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subst. , m. , *tormenti vel equulei* genus, *instrumentum quo corpus torquetur* : አዘዘ : ከመ : ያዕርግዎሙ : መልዕልተ : ጎንባዝ : እስከ : ይውሕዝ : ደዋሙ : ዲበ : ምድር : Sx. Mij. 18; አዘዘ : ያዕርግዎ : መልዕልተ : ሕንባዝ : ወየዐጽርዎ : ሥጋሁ : እስከ : ውሕዘ : ደሙ : ከመ : ማይ : Sx. Genb. 19; አዘዘ : ይስቅልዎ : ዲበ : ጎንባዝ : ወየዐጽርዎ : በመንኰራኩረ : እሳት : ዘጎጺን : Sx. Sen. 4; angelus ሰበሮ : ለጎንባዝ : Sx. Sen. 5.

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Dillmann (and same goes for Leslau) does not seem to notice that this word which designates a torture instrument comes from the Arabic *الهنبازين*. Without the Arabic dual ending, obviously. The meaning of the word is very obscure and it is certainly not Arabic, but probably Persian. It is normally translated by modern editors as “breaking-wheel,” but I am not sure it’s the right meaning. *الهنبازين* is very common in Arabic translations of Coptic martyrdoms, in which it translates an equally difficult Greco-Coptic word, *ἐρμητάριον*, usually rendered as “torture-bed” (here again the translation is speculative).

Bibliography

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