

On Nature, Book 28

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Epicurus, On Nature 28.10.1a (Sedley reconstruction) "πραγματικῶν θεωρημάτων ἐνδίξει καὶ τὴν μερίληψιν... τῆς δόξης... περὶ ταύτης τε τῆς εἰς τοῦτο ἐμβαλλούσης ὑπολήψεως. ὄντων δ' οὖν τοιούτων οἶον... τούτων κατὰ τὴν αἵρεσιν πραττόντων... τῆς ἐπαγωγῆς γιγνέσθω τῆς πραγματικῆς..."

τὴν μερίληψιν (tēn merilēpsin): Part-taking, Partiality, Fragmentation

28.10.1a is SO fragmentary! Your smooth transcription somewhat obscures that. There is a LOT of missing papyrus in that column.

It also looks like Sedley has περ[ίληψ]ιμ where you have μερίληψιν (Sedley pi π., your mu μ.).

ously defined in the non-image-making manner, but which we altered when by some act of empirical reasoning we saw that they were not of this kind. But as for the majority of names which might have been found false by a conceptual process

α[...]ως εσ[.....
 γμ[.....

Fr. 10 col. I a

1]τει ὄφ[εν
]χε[..]σθαι κατ[...
]τι[..]παντα[....
]μ[]πραγμ[....
 5 ...]να[....] ὡσπερ [..]υνα
 ...].τ[....π]ραγματικῶν
 θε]ωρημ[άτων] ἐνδείξει καὶ
 τ]ῆμ[]περ[ί]ληψ]ιμ[]πε[.....
 τῆς δόξης[]τῆς [.....
 10 .]. τοῖς πραγ[.....
 ..]τ[..]σε περ[ί] ταύτης [τε] τῆς
 εἰς τοῦτο ἐμ[β]αλλούσης
 ὑπολήψεως. ὄντων δ' οὖν

τοιούτων οἶον [.] τούτων

15 κατὰ τὴν [αἴρ]εσιμ[]πρατ]τόν-

Here's the engraving of that column from Papyri.info!



Oh my! It looks even worse when you see the papyrus itself. Getting more than a few words strung together at a time from that seems highly problematic.