

# Episode 215 - Cicero's On Ends - Book Two - Part 22 - The Epicurean View Of Happiness

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[Quote from Joshua](#)

Usener in his Epicurea went even further than this in calling Laertius a 'complete ass'. Which is a touch uncharitable to my taste, but there you have it.

Yes, here we have it:

(Usener, Intro, Page 22) "However many who called Laertius either a poor compiler or, as Roethius of Heidelberg kindly did, a 'true donkey' have honored him too much, who, to put it succinctly, did not even write but left the writing to his scribes."

(Illi et quotquot Laertium siue misellum compilatorem siue ut Roethius Heidelbergensis solebat humaniter "asinum germanum" dictitarunt nimio eum honore affecerunt, qui, ut uno uerbo dicam, ne scripsit quidem sed scribenda librariis commisit.)