **هُوَ مِنَ الْغَيْبِ** “he of murderous anger” Ephr. Nis. 1, 149 &c.; **فِي كُلِّ مَجْدٍ جِهْدِي** “from any that is close to them in blood” Aphr. 232, 15 (cf. § 224*). And thus even **عَمَلٌ كَامِلٌ** “the completely pure man” (‘the man whose totality is pure’) Ephr. Nis. 31, 122, and **جِدَارٌ كَامِلٌ** “the completely troubled one” *ibid.* 123. Cases like **جِدَارٌ فِي جَسَدِهِ** “strong in body (pl.)” Spic. 5, 19 are rare; the emph. st. in that instance was occasioned by **وَهُوَ** coming between,—a particle inserted here for the sake of emphasis (§ 221).

B. But otherwise the connection by **وَ** predominates throughout. Particular examples are not required here. Both methods occur too in those cases in which the Genitive of an abstract noun denotes a quality or property, *e. g.* **رُوحٌ مَقْدِسَةٌ** and **رُوحٌ مَقْدِسَةٌ** “the spirit of holiness” *i. e.* “the Holy Spirit”; **مَدِينَةٌ مَقْدِسَةٌ** and **مَدِينَةٌ مَقْدِسَةٌ** “the holy city”; **عَالَمٌ خَدِيمٌ** “in the deceitful world” Aphr. 462, 6; **فَاوْزٌ مَرِيٌّ** “bitter fruits” Aphr. 473, 11; **بِرَّاءَةٌ** **جِدَارٌ** “everlasting liberty” Ephr. III, 250 B; **عِنَبٌ مَبْرُكٌ** “the blessed vine” Aphr. 446, 3; **مَنْعَةٌ رِجَالٌ** and **مَنْعَةٌ رِجَالٌ** “counterfeit money” Aphr. 301 *ult.*, 285 *ult.*; **مَنْعَةٌ حَقِيقَةٌ** “true love” Spic. 7, 1; **جِدَارٌ مَقْدِسَةٌ** “considerable store-chambers” Land III, 215, 13; and many like cases. So too in cases like **عَمَلٌ مَقْدِسَةٌ** “Mt. Sinai” Ephr.

E. Two nouns may thus stand in different Genitive relationship to the same noun, cf. **قَمَدُهُنَّ وَأَسْمُهُنَّ وَقَوْمُهُنَّ مُتَارِقَةً** "Israel's boasting about the distinction of meats" Aphr. 313, 12; **حَذَى قَوْمَهَا وَأُؤْمِرَ** "the transgression of the ordinance by Adam" Aphr. 419, 13; **حَبَبَهُ لِهَيْبَةِ** **أَبْرَاهِيمَ** "for it was Abraham's daily custom" Aphr. 391, 8; **رُوحُ الْقُدُّوسِ مِنْ يَمِينِ أَبِيهِ** "the Holy Spirit of your Father" Aphr. 415, 8; **يَمِينِهِ** "his hand of the left" *i. e.* "his left hand", and thus frequently with **يَمِينِهِ** and **شِمَالِهِ** "right" and "left"; **كِتَابَ الْحَيَاةِ** "thy book of life" Ps. 69, 28; **طَبِيعَتُنَا مِنْ تَرَابٍ** "our nature which is of dust" Aphr. 41, 17 &c. A different construction, and one of a Hebrew type, is found in **جَسَدُهُمْ** "their visible body" Aphr. 179, 1.

§ 206. Adjectives often stand in the Constr. St. before prepositions, especially when that which is governed by the prepositions is closely connected in thought with the adjectives. Thus **بِجَمَالِهَا** ⁽¹⁾ **حَسْرَةً** "beautiful in appearance" Gen. 12, 11; **إِهْنَلُ إِخْرَ يَرْبَدِ حَكَا** "the great physician, excelling in everything" Ov. 193, 21; **تَقْبِحُ جَارِقِلَا** "*accipientes vultum*", *i. e.* "hypocrites", frequently; **مَوْلَايَ حَيْفِي** "master of himself", "free" Spic. 19, 8; **عَلَا** **مَعَ كَلَا** "their divine nature concealed from all" Jul. 41, 10; **إِسَى أَسْتَلَا حَقَّيْتِ مَعَ غَمَدِجْتِهِنِ** "like others, despised by their hearers" Ov. 179, 11; **أَحْرَا سَيَمِ جَحْتَلَا** "the time determined by the prophets" Mart. I, 11, 2; **نَسَبَ حَدَّو جِ** "who look keenly to 'give me'" Aphr. 286, 8; **حَكَمَ جَمْعَسَلَا** "who has put on Christ" Ov. 397, 12; **καὶ λιθοβολοῦσα τοὺς ἀπεσταλμένους πρὸς αὐτήν** Matt. 23, 37; Luke 13, 34, and a great many other instances. A very large number, *e. g.* occur in Philox. 366. Notice farther **كَلِمَةً مِثْلَهَا** **إِحْفَاةً** "a word of potency like it" Ov. 21, 18; and so even **لَا أَوْهَلَا** **إِحْفَاةً** "born without connection" Ov. 91, 21. This construction in the case of the substantive is limited to one or two constant combinations like **بِجَمْعِ جَارِقِلَا** "*acceptatio vultus*" *i. e.* "hypocrisy"; **يَجْعَمُ حَاهَلَا** (or **أَوْهَلَا**) "going forth into the wind(?)" "defence, excuse"; cf. **مَهْمَرِ حَبْفَلَا** "the laying upon the head" (Inf.) *i. e.* "punishment"; **مَهْمَرِ حَحْتَلَا** "thought".

(1) Var. **حَسْرَةً**.

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before Pre-
positions.

§ 207. In rare cases Adjectives stand thus in the Constr. St. before adverbs also, which in fact resemble a combination of preposition and substantive: **مُتَيِّبٌ مَكْرَبًا** “who die quickly” Mart. I, 79, 10; **مُهَيِّبٌ رُؤْيًا** “that leap nimbly over its valleys” Mart. I, 47, 1; **مُهَيِّبٌ حَيَاةً** “leading a miserable life” (*κακόβιοι*) Jul. 112, 13; **مُهَيِّبٌ حَيَاةً** “persons well-experienced in all things” Jul. 162, 10; **مُهَيِّبٌ فِي جَسَدِهِ . . . رُؤْيًا** “slain in the body . . . risen in the spirit” Sim. 305, 24. Such combinations are specially made use of to translate Greek words compounded with adverbs, *e. g.* **مُهَيِّبٌ** *ἐπαθούντες* Ps. 91, 15 Hex.; and indeed the whole of this construction is modelled upon the Greek. Similarly occur the circumlocutions for “self”, like **مُهَيِّبٌ فِي جَسَدِهِ** *φίλαυτοι* 2 Tim. 3, 2, Hark. Even Cyrillona ZDMG XXVII, 573 v. 267 has thus **مُهَيِّبٌ فِي جَسَدِهِ** “the serpent that has crushed himself”.

Constr. St.
before
Adverbs.

§ 208. A. The Construct State must stand *immediately* before the Genitive. Only short words like the postpositive particles **فِي**, **فِي**, **فِي** &c., as well as **فِي** and such like, may sometimes interrupt the succession: **فِي** *fili vero Balae* Land III, 39, 16; **فِي** *deus enim coeli* Jul. 54, 28; **فِي** *now the cause of the abolishing* Ephr. II, 124 B; **فِي** *the cause, to wit, of the pain* Ephr. II, 108 A; **فِي** *and farther those who are vain of their litigiousness* Statuti della Scuola di Nisibi (Guidi) 15, 10; **فِي** *that they are the sons of the righteous* Ephr. II, 384 D; **فِي** *he was a mighty man of strength* Judges 11, 1 &c. More remarkable is **فِي** *for a distance of two stadia from it* Jul. 229, 4.

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from
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word.

Cf. farther § 327.

As a somewhat isolated instance stands **فِي** *writers and readers of their names* Land III, 136, 14, where two words in the Constr. St. refer to one Genitive.

B. The separation of the Genitive from the governing word presents no difficulty, however, when **فِي** is employed. Not only may the latter have an attributive word with it, as in **فِي** *the sweet allurements of sin* Ov. 159, 15 (which might also stand thus: **فِي**

ܘܒܟܠܗܘܢ (ܠܠܐܘܢ); cf. v. 31, and 19, 18 (§ 239). Somewhat different are cases like ܘܠܐܝܩܘܒ ܘܝܫܘܥ ܘܝܫܘܥܘܬܗܘܢ ܘܝܫܘܥܘܬܗܘܢ “and their fast did not resemble that of the inhabitants of Jezreel” Aphr. 50, 11; ܘܝܫܘܥܘܬܗܘܢ ܘܝܫܘܥܘܬܗܘܢ “Abel’s offering was accepted and Cain’s rejected” Aphr. 60, *ult.*; ܘܝܫܘܥܘܬܗܘܢ ܘܝܫܘܥܘܬܗܘܢ “they raised accusations against us and Simeon” Mart. I, 19 *inf.*

B. To this section may be joined certain adverbial applications of ܘܢܐܢܐ, such as the following: ܘܢܐܢܐ “for the moment”, “for the nonce”, “now”; ܘܢܐܢܐ “immediately” (both occurring frequently); ܘܢܐܢܐ *σήμερον* Matt. 6, 11 C.; ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ “twice”, or “a second time” Gen. 43, 10; Eccl. 6, 6; Matt. 26, 42; John 3, 4; Sim. 300, 2; 317 mid.; ܘܢܐܢܐ “for the second time” Bedjan, Mart. II, 562, 6; 605, 17. Farther we have the favourite construction of ܘܢܐܢܐ with ܘܢܐܢܐ “to be concerned for that which is of . . .” *i. e.* “to be concerned about”: ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ *μη μεριμνάτε τῆ ψυχῆν ὑμῶν* Luke 12, 22 C. (ܘܢܐܢܐ S.); ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ “cared for the combat” Ephr. in Wright’s Cat. 689 a, 3; ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ “and they must care for them as for their own members” Ov. 216, *ult.*; ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ “care for everything” Jos. St. 3, 11, and frequently thus, with ܘܢܐܢܐ (and ܘܢܐܢܐ § 225). Thus too ܘܢܐܢܐ is used sometimes: ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ “every man is concerned for his house, but for his flock he cares nothing” Isaac I, 288 v. 267; cf. Ephr. in Zingerle’s Chrest. 278, 6 *sq.*; Philox. 361, 18; Bedjan, Mart. II, 428, 7. Thus also ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ *φρονῶν ἡμέραν* Rom. 14, 6; ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ *ὅτι οὐ φρονεῖς τὰ τοῦ Θεοῦ* Matt. 16, 23. All these combinations with ܘܢܐܢܐ may, for the rest, have been suggested by Greek Genitive constructions.

§ 210. The substantive which stands before the genitive is generally determined; yet among the foregoing examples some of those substantives occur without any determination; thus particularly with the Abs. St., like ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ “any flesh of beast” [*i. e.* the flesh of any animal] Spic. 7, 26.

Even the Constr. St. before the Emph. St. is not necessarily determined: ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ “*filius anni*” “a (person, animal or thing, which is) one-year old” (often); ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ “two king’s-daughters” Aphr. 408, 3, 4; ܘܢܐܢܐ ܘܢܐܢܐ “a son of the world” *i. e.* “a layman” Sim. 286, 6;

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day" Aphr. 223, 11; **فَدْرَجِي بَدَا تَعْبُوَا عِدَا يَتَجِعُ حَبِيْبُوَا** "the wine was sold at a denarius for six measures" Jos. St. 36, 13—may suffice to illustrate several of the most important cases.

Rem. On the Person (grammatical) in apposition v. § 350 C.

§ 214. Apposition is generally made use of in the case of words denoting measure, like **مِلَا جِدَاتِي مِعْمَلَا** *ἑκατον βάτους ἐλαίου* Luke 16, 6, cf. v. 7; **جِدَا جِدَا مِيْنِ اِوْبَقِيْه جِسْمَلَا** "for with three ounces of bread" Ov. 182, 10; **اِحْلَام خَبَب تَنَمَلَا** thirty measures of wheat" Jos. St. 21, 20; **جَهْمَا لُخْتَب اُتَا** "ten loads of silver-pieces" Jos. St. 10, 21; **مَدَفَا مِلَا رُوْبُوَا** "a measure and a-half of pulse" Sim. 360 *inf.*; **رُوْبُوَا جَهْمَا** "a handful of dust" Aphr. 154, 5, and many similar cases. The genitive connection with **؟** would also be allowable here.

§ 215. **مِيْلَا** and **جَهْمَا** often remain, unaltered in form, like adverbs, and standing either before or after the qualified word: **تَعْمَلَا مِيْلَا** "many fishes" Sim. 273, 14; **يَمَدُوَا جَهْمَا** "many leopards" Land III, 335, 17; **مِيْتِيْمِيْلَا مِيْلَا** "many pearls" *ibid.* line 21; **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** "many things" Spic. 6, 6; **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** "many wars" Sim. 282 mid.; **كَحْخَحَلَا مِيْلَا** "a little consolation" Jos. St. 32, 10; **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** "this brief exhortation" Aphr. 331, 2; **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** *ὀλίγα ἰχθυῖδια* Matt. 15, 34 P. (S. merely **مِلَا مِلَا**); **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** *ὁ πολλὰς ἡμέρας* John 2, 12 (for the same in Luke 15, 13, **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا**); **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** "this short demonstration" Aphr. 244, 7; **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** "these few words of peace" Aphr. 298, 19; **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** "a little sun" Aphr. 130, 18; cf. **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** "a little of Satan" Aphr. 130, 19; and **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** "these few things out of many" Jos. St. 91, 15; Jul. 98, 13; and similar instances. The abstract word **مِيْلَا** is also employed in this way: **جَهْمَا مِيْلَا** "many men" Ephr. I, 520 *ult.*—521, 1; **جَهْمَا مِيْلَا** "many Levites" *ibid.* 544 F.; **مِيْلَا مِيْلَا** *עבדה הרבה מאד*—**מַד** Job 1, 3; **מַד מַד מַד** "for, wisdom and understanding and insight in much abundance" Ov. 191, 13;—**מַד מַד** "horses and chariots in very great number" Land III, 331, 8. (1)

(1) On **מַד** "very", "much" v. § 243.

Apposition
in Words
denoting
Measur.

Apposition
of "much",
"little";
"many",
"few".

§ 216. A mode of Apposition is formed also by cases like **وَجاءَ اَوَّلُهُ** Expressions of condition or state ("as").
وَجاءَ اَوَّلُهُ "and he first (as the first) entered" Ephr. (Lamy) I, 535, 15;
وَجاءَ اَوَّلُهُ "he was the first to show good will" Jos. St. 23, 17;
وَجاءَ اَوَّلُهُ "Isaac, when sixty years of age, begat Jacob" Aphr. 464, 10;
وَجاءَ اَوَّلُهُ "Haman had been left remaining as one who had escaped" Aphr. 52, 15;
وَجاءَ اَوَّلُهُ "and has been given as nutriment to believers" Aphr. 114, 2;
وَجاءَ اَوَّلُهُ "Jephthah, the persecuted, came forward as the head of his people" Aphr. 407, 14, and many others.

E. **كُلُّ**.

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§ 217. **كُلُّ** (كُلُّ) may be used in the Abs. St. as a substantive In Abs. and Emph. St.
 for "everything", "everybody". Thus, in particular, expressions like **كُلُّ** "the Redeemer of all" Ov. 208, 24; **كُلُّ** "παντοκράτωρ" frequently; **كُلُّ** "the Lord of all" Aphr. 22, 12; for the same we have **كُلُّ** Spic. 27, 24; **كُلُّ** Aphr. 63, 10; farther **كُلُّ** "put all things into his hands" Aphr. 123, 2 (from John 3, 35, where P. and C. have the more usual **كُلُّ**); **كُلُّ** "that thou mayest be all things to all men" Ov. 266, 15; **كُلُّ** "we would be everything" Spic. 20, 22; **كُلُّ** "while every one rejoices in his own house" Ephr. III, 651 A; **كُلُّ** "we demand of every man, that . . ." Jul. 15, 5 &c. On rare occasions it appears as an adverb "quite", "thoroughly": **كُلُّ** "and roared on continually" Sim. 393, 12; **كُلُّ** "whose eye was wholly lifted up to heaven" Ephr. II, 415 F.

In this way the Emph. St. **كُلُّ** (كُلُّ) is used for "the whole", "the universe": **كُلُّ** "does not everything (كُلُّ) go to one place?" Eccl. 6, 6 Ceriani; **كُلُّ** "worshipped by all" Ephr. III, 532 C; f. **كُلُّ** *ibid.* 530 F; **كُلُّ** "the Architect of the universe" Ephr. Nis. p. 97 v. 110; **كُلُّ** "everything depends on peace" Ephr. Nis. p. 4 v. 46 &c.

§ 218. Much oftener **كُلُّ** stands in the Constr. St. We saw it before substantives both sg. and pl., § 202 D; cf. **كُلُّ** "for In Constr. St. and with Suff.

in every way” Jul. 69, 12 (§ 208 A). With undetermined words **كُلِّ** means “every”, “all” (“all” pl.). It may even stand before determined substantives: **كُلِّ كَيِّدِ نَيْتِي** (تَيْقَات) “all the days of thy (his) life” Jul. 14, 14, (Eccl. 8, 15).

In its favourite connection with the relative pronoun **؟** it means “every one, who”, “all who”, “all which”: **كُلِّ بَعِي** “every one, who pleased . . .” Aphr. 328, 14; **كُلِّ وَخَيْبِ جِه** “all, who seek him” Aphr. 198, 10; **كُلِّ زَمَلِ بَه** “all that he had acquired” Ov. 165, 25 &c.

So also **؟ كُلِّ اِيَلِ ؟**, **كُلِّ تَع ؟**, **كُلِّ اِيَلِ ؟** “every one who” [whoever], and similar combinations (§ 236 D). Farther, as adverbially used: **كُلِّ تَب** “quite near to” Cyrillona ZDMG XXVII, 578 v. 81 sq.; **كُلِّ اِس** “precisely as” Jul. 92, 7; **كُلِّ مَعَلِ ؟** “just as much as”; **؟ كُلِّ اِيَلِ ؟** “as often as”, and the like.

Very often a substantive has **كُلِّ** in apposition with it, and placed either before or after it, and furnished with a pronominal suffix of its own, referring to the substantive. *Sing.*: **كُلِّ مَبِي** “the whole town” Jer. 4, 29; **كُلِّ مَبِي** *πᾶς ὁ ὄχλος* Mark 2, 13; **كُلِّ مَبِي** “the whole town” Ov. 207, 3, for which lin. 6 gives **مَبِي مَبِي**; **مَبِي مَبِي** “my whole soul” Ov. 164, 21; **كُلِّ مَبِي** “the whole way” Joseph 192, 12; 214, 5 (in both passages Var. ‘د’); **كُلِّ مَبِي مَبِي** “they are above the whole law” Aphr. 30, 12.—*Plur.*: **كُلِّ مَبِي** *πάντα . . . τὰ ἀμαρτήματα* Mark 2, 28; **كُلِّ مَبِي** “every valley” Is. 40, 3; Luke 3, 5 (Eccl. 1, 3 **كُلِّ مَبِي**); **كُلِّ مَبِي مَبِي** “all these things” Aphr. 9, 10; **كُلِّ مَبِي مَبِي** “to all Clerics” Ov. 206, 11 &c. In other uses also the word has the pronominal suffixes attached: **كُلِّ مَبِي**, “we all”, “you all”; **كُلِّ مَبِي** “in him wholly, in him everywhere” Ov. 165, 9; **كُلِّ مَبِي** “it remains entire with me” Aphr. 200, 1; **كُلِّ مَبِي** “a tree, which is all life” Ov. 399, 22; **كُلِّ مَبِي** “but they all answered” Sim. 321 mid., and many such. Also before relative-clauses **كُلِّ مَبِي** “*omnia, quae dixit*” Joseph 256 *paen.* [Ov. 328, 7]; **كُلِّ مَبِي** “in all things which are worthy of God” Ov. 173, 18 &c.

Notice, besides, the adverbial phrases: **كُلِّ مَبِي** “entirely”, which appears often; **كُلِّ مَبِي** (“completely so”) “very much so”, “to that

extent", for which on stray occasions appear also **וְכֵן**, **וְכֵן**, **וְכֵן**. So also **כֹּל** with relative-clause following: **כֹּל מַעֲשֵׂיהֶם וְיָדָעוּ** "in all that they did, they distinguished themselves by faith" Aphr. 20, 8; **וְכֵן** **כֹּל** **וְיָדָעוּ** "and speedily they carried out his wish in all that he commanded" Sim. 344, 22.

Cf. farther §§ 205 A; 347; 349; 358 B; 360 B.

F. **מִכֵּן**.

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§ 219. **מִכֵּן** "something" is very often employed as a substantive; also in distributive repetition **מִכֵּן מִכֵּן** "all sorts of things". Thus it may even stand in the Genitive: **כֹּל מִכֵּן** "everything"—frequently; **מִכֵּן מִכֵּן** "fear of any thing" Jul. 39, 9; **מִכֵּן מִכֵּן** "in greed for all manner of things" Aphr. 289, 17; **מִכֵּן מִכֵּן** "on any pretext whatever" Aphr. 292, 2; or it may be followed by a genitive with **?**: **מִכֵּן מִכֵּן** "something eatable" Ov. 221, 9. It has often an attributive adjective along with it: **מִכֵּן רָע** "something evil"; **מִכֵּן יָתֵר** "something more" Spic. 2, 20. Sometimes the adjective has the ending *ā*, and it is a matter of uncertainty whether it is then the Abs. St. f. (according to § 201) or the Emph. St. m.: **מִכֵּן יָתֵר** Ov. 210 *ult.* = 214, 21; **מִכֵּן גָּדוֹל** "something great" Moes. II, 104, v. 428; 156 v. 1241. But the relative construction is more usual in that case **מִכֵּן וְשֵׁם** &c.

Not seldom **מִכֵּן** stands in apposition to a substantive, and with the meaning "any one or thing whatever", or qualified by the negation "no, none": **מִכֵּן לֹא יֵשֶׁב** "in which lies no advantage" Aphr. 230, 6; **מִכֵּן לֹא יִשְׁמַע** "no pollution whatever approaches their mind" Aphr. 428, 4; **מִכֵּן קָטָן** "a little" often; **מִכֵּן מִכֵּן** "a certain enmity" Jos. St. 45, 5;— **מִכֵּן יְדַע** "that he demand a gift" Jos. St. 78, 10; **מִכֵּן וְלֹא חָתָם** "many a thing that was not written" Aphr. 343, 17; **מִכֵּן וְלֹא יָדָע** *τι σημεῖον ἰδεῖν* Luke 23, 8; **מִכֵּן וְלֹא חָתָם** "a word" Matt. 27, 12 (there S. *מִכֵּן*); Luke 23, 9; **מִכֵּן וְלֹא חָתָם** "that they had a vision of some sort" Isaac II, 218 v. 318; **מִכֵּן אַנְשֵׁי** "several men" Ephr. I, 549 F; **מִכֵּן וְלֹא חָתָם** "among some dead bodies which . . ." Ephr. I, 161 E &c.

contradiction" Ov. 60, 15; **ܘܝܗܘ ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "who guides and rules herself" Ephr. II, 451 B; **ܘܝܗܘ ܘܢܗܘܐ** parallel with **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** Ov. 59, 4; **ܘܝܗܘ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "is at variance with himself" Ov. 45, 6 &c. **ܘܝܗܘ** and **ܘܢܗܘܐ** stand also in apposition with the Subject, e. g. **ܘܝܗܘ ܘܢܗܘܐ**, **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "he himself", "they themselves"; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "they themselves" Jul. 30, 3. **ܘܢܗܘܐ** is sometimes much the same as "quite", "at all", "altogether": **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** *μη ὁμόσαι ἔλωσ* Matt. 5, 34 C. S. (P. **ܘܢܗܘܐ**); **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** *ἐν ἁμαρτίαις σὺ ἐγεννήθης ἔλωσ* John 9, 34 S. (P. **ܘܢܗܘܐ**); **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "Fate has no existence at all" Spic. 9, 9; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "who do not at all approach women" Spic. 8, 1. Cf. farther **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** *ܘܢܗܘܐ* "what sort of house had they at all?" Aphr. 352, 16.

Pleonastic
 ܘ with
 Pronominal
 Suffixes.

§ 224. The preposition ܘ with reflexive personal pronoun often stands alongside of a verb, without essentially modifying its meaning (*Dativus ethicus*); **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "he went away" Acts 12, 19; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** *ἀνάσθη* Acts 10, 26; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "she ran" Ov. 161, 15, and thus very frequently with verbs of motion; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "they are dead" Matt. 2, 20; Ov. 170, 8; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** *μαίνη* Acts 12, 15; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** *ἐμ-προσθέν μου γέγονε* John 1, 15 and 30; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "there were many Gods" Aphr. 121, 1, and thus frequently with **ܘܢܗܘܐ** and **ܘܢܗܘܐ**; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "servitude was foretold for his seed" Aphr. 27, 10, and thus in Aphr. often directly used with passive verbs &c.

Reflexive
 Pronominal
 Suffix
 with the
 Genitive.

§ 224*. The mode of placing a reflex Possessive-Suffix in Genitive connections is peculiar, as in the frequently occurring **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "St. Simon Styhtes" ("St. Simon of his pillar"), for which also often stands **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** ("of the pillar"). So **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "the hot July" Ephr. III, 593 F; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "the renowned", pl. **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** Ov. 160, 4, 9; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** *ὁ δαιμονιζόμενος* Mark 5, 15, 16, 18; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "she that had the issue of blood" Ephr. III, 554 E; **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "the shaggy barbarians" John Eph. 117, 13 (cf. 398, 16) and many similar instances (cf. § 205 A).

§ 225. A. The *Separate Possessive-Pronouns* with ܘ stand both ܘ as substantives and adjectives. **ܘܢܗܘܐ ܘܢܗܘܐ** "let us give to time

the (said) Pērōz” Jos. St. 11, 9; **ܡܢ ܩܕܡܝܗܘܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “before the court of the (fore-mentioned) Temple” Sim. 271 mid.; **ܦܝܢ ܝܕܝܗܘܢ ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ** “in the hands of this man” Ov. 160, 14 &c. For the most part a special emphasis, or at least a reference to something already mentioned, lies in this prolix construction. Compare farther **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ** “the good is man’s own” Spic. 6, 11.

B. Farther **ܕ** also occurs frequently after prepositions with the suffix, to add emphasis to the latter: **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** *ἐμοί* Matt. 25, 40 in Aphr. 381, 2 (in P. merely **ܕܥܡܘܢܐ**); **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “from me” Jos. St. 3, 14; **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “at his house” Ov. 208, 19; **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “to him” often; **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “without us” Aphr. 172, 7 &c. We have even **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “to us he gave” Aphr. 181, 5. Farther it occurs with substantives: **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “under the (fore-mentioned) altar” Sim. 272, 9; **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “with the saint” Sim. 274, 13; **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “before this Mōpet” Mart. I, 181 *inf.*, &c.

Just as **ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** is construed with **ܕ** (§ 209 B), so is it also with **ܕܥܡܘܢܐ**: **ܕܥܡܘܢܐ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** or **ܕܥܡܘܢܐ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** *μεριμνήσει τὰ ἑαυτῆς* Matt. 6, 34; **ܕܥܡܘܢܐ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** *ἐπιμελήθητι αὐτοῦ* Luke 10, 35; . . . **ܕܥܡܘܢܐ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “he was concerned for those, who . . .” Sim. 333 mid.; **ܕܥܡܘܢܐ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “thou didst care for me” Jos. St. 3, 10 &c.

DEMONSTRATIVE PRONOUNS.

§ 226. All the Demonstratives are used both as Substantives and as Adjectives. In the latter case they stand sometimes before, sometimes after, the substantive: **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** or **ܕܥܡܘܢܐ ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ** “this king”; **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** and **ܕܥܡܘܢܐ ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ** “that country”; **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “this counsel of ours” Aphr. 293, 2; **ܕܗܘܝܠܐܢ ܕܥܡܘܢܐ** “these our words” Aphr. 299, 2 &c. The majority of the ancient authors (like Aphr.) usually put the demonstrative first; others, however, prefer to place it after the substantive; but there is no consistent practice. ⁽¹⁾

Demonstrative Pronouns. Adjective- and Substantive-use.

(1) With the Edessan Joshua St. the method of putting the demonstrative second preponderates; with Rabbīlā’s biographer, on the contrary,—also an Edessan of a date not much earlier,—the prior position prevails.

Personal Pronoun of 3rd pers. placed with demonstrative effect before Substantives and before other Demonstratives.

§ 227. The Personal Pronoun of the 3rd person, which is always substantive, serves often to give greater prominence to a substantive by being placed before it: *e. g.* **هَؤُلَاءِ هِيَ الْحَاكِمَةُ** “thus it,—the law—was the guardian” Aphr. 26, 5; **هُوَ هَذَا** “again he,—Jeremias—said” Aphr. 34, 1; **هَذَا هُوَ مَا كَانَ يَتَغَذَّى بِهِ** “while even his nourishment itself was a complete fast” Ov. 182, 5 &c. Also before farther demonstratives: **هَذَا هُوَ الَّذِي** *ἦν δὲ σάββατον ἐν ἐκείνῃ τῇ ἡμέρᾳ* John 5, 9; **هَذَا هُوَ الَّذِي** “and when this evildoer saw him” Sim. 331, 3 (*Cod. Lond.*, without **هَذَا**);—**هَذِهِ هِيَ** “but when these blessed ones went away” Sim. 332, mid. (*Cod. Lond.*, otherwise); **هَذَا هُوَ** “this benediction” Aphr. 465, 13 &c. This pronoun may even stand here as Object: **هَذَا هُوَ الَّذِي** *οὐχὶ καὶ οἱ τελῶναι τὸ αὐτὸ ποιοῦσιν*; Matt. 5, 46 sq. (C. S. quite different); **هَذَا هُوَ** “the Church holds fast to this number” ZDMG XXXI, 377 *ult.* (Jac. Sar.); **هَذَا هُوَ** “informed him of this” Sim. 311 mid.; **هَذَا هُوَ** “David also has said this” Ov. 123, 19; **هَذَا هُوَ** “to do this” Jos. St. 3, 22; **هَذَا هُوَ** . . . **عَلَّمَ** “but when he learned this (*haec*)” Sim. 312, 1 &c. Compare in addition **هَذَا هُوَ** “it, the truth, makes itself known to thee” Ov. 163, 16.

Weakening of the demonstrative force.

§ 228. The distinction between the nearer and the more remote is observed with greater strictness in the sing. than in the pl. This is shown by **هَذَا هُوَ** being very often employed as correlative: **هَذَا هُوَ** “those, who”, exactly like **هَذَا هُوَ** “he, who”, **هَذِهِ هِيَ** “she who”, while **هَذَا هُوَ**, **هَذِهِ هِيَ** mean “this one (m.), who”, “this one (f.), who”, and only on very rare occasions does the sing. demonstr. pron. appear as a mere antecedent (as in **هَذَا هُوَ** *الْمَوْطِنُ الَّذِي* “the chief Mōpet Adharphar, who . . .” Mart. I, 134 *ult.*, cf. I, 234, 3; Simeon of Bēth Arshām (Guidi) 7, 13; 1, 3 = Land III, 235, 15. So Jul. 4, 4; Euseb. Ch. Hist. 274, 8. **هَذَا هُوَ**, **هَذِهِ هِيَ** do not occur so often as **هَذَا هُوَ**.—In other respects also **هَذَا هُوَ** shares with **هَذَا هُوَ** &c., the tendency to weaken its demonstrative signification. Compare the cases **هَذَا هُوَ**, **هَذَا هُوَ** cited above (§ 224*); farther **هَذَا هُوَ** “yours” Mart. I, 182, 8; **هَذَا هُوَ** “to the first” Sim. 340 mid.; **هَذَا هُوَ** “but the adherents of Illus” Jos.

St. 14, 1, like **بِأَسْرِهِمْ** “the prisoners” Moes. II, 69, 26 &c.; whereas **بِأَمْرِ الْكُفْرَانِ** Ov. 314, 17 is “this affair of the cup”. It is apparent that **أَمْرٌ**, **أَمْرًا**, **أَمْرًا**, **أَمْرًا** and **أَمْرًا** are gradually approximating to the meaning of the definite article, for which in fact they are directly used by certain translators from the Greek.

§ 229. In rhetorical antithesis “this—that” (= “the one”—“the other”) we find **أَمْرًا—أَمْرًا** Ov. 119 *ult.*; Jul. 223, 24 *sq.*; Moes. II, 100 v. 371; **أَمْرًا—أَمْرًا** *ibid.* v. 383, like **أَمْرًا** Ov. 119, 14; **أَمْرًا** Moes. II, 84 v. 117; **أَمْرًا** Aphr. 450, 16 &c. “This”—
“That”.

§ 230. “The very same” is expressed by repetition of the Personal Pronoun with **بِ** interposed, which here has still the meaning “as”: **بِأَمْرًا** “one and the same nature is there” Ov. 80, 4; **بِأَمْرًا** “she is the same” Moes. II, 90 v. 237; Ov. 67, 7; **بِأَمْرًا** “they are the same” Mart. I, 11, 9; **بِأَمْرًا** “God, who is (always) the same” Moes. II, 106, v. 482; **بِأَمْرًا** “to this very companion of his” Sim. 370, 4 (*Cod. Lond.*); **بِأَمْرًا** “in that very chariot” Sim. 301, 11 (*Cod. Lond.* merely **بِأَمْرًا**); **بِأَمْرًا** “belonging to the same” frequently, &c. With additional emphasis we have **بِأَمْرًا** “it is exactly the same people” Ephr. (Lamy) I, 467, 11. “The very
same”.

INTERROGATIVE PRONOUNS.

§ 231. **مَنْ**, **مَنْ** (= **مَنْ**) “who?”; **مَا**, **مَا**, **مَا** “what?” have a substantive character. Yet sometimes we have **مَا** &c. placed beside a substantive, and signifying “what sort of?”: **مَا** = **مَا** “what sort of advantage?”; “what profit?” Eccl. 1, 3; **مَا** “what kind of penalty?” Aphr. 261, 6; **مَا** “what sort of good now?” Aphr. 468, 16; **مَا** “what kind of distinctions exist?” Assemani I, 449 (Isaac Ninivita) &c. Such a use of **مَا** is quite exceptional, as in **مَا** “to what rich man would it be easy?” Jac. Sar. in Zingerle’s Chrest. 374. Interro-
gative
Pronoun.
Substantive- and
Adjective-
use.

§ 232. A. The simple **مَا** is considerably circumscribed in use, “What?” through the forms which have *n*. It stands (1) in short questions like **مَا** &c. “how stands it with him, with thee?” &c. “What?”

(properly: “what is the news of him?” &c.) Ruth 2, 5; 3, 10; Ephr. II, 505 D; Mart. I, 112, 2 &c.; **مَلَّ جِصَّ** “what aileth thee, that . . . ?” Gen. 21, 17; **جَ مَلَّ جَ** *τί πρὸς ἡμᾶς*; “what is that to us?” Matt. 27, 4: similarly (2) as a Correlative, **مَلَّ** “that, which”; also in the meaning “when” “if” (§ 258, &c.): (3) As an adverb, — like **مَلَّ جِصَّ** *τί στενή ἡ πύλη*; Matt. 7, 14; **مَلَّ يَرْسَبْ** *مَلَّجْتَم* “how noble are thy words!” Ov. 155, 22 (Var. *مَلَّ*); **مَلَّ مَلَّ** *مَلَّجَه* “how foolish his book is!” Ephr. II, 456 D &c.: (4) In compounds like **مَلَّ** “how much?”; **مَلَّ** “why?” (also **مَلَّ**, frequently **مَلَّ**) and, like **مَلَّ**, “if haply”, “perhaps”, “lest perchance” (§ 373) and several like compounds.

B. **مَلَّ** too is used adverbially in various ways, *e. g.* **مَلَّ مَلَّ** *مَلَّ مَلَّ* “how then would man be different . . . ?” Spic. 3, 7; **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “why should it be necessary, that . . . ?” Aphr. 350 *ult.*; cf. Ov. 67, 12; **مَلَّ مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “why standest thou?” Moes. II, 70, 10; **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* *πῶς ἔχρουσι* Acts 15, 36; **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “for in what way did the blessing help?” Aphr. 347, 11, for which 346, 19 gives **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ*, like **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “why is thy face without shame?” Aphr. 318, 9; **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “why, said he, do you appear in this sordid dress?” Jul. 42, 12.

§ 233. **مَلَّ** signifies “who?” like **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “who will maintain” Jul. 15 *ult.*; **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “whose books are these?” Sim. 269 *inf.*; **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “for who counts up?” Sim. 368 *inf.* &c.

But the **مَلَّ**, which is involved in **مَلَّ**, may also serve as copula: then **مَلَّ** is “who is?” *e. g.* Jul. 43, 5; 56, 2 &c.

§ 234. A. **مَلَّ**, **مَلَّ**, **مَلَّ** may be used substantively, *e. g.* **مَلَّ** (= **مَلَّ**) “who is?” often (amongst others Ephr. III, 359 A) exactly = **مَلَّ** (but differently in **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “which (mouth) then is the mouth, which . . . ?” Ephr. III, 593 D); **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “who may be just, who violent, who sinful” Ephr. III, 310 F; **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* *τίσι δὲ προσώχθισε . . .*; “with whom had he vexation?” Hebr. 3, 17.

More frequently however the word is used adjectively, *v.* § 202 E; see, as farther examples, **مَلَّ** *مَلَّ* “which religion is true?”

Mart. I, 182, 6; **إِنَّمَا كَتَبَ بِهِنَّ** “which writers?” Sim. 368 mid.; **إِنَّمَا فَمِنْ** “for, what mouth?” *ibid.*;— **إِنَّمَا كَتَبَ بِهِنَّ** “of what commandments then?” Aphr. 318, 11 &c. The separation of the interrogative from the substantive is more marked in **إِنَّمَا كَتَبَ بِهِنَّ** “and from what convent art thou?” Land II, 141 *paen.*; **إِنَّمَا كَتَبَ بِهِنَّ** “of what seed art thou?” Apost. Apocr. 198, 1; **إِنَّمَا كَتَبَ بِهِنَّ** *ὁλου πνεύματος ἔστε ὑμῖς* Luke 9, 55; **إِنَّمَا كَتَبَ بِهِنَّ** “what cause produced the laws?” Ephr. II, 453 E.

B. All the Interrogative Pronouns may be employed as Correlatives also (§ 236 A).

THE RELATIVE PRONOUN.

§ 235. The general Relative **مَنْ** betokens of itself the attributive relative-clause: **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “the king, who” (“whom” &c., according to the internal construction of the relative-clause, v. § 341 *sqq.*),—and so also **مَنْ** “he, who” or “one, who”; **مَنْ** “*est, qui*”, “*sunt, qui*” often; **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “for He who is almighty is one only” Spic. 9, 22; **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “he who has exerted himself, is glad” Aphr. 114, 15; **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “and those who so wish” Aphr. 496, 12; **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “him, who honours her” Aphr. 497, 3; **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “to do what is good” Spic. 5, 1;— **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “what his ears have not heard, he sees” Aphr. 281, 5; **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “from that which is evil” Aphr. 497, 2; **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “*super ea (talía), quae praestant*” Ov. 179, 6 &c. In particular this shorthand mode of expression is a favourite one with Aphraates.

§ 236. A. Very often, however, in cases where there is no substantive antecedent, a Correlative takes its place. Thus with demonstratives, **مَنْ كَتَبَ**, **مَنْ كَتَبَ**, **مَنْ كَتَبَ**; with interrogatives **مَنْ كَتَبَ**; **مَنْ كَتَبَ**; **مَنْ كَتَبَ**; and **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “that which”. So for instance **مَنْ كَتَبَ** and **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “he who” interchange without any difference in meaning: Spic. 5, 1, 2, and frequently. But indeed these words are often heaped together before **مَنْ**. Thus for example, **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “he who”; “one who” Aphr. 138, 2; Spic. 3, 6, 11 &c., for which in Spic. 4, 7, appears even **مَنْ كَتَبَ** “he who” = “one who” (universal statement)—**مَنْ كَتَبَ** “he who” (de-

The Relative Pronoun. By itself.

With Correlative.

finite) Spic. 12, 19; (general) Spic. 2, 2 &c. Plur. ? **أُولَئِكَ** “those who” Aphr. 132, 15; 136, 19, 22 &c.; Ov. 78, 5 (*ea, quae* f.); rarely ? **أُولَئِكَ** “those who” Ov. 200, 14. Apart from gender and number no decided difference in the use of these expressions of the Relative is visible, seeing that different forms are frequently found in juxtaposition, with like meaning. For the expression **بِحَيْلِهِ** cited above, one might also say **بِحَيْلِهِ**; similarly with the Pl.—Thus too ? **أُولَئِكَ** *e. g.* Ephr. in Zingerle’s Chrest. 327 v. 177 (var. ? **أُولَئِكَ**).

B. The Demonstratives and **أُولَئِكَ**, followed by ?, also appear often alongside of substantives, *e. g.* **بِإِلْمِ الْوَالِدِ** “by means of his knowledge, which is unerring” Jos. St. 6, 9; ? **رَبِّهَا وَمَنْجِبَتِهَا** “the chiefs and leaders, who” Spic. 12, 2; ? **لِرَبِّهِمْ كُلِّهِمْ** “to all the male children, who” Spic. 16, 23; ? **بِنَيْبِهَا** “the convents, which” Sim. 277 *ad inf.*; ? **لِحَسَنَاتِهَا** “the good, which” Spic. 4, 5; **مِنْ دَرَجَاتِهَا** “the chastisements, which” Jos. St. 2, 6; ? **أُولَئِكَ** “the stars, which” Spic. 14, 14 &c. Cf. farther ? **أُولَئِكَ** “from another one, who” Spic. 19, 9. The Correlative is conveniently introduced when the substantive is more distant from the relative, as, for instance in ? **أُولَئِكَ** “especially for the poor, afflicted ones, he showed great zeal,—those who” Ov. 203, 25; ? **أُولَئِكَ** “the writings . . . which” Jos. St. 1, 1 &c.

C. For the pure Neuter there comes in very often ? **مِنْهَا** “something which”, “that which”, *e. g.* **مِنْهَا** “something which would be foreign to God” Ov. 176, 5. Instead of this, there appears also ? **أُولَئِكَ**, *e. g.* 1 Cor. 15, 37 (Aphr. 155, 8); Spic. 10 *ult.*; thus too ? **أُولَئِكَ** Ov. 121, 20. **أُولَئِكَ** and **أُولَئِكَ** may also come before ? **مِنْهَا**: **مِنْهَا** “hear this, which I write to thee” Aphr. 79, 14;— ? **أُولَئِكَ** “has pleasure in that, which” Spic. 1, 7; **أُولَئِكَ** “*haec, quae scripsi tibi*” Aphr. 200, 12; **أُولَئِكَ** “*ea, quae decent*” Aphr. 116, 11.

D. The variety of expression becomes still greater here from the possibility of adding, in many cases, a **كُلِّ**. Cf. *e. g.* ? **كُلِّ** “every one,

“who” Ov. 164, 11; **كُلُّا يَلِيح** “all those, who” Aprh. 133, 17; **كُلِّحَم**
بِي اَوَّلِح اِلِح بِمِصَانُ “omnia vero, quae prosunt” Ov. 78, 5 &c.

H. NUMERALS.

§ 237. The numeral stands, by way of apposition, either before or after that which is numbered. Thus the variants in Aprh. 467, 1 **اَضْبِدِحِمِي مِلْحَتِي** and **مِلْحَتِي اَضْبِدِحِمِي** “18 kings” are equally correct grammatically; and thus **كُلُّا عَتِي** Jul. 220, 23; 223, 4; 244, 24; **كَيْلَا قَيْلَا** Jul. 247, 2, 22; 248, 3; and **كَيْلَا قَيْلَا** Jul. 222, 5; 223, 6 are interchangeable expressions for “100 years”. Placing the numeral first is the more usual practice. The numbered object takes either the Abs. or the Emph. State, as these examples also indicate. For farther instances v. § 202 D. Except with **تَب**, **سَب** the noun is always in the plural. Notice however **چَهِي سَب يَهْصَا** Aprh. 56, 21; 57, 1; **چَهِي سَب يَهْصَا** Sim. 272 *ult.*, “twenty-one days”, where **تَب** calls forth the sing.; but of course the plural is retained when the numbered object comes first: **سَب قَتِي اُوْجِي سَب** Aprh. 466, 17.

The pl. of **اَلِق** sometimes governs a Genitive with **ي**: **عَلَا اَلِقِي** “six thousands of years” = “6000 years” Aprh. 36, 20, and frequently thus with **قَيْلَا**; **قَيْلَا اَلِقِي اُوْجِي** “2000 men” Edessan Chron. ed. Hallier 146, 6 (Doc. of 201). In the same fashion **قَهِي اُوْجِي** “20 myriads of Christians” Jul. 83, 8.

Between the numeral and the numbered object a short word may intervene: thus frequently in the O. T. and elsewhere the word **اَو**, in the phrase “*filius n erat annorum*”, e. g. **چِي كَلَا اَو قَتِي** “he was a hundred years old” Aprh. 235, 18; farther **اَو چَهِي چِي قَتِي حِيچِلَا** “twenty years have I been in thy house” Gen. 31, 41; **اُوْجِي اُوْجِي اَلِق** “it is 400 shekels” Gen. 23, 15; **كُلُّا سَب يَهْصَا** “for they were one people” Aprh. 207, 22 &c. A particle comes into the midst of the statement of number itself in **اُوْجِي اُوْجِي سَب يَهْصَا قَتِي** “it is 395 years” (or lit. “three hundred there are and ninety and five years”) Aprh. 399 *ult.* Rarely is the numbered object left to be understood, as in **اُوْجِي اُوْجِي اُوْجِي** “at the completion of his nine” = “when he was nine years old” Jesussabran (Chabot) 509 *ult.*

§ 241. The Cardinal numbers in the feminine, even without an accompanying **آحلا**, **آحلا**, **آحلا**, denote the numeral adverbs of time: **سبأ** “once”; **سبأ** “twice”. Thus **سبأ سبأ** “once or twice” Mart. I, 135, 9, and often; although **سبأ سبأ سبأ** “for the first, second, and third time” appears. So too **سبأ سبأ** “again and again” Land II, 356, 7. “For the *n*th time” may be signified also by means of **؟** (§ 209 B): **سبأ** Aphr. 19, 16: 31, 15. The *time within which* something regularly recurs, is expressed by means of **د**: **سبأ لآوچ قتب** “once in the four years” Jos. St. 26, 8; **سبأ حمدل بققب** “once in the seven days”, or “every seven days” Spic. 19, 19; cf. **سبأ حقب** *σπανως* (literally, “one in ten thousand [times]”) Lagarde Anal. 145, 14; **سبأ حقب** *ἐκ διαλειμμάτων* (“once in a long time”, “at long intervals”) Sachau, Ined. 90 *ult.*; **سبأ حقب** “sometimes” Joh. van Tella (Kleyn) 23, 16 (var. **حعب** merely): 61, 2, and frequently.⁽¹⁾ Instead of this (*i. e.* **د** to express recurrence) we have **د** similarly used in **سبأ حعب** “once a-year” Ephr. I, 223 E.

Multiplicity is expressed by means of **تب** set before the number concerned, with or without **د**: **تب چلآ** “double” Ex. 22, 3, (6 **تب آؤب**); **تب چعب** *ἐκατονταπλασίονα* Matt. 19, 29; Mark 10, 30; Luke 8, 8; **تب چعب** “tenfold” Jul. 115 *ult.*; **تب چعب** *μυριοπλασίως ἡλίου* Sir. 23, 19; **تب چعب** *τριπλασίως* Sir. 43, 4; **تب چعب** “twice as much as that which” Ex. 16, 5 &c. Thus, often **تب چعب** “how much more”.

Rem. In Ephr. II, 227 C, **تب آؤب** stands for “for the 2nd time”.

Manifoldness may also be expressly denoted by means of **حعب** (**حعب**) “doubling”: **تب چعب . . . تب چعب** “was ten times greater” Sim. 373 mid. Cf. *ibid.* 301 mid.; 325 mid.

§ 242. The method most in favour, at least in the older writings, of expressing the *reciprocal relation* is by means of a doubled **تب** **بصق** “One another” **تب بصق** *μισήσουσιν ἀλλήλους* Matt. 24, 10; cf. Matt. 25, 32; Mark 1, 27 &c.;

(1) For the more ancient period however, the expression is hardly ever found, except in translations from the Greek. Generally speaking we are obliged for obvious reasons to have recourse to translations, oftener than is desirable, in dealing with these numerical expressions.

ܬܒ ܫܘܒܐ ܬܒ “one behind the other” Aphr. 507 *ult.* and frequently:
 ܕܘܚܕܐ ܕܘܚܕܐ ܐܢܘܢ ܬܒ ܫܘܒܐ “they are opposed to one another” Spic. 12, 3;
 ܕܘܚܕܐ ܕܘܚܕܐ ܐܢܘܢ ܕܘܚܕܐ “through mutual intermixture” Spic. 4, 23; ܘܘܚܕܐ
 ܘܘܚܕܐ “and let not one calumniate the other” Sim. 396 *mid.* &c.
 Cf. §§ 319; 351. Or else the words are run together into the single word
 ܕܘܚܕܐ ܕܘܚܕܐ, as if the foregoing expressions might be read ܕܘܚܕܐ ܕܘܚܕܐ
 ܕܘܚܕܐ &c. Thus we find ܕܘܚܕܐ ܕܘܚܕܐ Luke 4, 36 P., where S. has ܬܒ ܫܘܒܐ
 like Luke 2, 15 P., and thus too ܕܘܚܕܐ ܕܘܚܕܐ often with prepositions; farther compare
 ܕܘܚܕܐ ܕܘܚܕܐ “they reside in the neighbourhood of one another” or “they are neighbours” Moes. II, 84 v. 115; ܕܘܚܕܐ
 ܕܘܚܕܐ “if there is honour, it is ours, and if there is disgrace, it again is on both sides” Ov. 151, 17 &c. Notice ܘܘܚܕܐ ܘܘܚܕܐ
 ܘܘܚܕܐ “and their strokes differ from one another” Sim. 296
mid., and ܘܘܚܕܐ ܘܘܚܕܐ “their odours are different from each other” Sim. 382, 8; ܘܘܚܕܐ
 ܘܘܚܕܐ “as on a common footing” Philox. 154, 7, where the genitive relation is expressly denoted.

Rem. The somewhat childlike method too of denoting the second member, even when both are impersonal, by ܘܘܚܕܐ, f. ܘܘܚܕܐ “fellow, mate (m. and f.)” has been greatly in use in Syriac even from ancient times, *e. g.* ܘܘܚܕܐ ܘܘܚܕܐ “one step is higher than the other” Aphr. 434, 17; ܘܘܚܕܐ ܘܘܚܕܐ “from one place to the other” John 5, 13 C. S.; Land II, 349, 2 &c.—Or the word itself is repeated: ܘܘܚܕܐ ܘܘܚܕܐ “one reward is higher than another” Aphr. 434, 17 &c.

J. ADVERBIAL EXPRESSION.

§ 243. Some few Nouns of Place serve, just as they stand, for adverbs of place. Thus in particular ܘܘܚܕܐ with Genitive following—“in the house of, in the place of” (completely to be distinguished from the like-sounding word which means “between” § 251), *e. g.* ܘܘܚܕܐ ܘܘܚܕܐ *ἐπι τὸ τελώνιον* “at the receipt of custom” (E. v.) Matt. 9, 9; ܘܘܚܕܐ P. S. or ܘܘܚܕܐ C. *ἐν τοῖς τοῦ πατρὸς μου* Luke 2, 49; ܘܘܚܕܐ *ἐν Βηθλεέμ* Matt. 2, 1 C. S. (P. ܘܘܚܕܐ); 2, 16 C. S. (P. otherwise); ܘܘܚܕܐ ܘܘܚܕܐ “in the sanctuary of the noble martyrs” Ov. 163, 25; ܘܘܚܕܐ “in the country

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of the Samaritans" Jul. 100 *ult.* &c. Also "into the place of": **إِزْمِيه** "threw him into prison" Jul. 129, 7 &c. Farther **إِهْمِيه** "at his head" 1 Sam. 26, 7; ZDMG XXV, 342, 453 and frequently (also **ع** John 20, 12)—**فَرِحِه** "in the midst of heaven" Spic. 13, 24 (15, 18 **ع**, and in this way **صَرِحِه** and **حَصَرِحِه** are frequently interchanged)—**إِيْزِيْ** "in the place where" (§ 359) and several others.

Much more frequently there occurs an analogous use of Nouns of Time: **عِيْ** *ὑπὸ τὸν ἑσπέρου* Acts 5, 21; **عِيْ** "at midnight" Jos. St. 28, 19; **كَلْسَم** "every day" often; **عِيْ** "at sunset" Matt. 8, 16 C.; Mark 1, 32 S.; Ov. 168, 1; **عِيْ** "at the beginning of the fast" Sim. 282 mid. (*Cod. Lond.* otherwise; cf. **ع** 2 Kings 11, 5, 9); **عِيْ** "many times" Ov. 167, 24 and frequently (and similar cases); **عِيْ** "during the day time always" Ov. 183, 8; **عِيْ** "by night and by day" (§ 146) Sim. 372 *inf.* and often; "throughout both night and day" Ephr. I, 14 C; III, 253 C and frequently; **عِيْ** "throughout both night and day" Sim. 275, 3 (not in the *Lond. Cod.*); **عِيْ** "for a definite time" Ov. 167, 15; **عِيْ** "for a long time" Ephr. II, 127 A; III, 423 B; **عِيْ** "a very long time" Spic. 22, 5; **عِيْ** "for long years" Sim. 390, 8 (*Lond. Cod.* different); **عِيْ** "but after he had been at this work for one or two years" Sim. 279 mid. (wanting in *Lond. Cod.*); **عِيْ** "during the whole fast" Sim. 282 mid., and many like instances. Compare besides **عِيْ** "for forty days" Ov. 186, 1; **عِيْ** *βραχύ τι* "for a short time" Acts 5, 34.

So too with other expressions of Measure of various kinds: **عِيْ** "they rejoiced the whole way" Joseph 192, 11, cf. 214, 5 [Ov. 294, 6; 305, 16]; **عِيْ** "the stone runs a long distance" Moes. II, 88 v. 197; **عِيْ** "which was four miles distant from the enclosure of the blessed one" Sim. 391 *inf.* (*Cod. Lond.* **ع**) and similar cases. So too **عِيْ** "in large quantity", "very", "very much", *e. g.* **عِيْ** "hurts thee much" Ov. 87, 21; **عِيْ** "who are very sinful" Ov. 102, 22 &c. In the very same way are used the adjectives **عِيْ** "much", "very"; **عِيْ** "little"; **عِيْ** "little", "less" (*e. g.* **عِيْ**).

حزب^{١٣} *“thirteen years less forty days”* John Eph. 320, 21; حزب^{١٣} *“with very little exception”, “nearly”* often); *أكثر* *“more”* &c. An expression of measure is also implied in *خرج لي* *“he went out for a night’s watch”, i. e. “he kept a vigil”* v. Ov. 167, 25; Wright Cat. 664*b*, 18 and frequently.

In fact even the *Object*, when it is not formally indicated, might be brought under this category (*i. e.* of adverbial expressions), *e. g.* in *سجد جازا* *“he dug a well”,* and, in like manner, cases like *خرج أومل* *“he went into the wind(?)” i. e. “he sought to excuse himself”.* Farther, to this section belongs the construction of words like *غول* *“worth”,* *تلع* *“guilty”,* and several others, used with a Noun: *غول* (read thus) *وفدلا* *“which is worth an obolus”* Spic. 15, 23; *تلع* *يملا* *“deserving of death”* frequently; *سجد* *لأ* *سجد* *لأ* *“for, one good thing I am lacking in”* Jesussabran (Chabot) 568, 5 &c.

Adjectives
as Adverbs
of Quality.

§ 244. Adverbs of Quality of the following kind occur, but they are not numerous: *جندلا* *بأجده* *“they went naked”* Job 24, 10; *جندلا* *بعدمه* *“they leave thee (f.) naked”* Ezek. 16, 39; . . . *بجند* *عقلا* *“he shall lead away the captives . . . young and old . . . naked and barefooted”* Is. 20, 4 &c. In cases like *تب* *بمعيب* *إلج* *“but one had been born paralytic”* Sim. 291, 11; *وهج* *ببوس* *م* *منا* *“and he came up glorious out of the midst of the water”* Ov. 360, 7 = Jac. Sar., Constantin v. 656 there is an actual adjective, for in the pl. it would be *إلج* &c.; v. § 216. But usually there is a special clause, with *ب* *“while”,* for such indications of condition; thus *Lond. Cod.* has in that passage *بمعيب* *وهج*.

Adverbs
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§ 245. An adverb belonging specially to an adjective or another adverb may stand either before or after it: *ببوس* *وهج* *إلج* *δρος ύψηλόν λίαν* Matt. 4, 8; *وهج* *بأقسه* *“very strong”* Sim. 269 mid. (*Cod. Lond.* without *وهج*); *وهج* *بأقسه* *“which was much polished”* Sim. 271, 8; *بأقسه* *بأقسه* *“more bright” = “brighter”* Ov. 150, 18, for which there is a variant (Roman edition) *بأقسه* *بأقسه*.

K. PREPOSITIONS.

Separation
of the Pre-
position
from its
Regimen.

§ 246. The relation of Prepositions to what is governed by them is, in Syriac, as in Semitic speech generally, that of the Constr. St. to the Genitive. In both cases the governed word must immediately follow the governing; although in both cases short words may, by way of exception, come between (§ 208 A). Thus **ܫܦܥ ܩܝ ܦܝ ܡܪܩܝܬ** “but instead of Kosbi” Ephr. Nis. p. 71 v. 65; **ܟܠܗܝܢ ܟܗܡܗܝܢ** “for without the First-born” Ephr. II, 411 E; **ܕܐܠ ܗܝܡ ܦܝܗܘܢ ܐܝܢܝܢ** “on the palms of my hands, as the saying goes” Ephr. II, 267 B; **ܟܗܘܢ ܦܝܢ ܗܘܝܢ** “for in the interval between” Ephr. II, 3 B; farther **ܡܝܘܠ ܦܝܢ ܦܝܗܘܢ ܐܝܢܝܢ** “because of the captivity of Adam, O Lord” Ephr. III, 383 E; **ܟܗܘܢ ܦܝܢ ܐܝܢܝܢ** “after my affliction, O Lord” Ephr. Nis. p. 18 v. 72 (cf. § 327). Such a separation however is impossible with **ܕ** and **ܕ**.—Compare besides, on the Construction of Prepositions, § 222, 1 *a* and *b*.

§ 247. In what follows we mean to say something about the use of the most important of the Prepositions, viz—**ܕ**, **ܕ**, **ܕ**, **ܕ**, as well as about **ܟܗܘܢ** &c. “between”.

ܕ, the Preposition of *direction towards*, employed in manifold fashion both with reference to space, and as marking the Dative, serves also to designate the Object (§ 287 *sqq.*). Cases like **ܘܗܘܐ ܐܕܡܗ ܢܦܫܗ ܗܝܘܬܗ** “and Adam became a living soul” Gen. 2, 7 are to be regarded as Hebraisms.⁽¹⁾ But we have relevant examples in **ܕܦܝܢ ܦܝܗܘܢ ܐܝܢܝܢ** “who has bought a pea [bright Indian seed] for a (instead of a) pearl” Isaac II, 12, 135, and **ܕܦܝܢ ܦܝܗܘܢ ܐܝܢܝܢ** “if one buys a slave as a good slave” Land I, 40, 5. As **ܕ** repeatedly indicates *the end*, so does it in certain cases indicate *the cause*: **ܕܦܝܢ ܦܝܗܘܢ ܐܝܢܝܢ** “is dying of hunger” Jer. 38, 9; **ܕܦܝܢ ܦܝܗܘܢ ܐܝܢܝܢ** “thou art dying of thirst” Aphr. 74, 12; **ܕܦܝܢ ܦܝܗܘܢ ܐܝܢܝܢ** “thou art dying because of thy cold, or of cold &c.” *ibid.* line 17; **ܕܦܝܢ ܦܝܗܘܢ ܐܝܢܝܢ** “thou art in distress through thy cold” *ibid.* line 15.—With considerable frequency **ܕ** serves to denote *time*:

⁽¹⁾ Notice how the Pesh. employs circumlocutions to express “to anoint (him) king [ܕܠܡܠܟܗ]” and the like.

حِبْهَمْلَا “on the 7th day” Judges 14, 17; حَشْبَلَا “at last” often; حَمْلَا “in summer” Land III, 210, 10; حَمْلَمْلَا “in process of time”, “late” Land III, 106, 25 and in other passages: also “after a long time” Ephr. I, 55 F = 152 B; حَسْبِجَمْلَا “on the second Sunday” Sim. 269 *inf.*; — حَادْجَمْلَا يَفْتَسَم “after three days”, “on the third day” in the Credo; حَبْتَمْلَا هَيَنْسَلَا تَبْ δὲ ἐτῶν δὲ πλεσιόνων Acts 24, 17; حَبْتَمْلَا هَيَنْسَلَا تَبْ هَمْجَم “they arrived a year and a month after” Sim. 351, 12 &c.

Direction in space or time is farther denoted in expressions like حَمْلَمْلَا حَمْلَمْلَا “to the north of the enclosure” Sim. 290 *mid.*; حَمْلَمْلَا حَمْلَمْلَا حَمْلَمْلَا “thirty months after his departure” Mart. I, 70 *mid.*; حَمْلَمْلَا حَمْلَمْلَا حَمْلَمْلَا “the third day after their coronation” Moes. II, 72, 5 &c. Cases like حَمْلَمْلَا حَمْلَمْلَا “in the hundred-and-first year of Abraham’s life” Aphr. 479, 4, and those of the same nature, — probably arise out of the Hebrew idiom.

With the Passive participle Δ *very often denotes the agent*, — the logical Subject (§ 279). In the connection of this preposition with certain reflexive verbs the same conception suggests itself, but in reality Δ signifies in that case a direction, or a dative relation. The common Δ حَمْلَمْلَا is properly, not “to be seen by”, but “to appear to one” (like חָרָא לְ—near it in meaning is חَمْلَمْلَا). So حَمْلَمْلَا حَمْلَمْلَا “how is the word intelligible for thee?” Aphr. 209, 4; حَمْلَمْلَا حَمْلَمْلَا “and their form is perceptible even to the blind” Jos. St. 66, 13; حَمْلَمْلَا حَمْلَمْلَا “how she liked the blood” (“how the blood tasted to her”) Simeon of Bēth Arshām 6, 5 *ab inf.*; חָרָא לְ חָרָא *ἵνα φανερωθῇ τῷ Ἰσραήλ* John 1, 31; חָרָא לְ חָרָא “may they (f.) be thus esteemed by thee” Spic. 26, 2; חָרָא לְ חָרָא “that it may not appear to thee (as if . . .)” Jos. St. 34, 18; חָרָא לְ חָרָא “let it not be put for thee in place &c.” Spic. 26, 3; חָרָא לְ חָרָא “let them be found for the truth” Philoxenus, Epistola (Guidi) fol. 29 a, 2 *mid.*; חָרָא לְ חָרָא “because that men surrender themselves prisoners to the longing for it” [*i. e.* “are made captive by their lust for it”] Spic. 46, 7; חָרָא לְ חָרָא “they fell to the share of his apostles as their catch” Aphr. 284, 2; חָרָא לְ חָרָא “I yield to thy persuasion”, “I give way to thee” Spic. 13, 6; חָרָא לְ חָרָא “they

now", *i. e.* "from Adam onward" Aphr. 496, 5; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "on the other side of him", "beyond him" Ephr. III, 136 B, and frequently: **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "on this side of him" *ibid.*; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "besides him" Jac. Sar. in Moes. I, 31 v. 296.

B. Another application of these two prepositions in combination is the favourite one of **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "by himself", "alone"; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** *κατὰ μόνους* 1 Macc. 12, 36; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "that these men eat with me,—the Egyptians by themselves, and the Hebrews by themselves" Joseph 203, 12 [Ov. 300, 6]; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "I was alone" Land III, 73, 1.

Rem. From the Jewish idiom is borrowed the favourite phrase in Ephr. **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "in and by itself".

C. The partitive use of **ܩܕܝܫܐ** is pretty extensive, cf. **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "there is no one of the good who stands therein" Aphr. 451, 2; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "while some of his disciples stood beside him" Sim. 381 mid.; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** " [a portion] of thy spirit is in us" Aphr. 488, 11;—**ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "*scribam (aliqua) ex vis, quae facta sunt*" Jos. St. 80, 1; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "the Father did not procreate one part of him, and Mary another" Assemani I, 310 *b inf.* (Jac. Sar.); **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "if thou mingle any iniquity in it" (f.) Ephr. III, 678 A; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "he became (an adherent) of the religion of the Nazarenes" Qardagh (Feige) 58, 2 (= Abbeloos 68, 11); **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "and these Canons we have followed,—some of us by constraint of necessity, some of us of free will" Statuti della Scuola di Nisibi (Guidi) 10 *ult. &c.* So, frequently **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "some—some". **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** and **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** may be put before such a double **ܩܕܝܫܐ** with suffix: **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "and some of the saints they killed with the sword, and others they consigned to burning by fire" Moes. II, 72, 14; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "some of us—others" Clemens 56, 25; **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "with one part of them we are satisfied, with another, not" Spic. 10, 19, 20. To this use of **ܩܕܝܫܐ** belongs, not merely **ܩܕܝܫܐ ܩܕܝܫܐ** "struck him on (a part of) the liver, or (somewhere) in the liver" John Eph. 81, 18, but probably expressions

also of time like **صَحْ** **مَعْ** **زَهْرًا** “in (a portion of) the morning,—or evening”, frequently occurring; **صَحْ** **مَعْ** **صَهْرًا** “in summer-time”; **صَحْ** **مَعْ** **ثِيَابًا** “at any time in his, or in my life” frequently.

D. Farther **صَحْ** denotes, generally, the starting point of the action, *i. e.* the *agent*, with the passive construction⁽¹⁾ as in **كُتِبَ** **لَهُ** **بِهِ** he was killed “by him” &c.; but with the Part. pass. **صَحْ** is oftener used for this purpose, v. §§ 247; 279.

E. As being the preposition of ‘removal from’, **صَحْ** in a comparison denotes that which is surpassed, whether the relation of comparison is, or is not (which is the commoner case), distinctly expressed by means of **بِأَيْ** “excelling”, or **كَثِيرًا** “much”; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **شَيْئًا** **أَقْوَمَ** “for his goodwill was stronger than the vigour of his nature” Ov. 181, 25; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِ** “who is more insolent than he” Ephr. III, 658 B; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِ** “who was fairer than the sun” Sim. 272, 11; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** and **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “and more than they” frequently in Sim.; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “he was nearer than all his companions” Anc. Doc. 42, 13; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “this folly is worse than Rehoboam’s” Aphr. 251, 19; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “and Noah was better in his trifling number than the whole race” Aphr. 347, 4; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “thou hast loved me more than thyself” Jos. St. 2, 17; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “and he loved honour . . . rather than glory” Mart. I, 166 *inf.*; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “was stronger than” Jul. 170, 4 &c.—So also **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “he was too young for sins” Aphr. 221, 12; **بِأَيْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “is too great for tellers (of it)”, *i. e.* “is greater than one can tell” Ephr. III, 42 B; and many instances of a similar kind (in which usually a relative clause stands with an Inf. and **صَحْ**, *e. g.* **فَقِيَ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “become too old to procreate” Spic. 11, 8). The correspondence of the two members, in sentences which convey comparison, is not always quite clearly expressed; compare cases like **صَحْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** **حَايِرِي** **عَπ** **أὐτῷ** **μᾶλλον** **ἢ** **εἰπὶ** **τοῖς** **ἐνενήκοντα** **καὶ** **ἐννέα** Matt.

(¹) My attention has been directed by Siegm. Fraenkel to the fact that **صَحْ** stands even with intransitives used in passive meaning, *e. g.* **صَحْ** **مَعْ** **أَقْوَمَ** **بِهِمْ** “was consumed by thee” Simeon of Bēth Arshām 10, 13.

18, 13; **حَرَّهْ مَلَا اِهَد لُوْء مَع جَهْمَلَا مَحِيْلَا جِه** “moreover she pleased him more by fasting than *by* perfume” Ephr. III, 668 A; **وَالْمِيْلَا حَقِيْلَا يَلِيْن**; **وَالْمِيْلَا حَقِيْلَا يَلِيْن** “it (the ark) was honoured with him more highly than with all Israel” Aphr. 329, 5 &c. But in such cases a relative period usually occurs with a more precise form of expression, like **مَع وِجِيْن** “more than me” Matt. 10, 37; **مَع بَحْكَمِيْم مَر دُوْء حَجَّ وَاوَه فَهَقِيْلَا** “man has more power in the case of these commandments than in anything else” Spic. 5, 16 &c.⁽¹⁾

§ 250. Of the manifold uses also of the preposition **جَا** “upon” we only bring forward a few. It means in the intellectual sense “resting upon”. Thus, often **جَا مَحِيْلَا** ; **جَا مَحِيْلَا** “upon hope of”, *i. e.* “in the hope of”; **جَا اِهَجِيْلَا بِجَهْمَلَا** “in reliance upon thy benignity” Aphr. 492, 10; **جَا وَاوَه اَمَكَمَلَا** “in this confidence” John Eph. 359, 3. Similarly **جَا مَلَا** “why?”; **جَا وَاوَه** “therefore” &c. Farther it denotes often the being that has been affected by anything pleasant or unpleasant: **جَا اَنَع اِل مَمِيْلَا** *ὅτι πανταχοῦ ἀντιλέγεται* Acts 28, 22; **جَا اَمِيْلَا** “was acceptable to his master” [Ov. 287, 23] Joseph 38, 1; **جَا حِيْلَا** “were beloved by their husbands” Isaac I, 244 v. 414; **جَا حِيْلَا** “is burdensome to you” Ov. 173, 27; **جَا** “beloved by” often;—**جَا** “dreadful to the universe” Moes. II, 98 v. 336, and in like usage,—frequently; **جَا** “who was odious to him” Ov. 161, 20; similarly **جَا** “who were considered by men as righteous” Isaac II, 192 v. 633.—**جَا** denotes the subject of speech or thinking &c.—“about” (= Latin “*de*”); **جَا** is often similarly used. It occurs in data of measurement, in cases like **جَا اَزِيْم مَتَلَا** “at a place, 2 miles from the prophet” Land II, 345, 9; **جَا** “who found him-

⁽¹⁾ **وَاوَه**, in imitation of the Greek $\tilde{\eta}$, sometimes takes the place of this phrase of comparison ; **وَاوَه**. Thus Matt. 11, 22 P. C. S.; 11, 24 P. C. S.; Mark 6, 11 P.; 10, 25 P. S.; Luke 10, 12 P. (C. S. ; **وَاوَه**); 10, 14 P. (C. S. ; **وَاوَه**); 15, 7 P. S. (C. and Aphr. 142, 9 **وَاوَه** without **وَاوَه**); 18, 25 P. C. S. So with a complete sentence **وَاوَه** instead of ; **وَاوَه** is found in Luke 16, 17 P. S.; 17, 2 S. (P. C. ; **وَاوَه**). Thus too in rare cases even in ancient original writings, *e. g.* Ov. 175, 22. Servile versions accordingly use this **وَاوَه** = $\tilde{\eta}$ even for the simple comparative **وَاوَه**, *e. g.* John 5, 1 Hark.; Is. 13, 12 Hex.

self three miles distant from the monastery” Sim. 359, 10; **לְמַזְגָּל מֵיָבֵד** “the mountain was two miles distant from their town” Sim. 354 *inf.* (where **ל** might even have been wanting, § 243) &c.—**ל** **סָבַל רַגְלֵי** “once” Bedjan, Mart. II, 609, 3; **ל** **חָתַח** “many times” Jos. St. 50, 6.—**ל** **חַיְתָּהּ אֲלֵאֱבָסְרוֹן** Matt. 26, 4; **ל** **עָשָׂה לְפָנָיו** John 6, 9; **ל** **לָּהּ חַסְדָּהּ בְּעַצְמָהּ** “he had grace in himself” Sim. 334, 4 &c.; **ל** **עָשָׂה דַּיְמוֹנִיּוֹן** John 8, 48, 52 S. (P. **ל**);—**ל** **עָשָׂה** “upon whom (as a burden) they were quartered” Jos. St. 87, 16.—**ל** scarcely ever indicates the mere direction “to”, but often on the other hand the hostile sense “against”. (On **ל** “within” v. § 360.)

§ 251. The construction of the words **בֵּין**, **בֵּינָם**, **בֵּינֵינוּ** has considerable variety. They may have a simple noun following, as in **בֵּין הַבָּיִתִּים** “between the houses” Ov. 212, 9; **בֵּין הַכַּנְפִּים** “between the wings” Moes. II, 146 v. 1081; **בֵּין עֲמֻדָּתָם**, **בֵּין עֲמֻדָּתָם** “among them” often; **בֵּין חֲשַׁבְתּוֹ** “in his thought” Aphr. 338, 2; **בֵּין עֲזָרְתָּם** “amongst the Powers” Spic. 12, 10 &c. But when various members are concerned, these may be connected by a **ו** merely, as in the Testament of Ephr. **בֵּין אֲבִי וּבֵין בְּרִי וּבֵין רוּחַ הַקֹּדֶשׁ** “between the Father, the Son, and the Spirit” (where Overbeck’s text 147 *ult.* has **בֵּין אֲבִי וּבֵין בְּרִי וּבֵין רוּחַ הַקֹּדֶשׁ**); and thus frequently in the O. T., but no doubt a Hebraism. The usual practice is to mark the second member by **ו**, with or without **ו**. Moreover in this method there are several modifications, in which it is to be noticed that the most usual of the three forms of the prep. viz **בֵּין**, cannot take a suffix directly but only through the interposition of **ו**. (1) **בֵּין רֹמָאִים וְפָרְסִים** “between the Romans and the Persians” Jos. St. 9, 4; **בֵּין חַיָּה וְמוֹת** “between life and death” *ἡμιθανής* Luke 10, 30 C. S.; **בֵּין אִישׁ וְאִשָּׁה** “between the man and the woman” Matt. 19, 10; **בֵּין אֲנִי וְאַתָּה** “between me and thee” Zingerle’s Chrest. 411 v. 46 (Jac. Sar.); **בֵּין הוּא וְעֵץ הַדֶּרֶךְ** “between him and the tree” Aphr. 448, 6 &c.—**בֵּין הוּא וְאָבִיו** “between him and his father” Ov. 400, 19; **בֵּין אֲנִי וְאִמִּי וְאֶחָיו** (Var. **בֵּין אֲנִי וְאִמִּי וְאֶחָיו**) “between thee, thy mother, and thy brother” Joseph 225 *ult.* (= Ov. 311, 21) &c. (2) **בֵּין הַגָּבֹהַּ וְהַנָּמוֹן** “between the higher and the lower” Moes. II, 122, v. 724; **בֵּין הַשֵּׁנָה וְהַיָּגֵר** “between sleeping and waking” Zingerle’s

Chrest. 396 v. 7; **ܨܝܒ ܐܘܫܐ ܘܠܥܦܐ** “between Mars and Saturn” Spic. 17, 17; **ܨܝܒ ܘܠܗܝ** “between me and thee” 1 Kings 15, 19, and frequently; **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “by himself alone” Ov. 122, 26; **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “between them and the ark” Ephr. I, 294 F.—**ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “between him and the Romans” Sim. 327 mid.; **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “between him and them” Ephr. I, 101 F &c. A modification of this method is met with in **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “between thee and him” ZDMG XXV, 339 v. 348 (with “also” for “and”). (3) More rarely with **ܨܝܒܗ**: **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “between Rehoboam and Jeroboam” 1 Kings 14, 30; **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “between the water above the firmament and the water under it” Aphr. 282, 13. (4) With repetition of **ܨܝܒܗ**: **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “between Abia . . . and Jeroboam” 1 Kings 15, 6, and frequently in the O. T. (Hebraism).—Several other variations are not quite settled.

With regard to *meaning*, notice **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ** *κατ' ἰδίαν* “they with him apart” Matt. 17, 19 C. S.;⁽¹⁾ **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ** *ἐν ἑαυτῷ* John 11, 38; so Ov. 122 v. 26 quoted above; **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “by himself” Mart. I, 243 mid.;—farther, **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “twenty five, however, between men and women” Mart. I, 137 *inf.*; **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “for which of us two is a magician?” Bedjan, Mart. II, 612, 14. For the comprising or grouping sense, when used with numerals, v. § 240 B.

§ 252. **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “that which is between the eyes” [*τὰ μέτωπα*], **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ** *Μεσοποταμία* &c. are treated altogether like substantives, *e. g.* **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ** **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “on his brow” Sim. 282 *inf.*; **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ** “on his neck” Bedjan, Mart. II, 229, 10 &c.—The expression **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ ܘܠܗܘܐ** in Ov. 185, 3 is of the very same character, and means “something sufficient under his head”, or “something large enough for being under his head”, *i. e.* “as a support for his head”.

(1) In Matt. 18, 15, even the Greek text has the Aramaic idiom *μεταξὺ σου καὶ αὐτοῦ*; Syr. **ܨܝܒܗ ܘܠܗܘܐ**.

Prepositional Phrases treated like Substantives.

possible, and is not burdensome to you" Ov. 173, 26; **إِسْرَ إِتَانِل** "as it comes", "any way" frequently; **إِلهَ يَدِينَا رَهْو** "if it had been possible" Ov. 201, 1; **إِلَّا لَمْ يَحْضَلْ جِلَا غَاوَال** "for it does not suit Saul" Aphr. 342, 4; **هَعْمَلَا كَاتَبَهَو** "it was possible for him", "he could" (literally "there was room in his hands"), *e. g.* **هَعْمَلَا كَاتَبَهَو** "and they could not fight" Ov. 89 *ult.*, and even **هَعْمَلَا كَاتَبَهَو** "whatever he can provide" Lev. 14, 30; **هَعْمَلَا هُوَ كَاتَبَهَو** "whatever he could" Jos. St. 23, 16, Note 2; and also with the phrase enclosed, **فَعْ هَعْمَلَا كَاتَبَ إِحْحَج** "what can I do?" Kailag and Damnag, 52, 16, and many like cases. Along with **فَعْمَلَا كَاتَبَهَو** "it comes as far as his hands", ["it is within his reach"] "he can do it" Ov. 217, 15 &c., the masc. is found in **فَعْمَلَا كَاتَبَهَو** Spic. 5, 13. The masculine occurs also in passive forms of expression like **إِعْلَدَمَ جِه** "it has been forgiven him" Aphr. 40, 8; **إِيَجَلَا إِتَانِل مَبْر رَهْ** "as it seemed good to that being" Spic. 12, 19; **دَوَثَرَسَتَاي هُمِين لَحْف** Matt. 7, 7; **مَتَرَسَتَاي هُمِين لَحْف** Matt. 7, 2. Cf. farther **إِسْرَ فَا إِتَانِل** "how it is" Aphr. 31, 6; **رَهْوَ إِتَانِل** "thus is it" Aphr. 154, 8; **هَوَ إِتَانِل تَهْمِينَا** "and it is not of foreign sort" Ephr. III, XXXIII mid.

The gender fluctuates also in those Verbal expressions in which a complete sentence with **?** "that" takes the place of the Subject: **هَعْمَلَا** "it happens, that" Aphr. 505, 15, and **هَعْمَلَا** Ov. 63, 21; **هَعْمَلَا** Aphr. 68, 12, and frequently; **هَعْمَلَا** and **هَعْمَلَا** "it stands written, that" frequently; **هَعْمَلَا** **إِلَّا إِتَانِل** "it did not seem to him, that" Jos. St. 57, 16, but **هَعْمَلَا** **إِتَانِل** "it thus appeared (good) to us, that" Aphr. 304, 14; **هَعْمَلَا** **إِهْهَلَجَ جَر** "that thou mightest not think, that" Jos. St. 34, 18; **هَعْمَلَا** "it is well known, that" Ov. 63, 12, but **هَعْمَلَا** *ibid.* 73, 1 and 4; **هَعْمَلَا** and **هَعْمَلَا** "it is said, that"; **هَعْمَلَا** "it is impossible, that" Luke 17, 1; **هَعْمَلَا** **إِيَمَ جَر** "that it may be to thee certain, that" Aphr. 168, 7; and thus frequently **هَعْمَلَا** **إِيَمَ** **هَعْمَلَا** "although it be thought, that" Jos. St. 8, 2. It is always masculine, however, in **هَعْمَلَا** **هَوَ** "it is fitting, that".

The masculine prevails in the case of the Inf. with **د**, *e. g.* **هَعْمَلَا فَصَبَ جَر** **هَعْمَلَا** "and it is not enjoined thee to tire thyself out" Aphr. 230, 5; except in established phrases, as in **هَعْمَلَا كَاتَبَهَو** (*v. supra*).—

Thus too the fem. is retained in verbs like *فأريد ج د*, 'فأريد ج د' "I am vexed, that..." or "I am vexed to..."; *أريد ج د*, "I desire"; "that", *د* "to" (cf. *أريد ج د* "this I desire,—to go to Jerusalem" Ov. 164, 23).

D. In such cases pure Adjectives also are treated like Participles: *لا عينا ج د* "he is not convinced, that" Aphr. 498, 6, but *عينا ج د* *ibid.*, *ult.*, and frequently; *عينا ج د* "it is well to learn" Aphr. 446 *paen.*; *عينا ج د* "his commands... to tell,—is too much" ("his injunctions... are too numerous to mention") Ov. 178, 16; *عينا ج د* "to speak of the prudence... would be too much" Ov. 190, 24. But the masc. preponderates in such cases.

Compare with this section, § 201 *supra*.

B. TENSES AND MOODS.

PERFECT.

§ 255. The Perfect denotes past action; accordingly it is the tense of *Narration*, the proper *Tempus historicum*: every narration from the first verse of Genesis onward supplies examples in abundance.

§ 256. It farther denotes the *completed result* (the *pure Perfect*): *أريد ج د* "thy letter I have received" Aphr. 6, 1; *أريد ج د* "and so the Lord has farther said thus to his disciples" Aphr. 7 *ult.*; *أريد ج د* "the scorpion with its sting strikes him who has given it no offence" Spic. 7, 20 &c. Such a Perfect, expressing the result of a prior occurrence, has often for us the appearance of a Present: thus *أريد ج د* "has become" *γέγως* often = "is" (but also "was"); *لا عينا ج د* "is not", *e. g.* Aphr. 84, 12, 19; 158, 20 &c.; *أريد ج د* "desire has come to me", "I desire"; *عينا ج د* "I am (become) weary of my life" Gen. 27, 46 (§ 254 A); *أريد ج د* "novimus, we know" Aphr. 497, 17; *أريد ج د* "now I know" Mart. I, 244, 8 &c. Yet upon the whole this use is not of frequent occurrence in Syriac; with *أريد ج د* in particular the more distinct active participle is employed in preference.

Tempus
Historicum.

Pure
Perfect.

κάρπον Luke 13, 9; **لِي اِعْمَسِب** “*si potuerimus*”, “if we can” Spic. 13, 2; **لَا اَدْخُلُ اِلَّا اِنْ دَخَلَ اِلَيْكَ** “unless thou enter, I do not let thee go”, that is, “thou must enter” Sim. 286 mid.; **وَلَا سَبِيْهَةٌ اِلَّا اِنْ رَاْتُهُ** “unless I see him, there is no way out (of the difficulty)”, that is, “nothing will do, except my seeing him” Jac. Sar. Alexander (*Zeitschrift für Assyriologie* VI, 368 v. 155); **لَا اِلَّا اِنْ اُقْنِعْتُ** “unless I am first convinced” Spic. 2, 14. Cf. also Matt. 18, 15—17, where however C. and S. (like Aphr. 298, 4 *sqq.*) have in part the Impf. In the apodosis we meet thus with **اِنْ لَمْ يَجِدْ** “and if not, thou restorest him” Jul. 217, 26.

In the same way the Perf. stands in sentences with **اَوْ—اَوْ** “either ... or”; “whether ... or whether”: **لَا اَدْخُلُ اِلَّا اِنْ لَمْ يَجِدْ** “that thou mayest not again have to weary thyself in seeking him, whether thou find him or not” Aphr. 144, 22; **اَوْ يَعْزَبُ اَوْ يَجِدْ** “he either greatly exalts our consideration, or he humiliates us to the very depth” Joseph 196 *ult.* [Ov. 296, 17]; **اَوْ يَمْلِكْ اَوْ يَمُوتْ** “I go to meet him as a foe, whether he kill me, or I him” John Eph. 349, 13 (cf. Jul. 88, 21; Simeon of Bēth Arshām, 9, 14, and many others).

In Hypo-
thetical
Clauses.

§ 259. The Perfect is very extensively employed in hypothetical sentences like **اِنْ لَمْ نَتَاخَّرْ** “if we had not delayed, we should already have returned” Gen. 43, 10 &c. (§ 375 A). With these are ranked cases like **اِنْ رَجَعْتُ** “O that one would roll away!” Mark 16, 3; **اِنْ كَلِمَةٌ** “O that one would say to me!” Sim. 301 *inf.*; **اِنْ اَرَاكَ** “O that one would show you my sins, then would all of you spit in my face!” Ov. 140, 19; cf. Num. 11, 4; 2 Sam. 18, 33; Job 11, 5; 13, 5; 14, 13; **اِنْ اَمْسَتْ** “when might it indeed be evening?” = “would that it were evening at last!” Deut. 28, 67; cf. Ps. 41, 6; **اِنْ اَمْسَتْ** = **אם לא יראה** frequently in the O. T. To this class also belong **اِنْ لَمْ يَرَ** “then would I have been ended and no eye would have seen me” Job 10, 18; **اِنْ اَرْسَلْتَنِي** “then would I have sent thee” Gen. 31, 27; **اِنْ اَخِيفْتَنِي ... اِنْ اَكْفُرْتَنِي** “then wouldest thou (f.) have been bound to be afraid ... and to be zealous” Aphr. 48, 10; thus even **اِنْ لَمْ يَفْعَلْ** **ταυτα δε εδει ποιησαι κακεινα μη αφιεναι** Matt.

23, 23 C; Luke 11, 42 C. (S. and P. express themselves more clearly in both passages).—Thus the Perf. is often used after (ج) **حوب** and **هلعله** **ع?** “O if only!” “*Utinam!*”.

§ 260. The Perf. **لوم** often stands before an Adj. or Part. to **لوم** Optative. denote a Wish, an Advice, or a Command. Originally the Perf. was meant to indicate the accomplishment of the action as completely certain,—as good as already done. This occurs particularly in the 2nd pers. Thus often **سجم لوم** “farewell”, *ερωασο*; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *ποιεις ομοιως* Luke 10, 37; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *μνημονεύετε* Hebr. 13, 7; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *take pains (take thou the burden) and curse me* Sim. 316 *ult.*; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“but instead of this, be ye assiduous in fasting”* Ov. 174, 14; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“but know”* Philox. 570, 11; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“know therefore”* Aphr. 55, 18. So farther, Matt. 5, 25; Luke 13, 14; Mark 11, 25 S.; 13, 33 S.; 13, 35 S.; Eph. 6, 9 &c. In the 3rd pers.: **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“the priests are not to use force”*; Ov. 215, 11 (where there are more cases, varied with **ولم**); **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“let her be esteemed”* Addai 44 *ult.*; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“they are to be constantly with them”* Ov. 215, 11; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“they must receive blame”* Statuti della Scuola di Nisibi 25, 9.

§ 261. So also **لوم** with a participle following is often placed in a **لوم** Sub- dependent clause, to express an action merely purposed or aimed at. **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“and gave charge . . . that all those who . . . , should not pass the night in their booths, but that five police-officers should pass the night on the wall”*, in the Document of 201 A. D. in the Chron. Ed. (ed. Hallier 147, 16), and so, frequently after **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“let us take delight to observe the fourteenth day of every month”* Aphr. 230, 1; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“they wished to carry it [the Ark]”* Aphr. 264, 6; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“they shall not allow the deaconesses [daughters of the ordinance] to come singly to the church”* Ov. 217, 9; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“that they might be placed in it”* Jos. St. 23, 14; **لوم** **ولم** **جج** *“and induces them to*

stand" Moes. II, 90 v. 233, and thus, often. By reason of **لَوَا** being put first in such cases as the following, these cases also may be referred to this class, viz: **لَوَا... حَبَبَا** "it was his custom . . . to receive" Aphr. 391, 8 &c. Cf. farther **لَوَا... حَفَا** **لَوَا... حَفَا** (πρὸς τὸ δεῖν) παντοῦτε προσεύχασθαι, καὶ μὴ ἐκκακῆσθαι Luke 18, 1 C. S., where P. has **لَوَا... حَفَا**; — **لَوَا... حَفَا** **لَوَا... حَفَا** ἵνα μὴ διψῶ μῆδὲ διέρχωμαι John 4, 15 C. S., where P. has **لَوَا... حَفَا**; — **لَوَا... حَفَا** **لَوَا... حَفَا** μὴ προμελετᾶν Luke 21, 14 C. S., where P. has **لَوَا... حَفَا**. The last examples show that in these cases the Impf. is interchangeable with the Perf. And, in fact, the Impf. is the more usual form.

Other dependent Perfects.

§ 262. The Perfect of course often stands dependently in still other circumstances, e. g. **لَوَا... حَفَا** "when he saw that God had spoken to him" Aphr. 236, 19 &c. Frequently in these dependent clauses either the Perfect or the Imperfect may be employed, according as it is the notion of the *past occurrence* of, or that rather of the *sequence* of, the relatively later event, that is being specially emphasised. Thus after **لَوَا... حَفَا** "they struck them, . . . until they thought" Ov. 170, 7; **لَوَا... حَفَا** "till there came" Aphr. 26, 6 (cf. the Impf. § 267). So in **لَوَا... حَفَا** "why was he vexed that he did not enter into the land of promise?" Aphr. 161, 9, **لَوَا** might also have been used. In **لَوَا... حَفَا** "the judge gave orders to hang them" Anc. Doc. 102, 3, the Perfect plainly indicates that the order has been actually carried into execution; thus it is to some extent a compromise between the usual constructions **لَوَا... حَفَا** (§ 261), and **لَوَا... حَفَا** (§ 334).

Perfect with **لَوَا**.

§ 263. The strengthening of the Perfect by means of an enclitic **لَوَا** brings into still greater prominence the force of 'time gone by'; so that we may often translate this combination by the Pluperfect: **لَوَا... حَفَا** "that I have told you" Spic. 18, 18; **لَوَا... حَفَا** "I have explained to thee" Aphr. 172 *ult.*; **لَوَا... حَفَا** "when he was born" Aphr. 180, 7; **لَوَا... حَفَا** "they had been taught together" Ov. 162, 23; **لَوَا... حَفَا** "and had been delivered up" (f.) Jos. St. 10, 2 &c. The **لَوَا** is not absolutely necessary in any such cases, and it is often wanting

in cases exactly corresponding to those which have it and standing close beside them. It has become so much of an expletive that it is found not seldom in narrative proper: **ܘܝܬܘܢ ܘܥܘܕܘܢ ܘܥܘܕܘܢ ܘܥܘܕܘܢ** “they gave him baptism” Sim. 268; **ܘܡܡ ܘܥܘܕܘܢ ܘܥܘܕܘܢ** “he arose and took him with him” Ov. 169, 26, and thus often in the ancient document in the Chron. Edess., in Ephr., Jac. Sar. &c.

IMPERFECT.

§ 264. The Imperfect stands in complete contrast to the Perfect Future. in cases like **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ** “the righteous judgment of God in which he will render account” Ov. 200, 13; **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ** “there will not again be a flood” Gen. 9, 11; “these three things I have explained to thee by letter” **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ**: ‘other matters’ **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ** “I shall explain to thee by letter from time to time” Aphr. 319 concl. &c.

§ 265. In conditional sentences the Impf. not seldom stands after **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ** in which case it is the participle which appears for the most part in the apodosis: **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ** “if thou turnest away thy countenance, the inhabitants thereof come to an end” Aphr. 493 *ult.*; **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ** “but if it happens that it proceeds actually from us, the knowledge of its operation is uprooted from our soul” Philox. 552, 20 &c. The Impf. is found in both clauses in **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ** “if we speak, we come short” Aphr. 496, 8; **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ** “if ye will be persuaded by me and will hearken unto me, ye shall not only eat of the fat of the earth, but also inherit the blessedness of heaven” Ov. 174 *ult.* (paraphrased from Is. 1, 19) &c. In like manner with **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ**:— **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ** “fishes die, when they come up into the air” Aphr. 494, 9; **ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ ܘܢܘܨܘܢ** “and not even when one stands on a high mountain, does his eye reach to everything far and near” Aphr. 199, 12 &c. But in these cases the Participle is, throughout, the more usual form (cf. § 271).

Imperfect
in Conditional
Sentences.

Modal
Colouring.

§ 266. For the simple statement of the momentary or the continuous Present the Impf. is not readily used: on the other hand it is common whenever any reference to the future, or the slightest modal colouring, appears, *e. g.* **أَبْدَأُ** “I will begin” Spic. 13, 19; **حَدِّثْ** **أَنَّهُ** **يَأْتِي** “now some one may say” Spic. 6, 21; **يَسَّرُ** **أَنَّهُ** **يَأْتِي** “as one might say” “as if, for instance, one should say” frequently; **يَعْبُرُ** **لَا** **تَعْجَبُ** “who would not wonder?” Anc. Doc. 103, 13; **مَنْ** **أَبْدَأُ** **يَقُولُ** “what are we to say then?” Sim. 303 mid. (wanting in the London Cod.). The Impf. is precisely the proper form for a wish, request, summons, or command. Thus, for instance, **قُلْ** **لِي** **أَتِي** **مِنْ** **أَعْبَادِ** **مِثْلِي** “*dicas mihi*” Aphr. 313, 12 (mocking request); **وَأَتِي** **مِنْ** **أَعْبَادِ** **مِثْلِي** “and then may you promise” Aphr. 71, 21; **لِي** **تَعْبُرْ** **لَنَا** “let us await” Aphr. 103, 4; **يَسِّرْ** **لَنَا** **أَنْ** **تَعْبُرْ** **أَنْفُسَنَا** “let us then humble ourselves” Aphr. 119, 5; **يَسِّرْ** **لَهُ** “let him accept” Aphr. 86, 13; **وَلَا** **تَعْبُرْ** **لَهُ** **أَنْ** **تَقْفُرَ** **مِنْ** **فَمِهِ** “and let not revilings come out of our mouth” Aphr. 105, 2; **يَسِّرْ** **لَهُ** **أَنْ** **يَلْحَقَ** **بِهِ** **لَا** **تَلْحَقْ** **بِهِ** “let him suffer oppression, but not oppress” Aphr. 117, 9 &c.

The 2nd pers. of the Impf. with **لَا** is the direct contrary of the Imperative: **لَا** **تَخَفْ** “fear thou not” &c. Without **لَا** however the 2nd person of the Impf. is but seldom used with imperative force; the Impt. is the proper mood for this.

Dependent
Imperfect.

§ 267. The Impf. is farther the tense of dependent, subordinate clauses pointing to the future, even though the principal clause may lie in the past: **وَيَقْبَلُهُمْ** **وَيُزِيلُ** **أَنْفُسَهُمْ** “and they will urge him to pray for them” Sim. 290 mid.; **حَدِّثْ** **لَنَا** **كَيْفَ** **يَسْأَلُونَ** **أَنْ** **يَسْأَلُوا** “for this is an admirable thing, that one should know how to ask questions” Spic. 1, 20; **لِي** **يَسْتَظْهِرَ** **أَنْ** **يَسْتَظْهِرَ** **أَنْفُسَهُ** **لَا** **تَسْتَظْهِرُ** **أَنْفُسَكَ** “if thou canst not justify thyself” Aphr. 270, 5; **أَنَا** **أَسْأَلُكَ** **أَنْ** **تَسْأَلُنِي** “I wish to explain to thee” Aphr. 345, 1; **أَسْأَلُكُمْ** **أَنْ** **تَسْأَلُوا** **السَّلَامَ** **أَنْ** **تَسْأَلُوا** **السَّلَامَ** “love peace that ye may receive the reward” Aphr. 304, 17— **ἤμελλεν** **ἑαυτὸν** **ἀναγείρειν** Acts 16, 27; **أَسْأَلُكُمْ** **أَنْ** **تَسْأَلُوا** **السَّلَامَ** “Mordecai advised that Esther should fast” Aphr. 414, 5; **أَسْأَلُكُمْ** **أَنْ** **تَسْأَلُوا** **السَّلَامَ** “while he wanted to give them blood to eat” Mart. I, 122, 6; **بَدَأَ** **تَهْتِكًا** “began to attack” Moes. II, 64, 1; **لِي** **تَسْبُحُوا** **أَنْ** **تَسْبُحُوا** **أَنْفُسَكُمْ** “for it is not commanded them . . . to worship” Anc. Doc. 43, 25; **أَسْأَلُكُمْ** **أَنْ** **تَسْأَلُوا** **السَّلَامَ** “he obliged

him to take” Ov. 167, 17; **مَلَّ بِعَدْلِهِ جِهَهُمْ** “he set himself to become agreeable to him” Mart. I, 122, 16, and thus in many other instances. So too after the words which mean “until, before, ere”: **لَمْ يَتَّكِلْ عَلَيْهِ حَتَّىٰ يَأْتِيَ الْوَعْدَ** “Noah did not take a wife until God had spoken to him” Aphr. 235 *ult.*; **لَمْ يَلْطَمِهَا حَتَّىٰ لَا يَلْقَاهَا** “he kept the righteousness which is in the law, before the law had yet been given” Aphr. 25, 5; **جَبَّ لِأَيُّهَا يَتَّوِّعُ وَيَتَّوِّعُ** “gave his blood before he was crucified” Aphr. 222, 5; **قَبْلَ أَنْ يَخْلُقَ خَيْبَ إِسْرَائِيلَ** “who reigned in the land of Edom before there reigned a king over the children of Israel” Gen. 36, 31; **إِسْرَائِيلَ قَبْلَ أَنْ يَلْبَسَ** “as it was, before he had yet taken a body” Ov. 198, 1 &c. Here the Perf. might stand in every case (§ 262), but the Impf. is more usual. Similarly **قَبْلَ أَنْ يَدْخُلَ** “before we entered” Jul. 45, 2.—Cf. farther **أَمَّا زَكَّا فَبَعْدَ مَا قَدِمَ** “when the time came for Moses to die” Aphr. 161, 7.

The Impf. appears with this sense, even when the dependence is not plainly expressed: **لَا أَدْرِي كَيْفَ أَعْمَلُ** “I do not know how to build” Sim. 271, 4; **إِنِ يَأْمُرُكَ رَبُّكَ أَنْ تَنْزِلَ إِلَى الْبَحْرِ** “if thy holiness commands me to go down to the sea” Sim. 336, 13; **يُخْزِي عَيْنِي** “leaves me in shame” ZDMG XXIX, 116 *ult.*; **أَعْمَلُ** (**يَعْمَلُ**) **δός μοι πιστέν** John 4, 7 and 10; **أَعْمَلُ** “let me send” (“grant me that I send”) Jos. St. 76, 5; **أَخْرِجْ ابْنَكَ هُنَا لَعَلَّ يَمُوتَ** “bring out thy son (that) he may die” Judges 6, 30 (similarly Judges 20, 13); **أَعْمَلُ** **ἀπόλυσον τοὺς ἄγγελους, ἵνα ἀπελθόντες κ. τ. λ.** Matt. 14, 15 C. (P. **وَالرَّحْمَ**), and often similarly used in the Gospels, especially in S. (Cf. on the one hand § 272, and on the other § 368).

§ 268. A. The combination of the Impf. with the Perf. **لَمْ** appears sometimes in conditional clauses, to denote an action frequently repeated: **لَمْ يَأْتِ بِشَيْءٍ** “*si quis dicebat*” Land II, 97 *ult.*; **لَمْ يَأْتِ بِشَيْءٍ** “*et si plus quam viginti sumebat*” *ib.* 93 *ult.*, and so **لَمْ يَأْتِ إِلَى بَلَدٍ** “for as often as he came to any place” *ib.* 251, 14; **لَمْ يَأْتِ إِلَى بَلَدٍ** “whenever he was angry” Ov. 186, 21 &c. Similarly **لَمْ يَأْتِ إِلَى بَلَدٍ** “in every thing . . . which was required” Land II, 201, 7. For such cases the Part. with **لَمْ** is far more

Imperfect
with **لَمْ**.

PARTICIPLES.

§ 269. The *Active Participle*, when it forms the predicate, denotes, as a Nominal form, first of all a condition, without reference to a definite time. Such a condition generally represents itself to us as a *present condition*; and in this respect the Active Participle is not distinguishable from any other predicative adjective: **مُكَلِّمٌ أَنَا** “killing (am) I” is exactly like **زَيْدٌ أَنَا** “just (am) I”. But its close connection with the finite verb gives the Participle a more verbal character, which is specially shown by the circumstance that the bare participial form can dispense altogether with the expression of the 3rd person as a subject (§ 253); it farther appears for the Impf. over a wide range, and becomes almost a tense, without, however, losing completely its Nominal character. Although its chief use is to express the Present, yet it is not a true Present; precisely where it has the appearance of being so, it might for the most part be taken as an Adjective proper.

Active
Participle.
Present.

The *Active Participle* thus denotes very frequently the continuing as well as the momentary Present, and in this meaning it almost entirely supplants the Impf. Examples abound: the following may illustrate the transition from the representation of quite constant conditions to a statement of what is momentary: **أَكَلٌ لِّلنَّهْلِ لَحْمٌ** “for the lion by its nature eats flesh (always)” Spic. 7, 14; **يَهْدِمُ بَعْضُهُمْ نَفْسَهُ** “he ruins himself whoever accepts a bribe, but he who hates to take a bribe lives (حيًّا)” Prov. 15, 27; **يَسْتَبْشِرُونَ بِمَنْ يَسْمَعُ اسْمَ رَبِّهِمْ** “for as soon as his friends hear the dear name of Rab-bulā, love for him is inflamed in their hearts and their bosoms glow” Ov. 202, 12; **أَيْضًا أُعْطِيَ صَمْعًا** “now also I receive his command” Ov. 172, 5; **نُصَبْنَا لَكَ سَبْعًا** “we figure (for you herewith) the image” Ov. 159, 4 &c.

§ 270. The Participle stands plainly in direct antithesis to the past *Future* in **كَلِمَةُ اللَّهِ لَا تَأْتِي إِلَى الْبَرِّ** “the word of God—no man has come, or comes, to the end of” Aphr. 101, 17. Thus the Part. often appears for *the Future*, whether it be that the condition is set be-

fore us in a more lively fashion as a Present, or that the construction suffices to relegate the indefinite statement of the condition to the Future. The Impf. in these cases might be more obvious, but the very possibility of exchanging the two here shows that neither is the Part. a proper Present, nor the Impf. a genuine Future. Cf. **فَظَاهِرُونَ يَنْهَضُونَ** *φανερὸν γενήσεται* 1 Cor. 3, 13; **يَكْفُرُ** *δηλώσει* *ib.* (Harkl. **يَكْفُرُ** and **يَكْفُرُ**); **يَحْيَا** *ἐδόξασα καὶ πάλιν δοξάσω* John 12, 28; **لَا يَبْنَى** *οὐ μὴ ἀποθάνῃ εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα* John 11, 26 S. (P. **لَا يَبْنَى**); **يَكْفُرُ** *Jerusalem has been destroyed, and will never again be inhabited* Aphr. 483, 18 (and frequently thus with **يَكْفُرُ** . . . **لَا**); **يَكْفُرُ** *“speedily the righteous judgment of God overtakes thee”* Mart. I, 125 *ult.*; **يَكْفُرُ** *“on the completion of six thousand years the world is dissolved”* Aphr. 36, 20; **يَكْفُرُ** *“and then I bring up”* Aphr. 72, 15; **يَكْفُرُ** . . . **يَكْفُرُ** *“controversy . . . continues as to how the dead rise and in what body they will come”* (where the Impf. without more ado exchanges with the Part.) Aphr. 154, 1; **يَكْفُرُ** *“to-morrow thou seest him”* Ephr. III, XLIII mid.; **يَكْفُرُ** *“those who shall come after us”* Jos. St. 80, 2; **يَكْفُرُ** *“and on the establishment of that new world all bad movements cease, and all oppositions end”* (farther participles follow) Spic. 21, 7 &c. With special frequency they occur in eschatological delineations, as in the 22nd chap. of Aphr. where the Impf. scarcely ever occurs.

In Condi-
tional
Clauses.

§ 271. Thus also the Part. appears very often in Conditional Sentences, both in the protasis and the apodosis: **يَكْفُرُ** *“and if it also pleases us, then we come to an agreement with thee”* Spic. 2, 4; **يَكْفُرُ** *“for if thou takest water out of the sea, the loss of it is not noticed”* Aphr. 101, 9, and many others. Similarly in quasi-conditional sentences with **يَكْفُرُ** *“when riches increase, avarice becomes great”* Aphr. 267, 21 (cf. § 265).

In all such cases the Part. is neither an actual Future, nor an actual Present. So too in sentences like **يَكْفُرُ** *“but perhaps*

some one may say” Jos. St. 5, 13; 42, 15, where the Impf. might stand quite as well.

In Depend-
ent Clauses.

§ 272. In a considerable number of instances the Part. stands for a Future action, instead of the Impf., even in dependent clauses: **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “till his body rise again” Ov. 208, 21; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “until love for him come” Aphr. 39, 13; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “till they should offer incense” Guidi, Sette Dormienti 24 v. 43; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “and he ministered for many years till he was taken up” Aphr. 273, 2; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “he placed with them as a pledge and hostage Kawādh his son till he should send (them) to them” Jos. St. 10, 17 and many like examples with **ܕܢܝܫܐ** — **ܕܢܝܫܐ** — **ܕܢܝܫܐ** “that we confidently assume that we shall live” Aphr. 459, 18; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “give me hostages that you will not come in pursuit of me” Jos. St. 61, 2: **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “dost thou engage, not again to do . . . ?” Sim. 292 *supr.*; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “while he thought that they would restore to him his iniquitous possession” Mart. I, 127, 11; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “who thought that the enemy would also seize upon Edessa (Orhāi)” Jos. St. 7, 18; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “and the fools did not know and did not perceive that sorrow and regret would soon overtake them” Sim. 388 mid.; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “for he had come to understand beforehand, what grievous harm would befall” Ov. 197, 6; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “the Holy Spirit made choice of him (Noah) that from his seed even the Messiah should be born” Aphr. 236 *paen.*; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “that they had promised to turn again unto God” Sim. 321 mid.; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “let not vanity issue from thy mouth, lest He withdraw from thee and cease to dwell in thee” Aphr. 185, 20; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “lest perhaps he find fault with me when he comes” Aphr. 340, 19; **ܕܢܝܫܐ ܕܢܝܫܐ** “whether perchance he saw any one”—Guidi, Sette Dormienti 27 v. 158, and many like cases. But still, the Impf. is far more usual in these cases.

ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “used to light a fire and place on it (incense)” Sim. 269, 9;
 ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “while they were bringing out the first who had died,—as soon as they
 turned round, they found others” Jos. St. 37, 17. Notice that the Part.
 here, along with ܘܥܠܝܢܐ, takes ܘܥܠܝܢܐ, though the simple Part. would have been
 sufficient (§ 275). It is somewhat different when a condition is entered
 upon suddenly: ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “while
 he was still seeking to persuade him, the gold was (suddenly) sent” Jos.
 St. 35, 9. Similarly ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “and when they began to be put to death,
 a magician came (just then) from the city and passed by on the road”
 Mart. I, 94, 14.—The notion of continuance is more strongly im-
 pressed in ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “and they kept wrangling with him from daybreak till the ninth hour” Jos.
 St. 58, 20.

This combination farther denotes something on the point of hap-
 pening in the past (without ܘܥܠܝܢܐ § 273): ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “to the place where they were to be put to death” Mart. I, 91, 3; 99, 1;
 ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “when the day arrived on
 which the departure of the king was to take place” Mart. I, 106 *inf.*;
 ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “why he grieved in his sickness
 that he was to die” Aphr. 468, 14 &c.—ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “he wanted to put Persia to shame and build up Singara” Ov. 9, 25.

It stands also hypothetically in ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “why should
 the physician flee?” Anc. Doc. 90, 23 (close beside ܘܥܠܝܢܐ § 268 A);
 ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “*vellem*” Mart. I, 167 mid.; ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “would that
 thou didst reverence” Mart. I, 26 *inf.*; ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “and what
 means of conveyance would be sufficient?” Moes. II, 112 v. 550; ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “how could I have undone the loads?” Joseph 229, 14
 (Ov. 313, 24); ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “could he not have &c.?” Sim. 374, 7; ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “as if he were carrying them (his wars) on,
 in their interest” Jos. St. 9, 18; ܘܥܠܝܢܐ ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “for thereby
 his will would be fulfilled” Spic. I, 9, and like cases. Thus too in clauses
 with ܘܥܠܝܢܐ “if” (§ 375 A).

Similarly also **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** “perhaps he will be ashamed and will not put to death, and he (another subject) will take away” Mart. I, 124 mid., where at first the **ܘܗܘ** is wanting.

This combination stands in a dependent position,—amongst other instances,—in: **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** “while all were grieved for him, that he was dying” Anc. Doc. 20, 14 = Addai 48, 8; **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** “the holy men made a sign that they would not offer sacrifice” Anc. Doc. 103, 20 (line 25 has merely **ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ**). And thus it sometimes stands, even when the dependence is not given expression to by **ܘܗܘ** (§ 272): **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** “and they commenced to beg of him” Luke 24, 29 C. S. and even **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** “they were not able to keep” Aphr. 15, 2; **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** “which they had been accustomed to worship” Aphr. 312, 21; **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** “and how could he have cultivated it when he could not summon up the needful strength” [*lit.* “when he could not suffice for it”] Ephr. I, 23 D &c. Here the tedious **ܘܗܘ** beside the dependent verb might throughout have been dispensed with.

Passive
Participle.
For the
Perfect.

§ 278. A. *The Passive Participle* expresses the completion of an action, and stands as a predicate instead of the Perfect, just as the Active Participle does instead of the Imperfect: **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** Matt. 2, 5, and often in the N. T. and elsewhere; **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** “in that liberty which has been given them by God (= **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ**)” Spic. 13, 17; **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** “but now, through the coming of the son of the blessed Mary, the thorns have been uprooted, the sweat removed, the fig-tree cursed &c.” Aphr. 113, 19; **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** . . . **ܘܗܘ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ ܘܠܐ ܡܘܬܘܢ** “that these words have not been sealed and are not to be sealed” Aphr. 101, 5 (where the difference between the Passive Participle and the Reflexive Participle with the effect of the Active very clearly appears), and so in many instances. But what we have in all such cases is the true, result-announcing *Perfect*:—as a *narrative* tense this participle hardly ever appears.

These words, however, may also be used in a true passive sense, *e. g.* **مَقَامًا** “taken”; **سُيِّنَ** “pulled, torn away”.

PARTICIPLES USED AS NOUNS.

§ 281. We disregard in this place such participles (Peal act.) as **As Pure Substantives.** have become nouns completely, like **سَعْدًا** “friend”, **رَاعيًا** “shepherd”, **أُحْبِبُ** and **أُحْبَبُ** *ἡ οἰκουμένη*, **أُحْبِبُ** “a pillar”, **أُحْبِبُ** “a bird”, **أُحْبِبُ** “herb”, **أُحْبِبُ** τὸ πρέπον &c.

§ 282. A. The Part. Act. of the Peal may be employed in the **Act. Participle of the Peal. Nomen agentis of the Peal.** Constr. State and with possessive suffixes, while the object is set in genitive connection, contrived sometimes by means of **أ**:—prepositions too may at times come after the Part. in the Constr. St. (§ 206): **أُحْبِبُ** “he who concludes the covenants” Aphr. 214, 14; **أُحْبِبُ** “lawgiver” frequently; **أُحْبِبُ** “he who eats my bread” Ps. 41, 9; **أُحْبِبُ** “O thou who diest an evil death!” Mart. I, 180 *inf.*; **أُحْبِبُ** “Justice which demanded doom” Aphr. 462, 5; **أُحْبِبُ** “those who fear thy name” Ps. 61, 5; **أُحْبِبُ** “lovers of money,—covetous persons” Ov. 190, 2; **أُحْبِبُ** “are flesh-eaters” Spic. 7, 15; **أُحْبِبُ** “are grass-eaters (f.)” *ibid.* 16.—**أُحْبِبُ** *φιλόχριστος* frequently; **أُحْبِبُ** “thy God-loving holiness” Jos. St. 1, 1; **أُحْبِبُ** “trumpeters” Aphr. 260, 4 = **أُحْبِبُ** Aphr. 147, 13; **أُحْبِبُ** “who lead to destruction” Aphr. 271 *ult.*; **أُحْبِبُ** “those who rush into the fight” Aphr. 149, 18; **أُحْبِبُ** “who build an edifice upon the sand” Aphr. 285, 9 (where the governing power continues notwithstanding the construct state, the object being placed at the end); **أُحْبِبُ** “who love Christ in everything” John van Tella (Kleyn) 3, 8; 11, 9 (same form).—**أُحْبِبُ** “his rider” Ps. 33, 17; **أُحْبِبُ** “those who fear him” frequently; **أُحْبِبُ** “those who see thee” Is. 14, 16 &c. The connection with suffixes is less frequent, it is true, and it is confined more to special words.

Only a few of these Active Participles can farther be used attributively, *e. g.* **أُحْبِبُ** “an erring spirit” Is. 19, 14; **أُحْبِبُ**

“is a devouring fire” Deut. 4, 24; 9, 3; Heb. 12, 29; **نَهًا بِمِهَبًا** “a burning fire” Daniel 3, several times; **عِدْمًا حَقَّتْهَا هَلْجَتًا** “idols fashioned and false” Anc. Doc. 42, 22. Thus too **فَهْلًا**, f. **فَهْلِيَّةٌ** “foolish”; **هَعْمًا** “sufficient”, “dexterous”; **نُعْمًا** “fitting”.⁽¹⁾

B. For all those uses in which the Participle but rarely appears, the *Nomen agentis* comes in: **فَرْدَمٌ** “thy redeemer” Ps. 35, 3; **جِدْوِيٌّ** “his helper” Ps. 10, 14; **فَلَفَسَهُ** “he who sent him” Aphr. 289, 8; **إِنْزِهَهُ لِإِحْفَاحِ** “nourish ye that (f.) which devours you”⁽²⁾ Mart. I, 194, 10 &c. Thus in particular, as independent substantive, and as attribute **نَهَّازٌ** “watchman” &c.

Other
Active
Participles,
and *No-
mina Ag.*

§ 283. The Part. Act. of the other Verbal classes [Conjugations] is also employed in the constr. st. On the other hand it seldom appears with possessive suffixes: **يَهْدِي كُلًّا** “he who produces everything” Ephr. (Lamy) II, 247, 3; **مَجْلِيًّا جَهْلِيًّا** “who makes his cursing ineffective” Aphr. 236 *ult.*; **صَمِيحٌ رِجَّةً** “who offers prayers” Aphr. 66, 17; **ضَحَلًا** **مَبْرَجًا** **إِصْفَهًا** “salt, that breaks up rottenness” Aphr. 485, 16; **يَهْمِيًّا مِمْحَجًا** **أَرْزًا** “the shield which intercepts the arrows” Aphr. 44, 2; **مَمْتَقِبٌ مَهَائِزًا** “those who accept money” Aphr. 260, 16; **مَمْتَقِبٌ** “who exhibit a profit” Aphr. 287, 2; **يَقُلْنَ** **مَمْتَقِبًا جَدَلِيَّةً** “women, who subjugate their husbands” Spic. 15, 19; **نَيْمًا مَمْتَنًا مَمْتَقِبٌ** **تَنْجِيًّا** **أَسْبًا مَمْتَحِبًا** **مَعْنًا** **مَهْمَلًا** **جُدِيَّةً** “weak passions that yet subdue heroes under the hard yoke of the need of them” Ov. 182, 18.—**مَمْتَقِبٌ** **أَجْمَدَةً** **رَهْطًا** “who urge on their people hurriedly” Mart. I, 16, 6; **ضَلَّاقِيْمٌ حَسَدَةً** “those who fight vigorously (with all their might)” Moes. II, 75, 5; Mart. I, 159 *mid.*; **ضَلَّاقِيْمٌ** **حَسَدَةً** “who are strong in pride” Aphr. 430 *ult.* (cf. Is. 13, 3); **مَمْتَعِلًا** **جَلَالًا** “oil, that revives the wearied ones” Ephr. (Lamy) II, 179, 4 &c.

(¹) Notice that Abstract Nouns in **لِو**, Relative Adjectives in **ا**— and Adverbs in **ا**— can be formed from those Active Participles only which are also used as Adj. or Subst.

(²) Or **إِنْزِهَهُ** without **ا** (§ 145 F.)?

A very few of these Participles occur, besides, as attributive adjectives, and as substantives. Thus **مُزَانًا مَبْعُوثًا** “splendid vestments” Anc. Doc. 42, 9, and elsewhere **مَبْعُوثًا**; frequently **مَدِينَةً** “faithful” (of which the fem. emph. state **مَدِينَةٌ** shows by the *a*, that it is no longer regarded as a Part. Act.; so is it too with **مَبْسُومًا** “a wet nurse”, and others which have become substantives).

Rem. Quite unique is the instance **كَلَامَةً لِّمَنْ تَقْتَضِيهَا مَسْتَبِيحَةً يَوْمَ تَقُومُ** **جَرُّ فَا لَمْ يَم** “the wise maidens gladdened thee daily” Ephr. III, 344 E, where in spite of the emph. st.,—in itself singular indeed in more respects than one, the power of governing remains. In prose it could be nothing but **تَقْتَضِيهَا**.

B. The *Nomen agentis* is, on the other hand, very extensively employed here: **مَدِينَةً** “the restorer” often; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “founders of churches” Jul. 125, 27 (immediately beside **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “and upholders of orthodoxy”); **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “and upholders of orthodoxy” *ibid.* 126, 5; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “upholder of Christianity” *ibid.* 126, 5; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “my helpers” Ps. 3, 3; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “who nourishes us” Ps. 84, 12; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “he who destroys them” Aphr. 452, 13; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “she who destroys him” Aphr. 47, 1; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** **τῶν ἡγουμένων ὑμῶν** Heb. 13, 7; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “those who are obedient to her” Aphr. 47, 2 &c. But the *Nomen Agentis* does not take the Constr. St. before the substantive expressing the object.⁽¹⁾ The *Nomina Ag.* of reflexives of passive meaning are on the whole used rather as adjectives in the sense of “capable of . . .”.

§ 284. Passive Participles are employed both as substantives and adjectives. They may be followed by a genitive as Subject or Object, and may even stand in the Construct State before prepositions; **بِحُجْرَةٍ** **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** . . . **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “they that be blessed of the Lord . . . they that be cursed of him” Ps. 37, 22; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “expert in war” Cantic. 3, 8; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “who are weaned from pleasures” Aphr. 260, 8; **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “they who are girded about with byssus and adorned

Passive
Participles.

(1) In **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “founders of churches and upholders of orthodoxy” Jul. 125, 27 and **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** **مَدِينَةً** **بِحُجْرَةٍ** “upholder of Christianity” *ibid.* 126, 5, the Constr. St. of the *nomen agentis* is plainly avoided.

with purple” Aphr. 261, 9; **مِقْدَلِبْ مَحْ مَيْتَا** “those who are born of water” Aphr. 287, 16 &c. Farther **مَنْخَبْ أَلْبَا** “taught of God” Aphr. 293, 17; **قَدَارَا مَدْرَحَلَا** “garments adorned” Anc. Doc. 42, 9; **رَحَلَاوَه مَمِجَلَا** “a prayer accepted (heard)” Aphr. 454, 19 &c. Other constructions, however, are preferred to this employment of the Pass. Part. as a Noun, except in the case of a few words.

Some of the participles mentioned in § 280 are of common occurrence in the Constr. St., *e. g.* **مَقْتَبْ تَبَا** “those, who bear the yoke” Aphr. 260, 20; **إِسْتَبْ إِقْتَبْ** “those who hold the keys” Aphr. 260, 7 &c.

IMPERATIVE.

Imperative.

§ 285. The Imperative mood cannot be used with a negative: **مَلَفْ** “kill”, but **لَا إِمَلَفْ** “do not kill” (§ 266).

We have one instance of a dependent Impt. in **مَيْلَا ؟ْ بِيْ وَسَلَبْ** “for (properly “because”) know and see” Mart. I, 160, 20. But this is at bottom an anacoluthon.

INFINITIVE.

Infinitive.

§ 286. Where the Inf. is not the Object Absolute (on this point v. § 295), it must always have **>** before *it*. This preposition gives to the Inf. the sense of direction, of purpose, &c.; **وَأَمَعَه وَآوَه جَمِجَكَه** **ἤρξαντο λαλεῖν** Acts 2, 4; **وَبِ جَمْرَجَكَه إِشْعَ آوَه** “while they (f.) came to pray” Aphr. 112, 12; **وَجِم مَمِجَلَا جَمِجَبْ قَدَامِجَلَا** “and while the sword receives the command to destroy” Aphr. 451, 4; **لَا سَمِجَا حَوَمْ** **لَجَمَلَاوَه نَفَه** “they did not fail to make provision for themselves” Aphr. 452, 9; **إِسْتَمَلَا جَلَا مَيْتَا جَمِجَلَا** “which is in want of water to drink” Aphr. 199, 1; **حَلِجْ حَمِجَبْ** “*dispositus ad faciendum*”, “*facturus*”; **مَدْرَجَمْ آوَه . . . لَجَمَلَاوَه** “he cried out . . . , that they should abstain” Ov. 179, 17; **عَمَلَا آوَه جَمِجَكَه إِشْ** “it is worthy to be received” Aphr. 103, 1 &c. This signification gradually passes over to that of the Object; thus after verbs like “to wish”, “to be able” &c.: **جَمِجَاوَه جَمِجَلَاوَه** **ζητούντες αὐτὸν κρατῆσαι** Matt. 21, 46 P. S. (C. **وَسَلَبْ آوَه** **حَدَه**); **لَا جَمِجَبْ** **لَا جَمِجَبْ** **وَيْلَاوَه** “cannot be healed” Aphr. 136, 4 (line 8 **وَيْلَاوَه**);

verb. Occasionally, however, this method of indicating the Object is exchanged for another,—that, namely, which is contrived by Δ , followed by the Pron. Suff.—It is true it is a less exact method than the former, because it serves other purposes besides. Examples: يَعِيْمُ ج “he may torture us” Joseph 204, 4 [Ov. 300, 12]; يَجِيءُ ج “has received us” *ibid.* 194, 13 [Ov. 295, 15]; رَجِبُوا حَصَف “I have conquered them” Mart. II, 233, 1 (Jac. Sar.); لَجِبُوا ج “have escaped (3 pl.) me” Ephr. Nis. p. 62 v. 83 &c. We have the form set before the verb in $\text{وَجِبَ يَجِيءَانِي}$ “and me ye have honoured” Ov. 141, 17 (var. وَجِبَانِي); $\text{وَجِبَ يَجِيءَانِي}$ “and I made you thieves” Joseph 220, 4 [Ov. 308, 17]; وَجِبُوا ج “and accompany me (to the grave)” Ov. 142, 23 (var. otherwise) &c. With the Participle, however, which does not take Object Suffixes, the personal pronoun as Object, is of necessity denoted by Δ , when the combination proper to Nouns is not preferred (§ 281).

§ 288. A. The Δ serves besides as a means of indicating a Definite Object. The Determination is more emphatic when the Object Suffix, answering to the Substantive, is, besides, added to the verb. In the latter case the Δ may even be omitted. The personal pronoun may be still more emphasised (§ 225 B); or it may be construed like an independent noun. Typical cases may be given thus:—

Object designated by means of Δ in the case of Determined Substantives.

- (a) Without Determination [Indefinite Object]: “he has built a house” بَنَى جِدًا or بَنَى حِلًّا (there being no Object-sign).
- (b) With Determination [Definite Object]: “he has built *the* house”:
 - (1) بَنَى جِدًا or بَنَى حِلًّا (without any Object-sign, just as in a).
 - (2) $\text{بَنَى حِلًّا جِدًا}$ or $\text{بَنَى حِلًّا حِلًّا}$.
 - (3) $\text{بَنَى حِلًّا حِلًّا}$ or $\text{بَنَى حِلًّا حِلًّا}$.
 - (4) $\text{بَنَى حِلًّا حِلًّا}$ or $\text{بَنَى حِلًّا حِلًّا}$.

In the case of the Part. taking the place of the finite Verb, Δ with possessive suffix is used instead of the object-suffix; thus in our example بَنَى حِلًّا ج is the regular equivalent of بَنَى حِلًّا .

in the Apost. Apocr. 279, 7 (بَنَى جِدًا “he took me”). It was completely obsolete in the 4th century. The reflexive use of بَنَى ج (§ 223) is quite distinct from this.

A few examples may suffice for all these cases:

(a) **إلهي يفتح لي يقيناً** *ὁ δεσμεύουσιν δὲ φορτία βαρέα* Matt. 23, 4; **إلهي يفتح لي** *“he raised three dead persons to life”* Aphr. 165, 14; **منه يفتح لي** *“only acquire thou forbearance and patience”* Sim. 270 *ad inf.*

(b) (1) **إلهي لا تفتح لي** *μη εἰδότες τὰς γραφὰς μηδὲ τὴν δύναμιν τοῦ θεοῦ* Matt. 22, 29; **منه يفتح لي** *“he who receives the spirit of Christ”* Aphr. 108, 3; **إلهي لا تفتح لي** *“they have not seen his light”* Aphr. 15, 13; **إلهي تفتح لي** *“let him adorn his inner man”* Aphr. 108, 4; **إلهي تفتح لي** *“thou restorest Nisibis to me”* Jos. St. 17, 3; **منه يفتح لي** *“his villages he sold”* Ov. 166, 14; **إلهي تفتح لي** *“thy letter, (my) beloved, I have received”* Aphr. 6, 1; **منه يفتح لي** *“these three winds he held”* Aphr. 93, 9.

(2) **منه يفتح لي** *ἐυρίσκει Φίλιππον* John 1, 43; **منه يفتح لي** *“he who grieves the spirit of Christ”* Aphr. 108, 5; **منه يفتح لي** *“ye have forsaken the Creator”* Mart. I, 124 *inf.*; **منه يفتح لي** *“that he may ruin Jerusalem”* Aphr. 249, 16; **منه يفتح لي** *“and John saw heaven opened”* Aphr. 124, 2 (immediately after **إلهي تفتح لي** *“Elijah opened heaven”*); **منه يفتح لي** *“and the lambs of thy flock thou slayest”* Mart. I, 125 mid. (and parallel to it **منه يفتح لي** *“and the sheep of thy flock thou destroyest”*); **منه يفتح لي** *“the world will I forsake”* Ov. 164, 22 &c. Compare **منه يفتح لي** *“them the flame devoured”* Aphr. 183, 19.

(3) **منه يفتح لي** *παραλαβόντες τὸν Ἰησοῦν εἰς τὸ πραιτόριον* Matt. 27, 27; **منه يفتح لي** *“and they surrounded his house and took him prisoner”* Mart. I, 123 (and then **منه يفتح لي** *“and plundered his house”*); **منه يفتح لي** *“have received circumcision”* Aphr. 210, 1; **منه يفتح لي** *“smote all the five (f.)”* Mart. I, 126 mid.; **منه يفتح لي** *ὁ ἀγίασας τὸν χρυσόν* Matt. 23, 17; **منه يفتح لي** *“the tyrant flattered the inhabitants of Constantinople”* Jul. 99, 21; **منه يفتح لي** *“the people of Edessa held this letter”*

in very great regard" Jul. 125, 18; **لِلْحَيْلِ ذُووَلَدِهِ إِدْرَجًا** "Jezebel persecuted Elijah" Aphr. 123, 18; **وَلَحِقَهُ مِنْهَا بِبِقَلِ مَدْرَدُوَ إِدَهُ حَرَمٌ** "and he warned the whole of the female orders" Ov. 177, 7; **هُوَ إِذْ كَلَّمَكَ لَا وَهَمٌ** "and he likewise commanded the priests" Aphr. 112, 13 &c. Cf. farther **رَأَوْا حَرَمَهُ مَعْصَمًا** "they saw that deacon" Sim. 294, 4; **وَجَزَأَ مِنْ حَرَمِهِ حَرَمٌ** "he took these" Jul. 72, 21 (a similar construction occurs often); **إِذْ إِفْرَجَتْ إِفْرَجًا** "it (f.) devoured them" Aphr. 62, 7; **وَأَنْقِذْتَنِي مِنْ مَوْتٍ** "and I rescue from death all three of you" Mart. I, 56, 13; **هُوَ إِذْ حَرَمَهُ إِفْرَجًا** "he also brought them out" Mart. I, 32 mid., as also **هَذَا وَهَمَّيْتُ مِنْهُ** "and the Lord commanded me" Deut. 4, 14.

(4) **أَفْرَجَكَ إِفْرَجًا لِلشَّوَبِ** *ἀφῆκεν τὴν γυναῖκα αὐτοῦ τῷ ἀδελφῷ αὐτοῦ* Matt. 22, 25 P. (different in C. and S.); **رَبَّضْتُ رُبُضًا** *τὰ ἀργύρια* Matt. 27, 5; **أَفْرَجْتُ** "I threw the dust of it (m.) away" Deut. 9, 21; **أَفْرَجْتُ** "changed his hands" Gen. 48, 14; **عَلَّمَ** "when he uttered this word" Aphr. 420, 18; **أَفْرَجْتُ** "closed my mouth" Ephr. Nis. p. 57 v. 73; **أَفْرَجْتُ** "that he take all these parts" Ov. 71, 10; **أَفْرَجْتُ** "cast his face upon the earth" Jul. 131, 3; **أَفْرَجْتُ** "the dogs licked his blood" Aphr. 183, 16; **أَفْرَجْتُ** "all pledges he had fulfilled in himself" Aphr. 459, 19; **أَفْرَجْتُ** "stubbornness they know not" Aphr. 177 *ult.* &c. The fourth method, however, is far less frequently used than the others, at least when the object follows the verb, though it is still common enough.

The 3rd and 4th methods are combined in **أَفْرَجْتُ** *أَفْرَجْتُ* "but when a godlike zeal . . . carried away these believing ones" Jul. 138, 1: we have here at the same time another instance of the drawing accumulation of demonstratives and personal pronouns, which occurs not seldom, though it is avoided by some writers.

B. In most cases complete uncertainty prevails as to the selection or rejection of a mark to indicate the object when definite, as several of the foregoing examples already show; cf. farther: **أَفْرَجْتُ** "they

have profaned the sabbath" Aphr. 242, 16, 18, by the side of **עָבְדוּ אֶת הַשַּׁבָּת** "have put away the sabbath" *ibid.* 17 (twice); **ἔτι κληρονομήσουσι τὴν γῆν** Matt. 5, 5 **אֲנִי אֵלֶיךָ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ לְאֵלֵינוּ** S., **אֲנִי אֵלֶיךָ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ** C., **אֲנִי אֵלֶיךָ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ** P. (like Is. 60, 21), cf. Aphr. 41, 10; **ἀνασείει τὸν λαόν** Luke 23, 5 **אֲנִי אֵלֶיךָ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ** C. S., **אֲנִי אֵלֶיךָ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ** P. Still, it is usual to have some mark when the object designates a named *Person*; and cases like **אֲנִי אֵלֶיךָ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ** "shall I reckon Habib?" Anc. Doc. 87, 3 are comparatively rare. On the other hand, the object-mark is mostly omitted in the case of Common Nouns with reflex suffixes, e. g. **וְלֹא מִשְׁפָּחָם יִשְׁתַּחֲוּוּ** *οὐ νύπτονται τὰς χεῖρας* Matt. 15, 2; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** *ἀφέντες τὰ δίκτυα* Mark 1, 18; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** *ἄρον τὸν κράβατὸν σου* Mark 2, 9 sq.; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** *they spread out their wings and raised their heads* Sim. 272, 1; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "he stretched out his hands" Aphr. 18, 17 (and then **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "and conquered Amalek", with א, as being a proper name) &c., and thus, frequently **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "se ipsum" (compare **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "and hated himself and loved God" Ov. 168, 10), although cases like **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "for he judged himself" Ov. 171, 24 do occur.

C. Demonstratives and Interrogatives in the Objective case are sometimes furnished with א, and sometimes not: **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** *βλέπετε ταῦτα πάντα* Matt. 24, 2; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "these commandments we have received" Aphr. 484, 14; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "saw (3rd pl.) this sign" Sim. 273 *inf.*; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "eum, qui" Ov. 175, 26, but **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** Aphr. 48, 2; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "when he heard this" Jos. St. 55, 14; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "these fishes they collect" Sim. 274, 1; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "eos, qui" Ov. 211, 2 and elsewhere; **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** *ibid.* 214, 7 and elsewhere. So too **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "that which" Aphr. 126, 20, and even **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** "set before me, brethren, whatever ye have vowed" Ov. 141, 8, but **וְעַתָּה מִשְׁפָּחָם אֲפֵרְתֵם** (Object) Aphr. 145, 13, and thus usually. With א (אֵלֶיךָ, אֵלַי &c.) א preponderates, it is true, but on the other hand it may be wanting. It is peculiar that **אֵלֶיךָ** "tis, τινός" and **אֵלַי** "one" are conceived of as determined. The first two forms when standing as Object, have א throughout: **אֵלֶיךָ אֵלֶיךָ אֵלֶיךָ** *οὐδένᾳ εἶδον* Matt. 17, 8; **אֵלַי אֵלַי אֵלַי** "he did not even know any one" Sim. 292, 1; and many like cases: **אֵלֶיךָ** Ov. 189 *ult.*; and with still stronger determination: **אֵלַי אֵלַי אֵלַי** "they

awaken some one" Moes. I, 103, 28; (¹) cf. *ibid.* 102, 12.— **بِعَمَلِ حَتَبٍ** *σκανδαλισθῆναι* Matt. 18, 6; Luke 17, 2; **بِ سَأْلِ حَتَبٍ مَعَ خَيْبِ جِهِيهِ** "when he saw one of his fellow-countrymen" Mart. I, 12, 21; comp. Spic. 13, 26 and other passages (but Spic. 14, 25 **مِمَّنْ بَفُلَّلا تَبْ مَعَ اَوْجِعْ** "whoever kills one of these"); **اِثْبَدَ جِسْبًا** "revived the one (f.)" Mart. II, 237 *inf.* (Jac. Sar.); **بَعَثَ... حَاجِرَ خَرْبَا تَبْ** "he sent a Marzbān (Satrap)" Jos. St. 17, 10; 65, 2 (but 64, 1 **تَبْ مَحْرُكًا تَبْ**... **بَعَثَ... جِسْبًا**); **بَعَثَ تَبْ مَحْرُكًا** "raised every single one of them" Aphr. 165, 16; **حَفَلَا تَبْ تَبْ مَحْرُكًا اَوْجِعْ** "he endowed every single one of them" Ov. 166, 18. For **سَاهَ رَحْبًا اَوْجِعْ** "they saw a black man" Sim. 333, 6 *ab inf.* (the Lond. Cod. has **سَهَ رَحْبًا سَه** *سَه* *واوهم*). Thus **كُلُّنْه** "every one" John 2, 25; Ov. 179, 2 and frequently. **لَا سَبِيحَ لِاِجْتَدَ اَنَّهُ** "he nominated no other" Ephr. II, 554 F; cf. 555 B. So **لَا سَبِيحًا** "*alios*" overagainst **لَا نَقَبَ** Ov. 190, 1.

بِعَمَلَتَا (*οἱ πολλοί*), as an Object, also frequently takes **ا**, e. g. **سَيَحْيَاوْ حَمِيَتَا** "and let us enrich many" Aphr. 105, 10, cf. 124, 17; 134, 12 &c.; also with substantive: **وَحَمِيَتَا وَاوَجِيَا مَلَكَا** "and they slew many Persians" Jos. St. 60, 13; still we find also **سَيَحْه مَحْرُكًا** "they destroyed many of them" Aphr. 242, 14.

§ 289. The **ا** of the Object may occur by the side of another **ا** Object alongside of another [a true prep.]: **اَبْعَثَ اِلَيْهِ حَاجِرًا** *ἀπέστειλεν ὁ θεὸς τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ εἰς τὸν κόσμον* John 3, 17; **وَحَمِيَتَا تَبْ مَحْرُكًا** "the fish brought Jonah safe to dry land" Aphr. 66, 18; **وَحَمِيَتَا تَبْ مَحْرُكًا** "and bring the ship to the place of quietness" Aphr. 458, 6; **اَبْعَثَ اِلَيْهِ** "led away the children of Israel captive to Babylon" Aphr. 36, 2; **لَا يَسْتَعْبِدُ مَحْرُكًا لِحَمِيَتَا** "they shall not admit heretics to baptism" Ov. 220, 19; **اَبْعَثَ اِلَيْهِ** "that he bring even the Arians into subjection to the

(¹) Cf. **تَحْبَدَ اَنَّهُ** "one's knowledge" Ephr. (Lamy) I, 91, 9; **تَحْبَدَ اَنَّهُ** "what is dear to one" Jul. 221, 6 (and thus frequently **لَحْه** *لحه*) where the determination by means of the personal suffix is clear.

truth of the exalted Trinity” Ov. 193, 13 &c. We have even as many as *three* Δs, and these, besides, depending upon an Inf. with Δ, in **וְיִשְׁמְעוּ אֶת הָאִשָּׁה לְפָנֵינוּ** “we shall not be ashamed to take this woman under our instruction” Ov. 102, 15; cf. **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “ἀφορίσατε δὴ μοι τὸν Βαρνάβαν καὶ τὸν Σαῦλον εἰς τὸ ἔργον” Acts 13, 2; and **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “but they hired them Balaam, the son of Beor, to curse them” Aphr. 213, 7. In **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “and were wont to call on him for help in their loneliness” Mart. I, 122, 9, **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ** is indispensable on account of the participle; while in **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “that he may bring them to the service of Christ” Ov. 175, 19, in spite of the second Δ, **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ** occurs in an unusual fashion in room of **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ**. But of course, alongside of another Δ, the Δ of the Object is often wanting, e. g. **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “and that man gave him that staff” Sim. 272 *inf.* &c.

Double
transitive
Construc-
tion.

§ 290. Examples of double transitive construction: **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “ὃν αἰτήσῃ ὁ υἱὸς αὐτοῦ ἄρτον” Matt. 7, 9; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “καὶ (ὁότε) αὐτῷ ὑποδήματα” Luke 15, 22; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “he overlaid it with brass” ZDMG XXIX, 109 v. 27 (but v. 26 with prep. **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “overlaid his god with silver”); **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “I asked him of the words” Aphr. 395, 2; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “he showed him the future” Sim. 371 *inf.*; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “laid severe afflictions upon him” Sim. 337, 9; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “he showed them, what” Aphr. 160, 18; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “makes physicians hateful to us” Ephr. III, 658 F; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “show me his Lord” Ov. 296, 2; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “and they stripped me of the splendid apparel” Apost. Apocr. 274, 16 (Gnostic Hymn); **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “caused them to cross the Jordan, and gave it (the land) to them for a heritage” Aphr. 357, 8; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “and it (faith) gave water to drink to those who were athirst” Aphr. 22, 6; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** “he caused the children of Israel to inherit the land” Aphr. 20, 4 &c. In several of these examples it is only from the context that one can judge which is the first, and which the second Object; **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** might, for instance, mean also “makes us hateful to the physicians”; and **וַיִּשְׁכְּרוּ אֶת הַבָּנִים** might even

more readily suggest the conception “show me to his Lord”. Moreover, keeping certain verbs out of view, we do not often, upon the whole, meet with such double transitive constructions, especially with two substantives. The theoretically possible employment of the Aphel as Causative of a transitive verb, which already has an object, is applied only within a limited range. It is doubtful whether both the Objects in a double transitive construction can receive Δ .

§ 291. Apart from the participles treated of in § 280 (أَمِيه لَحَقِيه) Passive with Object. “they wear his armour” Aphr. 100, 17; مَعْمَلًا حَلِيه اِنَا “thou art clothed with glory” Aphr. 494, 12 &c.) the transitive construction of the Passive of a Double Transitive is very rare, and indeed wholly confined to certain verbs. Examples: يَدِيصِفِيه مِيَقَلَا “they shall cover themselves with sackcloth” Aphr. 49 *ult.*; اِنَا فَيَحْدَا قَمَلَا “thou didst receive retribution for thy wickedness” 2 Sam. 16, 8, and, differently, اِنَا فَيَحْدَا مَسَلَا جَلَا “they received righteous judgment as a retribution” Aphr. 49, 3⁽¹⁾ (but line 6 حَلَا حَلَا); اِنَا فَيَحْدَا اِنَا “he was filled with great wrath” Mart. I, 18, 5; يَحْلَا مَلَا مَلَا “he was full of cunning” Aphr. 61, 11 (and so, frequently, with اِنَا and مَلَا, but they are also often construed with ح). Cases like مَعْمَلًا مَعْمَلًا اِنَا “he incurs [is condemned in] the severe punishment of retaliation” Spic. 14, 26 we have already noticed in § 243.⁽²⁾

§ 292. It must be kept in view here generally, that apart from the personal pronoun, Syriac has no clear mark or form for the Objective, nor even a clear notion of it, so that these Object-relations are at bottom treated always as mere adverbial adjuncts to the verb, whether with or without the preposition Δ . This prep. as an objective sign, is of course distinguished from its other applications, by this circumstance amongst others, that it is bound to disappear, with transformation into the Passive. That the syntactical relation in مَلَا مَعْمَلًا لِحِيصَم is a different one

Character of Object-designation in Syriac.

⁽¹⁾ فَيَحْدَا “to pay”, “to requite” is doubly transitive, cf. Gen. 50, 15; 2 Sam. 16, 8, 12 &c.

⁽²⁾ The subtle distinctions, which Arabic Grammar makes between these cases and the proper Object-relation, have no significance for Syriac.

from that in **مَرَّ بِصَدَقِ الْإِبْرَاهِيمَ** might not indeed be demonstrated by means of translation into other tongues, but would be so by means of transposition into the Passive of “Simeon killed Abraham”, “Simeon said to Abraham”: the former would then read **مَرَّ بِأَدِ**, the latter **مَرَّ بِأَدِ**. But in the case of many verbs undoubtedly transitive, the passive construction is quite unusual; and with several verbs there is a measure of uncertainty in distinguishing **لِ**, as an objective sign, from **لِ**, as a dative preposition.

INFINITIVE WITH OBJECT.

Verb-Construction.

§ 293. The Infinitive, just like the finite verb, may have an object subordinated to it. Thus *e. g.* **لِصَلِّحْ** “to kill me” Acts 26, 21, and frequently; **لِصَفَّاهِ** “to put him to death” Anc. Doc. 89, 14; **لِصَفِّقُهُ** “to serve me” Ezek. 44, 13 &c. (cf. the forms with **وَع**, § 191); besides cases like **لِصَلِّحْ** “to teach them” Ex. 24, 12; **لِصَمِعْ** “to hear them” Ps. 34, 15 &c.

With other nouns, nearly all the cases noted in § 288 may be illustrated also by the Infinitive. It is rather a favourite practice to place the Object before the Inf. with **لِ**.

(a) Without being determined: **لِصَفِّقْ** “ἐγείρει τέκνα” Matt. 3, 9; **لِصَفِّقْ** “to set in order many things” Jos. St. 81, 11 &c.

(b) Determined: (1) **لِصَفِّقْ** “to take the entire treasure of the king” Aphr. 199, 10; **لِصَفِّقْ** “thou canst make good the dreams” Joseph 31, 11 [Ov. 284, 16]; **لِصَفِّقْ** “I have been ordered to have this done” Jos. St. 3, 21; **لِصَفِّقْ** “to learn and understand the investigation of words is an admirable thing” Aphr. 446, 15.—(2) **لِصَفِّقْ** “to kill myself” Ps. 40, 14; **لِصَفِّقْ** “to tend his people [as a flock]” Aphr. 193, 6; **لِصَفِّقْ** “thou canst understand the saying of our Lord” Aphr. 71, 6; (= **لِصَفِّقْ**) “they wanted to keep fast hold of the Astabedh” [“general”] Jos. St. 89, 8.—(3) **لِصَفِّقْ**

“to curse the earth” Gen. 8, 21; **يَحْتَضِرُهُ إِهْ أَحْبَنَلْ** “to despoil the man” Aphr. 130, 3; **بِهْ وَهْ إِذْ هَوِيَّعْلْ جَدْ قَبْرْ وَهْمِيَّعْب** *“nam voluntatem illam magnam et sanctam non est quod possit retinere”* Spic. 20, 24.—(4) **لِحَمِيَّعْبِجْ قَدْلَا بُوْ؟** “to understand this word” Aphr. 70, 4.

§ 294. Together with these, there are cases in which the object Noun-Con-
struction. clearly comes into genitive relation with the Inf. This can happen with personal pronouns only. Very rarely does it occur with the 1st sing.: **لِحَمِيَّعْبِجْ** “to make me clean” Matt. 8, 2 P.; Luke 5, 12 P.; in the former of which places C., and in the latter S., read **لِحَمِيَّعْبِجْ**. It is found rather more frequently with the 3rd pl.: **لِحَمِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “to burn them up” Ov. 126, 2 (instead of **لِحَمِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ**); **لِحَمِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “to deliver them up” Mart. I, 153, 15; **لِحَمِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “to render them (f.) ineffectual” John van Tella (Kleyn) 46, 12; **لِحَمِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “to make them (f.)” Aphr. 319, 5; **لِحَمِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “to preserve them (f.)” *ibid.* line 6.

INFINITIVE ABSOLUTE.

§ 295. The [indeterminate] general object,—the Inf. Abs.—is not Placed
before the
Verb. of uncommon occurrence with Transitive and Intransitive, Active and Passive verbs. A definite object may also stand alongside of it. This Inf. serves to give more emphasis to the verb, by contrasting the action with some other one, or by giving expression to its intensity. Of course this emphasis has frequently become very trifling. Examples: **وَخَبْرًا خَبْرًا** “that he builds up” Aphr. 201, 5 (in antithesis to ‘throwing down’); **يَلْقَا بِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ لَا هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “for teachers are asked questions; they do not ask them” Spic. 1, 17; **جَحْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** *μόνον πιστεύς* Luke 8, 50 C. (= Aphr. 21, 1; P. S. without Inf.); **هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “even when they are victorious” Jos. St. 15, 18; **هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “the prophet was very sorry” Aphr. 453, 11; **هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “but they destroyed (what he had built)” Aphr. 10, 20; **هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “overthrow it” Aphr. 201, 6; **هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “and while they are continually bestirring themselves” Aphr. 497, 7; **هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ** “but saw no man” Sim. 304 mid.; **هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ هَوِيَّعْبِجْ**

“why hast thou then [so greatly] sinned?” Aphr. 270, 5; **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܒܝܘܫܐ** “was she then troublesome to him?” Joseph 293, 2. With the Part. pass.: **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܡܪܝܢܐ** “killed is he” Gen. 44, 28; **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܝܘܫܘܥ** “torn in pieces is Joseph” Gen. 37, 33; **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܝܘܫܘܥ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “(m.) then sharpened?” Mart. I, 126 mid.; **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** *οὐχ ἑωράκει ποτέ τὴν Τύρον* Sachau, Ined. 2, 14 (§ 279) &c. Thus also with verbal Adjectives (§ 118) like **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “that he would have fled” Anc. Doc. 91, 3; **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “that you would altogether keep silence!” Job 13, 5. Similarly **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “that we keep good watch” Ephr. II, 401 B; **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “and is not sick” *Synodes* (Chabot) 28, 17, 22.

Placed after the Verb.

§ 296. Less frequently the Inf. Abs. stands *after* the verb, in which case the emphasis is even stronger: **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “and he did not see this water at all” Sim. 313, 12; **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “it is for thee to speak” Sim. 315 *ad inf.*; **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “arise!” Sim. 271, 6 (and such construction is frequently found in Sim.); **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “flew [swiftly]” Dan. 9, 21 (= Aphr. 370, 19); **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “then, as often as he merely *thought* on his sanctity” Ov. 189, 14; **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “only *believe*” Spic. 2, 13; **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “only give command, O king!” Joseph 117, 11.

Without Finite Verb.

§ 297. In very rare cases with the Inf. abs. the finite verb is left out altogether: **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “and sometimes they put Paul in bonds, and at other times they stoned him” Aphr. 300, 20.

Abstracts, of another form, taking the part of General Object.

§ 298. The Inf. Abs. cannot take either attribute, or numeral, or attributive relative-clause nor can it stand in the plural or genitive, or govern a genitive. If the general object requires a measure of determination of that kind, ⁽¹⁾ then an Abstract, of another form, answering to the verb, must be chosen. This however is sometimes done even where

(1) Syriac is commonly satisfied with a simple adverb of quality, e. g. **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** “he did not find fault with them severely” Aphr. 261, 19, where also **ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ ܕܚܘܠܐ** might have been used.

the Inf. Abs. might stand. Examples: **إِلْيُوقِدَا إِيْلَيْسَرِ دَقَمَمِلَا يُخَا** "Antioch experienced a violent earthquake" Land III, 244, 18; **مَتَا** **بِهَلَا كَفَلَا وَصَلِيْبِلَا** "he died an evil and painful death" Sim. 333, 3 (a construction like this is common with **مَتَا**); **وَبُنِيْعَ شَرِيْحَا شَهْوَدَاتِ اَنْبِيَا** "then was it destroyed for the last time" Aphr. 399, 6; **إِيْزِيْدَا يُوْقِنِيْلَا** "he had been well brought up" Ephr. I, 110 E; **إِنَا كَمَتَفِيْلَا** **بِهَلَا** "lo, I have blessed thee with a manifold blessing" Joseph 297, 9; **بِهَلَا** **إِنَا** **عِشْرِيْنِيْنِيْ جِهِيْبِيْ مِلْجِيْ مَلِيْلَا** "for lo, I have twenty times been slain" Mart. I, 253 *ad inf.*; **بِهَلَا** **إِنَا** **إِيْ تَعْمَلَا** **إِيْ جِهِيْبَا** "for not once only shall he be put to death, or five times, or ten times" Mart. I, 246, 9; ⁽¹⁾ **وَبِيْ رُؤْيَا جُحَا** **بِهَلَا** **إِنَا** **إِيْ كَاتِيْبِيْ** **بِهَلَا** "that they circumcise the heart of stone with the circumcision which is not [made] with hands" Ov. 125, 26; **بِهَلَا** **لِجِهِيْمِيْلَا** "to put to death" Spic. 17, 20 (where the Abstract is employed to keep two infinitives from coming together). An Abstract occurs alongside of the Inf. Abs. in **مُتَفِيْلَا** **مُتَفِيْلَا** **كَفَلَا** "thou art suffering a sad death" Simeon of Bēth Arshām (Guidi) 9, 10 = Knös, Chrest. 39. An abstract noun of allied meaning, but from a different root, appears in an exceptional way in **مُتَا** **بِفَحْحِيْ** "when men lie down in this sleep" Aphr. 170, 12; and **بِهَلَا** **وَقَمَمَا** "they fell asleep" Joseph 105, 11.

Such an Abstract noun may also be represented, where the connection is clear, by the relative **بِهَلَا** referring thereto, or by a personal suffix: **بِهَلَا** **بِقَمَمِيْلَا** **بِهَلَا** "the feeble reprimand which he employed" Aphr. 262, 5; **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** "the wicked murders in which men destroy their brethren" Ov. 132, 14; **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** "the blessings with which thou hast blessed me" Joseph 201 *ult.*—202, 1 [= Ov. 299, 9—10]; **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** "the fast which they kept" Aphr. 49, 12, and frequently; and so **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** "they kept it (the fast)" Aphr. 44, 5. Cf. farther—where the words are from different roots—**بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** "the offence, which they committed against thee" Sim. 295, 2.

(1) A later recension for liturgical purposes substitutes a more convenient construction, with the preposition: **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** **بِهَلَا** *Offic. Sanctor. Maron. Hyemal.* (Romae 1656) p. 366b (cf. *Aestiv.* 74b *ult.*).

πίνη Matt. 24, 48—49; and quite independently **يَتَنَبَّهُونَ** **بِهِمْ**, literally following the text *ἔσονται ἀλήθουσαι* Matt. 24, 41. With the subject-pronoun attached to the participle, thus **يَتَنَبَّهُونَ** **بِهِمْ** **جَلِيْب** “if only we may enter and be blessed by thee” Sim. 308, 1; **يَتَذَكَّرُ** **بِهِ** **جَدِ** **لِي** **يَتَذَكَّرُ** “thou shalt remember the oath” *ibid.* 323, 2. So too with Part. Pass.: **يَتَعَفَّفُونَ** **بِهِمْ** **حَجِي** **دَعَفَفَ** **بِهِمْ** **حَجِي** “that they are continually taken up with fasting” Ov. 177, 2; **يَتَقِفُونَ** **بِهِمْ** **حَقَم** “stand” Spic. 17, 17; **يَتَقِفُونَ** **بِهِمْ** **حَقَم** **جَلَا** **يَتَقِفُونَ** “it shall be made and prepared and placed at the door” Sim. 377, 8.

Rem. On **لَا** with other verbal forms v. §§ 261; 263; 268; 277; 278 B.; 279 B.; cf. farther §§ 260; 324 E.; 338 C. On **لَا** with the Inf. v. § 286, and with adverbs § 308.

E. **لَا**.

Preliminary Observations.

§ 301. **لَا** and its negative **لَا** **لَا** or **لَا** (§ 199) are, in their syntax, essentially alike. In the matter of Tense, **لَا** (as Noun) resembles the Part.; when it is strengthened by an enclitic **لَا**, the resulting combination then answers to that of the Part. with **لَا**; thus **لَا** **لَا** is nearly equal to “*erat*”. This **لَا** does not necessarily require to be inflected according to gender and number, seeing that **لَا** is properly a masculine substantive in the sg.

With separate Personal Pronouns.

§ 302. Sometimes **لَا**, and more rarely **لَا**, is found with the independent personal pronoun following: **لَا** **لَا** “and I am no longer in being” Job 7, 21; **لَا** **لَا** “they are not there”, “they are not in being” Jer. 10, 20; Ephr. II, 554 C.; III, 419 A.; Ephr. Nis. p. 62 v. 88; Jul. 177, 15; varied by **لَا** **لَا** **لَا** **لَا** Matt. 2, 18 C. (P. S. **لَا** **لَا**); **لَا** **لَا** “*non sunt qui veniant*” Ephr. III, 418 E; **لَا** **لَا** “those who are not in being” (set overagainst **لَا** **لَا**) Aphr. 274, 6; **لَا** **لَا** **لَا** “and if for the moon they do not exist” Ov. 70, 3 (for which l. 1 **لَا** **لَا**); **لَا** **لَا** “in the trouble of man they are not [involved]” Ps. 73, 5. **لَا** is a mere copula in the original passage **لَا** **لَا** **لَا** “who are you Christians” Land III, 258, 17 (so in **لَا** **لَا** “they are his agents” Land

beauty was unbounded" Sim. 272, 13; **قَالَ تَمَّ لَهُ جَمِيلًا** "who had a daughter" Sim. 273, 12; **لَا دَاءَ دَرَأًا إِلَّا يَصْفِيهَا** "for all distresses there are remedies" Aphr. 135, 3 &c.

Very rarely occur cases like **إِلَّا إِيَّاكُمْ جَاءَ بِأَنْفُسِكُمْ يَصْفِيكُمْ** "but we have liberty in ourselves" Spic. 13, 4.

With other prepositions or adverbs likewise, the bare form **أَلِ** appears freely, although **أَلِ** with suffixes often occurs too, especially when it comes after the prepositional phrase. In such combinations the signification is indeed gradually passing into that of the pure copula: **أَلِ فِي كُلِّ مَوْضِعٍ** *ἐν ἀρχῇ ἦν ὁ λόγος* John 1, 1; **وَأَلِ فِي كُلِّ مَوْضِعٍ** "for in every land and among every people there are rich and poor" Spic. 18, 4; **أَلِ فِي كُلِّ مَوْضِعٍ** "in whom is knowledge" Spic. 3, 11; **لَا أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ لِصَفْرِ كَهْمَجِ الْخَلِّ** "there is no strength in the wicked man to stand against the good" Aphr. 182, 4; **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "Judas is not with them" Aphr. 65, 2; **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "all that is upon me" Spic. 3, 21; **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "and with whom is no truth" Aphr. 182, 13; **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "are there" Spic. 14, 1 &c.—**أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** *هَذَا* "the filth of sin which is in the villages" Ov. 116, 7 (parallel to **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "the sin which is in the streets of the towns" line 6); ... **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "all faults . . . are in me" Ov. 141, 4; **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "God was in them" Aphr. 70, 6; **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "the brethren who are in the convents" Ov. 213, 11 (alongside of **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "the monks who are in their districts" Ov. 216 *ult.*); **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "she, who is in the midst of the sea" Apost. Apocr. 274 *paen.* (Gnostic Hymn); **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "for upon the top of high places is Wisdom" Prov. 8, 2; **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "from those who were with him" Ov. 162, 14; **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "if it had been always with him" Aphr. 128, 3; **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "the solution of which is not with us" Ephr. III, 687 C. &c.

أَلِ occurs constantly with the suffix, when it is merely the copula; thus in cases like **أَلِ فِي سَبِيلِ حَقِّكَ** "this is nothing else

(1) Read thus.

end), &c.—**ܩܠܝܗܘܢ ܕܥܝܢܗܘܢ ܕܥܝܢܗܘܢ** “it would be better for him” Ephr. in Zingerle’s Chrest. 257, 8; **ܘܠܐ ܒܘܚܝܢܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** “and his coming was not in vain” Aphr. 150, 15; **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** “and it went badly with them in the end” Aphr. 293, 5; **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** “our chastenings were manifold” Jos. St. 4, 14.

§ 308^b. A very rare construction and one pronounced by BA **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** no. 650 to be old and rude, is **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** = simple **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** “and the writing is thus” Land III, 327, 24; **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** “whether this observance comes from the time of the Apostles” Jac. Ed. in Lagarde, *Rel. Jur. Syr.* 144, 4. Cf. BB p. 151, 4.

II. THE SENTENCE.

1. THE SIMPLE SENTENCE.

A. THE SIMPLE SENTENCE IN GENERAL.

§ 309. The Nominal sentence,—that is, the sentence which has a Substantive, an Adjective, or an Adverbial expression as a predicate,—is not very sharply distinguished in Syriac from the Verbal sentence. The Participle,—becoming a pure Verbal form, but yet betraying its Nominal origin—, which is widely employed as a predicate, and **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** which in like manner comes near to the Verb, mark stages of transition from the Nominal sentence to the Verbal sentence; while on the other hand sentences with the Substantive verb **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** can scarcely be regarded as truly Verbal sentences. Farther the inner constructions severally of Nominal and Verbal sentences in Syriac do not greatly differ.

§ 310. A Nominal predicate, when set beside a Subject—without a copula—may form a sentence, just like a verb: **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** “love (is) far removed from vainglory” Aphr. 256, 14 (v. farther examples, with Predicative Adjective § 204 A, and with Participle § 269 *sqq.*); **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ** “love is light” Aphr. 257, 22; **ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܢܦܘܠܗܘܢ**

Nominal Sentence. Verbal Sentence.

Copula wanting.

إِنْجِلًا زَوَّجَهَا مَجَلِّيًا “for the just and the upright are the salt of the earth” Aphr. 457, 5; مَنْ إِنْجِلٌ مَنْجِلٌ “who are these?” Sim. 271 mid.; مَنْ هَذَا “what then is this?” Aphr. 13, 12; and frequently مَنْ هَذَا “who is?”; مَنْ هَذَا “what is?”; هَذَا هَذَا “this is” &c. It occurs, though rarely, with the Part., as in مَنْجِلًا مَجَلِّيًا جَلًّا إِنْجِلًا “the just and the upright are always found on the earth” Aphr. 455, 11; 457, 2; هَذَا هَذَا “these chastenings are sufficient” Jos. 5, 16.

§ 312. A. When the subject is a personal pronoun, it is sufficient to set it down once; and in fact it stands oftenest as an enclitic after the most important word in the predicate: أَنَا زَوَّجٌ أَنَا “I am innocent” Job 33, 9; هَذَا هَذَا “we are thy people” Aphr. 488, 9; أَنَا أَنَا “am I then my brother’s keeper?” Gen. 4, 9; إِنْجِلًا إِنْجِلًا “if thou art wise” Prov. 9, 12; إِنْجِلًا إِنْجِلًا . . . إِنْجِلًا إِنْجِلًا “that thou art either God, or the son of God” Addai 3 *ult.*; هَذَا هَذَا “ye are the sons of Cain” Aphr. 331, 9; هَذَا هَذَا “he is my brother” Gen. 20, 5; هَذَا هَذَا “that he is the Son of God” Ov. 163, 12; هَذَا هَذَا “she is precious” Prov. 3, 15; هَذَا هَذَا “she is a tree of life” Prov. 3, 18; هَذَا هَذَا “that they are the disciples of Christ” Ov. 177, 4 &c. For 1st and 2nd Pers. cf. the Participial forms, § 64.

Personal
Pronoun
as Subject.

In the case of two Participles, the Subject pronoun does not need to be repeated, *e. g.* هَذَا هَذَا هَذَا هَذَا *ἀ ἀκούετε καὶ βλέπετε* Matt. 11, 4 P. (C. هَذَا هَذَا هَذَا هَذَا); هَذَا هَذَا هَذَا هَذَا “thou art exceeding angry and wrathful” Jesussabran (Chabot) 554, 11; هَذَا هَذَا هَذَا هَذَا “from me you receive nothing, and depart” John. Eph. 399, 15.

B. It is far less common for the pronoun of the 1st and 2nd person to stand alone at the commencement. A certain emphasis is usually conveyed in that arrangement: هَذَا هَذَا “when I was still but a little boy” Apost. Apocr. 274, 9 (Gnostic Hymn); هَذَا هَذَا “whilst thou art uplifted, vainglorious and proud” Aphr. 270, 8; similarly ll. 10, 11; هَذَا هَذَا “for thou art waiting and hoping” Aphr. 341, 6; هَذَا هَذَا *ἀ ἀκούετε* Luke 10, 24 P. S. (C. هَذَا هَذَا) immediately after هَذَا هَذَا *ἀ ὑμεῖς βλέπετε*; هَذَا هَذَا *οὐ γὰρ ὑμεῖς ἐστὲ οἱ λαλοῦντες* Matt. 10, 20 P. S.;

Time-range
of the
Nominal
Sentence.

§ 315. The Nominal sentence in itself denotes a state of being, and accordingly, first of all, it represents the continuous present (§ 269). By the context, however, it may often become plain that the state or condition concerns the past, *i. e.*, is contemporaneous with the time of the principal clause. Thus *e. g.* **مَدْعُوهُمُ لَمَّا دَعَوْهُمُ فَحَدَّثُوهُمْ** “he urged them to show in every thing that they were (*are*) disciples of Christ” Ov. 177, 3; **كُلَّ شَيْءٍ كَانَ لَهُمْ** *πάντα ὅσα εἶχεν* Matt. 13, 46; **سَأَلَ... لَيْسَ لَهُمْ حَسَبٌ... لَيْسَ لَهُمْ حَسَبٌ** “he saw the people, that had no limit” Sim. 271; **جَاءَ فِي الْبَيْتِ الْبَيْتِ** *ἐν τῷ εἶναι αὐτοῦς ἐκεῖ, ἐπλήσθησαν* . . . Luke 2, 6. Cf. on this use in the case of the Part. § 275, in which case, however, it occurs far oftener. In particular, the indication of past time is often wanting in short Relative clauses, of which the predicate is an Adverbial qualification (§ 355).— Sometimes, though but rarely, a Nominal clause is employed to delineate in a lively manner a past condition, just as in the example given in the foregoing section **هَبَّتْهَا حَتَّى جَاءَتْ** &c.

Separation
of the Subj.
from the
Pred. by
means of **و**.

§ 316. The separation of the Subject from the Predicate by means of **و**, in short successive clauses, is a purely rhetorical device, exemplified in **لَيْسَ لَهُمْ سَعَادَةٌ فَزَيْتُهُمْ لَيْسَ لَهُمْ سَعَادَةٌ لَيْسَ لَهُمْ سَعَادَةٌ لَيْسَ لَهُمْ سَعَادَةٌ** “Joy, it was fled; cheerfulness, it was removed; peace, it was chased away; quietness, it was driven off; help, there was none; assistance, it was not near &c.” (eight more clauses of the same kind follow) Mart. I, 12 *ult.*, and in **قُتِلَتْ أَرْجُلُهُمْ فَجُزِيَ أَرْجُلُهُمْ فَجُزِيَ أَرْجُلُهُمْ فَجُزِيَ أَرْجُلُهُمْ** “the feet, they are struck off; knees, they are cut away; arms, they are torn out; haunches, they are struck off” Mart. I, 255 *mid.*

NOMINATIVE ABSOLUTE.

Nominative
Absolute.

§ 317. It is not uncommon by way of emphasis to place a noun first, and leave its proper grammatical reference to be cleared up by a personal pronoun which comes after, and which answers to it. Of this class are constructions like **بَنَى الْبَيْتَ** “the house, he built it” (§ 288); on this also rests the employment of **و** as copula together with other devices described in § 311 *sq.* In particular, we have in this class cases

like **عَنْزِلًا يَبِينُهَا أَوْكُهُ مَقْسُلًا** “the clear light,—that is Christ” Apher. 14, 10; **مَعْدَانِهَا يُرَبِّبَتُ وَبِهَا مَعْدَانِهَا** “the foundation,—that is the beginning of the whole building” Apher. 7, 2 &c. But a like course is followed also in the most diverse grammatical relations⁽¹⁾: **وَجَعَلُوا** “to all these their purity was a complete fast” Apher. 45, 17; **وَمَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا** “of this great city the king of Assyria laid the foundations” Moes. II, 63 *inf.*; **وَمَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا** “now the ram’s horns are broken” Apher. 83, 20; **وَمَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا** “for in Jacob’s prayer the mystery was prefigured, of...” Apher. 63, 17; **وَمَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا** “for Abel’s offering was accepted for the sake of his faith” Apher. 18, 4; **وَمَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا** “and whoever is not ashamed,—his wound is healed (= **مَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا**) Apher. 136, 3; **وَمَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا** “and those who press on and approach him, into their secret ears his savour distills” Apher. 449, 15; **وَمَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا** “on all that garment, which was wrapped about his body ... appeared ... only one single colour” Ov. 165, 7, and frequently thus with longer or shorter relative sentences: **وَمَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا** “I have this to say” Apher. 486, 5; **وَمَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا** “since we stand high, the whole people look to us, and let themselves be guided by us” Ov. 173, 11 &c. With Demonstrative pronoun: **وَمَلِكُهَا مَلِكُهَا** “the sheep which has been lost out of all the flock,—about it the shepherd has anxiety” Apher. 142, 10.

CONCORDANCE OF THE PARTS OF THE SENTENCE.

§ 318. The words **مَقْسُلًا** “villages”, **مَعْدَانِهَا** “asses”, and **مَلِكُهَا** when it signifies “men”, are regarded as true plurals and are always construed with plural forms. The collective nouns denoting animals vary. Thus

Collectives
as Sing.
and Plur.

(1) In short sentences, however, it is comparatively rare.

(2) Read thus.

بِحَصْبِهِمْ وَأَجْلَدُوا بِهِ أَيْدِيَهُمْ “the army of the Romans, which was with them, had dispersed themselves” Jos. St. 47, 20).

كَمَلَا with a plural genitive is perhaps always construed as plural, e. g. كَمَلَا بِرُؤَسَاءِ رُومَ جَمْعِيَّةٍ “a large number of Romans (*i. e.* soldiers) lived there” Sim. 273 mid. (contrasted with كَمَلَا بِحِطْلٍ “the great mass of the people [Sing. Gen.] was alarmed and terrified” Sim. 357 mid., and كَمَلَا رُؤَسَاءُ رُومَ “the great body of the town marched along” Land II, 388, 6, where the Genitive determines the number and gender). Similarly كَمَلَا رُؤَسَاءُ رُومَ ... يَمِينُ ... أَكْبَرُ “more than two thousand men perished” Chron. Edess. (Hallier) 146, 5 (Document of 201); كَمَلَا بِأَكْثَرِ رُؤَسَاءِ رُومَ جَمْعِيَّةٍ جَمْعِيَّةً “the most of the people of the town remained with him” Addai 31, 8.— كَمَلَا with plural is construed as pl. only. With these are joined cases like كَمَلَا بِرُؤَسَاءِ رُومَ “all who have come” *ibid.*, and frequently thus; but the sing. is more usual here, and it occurs even in that passage.

§ 319. Even when the plural subject is resolved into its parts by means of سِب سِب (§ 242, cf. § 351), it may be construed as pl., and that even when it is itself omitted: سِب سِب “these ten little books which I have written thee take from one another” [*i. e.* “are written in continuation”—“form a series”] Aphr. 200, 15; سِب سِب “they plunder each other” Ov. 119, 16; سِب سِب “which are different from one another” Spic. 17, 19; سِب سِب “but they adhered to their several ways” Ov. 160, 21; سِب سِب “all our ancestors were humble” Aphr. 188, 17; سِب سِب “and these seven [planets] have each of them power [severally] over the divisions” Spic. 18, 9 &c. (But also in the sg.: سِب سِب “each of them, as has been ordered it (*f.*), quickly carries out his wish” Aphr. 281, 14, cf. Aphr. 438, 13; Ov. 176, 27). Similarly سِب سِب “and all things stand opposed to each other” Aphr. 303 *ult.*—And thus even a simple سِب سِب with a plural following, is frequently construed in negative

Plur. in Phrases with سِب.

§ 321. In other cases the verb agrees throughout with the subject. In particular a plural subject requires a plural verb.⁽¹⁾ It is no real exception to this rule that ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ may stand even with a fem. or pl. (§ 304), for the properly-nominal character of the sg. m. ܐܘܠܝܢ “existence” still operates here. On the other hand there is an exception in the construction, occurring occasionally, of the uninflected passive Participle with ܐܘܢ indicating the agent, in conjunction with a feminine or plural subject. In this case the language has begun to conceive the form ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ (§ 279) as quite equivalent to an active verb “I have made”. Thus: ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ “and hymns and psalms he made” Jos. St. 52, 1 (immediately after ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ “by whom many poems had been composed”); ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ “I have heard this” Kalilag and Damnag 10, 16; 15, 23; ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ “and upon them were written hieratic characters” Ephr. II, 145 A (Jac. Ed.?).

Verb in
the Sing.
with Subj.
in the Plur.

Rem. The Singular-construction ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ *ἐν αὐτῷ ζῳῆ ἦν* John 1, 4 (but different in C. after another division of the sentence) must rest upon a dogmatic caprice, like the masculine use of ܐܘܠܝܢ, when it signifies “Logos”.⁽²⁾

Rem. On the Gender of Compounds cf. § 142.

§ 321^b. ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ, literally “son of his moment” has wholly stiffened into an adverb and stands unchanged with the fem., with the pl., &c.

(1) Of course orthographical inadvertencies of author, copyist or even editor,—when, for instance, ܐܘܠܝܢ stands for the similarly-pronounced ܐܘܠܝܢ,—can form no ground for questioning this rule.

(2) Thus ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ “is life” Joseph 304, 8 is perhaps correct. Philoxenus (Budge II, CV, 11) ventures upon ܐܘܢ ܐܘܠܝܢ “one life”.

and even with the 1st and 2nd Persons: **καὶ ὡς ἰάθη παραχρήμα (ἢ γυνή)** Luke 8, 47 C. S. (P. **فَسَبَّ**), cf. v. 55; **وَمَتَّبَعُوا** “but they withdrew, as soon as they saw it” 2 Macc. 14, 44; **وَمَتَّبَعُوا** “they (the women) forthwith washed themselves and painted their eyes” Ezek. 23, 40; **وَمَتَّبَعُوا** “set forth immediately” Clem. 9, 18 &c. It is the same with **وَمَتَّبَعُوا** “the same day give him the hire” Deut. 24, 15; **وَمَتَّبَعُوا** “we came the same day” Clem. 146, 32; **وَمَتَّبَعُوا** “they took her away the same day” John Eph. 222, 15.— So also **وَمَتَّبَعُوا** “they went backward” Gen. 9, 23.

Gender and Number of a Group of Nouns coupled with **و** or a like Conjunction.

§ 322. When two or more nouns, connected by means of **و** or a like conjunction, combine to form one member of a proposition, then, as regards concord, various cases become possible. If the members of the combination are all plural and of the same gender, naturally the connection is construed in accordance therewith. But when there are differences in gender and number, it is sometimes the position, sometimes the assumed importance of one or more of the members, that determines the case. Besides, when several singulars are combined, they are sometimes treated as a singular, sometimes as a plural.

Singular: **وَبَقِيَ** “our land and our city remained” Jos. St. 31, 3; **وَبَقِيَ** “male and female are not discriminated there” Aphr. 429, 1; **وَبَقِيَ** “and measure and number are full” Spic. 12, 18; **وَبَقِيَ** “then went forth Noah and his sons” Aphr. 477, 9; **وَبَقِيَ** “he and his seed were blessed” Aphr. 328, 16; **وَبَقِيَ** “she and her father’s house received an inheritance” Aphr. 329, 3 (and often thus, when there is a *principal person* concerned); **وَبَقِيَ** “procreation and children are from nature” Spic. 11, 20; **وَبَقِيَ** “in which troop or order?” Ephr. III, 245 D; **وَبَقِيَ** “and when there was earthquake, famine, pestilence and war” Jos. St. 1, 4; **وَبَقِيَ** “there did not rise in their heart wrath or impurity” Aphr. 428, 6; **وَبَقِيَ** “that quickly grief

Cf. farther **ܩܘܠܘܢ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ** “soul calls to thee and body, that thou shouldst take pity upon them, so long as they endure” Quotation in Barh. gr. 2, 15 *ult.* (where at first the member standing at the beginning exercises its influence, but afterwards, in the pl., the m. predominates): The case is the same as with **ܘܫܘܥܐ** in **ܘܫܘܥܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ ܕܥܘܠܡܐ** “all the lusts, together with all the briars of sin, are burned up therein” Ov. 164, 13.

The different Persons (1st, 2nd, 3rd) when bound together.

§ 323. In ranking together nouns of different persons, the 1st preponderates over the 2nd and 3rd, and the 2nd over the 3rd: **ܐܢܐ ܕܘܢܐ ܘܐܢܐ** “I, thy lord, and thou, the steward, know [1st pl.]” Ov. 303, 13; **ܘܐܢܐ ܘܐܢܐ** “and we rose up, I and he” Jos. St. 29, 13, cf. line 10; **ܐܢܐ ܘܡܠܟܘܬܐ ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ** “I, with my kingdom, am free from guilt” Jul. 70, 12; **ܐܢܐ ܘܡܠܟܘܬܐ ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ** *ibid.* 132, 10; **ܐܢܐ ܘܡܠܟܘܬܐ ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ** “thou and thy father’s house shall serve [2nd pl.]” Aphr. 272, 10. The exception **ܐܢܐ ܘܡܠܟܘܬܐ ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ ܕܡܠܟܘܬܐ** “neither thy king nor his command, neither thou nor thy power, nor even our chastisements, are able to separate us” Mart. I, 155, 8,—has nothing remarkable in it, seeing that the 2nd person in this case is put between two 3rd persons.

ARRANGEMENT OF WORDS.

Position of the Subj. and Pred.

§ 324. A. The relative arrangement of the principal parts of the sentence is very free. The Subject in the Verbal sentence,—just as in the Nominal sentence, stands sometimes before, sometimes after the Predicate; and sometimes its parts are even broken up or inverted by parts of the predicate.⁽²⁾ It is of course granted that in purely Verbal sentences, particularly in simple narration, the Predicate stands more

(1) = **ܐܢܐ ܘܐܢܐ**.

(2) How freely words may be arranged in Syriac, is well demonstrated by comparing passages of Syriac with Arabic translations of them. The Arab in that case is continually *obliged* to alter the arrangement of the words, while the Syrian in almost every instance might have *chosen* that arrangement which is absolutely *binding* upon the Arab.

frequently before the subject; but this is by no means a fast rule,— apart even from the fact that, if a new subject of importance appears, or if the subject has to be brought emphatically into notice, it is more usual to place the subject first. Also in sentences with the participle, the predicate perhaps stands oftener before, than after, the subject. But in purely Nominal sentences the reverse is the case. Still even the predicative adjective very often goes first, particularly in short secondary sentences with **ܘܢܝܢ**. It is farther to be noticed that, in the most diverse kinds of sentences, demonstrative pronouns are commonly placed at the beginning. In none of these cases do absolutely unbending rules prevail; and a Syriac sentence can scarcely be imagined, in which the position of the subject, relative to the predicate, might not be altered, without offending against grammar. Even the rhetorical effect might in most cases be preserved though the order were changed, perhaps by adding or omitting an expletive word like **ܘܗܘ**. The diversity of arrangement in sentences standing close together has often indeed a rhetorical purpose; but not seldom the same thing has been brought about quite unconsciously. Instances of all forms of arrangement might be adduced in abundance. It will suffice, however, to illustrate merely the leading cases by supporting-passages, confronting them with one another.

B. *Verbal Sentences, Perf.*: **ܘܢܝܢ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “the blessed St. Simeon said to him” Sim. 271, 13, immediately following **ܘܗܘ** **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** *ibid.* 1, 3 (where, however, Cod. Lond. reads **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ**); **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “if the soul abandoned the body” Moes. II, 90 v. 221, beside **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “if his power abandoned creation” *ibid.* v. 222; **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “and the power of God appeared” Aphr. 25, 1, beside **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** line 4, cf. line 6; **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “and he, on whom the law had not been imposed” Aphr. 25, 9, close to **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “and on their righteousness the law was not imposed” l. 22; **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “destroyed is our sanctuary, and our house of prayer is laid waste” Aphr. 491, 1.—*Imperfect*: **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “for it pleased the Lord that by thee his name should be glorified” [*lit.* “the Lord willed that by thy hands &c.”] Sim. 270 mid.,

middle of the predicate, v. § 312. Thus: **بِمِعْتَقِلًا سِبَّ بِاللَّهِ** “that we are God’s servants” Ov. 173, 18; **رَمَلًا رَهَ لَهْمَجَلًا كَمَلًا** “it is a weapon against the wicked one” Aphr. 44, 2; **بِحَلْخَلٍ اِتَمَّ حَلًا** “since thou art a greedy dog” Mart. I, 183 mid. &c. The reverse happens in **اِتَمَّ اِتَمَّ** “he had, however, believing parents” Mart. II, 268.

§ 325. The *Object* stands most frequently after the governing word, Position of the Object. but often too before it, v. § 287 *sqq.* Even in the case of the Inf. with **د**, it is not uncommon to put the object first, v. § 293. In these cases, at bottom, there is a true Involution.

§ 326. In simple, plain speech adverbial qualifications most frequently follow that leading member of the sentence, to which they specially belong, *e. g.* **بِحِلْمًا حَمَلًا** “when they came to the altar” Sim. 272, 8, but often too they precede it, *e. g.* **اِزَا اِلْبُيَا** **وَحَدِّجَه** **اِعْمَلْمَدِيح** “and he had been initiated [had been made perfect] in the whole Divine mystery” Ov. 165, 16; **مَع نَمَجَلٍ بِيَقَل اِبَاهِوَعٍ فَيَنْقَم** “from intercourse with women ye shall keep yourselves separate” Ov. 173, 24; **بِحِبَا حَقْرَقَجِدَا مَسْتَعْبِدَا جَلَا حَهْدَلَا** **بِاِهَنْمِيَه** **بِقِي اِعْمَلْمَدِيح** “while not even about simple fare for the due supply of nourishment to the body, shall ye take any trouble” Ov. 174, 8; **بِحِبَا** **بِحِبَا** **بِحِبَا** “whoever expects to enter into rest” Aphr. 107, 18 &c. The position of adverbial qualifications may often be of extreme variety, particularly when several occur in one sentence. The simple sentence **حَبَدَا بِيَدَا بِيَدَا** “the Creator prepares the wine”, Ephr. III, 663 A, permits of five other arrangements of the words, which arrangements are all good Syriac; only, in this case, just because of the antithesis to **نُفَدَا** “the host”,—which opens the next sentence, it is most convenient to put the subject first, and the placing of the object last comes readiest to hand. With the adverbial complement, **حَبَدَا بِيَدَا بِيَدَا** “the Creator prepares the wine in the vines”, the number of possible arrangements is very considerably increased; but, provided that the genitive association of **حَبَدَا بِيَدَا** is kept together, all other conceivable interchanges of position are permissible, although the placing of the words **حَبَدَا بِيَدَا** in the very beginning of the sentence, for

ibid. l. 13; **بِحَسْبِ مَنِّهِ لَمْ يَمُتْ أَحَدٌ مِنْهُمْ** “while he killed none of the Goths” *Jos. St.* 85, 16; **لَمْ يَكُنْ مَدِينَتُهُمْ كَمَدِينَةِ الْغُوثِ** “because the city did not suffice for the Goths” *ibid.* 86, 21; **لَمْ يَكُنْ مَدِينَتُهُمْ كَمَدِينَةِ الْغُوثِ** “that they should not stir up war against one another” *ibid.* 90, 6 &c. No essential difference is occasioned by the interposition of particles, as in **لَمْ يَمُتْ أَحَدٌ مِنْهُمْ** “but they did not die” *Ov.* 170, 17; **لَمْ يَخْضَعْ لَهُ** “for he never submitted to this, that” *Ov.* 179, 8; **لَمْ يَكُنْ مَعِيَ فِي يَوْمِ بَنَيْتُ فِيهِ هَذِهِ الْمَدِينَةَ** “for I have not in all my days erected any building” *Sim.* 271, 4; **لَمْ يَكُنْ مَعَهُ مَدِينَتُنَا كَمَدِينَةِ الْغُوثِ** “for never is thy goodness vanquished by our wickedness” *Aphr.* 493, 7; **لَمْ يَكُنْ فِيهَا لَحْمٌ** “for there was no flesh (meat) at all within the city” *Jos. St.* 69, 4. Less common are cases like **لَمْ يَكُنْ مَدِينَتُهُمْ كَمَدِينَةِ الْغُوثِ** “on whom God’s righteousness, in his jealousy, would not have been revealed for his punishment” *Ov.* 187, 16 &c.

لَا stands also where the predicate is an adjective: **لَا يَحْسَبُ بِرَبِّهِ** “it is not well that [he] be . . .” *Gen.* 2, 18; **لَا يَكُونُ لَهُ** “it is not true for him, that” *Aphr.* 498, 6, 13; **دَعْوَتُهُمْ لَا تَكُونُ لَهُمْ** “over some things they have no power” *Spic.* 9, 23; **لَا يَحْسَبُ كَمَا يَحْسَبُ** “this is not beautiful, like that” *Anc. Doc.* 87, 9; **لَا تَكُونُ لَهُمْ** “but their sufferings were not less than [*i. e.* nothing short of] a martyrdom” *Ov.* 170, 5 (where however **لَا تَكُونُ لَهُمْ** would also be correct).

B. Otherwise, to express negation in the Nominal sentence,—and in the very same way in a Verbal sentence, when a different word from the verb (inclusive of Part. and predicative adj. as well as **لَمْ**) has to be rendered negative,—**لَا** is strengthened by means of an enclitic **لَمْ** (thus **لَمْ لَمْ**) or by means of **لَمْ** (in that case always written **لَمْ**). The first method is the more frequent of the two in ancient writings: some avoid **لَمْ** altogether, while others employ the two promiscuously. There is no difference in their signification. Of course an author has often to consider whether he has to negative the whole sentence by means of negating the verb, or merely to negative a single word or phrase; thus the mere separation of the **لَا** from the verb may, amongst other effects, account for the appearance of the corroborating Form, while an additional

Aphr. 441, 7, and in other passages; **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** “*quod utinam non (fuisset)*” Assem. II, 44*b* (Philoxenus); **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** “I have written for those who are amenable to persuasion [sons of persuasion], not for scoffers” Aphr. 441, 8; **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *καὶ οὐχ ὡς οἱ γραμματεῖς αὐτῶν* Matt. 7, 29; and, in a similar use, the word often occurs.

F. Again, it constantly presents itself in certain combinations, like **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ**; **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ**; **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** “without” (and “that not”, “lest”, *ne*). So in Nominal compounds like **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** “immortal”; **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *ἀφθαρσία* 1 Cor. 15, 53 &c.; also in cases like **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *ὦ ἄφρονας καὶ ἀνοήτους ἄνθρωποι!* Mart. I, 113 *inf.* So too **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** “no one”, **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** “nothing”.

G. Here and there occurs also **ܘܠ** for **ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** or **ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ**. Thus **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ* “did we not cast *three* men?” Dan. 3, 24; **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ* “did not the Egyptians and the Moabites and ... oppress you?” Judges 10, 11 (and that the fact of interrogation in such cases does not necessarily call for **ܘܠ**, [instead of **ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ**] is shown by **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *οὐ Μωυϋσῆς δέδωκεν ὑμῖν τὸν νόμον*; John 7, 19); **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ* “and there was nothing else revered in the vehicle” Moes. II, 166 v. 1397; **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ* “not merely men do they injure” Spic. 12, 7; **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ* “not merely she who commits adultery is put to death” Spic. 15, 20; **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ* “and he did not, because he was alone, remain unheard” Aphr. 70, 8 &c. These sentences are not all free from a suspicion that the text has been tampered with; and this suspicion applies with special force to the words **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ* “she was not born, but came forth” Ov. 403, 22, where in a way quite unusual **ܘܠ** stands immediately before the verb.

Position
of the
Negative.

§ 329. **ܘܠ** and its strengthened forms **ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ**, **ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** can never come after the word to which they most directly refer. In the simple Verbal sentence, for instance, **ܘܠ** must stand always before the verb.

Double
Negative.

§ 330. That a double negative may even in Syriac have the force of an affirmative, we have seen in several examples which embody restrictions; cf. farther **ܘܠ ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ** *ܘܠܘܝܘܬܝܢ* “not only ... but also”

ܩܪܝܢܐ “for not only did he not deprive them of a share in the alms of his beneficence” Ov. 195, 1 &c. But, in particular circumstances, there may be attached to a negative sentence another ܐܘܢ, with a noun to be specially negated; or the negation of several things may be expressly specified, alongside of the leading negation: ܘܥܘܢ ܩܪܝܢܐ “and of the race of the monks not even one was injured” Jul. 26, 13; ܐܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ “for nothing whatever proves a hindrance to prayer, and neither sword nor fire brings it to perplexity” Anc. Doc. 104, 25; ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ “therefore he did not even take his eyes off the stiff-necked people of the children of Israel” Ov. 194, 26; ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ “the truth of our God, neither in our life nor in our death, do we give up” Mart. I, 186 mid.; ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ “be not thou afraid nor alarmed, either before kings or judges” Sim. 300 mid.; “in such-and-such lands no man sees sculptors, nor painters, nor . . . nor . . .” Spic. 17, 4 &c. In all these cases other modes of expression might also be used, cf. *e. g.* ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ “but this brought him no help at all” Ephr. II, 212 B.

INTERROGATIVE SENTENCES.

§ 331. A. In Syriac there is no special syntactical or formal method of indicating direct questions, as to “whether” the Predicate applies to the Subject. Such interrogative sentences can only be distinguished from sentences of affirmation by the emphasis. ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ may mean “God is great”, quite as well as “Is God great?” Interro-
gative Sen-
tences.

B. The special interrogative words (which enquire about the subject or its attributes or other relations, or again after individual parts of the predicate), stand mostly at the beginning of the sentence: ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ “how long art thou to keep running after what never stops?” Ov. 119, 10; ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ “whom hast thou ever seen, that had grown rich and was satisfied?” Ov. 119, 11; ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ “and how did he make him to be sin?” Aphr. 134, 6; ܘܥܘܢ ܘܥܘܢ “which religion is true?” Mart. I, 182, 6 &c. There is

[وَجوه حَبْتًا] “wares for purchase and sale must not be found in the convents, except that only which suffices for their needs, without greediness” Ov. 213, 9; **بِئْسَ مَا كَانُوا يَفْعَلُونَ** [وَأَنْتُمْ] **بِئْسَ مَا كَانُوا يَفْعَلُونَ** “those made every endeavour to free themselves from disease, but this woman [strove to free herself] from her evil doings” Ov. 103, 5; and with ellipsis in the first position: **بِئْسَ مَا كَانُوا يَفْعَلُونَ** [وَأَنْتُمْ] **بِئْسَ مَا كَانُوا يَفْعَلُونَ** “now to cure their diseases those hastened, but this woman to cure her desires” Ov. 103, 3 &c. Thus also in parallel clauses, entirely unfurnished with any external mark of union: **لَمْ يَكُنْ يَلْبَسُ عَصَا سِوَى الْمَسْكُونَةِ فِيهَا** **لَمْ يَكُنْ يَلْبَسُ عَصَا سِوَى الْمَسْكُونَةِ فِيهَا** “for not bodily pain constrained her, as it did the others, to hasten to our Lord, but the sting of her conscience, not the leprosy of her body but the blemishes of her soul, not . . . &c.” Ov. 102, 23 &c.

Negation in Copulative Sentences.

§ 333. When the first clause is affirmative, and the attached clause negative, ellipses occur of the kind mentioned in § 328 E. But when the negation has reference to both clauses, it is either repeated,—in which case the emphasised form described in § 330 may appear,—or it merely stands once for all. In the latter case **وَل** is more usual as a connecting particle than **و**, unless the second clause is at bottom rather an expansion or inference than a purely parallel clause. Sentences with . . . **و** . . . **لَا** instead of . . . **لَا** . . . **لَا**: **لَا فَعَلًا إِلَّا مَمْدُودًا**: **لَا** . . . **لَا** . . . **لَا** “I (f.) am not to bear and endure everything which” Spic. 3, 20; **لَا يَسْتَلِمُونَ مَدْفُوعًا (1) لِأَنْفِهِمْ** **لَا يَسْتَلِمُونَ مَدْفُوعًا** **لَا يَسْتَلِمُونَ مَدْفُوعًا** **لَا يَسْتَلِمُونَ مَدْفُوعًا** “do not ye accept for any one a forged letter (*φάλσον falsum*), and do nothing on that account beyond justice” Ov. 220, 10; **لَا تَأْخُذُوا بِأَنْفُسِكُمْ** **لَا تَأْخُذُوا بِأَنْفُسِكُمْ** **لَا تَأْخُذُوا بِأَنْفُسِكُمْ** **لَا تَأْخُذُوا بِأَنْفُسِكُمْ** “you are not to take and go” [*i. e.* “you are not to carry off”] John Eph. 399, 15; **لَا تَنْسَبُوا لِي سُبْحَانَ** **لَا تَنْسَبُوا لِي سُبْحَانَ** **لَا تَنْسَبُوا لِي سُبْحَانَ** **لَا تَنْسَبُوا لِي سُبْحَانَ** “do not sin and speak evil of me” Mart. I, 75 *inf.*; **لَا يَسْعَى لِي سُبْحَانَ** **لَا يَسْعَى لِي سُبْحَانَ** **لَا يَسْعَى لِي سُبْحَانَ** **لَا يَسْعَى لِي سُبْحَانَ** “and by no means swear falsely [*lit.* “swear and be false”]” Ephr. II,

(1) V. § 260.

337 E; لا اذبح حصص حوزت فاجزه چيب اصعل (1) وبقوت “search not in me for my faults, so as to requite me as I have deserved” Ephr. III, 522 E; لا اذمعل فذب بچ وسماب ساچسا حجبا حومللا “turn not away (thine eyes), O Lord, from my wretchedness, and let me not become a servant of Satan” Ephr. III, 523 A &c.

With **ol**: **ولا اجبا حو او المفلها لانحار** “and grieve not or be desponding in thy thought” Sim. 301, 4 (Cod. Lond. otherwise); and many similar instances. Cf. **لا بوسه فمتمعل صمفتمعل مذب منعل اقله: وچلا** **او فمتمللا لالعل خلقللا او بفملم حدمه: وبتلا بقب ببعصهه او وبع او فمتمللا لالعل خلقللا او ببع بوسه: لبع حومه: وبتلا صملا اصبع دلا نحل وبتلا** “Priests, Deacons, and men under vows shall not be curators or agents for laics, or take charge of the lawsuits of their own relatives, or undertake for hire the conduct of the suits of any one whomsoever, or be in constant attendance at the door of the judge” Ov. 218, 8. In this example several prohibitions are comprised, in part by means of **o**, in part by **ol**, while only a single negative is expressed. Of course the negative might have been repeated once or oftener.

§ 334. A. In several of the sentences quoted above, the connection effected by **o** has figured as a somewhat inexact mode of signifying a relation, which is not quite identical with the one given in the first clause. Such an “and” is also found sometimes when a consequence, or a contemporaneous accessory circumstance, is dealt with: **ضج اجچب بوسه** “what should I have done, to hinder the sun?” ZDMG XXX, 117 v. 235; **لاعل فح او سمج اسبع صمعل اب** “whither had we all withdrawn ourselves, that thou didst arise?” Joseph 227, 4 [Ov. 312, 12]; **محبهم حبلمه حلا عملا هلا صبارك بچ وسملا و نخلا**; **صمعل وامن اب هلا مملتا وچتا**; **اقب انحل و منبم نخلا فوملا** “the curtain which the priest raises and (through which he then) enters” Apost. Ap. 176, 18 (Gnost. Hymn); **اس و افع لبعك: ساعلا بعضيللا** “as he produced

Copulative Sentence for a Contemporaneous circumstance or for a Consequence.

(1) V. § 64.

(water) to Hagar, whereof Ishmael drank" Aphr. 314, 6; **ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢ** "all this that I have written I have reminded thee of, beloved, without being wearied" Aphr. 184, 5; **ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢ** "something which they imposed upon him, and with which they vexed him" Sim. 280 mid.; **ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢ** "by reason of the evil which he did, and (through which) he oppressed many" Sim. 317 mid.; **ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢ** "that thou leave us with thy heart in doubt" Ov. 308 *ult.*; **ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢ ܘܠܗܘܢ** "then went out that woman, having bread with her" Acta S. Maris 45, 2. Instances of the latter kind, where the **ܘ** introduces a pure conditional clause, are rare in original writings in Syriac, as the more distinct **ܘܢ** is used for this purpose.

B. To the verb **ܘܦܩܕ**, **ܘܦܩܕ** "to command" the execution of the design is sometimes annexed, without the substance of the order having been announced beforehand; so too with **ܘܪܘܥܐ** "to wish", and occasionally with other verbs besides: **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܪܘܥܐ ܘܦܩܕ** "he gave command (to bring them out) and they brought them out" Mart. I, 94, 8; **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܪܘܥܐ ܘܦܩܕ** "and at his command water came" Sim. 353, 11; **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܪܘܥܐ ܘܦܩܕ** "at his command the priests took it (f.) upon their shoulders" Aphr. 265, 6 &c. (and thus frequently in the Document of 201 in the Chron. Ed.); **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܪܘܥܐ ܘܦܩܕ** "by the will of the Lord they were delivered" Sim. 295, 11; **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܪܘܥܐ ܘܦܩܕ** "the Lord granted them that they should see the light" Sim. 346, *inf.*; **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܪܘܥܐ ܘܦܩܕ** "and he began (to build) and built (completing the work)" Land II, 167, 6.

Close Combination of two Verbs by means of "and".

§ 335. Some verbs, which express a quality, very often join the specific verb to themselves in this way, by means of **ܘ**. In particular we have **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܦܩܕ** "to be audacious", **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܦܩܕ** "to multiply": **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܦܩܕ** "who had the boldness to say" Mart. I, 19 *inf.*; **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܦܩܕ** "thou didst venture to say" Aphr. 82, 11; **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܦܩܕ** "he called often to them" Aphr. 503, 4; **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܦܩܕ** "he threatened severely" Jul. 64, 3 &c. Not seldom the impersonal **ܘܦܩܕ** "it befell", "it came to pass", is dealt with in the same way, *e. g.*: **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܦܩܕ** "... **ܘܦܩܕ** "it chanced that a man asked me" Aphr. 394, 6. Farther **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܦܩܕ** "they take in addition" Spic. 14, 18; **ܘܦܩܕ ܘܦܩܕ** "but ask no more"

Simeon of Bēth Arshām (Guidi) 11, 4 = Knös, Chrest. 44 *inf.*; **فَظَر** “showed before” Aphr. 451, 9; **فَمَدَّ سَمِيحًا** “died before” Euseb. Ch. Hist. 128 *paen.*; **مَدَّ فَمَ لَوَا سَمِيحًا** “was said beforehand” *ibid.* 14, 14, 18; 275, 6 *ab inf.* (more frequently **فَمَ** occurs in this application without the **و**, § 337 A). In these cases, however, subordination of the second clause is permitted, and in certain of them it is much more usual. Thus along with the afore-mentioned **لَمَدَّ سَمِيحًا**, there occurs also **فَمَدَّ** “who ventures to say?” Aphr. 430, 12, and **لَمَدَّ لَمَدَّ** “he ventured to say” Ov. 196, 15.

§ 336. In the case of two closely combined verbs, the substantive Object, which is governed by both, needs to appear once only, § 332 (*e. g.* **وَجَلَّلَ وَجَعَلَ** “that he reveal and make known his mind” Jul. 83, 9; **نَمَّ سَمِيحًا وَجَعَلَ** “he ennobled, elevated and glorified the sons of men” Aphr. 336, 3, where no fewer than three verbs have only one expressed object). Not only so, but an Object-suffix which belongs to both verbs is occasionally attached to one only: **بَرَزَ سَمِيحًا وَجَعَلَ** “ἐξῆλε αὐτὸν καὶ βάλει ἀπὸ σοῦ” Matt. 5, 29 C. (P. **سَمِيحًا وَجَعَلَ**; S. **سَمِيحًا وَجَعَلَ**); **سَمِيحًا وَجَعَلَ** “and they dragged and threw him down” Aphr. 471, 12; **نَمَّ وَجَعَلَ** “lamed and hindered them” Aphr. 330, 16 &c. And then, two verbs are often so intimately associated that the government of the one, which may not be at all that of the other, operates for the entire combination, and the object stands next to the verb to which it by no means belong: **حَمَّ وَجَعَلَ** “while he rises up and numbers the stars of heaven” Aphr. 199, 13; **حَمَّ وَجَعَلَ** “the cup ye have had the daring to steal from me” Joseph 238, 9 [Ov. 318, 14]; **وَجَعَلَ** “he referred this to him beforehand” Aphr. 12, 3; **وَجَعَلَ** “because the Romans entered and set up the eagle in the temple, together with the image of their emperor” Ephr. II, 222 E; **وَجَعَلَ** “and he hastens to practise iniquity” Isaac I, 266 v. 362; **وَجَعَلَ** “they had craftily dug mere pits” Land III, 257, 3; **وَجَعَلَ** “Moses, here below, brought himself down to the lower people in Egypt and prepared the Passover” ZDMG XXVII, 571

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v. 103 (cf. *ibid.* v. 109); **لَحَلَا أَلَا سَحَابَا** “she comes carrying her companions” (f.) *ibid.* 598 v. 274; and **لَحَجَّ هَا أَرَا هَمَدَنَهَا** “he goes bearing his deeds” *ibid.* v. 276 &c. Similarly too with the passive: **مَلَاتَ هَا مَلَا** “but many vessels of silver, which (—long relative clause . . .), were on a sudden sold at his command” Ov. 172, 20. Cf. with Prep.: **وَمَمَدَا زَمَدَا هَا مَمَدَا** “and I have conquered him and have cast him into the grave” [*lit.* “and into the grave I have conquered and cast him”] Ephr. Nis. p. 106, 39.

Close Com-
bination of
two Verbs
without
“and”.

§ 337. A. Syriac, however, very frequently indeed combines a pair of verbs, set together without any connecting particle at all, (a) when they denote actions which immediately follow each other or attend upon each other, or (b) when the verbs are such that the one merely gives expression to a modification of the other. Examples: (a) **بَحَفَّ جَا حَجَّ** “Gideon went in and made ready” Judges 6, 19; **أَلَا أَلَا أَلَا أَلَا أَلَا أَلَا** “and if any man doth come and enquire of thee” Judges 4, 20; **أَلَا مَم** *ἐλθὼν ἐστάρθη* Matt. 2, 9 P. S. (C. **مَم** ‘¹); **أَلَا مَم** *προσεκύνησαν αὐτῷ* Matt. 2, 11 P. C. (S. **‘مَم**); **أَلَا مَم** *ἔρχομαι ζητῶν* Luke 13, 7; **أَلَا مَم** “he arose and led him away” Ov. 162, 20; **أَلَا مَم** “he went out and beheaded them” Mart. I, 122, 23; **أَلَا مَم** “up! go and come” Sim. 293 *inf.*; **أَلَا مَم** “that he go and pray” Ov. 163, 25; **أَلَا مَم** “that he go there and see the land” Aphr. 455, 3, and frequently thus with verbs of motion; **أَلَا مَم** *ἀποστείλας ἀνείλεν* Matt. 2, 16; **أَلَا مَم** “he sent and fetched his daughter to Nisibis” Jos. St. 89, 18, and thus frequently **أَلَا مَم** “to send for”, “to fetch”; **أَلَا مَم** “for he does not cause us to enter and be seated, just for the purpose of rising and iniquitously judging⁽¹⁾ us” Joseph 205, 1; **أَلَا مَم** “the world is laid hold of and abandoned” Aphr. 458, 1. (b) **أَلَا مَم** *προβέβηκα* Matt. 24, 25; **أَلَا مَم** “they named him before” Aphr. 7, 8; **أَلَا مَم** “for Isaiah placed judges over them before” Aphr. 97, 6; **أَلَا مَم** “they had come beforehand” Land III, 350, 7; **أَلَا مَم**

(1) The last couple **أَلَا مَم** ranks rather under (b).

١٥٥٠ “had been promised before” Aphr. 26, 4, and many other verbs with
 ١٥٥١ and ١٥٥٢, and particularly in translating Greek verbs compounded
 with *προ-*; in passive forms like ١٥٥٣ “had been pointed out before”
 Aphr. 63, 18, or (more rarely) like ١٥٥٤ “is prefigured” Isaac
 II, 136 v. 600 &c. So too in another sense ١٥٥٥ “that they
 ascended in the morning (the next morning)” Sim. 293 mid.— ١٥٥٦
 ١٥٥٧ *αὐτὸν ὑπερύψωσεν* Phil. 2, 4; ١٥٥٨ “strongly convinced
 him” Sim. 279 mid.; ١٥٥٩ “loved much” Ephr. in Wright’s Cat.
 689 a, 14; ١٥٦٠ “thou speakest a great deal” Job 15, 4 &c.
 This verb too (١٥٦١) is often put second: ١٥٦٢ “thou heapest
 up much treasure” Isaac II, 92 v. 67; ١٥٦٣ “abuse greatly” Joseph
 213, 12 [Ov. 305, 8] (var. ١٥٦٤ “exclaim loudly”) &c. (cf. *supra*
 § 335).— ١٥٦٥ “they are farther cultivated” Aphr. 458,
 1 &c.— ١٥٦٦ “he by chance forgets” Aphr. 296, 8.— ١٥٦٧ “he
 built anew” Land III, 246, 14; ١٥٦٨ “was laid down anew” Land
 III, 177, 27— ١٥٦٩ “he begins again” Aphr. 439, 3 &c.— ١٥٧٠
 ١٥٧١ “they buried him in haste” Ov. 207, 26— ١٥٧٢ “she speedily
 gained health” Ephr. III, 554 E; ١٥٧٣ “he eagerly flung off every
 burden” Ov. 166, 7— ١٥٧٤ “he placed him in the midst” Ephr. III,
 569 A— ١٥٧٥ “they shot, in corresponding fashion” Mart. I,
 79, 12; and so too with other verbs, particularly in translations
 from the Greek, like ١٥٧٦, ١٥٧٧, ١٥٧٨, ١٥٧٩ “again”; ١٥٨٠
 “late”; ١٥٨١ “long” &c. Very probably in all these cases
 other constructions might have been employed, for instance with *o*, or
 with subordination effected by means of *λ* or *Ϛ*.

B. The construction of ١٥٨٢ has a special ranking of its own in
 this section: ١٥٨٣ “they could draw out” (“they were able, they
 drew out”) Sim. 365 mid.; ١٥٨٤ “has (he) been able to save thee?”
 Dan. 6, 20; and even negatively, ١٥٨٥ *ὅστε μηκέτι*
χαρῆσιν Mark 2, 2; ١٥٨٦ “could not cut it (m.)” Mart. I,
 129 *ult.*; ١٥٨٧ “could not save him” Jul. 96, 17; ١٥٨٨
 “she could not cross over” Ov. 12, 19. Additional instances are found
 in Ephr. (Lamy) I, 607 str. 19; 617 str. 1; 684 str. 18; Joseph 124, 8 *sq.* &c.
 Cf. ١٥٨٩ “how could he drive her away?” Joseph 100, 5.

At the same time, such construction of this very common word is relatively rare. So **لا هجمه ملحهوب** “they were not able to put him to death” Ephr. II, 435 B = Lamy I, 23 str. 26.

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§ 338. A. Just as in the case of verbs connected by **و** (§ 336), so when two verbs are placed together without a conjunction, an object which is common to both usually appears only once: **ص اخلأ ؛ اخص ؛ حصف ؛ هوم ؛ هوم** “when thou dost introduce the memory of him into thy soul, and cause it to dwell there” Ov. 163, 20; **عمكأ حصف قنار ؛ اجلا** “she took garments of mourning and put them on” Jac. Sar., Thamar v. 280. With suffixes: **هوم هوم او حوه** **اناغايون اونون** Luke 4, 5 S.; **هوم هوم او حوه** **كاي سوستيلانτες ههيمهكان كاي هثايفان (اونون)** Acts 5, 10; **لا** **اهفف ايم** “he lifted them up and poured them out” Sim. 273 *inf.*; **عملا هوم** “he took and gave her” Ov. 168, 7; **هوم اخلأ** “he brought him and led him in” Sim. 271 mid.; and thus pretty often.

B. When the object belongs only to one of the verbs thus set together, it may yet be separated from it by the other verb, just as in the case of verbs connected by means of **و**: **اؤرا ؛ صوم ؛ ايم ؛ حويهوب ؛ و** “a wonderful mystery he held by anticipation in his hands” Aphr. 64, 5; **هاف ؛ و ؛ حارؤرا ؛ فوم ؛ حويهوب ؛ ايم** “this too our father did beforehand by mystic sign” Aphr. 63, 13; **بهحأ ؛ . . . هوم هوم ايم** “the knowledge . . . that they had before” Aphr. 448, 16; **هوم ؛ لا ؛ اونم ؛ حارح ؛ مني** “and the Lord came and cast fire upon the earth” Ov. 124, 14; **ههفل ؛ من** **جلا انا ؛ ح** “who has come in and brought us money?” Joseph 229, 7 [Ov. 313, 17]; **لا ؛ احم ؛ . . . هوم ؛ غي ؛ هوم** “those, who . . . , he subjected to much contempt and humiliation” Ov. 175, 11; **هوم ؛ و ؛ هوم** “and this they made known in Edessa, by means of messengers” Jos. St. 90, 15; **هوم ؛ انا ؛ و ؛ هوم** “whom he sent for” John Eph. 328, 6 &c. So too **ايم ؛ ولا ؛ ح ؛ اعمسه ؛ ايمسه ؛ انا ؛ و** “for as they could not afflict or injure me” Sim. 300 *inf.* (cf. § 337 B). So also with prepositions: **هوم ؛ هوم ؛ انا ؛ ح ؛ هوم ؛ انا ؛ ح** “in their turn they found fault with the judge”⁽¹⁾ Isaac I, 220 v. 313; **هوم ؛ انا ؛ و ؛ هوم ؛ انا ؛ و ؛ هوم** “from the East, our native land, my parents equipped and sent me forth”

(1) **لا ؛ انا ؛ ح ؛ و ؛ انا ؛ ح** “he found fault with some one”.

send the erring ones to the civil magistrates" Ov. 219, 10; **אוֹ אֵלֶּיךָ חַיִּים** "either bring to us (the writings of the heretics), or burn them in the fire" Ov. 220, 19; **אוֹ יִבְּצוּ אוֹ יִשְׁבְּצוּ** "that they also . . . either conquer or are overcome" Spic. 12, 13; cf. *ibid.* 19, 23; Jul. 146, 6; 152, 27 &c. Probably this use of **o—o, o—o** was first brought about through *kai—kai, ἤ—ἤ*; cf. *e. g.* Luke 16, 13.

B. RELATIVE CLAUSES.

ATTRIBUTIVE RELATIVE CLAUSES.

Relative
Pronoun
and Refer-
ring Form.

§ 341. What was originally the demonstrative pronoun **וְ** has had its signification so much weakened, that in very many cases it serves merely to indicate the connection of the relative clause with the word, of which that clause forms the attribute, while a personal pronoun (or a pronominal suffix), *pointing back* to that word, stands in its regular grammatical connection within the relative clause.

Referring
Form in the
case of
the Subject.

§ 342. This referring pronoun may even stand as the *Subject*, *e. g.* **וְיָמֵךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵדִי וְפָרְסִי** "the king of Media and Persia, who is Darius" Aphr. 83, 5 (but **וְיָמֵךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵדִי וְפָרְסִי** "the overshadowing cherub, who is Nebuchadnezzar" Aphr. 87, 2); **וְיָמֵךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵדִי וְפָרְסִי** "thy house, which is the temple of God" Aphr. 46, 1; **וְיָמֵךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵדִי וְפָרְסִי** "that prophet, who has informed us of this" Ov. 75, 10; **וְיָמֵךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵדִי וְפָרְסִי** "to Moses, who separated the kinds of food for Israel" Aphr. 310, 8; **וְיָמֵךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵדִי וְפָרְסִי** "the last testament, which is the first" Aphr. 28, 9; **וְיָמֵךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵדִי וְפָרְסִי** "nor even is there in them the fear of Him (God), which delivers them from every (other) fear" Spic. 2, 25; **וְיָמֵךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵדִי וְפָרְסִי** "the Midianites, who are the children of Keturah" Aphr. 211, 4 &c. The separation of the referring pronoun from the relative-word gives stronger emphasis in **וְיָמֵךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵדִי וְפָרְסִי** "that is the (true) friend, who, when friends and brethren forget thee, for his part forgets thee not, and forsakes thee not, but remains with thee" Ephr. III, 305 F. Additional force we find given by a demonstrative, *e. g.* in **וְיָמֵךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵדִי וְפָרְסִי** "*id quod accidit*" Ephr. (Lamy) I, 217, 5;

إِسْمًا وَهُوَ الَّذِي جَاءَ بِالسُّلْطَانِ الْمَلِكِ “which man found himself directly with the king” Jul. 235, 25.

In all these cases, however, the Referring form is necessary only when the relative clause consists merely of *و* and a substantive, without a copula. Far more frequently it is wanting as the Subject.

§ 343. In the majority of cases too the *Objective relation* is indicated without having recourse to a referring pronoun. Thus *e. g.* مَحْضًا بِعَدَلٍ *ὄρκον ἐν ᾧ μωσεν* Luke 1, 73; مَحْضًا بِاللَّهِ وَفَحَالًا “the word of God, which he had received” Ov. 166, 9; جَمَلًا سَتَلِيحًا وَضَعْفًا زَجَمَلًا “the wickedness and the sins, which looseness engenders” Ov. 179, 18; and thus very frequently. On the other hand recourse is had to the Referring form in *وَمَنْ ذَكَرْنَا مِنْهُمْ* “whom we have mentioned” Ov. 164, 17; حَجْرًا مِمَّنْ فِي كَنِيسَةِ اللَّهِ “in the Church of God, which he gained with his blood” Ov. 172, 17; لِأَدَمَ الَّذِي بَارَكَهُ اللَّهُ “for to Adam, whom God blessed” Aphr. 346, 12; لِلَّذِينَ لَمْ يَنْصَرِفْ لَهُمْ سُبْحَانَهُ “for those whom his love did not persuade” Ov. 175, 5 &c. The Referring form is usual with the participle: *بَنِي آدَمَ فِي تَلَبُّسِهِمْ* “the sons of men, whom their cupidity still beguiles” Spic. 8, 14; *بَنِي آدَمَ الَّذِينَ يَدْعُوهُمْ إِلَى الْفِتْنَةِ* “people, whom grace calls” Jul. 27, 27 &c. With a dependent Infinitive: *أَشْيَاءَ لَمْ أَكُنْ أُرِيدُ أَنْ أَكْتُبَ* “that thing, which I did not wish to write” Ov. 21, 7; *أَشْيَاءَ لَمْ يَكُنْ يُمْسِكُ عَلَيْهَا* “the curses and revilings, which not even Scripture can reveal” Aphr. 343, 18. Since a verb does not readily take two personal pronouns as its object, the Referring form is left out with double transitives, in cases like *الْإِلَهَاتُ الَّتِي كَفَرْنَا بِهَا* “the false gods [idols of falsity], which our fathers made us heirs to” Jer. 16, 19 (Aphr. 321 *ult.*); *أَشْيَاءَ أَمَرَكَ اللَّهُ بِهَا* “that which thou hast commanded us” Sim. 397, 12; *أَشْيَاءَ لَمْ تَسْأَلْ مِنْهَا* “what thou hast sought from me, and also what thou hast not asked of me” Aphr. 506 *ult.* &c. On the other hand, the Referring form is desirable in cases like *الْبَيْتُ الَّذِي بَنَاهُ الرَّبُّ لِيُكُونَ فِيهِ* “the blessed Eusebius, whom the holy Rabbūlā made a bishop” Ov. 167, 20. We have a Passive from the double transitive verb, in *أَشْيَاءَ أَمَرَكَ اللَّهُ بِهَا* “something that was ordered thee” Moes. II, 70, 11; but such an expression perhaps can only occur in brief

Referring Form in the case of the Object.

unequivocal sentences. To this perhaps we may add, that **ܡܚܒܝܢ** “(is) satisfied, contented” is sometimes employed like a transitive verb, in a short relative clause: **ܒܢܦܠܐ ܡܢܦܪ ܡܚܒܝܢ** “that he should say what he wanted” (“wherewith he was satisfied”) Joseph 11 *paen.* [Ov. 275, 5] (var. **ܢܚܒܝܢ** “what we wished”); **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** Ephr. III, 674 F; **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** *ibid.* 675 A; **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “let him order them whatever he wishes” Sim. 369, 8. Similarly **ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “the blessed seed, after which she was longing” Jac. Sar., Thamar v. 279.

Peculiar is the lack of the Referring form with dependent participles (§ 272) in **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “the bounty, which he was wont to dispense” Ov. 205, 19.

Referring Form with Genitive and Prepositions.

§ 344. The Referring form, however, is necessary with the Genitive relation and with Prepositions: **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “one, whose house thieves break into” Aphr. 145, 11; **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “this gift, the like of which does not exist in the whole world” Aphr. 356, 3; **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “through a little sign, by means of which he was caught for life” Ov. 162, 1; **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “to the grotto, in which he was born” Ov. 165, 3; **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “God whom thou dost adore, and before whom thou layest sweet odours, and whose scriptures thou hast heard” Sim. 271 mid. &c. The Referring form is attached to a substantive depending on another substantive, in **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “in the fathers, the delineations of whose virtues are set forth both in the Old Testament and in the New” Ov. 160, 9; **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “Abraham . . . , by the moderate brightness of one of whose signs the blessed Rabbūlā was attracted” Ov. 167, 12—14.

Referring Form in a second clause.

§ 345. The Referring form may, in certain circumstances, occur explicitly or implicitly, only in a farther attributive or dependent clause: **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** *οὐκ εἰμι ἐγὼ ἄξιος ἵνα λύσω αὐτοῦ τὸν ἱμάντα τοῦ ὑποδήματος* John 1, 27; **ܡܚܒܝܢ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ ܕܡܢ ܥܡܪܐ** “the forty-six letters . . . which, if grace help (or with the help of God’s grace), we are endeavouring to translate from the Greek into Syriac” Ov. 200, 19;

“commandments, such as every one can fulfil” Spic. 5, 24; **וְכָל אֶחָד מֵאֵלֶיךָ** “which, as they filled thee with amazement through the greatness of their number, thou didst commission me to note down (in letters)” Jos. St. 5, 2; **וְנִתְּנָה לְפָנֶיךָ** “the well-ordered glories, which the book-learned man has a difficulty in describing” Moes. II, 158 v. 1266; **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “the moon, to which they think that now they very specially belong” Ov. 70, 3; **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “one path, by which not even two persons could ascend together” Jos. St. 15, 6; **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “*hic est amor, quo qui major sit, non est*” Jac. Sar. in Zingerle’s Chrest. p. 375—**וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “the things, of which I have said, that they rest upon ordinance” Spic. 4, 17; **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “this thing, which you have been commanded to do” Spic. 1, 7; **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “what the Lord was about to do with him” Sim. 309 mid. &c. Cf. **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “*ubi scriptum est nasci viros*” Spic. 15, 9. Notice farther **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “these doings, which I will recount to thee” Jos. St. 8, 6; **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “*quae ut scribamus nobis propositum est*” Jos. St. 6, 11,—in which instances also the Referring form belongs to the verb which stands at the close. The sentence **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “*quem quis carnificem fidelium vocans forte non fallatur*” Land II, 175, 9 [lit.: “he whom perhaps one would not depart from propriety in calling ‘the executioner’ (*questionarius*) of the faithful”] is no doubt essentially Greek in thought. The clause which should have contained the Referring form, is left out as self-evident, in **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “and do what it befits them [to do]” Jos. St. 88, 15.

§ 346. The expression of the Referring form by means of a proper demonstrative is rare, and is limited to special cases. In **וְהָיָה לָהֶם** “*quod absit a vobis*” Addai 44, 16, the **וְהָיָה לָהֶם**—originally belonging to the beginning of the sentence—is but loosely attached to what precedes it. Sentences, again, of a different style, are met with in

Referring Form expressed by a Demonstrative.

132 v. 1117; **دونه صبرم وفلهم** “in that matter, over which they have power” Spic. 9, 24 (cf. line 25).

Relative
Clauses at-
tached to
Adverbs.

§ 348. In the same series with such expressions of place and time, stand the adverbial forms, some of them of frequent occurrence, like **يعضل** “to-day, when”; **؟ ائفلا** “now, when”; **؟ حسب** or **؟ حسبه** “as soon as”; **؟ ح فحده** “as soon as” (§ 155 B); **؟ حببلا** “now that” Aphr. 484, 14; **؟ ائفلا** “when”, “as often as”; **؟ فئب** “now that”, “but now that” Land III, 60, 13; **؟ ائفلا** “where”; **؟ مع ائفلا** “from that place, where” Gen. 12, 1; Ex. 5, 11; **؟ ائفلا** “so as”; **؟ فئلا** “when”, “in case that”, (§ 258) and others, to which we must to some extent return, farther on. In none of these cases does a Referring form occur; **ائف** is only found occasionally, as above, § 346; **ائف مععلا** “where no body is present” Moes. II, 136 v. 939, and **هلا ائف ائفلا وحه** “and there is no place where it (f.) might not be” Moes. II, 92 v. 239.

Placing be-
fore the
Relative
Clause the
Preposition
proper to
the Refer-
ring Form.

§ 349. A. The preposition, which of right should have been attached to the Referring form, is sometimes found prefixed to the Noun, to which the relative clause belongs, particularly in the case of the Adverbial Noun of place, **؟ ائفلا لا ائفلا** “the palace has not been built in the place, to which I have sent gold” ZDMG XXV, 340 v. 403; **؟ ائفلا** “there, whither”, “whithersoever” 1 Sam. 14, 47, and thus, frequently; **؟ مع ائفلا** “there, whence” Matt. 12, 44 (C. S. **؟ ائفلا**); Chron. Edess. (Hallier) 145 *paen.* (Doc. of 201); Jul. 242, 22; Sim. 325, 8. So too with the construct state **؟ مع** (§ 359); **؟ ائفلا** “whithersoever” Judges 2, 15; 2 Sam. 8, 14 (where there is a var. **؟ ائفلا**); Aphr. 438, 18; 439, 8; **؟ مع** “from whatever place” Aphr. 121, 14; Jul. 21 *ult.* In these cases a referring form is inadmissible. But **؟ ائفلا** may mean also “to that place, whither” ZDMG XXV, 337 v. 297; Jul. 15, 13; and “to that place, where” Aphr. 46, 15; **؟ مع** “from the place, where” Aphr. 222, 1; Ephr. I, 36 B; and **؟ مع ائفلا** “from the place, whence” Ephr. II, 117 F. It is the very same in the case of several combinations with **؟ ائفلا**: **؟ ائفلا** “the image of the king [money] is accepted in all parts it goes to” Aphr. 442, 16, and so Aphr. 302, 1; 438, 14 (but also **؟ ائفلا** “in every place to which they

combinations are formed, like **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** *oison, oison* ὡς “for example” and many others.

§ 353. Interrogatives with **?** and the pronoun of the third person are employed adjectively and substantively in the sense of “whosoever, whatsoever”, “any (one), any (thing)” &c.: **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “for anything whatsoever” Jos. St. 80, 16; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “in any way or for any cause whatever” Philox. Epist. (Guidi) fol. 10 a, 1, 2; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “in any city you please” Land II, 240, 10; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “in any distress or illness whatsoever” Moes. II, 73, 26; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “and any kind of death whatsoever, that we may die, is for us a comfort” Ephr. II, 175 C; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “any grave whatever” Jos. St. 39, 10; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** *ἐπιδόντες ἐφερόμεθα* (*lit.* “we let her go wherever she would”) [E. V. “we let her drive”] Acts 27, 15; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “of any one you please” Ov. 218, 11 &c. So frequently **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “whenever”; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “wherever”, and many others. In accordance with these forms we have even **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “from whatever quarter” Euseb. Ch. Hist. 332, 12.

§ 354. The omission of the **?** in a complete attributive relative clause occurs perhaps only as a Hebraism, in the O. T., as in **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “whose name was Job” Job 1, 1.—Formulae of blessing,—as in **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “Josiah, whose memory be blessed!” [*lit.* “Josiah—his memory (is) with blessing!”] Aphr. 470, 15 (cf. Sim. 392 mid.); **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “the Lord—to Him be adoration paid!” Sim. 358, 1; 363 *inf.* (Cod. Lond. **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא**)—are not to be regarded as relative clauses, but as parentheses. They are, besides, comparatively rare in Syriac.

§ 355. Short adverbial adjuncts to a noun are generally turned into the form of relative clauses, by means of **?**; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “in hard combats with the powers (of hell)” Ov. 159, 9; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “with the Divine wisdom, which (was) in him” Ov. 172, 18; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “over his error, which had lasted till then” Ov. 164, 7; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “through anxiety solely for himself” Ov. 177, 22; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “their reverence for him” Ov. 183, 26; **אִסְרָא אִסְרָא** “his journey thither” Ov. 168, 20, and countless other instances.

Time is not usually specified in such phrases (§ 315). Moreover, when no harshness arises, direct collocation is allowable, and often occurs: *مَدِينَتَهُمْ كَانَتْ فِي مِصْرَ* “their immigration into Egypt” Aphr. 27, 13 &c. But even to adjectives the adverbs *بِشَدِيدٍ*, *بِجَدِيدٍ* “very” are often attached by means of the relative particle: *صَدَقَ بِشَدِيدٍ* “a very severe blow” Judges 11, 33; *جَعَلَ نَطْرَ بَشَرٍ* “our very great toil” Ov. 320, 9, where of course the *؟* might be left out.

Relative Clause as Attribute to a whole Sentence.

§ 356. A relative clause may stand as attribute to a whole sentence even: *أَمَّا قَدْ كَانَتْ تَحْتَهُ لَيْلٌ وَنَهَارٌ* “he said, that the darkness longed after the light,—a thing which (*id quod*) lies not in nature” Ov. 59, 13; *أَمْ كَيْفَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ* “and if the darkness is put in pain through what belongs to itself,—a notion which is difficult to accept” Ov. 60, 9; *أَمْ كَيْفَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ* (after a rather long passage) “a thing which, however, actually happened” Sim. 284 mid.; 290 mid.; *أَمْ كَيْفَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ* “was perhaps burdensome to him,—a thing which is difficult to believe” Joseph 293, 2; *أَمْ كَيْفَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ* “nor (are we ordered) that we should build towns and found cities,—a thing which kings only can do” Spic. 5, 19 (where there are several other examples of *؟* *أَمْ*). In all these cases, of course, a demonstrative or interrogative will be found as a correlative. Cf. § 346.

Rem. On the correlatives in use or permitted with the attributive relative clause, v. § 236.

CONJUNCTIONAL RELATIVE CLAUSES.

Preliminary Observations.

§ 357. The relative particle *؟* often serves to indicate that a complete clause,—quite beyond its attributive relation,—is taking the place of an individual part of speech. Between this conjunctive use and the attributive use the contrast is by no means very strongly marked. The language sometimes treats relative clauses, which were originally Conjunctive, as if they were equivalent to Attributive ones (as *e. g.* with *؟* *أَمْ*), where the relation is properly a genitive one (§ 359), and transforms Conjunctive clauses into epexegeses of an attributive character, by

putting substantives, correlative pronouns, or adverbs, in front of them,— often without altering the sense in the least. We shall accordingly, for convenience' sake, discuss in the present chapter several points, which in strictness belong to the foregoing one.

§ 358. A. A clause may, with the help of **?**, take the place of Relative Clause as Subject, Object, Predicate.
Subject: **ܘܚܝܢ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** “it is of advantage that support should be gained for the word from other things” Ov. 162, 19; **ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** “to him belongeth life, but to us, that we should flee from death” Aphr. 487, 11; **ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** “he, to whom it is not by nature fitting that he should suffer” Ov. 198, 3: . . . **ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** “and that the animals* were not excited at coming out, was owing to the circumstance that . . .” Moes. II, 126 v. 787; **ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** “but why, dear friend, was it that . . . was written?” Aphr. 26, 20 &c. in countless available forms.

Still more frequently a clause with **?** takes the part of *Object*. To this section belong all constructions with **ܘܚܘܒ** “to be willing, that”; **ܘܗܘܒ** “to seek, that”; **ܘܚܘܒ** “to see, that”; **ܘܗܘܒ** “to say, that”; **ܘܗܘܒ** “to know, that” &c. Even a second *Object* may be represented in this way, in cases like **ܘܗܘܒ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** *εἶδεν αὐτὴν κλαίουσαν* John 11, 33; **ܘܗܘܒ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** “his mother saw (him), that his colour was altered” Ov. 162, 12.

B. In certain circumstances a clause with **?** (without a copula) may even constitute the *Predicate*; of course it has always in that case a sense of *purpose* (§ 366 A): ⁽¹⁾ **ܘܗܘܒ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** *τοῦτο δὲ ἔβλον γέγονεν ἵνα πληρωθῶσιν* Matt. 26, 56 P. (similarly S.); cf. Matt. 1, 22; **ܘܗܘܒ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** ⁽²⁾ **ܘܗܘܒ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** “and these things have I narrated of this man, that you may see” John van Tella 73, 1; **ܘܗܘܒ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** **ܘܗܘܒ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ** “this which I have written to thee, dear friend, (is to this end), that one should do the will of God” Aphr. 75, 6; **ܘܗܘܒ ܕܥܘܢܐ ܕܥܘܢܐ**

(1) [As if it read: “now this which happened, (was) in order that” &c.]

(2) [*Lit.*: “and these things, which I have narrated of this man, (have been) in order that you may see”.]

ܘܢܘܡܪܝܢ ܕܗܘܢܐ “and all this, which I have explained and pointed out to thee, (is) that thou mayst know” = I have written to thee for this end only, that thou shouldest &c.” Aphr. 213, 15; and thus frequently ܘܗܘܢܐ ܕܗܘܢܐ ܕܗܘܢܐ, ܘܗܘܢܐ ܕܗܘܢܐ ܕܗܘܢܐ, in the meaning “only with this purpose, in order that” [or “only to the end that”] Aphr. 184, 5; Ov. 65, 17; Ephr. Nis. p. 8 v. 109; p. 87 v. 113; Ephr. (Lamy) I, 253 *ult.*; III, 689 str. 13 &c. (cf. § 360 B).

Relative
Clause in
the posi-
tion of a
Genitive.

§ 359. The immediate subordination of a clause, to a noun in the construct state by means of ܐ, is limited to some few cases. ܐ ܘܗܘܢܐ and ܐ ܕܗܘܢܐ “in the locality (of the circumstance) that” = “there, where” (ܡܩܘܡܐ ܐܫܪܐ); ܐ ܕܗܘܢܐ “in the time (of this) that”,—are by the speech itself already treated as equivalent to the attributive constructions ܐ ܕܗܘܢܐ, ܐ ܕܗܘܢܐ. Not merely are they interchanged without distinction (cf. ܐ ܕܗܘܢܐ ܘܗܘܢܐ “at the time when it is rent in pieces” Aphr. 451, 1, alongside of ܐ ܕܗܘܢܐ “at the time when she died” *ibid.* 452, 13), but the Referring form through ܐܘܢܐ may stand at least with ܐܘܢܐ and ܐܘܢܐ (§ 346), and even the form through ܐܘܢܐ with ܐܘܢܐ: ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ “in the place where the just are at rest” Aphr. 389, 11; ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ Matt. 2, 9 C. (ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ S.). Notice, that after ܐ ܐܘܢܐ, the mere naming of the Subject is sufficient sometimes to convey the sense of ‘existence’: ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ “where our treasure is” Aphr. 506, 15; cf. 176, 19; ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ “wherever they are” Spic. 20, 14, 18 (for which 19, 19 ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ, cf. 20, 5 ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ “wherever we are”).—ܐܘܢܐ “sufficing for this, that”, “only for this, that” Aphr. 276, 19; Ephr. I, 66 C; cf. Spic. 47, 16; then directly “in order that” (in translations of *ἵνα, ὡς ἄν*).—This use of the Constr. st. is illustrated farther in very rare cases only: ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ “at the time that they (f.) go out” Gen. 24, 11; ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ “by reason of this, that”, “on this account, that” Aphr. 505, 5; ܐܘܢܐ ܐܘܢܐ “what gain is there from this, that” Job 22, 3.

Relative
Clause de-
pendent
upon a Pre-
position.

§ 360. A. Complete clauses are widely rendered dependent upon *Prepositions*, by means of ܐ. Above all, the exceedingly common ܐܘܢܐ must be mentioned here (from ܐ “as”, “like”, which is no longer extant in Syriac in its uncompounded state, and ܐ) “when, since, while”; constantly implying time (for exceptions v. § 230), often with a causal or

§ 362. Far more common, however, is the practice of attaching with ? the demonstrative pronoun **אֵל** or **זֶה** to a clause, which serves in any way as member of a sentence: **אֵל זֶה וְפָנָה אֵלָיו לְחַב אֲשֶׁר־נָתַן** “this fact,—that he gave command to the children of Israel, and separated for them the different kinds of food, was brought about because they had swerved . . .” Apher. 310, 10; **וְזֶה אֵלָיו . . . מִלְּמַעְמָלוֹ** “and his integrity consisted in this, that . . .” Apher. 234, 18; **וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה** “but not so great as this, was the circumstance that” Jos. St. 2, 14; **אֵל לֹא אֵל וּפְרִיָּוֶה מִלְּבִי חֶסֶד בָּעַל** “nor is the fact that Jonathan saved David from death at the hands of Saul, deserving of wonder” Jos. St. 2, 18; **וְזֶה אֵלָיו בְּיָדָנוּ** “only this we know, that” Apher. 496, 6; **וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה** “and that these things are so, is clear from . . .” Jos. St. 6, 9; **אֵל וְיִשְׁמְעֵנוּ . . . אֵל וְיִשְׁמְעֵנוּ** “even that he should lend support . . . this too he can do” Spic. 5, 14; **וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה** “I have assumed this, that he smote us by their hands” Jos. St. 7, 1; **וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה** “while he should not part with this (property),—that he is God” Ov. 197, 26 &c. *Strengthened expressions*:—**וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה** “the very consideration that thou, Lord, hast made us, is a motive for goodness” Ephr. II, 524 C.—Two such clauses are confronted with each other through **אֵל** and **זֶה** in **וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה . . . אֵל וְיִשְׁמְעֵנוּ** “for the one fact, that God rested . . . has a resemblance to the other fact that, when he wished . . . , he said” Apher. 241, 18. Just as we have in this case **אֵל**, so have we many other combinations of a like nature with prepositions, *e. g.* **וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה** “in this, or through this, that” frequently (**וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה**) “not from the circumstance, that . . . , but from this [other circumstance], that” Spic. 4, 21); **וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה** “for this reason, that” Jos. St. 18, 14; 49, 20; **וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה** “for meantime that” Ephr. II, 3 B &c. There is a considerable space between the **אֵל** and the **וְזֶה** in **וְזֶה אֵלָיו אֲבָרָה** “for even on this account was his journey (taken) to that place,—that the thought of God might never be separated from his soul” Ov. 168, 19. Much more rarely is the masculine

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found with such a clause, as in **ܘܗܘ ܐܘܨܪ ܠܐ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “and this,—namely, that I have called Christ a stone,—I have not said from my own thinking” Aphr. 7, 7.

ܘܗܘ ܐܘܨܪ ܠܐ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ may stand with more than one clause: **ܘܗܘ ܐܘܨܪ ܠܐ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “when Noah heard this, that God commanded him . . . and that he said . . .” Aphr. 235, 8.

ܘܗܘ

§ 363. In certain cases also **ܘܗܘ** intervenes as correlative between a prep. and the conjunctive **ܘܗܘ**. Thus, frequently **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “until (that)” (= **ܘܗܘ + ܘܗܘ + ܘܗܘ**), and in rare instances **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “while”, “when indeed” Jos. St. 69, 19.⁽¹⁾ Of common occurrence also is **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “as many as”, “as much as”, “the more”, “as long as” (**ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “when”, “as” &c. § 348).

ܘܗܘ

§ 364. A. **ܘܗܘ** “as” (originally an interrogative [—“in what way? how?”—] but no longer used as such) may also, with the help of **ܘܗܘ**, introduce a clause: **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “as it actually was” Ov. 172, 20. Of more frequent occurrence is **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** (in imitation of **ὡς μὲν**) “as”, “since”, *e. g.* Ov. 83, 8; 185, 25, also “in order that” Jos. St. 8, 6; 12, 10 &c.—**ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** occurs always by way of supposition “as if”: **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “as if a bargain with us had been made by him” Ov. 295, 20; cf. Jos. St. 31, 16; 33, 4; 34, 18; 56, 14 and 17; Mart. I, 98 mid.; Sim. 282, 10; Ov. 179, 15 &c.

B. In much larger proportion, however, **ܘܗܘ** is found pure and simple. It signifies not merely “as”, but often “in order that” and “so that”⁽²⁾ (= **ܘܗܘ**); also in the negative form **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “that not”, “lest”. Very often too it stands before the Inf. with **ܘܗܘ**, to bring out more strongly the notion of purpose: **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “in order to scrutinize” Ov. 252, 4 &c. So also before prepositional phrases, particularly in the statement of design, motive or view (= **ܘܗܘ**): **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “as a mark of respect to him” Jos. St. 59, 9; **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “as a warning to him” Sim. 370 mid.; and frequently **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “as a . . .”, but also **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “from ostentation” Sim. frequently; **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ** “with cunning” ZDMG

(1) Martin 62, 17 reads thus, to all appearance correctly. Wright has **ܘܗܘ ܘܗܘ**.

(2) This use, however, is not equally in favour with all Syriac authors; in Aphr. it occurs only a dozen times at the most.

XXV, 335 v. 190; **אָס פֿאַר זײַן וואָס** “for his own sake” Ov. 82, 3; **אָס פֿאַר וואָס עפֿאַר וואָס** *ὡς ἐπὶ τὸ πολὺ*; **אָס פֿאַר וואָס** “shortly”, “in few words”, often in ancient writings even.

C. **אָס** without **?** is also found in many references. Thus, first of all, before brief nominal phrases, with the help of which it forms a relative clause: **אָס פֿאַר אַ מַרְכָּאָן** “as (is) a merchant” = “as merchant” Ov. 165, 22; **אָס פֿאַר אַ זון פֿון רייכע עלטערן** “as a son of wealthy parents” Ov. 160 *paen.*; **אָס פֿאַר אַ קאַטאָר פֿון זײַן צײַט** *κατὰ τὸν χρόνον ὃν* Matt. 2, 16 P. (**?** *ר'?* C. S.); **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן פֿון דעם ה' פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “according to the command of the Lord” Ov. 166, 25; **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן פֿון מײַן שוואַכקײַט** “according to my feebleness” [or “in my humble opinion”] Spic, 9, 14; **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן פֿון אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “suitably to that which”, frequently, &c. Often before numbers **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “as” *i. e.* “about (*ὡς* **?**) a hundred years” &c. —So with **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “to be like” and similar words: **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “he was like a fire” Sim. 271 *inf.* &c.⁽¹⁾—If the word with which comparison is made must receive a preposition, then **אָס פֿאַר** is used, *e. g.* **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “as in the eminent fathers” Ov. 160, 8; **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “as with the man” Ov. 168, 9 &c. Or the preposition is withheld, and the special relation of that with which comparison is instituted is gathered merely from the context: “that great cheapness will prevail” **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “as (were) the years before” = “as in earlier years” Jos. St. 41, 16. However, there occurs: **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** *אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן* “they considered this world as an insignificant sheltering-place, but that world beyond as a city which was full of beauty” Anc. Doc. 101 *ult.*; **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “like an eagle” Sim. 385 *mid.* (if this is the right reading; Cod. Lond. gives it without **אָס**).

D. An Object or an Adverbial adjunct may stand in the incomplete clause which is introduced by **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “and turned them, as a good shepherd (turns) his flock” Aphr. 192, 11; **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “and as a mother her children, he embraced them under the wings of his prayers” Sim. 389 *inf.*; **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “was victorious in his fight, like Job

(1) Compare **אָס פֿאַר אַ פֿאַרמאָן** “how does he look?” Joseph 195, 9; 225, 2.

in his temptations” Sim. 395 *inf.*; $\text{ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ}$ “and before God his intelligence continued, after the manner of the angels in their service in heaven” Ov. 169, 21 &c. Yet ܐܡܝܢܐ is more usual, at least when the Object is put at the commencement of the clause: $\text{ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ}$ “and carried him off from Judaism to his own faith, as Rabbulā also from heathenism to Christianity” Ov. 161, 23; ⁽¹⁾ ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “as the enemy (acc.)” Anc. Doc. 105, 11.

E. In some cases, however, ܐܡܝܢܐ “as if” without ܐܡܝܢܐ appears also before a short but complete clause. Thus frequently ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “as one says” (“as if one should say”); ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “as if thou shouldst say” = “that is” Isaac I, 184 v. 129; ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “not as if they had any righteousness” Aphr. 309, 12; ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “not as if anything had been revealed to me” Aphr. 101 *paen.*, and with special readiness in the case of Participles and Adjectives: ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “and (it was) as if he bore a grudge” Moes. II, 116 v. 635; ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “*accesserunt homines ut qui eos miserarentur*” Mart. I, 197, 15; ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “for he was as if he did not know” Joseph 259, 2 [= Ov. 329, 10]; ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “be as if thou wert quarrelling and wert angry” Ephr. (Lamy) I, 259, 10; ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “as if they wanted . . .” Jos. St. 56, 19; ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “he was as if pleased”, *i. e.* “he looked pleased” Jul. 143, 2, and thus frequently. We may often render this ܐܡܝܢܐ by “as if”. Answering thereto, we have ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “who, while he is, (is) as if he were not” (*or* “as though he were not”) Ov. 70, 2; and thus often ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ ; also ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ Ephr. II, 339 C.⁽²⁾

(1) Thus an object may farther be found standing even after ܐܡܝܢܐ “in the likeness *or* form of”, “as”, and its genitive: ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “thou hast loved me, as David (did) Saul” Jos. St. 3, 5; ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “for his prayers held creation together, as rafters do buildings” Sim. 384 *ult.* &c.; cf. ܐܡܝܢܐ ܕܥܝܢܐ “and come in before the judges, as lambs to the slaughter” Ov. 394, 14.

(2) The construction of ܐܡܝܢܐ , as the above shows, is very strongly influenced by the Greek $\acute{\alpha}\varsigma$, but it is at the same time founded on a genuine Syriac idiom.

C. Even when the interrogative concerns the Subject, or individual points in the Predicate, **?** may precede: **ܘܢܢܥܡܘܢ ܘܡܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܡܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܡܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܡܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “that they deliberate as to whom they should institute as bishop in Edessa” Ov. 170 *ult.*; **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “his fellow-monks learned where and how he was” Ov. 169, 23; **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “and the truth knows, how to hold thee to herself” Ov. 163, 12; **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “while he saw his dignity,—with what a humble demeanour he stood at the head of the people” Ov. 189, 22; **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “when” Aphr. 19, 6; 170, 1; **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “whence” Ov. 190, 4; **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “how rich” Ov. 191, 20 &c. With the interrogative placed in the end of its clause: **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “who is it that says, what are these wheels?” Moes. II, 104 v. 438; and with the **?** placed at the same time at the commencement: **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “I will make known to thee also, from what time these causes acquired strength” Jos. St. 8, 3. So also in headings of themes, when the governing word is not given: **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “How the blessed Rabbulā became Bishop in the town of Edessa” Ov. 170, 21 &c. (4)

D. But this **?** may also be wanting: **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “(that) thou show me, what works are demanded” Aphr. 5, 4; **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “let him see, what will be suitable for the service . . . and by what things he will please him” Aphr. 8, 13 (together with . . . **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “man becomes concerned, as to what is requisite for him (who) . . .” Aphr. 8, 2); **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “wherein is written, what . . .” Spic. 13, 8; **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “it is not known what became of him” Jos. St. 11, 5; **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “and see thou, how they have distinguished themselves” Aphr. 60, 5; **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “that he may show how great honour he has bestowed [dispensed]” Sim. 391 *inf.* (Cod. Lond. **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ**); **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “thou art desirous to learn this thing, by what causes it (the war) was stirred up”

(4) Notice farther **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ** “because” John 5, 16 C. S. (P. has merely **ܘܢܢܥܘܡܘܢ**).

נהו? אם יש בוה אחד מהכח; פהקבנהב הלא חכב להו לא גבנה להו
 "and if any one makes confession (Impf.), that there is only
 one God, but transgresses (Part.) his commandments, and does (Part.)
 not do them, then it is not true for him that there is only one God"
 Aprh. 498, 5 (cf. line 12; v. 301, 17; 339, 1).—*Perf.* אכל אחד תכל
 "if thy father has brought fish, give me five
 pounds (of them)" Sim. 273 mid.; אכל לה טעם גלה
 "but if faith has been injured by unbelief, then the soul is lost"
 Anc. Doc. 98, 12; מעסל אלהם חיה אכל אן מעסל חנה; חנה
 "if Christ has been laid as the foundation, how then dwelleth
 Christ also in the building?" Aprh. 9, 14 &c. Cf. חר חנה אלהם
 "if the priests of Israel were accustomed to perform the service,
 how much more is it fitting for us . . .!"
 Ov. 172, 14 &c. For examples with the *Impf.* and א v. 268 A. *No-*
nominal clauses: . . . ברא . . . ? אן חר "if it is a disgraceful thing
 for thee that . . . , then see . . ." Ov. 162, 8; אן חנה אכל
 "if even the remains of an idol's temple are standing in
 any place, they shall be destroyed" Ov. 220 *paen.* &c. We have several
 cases together in . . . אכל חנה אכל חנה אכל חנה . . .
 "if God is one (Nominal clause) . . .
 and has given men their nature (*Perf.*), and takes pleasure in this (*Part.*) . . .
 why then did he not give them such a nature, that . . .?" Spic. 1, 6.

B. For א there often stands א, א "if it (is) that" *e. g.*
 אכל חנה אכל חנה "if there is necessary for them" Jos. St. 13, 18; אכל
 חנה אכל חנה "if they should conquer" Jos. St. 13, 13; אכל חנה אכל חנה
 "if thou therefore, my son, hast . . . , then tell it" Spic. 2, 3 &c.

C. We have already seen that several clauses connected by א may
 stand after א. It is true that א may also be repeated with א: in that
 case conditional clauses are often elliptical: א חנה א חנה "be it
 for death, or for life" Jul. 169, 19; א חנה א חנה "be it word or work,
 in season or out of season" Ov. 181, 22, and manifold cases resembling
 these (cf. *e. g.* Jos. St. 50, 19). How א and א "or" may be exchanged
 here, is shown by the following example: א חנה א חנה א חנה א חנה

... whether they are in Edom or in Arabia, in Greece or in Persia, whether in the North or whether in the South, they observe this law” Spic. 19, 14.

D. We have another ellipsis in אִם לֹא or אִם לֹא “if not” e. g. $\text{אִם לֹא אֶמַּר: חַבְבַּמְדַּבְּרֵי}$ (var. אִם לֹא) “if not, I have to say” Aphr. 441, 7; so 117, 14; Ov. 214, 11. Cf. $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי}$ “otherwise (if it were not so,) I would not have done it” Jul. 245, 26.

After אִם “if not”, “excepting”, “except that”, “other than”, sentences which are incomplete are very common. In this application a farther אִם often comes in after אִם . Examples: $\text{אִם לֹא אֶמַּר חַבְבַּמְדַּבְּרֵי}$ “for men have not been commanded to do anything, except that which they are able to do” Spic. 5, 2; $\text{מַה עָמַד בְּעֵינֵינוּ נִשְׁכַּח? אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ “and why is it, dear friend, that... there was written for them ‘four hundred and thirty years’, except because...?” Aphr. 26, 20; $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ “and not one image made they for themselves to worship, excepting the image of the calf” Aphr. 312, 20; $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ “it was not permitted to him to slay the Paschal lamb in any place, except before one altar at Jerusalem” Aphr. 218, 22, while line 12 has $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ “it was not permitted him to prepare the Paschal lamb, save at Jerusalem only”; $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ *καὶ οὐδεὶς ἐπιγινώσκει τὸν υἱὸν εἰ μὴ ὁ πατήρ* Matt. 11, 27; $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ *οὐδεὶς ἀγαθὸς εἰ μὴ εἰς θεός* Luke 18, 19; $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ “and what are the stones of fire but the children of Zion?” Aphr. 85, 7, where there is a var. $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי}$ without the אִם ; $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ “who are the builders except the priests?” Aphr. 10, 18; $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ “no one of them remained alive but the bishop... and two other men” Jos. St. 29, 4; $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ “in what... except in...?” Aphr. 57, 11; $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ “who understands... except the perfect?” Ov. 185, 19; and thus frequently. *With these Particles beginning the sentence:* $\text{אִם לֹא חֲבַבְתִּי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי?}$ “and only one way was there, which led up to it” Jos. St. 15, 5. An

entire clause stands after إلا in $\text{ألا لا أصدق إلا أن أكون قد صليت}$ “and I cannot believe, without being convinced” Spic. 2, 14; لا تصحبت إلا “thou canst not understand . . . , if thou hast not known” Ov. 162, 26.

From the meaning “if not” is developed the adversative meaning “however, but, yet”, in which sense إلا is oftenest met with.

E. After the concessive particle إف = إف “even if, if even” a complete clause may follow, *e. g.* $\text{إف كان أف حله في هذا الموضع . . . لا يجرى}$ $\text{τῷ ὄρει τούτῳ εἴπητε . . . γενήσεται}$ Matt. 21, 21 (C. S. merely إف); إف سألنا سألنا S., إف بعدنا سألنا P. $\text{κάν ἀποθάνῃ ζήσεται}$ John 11, 25; إف سألنا لا نجدنا “for even though he worships . . . , still he is not found fault with” Aphr. 335, 18; إف سألنا ربحنا “and even if he has sinned, yet the seed of the righteous has been preserved by him” Aphr. 462 *ult.*; إف سألنا سألنا “for even if it happens that . . . , let it yet be firm and sure for us, my sons, that . . . ” Jul. 8, 27 *sqq.* (where إلا , as frequently happens, occurs at the beginning of the apodosis) &c. But very often إف is followed by a mere fragment of a clause, *e. g.* إف سألنا سألنا “and thou hinderest from prayer though it were but one man” Sim. 328 *mid.* &c.; *cf.* إف سألنا سألنا “I am afraid even to mention” Ov. 196, 14. Often it signifies “though it were only”, “at least” (like $\text{κάν} = \text{καὶ ἕάν}$), *e. g.* إف سألنا سألنا $\text{καὶ παρεκάλουν αὐτὸν ἵνα κάν τοῦ κρασπέδου τοῦ ἱματίου αὐτοῦ εἴψωνται}$ Mark 6, 56; إف سألنا سألنا “that my acquaintances might remember me, for the sake of my words at least” Ov. 137, 5; إف سألنا سألنا “let me dwell at least on the outskirts of the pasture ground” Ephr. III, 576 D; إف سألنا سألنا “Blessed is he who has been found worthy to obtain it (Paradise), if not through righteousness, at least through grace,—if not by works, yet by (Divine) compassion” Ephr. III, 576 A &c.

F. We have, in the following sentence, an example of an ellipsis in the principal clause being made up for, by the contents of the conditional clause: إف سألنا سألنا “if they persecuted Christ, so also (will

الله for ل

§ 376. In rare cases ل occurs instead of الله with conditions clearly assumed as impossible, *e. g.* in **لئلا يذبحوا ذبائحهم ولا يذبحوا ذبائحهم ولا يذبحوا ذبائحهم** “for if cattle had any advantage in keeping the sabbath, the law would have hindered them from these impure things before” Aphr. 233, 8 (only one Codex); **لئلا يذبحوا ذبائحهم ولا يذبحوا ذبائحهم ولا يذبحوا ذبائحهم** “for if it were not in the power of our hands to do anything, we would be the instruments of others” Spic. 20, 22 (in the parallel clause الله).

Clauses which resemble Conditional Clauses.

§ 377. The great variety of Conditional Clauses could only be represented here by a few leading types. But, besides, there are associated more or less with Conditional Clauses proper, the Disjunctive Conditional, with **او—او** (§ 258), the Temporal Conditional, with **عند** (§ 258), as well as the Temporal, with **عند** (§§ 258; 265 &c.) and many others. **عند** takes a concessive meaning by the addition of **عند**, more rarely **عند** “much, greatly, even” (“even while”)—“however much”, “although”, *e. g.* **عند يذبحه من ذبائحهم ولا يذبحه من ذبائحهم** “and although he builds it up, it is still called a crack” Aphr. 145, 10; **عند يذبحه من ذبائحهم ولا يذبحه من ذبائحهم** “although Xenāyā [Philoxenus] was at the time in Edessa” Jos. St. 25, 11 and frequently thus.—**عند** **عند** “however much he tried and punished them, still they did not do well” Aphr. 402, 13.

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STRUCTURE OF PERIODS. INVOLUTION AND OTHER IRREGULAR FORMS.

Structure of Periods.

§ 378. The fondness of the Syrians for the construction of rather long *Periods*, founded on the genius of their language—has been not a little fostered by the model which the Greek Style presented. Those periods are produced by the co-ordination and subordination of such clauses as have been already described, or others like them. The number of possible ways, in which the known elements may in these individual cases be combined, is unbounded.

§ 379. The license given in the arrangement of words in a clause is in part also extended to the arrangement of the clauses, which serve as members of a period. For the purpose of being brought into stronger relief, the governed clause is occasionally placed a long way before the governing; and not seldom an express *Involution* or enclosing of one clause within another, makes its appearance. Cf. **ܡܝܢ ܥܘܠܡܝܢ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ** “for, from the day on which the name of Christ was named over him, by nothing was he persuaded to resolve to satisfy his hunger” Ov. 182, 12; **ܕܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ** “but who can describe the wonderful changes, which, in this stolen quiet of the few days of his prayer, were renewed in his soul by the spirit of God?” Ov. 185, 18; **ܕܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ** “*ei, qui vult, dixi et dico eos faciles esse*” Spic. 6, 4; **ܕܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ** “*et quum haec mirabilia magna audiverim te facere*” Addai 3, 3 *ab inf.*; **ܕܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ** “those of the monks, who wish to make for themselves stone chests for the dead” Ov. 214, 12; **ܕܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ** “but we have not now come to stir up the mud of Bardesanes” Ov. 64, 12; **ܕܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ** “for I see that you too are eager to hear profitable speech” Philox. 120, 2, and many similar instances.

Involution, or Enclosing of one Clause within another.

§ 380. *Parentheses*, like the following one, are seldom met with: **ܕܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ** “how many wise men, think you, have abrogated laws in their several countries?” Spic. 19, 1. More frequently are parentheses found in quotations of sayings: *e. g.* **ܕܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ ܕܝܫܘܥ ܡܫܝܚܐ** “I am afraid, says the servant, to mention what you have stolen” Joseph 218, 3 [= Ov. 307, 14] &c.

Parenthesis.

§ 381. The construction of the Nominative Absolute (§ 317) belongs at bottom to the *Anacoluthon*, and the same may be said of several other constructions which we have met with above. But true *Anacolutha*,—*i. e.* those which are felt to be such,—are not very common. They belong, moreover, rather to the department of rhetoric than that of grammar.

Anacoluthon.

point is placed for distinction's sake. This point, however, is often wanting; yet the numerical value is generally quite clear from the mere order of the ciphers, or from the context. For the hundreds from 500—800, combinations with $\bar{\text{ل}}$ = 400 frequently appear also, thus: $\overline{\text{لف}}$ = 500; $\overline{\text{لذ}}$ = 600; $\overline{\text{لع}}$ = 700; $\overline{\text{لل}}$ 800. For the *thousands* the units may be placed, where the order of the ciphers gives them to be recognised as indicating thousands; a small oblique stroke is sometimes set below them as a distinguishing mark.

Examples: $\overline{\text{في}}$ = 23; $\overline{\text{في}}$ = 209; $\overline{\text{عري}}$ = 394; $\overline{\text{نعر}}$ ($\overline{\text{نعر}}$) or $\overline{\text{امعر}}$ = 527; $\overline{\text{فهد}}$ ($\overline{\text{فهد}}$, $\overline{\text{فهد}}$) = 1862; $\overline{\text{بنه}}$ = 5550 &c.

Farther, the thousands are very often written out in full, with numeral letters accompanying, *e. g.* $\overline{\text{العاره زئب}}$ = 1944; $\overline{\text{الفتى همد}}$ = 2152 &c. And, besides, there occur combinations of numerals written out in full and numerals represented by letters, *e. g.* $\overline{\text{العاره احمد}}$ = 1967; $\overline{\text{ف همد}}$ = 630 &c.

Rem. In certain MSS. a very ancient system of ciphers is found, resting upon quite a different principle.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS.

- P. 2, l. 2 from foot, 3rd last col.; after—*sh*—, insert—(š).
- P. 16, l. 15 from top; read—Exception.
- P. 23, l. 19; for—“there”—, read—“then”.
- P. 45, l. 4 from foot of text; for ~~أَتَيْتُ~~, read—~~أَتَيْتُ~~.
- P. 46, l. 4 of § 66; for—f. ~~جَب~~—, read—f. ~~جَب~~.
- P. 52, l. 11 from top; read last word—~~بِتَأْهِلًا~~.
- P. 64, l. 10; for ~~جَوَّجًا~~, read—~~جَوَّجًا~~.
- P. 64, l. 11; for ~~جَوَّجًا~~, read—~~جَوَّجًا~~.
- P. 74, l. 4; for—syllables—, read—letters.
- P. 87, l. 11; for—~~سَب~~, read—~~سَب~~.
- P. 87, l. 20, 2nd col.; for—~~بَتَلَجَج~~, read—~~بَتَلَجَج~~.
- P. 87, l. 26, 2nd col.; for—~~تَبِيضَف~~, read—~~تَبِيضَف~~.
- P. 88, 4th footnote; for—~~أُجِدَهَف~~, read—~~أُجِدَهَف~~.
- P. 94, l. 9 from foot; for—~~أَقْبَمَل~~, read—~~أَقْبَمَل~~.
- P. 95, l. 3 from foot of text; for—~~مِدْأَحِي~~, read—~~مِدْأَحِي~~.
- P. 97, margin; for—months—, read—month.
- P. 98, l. 2 from foot of text; after—“ill”;—, insert—~~لَد~~ “well”, “much” (adv.);—.
- P. 103, margin; for—Preposition—, read—Prepositions.
- P. 107, l. 8; read first word as—~~أَخْبِر~~.
- P. 114, 1st line of footnote; for—~~هَيَاب~~—, read—~~هَيَاب~~.
- P. 128, l. 2; read last word as—~~يَخْر~~.
- P. 128, l. 9; for—~~وَجَد~~—, read—~~وَجَد~~.
- P. 128, *ult.*, mid. col.; for—~~يَخْر~~—, read—~~يَخْر~~.
- P. 133, *ult.*; for—~~بَسَل~~—, read—~~بَسَل~~.
- P. 140, l. 10; for—~~بَسْهَنْسَب~~—, read—~~بَسْهَنْسَب~~.

- P. 144, last column; read 3rd word as—~~ܘܕܘܒܘܢܐ~~.
- P. 182, l. 16; read last word as—~~ܘܕܘܒܘܢܐ~~.
- P. 209, l. 8; read 3rd Syriac word as—~~ܘܕܘܒܘܢܐ~~.
- P. 212, ll. 10 & 9 from foot; read—Sentences.
- P. 222, l. 11 from top; after—§ 283—, insert—A.
- P. 229, l. 15; for—~~ܘܕܘܒܘܢܐ~~—, read—~~ܘܕܘܒܘܢܐ~~.
- P. 232, l. 5 from foot; for—~~ܘܕܘܒܘܢܐ~~—, read—~~ܘܕܘܒܘܢܐ~~.
- P. 240, l. 2 from foot; from the words—“who are you Christians”—, delete—you.
- P. 244, l. 5 from top; read first word as—ensample.
- P. 255, l. 15; for—28 *ab inf.*—, read—28*a, inf.*
- P. 255, l. 19; read—consigned to writing.
- P. 257, l. 16; for—~~ܘܕܘܒܘܢܐ~~, read—~~ܘܕܘܒܘܢܐ~~.
- P. 271, l. 9 from foot; for—XXX—, read—XXIX.

Note.—A vowel-mark, or a point or other sign, has fallen out in the Syriac portion of the type, much oftener than could have been wished. It would appear that the occasional occurrence of such an accident, immediately before the final impression, is exceedingly difficult to avoid in this particular type, however careful the manipulation may be; and, happening when it does, it is of course beyond the control of any proof-reading. In the above list of “Additions and Corrections”, only those instances of such a fault have been pointed out, which stand in Paradigms or similarly important situations. The others are left to the discernment of the reader to discover and correct, and to his indulgence to condone.

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