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PREFACE

The format of *Cambridge Greek and Latin Classics* – to say nothing of the firm hands of the editors – imposes tight constraints on a commentator's freedom to indulge himself with so rich a text as *Argonautica* 3. Three particular areas where I have held back deserve special notice. One is *Nachleben* and reception, except where a later reworking sheds important light on a passage of the *Argonautica*; considerations of space are entirely responsible for this omission, as the subject ought not to be left – as it has been too often in the past – to those whose primary interest is not in the *Argonautica* itself; there is still much work to be done, even in such well-ploughed fields as Virgil and Ovid. Secondly, I have resisted the temptation to discuss the nature and sources of Apollonius' linguistic usage in the very full manner of Livrea's edition of Book 4. The subject is of fundamental importance, but this did not seem to be the proper place for it. Thirdly, this edition does little for the doxography of scholarship, and I have only rarely cited the names and detailed arguments of scholars from whom I have learned, borrowed and differed. To some readers of this commentary the extent of my debt to my predecessors – especially Ardizzoni, Campbell, Fränkel, Gillies, Livrea, Mooney and Vian – will be of no interest, to others it will be obvious; I hope that the latter will not think me ungrateful.

In preparing this edition I have been lucky enough to have friends (and editors) who were willing to be exploited and whose assistance it is a pleasure to acknowledge here. Prof. P. E. Easterling, Dr D. C. Feeney, Dr N. Hopkinson and Prof. E. J. Kenney read all or most of the work in earlier draft and improved it in many places. Prof. H. D. Jocelyn and Mr P. J. Parsons kindly checked papyri for me, Virginia Knight cheerfully helped with the proofs, and Susan Moore guided the book through the press with exemplary skill.

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2. Unless otherwise specified, references to Callimachus are to the edition of R. Pfeiffer (Oxford 1953–9).

3. Lyric poets are cited in the continuous numeration of D. L. Page (ed.), *Poetae melici Graeci* (Oxford 1962), and the fragments of Hesiod in the numeration of R. Merkelbach and M. L. West, *Fragmenta Hesiodica* (Oxford 1967).

4. Abbreviations for periodicals usually follow the system of *L'Année Philologique*.

5. In the spelling of Greek names, ease of recognition rather than consistency has been the principal aim. Thus, familiar names are usually latinised, whereas less familiar ones may simply be transliterated.

6. Modern works cited by author and date only are listed in the Bibliography.

7. Collections of texts and works of reference are abbreviated as follows:

ARFVP ²	J. D. Beazley, <i>Attic red-figure vase-painters</i> (ed. 2, Oxford 1963)
CA	J. U. Powell (ed.), <i>Collectanea Alexandrina</i> (Oxford 1925)
Chantraine	P. Chantraine, <i>Grammaire homérique</i> (Paris 1948–53)
Chantraine, DE	P. Chantraine, <i>Dictionnaire étymologique de la langue grecque. Histoire des mots</i> (Paris 1968–80)
Denniston	J. D. Denniston, <i>The Greek particles</i> (ed. 2, Oxford 1954)
DK	H. Diels and W. Kranz (eds.), <i>Die Fragmente der Vorsokratiker</i> (ed. 6, Berlin 1952)

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D–S	C. Daremberg and E. Saglio, <i>Dictionnaire des antiquités grecques et romaines</i> (Paris 1873–1919)
Ebeling	H. Ebeling (ed.), <i>Lexicon homerikum</i> (Leipzig 1880–5)
<i>FGrHist</i>	F. Jacoby (ed.), <i>Die Fragmente der griechischen Historiker</i> (Berlin 1923–)
<i>GP</i>	A. S. F. Gow and D. L. Page (eds.), <i>The Garland of Philip and some contemporary epigrams</i> (Cambridge 1968)
<i>HE</i>	A. S. F. Gow and D. L. Page (eds.), <i>The Greek anthology: hellenistic epigrams</i> (Cambridge 1965)
K–B	R. Kühner and F. Blass, <i>Ausführliche Grammatik der griechischen Sprache. Erster Teil: Elementar- und Formenlehre</i> (ed. 3, Hanover 1890–2)
K–G	R. Kühner and B. Gerth, <i>Ausführliche Grammatik der griechischen Sprache. Zweiter Teil: Satzlehre</i> (ed. 3, Hanover/Leipzig 1898–1904)
KRS	G. S. Kirk, J. Raven and M. Schofield, <i>The Presocratic philosophers</i> (ed. 2, Cambridge 1983)
LSJ	<i>A Greek–English lexicon</i> , eds. H. G. Liddell, R. Scott, H. Stuart Jones, R. Mackenzie (ed. 9, Oxford 1968)
<i>LfgrE</i>	<i>Lexikon des frühgriechischen Epos</i> , eds. B. Snell et al. (Göttingen 1979–)
<i>LIMC</i>	<i>Lexicon iconographicum mythologiae classicae</i> (Zurich/Munich 1981–)
<i>MT</i> ²	W. W. Goodwin, <i>Syntax of the moods and tenses of the Greek verb</i> (ed. 2, London 1889)
<i>PGM</i>	K. Preisendanz (ed.), <i>Papyri Graecae magicae</i> (ed. 2, Stuttgart 1973–4)
<i>PMG</i>	D. L. Page (ed.), <i>Poetae melici Graeci</i> (Oxford 1962)

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- Roscher W. H. Roscher (ed.), *Ausführliches Lexikon der griechischen und römischen Mythologie* (Leipzig 1884–1937)
- SH* H. Lloyd-Jones and P. Parsons (eds.), *Supplementum hellenicum* (Berlin/New York 1983)
- SVF* J. von Arnim (ed.), *Stoicorum ueterum fragmenta* (Stuttgart 1905–24)
- Thes.* H. Stephanus, *Thesaurus graecae linguae* (ed. 3, Paris 1831–65)
- TrGF* B. Snell, R. Kannicht and S. Radt (eds.), *Tragicorum Graecorum fragmenta* (Göttingen 1971–)