

red-roofed houses, with the forum and important buildings distinguished—walls, gates, temples, town hall, prytaneum, theatre, and gymnasium. The situation is at the foot of a mountain. A plan below gives the streets as deter-

mined by the excavations, which were most successful, and present a kind of Greek Pompeii. It is well worth having, although the restoration must be largely imaginary.

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#### VERSION.

WITH rue my heart is laden  
For golden friends I had,  
For many a rose-lipt maiden  
And many a lightfoot lad.

By brooks too broad for leaping,  
The lightfoot boys are laid:  
The rose-lipt girls are sleeping  
In fields where roses fade.

A. E. HOUSMAN.

χρύσειον ἦν στεφάνωμα φίλων· νῦν δ'  
ὄκα τέτηκεν  
εἰς Ἀἶδην· κρυερὸν δ' ἔνδοθί μ' ἄλγος  
ἔχει.  
οὐδ' ἔτι παρθενίων στομάτων ῥοδοέντα  
τέθηλεν  
ἄνθεα, μεираκίων δ' οὐ χάρις ὠκυπόδων.  
τούς τ' εὐρύς ποταμὸς Στυγίαις εὐδοντας  
ἐπ' ὄχθαις  
οὐποτ' ἔᾶ περάαν κοῦφά περ ἄλλομέ-  
νους·  
ταῖς δ' ὑπνω φθιμέναισι κατ' ἀσφόδελον  
λειμώνα  
ἔξανθεῖ ῥοδοῦν κάλλος ἀπὸ στομάτων.

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#### OBITUARY

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By the recent death of Mr. A. W. Benn the study of Classical Literature, and of Greek thought in particular, has sustained a distinct loss, as all readers of his *Greek Philosophers* or his smaller book on *The Philosophy of Greece* will feel. Even those who, like myself, had not the privilege and pleasure of a personal acquaintance with the author inevitably divined, as they read his pages, the vigour and freshness of his mind, the truly poetic quality of his personality. He had a point of view of his own, and refused to be smothered by the weight of academic authority, which he was fond, indeed, of treating with good-humoured disrespect. A characteristic sentence in one of his chapters on Aristotle runs thus: 'His *Ethics* is very dear to college tutors, being, in fact, a manual for that excel-

lent, but not very large or supremely influential, section of the community . . . his distributive justice is well represented by the system of marking at examinations, and might advantageously be represented by the appointments to academic dignities.' It is too early, as yet, to estimate the permanent value of Mr. Benn's later contributions to the study of Greek philosophy, but his style and manner alone were things we could ill afford to lose, and the Irish warmth of his vindication of Socrates is a thing I shall always love him for. And now, alas! he too has drunk his last draught: ὄρεξε τὴν κύλικα, καὶ ὃς λαβὼν μάλα εὐχερῶς καὶ εὐκόλως ἐξέπιεν. May I add, as a personal note, that when I wrote the notice of Mr. Benn's *Greek Philosophers* (ed. 2), which appeared in the last issue of this *Review*, I was still in ignorance of his death.

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