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Jerzy Danielewicz: The newly discovered texts of Sappho and Archilochus .... p.135
The author presents the new fragments of Sappho (P. Köln 21351 + 21376) and Archilochus (P. Oxy. LXIX 4708), gives a short review of the research to date, makes some textual and interpretative suggestions of his own, and adds an *apparatus criticus* to the text of Sappho proposed by Gronewald and Daniel. At the end of the first fragment of Sappho (line 8), he reads θαλάμοις ἕδω ('nuptias cano'), which, as a periphrastic generic term, together with a possible mention of the poems for the girls in the lost part of the same line, would cover the whole field of Sappho’s poetry. In line 18 of the Cologne papyrus (i.e., line 10 of the second poem), he reads the fifth letter as *phi* (following West), but then puts forward an entirely new reading of the rest of the disputable phrase, suggesting ἔρωι φιλὰ θεὶσαν ('amori indulgentem'); if the fifth letter is *delta* (the reading the Cologne papyrologists strongly insist upon), he alternatively proposes δέμα θεὶσαν.

As to the new Archilochus, in the author’s opinion it is unlikely that lines 21–25 (in which Hercules’ name appears) allude to Telephus’ flight from the enemy, since the function of the whole *exemplum* is exclusively to extol the success of that hero.

Magdalena Stuligrosz: Sweet Taste of Dessert .................. p.150
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Diogenes Laertius: Epigrams on Pythagoras ......................... p.173
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Horace: *Ode I 23* ............................................. p.183
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In his *Natural History* Pliny the Elder aims at presenting various philosophers’ views on science and at showing his readers the force of nature. He not only follows the Stoics in regarding god and nature as identical, but also makes use of their notions of sympathy and antipathy that are for him the most important laws of nature. In his system, sympathy and antipathy have the same function as laws of physics and the other sciences in our time. Pliny puts a special emphasis on medicine which, in his view, is a science largely neglected by the Romans, though much needed by them. In order to give people means to cure diseases, he does not hesitate to quote instructions found in textbooks of magic, seeing that medicine is often helpless. He does not, however, trust magic. On the contrary, he believes it to be a false and dangerous art, which arose as a corruption of religion, astrology and medicine. Just as the genuine sciences, magic is based on laws of sympathy, but it misuses them. For Pliny violation of the laws of nature is a crime, and that is why he strongly condemns magic.

The *Natural History* presents a consistent image of the world ruled by sympathy. Though many scholars regard Pliny as superstitious, credulous and unfit for methodical research, in truth, however, he proves to be a rationalistic explorer of the universe and admirer of nature.

Danuta Jedrzejczak, Krzysztof Tomasz Witczak: Egeria – a Lady of the Lake? ................................................. p.204

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Cyprian Mielczarski: Culture and Philosophy. Hegel on the Sophists ............... p.213

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Maciej Staniszewski: Witold Gombrowicz and Julius Caesar ............... p.220

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Jerzy Starnawski: Defence of Latin in 1885 ......................... p.233

Henryk Struwe’s article published in the weekly “Klosy” is devoted to the disdain and ignorance of the Latin language and classical culture shown by the author’s contemporaries. This article is reprinted here with some remarks on the ignorance of Latin in our time.
Anna M. Komornicka: Epic Poetry in *The Literature of Ancient Greece* ........ p.239
A team of Polish Classical scholars has written a comprehensive survey, in two volumes, from Homer to the VI century AD, entitled *The Literature of Ancient Greece (Literatura Grecji starożytnej)*. The work was edited by Henryk Podbielski, fellow of the Catholic University of Lublin. The present text is a review of the first part of vol. I, devoted to epic poetry.

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