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The Cretan Muslims have been considered as a "people without History"¹, but it would probably be more precise to say that a place in History for them has never been found. In spite of being just "Turks" for the foreigners and for the Greeks, or at best "Turko-Cretans" (Τουρκοκρήτες), they were closer to their Christian compatriots, with whom they shared language and daily life culture, than to the Ottoman Turks from other counties, with whom all they had in common was religion. The famous çarşaf at the trousers or around the head, dark for Christians and light-coloured for Muslims, was the only external sign which distinguished the males of the two populations². On the other hand, differences existed, syncretisms on both sides, and contrasts enough to cause hostilities. But now that this culture has completely vanished since the populations' exchange, very few scientific attempts have been made to fix the cultural position of the Cretan Muslims within the Cretan-Greek and the Ottoman civilization. This is particularly true for research into language, since in the study of the Cretan dialect no reference is generally made to the Muslim variant, nor has ever been the supposition that such a variant exists set up. We know that the Cretan dialect with its regional modifications (generally divided in Eastern and Western Cretan, a

¹ ÖZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZAKHARIOU 1976, p. 73.

² BERARD 1900, p. 21: "Les insurgés sont reconnaissables à leur mouchoir sombre autour de leur culotte [....]. Les musulmans [...], sauf le mouchoir clair, portent le même costume.", and p. 28: "[...] rien ne les distingue les uns des autres, que la couleur du mouchoir autour de la tête.". See also ÖZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZAKHARIOU 1976, p. 72/73.

division which is being contested within the theory of isoglosses³) was spoken by both populations of the island, but the fact of writing Greek in Arabic characters and some specific features in the Muslim speech are evident pecularities, though they have never been systematically studied⁴.

In this context we suggest the examination of the written inheritance of Muslim Greek in Crete, which was generally fixed in Arabic characters. From the linguistic point of view, the study of bilingual glossaries, grammars and conversation books seems to be the most appropriate for a first step of research, whereas the investigation of possible literary activity in Greek or Cretan dialect by Muslims and the comparison of such literature with that of the other Greek lands with Muslim cultural manifestations, first of all of Epirus, could be the following step⁵. As an attempt, we are going to present in these pages a Turkish-Greek word list, *Kelimât:türkiyye ve rûmiyye*, which includes a small grammar part and some conversation examples at the end, and which was published in Chaniá between 1291/1874 and 1312/1894 for the teaching of Turkish in the Muslim primary schools of Crete⁶.

I. The Cretan Muslims and their education at the end of the century

As pointed out above, a history of Cretan Muslims does not exist; therefore we have to stick to the few mentions in general works or to some specific articles⁷.

As to the number of population during the second half of the nineteenth century, we have, according to the different sources, in 1851 68.000 Muslims (150.231 Greek Christians), in 1881 73.234 Muslims (205.010 Orthodox Christians) and in 1900 33.281 Muslims (267.266 Orthodox Christians)⁸. The diminution of the Muslim population in the last years of the century was due to the first migration of Cretan Muslims to Turkey after the occupation of the island by the European powers in 1897 and the proclamation of its autonomy under their own protection (1898). The matter concerned above all the Muslim villagers, who since 1896 had migrated to the cities occupying the houses of the Greeks who had fled from previous massacres committed by Muslim fanatics⁹. However, the population of the chief towns was "principally composed of Mussulmans, for instance in the city of Canea the proportion was in 1851 2.700 Christians to 10.400 Mussulmans",

³ CHARALAMBAKIS 1989, p. 380.

 $^{^4}$ For the Muslim oral traditions see the only study on this subject $\ddot{\text{OZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZAKHARIOU}}$ 1976.

⁵ For Epirus the stage of research is comparable to that of Crete, though some short studies have been published, especially upon the so-called "ομολογίες". As the latest works on linguistic and literary subjects we mention KAPPLER 1993 and the promising announcement of KOTZAGHEORGHIS 1993.

⁶ The glossary is mentioned by STRAUSS 1990, p. 61 n. 24 with the year of impression 1291/1874. I am deeply indebted to Dr. Oğuz Karakartal, Marmara Üniversitesi, Istanbul, who procured the booklet for me.

⁷ See the rather superficial allusions in the chapter "Εξισλαμισμοί, Τουρκοκρήτες, Κρυπτοχριστιανοί" in DHETORAKIS 1986, p. 287-290; moreover cf. STRAUSS 1990, KOLO ĞLU 1987, CHIDHIROGHLOU 1972 and, for former times, CHIDHIROGHLOU 1969A and 1969B.

⁸ The numbers for 1851 are from an English "Memorandum relative to the Island of Candia 1821-1862" in PREVELAKIS 1969, p. 58; the numbers for 1881 and 1900 are from the Encyclopedia Britannica 6, 1963, p. 740.

⁹ BERARD 1900, p. 120, 230, 237.

while by far the largest part of the Christians lived outside the towns (143.050 of the rural population compared with 7.181 of the city population, still in 1851)¹⁰.

The years between 1889 and 1895, i.e. at the time of the publication of our booklet, were superficially rather positive for the Cretan Muslims, at least for the rich beys. In reality, those were the last flourishing years before the dramatical, for the Muslims, events of 1898. It was under the rule of Mahmud Cellaleddin that the absolute Muslim government was restored, though the Pact of Khalepa (October 1878) had obliged the Sultan to appoint a Christian Greek being an Ottoman subject as governor of the island. The General Assembly established by the Organic Statute of 1868 and composed of both Muslims and Christians lost its influence, while the island was led towards financial catastroph¹¹. The situation led to the Revolution of 1895 and to the institution of a Christian governor by the Sultan with the approbation of the foreign powers. But the hostilities grew even more and culminated in a massacre of the Christian quarter of Chania by the Muslims (February 1897)¹². The result was the intervention of the foreign powers already mentioned above and the mass emigration of thousands of Cretan Muslims to Asia Minor and Tripolitania.

The same deficiency of general information about Muslims in Crete is equally valid for the state of their schools. We can therefore only deduce from a series of edicts and laws enacted during and after the period of the Tanzîmât (1839-1878). These reforms, in the educational sector, aimed at a broader education and secularized school system for all Ottoman subjects regardless of their race, religion or language¹³. The lowest step in the school system were the sibyân mektebleri, for which our booklet was prepared, and which in that period were transformed from Kur'an oriented classes into compulsory elementary schools (ibtidâiyye) for both boys and girls aged from 4-7 to 10-11 years with a relatively broad teaching of alphabet and writing, Kur'an and its recitation, ethics, arithmetic, Ottoman history, geography and practical subjects (edict called maârif-i umûmiye nizâmnâmesi from 1869¹⁴). As to the number of schools, we are informed that in 1892 we have 185 sibyan mektebleri (145 for boys and 40 for girls) on the island 15, quite a large number due to the activities under Sultan Abdülhamîd.Of course, we little know about the real application of the reforms in the village and town schools in Crete. The Austrian traveller F.W. Sieber who visited the island in 1817 refers to the "Turkish Schools" where "reading, a little writing and Kur'an was taught" 16, and probably until the eighties the situation did not change too much, since we know that the application of the central laws proceeded generally very slowly in the vilâyets¹⁷.

 $^{^{10}}$ Quotation and numbers are from the cited "Memorandum" in PREVELAKI 1969, p. 58.

¹¹ BERARD 1900, p. 78-80.

¹² DHETORAKIS 1986, p. 390-394; BERARD 1900, p. 86.

¹³ See DUMONT 1989, p. 487-481.

¹⁴ See GÜNYOL 1972, p. 656 and KODAMAN 1988, p. 63-64 and passim.

¹⁵ Cfr. for the number of sibyan mektebleri STRAUSS 1995, p. 161 n. 25, according to the Salname-i Vilayet-i Girid from 1310/1892

¹⁶ From SIEBER, Reise nach der Insel Kreta, Leipzig 1823, II.Vol., p. 103, in ZOBANAKIS 1939, p. 282.

¹⁷ KODAMAN 1988, p. 77.

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An important date for Cretan educational system was 1881, when the General Assembly, composed at that time of 49 Christians and 31 Muslims, voted the "Education Law" (Νόμος περί παιδείας) which was in force until 1898 and prescribed basic education compulsory for both sexes and the foundation of new elementary schools 18. The *maârif-i umûmiye nizâmnâmesi* from 1869, therefore, was probably never applied in Crete.

In Constantinople and other major cities of the Empire the educational system of the minorities was often by far better than the level of the public Ottoman schools, especially in higher education. The situation in Crete seems to be a little different, when we compare the illiteracy rate of Christians in 1881 (men: 81,75%, women: 96,5%) to that of Muslims (men: 80,8%, women: 88,2%)¹⁹. The difference, particularly amazing in the women's rate, is usually explained by the fact that the towns, where obviously most schools were concentrated, were predominantly populated by Muslims. If this is certainly true, we should also remember that however almost 60% of the Muslims lived outside the towns (39.784 rural population compared with 28.216 city population in 1851²⁰).

Our main interest lies however in the question of language teaching. From when was Turkish taught, both in Christian and Muslim schools? According to STRAUSS 1990 already since 1878, i.e. since the Tanzîmât reforms and the institution of a General Assembly by the Pact of Khalepa, Turkish must have been introduced into the school programs, because that period saw a lively publishing activity of newspapers in Ottoman Turkish. It is very interesting that the phenomenon was due to a need of turkization on behalf of the Muslim intellectuals in the Cretan cities during these difficult years in order to justify a "Turkish" national identity, which ethnically is rather doubtful. This need, according to STRAUSS, led also to a turkization in school teaching. It may be argued, however, that only in 1895 the Ottoman government made Turkish a required subject in Greek minority schools of the capital²¹, but the specific situation of the Cretan Muslims, who naturally were not considered a "minority nation", was probably particular enough to permit the teaching of Turkish before that date. Moreover, it seems that often (in the villages?) Christian and Muslim children went to the same school, which could lead to a participation of the pupils in subjects they were not supposed to attend because of their religion²². In addition to this information we should mention the Organic Statute of 1868 that established the Greek language as the official one on the island, which, according to a Greek scholar, "influenced the education even in the Turkish schools" 23.

Whatever this might mean, we know for sure not only that Turkish was taught in elementary schools at the end of the century, but that it was taught separately for Muslim children, since a text book in Arabic characters for Greek could certainly not be used in schools where there were also Christian pupils. In this, we differ from the opinion

¹⁸ DHETORAKIS 1986, p. 411/412.

¹⁹ DHETORAKIS 1986, p. 412.

From the "Memorandum" in PREVELAKIS 1969, p. 58.

²¹ ALEXANDRIS 1983, p. 46; in 1894 according to CLOGG 1982, p. 198.

²² According to ÖZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZAKHARIOU 1976, p. 72.

²³ Quotation from DHETORAKIS 1986, p. 410.

expressed by ÖZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZAKHARIOU by which, in the second half of the century, the "Turkish lessons" consisted only in teaching of Kur'an and prayers "qui étaient tout sauf en turc" ²⁴. In a more careful way of investigating, it should also be considered that Turkish as a subject was certainly not taught from the very first class of elementary education. Our word list, for instance, was edited for the fourth, i.e. last class (see chapter II.) ²⁵.

II. Description of "Kelimât" and its author

The word list we are going to discuss in some linguistic detail, published in 1312/1894 (fourth edition) in Chaniá/Crete, has the title "Kelimât" ("Words") and is part of a Turkish manual "Muhtelit qavâ'id-i türkiyye" ("Various Rules of Turkish"). The latter fact results from a postscript on the last page of the book:

"Işbu risâleniñ rumca tercümelerinde isti'mâl olunan yazı ve işâretler tab' olunan "Muhtelit qavâ'id - i türkiyye" nâm kitâbımızda ta'rîf ve beyân olunmuşdur."

"The writing and the signs used in this booklet for the Greek translations, have been defined and described in our printed book entitled "Various Rules of Turkish".)

This means also that the transcription used in the book for Greek was expressly developed by the author for this work, a fact which will interest us below.

The book has 88 pages (frontispiece included), size 18x11cm. It includes an extended list of Turkish and Greek words, classified according to semantic groups²⁶ and arranged alphabetically (starting from the Turkish words being the "target language") within each group (p. 2-67), followed by a small grammar part with the main inflections and conjugations of Turkish nouns and verbs (p. 67-79) and some conversation phrases taken from everyday school life ("Ba'z-1 makâlemeler", p. 80-88).

The frontispiece reads as follows (cf. photocopy):

Girid sıbyân mektebleriyçün cem' olunan Kelimât-ı türkiyye ve rûmiyye

> câmi'î Hüseyin Kâmî

²⁴ ÖZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZAKHARIOU 1976, p. 73.

²⁵ In the vilayet of Syria, where the linguistic situation was somewhat comparable to that of Crete, i.e. children belonging to the Muslim "nation" without any knowledge of Turkish, the teaching of Turkish language was introduced in the third class; see KODAMAN 1988, p. 87.

²⁶ The first word is obviously "God" (Θεός/Cenâb- i Hakk"). Some examples of the following semantic groups (always only in Turkish): "About the World" (Cihâne dâir), "About Man" (Insâna dâir), "About Time" (Zamâne dâir), "About Colours" (Elvâne dâir) "About Fruits" (Meyvelere dâir) etc. The verbs are listed separately (p. 57-67) according to their Turkish form (in -maq, in -mek, and composed verbs).

'ilâveli olaraq def'e-yi râbi'e Girîd Hânya'da Haqîqat matba'asında tab' olunmuşdur târîh-i tab'î 1312

("Turkish and Greek Word list collected for Cretan elementary schools, by Hüseyin Kâmî, printed with a supplement for the fourth time in Chaniá/Crete in the printing-house "The Truth" year of impression 1312")

Thus, the author of the work (and also of the manual mentioned on the last page) is Hüseyin Kâmî. We can probably identify this name with that of the Cretan historiographer Hüseyin Kâmî Hanyevî (or, according to the modern Turkish texts, Hanyalı), i.e. "from Chania", although we have no hint that he was concerned with linguistic or didactic matters, too²⁷. As to the printing-house "Haqîqat" we have no particular information; we know, however, that in 1895-96, the year after the impression of the *Kelimât*, a weekly "Ottoman newspaper" named *Haqîqat* was published in Chania under the direction of Bıçakcızâde Arîf²⁸.

III. Some observations on the Greek language variants in "Kelimât"

This chapter intends to describe the outstanding linguistic features of the part written in Greek in order to characterize the specific variant of Cretan Greek and possible other variants used in the word list. This interesting material in its graphic form of Arabic characters is usually not considered by scholars of Modern Greek; hence the Orientalist's contribution²⁹. The material needs further investigation by specialists of Cretan dialectology and thus we hope for a discussion in this direction. Ottoman Turkish being the target language it is obvious that the Turkish used in the *Kelimât* is standard and has no particular regional features. As to the Greek part, the distribution of standard language and dialect and/or demotic language is discussed below.

²⁷ Hüseyin Kâmî published a History of Crete (*Girid tarîhî*), Istanbul 1288 (1871/72), and a Political History of Crete (*Siyâsî Girid Tarîhî*), Istanbul 1328 (1910). Cf. CHIDHIROGHLOU 1980, p. 106 no. 723 and p. 107 no. 736; STRAUSS 1990, p. 61, where the author of Kelimât is also identified with the historiographer; see also ROSSI 1926, p. 449 and CHIDHIROGHLOU 1972, p. 474; the historian's name seems to be wrongly recorded as Husein Giami Haniewi (ROSSI) and Hanyali Hüseyn Ğami (CHIDHIROGHLOU 1972).

²⁸ See KOLOĞLU 1987, p. 331.

²⁹ General discussion about Greek "Aljamiado" literature, i.e. Greek in Arabic characters, can be found in THEODORIDIS 1965 (with more bibliographical hints) and LEHFELDT 1989, p. 53-70 and bibliography. The material presented by CHIDHIROGHLOU 1993 is very interesting, since it goes together with the text in Arabic letters. Unfortunately, the text is insufficiently commented and needs a serious linguistic and graphematical examination.

1. Transcription analysis

a. Vowels

Despite the fact that Arabic writing does not care about short vowels, the adapted transcription method faithfully reflects the vowel phonemes, except /o/ and /u/ both represented by the same sign g ; the other vowels conform to their word position as follows:

/a/-: \(\cdot \) -/a/- and -/a/: \(\cdot \) , \(\tau \) /i/-: \(\cdot \) -/i/- and -/e/: \(\det \) and \(\cdot \)

Two subsequent vowels are divided either by hamza or by the letter \mathcal{S} : for example the word κρίος on p. 30 has the two writings بَرَى يُوس and مَرَى يُوس.

b. Consonants

The following observations can be made:

- $-[\delta]$ and $[\theta]$ are regularly represented by the letters $\dot{\flat}$ and $\ddot{\ddot{\upsilon}}$ as they sound in Arabic (not in Ottoman!);
- the allophones of /x/ in Greek ([x] before velar vowels and consonants versus [ç] before palatal vowels) and Cretan Greek ([x] versus [š]) is reflected in the Arabic writing: فره المنافع عنوان و خود المنافع الم
- the Cretan pronunciation of τσ as [č] and of τζ as [ğ] is truly represented: έčι (=έτσι) به لي مانه دي ; μελιἔάνες (μελιτζάνες) مه لي مانه دي.
- to distinguish /k/ from /k'/ the grapheme $\ddot{\varsigma}$ <q> is used before velar vowels and consonants, whereas $\dot{\varsigma}$ <k> is used before palatal vowels:

It is interesting that the difference in pronunciation between /k/ and /k'/, the latter in Cretan Greek being pronounced almost as [č], is not considered in the writing as it was in the cases above (χ and $\tau\sigma$). Probably a Cretan Muslim reader read automatically according to his speech habits as a Cretan Greek would have done reading a text written in Greek characters.

- the representation of /t/ is slightly fluctuating; usually the letter ש is used in [ta], [to], [tu], [ti] (ש ה מש ה in [te] (יי), but there are exceptions (e.g. ש יש ה for μεσάνυκτα).

Phonetic instead of graphic transcription can be furthermore noticed in the following cases:

- the pronunciation of /s/ as sonant [z] before voiced consonants is sometimes reflected in the writing: قو نيز ما for κόνισμα (see glossary); و ليز مه نو سي for ζουλισμέ-νος; نو سي for σμυμμένος but also منا لا سيه نو سي for σμυμμένος.

– syncope is reflected in writing: ستار ی for σ(i)τάρι

In conclusion it can be said that the Arabic writing in our word list which was created on purpose, as pointed out by the author in the postscript, reflects almost all phonetic features of Greek (except o/u), rendering even phonological differentiations not considered in the Greek writing (see the "allographes" \dot{z} and \dot{z} for χ). It can be said that each phoneme (not grapheme!) has its corrispondent, as the example $\mu\pi$ shows. The text is therefore suitable for linguistic investigation, unlike most of the other transcription texts in Arabic characters³⁰.

2. Demotic versus Katharévousa

One of the most interesting linguistic features of the Greek part of *Kelimât* is the fluctuation in speech style level. The text is indeed composed of three levels: 1.) Cretan dialect, 2.) demotic common Greek 3.) high standard "katharévousa" Greek.

In the word list itself most of the words appear in their demotic or dialect form, only the neuter nouns are often, but not always, listed with the ending -ov: το φαγητόν [p. 24], το ρόδον [p. 26]; but το bράčο [p. 9] (nouns in -ι never appear as -ιον: το μάτι etc.). Sometimes we observe a hypercorrection, as in το μάγουλον [p. 10] or in the Cretan word φρύον [p. 23; see Glossary]. Many words of daily or local use are in Cretan dialect, such as names of plants or fruits, and months (see Glossary).

In the grammar part the situation basically changes to a predominant use of katharévousa, as can be expected from a class book, but mixed with demotic elements. Examples for the declination of nouns: (εις) την Κρήτην [p. 68], (εις) τας πόρτας [p. 69]. Often doublets occur in parentheses: η Πόλη (Πόλις) - της Πόλης (Πόλεως) [p. 67; for "Istanbul"]; ο πατέρας (πατήρ) - του πατέρα (πατρός) [p. 68]; η πόρτα (θυρ) [p. 68]; ο δειμώνας (δειμώνος) (ξειμώνος) [p. 71]; ο πόδας (πους) - του πόδα (ποδός) [p. 71/72]³¹.

³⁰ For instance the Greek verses of Sultan Veled, see BURGUIERE/MANTRAN 1952; or the example cited in THEODORIDIS 1965. The orthography used in "Kelimât" coincides in its basic outlines only with that of the hitherto sole graphematically investigated Greek text in Arabic characters (from the 15th century, in LEHFELDT 1989, p. 53-70: graphematical analysis by Günther S. Henrich).

 $^{^{31}}$ Πόδας is a Cretan word, occurring also in Erotocritos, i.e. the gap is here directly from dialect to katharévousa leaving out the demotic form το πόδι.

The verb forms are mostly demotic, only the first person plural fluctuates in one case: έχομεν - versus all remaining forms in -ομε or -ουμε (διαβάζομε etc.) [p. 78]. The verb "to be" is mixed: είμαι - είσαι - είναι - είμεθα - είστε - είναι [p. 75], and in the past tense: εγώ ήμουν - συ ήσουν - εμείνος ήτον - εμείς είμεθα - σεις είσθε - εμείνοι ήσαν [p. 77/78] 32 .

In the conversation part the three speech levels coexist in a sometimes even amusing mixture. Cf. the sentence on p. 81: από το σκολείον πηγαίνω doέτα εις το σπίτι. In several cases an expression does not belong to any of the speech levels, as in εις το χωφιό (neither katharévousa εις το χωφιόν nor demotic 'ς το/στο χωφιό) [p. 84]. Other katharévousa elements in the conversation phrases: εις τας δέκα [p. 80], μετά χαφάς [p. 82], διά (τα παιδιά) [p. 81]. Most of the text, however, is in demotic Greek with some Cretan elements.

3. Generic Cretan elements

A great number of Cretan words occur in the word list and in the conversation part and can be consulted in the Glossary below.

Many of them can be found in Erotocritos and other classic works of the "Cretan Renaissance" (εδά, έτοια, all forms of κατέχω, γροικώ, θωρώ and many others).

Some specific Cretan grammatical structures can also be observed:

- the use of δα: according to PANGALOS [vol. 1, p. 322] this particle shows that something happened or is going to happen without being too sure about it, or, as δανά, to mark the future; in this text however it seems even to stress a statement, cf. p. 83: αφού είναι έčι δα είναι εντροπή να συναναστρέφεσαι μέ έcα παιδιά / öyle ise böyle çocuklar ile görüşmek ayyibdir τώντι έčι δάναι/ vâkıa öyledir; and with aorist p. 81: εμεί δα εδούλεψα ως δύο ώρες / orada iki saat kadar çalıştım;
- έχω + participle in -α: the Turkish reported preterite in -miş expressing uncertainty or something not witnessed is translated in Greek with a composed structure similar to the perfect tense, e.g. έχω γραμμένα, έδεις γραμμένα... / yazmışım, yazmışsın... [cf. PANGALOS p. 326: έχω γρουχημένα]:
 - the conditional with ήθελα + conjunctive, e.g. p. 80: ήθελα γράψω / yazacak idim;
- the personal pronoun απατός + poss. encl., e.g. p. 84: θαρρώ πως απατός σου γράφεις ομορφήτερα / zann iderim ki siz daha güzel yazıyorsunuz³³ [cf. PANGALOS vol. 5/I, p. 171: ἀπατός, -ή -ό < ἀπ' αὐτοῦ/ἀπαυτός, East. Crete; also in Erotocritos];
- the relative pronoun οπού (Greek koiné που), e.g. p. 85: τα παιδιά οπού βρίσκονται εις το χωριό / köyde olan çocuklar, occurring often also in Erotocritos³⁴.

Some of the main features of Cretan Greek are not considered in the speech variant of our word list, as for instance the articles $\tau\sigma(\eta)$ and $\tau\sigma(\iota)$ or $\tau\sigma(\upsilon \upsilon)$ [cf. PANGALOS vol.

 $^{^{32}}$ Cf. the first person plural in PANGALOS: εἴμεστα (p. 356) and past tense ἤμαστανε (p. 358).

³³ Note the different treatment of the interlocutor: plural (courtesy form) in Turkish versus singular in Greek; the use is, however, fluctuating.

³⁴ In the Cretan Muslim texts in ÖZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZAKHARIOU 1976 àπού (p. 77, 83).

1, p. 259, in the Muslim texts of ÖZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZAKHARIOU 1976 and throughout Erotocritos], always used here in their Greek koine form της, τις مطوسی and τους . طوسی .

As usual in the Cretan dialect, we encounter many words of Italian, particularly of Venetian origin. For words of Turkish origin see the following chapter.

4. Elements of a specific "Muslim" speech?

One of the most astonishing observations that can be made is the fact that our text shows extremely few turkisms, in spite of the existence of many words with Ottoman Turkish origin in the Cretan dialect³⁵, and even less than in the Greek koiné, e.g. for Turkish tenbel "lazy" the Greek translation is οχνηρός, instead of the common demotic Greek τεμπέλης [p. 37]. In one case the Greek word is given in brackets following one of the rare turkisms: ήμουν εις τον ισλαχανέ (ορφανοτροφείον) / islah-hanede idim [p. 81]³⁶.

It goes without saying that some daily life expressions were probably determined by the Muslim society, first of all in religious practice 37 , as also in some specific honorific titles, such as $\pi\alpha\tau\epsilon\rho\alpha\varsigma$ $\alpha\phi\epsilond\eta\varsigma$ / baba peder [p. 10], bába $\epsilon\phi\epsilon\nud\eta$ / peder efendi [p. 86] "father"; $\gamma\epsilon\iota\tau\sigma\alpha\varsigma$ bé ι (/ kom ι u bey [p. 86] "neighbour"; $\chi\delta\tau\zeta\alpha$ $\epsilon\phi\epsilon\nud\eta$ / hoca efendi [p. 80, 83] "teacher". However, it is likely that also most Christians, at least in the towns with their predominant Muslim culture, used these expressions. It is not contradictory but the mere proof of a mingled popular culture that in the religious terms of our word list there is abolutely nothing specifically Muslim 38 .

On the other hand there are a lot of "hidden" turkisms, i.e. semantic and syntactical structures according to Turkish models. Deciding whether these were of common use also in Cretan Greek spoken by Christians is not within our competence. Some examples for this kind of a possible "Muslim speech":

- a) lexical/semantic elements:
- δεν έχουν είδησιν / haberleri yok [p. 84];
- εγώ ο σκλάβος σας / bendeniz [p. 81], and as synonym to εγώ in brackets in the sentence bgάβο, και εγώ (ο σκλάβος σας) έčι το κάνω / aferin, bendeniz dahi böyle iderdim [p. 85];

³⁵ See the extended word list in PAPAGHRIGHORAKIS 1951 and the great number of turkisms in CHARALAMBAKIS 1991.

³⁶ It is interesting that just this last turkism is not listed in PAPAGHRIGHORAKIS 1951. In folk literature we have sometimes two versions of the same poem, one with a lot of turkisms and one without any Turkish elements, e.g. the popular versions of Erotocritos or the Ecatologa; see ÖZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZAKHARIOU 1976, p. 85, where the subject unfortunately is not further investigated.

³⁷ See the texts in ÖZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZAKHARIOU 1976.

³⁸ These are the terms given on the first page of the booklet: Θεός/Cenâb-i Hakk "God"; Προφήτης/Peygamber "Prophet"; άγγελος/melek "angel"; άγιος/veli "saint"; μάρτυς/şehid "martyr"; παράδεισος/cennet "Paradise"; κόλασις/cehennem "Hell"; διάβολος (δαίμονας)/şeytan "Devil"; and on p. 86: προσκυνώ/namazımı kılarım "I pray".ï.

b) syntactical structures:

- με τον bαbά εφένdη μου επήγαμε εις τον γείτονάν μας bέῖ / pederim efendi ile bizim komşu beğe gitdik [p. 86], i.e. the exact syntactical parallelism Turkish-Greek according to the Turkish speech model "with my father we went to our neighbour's" (as to the lexical elements εφένdη and bέῖ (see above);
- the word order (prolepsis without repeating the personal pronoun) in: το καλαμάοι μου αν δεν είχα αφήσει εις το σκολείον... / divitimi mektebde bırakmamış olsaydım... [p. 80];
- the use of και as conjunction (< Turkish ki?): γιαϊδέτε και το γαζί πως γίνεται κομμάτι άσκιμον / baksanız iğneardı nasıl kabaca olur [p. 88; cf. a line of a folk song: νά σέ φυτέψω στήν καρδιά ἴσω καί σε κερδέψω in ÖZBAYRI/ZAKHOS-PAPAZA-KHARIOU 1976, p. 82];
- perhaps the use of the conjunction ως "as" in a parallelism to the Turkish sentence: (...) gitdiğim gibi dersimi mütâla'aya başlarım / ως πάγω (...) αρδίζω να μελετώ το μάθημά μου [p. 81].

The isolated use of the accusative instead of the dative/genitive in the personal pronoun might be an influence of the Northern dialects (of Constantinople, where the author doubtless had contacts or even resided): πολύ με αρέσει / pek hoşuma gidiyor [p. 86, versus του χότζα εφένdη άρεσε το γράψιμόν μου / hoca efendi yazımı beğendi, p. 83].

A short investigation of this limited material already shows that the "Muslim speech" of Cretan Greek, if there is any, is not made of lexical elements only (turkisms penetrated into all Balkan languages without caring about the religion of their speakers...), but rather of some specific semantic and syntactical structures which often are difficult to separate from common Cretan dialect elements. Finally, it should be considered that the examined text is not a reflection of spoken Cretan dialect, but, as pointed out, reflects a mingled style of three different speech levels. Much research work must be done in this field, especially by the competent specialists in Cretan dialectology.

IV. Glossary

There is not enough space to list all the head-words of "Kelimât". It might be, however, useful to make a choice of those words which by a specific phonetic, morphological or semantic feature are characteristic for the mingled speech style of the whole booklet discussed above.

The words are ordered according to the Greek alphabet, and given at first in the Greek transcription, followed by the original in Arabic characters, the indication of the page number in square brackets, e.g. [10], or [C84] if occurring in the conversation part, the Turkish equivalent in the modern orthography of Turkey Turkish and the original Arabic writing, the English translation, where convenient the word as used in common Greek (koiné) and reference if the word is listed in previous linguistic works, especially PANGALOS 1955-71, abbreviated as P volume.page, e.g. P 5/I.455, or in the lexicon $\Pi P\Omega \ddot{I} \Lambda \Sigma$ abbreviated as LEX., or if it occurs in Erotocritos (Erotocr.).

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Other abbreviations: East. Cr. - Eastern Crete; West. Cr. - Western Crete.
αbουρνέλα (η) اَبورنه ك [25] / mürdüm eriği مردم اربكي "damson plum", cf. bουρνέλα,
       βαρδάζα and ğανερίχι.
αχόμας رفعا [C80] / daha حمل "still, yet", cf. σήμερης, τώρας.
αλαξέρα (η) أكليه وا ([18] / tuzluk طوز لق salt-box, salt-cellar" (αλατιέρα), cf. αλάξι.
αλάἔι (το) طو ز [23] / tuz طو (αλάτι; P 5/I.128: αλάτσι East. Cr.).
ανιμένω نو (63] / beklemek کلمك "to wait" (αναμένω; P 2.129: ανιμένω East.
απίδι (το) آرمو (P 2.138: απίδι "αχλάδι" East. and West.
αρδάκτι (το) ارد اقتى (spindle" (αδράχτι; P 5/I.194: αρδάχτι East. Cr.).
αρμυρό (το) طوز لو "salted" (LEX. αλμυρό and demotic: αρμυρό).
αρωτώ مو (LEX. ρωτώ, demotic: αρωτώ). "to ask" (LEX. ρωτώ, demotic: αρωτώ).
απισιά (η) بلبی absinthe" (αψιθιά/αψιφιά).
"to dishonour, to rape, to curse" مومك and مويمك "to dishonour, to rape, to curse"
(ατιμώ/ατιμάζω; P 2.189: ατιμώνω West.Cr./Rethymnon). αυρύχωρος نبینی "wide" (ευρύχωρος).
"father" با با پدر [10] با نه راسی آنه در بس (10] با نه راسی آنه در بس (10] baba pedar با با با پدر
        (P 5/I.213 αφέdης "πατήρ"; in the conversation part in the meaning "sir" is used
        αφένdης آنه نريس [C80 and elsewhere], but also εφένdης, as in bαbά εφένdη
        رى مو سوري المندي (C86] / pederim efendi بدرم المندي "my father").
                                   to" < كلمك diñlemek / [64] آفرو نازو مه
αφρο(υ)καζούμαι οτ αφρο(υ)κάζομαι
        listen" (cf. Erotocr.: αφουκρούμαι "ακροάζομαι" and P 5/I.216: αφουκρούμαι
        "επαχροώμαι, υπαχούω" East. Cr.).
βάğινο (το) وا جي نو [24] / böğürtlen yemişi بكورتلن بعشى "blackberry" (P 2.218:
        βάτσινο "βατόμουρον", East. Cr.; LEX. idiomatic: βάτσινο).
ه" بارداق اربكي [24] / (by popular etymology): bardak eriği وارد ا جا
        very large reine-claude plum" (βαρδάσα).
βάρσαμος (ο) وارسا موسى [24] / name من ن "mint" (LEX. βάλσαμο, idiomatic: βάρ-
        σαμος "balsam").
in May to be kneaded, and dried for winter fuel" (P 2.254: βουτσά "η κόπρος
        των βοών" East. Cr.).
. "dung dried for burning" ترك (ξερή) وو جي يا (تسه ري) (dung dried for burning".
βούτυρος (ο) ووطّى رُ و سى "butter" (το βούτυρον; LEX.
        idiomatic: ο βούτυρος).
لیچ طونی 'drawers worn next to the' ایچ طونی "drawers worn next to the"
        body" (Andr. Et.: μπενεβρέκι "είδος πανταλονιού").
                      "parsley", cf. ما مد انو می همار [24] هم رسی بو لو ن
bερσιbολον (accent?)
        κο(υ)δο(υ)μεdo.
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bίνω ایجاك "to drink" (πίνω).

bλάβον ما ئی [22] / ma'i بلا و و ن blue" (P 5/I.247: <math>bλάβος "γαλανός" West Cr.). bόὄα (η) و ها / şişe شنه "bottle" (P 2.243: <math>bλίσοα East. and West. Cr.).

bodixós (0) بودي قومي [29] fare اره [30] "rat, mouse" and κός; P 2.239: bodικός under bodικοκάβουλλο).

bo(υ)τίλια (η) بو لمي ابيًا ([18] بو المي المية "bottle".

bουčουνάρα (η) اولوف "gutter" (P. 2.254: bουτσουνάρα "ὑδρορρόη" West. Cr.).

bουρνέλα (η) كا بور اله اله إلى "plum" (P 2.253: bουρνέλα "δαμάσχηνον, κορόμηλον, κοκκόμηλον" East. and West. Cr.), cf. αδουρνέλα, βαρδάζα, ξάνε-

ا میانی تون is mentioned). γάστρα (η) ا عاصرا (γλάστρα; P 2.273 East. and West. Cr.). seldom" (also the word used in koiné σπάνιον") أدر

γερά γερά الم يا يا يا يا يا يا إلى (çabuk) (چاپلون "fast" (also the word used in koiné γλήγορα نلی عورا is mentioned, as well as in the conversation part [C87]).

γιαϊδέτε الله ياي ده الله (C83, 88] / baksañiz باقيه و "look here!".

rto hear" (P 5/II.304 East. and West. Cr.;) عرى قو يعق το hear" (P 5/II.304 East. and West. Cr.; Erotocr.: (α)γροικώ; in the conversation part [C86] also with the meaning "to listen" / dinlemek).

ğανερίχι (το) ار يك (24] / erik ار يك "plum" (LEX. τζανεριά "δέντρο της προύμνης"; P 4.176: τζανερίκι "τζάνερο" East. Cr.), cf. bουρνέλα.

to (the reading δαgάνω is rather improbable) [56] اداما يو المعتبر من το (the reading δαgάνω is rather improbable) bite" (δαγκάνω, δάκνω; P 2.301: δακάνω East. Cr.).

ا كو لى توسى July" (also Ιούλιος) تسو ز July" نسو ز Ιτο ادهف ته دو غو ليسي is mentioned; cf. Πρωτογούλης).

Δηκέμδοης کانون اول [15] / kanun-u evvel کانون اول December" (Δεκέμβοης). δουλεύγω فوفو (62] / işlemek ایشلیک "to work" (δουλεύω).

δραστήριμος مقدم "persevering, assiduous" (δραστή-

δροσινάδα اذروسى ناذ (41] / serinlik سرينلك "coolness" (δροσεράδα).

δώδω ويرمك "to give" (δίδω, δίνω, δώνω).

do ευτύς دره تا (C81] / do gru طوغرى straightly, directly" (also ευτύς), for koiné ευθύς, is mentioned; P 5/II.338: do έτος East. and West. Cr.).

«such (children) بو یله (جو مقلر) (C83] / böyle (çocuklar) أجا (په زیا) (such (children)" (τέτοια; Erotocr.: έτοια; cf. P 2.347: ετσά πράγμα "δεν έχω τοιούτο πράγμα")

and [C86] for öyle او يا so", otherwise έčι فيعيى (έτσι).

- εδά أذا [53, C85] /şimdi شمرى "now" (P 5/II.347 East. and West. Cr.; Erotocr.; the word used in the koiné τώρα طورا is also mentioned in the conversation part [C81, C87]).
- "here!", here you are!" ا مُنه here!") أذو سه perhaps error for εδώσε ا أنو سه (also the word used in the koiné εδώ ίε menthioned), cf. επαέ.
- εκά كί [C85] orada اورادن (C85] آبو كا "there" and από κα أورادن (C85] أكا from there" (also the koiné word exeí أكم is mentioned for ora اورا "that place" and από εκεί آجيو آکی "from there" [52]; furthermore εκειδά "there" [51] and for oraya أكمى ذا "thither" [52]; cf. P 5/II.352: εκειά East. and West. Cr.).
- έξε σωμό [44] (and all the other composed numbers, such as δέκαέξε, είκοσιέξε etc.) / altı التي "six" (έξι).
- επαδά ایاد [53] / şurası شوراسی "this or that place" (P 2.344: επαδά, επά, επαδέ, επαέ "προς τα εδώ"), cf. επαέ.
- سرايا hither" (P 2.344 and) بورايا here" buraya بولادا f[52] / burada بولادا hither" (P 2.344 and 5/II.357 East. Cr.; K 30: έπαε-επαέ; Erotocr.: επά; also εδώ is mentioned), cf. εdώσε and επαδά.
- ζροάγα (τα) ا نكبر (P. 2.361: ζυροαγός < συμπραγής "δίδυ-
- ζηλεύγω قمقانمق "to be jealous or envious" (ζηλεύω).
- ζιώ بنكو "to live" (ζω).
- ςουγλός جو لاتن / çolak جو و التن paralysed or mutilated (a hand or an arm)" (P.
- θωρώ و و (C84] /görmek و رمك "to see" (βλέπω; P 2.374 East. Cr.; Erotocr.).
- καβαλικεύγω وغو (Erotocr.: καβαλκεύγω). "to ride" (Erotocr.: καβαλκεύγω).
- κάρčα (η) لون don وراكي a pair of drawers or trousers" (also βρακί وراكي is mentioned; P 2.425: κάρτσα "εξωτερική βράκα, εσωτερική βράκα" West. Cr.).
- καρδόνι (το) غريو نى (20] / çorab چوراب "sock, stocking" (κάλτσα). καρδονοδέτης (ο) تار پو نو ده طيس (garter" (καλτσοδέτης).
- κοτέχω عن الله [63, C83] / bilmek الملك "to know" (also the word used in the koiné js mentioned; P 2.437 East. and West. Cr.; Erotocr.).
- κάτης (ο) تَا طَسِي (cat" (LEX. idiomatic: κάτης).
- κο(υ)δο(υ)μεdo (accent?) ماید ا نوس "parsley", cf. bερ-
- κόνισμα (το) < κόνιzμα> أونيز صا (40] / put پوت idol; icon" (εικόνισμα). بن (n) قد ح bowl". قد ع bowl".
- λάδανος (o) لاذا نوسي "cistrus creticus; ladanum, gum-resin" (LEX.: (το) λάδανον).

- μαγαἔες in: ξυλομαγαἔες (o) قسى لوما غاجه س [16] / odunluk او دو نلق "place for fire-wood" (μαγαζί; P 6/I.99: μαγατζές East. and West. Cr.).
- "marjoram" مرجان كوكمي أيا (26] ما جبي تورانا μα ξιουράνα (η) (μα(ν)τζουράνα).
- μαζάνες (οι) باتلجان patlican باد نجان patlican باد نجان (μελι(ν)τζάνες; the koiné word is mentioned in its phonetic form μελιβάνες مه لي مانه سي).
- μακρά ابراق Irak الراق irak الراق far" (μακριά, μακράν).
- μανίνι (το) مانی نی (20] / bilezik بله ریک "bracelet" (P 6/I.107: μανίνι West. Cr., 3.70: μανίλι "βραχιόλιον" East. Cr.).
- μούρνο (το) و نُ "mulberry" (μούρο; P 3.122; μούρνο "μούρο" East. and West. Cr.).
- ναίσκε 🗸 🗈 [51, C 80] / evet او ت yes" (ναι; P 3.135: ναίσ'κε(ς) "τα μεν ναίσ'κε(ς) και όχκε(ς) επί σεβασμίων προσώπων, τα δε ναι και όχι επί παιδίων" East. and West. Cr.).
- Νεόμορης تشریف تانی (15] / teşrin-i sani تشریف تانی "November" (LEX. Νοέμπρης). νεράχι (το) باجی [24] / turunc تر نج bitter orange" (νεράντζι; P 6/I.152: νεράχι "καρπός της νεραντζέας" East. Cr.).
- "to fast, to abstain from food" اورج طوتمق to fast, to abstain from food"
- νοιρεύγομαι وأياكور مك "to dream" (ονειρεύομαι). "

 το dream" (ονειρεύομαι).
- Οκτώμος " نشرین اول [15] / teşrin-i evvel " نشرین اول "October" (Οκτώβρης).
- ομρέλα (η) آوم ره لا (41] / şemşiyye شفيه (نانا umbrella" (ομπρέλλα).
- οπού او پو [39, C84, 85] / ki or other syntactical structures "which (rel. pronoun)" (που; Erotocr.).
- οπροχθές و (P 3.212: οπροθές East. Cr.; for o-
- + abverb. cf. also οπίσω اوقسو [54], όξω اوقسو [53] and Erotocr.: ομπρός). όσκε اوسک hayir فیر "no" (όχι; also όξι اوسک [54]; P 6/I.187: όχκες East and West. Cr.) cf. ναίσκε.
- παισίχαρος په سی خاروس "always laughing, merry" کولج یوز لو "always laughing, merry" (P. 3.254 πασίχαρος East. Cr.; Erotocr.: πασίχαρος).
- "Friday" (P 3.247 East. Cr.; koiné: παρα-
- πάσο (το) ياسو "step" (also the koiné βήμα وى ما is mentioned; P 6/I.202: πάσσο West. Cr.).
- παστρεύγω پاستره وغو [63, 64] / temizlemek ميرلمك [63] silmek [64] "to clean" (παστρεύω; P 3.256).
- πε in πέ του به طو [C82, 83] / söyleyin سو يليي "tell him, say to him (imperative)" (πες; Erotocr. πέτε).
- πέφτη نوب طی [15] / pencsenbe بنجشنبه Thursday" (πέμπτη). πορίζω in aor. επόρισε بیقتی [C82] / soka ğa çıkmak سوقاغه پیقتی "to go out"

(P 3.309 "εξέρχομαι εκ της οικίας" East. and West. Cr.).

is أِنُو نِي تُوسِي June" (also Ιούνιος) خزيران is أَمْ نِي تُوسِي June" (عاليس Πρωτογούλης) mentioned; cf. Δευτερογούλης).

وفرى (το) روغرى ([25] / nar نار "pomegranate" (وοϊδι, ρόδι).

Σετέμδρης سه ته م بريس "September" (LEX. Σεπτέμπρης).

σήμερης بو کون "today" (σήμερα; the katharévousa σήμερον also in the conversation part [C80, 81]; Erotocr.: ολοσήμερης), cf. ακόμας, τώρας.

ترد دولا شيق dolaşik دولا شيق "crooked, sinuous".

συχνιά لَّ مِيْحَ بَيْ اَ [53] / sıkça مِيْقَابِ "often" (συχνά/συχνάχις). σφαλιχτόν قبلی قتون (42] / kapalı قبلی "closed" (Erotocr. σφαλίζω/σφαλτός; LEX. σφαλιχτός).

morning مباح اویقو سی ποτοιτερινός ύπνος [C86] / sabah uykusu مباح اویقو سی sleep", cf. ταϊτέρο.

ταϊτέρο (accent?) ماح "morning" (also the koiné word πρωϊ in صاحلبن sabahleyin/ طو پرو ئی sabahleyin/ و پرو ئی is mentioned, but also το πρωί the morning"; P 4.170: ταχτέρου/ταϊτέρου "αύριον (το πρωί)" East Cr., i.e. with a slightly different meaning), cf. the adjective ταϊτερινός and ταξά.

ταξά الماني (P 4.168/169: ταχεά; also the koiné αύριον is mentioned on p. 53).

τετράδη چهارشبه "Wednesday" (τετάρτη).

τραβαδάς (o) (accent?) طرا وإذا مى "swing; cradle? (the koiné word κούνια قونيا "cradle, swing" is also mentioned).

τράος (ο) اركيج "male goat" (τράγος/τραγί/τραϊ).

τρευλός يلتل "stutterer" (τραυλός). (τραυλός).

τώρας in από τώρας د مبن a few moments since" (while τώρα "now" is mentioned in the conversation part; cf. από πολύς آپو پولیس [53] / çoktan يو قدن "a long while ago"), cf. ακόμας, σήμερης and εδά.

ύψος (ο) إيسوس [35] / alçı إيسوس "plaster" (γύψος; P 4.251 West. Cr.).

φρύον (το) نوی گون [23] / lahana حنه "cabbage" (P 4.288: φρύο "λάχανο" East. Cr.).

χαχάλη (η) نا الله [6] / avuc ووج "palm of the hand" (also the synonym φούχτα is mentioned; P 4.321: χαχάλα and χαχάλι East. Cr.).

unclean plates " بولا شيك bulaşik (?) خوامىذيا χραμίδια οτ χρασίδια (τα) and dishes".

χρωμένος بور جلو (μος افروسه نوس indebted" (χρεωμένος).

ψιμοχαίρι (το) ری بیار (14] / soñ bahar مول بیار "autumn" and το ψιμοχαίρι "in autumn" (P 4.363/364: ψιμοχαίρι and ψιμοχαλοχαίρι "αὶ τελευταῖαι ἐδδομάδες τοῦ φθινοπώρου τῶν μηνῶν 'Οχτωβρίου καὶ Νοεμβρίου" West. Cr.).

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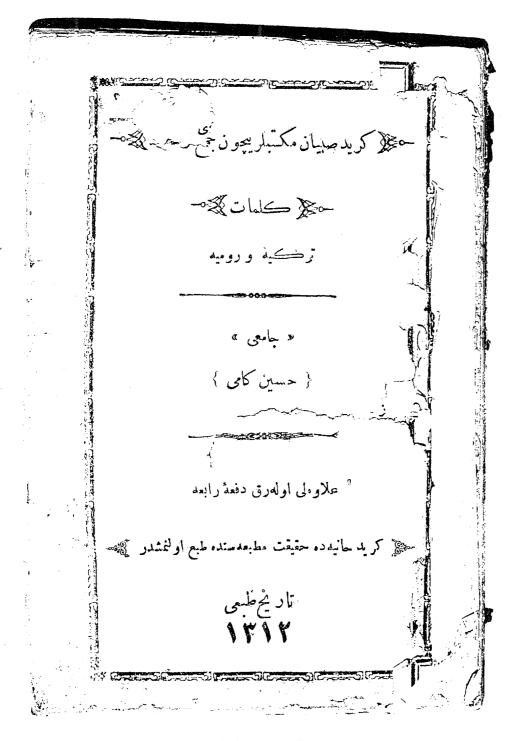
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