

tortured with scourge and fire by a military governor, Persentinus, sealed in a sack and thrown into the sea, saved by two dolphins, and eventually led by an angel, together with Orestes, to the island of Cyprus. They preached Christ at Neapolis Nemeson, and were beheaded by idolaters at Phasoulleia, where their spirits appeared later to a pious priest, to whom they revealed the place of their burying. Their feast is celebrated there, and at Apleke in the District of Nicosia. Their aid is especially invoked in chills and fevers. I have seen a MS. copy, dated August 18, 1837, of their *Acolouthia*. It was printed at Linasol, 1902. A Rheginus was Metropolitan of Constantia A.D. 431.

S. Hermogenes, commemorated on October 5, was a native of Asia Minor, and Bishop of Samos, where he was tortured and beheaded by the governor Saturninus. His remains were stolen by his fellow-Christians and committed in a box to the waves, which cast them on the shore of Cyprus near Curion. Miracles followed, and a church was raised over the place of his burial. Macarios, Bishop of Cition, published his *Acolouthia* at Venice in 1772.

September 17. Commemoration of our holy father ANASTASIOS, the wonder-worker.

Anastasios, who on earth glorified Christ,
Came to Him, and received in return more glory still.
Rejoicing he found an inheritance in heaven.

This our holy father Anastasios lived in the days of the King of the Christians, Alexius Comnenus and his son John, together with the rest of the CCC Orthodox, who were from Germany, and in Cyprus (which was then subject to the Orthodox sovereign) lived the life of hermits. For when the so-called Holy War, which arose concerning the Holy Places, burst forth, these too came as soldiers with the rest. And when they saw that in the affrays the Orthodox were ill treated by the Latins they left that earthly armament, and joined the service of the Heavenly King, taking up a monastic life in Cyprus, where they lived in deserts and mountains, oppressed, ill-used and tempted of devils; and, by the grace of Christ strengthening them, having overcome every temptation, by their own exceeding virtue they were deemed worthy of working many miracles, not only during life, but after their deaths, so that even now to those who approach his tomb with reverence this divine Anastasios is proved to be an excellent physician, and speedily answers them who invoke him in faith.

Through his intercession, O Christ our God, in Thy love to man have mercy upon us. Amen.

September 28. Commemoration of our holy and godly father AUXENTIOS, the wonder-worker.

Auxentios with the highest praise
I praise, who increased the God-given talent.
On the twenty-eighth day Auxentios was taken up to heaven.

This our holy father Auxentios was by race a German, as the story concerning him shows. But of what parents, and what religion, and in what age, I cannot say precisely. But what I know concerning him this I begin to narrate. From his earliest youth he gave himself to forays and wars and won great praise, showing himself to his enemies most terrible, and to the soldiers with him gentle, kind and most beloved. But, as they tell of him, through some God-given impulse he renounced the world and its delights, and reckoning all glory as a dream, he hastened to break away from them. Hence, as some say, he opened his thoughts to those about him (for he had three hundred soldiers under his command) and found them all amenable, and even thirsting after that for which he himself thirsted: wherefore he was not heedless, but starting with this purpose he came to a certain sea shore, and there found