

BOOK IV. WAR WITH THE GERMANS. FIRST INVASION OF BRITAIN

The campaign of 55 B.C. is memorable in history as the occasion when the Roman arms were first carried beyond the Rhine and across the Channel. The map facing page 217 shows how completely Gaul had come under Caesar's control, either by conquest or by peaceful submission. But Caesar knew that his task was not yet finished. If the Rhine was to be the Roman frontier (Int. 3), the Germans must be taught to respect that frontier. And the unknown Britain, lying so near Gaul, tempted him. It might be worth conquering. If not, at any rate both Gauls and Britons must be shown that Britain could afford neither to send aid to Gaul nor offer refuge to Gauls who wished to escape from Caesar. Only when Caesar had shown that neither the Rhine nor the Channel could stop a Roman army, might he expect Gaul to rest quietly under the Roman yoke.

Two German tribes, the Usipetes and the Tencteri, had been driven out of their homes, far in the interior of Germany, by the Suebi. After wandering homeless for three years, they crossed the Rhine into the Gallic possessions of the Menapii and there spent the early months of 55. Nothing shows more clearly the lack of unity among the states of Gaul than the indifference with which the neighbors of the Menapii regarded this incursion of their hereditary foes. Some states even tried to repeat the mistake of the Sequani (I, 31), and invited the Germans to settle in their territory and make common cause with them against Caesar or the rest of Gaul. But Caesar interfered at once by marching against the Germans. Using as a pretext a treacherous attack by a small body of German cavalry, he made himself guilty of the most treacherous and indefensible act in his whole career. He arrested all their leaders, who had come to apologize for the attack and then surprised and slew almost the whole German host, men, women, and children. If the deed has an excuse it lies in the absolute necessity of teaching the other Germans never to invade Gaul.

Caesar decided to reinforce this terrible lesson by making the Germans fear for their own territory. The Sugambri, who had given refuge to the remnants of the Usipetes and the Tencteri, refused to give them up at Caesar's command. Moreover the Ubii begged Caesar's aid against

the Suebi. In the marvellously brief space of ten days he constructed a great bridge across the Rhine, over which he led his entire army. At the first news of his approach the Sugambri and the Suebi had retired into the safe depths of their vast forests. Since it was no part of Caesar's purpose to subjugate these peoples, he contented himself with ravaging the nearer possessions of the Sugambri. Satisfied with this demonstration of Roman power, he recrossed the Rhine and destroyed his bridge, after a stay of only eighteen days on German soil.

Caesar had neither time nor ships enough to attempt a real invasion of Britain this summer, nor could he learn by inquiry anything about the country and the amount of force needed for accomplishing his purpose there. Therefore he determined to devote the remainder of the summer to a preliminary expedition which would at least show him what preparations he must make for the next year. Taking only two legions he sailed to Deal from the nearest point in Gaul. A landing was effected only after a sharp struggle with the Britons. A few nearby tribes surrendered, but Caesar waited for the arrival of his cavalry before penetrating the interior. Just as the cavalry transports were approaching the island, a storm not only drove them back to Gaul but shattered the main fleet, which lay in an exposed roadstead. Caesar beat off an attack of the natives, repaired his ships, and sailed back to Gaul.

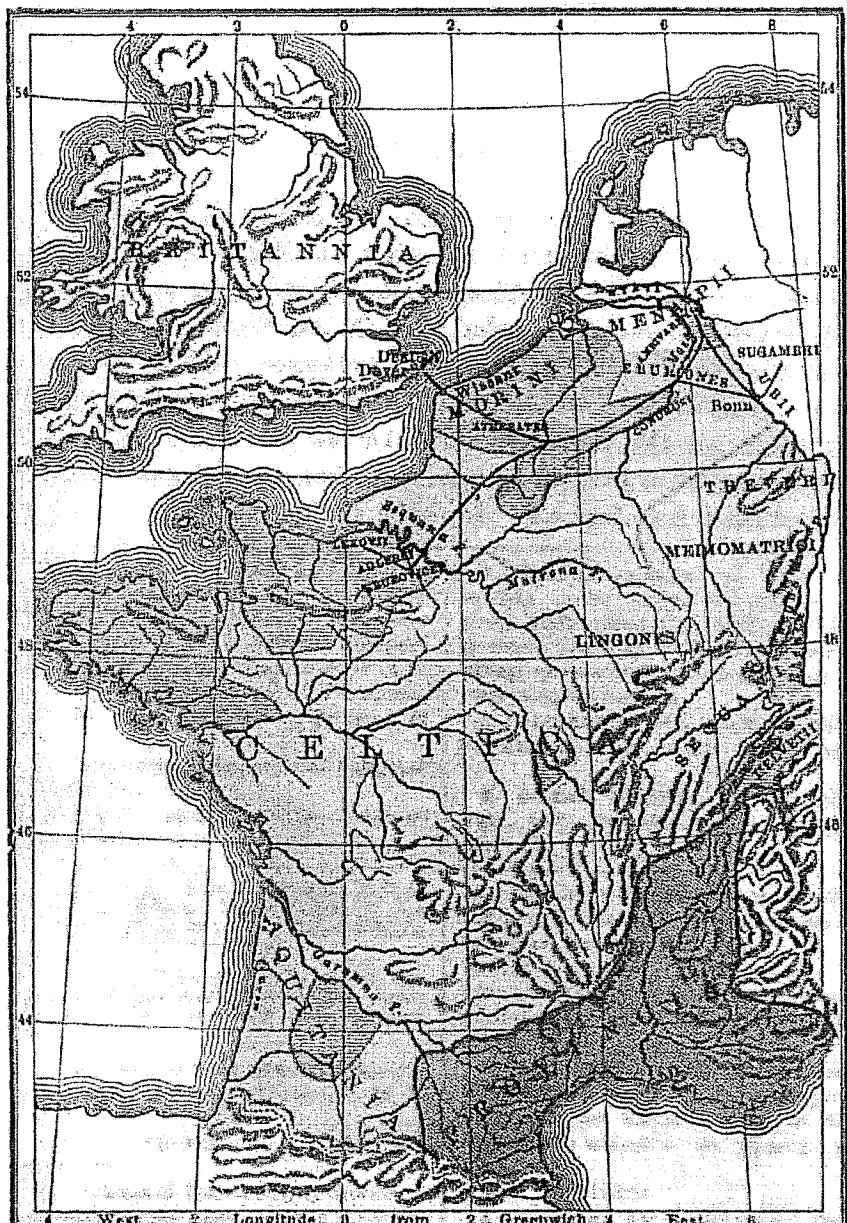
Before leaving for Britain, Caesar had received the submission of a part of the Morini. During his absence the remainder of his army harried the Menapii and the rest of the Morini. On the return voyage two ships were driven out of their course, and the men carried by them were attacked by the Morini. A vigorous raid at last caused the final submission of the Morini; but the Menapii still remained unconquered in their forests and swamps.

EXPLANATION OF CAMPAIGN MAP

For the meaning of the colors, see the explanation of the campaign map for I, 1-29, facing page 42.

The coloring in this map is the same as in the campaign map for Book III, facing page 217, except that the Morini and a part of the Menapii are colored red.

Every important geographical point in this year's campaigning is open to discussion. Holmes agrees with some other authorities in locating the battle with the Usipetes and the Tencteri near the junction of the Mosella and the Rhine, but his discussion is less fair than usual. His own arguments, carefully sifted, seem decisive for the location near the junction of the Mosa and the Rhine. If the battle is rightly located, there is no valid argument for locating the bridge elsewhere than at Bonn. Holmes seems to have proved that Wissant, not Boulogne, was the sailing point for Britain. The landing point in Britain must have been either near Deal or a considerable distance west of Deal, near Hythe; it is almost certain that it was near Deal. The map on page 294 gives in more detail the parts of Gaul and Britain which are involved in discussions as to the sailing and landing points.



Campaign Map for Book IV

LIBER QUARTUS.

1. Eā quae secūta est hieme, qui fuit annus Cn. Pompēiō M. Crassō cōnsulibus, Usipetēs Germāni et item Tēnctēri magnā cum multitūdine hominum flūmen Rhēnum trānsiērunt, nōn longē à mari quo Rhēnus influit. Causa trānseundi fuit quod ab Suēbis complūrēs annōs exagitatī bellō premēbantur et agricultūrā prohibēbantur. Suēbōrum gēns est longē maxima et bellicōsissima Germānōrum omnium. Hī centum pāgōs habēre dicuntur, ex quibus quotannī singula mīlia armātōrum bellandī causā ex finib⁹ ēdūcunt. Reliqui, qui domī mānsē-

1. Cn., abbr. for Gnaeus (nē'üs), a Roman praenomen. 1.

Pompēiūs, -i, m. Gnaeus Pompeius (nē'üs pōm-pē'yüs), better, Pompey, triumvir with Caesar and Crassus in 60 B.C., defeated by Caesar at Pharsalia, and murdered in Egypt by Ptolemy, 48 B.C. 1.

2. Usipetēs, -um, m., the Usipetes (ū-sip'ē-tēz). 4.
Tēnctēri, -ōrum, m., the Tencteri (tēngk'tē-rī). 4.

5. Suēbus, -a, -um, adj., of or pertaining to the Suebi, Sueban; pl. as noun, Suēbī (Bhi), the Suebi (swē'bī), a powerful people of central Germany consisting of several independent tribes, the modern Swabians. *

8. quotannīs, adv. [quot, as many as+annus, year], every year, yearly. 2.

9. manēō, manēre, mānsi, mānsum, intr., remain, continue, abide, stay. 2.

Chap. 1-4. Two German tribes cross the Rhine. Description of the German tribes who are concerned in the following narrative.

Chap. 1. Two German tribes, expelled by the Suebi, cross into Gaul. The warlike character and training of the Suebi.

1. qui agrees with *annus*, though its antecedent is *hieme*; cf. *quod*, I, 88, 3, note.

qui . . . cōnsulibus, "in the year when, etc."

Cn. Pompēiō, etc.: Pompey and Crassus were Caesar's associates in the First Triumvirate; Int. 11. Their election as consuls for the year 55 had been planned

at a meeting with Caesar in the preceding spring. Caesar had been given his province for only five years, and he needed more time. These consuls secured another five years for him, and an important province for each of themselves.

4. nōn longē à mari: probably near Emmerich, a few miles above the point at which the Rhine divides to flow around the island of the Batavi. See map.

quōd: the adverb.

8. singula: i.e. a thousand from each canton.

10 runt, sē atque illōs alunt; hī rūrsus in vicem annō post in armis sunt, illi domi remanent. Sic neque agricultūra nec ratiō atque ūsus belli intermittitur. Sed privātī ac sēparātī agrī apud eōs nihil est, neque longius annō remanēre ūnō in locō colendi causā licet. Neque multum frūmentō sed maximam partem lacte atque pecore vivunt multumque sunt in vēnatiōnibus; quae rēs et cibī genere et cotidiānā exercitatiōne et libertātē vitæ, quod ā pueris nūllō officiō aut disciplinā assuēfacti nihil omnīnō contrā voluntātem faciunt, et virēs alit et immānī corporum magnitūdine hominēs efficit. Atque in eam sē cōnsuetūdinem addūxērunt, ut locis frigidissimis neque vestitūs

10. *vicis*, *gen.* (*no nom.*), change; only in the *adv. phrase in vicem*, alternately, in turn. 1.

11. *remaneō*, -manēre, -mānsi, -mānsum, *intr.* [re- + maneō, remain], stay or remain behind, remain. *

12. *sēparō*, 1, *tr.* [sē- + parō, prepare], prepare apart; separate; *sēparātus*, *pf. part. as adj.*, separate. 1.

14. *colō*, *colere*, *colul*, *cultum*, *tr.*, cultivate, dwell in; honor, worship. 1.

15. *lāc*, *lactis*, *n.*, milk. 1.
vivō, *vivere*, *vixi*, *victum*, *intr.*, live; subsist on. 2.

16. *vēnatiō*, -ōnis, *f.* [*vēnor*, hunt], hunting, the chase. 1.

cibus, -I, *m.*, food. 1.

17. *disciplinā*, -ae, *f.* [*discō*, learn], learning; discipline; instruction, system. 2.

assuēfaciō, -facere, -fēcl, -factum, *tr.*, accustom, train. 2.

19. *immānis*, -e, *adj.*, huge, immense. 1.

20. *frigidus*, -a, -um, *adj.*, cold. 1.
vestitus, -ūs, *m.* [*vestiō*, clothes] clothing. 1.

10. *illōs*: i.e. those who are fighting. annō post, lit. "afterwards by a year," = "the following year."

12. *ratiō atque ūsus*, "the [theoretical] training and practice in."

privātī . . . est: i.e. all the land belonged to the state, none to individuals. This is generally true of barbarous peoples.

14. *frūmentō*, "on grain"; ablative of means with *vivunt*.

maximam partem: case? App. 128, b; G.-L. 334, R. 2: A. 397, a: B. 185, 1: H.-B. 388: H. 416, 2.

15. *multumque . . . vēnatiōnibus*, "are devoted to hunting."

16. *quae res*, "a practice which"; subject of *alit* and *efficit*.

17. *quod . . . faciunt* explains *über-tate*.

ā *pueris*, "from boyhood." nūllō officiō assuēfacti, "trained by no service"; ablative of means.

19. *hominēs*: predicate accusative; "makes (them) men of, etc." in eam . . . addūxērunt, lit. "have brought themselves into this custom," = "have trained themselves to such hardness."

20. *locis frigidissimis*, "though their climate is extremely cold"; ablative absolute.

vestitus depends on *quicquam*. On the choice of indefinites, see App. 177: G.-L. 317, 1: A. 311: B. 252, 4: H.-B. 276, 7: H. 513.

praeter pellēs habērent quicquam, quārum propter exiguitātem magna est corporis pars aperta, et lavārentur in flūminibus.

2. Mercātōribus est aditus magis eō, ut quae bellō cēperint quibus vēndant habeant, quam quō ullam rem ad sē importāri dēsiderent. Quīn etiam iūmentis, quibus maximē Galli dēlectantur, quaeque impēnsō parant pretiō, Germānī importātis nōn ūtuntur; sed quae sunt apud eōs nāta, parva atque dēfōrmia, haec cotidiāna exercitatiōne summi ut sint labōris efficiunt. Equestribus proeliis saepe ex equis dēsiliunt ac pedibus proeliantur, eqnōsque eōdem remanēre vēstigiō assuēfēcērunt, ad quōs sē celeriter, cum ūsus est, recipiunt; neque eōrum mōribus turpius quicquam aut inertius habētur quam ephippiis 10

22. lavō, lavāre, lāvi, lautum, *tr.*, wash; *in pass.*, bathe. 1.

3. dēsiderō, 1. *tr.*, feel the lack of, miss, lose; desire, wish, wish for. 1.

dēlectō, 1. *tr.*, delight; *pass.*, delight in, take pleasure in. 1.

4. impēnsus, -a, -um, *adj.*, expensive; *with* pretiūm, great. 1.

5. dēfōrmis, -e, *adj.* [fōrma, form], misshapen, deformed, unsightly. 1.

7. dēsiliō, -sillre, -silui, -sultum,

intr. [saliō, leap], leap from or down, alight, dismount. *

8. vēstigium, -gl, *n.* [vēstigō, trace out], trace, track, footprint; spot, place; moment, instant. 3.

10. turpis, -e, *adj.*, ugly, unseemly; shameful, disgraceful, dishonorable. 2.

iners, -ertis, *adj.* [*in*-+ars, skill], without skill; unmanly, cowardly. 1.

ephippium, -pi, *n.*, horse-cloth, riding-pad, saddle. 1.

21. habērent, lavārentur: translate by presents. The use of the imperfect illustrates the fact that the Romans usually regarded the perfect indicative (here addūzērun^t) as a secondary tense, even when it seems to us to refer to present time.

Chap. 2. Their freedom from luxury, and their cavalry tactics.

1. mercātōribus: dative of possessor.

eō, ut habeant, "on this account, that they may have."

cēperint: subjunctive in implied indirect discourse.

2. quibus vēndant: a purpose clause. Supply some word like "persons" as the antecedent of *quibus* and the object of *habeant*.

quam quō dēsiderent, "than because they desire." Nōn quō with the subjunctive is used to reject a reason. In

this sentence *magis quam* takes the place of *nōn*. The meaning is "not because they want anything, but because they wish to sell."

3. iūmentis importātis nōn ūtuntur: the important word is the participle *importātis*, as if he had said "they do not import the horses which they need."

4. quaeque = et quae.

6. haec: antecedent of *quae* (*iūmenta*). summi . . . efficiunt, lit. "make that they be (capable) of the greatest labor." See App. 104.

7. pedibus, "on foot."

9. eōrum mōribus, "according to their standards."

10. habētur, "is considered."

ephippīs: the ancient saddles were of little real use, since they had no stirrups.

tūti. Itaque ad quemvis numerum ephippiātōrum equitum quamvis pauci adire audent. Vinum omnīnō ad sē importārī nōn patiuntur, quod eā rē ad labōrem ferendum remollēscere hominēs atque effēminārī arbitrantur.

3. Pùblicē maximam putant esse laudem quam lātissimē à suis finibus vacāre agrōs: hāo rē significārī magnum numerum cīvitātum suam vim sustinērē nōn posse. Itaque ūnā ex parte à Suēbīs circiter mīlia passuum sescenta agrī vacāre dicuntur. 6 Ad alteram partem succēdunt Ubii, quōrum fuit cīvitās ampla atque flōrēns, ut est captus Germānōrum; iī paulō, quamquam sunt eiusdem generis, sunt céteris hūmāniōrēs, propterē quod Rhēnum attingunt multumque ad eōs mercātōrēs ventitant et ipsi propter propinquitatēm Galicis sunt mōribus as- 10 suēfacti. Hōs cum Suēbī multīs saepe bellis experti propter amplitūdinem gravitātemque cīvitatis finibus expellere nōn

11. ephippiātus, -a, -um, adj. [ephippium, saddle], using a saddle. 1.

12. quamvis, adv. [quam, as+vis, you wish], as you wish, however, very. 1.

13. remollēscō, -mollēscere, —, —, intr., become weak, become enervated. 1.

1. laus, laudis, f., praise, commendation; renown, popularity, glory. 3.

3. Ubīl, -ōrum, m. (ABgh), the Ubii (Ubīl-i). *

6. flōrēns, -entis, adj. [flōreō, flower], flourishing, prosperous, in-

fluentia. 2.

captus, -ūs, m. [capīō, take], comprehension, ideas. 1.

7. hūmānus, -a, -um, adj. [homō, man], natural to man, human; civilized, cultured, refined, cultivated. 1.

8. ventitō, 1, intr. [freq. of venīō, come], keep coming, resort; go back and forth, visit. 2.

11. amplitūdō, -inis, f. [ampius, large], wide extent, size; importance, consequence, dignity. 1.

gravitās, -tātis, f. [gravis, heavy], heaviness, weight; power. 1.

12. quamvis pauci, "however few (they may be)." Caesar does not exaggerate the strength of the German cavalry. In his seventh year in Gaul, when he had to face a revolt of the whole country, he hired a body of German cavalry. In three decisive battles they saved the day for him.

vinum: but we know from Tacitus that they drank great quantities of a kind of beer.

Chap. 8. Their treatment of the Ubii.

1. pùblicē, "for the state."

vacāre agrōs: subject of esse. 3.

ūnā ex parte: i.e. on the east of the Suebi.

sescenta: this must be a great exaggeration. Caesar had no personal knowledge of the interior of Germany.

ad alteram partem: i.e. the northwest. See map.

fuit, "was (once)"; i.e. before theirfeat by the Suebi.

6. paulō: with hūmānōrēs.

10. cum, "although."

multīs . . . experti, "in spite of many attempts in numerous wars."

potuissent, tamen vectigālēs sibi fēcērunt ac multō humiliōrēs infirmiōrēsque redēgērunt.

4. In eādem causā fuērunt Usipetēs et Tēncteri, quōs suprā diximus, qui complūrēs annōs Suēbōrum vim sustinuērunt, ad extrēmum tamen agris expulsi et multis locis Germāniae triennium vagāti ad Rhēnum pervēnērunt; quās regiōnēs Menapii incolēbant. Hī ad utramque ripam flūminis agrōs, 5 aedificia, vicōsque habēbant; sed tantae multitudinis adventū perterriti ex iīs aedificiis quae trāns flūmen habuerant dēmigrāvērunt, et cis Rhēnum dispositis praeidiis Germānōs trānsire prohibēbant. Illi omnia experti, cum neque vi contendere propter inopiam nāvium neque clam trānsire propter custodiās 10 Menapiōrum possent, reverti sē in suās sēdēs regiōnēsque simulāvērunt, et tridū viam prōgressi rūrsus revertērunt atque omni hōc itinere únā nocte equitātū cōflectō insciōs inopīnantēsque Menapiōs oppressērunt, qui dē Germānōrum discessū per ex-plorātōrēs certiōrēs facti sine metū trāns Rhēnum in suōs 15

12. *humilis*, -e, adj. [humus, the ground], *on the ground*; low, humble, abject, weak. 1.

13. *infirmus*, -a, -um, adj. [in-+ firmus, strong], not strong, weak, feeble. 2.

8. *Germānia*, -ae, f., Germania (jér-má'ni-a), better, Germany, *the country east of the Rhine*. 1.

4. *triennium*, -iū, n. [trēs, three+ annus, year], three years. 1.

7. *dēmigrō*, 1, intr. [migrō, move, migrate], move from or away, emigrate,

remove. 2.

11. *sēdēs*, -is, f. [sedeō, sit], seat, chair; residence, abode, settlement. 4.

simulō, 1, tr. [similis, like], make like; pretend. 2.

13. *insciōs* -a, -um, adj. [sciō, know], not knowing, ignorant, not aware. 1.

15. *metus*, -ūs, m. [metuō, fear], fear, dread, anxiety, apprehension; metū territāre, terrify; hōc metū = metū huius rei, from fear of this. 2.

Chap. 4. The stratagem by which the Germans crossed the Rhine.

1, in eādem causā, "in the same condition"; i.e. of oppression by the Suebi. It is probable that the Usipetes and the Tencerti lived in or near the kingdom of Saxony, to the northeast of the Suebi.

2. suprā: in 1, 2.

6. multitudinis: 430,000 persons, according to a later chapter.

7. trāns: on the German side. habuerant: before the arrival of the Germans.

9. vi contendere, "force a passage."

10. inopiam nāvium: the Menapii had, of course, taken all the boats with them.

13. equitātū: although cavalry are persons, they are thought of here as the means employed by the Germans.

vicōs remigrāverant. His interfectis nāvibusque eōrum occupatis, priusquam ea pars Menapiōrum quae citrā Rhēnum erat certior fieret, flūmen trānsiērunt atque omnibus eōrum aedificiis occupatis reliquam partem hiemis sē eōrum cōpiis 20 aluērunt.

5. His dē rēbus Caesar certior factus et infirmitātem Galōrum veritus, quod sunt in cōsiliis capiendis mōbilēs et novis plērumque rēbus student, nihil his committendum existimāvit. Est enim hoc Galicae cōsuētūdinis, uti et viātōrēs etiam in 5 vitōs cōsistere cōgant, et quid quisque eōrum dē quāque rē audierit aut cognōverit quaerant, et mercātōrēs in oppidis vulgus circumsistat quibusque ex regionibus veniant quāsque ibi rēs cognōverint prōnūtiāre cōgat. His rēbus atque auditiōnibus permōti dē summīs saepe rēbus cōsilia ineunt, quōrum 10 eōs in vēstigiō paenitēre necesse est, cum incertis rāmōribus serviant et plēriique ad voluntātem eōrum ficta respondeant.

16. remigrō, 1, *intr.* [re-+migrō, move], move back, return. 2.

1. Infirmitās, -tātis, *f.* [Infirmus, not strong], weakness; fickleness, inconstancy. 2.

2. mōbilis, -e, *adj.* [moveō, move], changeable. 1.

4. viātor, -ōris, *m.* [via, road], traveler. 1.

8. prōnūtiō, 1, *tr.* [nūntiō, announce], announce, give out publicly, tell, relate, report, say; give orders; with sententia, pronounce. 1.

auditiō, -ōnis, *f.* [audiō, hear], hearing, hearsay, report. 1.

10. paenitet, paenitēre, paenituit, —, *tr., impers.*, it causes regret; makes one repent; when translated as *per se* verb, repent (App. 109). 1.

necesse, *indecl. adj.*, necessary, unavoidable, indispensable. 2.

incertus, -a, -um, *adj.* [in-+certus, decided], undecided, uncertain, untrustworthy; indefinite, vague; disordered. 2.

11. serviō, 4, *intr.* [servus, slave], be a slave to, be subservient to; pay attention to, devote one's self to, follow. 1.

12. fingō, fingere, finxi, fictum, *tr.*, form, imagine. devise, invent. 2.

19. eōrum cōpīls, "on their supplies"; those which the Menapii had stored up for their own use.

Chap. 5-6. Caesar, fearing that the Gauls and the Germans will unite against him, hastens his preparations for war.

Chap. 5. Caesar fears the fickleness of the Gauls.

3. nihil . . committendum, "that no confidence should be placed in them."

4. cōsuētūdinis: see App. 103.

util: with cōgant, quaerant, circumsitat, and cōgat.

7. quāsque = et quās.

8. rēbus, "stories."

9. quōrum eōs paenitēre necesse est, lit. "of which it must repent them"; App. 109: G.-L. 377: A. 854, b: B. 209, 1: H.-B. 352, 1: H. 457.

11. plēriique . . respondeant, "give answers shaped to their wishes"; i.e. the wishes of the questioners.

6. Quā cōsuētūdine cognitā Caesar, nē graviōrī bellō occurreret, mātūrius quam cōsuērat ad exercitum proficiscitur. Eō cum vēnisset, ea quae fore suspicātus erat facta cognōvit: missās lēgatiōnēs ab nōn nūllis civitātibus ad Germānōs, invitātōsque eōs uti ab Rhēnō discēderent: omnia quae postulās- 5 sent ab sē fore parāta. Quā spē adducti Germāni lātius iam vagābantur et in finēs Eburōnum et Condrūsōrum, qui sunt Trēverōrum clientēs, pervēnerant. Principib⁹ Galliae ēvocātis Caesar ea quae cognōverat dissimulanda sibi existimāvit, eōrumque animis permulsis et cōfirmātis equitātūque impe- 10 rātō bellum cum Germānis gerere cōstituit.

7. Rē frūmentāriā comparātā equitibusque dēlēctis iter in ea loca facere coepit quibus in locis esse Germānōs andiēbat.

2. mātūrē, adv. [mātūrus, ripe], early, speedily, soon 3

3. suspicor, 1, tr. [suspiciō, suspect], suspect, distrust; surmise. *

4. invitō, 1, tr., invite, summon; allure, persuade. 2.

9. dissimulō, 1, tr. [simulō, make like], disguise, conceal. 1.

10. permulceō, -mulcēre, -mulsi, -mulsum, tr. [mulceō, soothe], soothe completely, appease. 1.

Chap. 6. Caesar joins his army and learns that some Gallic states are welcoming the Germans.

2. ad exercitum: where was it? See III, 29, 11, and the map facing p. 254. Caesar himself, as usual, had spent the winter in Cisalpine Gaul.

3. ea facta (*esse*), "that those things had happened"; explained by the following clauses.

5. ab Rhēnō discēderent: i.e. to advance further into Gaul. The purpose of the Gauls was to get help against Caesar.

postulāssent: for the future perfect indicative of the direct form.

6. fore parāta, lit. "would be in a prepared condition." This is one of the ways of avoiding the rare future infinitive given in the grammars, *parētum īt̄*. The infinitive depends on a verb of saying implied in *invitō*.

lātius vagābantur, etc.: this only means that small bodies were sent out in various directions to see where they could best settle, and that some of them

had got as far as the Condrusi (see the map facing p. 254). The main body remained among the Menapii, between the Mosa and the Rhine.

7. qui refers only to *Condrūsōrum*.

10. permulsia et cōfirmātis: Caesar pretended to believe that they were loyal to him and afraid of the Germans. equitātū: it appears later that he secured 5,000.

11. cōstituit, "announced his decision." He had decided the matter long before.

Chap. 7-10. Being met by envoys, Caesar proposes that the Germans settle among the Ubii; he then marches on into a locality whose geographical features he describes.

Chap. 7. Caesar is met on his march by German envoys, who demand land.

1. dēlēctis, "having levied."

iter coepit: for his route see the map facing p. 254. The envoys must have met him near the point where the route crosses the Mosa.

Ā quibus cum paucōrum diērum iter abesset, lēgātī ab iis vēnērunt, quōrum haec fuit ḍrātiō: Germānōs neque priōrēs 5 populō Rōmānō bellum īferre neque tamen recūsāre, sī laces-
santur, quīn armis contendant, quod Germānōrum cōnsuētūdō sit ā maiōribus trādita, quicunque bellum īferant, resistere
neque dēprecāri. Haec tamen dicere: vēnisse invītōs, ēlectōs
domō; sī suam grātiam Rōmānī velint, posse iis ūtilēs esse
10 amīcōs; vel sibi agrōs attribuant vel patiantur eōs tenēre quōs
armis possēderint; sēsē ūnis Suēbis concēdere, quibus nē dī
quidem immortālēs parēs esse possint; reliquum quidem in
terris esse nēminem quem nōn superāre possint.

8. Ad haec quae vīsum est Caesar respondit; sed exitus
fuit ḍrātiōnis: Sibi nūllam cum iis amīcitiam esse posse, sī in
Gallīā remanērent; neque vērum esse, qui suōs finēs tuērī nōn
potuerint, aliēnōs occupāre, neque ūllōs in Gallīā vacāre agrōs
5 qui dari tantae praeſertim multitudinē sine iniūriā possint; sed
licēre, sī velint, in Ubiōrum finib⁹ cōſidere, quōrum sint
lēgātī apud sē et dē Suēbōrum iniūriis querantur et ā sē auxi-
lium petant; hoc sē Ubiīs imperātūrum.

8. ēiciō, -icere, -iēci, -iectum, *tr.*
[iaciō, throw. App. 7], cast or drive
out, expel; cast up; sē ēicere, rush out,
sally. 2.

9. ūtīlis, -e, *adj.* [ūtor, use], useful,

serviceable. 1.

11. possēdō, -sidere, -sēdī, -ses-
sum, *tr.*, take possession of, seize. 1.

8. tueor, tuērī, tūtus sum, *tr.*,
watch, guard, protect. 1.

3. ā quibus: the Germans.

4. haec, "as follows." The haughty
tone of the speech recalls the speeches
of Divico, I, 13, and of Arlovistus, I, 86.

priōrēs, "first"; i.e. they were not
the aggressors.

5. recūsāre quīn, "refuse to"; App.
228, c: G.-L. 555: A. 558: B. 295, 3: H.-B.
502, 3, b: H. 595, 2.

7. qūl cūm que = omnibus (dative
with resistere) qui.

8. haec tamen dicere, "this, how-
ever, they would say."

10. attribuant: the subjunctive re-
presents an imperative of the direct
form.

11. ūnis, "alone."

12. reliquum nēminem, "no one
else."

13. quem possint: a clause of char-
acteristic.

Chap. 8. Caesar refuses Gallic
land, but offers to let them settle
among the Ubii.

1. quae vīsum est, "what seemed
best." quae is the object of *respondēre*,
to be supplied from *respondit*.

exitus, "the conclusion."

3. vērum, "right," "just."

qui: supply *eōs* as the antecedent.

7. Suēbōrum iniūriis, "the wrongs
done them by the Suebi."

8. hoc: i.e. that they allow the Usip-
etes and the Tencteri to settle among

9. Lēgāti haec sē ad suōs relātūrōs dixērunt et rē dēliberātā post diem tertium ad Caesarem reversūrōs; intereā nē propius sē castra movēret petiērunt. Nē id quidem Caesar ab sē impetrārī posse dixit. Cognōverat enim magnam partem equitatūs ab iis aliquot diēbus ante praedandī frūmentandique causā ad Ambivaritōs trāns Mosam missam; hōs exspectārī equitēs atque eius reī causā moram interpōnī arbitrabātur.

10. Mosa prōfluit ex monte Vosegō, qui est in finibus Lingonum, et parte quādam ex Rhēnō receptā, quae appellātur Vacalus, īsulam efficit Batāvōrm neque longius inde milibus passuum lxxx in Ōceanum influit. Rhēnus autem oritur ex

3. propius, *adv. and prep. with acc.* (App. 122, b) [comp. of prope, near], nearer. *

5. frūmentor, 1, *intr.* [frūmentum, grain], get grain, forage. 4.

6. Ambivariti, -ōrum, *m.* (Af), the Ambivariti (ām"/bī-vār'i-ti). 1.

Mosa, -ae, *m.* (ABf), the river Mosa (mō'sa), now the Meuse or Maas. *

7. interpōnō, -pōnere, -posui, -positum, *tr.* [pōnō, place], place be-

tween, interpose; allege; cause; fidem interpōnere, pledge. 4.

1. prōfluō, -fluere, -flūxī, —, *intr.* [fluō, flow], flow forth, rise. 1.

Vosegus, -I, *m.* (BCg), the Vosegus (vōs'ē-güs), better, the Vosges Mountains. 1.

3. Vacalus, -I, *m.* (Af), the Vacalus (vāk'a-lüs) river, now the Waal. 1.

Batāvī, -ōrum, *m.* (Af), the Batavi (ba-tā'vī). 1.

them. The arrangement would have been advantageous to both parties; for, as the Ubii were nearly a match for the Suebi, the combined Ubii, Usipetes, and Tencteri should have more than held their own.

Chap. 9. The envoys ask for time to consider, but Caesar marches on.

2. post diem tertium, "on the third day"; i.e. the next day but one, since the present day was counted in.

3. propius sō: App. 122, b: G.-L. 359, n. 1: A. 432, a: B. 141, 3: H.-B. 380, b: H. 420, 5.

5. diēbus: ablative of degree of difference.

6. trāns: to the west.

exspectārī equitēs: The German cavalry was far superior to Caesar's, and he could afford to take no risk. However, it is quite possible that the envoys were honest in asking time to

consider, for they can have had no power to bind their people to accept Caesar's proposition.

Chap. 10. Description of the Rhine, the Mosa, and their confluence.

1. ex monte Vosegō: more correctly from the plateau lying between the Vosges and the Cevennes.

2. parte quādam, etc.: the Rhine divides at the eastern end of the island of the Batavi. The southern stream, called Vacalus, flows west till it joins the Mosa. The combined Mosa and Vacalus flow on into the sea, making the southern boundary of the island. The confluence of the Mosa and the Vacalus was probably eighty miles from the sea, as Caesar says; but it is now nearer the sea, owing to a change in the river beds.

3. inde: from the confluence.

6 Lepontiis, qui Alpes incolunt, et longō spatiō per finēs Nantuātium, Helvētiōrum, Sēquanōrum, Mediomaticum, Tribocōrum, Trēverōrum, citātus fertur; et, ubi Ōceanō appropinquāvit, in plūrēs diffliuit partēs multis ingentibusque insulis effectis, quārum pars magna ā ferīs barbarisque nātiōnibus 10 incolitur, ex quib⁹ sunt qui piscibus atque ūvis avium vivere existimantur, multisque capitibus in Ōceanum influit.

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5. Lepontiī, -ōrum, m. (Ch), the Lepontii (lē-pōn'shi). 1.

6. Mediomatici, -ōrum, m. (Bfg), the Mediomatici (mē'ō-mā-tīk'l-si). 1.
Triboci, -ōrum, m. (Bgh), the Triboci (trib'ō-si). 2.

7. citātus, -a, -um, adj. [p̄f. part. of citō, put in motion], swift. 1.

8. diffliō, -fluere, -flūxī, —, intr. [fluō, flow], flow in different directions, divide. 1.

ingēns, -entia, adj., enormous, huge, vast, large. 2.

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avis, -is, f., bird. 1.

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iectis reliquōs in fugam coniēcērunt atque ita perterritōs
 10 ēgērunt ut nōn prius fugā dēsisterent quam in cōspectum
 agminis nostrī vēnissent. In eō proeliō ex equitibus nostrīs
 interficiuntur quattuor et septuāgintā, in hīs vir fortissimus,
 Pīsō Aquitānus, amplissimō genere nātus, cuius avus in cīvitātē
 suā rēgnū obtinuerat amīcus ā senātū nostrō appellātus.
 15 Hīc cum frātri interclūsō ab hostib⁹ auxilium ferret, illum
 ex periculō ēripuit, ipse equō vulnerātō dēiectus quoad potuit
 fortissimē restitit; cum circumventus multis vulneribus accep-
 tis cecidisset, atque id frāter, qui iam proeliō excesserat,
 procul animadvertisset, incitatō equō sē hostibus obtulit atque
 20 interfectus est.

13. Hōc factō proeliō Caesar neque iam sibi lēgātōs au-
 diendōs neque condicōnēs accipiendās arbitrabātur ab iīs qui
 per dolum atque insidiās petītā pāce ultrō bellum intulissent;
 exspectārē vērō dum hostiū cōpiae augērentur equitātusque
 5 reverterētur summae dēmentiae esse iūdicābat; et cognitā Gal-
 lōrum infirmitātē quantum iam apud eōs hostēs ūnō proeliō
 auctōritātis essent cōsecūti sentīebat; quibus ad cōnsilia
 capienda nihil spati dandum existimābat. Hīs cōstitūtīs
 rēbus et cōnsiliō cum lēgātīs et quaestōre commūnicātō, nē

12. septuāgintā (LXX), card. num.
 adj., indecl. [septem, seven], seventy.
 1.

13. Pīsō, -ōnis, m., Piso (pī'sō), an
 Aquitanian. 1.

5. dēmentia, -ae, f. [mēns, mind],
 madness, folly. 1.

9. quaestor, -ōris, m. [quaerō,
 seek], a quaestor (kwēs'tōr), one of a
 class of officers in charge of the public
 revenues or the finances of the army. 3.
 & cōmūnicō, 1, tr. [cōmūnis, com-
 mon], make common, communicate,
 impart, share. 1.

9. ita . . . ēgērunt, "drove them
 back in such a panic."

10. prius quam vēnissent: the sub-
 junctive is probably due to attraction,
 but may be explained by App. 236, b.

13. genere: case? App. 135: G.-L.
 895: A. 403, a: B. 215: H.-B. 413: H. 469, 2.

15. interclūsō: translate by a rela-
 tive clause.

Chap. 13. Caesar decides on venge-
 ance and detains the German leaders,

who have come to apologize.

1. neque iam, "no longer."

4. exspectārē: subject of ēsse.

dum augērentur: App. 235, b.

5. summae . . . ēsse, "was (an act)
 of the utmost folly."

6. quantum auctōritātis, "what
 prestige."

9. quaestōre: see Int. 39.

nē . . . prāetermitteret, "not to let
 any opportunity for battle go by."

quem diem pugnae praetermitteret, opportūnissima rēs accidit, 10
quod postridiē eius diēi māne eādem et perfidiā et simulatiōne
ūsi Germāni frequentēs, omnibus prīcipib⁹ maiōrib⁹usque
nātū adhibit⁹, ad eum in castra vēnērunt, simul, ut dicēbā-
tur, sui pūrgandi causā, quod, contrā atque esset dictum et
ipsi petissent, proelium pridiē commisissent, simul ut, si quid 15
possent, dē indūtiis fallendō impetrārent. Quōs sibi Caesar
oblātōs gāvisus illōs retinēri iussit, ipse omnēs cōpiās castris
ēdūxit equitātumque, quod recenti proeliō perterritum esse
existimābat, agmen subsequi iussit.

14. Aciē triplici institūtā et celeriter VIII milium itinere
cōflectō prius ad hostium castra pervēnit quam quid agerētur
Germāni sentire possent. Qui omnibus rēbus subitō perterriti,

10. *praetermittō*, -mittere, -misi,
-missum, *tr.* [mittō, send], send by;
let pass, overlook. 1.

11. *māne*, *adv.*, in the morning,
early. 1.

perfidia, -ae, *f.* [perfidus, faithless],
treachery, perfidy; falsehood, dis-

honesty. 2.

simulatiō, -ōnis, *f.* [simulō, make
like], simulation, pretense, deceit, dis-
guise. 2.

17. *gaudeō*, *gaudēre*, *gāvisus sum*
(App. 74), *intr.*, rejoice. 1.

11. *quod*, "(namely) that."

13. *ad eum . . . vēnērunt*: this action
seems to disprove Caesar's charge
of perfidy.

14. *sui pūrgandi causā*, "to excuse
themselves." Construction? App. 291,
a: G.-L. 428, R. 1: A. 504, *c*: B. 339, 5:
H.-B. 614: H. 628, 3.

contrā atque, "contrary to what."

15. *ut . . . impetrārent*, "to obtain
whatever [lit. "if anything"] they
could in the way of a truce by deceiving
him."

16. *quōs oblātōs (esse)*, "that they
had come into his power."

17. *retinēri*: this, with what follows,
was a shocking violation of the
law of nations. Compare what Caesar
says of the action of the Veneti, III, 9,
8. Cato, Caesar's enemy, proposed in
the Roman senate that Caesar be handed
over to the Germans for punishment.
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follows: 1, a determination to teach the
Germans, once for all, never to invade
Gaul; 2, a determination to counteract
at once the bad effect which the cavalry
defeat must have had on the already
disaffected Gauls; 3, irritation at the
treacherous attack, although every-
thing shows that it was not authorized
by the leaders; 4, a real doubt as to
whether the Germans were not trying
to gain time for the return of their
formidable cavalry; 5, the certainty
that a pitched battle with the entire
force of Germans would cost him the
lives of many soldiers.

Chap. 14. Caesar surprises the
German camp.

1. *aciē . . . Institūtā*: usually an
army has to march in column along a
road. Here the country was open and
level, so that the army could march in
battle formation.

2. *prius quam possent*: App. 236, *b*.

et celeritāte adventūs nostri et discessū suōrum, neque cōnālli
habendi neque arma capiendi spatiō datō, perturbantur cōpi-
āsne adversus hostem dūcere, an castra dēfendere, an fugā
salūtem petere praestāret. Quōrum timor cum fremitū et
concursū significāretur, militēs nostri pristinī diēi perfidiā
incitati in castra irrūpērunt. Quō locō qui celeriter arma
capere potuērunt paulisper nostris restiterunt atque inter
carrōs impedimentaque proelium commisérunt; at reliqua
multitudō puerōrum mulierumque (nam cum omnibus suis
domō excesserant Rhēnumque trānsierant) passim fugere
coepit; ad quōs cōnsectandōs Caesar equitātum misit.

15. Germānī post tergum clāmōre auditō cum suōs inter-
fici vidērent, armis abiectis signisque militāribus relictis sē ex
castris cōcērunt, et cum ad cōfluentem Mosae et Rhēni per-
vēnissent, reliquā fugā dēspērātā magnō numerō interfectō
reliqui sē in flūmen praecepitāvērunt atque ibi timōre, lassitū-

6. -ne, *interrog. enclitic: indirect questions, simply sign of a question* (App. 213, a); *in indirect questions, whether; -ne . . . -ne . . . an, utrum . . . -ne, whether . . . or. 2.*
adversus, prep. w. acc. [adversus, turned against], opposite to, against.
 1. *an, conj., used to introduce the second member of alternative questions, or, or rather. **
 9. *irrumpō,-rumpere,-rūpl,-rūptum, tr. [in+rumpō, break], break in-*

- to, rush into; force a way into, storm.*
 1. *13. passim, adv., in all directions.*
 1. *2. abiciō, -icere, -iōcl, -iectum, tr. [iaciō, throw. App. 7], throw away or down; hurl 2.*
 3. *cōfluēns, -entis, f. [cōfluō, flow together], a flowing together, confluence. 1.*
 5. *praecepitō, 1, tr. [praeceps, headlong], throw or hurl headlong, precipitate. 1.*

4. *et . . . et, "both . . . and."*
suōrum: i.e. their leaders, who had been detained by Caesar.
 5. *perturbantur -ne praestāret, "were in great confusion, (not knowing) whether it was better." On the kind of question see App. 214; 284, c.*
 9. *qui: sc. si as antecedent.*
 14. *cōnsectandōs: the beginning of the next chapter shows that the object was massacre, not the taking of prisoners.*

- Chap. 15. The Germans are routed and slaughtered.*
 3. *Rhēni: i.e. the Vacalusi; see parte quādam, 10, 2, note.*
 4. *reliquā, "further.."*
 5. *reliqui periērunt: some must have escaped. At any rate in later years there were Usipetes and Teneteri living east of the Rhine, not far from this battlefield. But they may be accounted for by the escape of the cavalry.*

dine, vi fluminis oppressi periērunt. Nostri ad unum omnēs incolumēs perpaucis vulneratīs ex tantī belli timōre, cum hostium numerus capitum ccccxxx milium fuisset, sē in castra recēperunt. Caesar iis quōs in castris retinuerat discēdendī potestatēm fēcit. Illi supplicia cruciātūsque Gallōrum veritī, 10 quōrum agrōs vexāverant, remanēre sē apud eum velle dixērunt. His Caesar libertatēm concessit.

16. Germānicō bellō cōfēctō multis dē causis Caesar statuit sibi Rhēnum esse trānseundum; quārum illa fuit iūstissima, quod, cum vidēret Germānōs tam facile impellī ut in Galliam venirent, suis quoque rēbus eōs timēre voluit, cum intellegerent et posse et audēre populi Rōmāni exercitum & Rhēnum trānsire. Accessit etiam quod illa pars equitātūs Usipetum et Tēncterōrum quam suprā commemorāvī prae-dandi frumentandique causā Mosam trānsisse neque proeliō interfuisse post fugam suōrum sē trāns Rhēnum in finēs Sugambrōrum recēperat sēque cum his coniūnixerat. Ad quōs 10

6. pereō, -ire, -ii, -itum, intr. [eō, go. App. 84], be destroyed or killed, perish. 2.

1. Germānicus, -a, -um, adj. [Germānus, German], of or pertaining to the Germans, German. 1.

6. oppresſi, "overwhelmed." ad unum, "to a man."

7. ex, "after," "relieved of."

9. discēdendī . . . fēcit: if Caesar had believed the leaders guilty of treachery, they above all others should have been punished.

12. libertatēm, "permission" to remain.

However unjust and brutal Caesar's treatment of the Germans may have been, it served his purpose. More than a year later, when Caesar had lost a legion and a half and all Gaul seemed ripe for revolt, the Treveri tried to get German help. But the Germans replied (V. 55) that the thing had been tried twice, by Arivistus and by the Tenc-teri; they would tempt fortune no more.

2. iūstus, -a, -um, adj. [iūs, right], in accordance with law or right, lawful, valid, just, fair; proper, regular; with funera, appropriate. 4.

10. Sugambrī, -ōrum, m. (Ag), the Sugambrī (sū-gām'bri). 4.

Chap. 16-19. Caesar crosses the Rhine, as a warning to the Germans.

Chap. 16. Caesar's reasons for deciding to cross the Rhine.

2. iūstissima, "most valid," "strongest."

3. quod . . . voluit: in apposition with illa.

4. suis . . . rēbus, "for their own possessions too." The possessive usually follows its noun; why does it here precede?

cum intellegerent, "(as they would) when they should see"; implied indirect discourse for the future indicative.

6. accessit etiam quod, lit. "there was added also the fact that," = "more over," "and besides."

7. suprā: see 9, 5.

cum Caesar nūntiōs mīsisset qui postulārent eōs qui sibi Galliaeque bellum intulissent sibi dēderent, respondērunt: Populi Rōmāni imperium Rhēnum finire; sī sē invitō Germānōs in Galliam trānsire nōn aequum existimāret, cūr sui quicquam 15 esse imperī aut potestātis trāns Rhēnum postulāret? Ubii autem, qui ūnī ex Trānsrhēnānis ad Caesarem lēgātōs mīserant, amicitiam fēcerant, obsidēs dederant, magnopere ḫrābant ut sibi auxilium ferret, quod graviter ab Suēbīs premerentur; vel, sī id facere occupatiōnibus rei pūblicae prohibē- 20 rētur, exercitum modo Rhēnum trānsportāret: id sibi ad auxilium spēmque reliquī temporis satis futūrum. Tantum esse nōmen atque opiniōnem eius exercitūs, Ariovistō pulsō et hōc novissimō proeliō factō, etiam ad ultimās Germānōrum nātiōnēs, uti opiniōne et amicitia populi Rōmāni tūtī esse 25 possent. Nāvium magnam cōpiam ad trānsportandum exercitūm pollicēbantur.

17. Caesar hīs dē causīs quās commemorāvī Rhēnum trānsire décrēverat; sed nāvibus trānsire neque satis tūtū

13. finiō, 4, *tr.* [finis, limit], limit, bound; determine, measure. 1.

14. cūr, *interrog. and rel. adv.*, why, for what reason; for which reason, wherefore. 4.

16. Trānsrhēnānus, -a, -um, *adj.*, beyond or across the Rhine; *pl. as noun*, Trānsrhēnānl, the people across the Rhine. 1.

12. (*ut*) dēderent: object of *postulārent*.

13. sē refers to the subject of *existimāret*, not to the speaker; so *sui*, l. 14.

14. cūr postulāret: mode? App. 268, III; 210, *a*.

sui . . . Rhēnum, "that anything across the Rhine belong to (lit. "be of") his authority or control."

17. obsidēs dederant: see II, 35, 5, note.

ᬁrābant, "kept begging." The envoys had been with him for some time, having come before the battle with the Germans; see 8, 7.

19. occupatiō, -ōnis, *f.* [occupō, seize], seizing; occupation, business, engagement. 2.

20. trānsportō, 1, *tr.* [portō, carry], carry across or over, bring over, convey, transport. *

22. Ariovistus, -l, *m.* Ariovistus (ā"rī-ō-vīs'tūs), a king of the Germans. *

18. occupatiōnibus rel pūblicae, "affairs of state."

20. trānsportāret: in the same construction as *ferret*, l. 18.

21. reliqui temporis, "for the future."

futūrum: this and the following infinitives depend on a verb of saying implied in *ᬁrābant*.

Chap. 17. Description of Caesar's bridge across the Rhine.

2. tūtū: an enemy could more easily prevent a landing from boats, and in case of defeat boats would offer a dangerous means of retreat.

esse arbitrābātur, neque suae neque populi Rōmānī dignitatis esse statuēbat. Itaque, etsi summa difficultas faciendī pontis prōpōnēbātur propter lātitūdinem, rapiditatem, altitudinemque flūminis, tamen id sibi contendendum aut aliter nōn trādūcendum exercitum existimābat. Ratiōnem pontis hanc instituit. Tigna bīna sēsquipedālia paulum ab īmō p̄aeacūta dīmēnsa ad altitudinem flūminis intervallō pedum duōrum inter sē iungēbat. Haec cum māchinātiōibus immissa in flūmen dēfixerat fistūcisque adēgerat, nōn sublicae modo dērēctē ad perpendiculum, sed prōnē ac fastigātē ut secundum nātūram

5. **rapiditās**, -tātis, f. [rapidus, swift], swiftness. 1:

8. **tignum**, -I, n., log, timber, beam, pile. 2:

sēsquipedālis, -e, adj. [sēsqui, one and a half + pēs, foot], a foot and a half thick. 1.

10. **immittō**, -mittere, -mis̄i, -mis̄sum, tr. [in+mittō, send], send or let into, insert; send against, direct towards or against; **trabibus immissis**, beams being let in. 2.

11. **dēfigō**, -figere, -fixi, -fixum, tr.

[figō, fix], fix or fasten down, drive in, plant. 1.

fistūca, -ae, f., pile-driver. 1.

sublica, -ae, f., pile, stake. 2.

dērēctē, adv. [dērēctus, straight], straight. 1.

12. **perpendiculum**, -I, n., plumb-met, plumb line. 1.

prōnē, adv. [prōnus, inclined], sloping downwards. 1.

fastigātē, adv. [fastigātus, sloping], sloping. 1.

3. neque suae . . . statuēbat, "he considered it inconsistent with his own dignity, etc." *dignitatis* is a predicative possessive genitive. The construction of the bridge would impress the barbarians with a high sense of the power and skill of the Romans.

4. summa prōpōnēbātur, "presented itself as very great."

5. *lātitūdinem*: the bridge was probably built near Bonn, where the river is a little more than a quarter of a mile wide.

6. *id contendendum*, "that he ought to make the effort."

8. *bīna*, "two." The distributive is used because there were many such timbers and they were handled two at a time. See plan, a, a.

dīmēnsa ad., "measured according to"; i.e. they were made shorter or longer according to the depth of the river

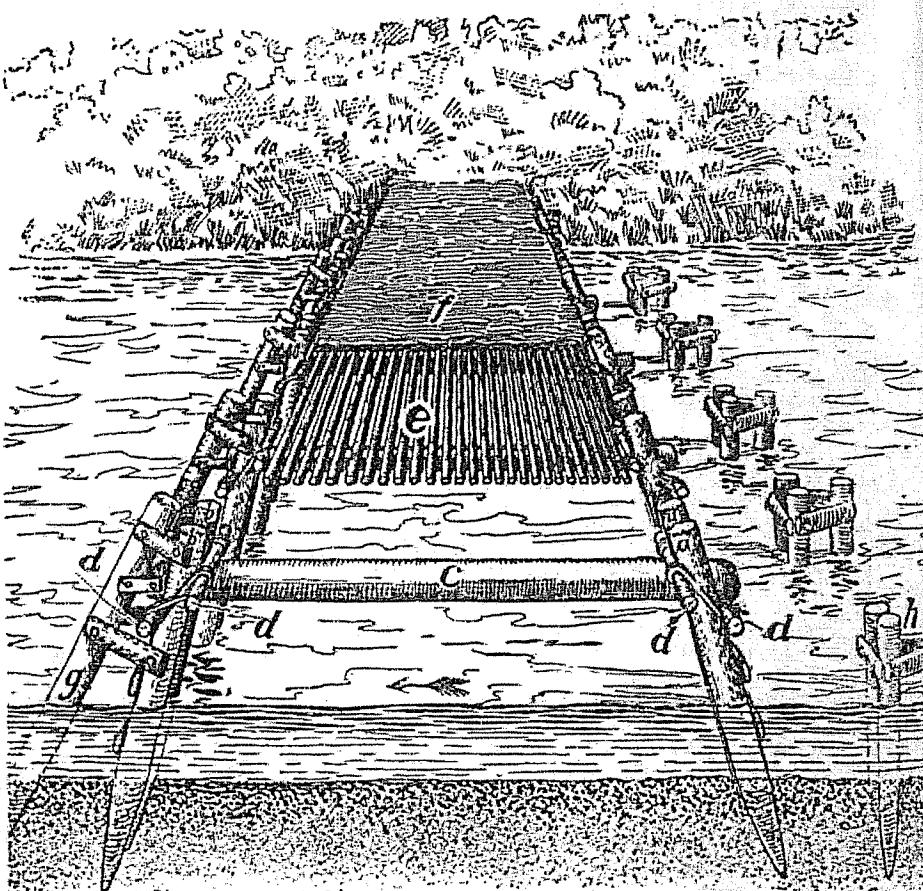
where they were driven into its bed.

9. *intervallō* . . . *iungēbat*, "he joined together [by spiking wooden cross-pieces on them] with a space of two feet between them." See plan and the pile-driver p. 273. *Intervallō* is an ablative of attendant circumstance.

10. *haec* . . . *dēfixerat*, "when he had let them down into the river by machines and had secured them there." They were probably floated out to the raft on which the pile-driver (p. 273) stood, and were then handled by a derrick or some such simple machine. *dēfixerat*: mode? App. 241, b: G.-L. 584: A. 548: B. 238, 3: H.-B. 579: H. 601, 4.

11. nōn . . . **perpendiculum**, "not vertically, like a pile"; i.e. as piles are usually driven.

12. ut . . . *prōcumberent*: i.e. sloping down-stream.



CAESAR'S BRIDGE

a, a, tigna bina, l. 8.
b, b, iis contraria duo (tigna), l. 13.
c, bipedalis trabs, l. 16.
d, d, d, fibulae, l. 17.

e, dērēcta māteria, l. 21.
f, longuriū crātesque, l. 22.
g, sublīca obliquū acta, l. 23.
h, aliae (sublīcae) suprā pontem, l. 25.

flūminis prōcumberent, iīs item contrāria duo ad eundem modum iūncta intervallō pedum quadrāgēnum ab inferiore parte contrā vim atque impetum flūminis conversa statuēbat. 15 . Haec utraque, insuper bipedālibus trabibus immissis, quantum eōrum tignōrum iūnctūra distābat, bīnis utrimque fibulis ab

14. quadrāgēni, -ae, -a, *distr. num.*
adj. [quadrāgintā, forty], forty each. 1.

16. Insuper, *adv.* [super, above], above, on the top, from above. 1.

bipedālis, -e, *adj.* [bis, twice + pēs, foot], of two feet, two feet thick. 1.

17. iūnctūra, -ae, *f.* [iungō, join].
joining. 1.

distō, -stāre, —, —, *intr.* [stō, stand], stand apart; be apart, removed or separated. 1.

utrimque, *adv.* [uterque, each of

13. iīs . . . statuēbat: i.e. a similar pair of piles was driven into the river bed opposite to these, forty feet downstream (*ab inferiore parte*), but sloping against the current. See plan, *b*, *b*.

duo: we should expect *bīna*, as in 1. 8.

14. quadrāgēnum: form? App. 16, *e*: G.-L. 33, 4: A. 49, *d*: B. 25, 6: H.-B. 71, 4: H. 84, 3.

The distance must have been measured on the surface of the water: the roadway was therefore a little less than forty feet.

16. haec utraque, "these two pairs," is the subject of *distinēbantur*.

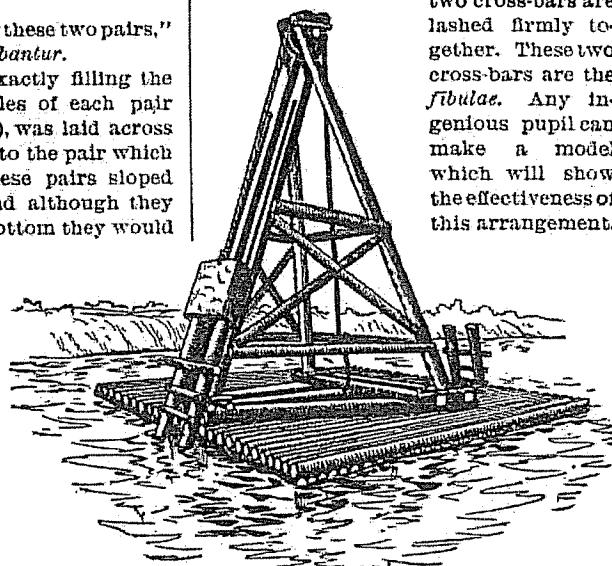
A two-foot beam, exactly filling the space between the piles of each pair (*quantum . . . distābat*), was laid across from one pair of piles to the pair which faced it (plan, *c*). These pairs sloped toward each other, and although they were driven into the bottom they would sway with the current and would tend to fall together when the cross-beam had to carry a weight. Therefore they were held at the proper distance apart (*distinēbantur*) by a pair of fastenings (*fibulae*) at each end of the two-foot cross beam.

quantum . . . distābat, lit. "as much as the joining of the

timbers stood apart" *quantum* is an accusative of extent of space and has *bipedālibus* as its antecedent.

17. fibulis: it is not certain what these "fastenings" were. Those shown in the plan (*d*, *d*) are simple and effective, and are occasionally used in modern engineering. The two-foot cross-beam rests on a cross-bar, which is spiked firmly to the outer sides of the piles. Another cross-bar is laid loosely in the opposite angle, and the outer ends of the

two cross-bars are lashed firmly together. These two cross-bars are the *fibulae*. Any ingenious pupil can make a model which will show the effectiveness of this arrangement.



PILE-DRIVER

extrēmā parte distinēbantur; quibus disclūsīs atque in contrāriam partem revinctis tanta erat operis firmitūdō atque ea rērum nātūra ut quō maior vis aquae sē incitāvisset hōc artius illigāta tenērentur. Haec dērēctā māteriā iniectā contexēbantur ac longuriis crātibusque cōnsternebantur; ac nihilō sētius sublicae et ad inferiōrem partem flūminis obliquē agēbantur, quae prō ariete subiectae et cum omni opere coniunctae vim flūminis exciperent, et aliae item suprā pontem mediocrī spatiō, ut, sī arborum truncī sive nāvēs dēiciendī operis causā

*two], on each side, on both sides. 2.
fibula, -ae, f., clasp; brace, fastening. 1.*

18. disclūdō, -clūdere, -clūsl, -clūsum, tr. [claudō, shut], shut off, hold or keep apart, separate. 1.

*20. aqua, -ae, f., water. 2.
artē, adv. [artus, close], closely, firmly. 1.*

21. illigō, 1, tr. [ligō, bind], attach, hold or bind together. 1.

dērēctus, -a, -um, adj. [dērigō, put in line], straight. 1.

incipiō, -icere, -icēl, -iectum, tr. [iaciō, hurl. App. 7], throw into or upon; put or place on; inspire, infuse. 3.

contexō, -texere, -texul, -textum, tr. [texō, weave], weave or bind together, connect. 1.

22. crātēs, -is, f., wicker-work; fascine (bundle of sticks for filling trenches, etc.). 1.

cōnsterneō, -sternere, -strāvī, -strātūm, tr. [sternō, strew], strew over, cover over. 2.

sētius, adv., less, otherwise; nihilō sētius, none the less, nevertheless, likewise. 2.

23. obliquē, adv. [obliquus, slanting], obliquely, slantwise. 1.

26. truncus, -i, m., trunk of trees. 1.

18. quibus refers to fibulis. It is in the ablative absolute with disclūsīs and revinctis.

disclūsīs: by the cross-beam and the piles.

in . . . revinctis, "bound together in the opposite direction"; i.e. opposite to the direction of their separation.

19. ea rērum nātūra, "such was the nature of the structure."

20. incitāvisset is subjunctive by attraction.

hōc . . . tenērentur, "the more firmly the parts of the structure were bound together."

21. haec refers to the part of the structure already described, for which Caesar has no name. In modern engineering it is called a trestle-bent. There were probably between fifty and sixty

*such trestle-bents. They were connected by timbers laid from one cross-beam to the next, lengthwise of the bridge (*dērēctā māteriā*). Plan, e.*

22. nihilō sētius: i.e. although the bridge was already very strong.

23. et is correlative with et in l. 25.

obliquē: i.e. they were driven in with a greater slant than the double piles had. See plan, g.

24. quae prō ariete subiectae excipierent, "which, set below as a buttress, were to withstand, etc."

25. aliae: sc. sublicae agēbantur. There is nothing in the text to show the number of these piles, but the plan (h) suggests an effective defense.

spatiō: ablative of measure of difference with suprā.

essent à barbaris missae, his dēfēnsōribus eārum rērum vīs minuerētur, neu ponti nocērent.

18. Diēbus decem quibus māteria copta erat comportāri omni opere effectō exercitus trādūcitur. Caesar ad utramque partem pontis firmō praesidiō relictō in finēs Sugambrōrum contendit. Interim à complūribus cīvitātibus ad eum lēgāti veniunt; quibus pācem atque amicitiam petentibus liberāliter respondet obsidēsque ad sē addūcī iubet. At Sugambrī ex eō tempore quō pōns īstituī coeptus est fugā comparātā, hortantibus iis quōs ex Tēncteris atque Usipetibus apud sē habēbant, finib⁹ suis excesserant suaque omnia exportāverant sēque in sōlitūdinem ac silvās abdiderant. 10

19. Caesar paucōs diēs in eōrum finibus morātus, omnibus vīcis aedificiisque incēnsis frūmentisque succīsis, sē in finēs Ubiōrum recēpit, atque his auxilium suum pollicitus, sī à Suēbis premerentur, haec ab iis cognōvit: Suēbōs, posteāquam per explōrātōrēs pontem fierī comperissent, mōre suō conciliō habitō nūntiōs in omnēs partēs dimississe uti dē oppidis dēmigrārent, liberōs, uxōrēs, suaque omnia in silvis dēpōnerent, atque omnēs qui arma ferre possent ūnum in locum conveniērent; hunc esse dēlēctum medium ferē regiōnum eārum quās

9. exportō, 1, *tr.* [portō, carry], carry out or away. 1.

10. sōlitūdō, -inis, *f.* [sōlus, alone], loneliness, solitude; a lonely place, wilderness. 1.

2. succīdō, -cidere, -cīdī, -cīsum, *tr.* [sub+caedō, cut], cut from beneath, cut down, fell. 2.

4. posteāquam, *adv.* [postēā, afterwards+quam, than], after. 4.

27. essent missae is subjunctive by implied indirect discourse, for a future perfect indicative.

28. neu: why not *neque?*

Chap. 18. Caesar crosses the river and marches into the country of the Sugambrī.

1. diēbus decem quibus, lit. "within ten days within which," = "within ten days after"; cf. pauci⁹ diēbus quibus, III, 23, 3.

copta erat: why passive? App. 86, a.

5. quibus petentibus: translate by a clause, "and when they, etc."

7. hortantibus iis, lit. "those urging," = "on the advice of those."

8. quōs . . . habēbant: i.e. the cavalry, 16, 6, and probably other survivors of the massacre, 15, 5, note.

Chap. 19. Caesar ravages their country. As the Suebi have withdrawn, he returns to Gaul.

3. si premerentur: implied indirect discourse for the future.

6. nūntiōs dimississe uti, "had sent messengers (urging) that."

9. hunc . . . ferē, "that this place had been chosen almost in the middle."

10 Suēbī obtinērent; hīc Rōmānōrum adventum exspectāre atque ibi dēcertāre cōstituisse. Quod ubi Caesar comperit, omnibus iīs rēbus cōflectis quārum rērum causā trādūcere exercitum cōnstituerat, ut Germānīs metum iniceret, ut Sugambrōs ulcīscerētur, ut Ubiōs obsidiōne liberāret, diēbus omnīnō 15 XVIII trāns Rhēnum cōnsūmptis, satis et ad laudem et ad utilitātem prōfectum arbitrātus sē in Galliam recēpit pontemque rescidit.

20. Exiguā parte aestātis reliquā Caesar, etsī in his locīs, quod omnis Gallia ad septentrionēs vergit, mātūrae sunt hīmēs, tamen in Britanniam proficisci contendit, quod omnibus ferē Gallicis bellis hostibus nostrīs inde subministrāta auxilia 5 intellegēbat et, sī tempus ad bellum gerendum dēficere, tamen magnō sibi ūsui fore arbitrābātur, sī modo īsulam adisset, genus hominum perspexisset, loca, portūs, aditūs cognōvisset; quae omnia ferē Gallis erant incognita. Neque enim temerē

10. hīc, *adv.*, here, in this place; (*of a place just mentioned*) there, in that place; (*of an incident just mentioned*) then, at this time. 1.

14. obsidiō, -ōnis, *f.* [obsideō, blockade], siege, investment, blockade; peril, oppression. 1.

liberō, *1. tr.* [liber, free], make or set free, release, deliver. 2.

16. utilitās, -tātis, *f.* [ūtilis, useful], usefulness, advantage, service. 1.

1. exiguum, -a, -um, *adj.*, scanty, short, small, meager, limited. 1.

8. incognitus, -a, -um, *adj.* [*in-*cognitus, known; cognōscō, learn], unknown. 2.

temerō, *adv.*, rashly, blindly, without good reason. 2.

10. hīc, ibi: both words refer to the same place.

12. iīs rēbus: explained by the substantive volitive (*ut*) clauses which follow.

13. ut . . . iniceret: cf. note at the end of chap. 15.

16. prōfectum: notice the ō; from what present?

Chap. 20-22. Caesar makes preparations for an expedition to Britain.

Chap. 20. Caesar decides on the expedition. He can get no information from the Gauls.

1. exiguā . . . reliquā: the ablative absolute is adversative: "although only a small part . . . , (and) in spite of the fact that the winters are early."

4. hostibus nostrīs: indirect object of *subministrāta*.

subministrāta auxilia: for an instance see III, 9, 26. In II, 14, 8, we learn that Britain had afforded refuge to some of Caesar's enemies.

6. magnō . . . fore, "it would be of great advantage to him."

8. adisset, etc.: for the future perfect of the direct form. These clauses give the real object of the expedition, which was only preparatory to that of the following year.

8. quae . . . incognita: the Gauls may have deceived Caesar; at any rate there are indications that some Gauls knew a good deal about Britain: in II, 4, 19, we learn that a king of the Suevi-

praeter mercatōrēs illō adit quisquam, neque hīs ipsīs quicquam praeter ūram maritimam atque eās regiōnēs quae sunt contrā 10 Galliam nōtum est. Itaque vocatīs ad sē undique mercatōribus neque quanta esset insulae magnitūdō, neque quae aut quantae natiōnēs incolerent, neque quem ūsum belli habērent aut quibus institūtis ūterentur, neque qui essent ad maiōrum nāvium multitudinem idōnei portūs reperire poterat. 15.

21. Ad haec cognoscenda, priusquam periculum faceret, idōneum esse arbitrātus C. Volusēnum cum nāvī longā prae-mittit. Huic mandat ut exploratīs omnibus rēbus ad sē quam p̄imum revertātur. Ipse cum omnībus cōpiīs in Morinōs proficiscitur, quod inde erat brevissimus in Britanniam trāiec-tus. Hūc nāvēs undique ex finitimiſ regiōnibus et quam superiōre aestāte ad Veneticum bellum fēcerat classem iubet convenire. Interim, cōnsiliō eius cognitō et per mercatōrēs perlātō ad Britannōs, ā complūribus insulae civitātibus ad eum lēgātī veniunt qui polliceantur obsidēs dare atque imperiō 10 populi Rōmāni obtemperāre. Quibus auditīs liberāliter polli-citus hortātusque ut in eā sententiā permanērent eōs domum

5. trālectus, -ūs, m. [trālcō, hurl across], a hurling across; crossing, passage. 1.

9. Britannus, -a, -um, adj., of Britain, British; pl. as noun, the Britanni

(bri-tān'i); better, the Britons. 1.

11. obtemperō, 1, intr. [temperō, rule], be subject to rule, comply with, obey. 1.

ones had been king of a part of Britain besides, and in VI, 18, we learn that Gallic Druids went to Britain to study.

9. illō: the adverb.

hīs ipsīs: the traders; dative with nōtum.

11. vocatīs mercatōribus, "al-though he summoned, etc."

12. neque, etc.: a series of indirect questions, depending on reperire.

Chap. 21. Caesar sends men in advance to gain information and to advise submission.

2. Volusēnum: either the subject of esse or the object of prae-mittit; supply cum in one place or the other. See what Caesar says of Volusenus in III, 5, 7;

he is the only tribune whom Caesar men-tions with honor.

nāvī longā: see Int. 64.

6. hūc: at a harbor among the Morini. This was probably Wissant, the point of France which is nearest to Britain: see map facing p. 254. The harbor is now filled with sand, but was in use during the middle ages.

10. qui polliceantur: a purpose clause, but best translated by a present participle.

dare, obtemperāre: verbs of promis-ing are more often followed by the future infinitive with subject accusative, sē datūrōs esse.

remittit et cum iis unā Commium, quem ipse Atrebatis superatis rēgem ibi cōstituerat, cuius et virtūtem et cōsilio 15 probābat et quem sibi fidēlem esse arbitrābatur, cuiusque auctoritās in his regionibus magni habēbatur, mittit. Huic imperat quās possit adeat cīvitātēs, hortēturque ut populi Rōmāni fidem sequantur, sēque celeriter eō ventūrum nūntiet. Volusēnus perspectis regionibus, quantum ei facultatis dari 20 potuit qui nūvī ēgredi ac sē barbaris committere nōn audēret, quīntō diē ad Caesarem revertitur quaeque ibi perspexisset renūntiat.

22. Dum in his locis Caesar nāvium parandārum causā morātur, ex magnā parte Morinōrum ad eum lēgāti vēnērunt qui sē dē superiōris temporis cōsiliō excūsārent, quod hominēs barbari et nostrarē cōnsuētūdinis imperiti bellum populō 5 Rōmānō fēcissent, sēque ea quae imperāsset factūrōs pollicērentur. Hoc sibi Caesar satis opportūnē accidisse arbitrātus, quod neque post tergum hostēm relinquere volēbat neque belli gerendi propter anni tempus facultātem habēbat ne-

13. Commius, -ml, m., Commius (kōm'ēs), a chief of the Atrebates. 3.

15. fidēlis, -e, adj. [fidēs, faith], faithful, trustworthy, reliable. 1.

3. excūsō, 1, tr. [causa, reason], give reason for; excuse. 1.

4. imperitus, -a, -um, adj. [in + peritus, experienced], inexperienced, unskilled, ignorant. 4.

6. opportūnē, adv. [opportūnus, fit], opportunely, seasonably. 1

13. Atrebatis superatis: in the battle with the Nervii, II, 23.

14. ibi: i.e. among the Atrebates.

15. sibi fidēlem: but Commius became a leader in the general revolt against him three years later. This is why Caesar says arbitrābatur.

16. in his regionibus: i.e. in Belgium.

magni: genitive of value.

18. fidem sequantur lit. "follow the protection (of)," = "surrender (to)." sē: i.e. Caesar.

19. quantum . . . potuit, lit. "(as much) as of opportunity could be given to a man," = "as much as a man could."

20. qui . . . audēret: a clause of characteristic. Caesar cannot mean to

blame Volusenus. Both the difficulty which Caesar himself experienced in landing with his army and the imprisonment of Commius will show that Volusenus could not possibly have landed and returned.

Chap. 22. Caesar accepts the surrender of the Morini, and completes his preparations for sailing.

3. cōsiliō, "behavior"; see III, 28.

hominēs: in apposition with the omitted subject; "being barbarians."

4. cōnsuētūdinis: of sparing those who voluntarily surrendered.

5. fēcissent, imperāsset: implied indirect discourse for the perfect indicative and the future perfect, respectively.

que hās tantulārum rērum occupatiōnēs Britanniae anteponendās iūdicābat, magnum iīs numerum obsidum imperat. Quibus adductis eōs in fidem recipit. Nāvibus circiter LXXX onerāriis coāctis contractisque, quot satis esse ad duās trānsportandās legiōnēs existimābat, quod praetereā nāvium longārum habēbat quaestōrī, lēgātīs, praefectīsque distribuit. Hūc accēdēbant XVIII onerāriæ nāvēs, quae ex eō locō ā mili- 15 bus passuum octō ventō tenēbantur quōminus in eundem portum venire possent; hās equitibus distribuit. Reliquum exercitum Titūriō Sabinō et Aurunculēiō Cottae lēgātīs in Menapiōs atque in eōs pāgōs Morinōrum ā quibus ad eum lēgātī nōn vēnerant dūcendum dedit; Sulpicium Rūfum lēgā- 20 tum cum eō praesidiō quod satis esse arbitrābatur portum tenēre iussit.

23. His cōstitūtis rēbus nactus idōneam ad nāvigandum tempestātem tertīā ferē vigiliā solvit equitēsque in ulteriōrem

9. antepōnō, -pōnere. -posui,
-pōsitum, *tr.* [pōnō, place], place before; prefer. 1.

12. onerārius, -a, -um, *adj.* [onus, burden], fitted for burdens; *with nāvis*, transport, freight ship. *

contrahō. -trahere, -trāxi, -trac-
tum, *tr.* [trahō, draw], draw or bring together, assemble, collect; draw into smaller compass, contract. 2.

16 quōminus, *conj.* [quō, so that +

9. hās . . . occupatiōnēs, "engaging in such trivial matters."

12. eoāctis contractisque, "having levied and brought together."

13. quod . . . habēbat, lit. "whatever of ships of war he had besides," = "the ships which he had."

15. hūc accēdēbant, lit. "there were added to this number," = "he had in addition."

ā . . . octō, "eight miles[away]." If the chief harbor was Wissant, the smaller was Sangatte, east of Wissant.

16. tenēbantur quōminus possent, "were kept from being able": App. 238, c.

minus, not], so that not, that not; from. 2.

20. Sulpicius, -ci, *m.*, Publius Sulpicius Rufus (pūb'lī-ūs sūl-pish'yūs ry'fūs), one of Caesar's lieutenants. 1.

1. nanciscor nancisci, nactus sum, *tr.*, get, obtain possession of; meet with, find. *

2. solvō, solvere, solvi, solūtum, *tr.*, loosen, untie; *with or without nāvēs*, weigh anchor, set sail, put to sea. *3.

18. exercitum dūcendum dedit: construction? App. 285, II, 5: G.-L. 430: A. 500, 4: B. 337, 7, 5, 2: H.-B. 612, III: H. 622.

Chap. 23-27. After a sharp contest Caesar effects a landing and accepts the surrender of the Britons.

Chap. 23. Caesar crosses to Britain and makes preparations for landing.

1. idōneam tempestātem: a gentle southerly wind and clear weather, with the moon nearly full.

2. tertīā vigiliā: just after midnight, the morning of August 27th. The first part of the night was spent in launching the ships, which had been

portum prōgredī et nāvēs cōnscendere et sē sequī iussit. A quibus cum paulō tardius esset administrātum, ipse hōrā diēi circiter quārtā cum primis nāvib⁹ Britanniā attigit atque ibi in omnib⁹ collibus expositās hostiū cōpiās armatās cōspexit. Cuius loci haec erat nātūra atque ita montib⁹ angustē mare continēbātur ut ex locis superiōrib⁹ in litus tēlum adigī posset. Hunc ad ēgrēdiendum nēquāquam idōneum locum arbitrat⁹, dum reliquae nāvēs eō convenirent, ad hōram nōnam in ancoris exspectāvit. Interim lēgātis tribūnisque militum convocātis, et quae ex Volusēnō cognōvisset et quae fieri vellet ostendit, monuitque, ut rei militāris ratiō, maximē ut maritimae rēs postulārent, ut quae celerem atq̄ue instabilem mōtum habērent, ad nūtum et ad tempus omnēs rēs ab iis administrārentur. His dimissis et ventum et aestum ūnō

3. cōnscendō, -scendere, -scendi, -scēnsum, *tr.* [scandō, climb], climb, mount; go on board, embark. 1.

4. tardē, *adv.* [tardius, slow], slowly; *comp.* tardius, too slowly. 1.

6. expōnō, -pōnere, -posui, -positum, *tr.* [pōnō, place], put or set out; set on shore, disembark; draw up; set forth, explain. 2.

7. angustē, *adv.* [angustus, narrow], narrowly; in close quarters. 1.

8. Iltus, -oris, *n.*, seashore, beach, shore. 3.

drawn up on the sandy beach, and in embarking.

4. tardius, "too late." The wind changed and delayed them for three days.

hōra quārtā: about 9 A.M. At this time of year the fourth hour began about 8:30 and ended after 9:30.

5. Britanniam attigit: probably at or near Dover. The hills spoken of are the famous chalk cliffs.

7. haec, "such."

10. dum convenirent: mode? App. 235, b.

ad hōram nōnam: somewhere near 3 P.M.

11. in ancoris, "at anchor."

9. nēquāquam, *adv.* [nē+quāquam, in any way], in no way, by no means, not at all. 1.

14. celer, -oris, -ere, *adj.*, swift, quick; precipitate. 1.

Instabilis, -e, *adj.* [in-+stabilis, firm], not firm, unsteady. 1.

15. mōtus, -ūs, *m.* [moveō, move], movement, motion; political movement, uprising, disturbance. 3.

nūtus, -ūs, *m.* [nuō, nod], nod; sign, command; ad nūtum, at one's nod or command. 2.

13. ut . . . postulārent, "as military science, and especially as seamanship requires"; the subjunctive is due to implied indirect discourse.

14. ut quae habērent, lit. "as (things) which have," = "since it has to do with"; a causal relative clause, App. 245: G.-L. 633: A. 535, e, n. 1: B. 288, 3: H.-B. 523, b: H. 592, 1.

15. (ut) administrārentur: the object of *monuit*.

ad tempus, "on the instant."

16. ventum et aestum secundum: on other grounds it is supposed that Caesar sailed northeast, to Deal; but it has been proved that at this time the tide was running southwest. Possibly

tempore nactus secundum, datō signō et sublātis ancoris, circiter mīlia passuum septem ab eō locō prōgressus apertō ac plānō litore nāvēs cōstituit.

24. At barbarī cōnsiliō Rōmānōrum cognitō, praemissō equitatū et essedāriis, quō plērumque genere in proeliis ūti cōsuērunt, reliquis cōpiis subsecūti nostrōs nāvibus ēgredi prohibēbant. Erat ob hās causās summa difficultās, quod nāvēs propter magnitudinem nisi in altō cōstitui nōn poterant, militibus autem ignōtis locis, impeditis manibus, magnō et gravī onere armōrum oppressis simul et dē nāvibus dēsilendum et in flūctibus cōsistendum et cum hostibus erat pugnandum, cum illī aut ex āridō aut paulum in aquam prōgressi omnibus membris expeditis nōtissimis locis audācter tēla conicerent et equōs īsuēfactōs incitārent. Quibus rēbus nostri perterriti atque huius omnīnō generis pugnae imperiti nōn eādem alacritāte ac studiō quō in pedestribus ūti proeliis cōsuērant ūtēbantur.

25. Quod ubi Caesar animadvertisit, nāvēs longās, quārum et speciēs erat barbaris inūsitatior et mōtus ad ūsum expeditior,

2. essedārius, -ri, m. [essedum, a war chariot], a soldier fighting from a war chariot charleoteer. 1.

6. ignōtus, -a, -um, adj. [in-+(g)nōtus, known; nōscō, know], unknown, unfamiliar. 1.

9. āridus, -a, -um, adj. [āreō, be dry], dry; neut. as noun, dry land. 3.

10. membrum, -I, n., member of the body, limb. 1.

11. īsuēfactus, -a, -um, adj. [suēfācō, become accustomed + faciō, make] accustomed, trained. 1.

13. alacritās, -tātis, f. [alacer, lively], liveliness, ardor. 3.

Caesar means that the tide was decreasing and the wind was so favorable that he could sail against the slackening current.

Chap. 24. The Britons try to prevent the landing.

2. quō genere, "a kind of troops which."

5. nīsi . . . pōterant, "could be stationed only in deep water."

6. militibus: dative of the agent with dēsilendum, etc., erat.

ignōtis . . . manibus: ablatives absolute.

7. oppressis, "weighed down as they were"; in agreement with militibus.

8. cōsistendum, "keep their footing."

9. cum illī, "while the enemy."

12. nōn ūtēbantur, "did not display."

13. quō agrees with the nearer antecedent.

Chap. 25. Caesar brings his warships into action. A Roman standard bearer sets an example of bravery.

2. inūsitatior, "less familiar" than that of the transports. The latter were

paulum removērī ab onerāriis nāvibus et rēmīs incitārī et ad latus apertum hostium cōstitūi atque inde fundīs, sagittīs, tormentīs hostēs prōpellī ac submovērī iussit; quae rēs magnō ūsuī nostris fuit. Nam et nāvium figūrā et rēmōrum mōtū et inūsūtātō genere tormentōrum permōti barbari cōstitērunt ac paulum etiam pedem rettulērunt. Atque nostris militibus cūnctantibus, maximē propter altitudinem maris, qui decimae legiōnis aquilam ferēbat, obtestatus dēos ut ea rēs legiōni fēliciter ēveniret, 'Dēsilite,' inquit, 'commilitōnēs, nisi vultis aquilam hostibus prōdere; egō certē meum reī pūblicaē atque imperatōri officium praeſtiterō.' Hoc cum vōce magnā dīxisset, sē ex nāvī projēcit atque in hostēs aquilam ferre coepit. Tum nostri, cohortati inter sē nē tantum dēdecus admitterētur, univerſi ex nāvī dēſiluērunt. Hōs item ex proximis nāvibus cum cōspexissent, subsecūti hostibus appropinquāvērunt.

26. Pugnātum est ab utrīsque acriter. Nostri tamen, quod neque ordinēs servāre neque firmiter insistere neque signa sub-

4. funda, -ae, f., sling. 1.
 sagitta, -ae, f., arrow. 1.
 6. figūra, -ae, f. [fīngō, form], form, shape, figure. 1.
 10. aquila, -ae, f., an eagle; a standard (*as the aquila was the chief standard of the legion*). 3.
 obtestor, I, tr. [testor, witness], call to witness; beseech, entreat. 1.
 fēliciter, adv. [fēlix, happy], happily, fortunately. 1.
 11. ēveniō, -venire, -vēnī, -vēn-tum, intr. [veniō, come], turn out, result. 1.

more like the trading vessels, with which the Britons were acquainted.
 mōtus . . . expeditior, lit. "whose motion was freer for use," = "which were more easily managed."
 4. latus apertum, "the right flank," which was unprotected by shields.
 9. qui, "the man who."
 10. aquilam: see Int. 43, and Plate I, 6, facing p. 27.
 13. praeſtiterō: note the force of

- inquam, -is, -it, def. verb, tr., used only with direct quotations and following one or more words of the quotation, say. 1.
 commilitō, -ōnis, m. [miles, soldier], fellow soldier, comrade. 1.
 12. certē, adv. [certus, certain], certainly; at least, at all events. 1.
 meus, -a, -um, poss. adj. pron. [cf. oblique cases of ego], my, mine, my own. 1.
 15. dēdecus, -oris, n. [decus, honor], dishonor, disgrace. 1.
 2. firmiter, adv. [firmus, strong], firmly. 1

the tense. "(whatever the result shall be) I at least shall have done my duty."
 15. inter sē, "one another."
 16. ex proximis nāvibus, "those who were in the nearest ships."
 Chap. 26. After a fierce contest the Britons are put to flight.
 2. firmiter insistere, "get a firm footing."
 signa subsequi: i.e. keep their formation by cohorts.

sequi poterant, atque alius alia ex nāvi quibuscumque signis occurrerat sē aggregabat, magnopere perturbabantur; hostēs vērō, nōtis omnibus vadīs, ubi ex litore aliquōs singulārēs ex nāvi ēgredientēs cōspexerant, incitatis equis impeditōs adoribantur, plūrēs paucōs circumsistēbant, aliī ab latere apertō in ūniversōs tēla coniciēbant. Quod cum animadvertisset Caesar, scaphās longārum nāvium, item speculātōria nāvigia militibus complērī iussit et, quōs labōrantēs cōspexerat, hīs subsidia 10 submittēbat. Nostri, simul in āridō cōnstitērunt, suis omnibus cōnsecūtis in hostēs impetum fēcērunt atque eōs in fugam dērunt, neque longius prōsequi potuērunt, quod equestēs cursum tenēre atque insulam capere nōn potuerant. Hoc ūnum ad pristinam fortūnam Caesari dēfuit.

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27. Hostēs proeliō superāti, simul atque sē ex fugā recēpērunt, statim ad Caesarem lēgātōs dē pāce mīsērunt; obsidēs datūrōs, quaeque imperāsset factūrōs sēsē polliciti sunt. Ūnā cum hīs lēgātīs Commius Atrebās vēnit, quem suprā dēmōnstrāveram ā Caesare in Britanniam praemissum. Hunc illi ē nāvi ēgressum, cum ad eōs ūrātōris modō Caesaris mandāta

4. aggregō, 1, tr. [ad+grex, flock], unite in a flock; assemble; join, attach.
1.

9. scapha, -ae, f., skiff, boat. 1.
speculātōrius, -a, -um, adj. [speculātōr, spy], of a spy, spying, scouting. 1.

10. labōrō, 1, intr. [labor, toil], toil, work hard; be anxious, troubled, or perplexed; labor, suffer, be hard pressed.
3.

6. ūrātōr, -ōris, m. [ūrō, speak], speaker; ambassador, envoy. 1.

3. aliis . . . nāvi, "men from different ships."

quibuscumque . . . aggregabat, "gathered about whatever standards they chanced upon"; as in the battle with the Nervii, II, 21, 13.

5. ubi cōspexerant: the pluperfect instead of the usual perfect with *ubi*, expressing repeated action, just as the following imperfects do.

7. plūrēs, "several" of the enemy.
in ūniversōs, "upon the main body."

9. scaphās, speculātōria nāvigia: these boats could be rowed into shallow water.

11. simul = simul atque.

13. neque, "but . . . not."
longius, "very far."

14. capere, "reach." See note on *tardius*, 23, 4.

hoc ūnum: the pursuit by the cavalry was an important part of every regular engagement.

Chap. 27. The Britons sue for peace.

8. datūrōs, factūrōs sēsē: the regular construction after verbs of promising; see note on *dare*, 21, 10.

4. suprā: see 21, 13.

6. cum, "although."

modō, "in the capacity of," "as."

dēferret, comprehenderant atque in vincula coniēcerant; tum proeliō factō remisērunt, et in petendā pāce eius reī culpam in multitūdinem contulērunt et propter imprūdentiam ut ignōscerētur petivērunt. Caesar questus quod, cum ultrō in continentem lēgātis missis pācem ab sē petissent, bellum sine causā intulissent, ignōscere imprūdentiae dīxit obsidēsque imperāvit; quōrum illi partem statim dedērunt, partem ex longinquiōribus locis arcessitam paucis diēbus sēsē datūrōs dixērunt. Intera suōs remigrāre in agrōs iussērunt, principēsque undique convenire et sē civitātēsque suās Caesari commendāre coepērunt.

28. His rēbus pāce cōfirmātā, post diem quārtūnūm quā est in Britanniā ventum nāvēs XVIII, dē quibus suprā dēmōnstrātūm est, quae equitēs sustulerant, ex superiōre portū lēni ventō solvērunt. Quae cum appropinquārēt Britanniāe et ex castris vidērentur, tanta tempestās subitō coorta est ut nūlla eārum cursum tenēre posset, sed aliae eōdem unde erant profectae referrentur, aliae ad inferiōrem partem īsulae, quae est

8. culpa, -ae, f., blame, fault, guilt.

1.

9. imprūdentia, -ae, f. [imprūdēns, imprudent], imprudence, want of foresight or forethought, ignorance, indiscretion. 2.

ignōscō, -nōscere, -nōvī, -nōtūm, ītr. [in-+(g)nōscēns, knowing; nōs-

ōō], forgive, pardon. 3.

13. longinquo, -a, -um, adj. [longus, long], far off, distant, remote; long, long continued. 2.

16. commendō, 1, tr. [mandō, entrust], entrust; surrender. 1.

3. lēnis, -e, adj., gentle, mild, smooth. 1.

8. eius rel: the treatment of Cominius.

9. ut ignōscerētur, "that they be pardoned." In what case would "they" be, if expressed? App. 115, d.

10. cum lēgātis missis petissent, "after they had sent hostages and begged"; see 21, 10.

14. arcessitam, "for whom they had sent."

15. in agrōs, "to their farms."

Chap. 28-31. A storm turns back Caesar's cavalry and wrecks his fleet. Although he partially repairs the fleet, the Britons are encouraged to attack him.

Chap. 28. The cavalry transports are driven back by a storm.

1. post . . . quam = diē quārtūnūm post quam. When postquam is divided, post is usually an adverb, "afterwards . . than." Here it is a preposition. The day was August 30th, the third day after his arrival, according to our reckoning.

2. suprā, see 22, 15 and 28, 4.

6. aliae, aliae: the wind must have come from the north or northeast. The ships that were farthest out at sea were driven back at once; the others got some shelter west of Dover, but as the storm proved too severe they preferred to return to Gaul rather than land on the hostile shore of Britain, miles from Caesar's camp.

propius sōlis occāsum, magnō suō cum periculō dēicerentur; quae tamen ancoris iactis, cum flūctibus complērentur, neces-sāriō adversā nocte in altum prōvectae continentem petiērunt. 10

29. Eādem nocte accidit ut esset lūna plēna, qui dīēs mari-timōs aestūs maximōs in Ōceanō efficere cōsuēvit; nostrīsque id erat incognitum. Ita ūnō tempore et longās nāvēs, quās in āridum subdūxerat, aestus complēbat, et onerāriās, quae ad ancorās erant dēligātae, tempestās afflictābat, neque ūlla nos-trīs facultās aut administrandi aut auxiliandi dabātur. Com-plūribus nāvibus frāctīs, reliquae cum essent fūnibus, ancorīs, reliquisque armāmentis āmissīs ad nāvigandum inūtilēs, magna, id quod necesse erat accidere, tōtīs exercitūs perturbātiō facta est. Neque enim nāvēs erant aliae quibus reportāri possent, ic et omnia deerant quae ad reficiendās nāvēs erant ūsui, et, quod

10. prōvehō, -vehere, -vexī, -vec-tum, tr. [vehō, carry], carry forward; pass., be carried forward, sail. 1.

1. lūna, -ae, f., the moon. 2.

5. dēligō, 1. tr. [ligō, bind], bind or tie down, fasten, moor. 2.

6. auxillior, 1, intr. [auxillium, aid], give aid, help, assist, render assistance. 1

7. frangō frangere, frēgl, frāc-tum, tr., break, wreck; crush, discour-age. 2.

9. perturbātiō, -ōnis, f. [perturbō, disturb], disturbance, disorder, confu-sion. 1.

10. reportō, 1, tr. [re-+portō, carry], carry or bring back, convey. 1.

8. occāsum: for construction see note on *propius* 8, 3.

9. cum complērentur, "since they began to fill."

10. adversā nocte, "in the face of the night."

Chap. 29. The storm and the tide wreck Caesar's fleet.

1. lūna plēna: there was a full moon on the night of August 30th. This is what enables us to calculate the day of Caesar's arrival in Britain.

2. aestūs maximōs: the "spring" tide. The average rise and fall of the tide at Deal is said to be 16 feet. This tide, helped by the wind, rose much higher.

nostrīs . . . incognitum: the Ro-mans were best acquainted with the

Mediterranean, where the tides rise only a few inches. Yet they had had some experience with the tides in the war with the Veneti.

4. quae . . . dēligātae, "which were riding at anchor." The transports were heavier than the war-ships and Caesar had not thought it worth the effort to beach them.

6. administrandi, "of managing them."

9. id quod or *quae rēs* is commonly used instead of *quod* when the ante-cedent is a clause.

10. quibus possent: a clause of characteristic.

11. omnia quae erant ūsui, "all the things which were needed"; a determin-ing clause. App. 231.

omnibus cōstābat hiemārī in Galliā oportēre, frūmentum in his locīs in hiemem prōvīsum nōn erat.

30. Quibus rēbus cognitīs p̄incipēs Britanniae, qui post proelium ad Caesarem convēnerant, inter sē collocūtī, cum et equitēs et nāvēs et frūmentum Rōmānīs deesse intellegerent et paucitātem militum ex castrōrum exiguitāte cognōscerent, 5 quae hōc erant etiam angustiōra, quod sine impedimentis Cae-
sar legiōnēs trānsportāverat, optimum factū esse dūxērunt re-
belliōne factā frūmentō commeātūqne nostrōs prohibēre et rem
in hiemem prōducere, quod his superātis aut reditū interclūsis
nēminem. posteā bellī inferendī causā in Britanniā trānsitū-
10 rum cōfidēbant. Itaque rūrsus coniūratiōne factā paulātim
ex castrīs discēdere et suōs clam ex agrīs dēdūcere coepē-
runt.

31. At Caesar, etsī nōndum eōrum cōnsilia cognōverat,
tamen et ex ēventū nāvium suārum et ex eō, quod obsidēs dare
intermiserant, fore id quod accidit suspicābatur. Itaque ad
omnēs cāsūs subsidia comparābat. Nam et frūmentum ex agrīs
15 cotidiē in castra cōferēbat et quae gravissimē afflictæ erant
nāvēs, eārum māteriā atque aere ad reliquās reficiendās ūtēbā-
tur et quae ad eās rēs erant ūsui ex continentī comparāri iubē-

8. reditus, -ūs, m. [redēō, return], returning, return. 1.

5. affligō, -fligere, -flixi, -flictum, tr., strike against; overthrow; damage.

injure. 1.

6. aes, aeris, n. copper; anything made of copper, coin, money; aes aliēnum, another's money, debt. 1.

12. hiemārī oportēre, "that they must pass the winter."

13. in hiemem, "for the winter."

Chap. 30. The Britons plan to renew hostilities.

1. p̄incipēs: subject of *dūxērunt*, l. 6.

5. hōc, "on this account." etiam, "still."

6. optimum: predicate adjective with *esse*, the subject being *prohibēre* and *prōducere*.

factū: App. 296. It is not needed in translation.

7. factā: translate as an infinitive, coördinate with *prohibēre*.

rem, "operations."

8. his superātis, "if these (troops) were overpowered."

Chap. 31. Caesar repairs his fleet.

2. ex . . . eō, "from the disaster to his ships and from the fact."

3. quod accidit, "which really did happen."

4. cāsūs, "emergencies."

5. quāe nāvēs, eārum, "of those ships which."

6. aere: iron was not much used in the construction of ships, because it rusts.

bat. Itaque cum summō studiō ā militibus administrārētur,
duodecim nāvibus āmissis, reliquīs ut nāvīgārī commodē posset
effēcit.¹⁰

32. Dum ea geruntur, legiōne ex cōnsuētūdine ūnā frūmentātum missā, quae appellābātur septima, neque ūllā ad id tempus bellī suspiciōne interpositā, cum pars hominū in agrīs remanēret, pars etiam in castra ventitāret, ilī qui prō portis castrōrum in statiōne erant Caesari nūntiāvērunt pulverem 5 maiōrem quam cōnsuētūdō ferret in eā parte vidērī quam in partem legiō iter fēcisset. Caesar id quod erat suspicātus, aliquid novī ā barbaris initum cōnsiliī, cohortēs quae in statiōni bus erant sēcum in eam partem proficisci, ex reliquīs duās in statiōnem succēdere, reliquās armāri et cōfestim sēsē subsequī o iussit. Cum paulō longius ā castris prōcessisset, suōs ab hosti bus premī atque aegrē sustinēre et cōfertā legiōne ex omnibus partibus tēla conīci animadvertisit. Nam quod, omni ex reliquīs partibus dēmessō frūmentō, pars ūna erat reliqua, suspicātī hostēs hūc nostrōs esse ventūrōs noctū in silvīs dēlituerant; 15 tum dispersōs dēpositīs armīs in metendō occupātōs subitō adortī paucīs interfectī reliquōs incertīs ordinib⁹ perturbāverant, simul equitātū atque essedīs circumdederant.

5. *pulvis*, -eris, m., dust. 1.

10. *cōfestim*, adv., hastily, at once, immediately. 1.

14. *dēmetō*, -metere, -messul, -messum, tr. [metō, reap], mow, reap. 1.

15. *dēlēscō*, -lēscere, -litul,

8. *summō studiō*: the soldiers were as anxious to get away as Caesar was.

9. *reliquīs . . . effēcit*, lit. "made that it could be sailed by the rest," = "made the others fit to sail in."

Chap. 32-36. After repelling the Britons, who attack first one legion, then the camp, Caesar returns to Gaul.

Chap. 32. The Britons attack one legion while it is engaged in foraging.

1. *frūmentātum*: App. 295.

3. *interpositā*, "having arisen." *in agrīs remanēret*: ostensibly en-

—, intr. [latēscō, *incept. of lateō*, lie hidden], hide one's self, lurk. 1.

16. *metō*, metere, messul, messum, tr., mow, reap. 1.

18. *essedum*, -I n., a two-wheeled war chariot of the Britons. 2.

gaged in labor on the farms near the camp.

6. *quam . . . ferret*, "than usual."

7. *id quod erat*, "what was really the case"; explained by the clause *aliquid . . . consiliī*, "that some new plan had been entered upon."

8. *cohortēs*: probably four, one at each gate.

10. *succēdere*, "to take their places." *armāri*, "to arm themselves."

14. *ūna*, "only one."

17. *incertīs ordinib⁹*: owing to

33. Genus hoc est ex essedis pugnae. Prīmō per omnēs partēs perequitant et tēla coniciunt atque ipsō terrōre equōrum et strepitū rotārum ordinēs plērumque perturbant, et cum sē inter equitum turmās insinuāvērunt, ex essedis dēsiliunt et pedibus proeliantur. Aurīgæ interim paulatim ex proeliō excēdunt atque ita currūs collocant ut, si illi à multitūdine hostium premantur, expeditum ad suōs receptum habeant. Ita mōbilitātem equitum, stabilitātem peditum in proeliis praestant, ac tantum ūsū cotidiānō et exercitatiōne efficiunt uti in dēclivī ac praecipitī locō incitatōs equōs sustinēre et brevī moderāri ac flectere et per tēmōnem percurrere et in iugō insisteret et sē inde in currūs citissimē recipere cōnsuērint.

34. Quibus rēbus perturbātis nostrīs novitātē pugnae tem-

- circumdō, -dare, -dedi, -datum, tr. [dō, put], put around, encompass, surround. 3.
 2. perequitō, 1, intr. [equitō, ride], ride about, ride through or around. 1.
 3. rota, -ae, f., wheel. 1.
 4. turma, -ae, f., troop or squadron of about thirty cavalrymen. 1.
 insinuō, 1, tr. [sinuō, wind], wind into; make one's way into, penetrate. 1.
 5. auriga, -ae, m., charioteer. 1.
 6. currus, -us, m., chariot; wagon. 2.
 7. receptus, -us, m. [recipiō, receive, retreat; refuge, shelter. 1.

the surprise the usual line of battle could not be formed.

Chap. 33. How the Britons use their war-chariots in battle.

2. equōrum, "caused by the horses."

4. equitum turmās: the cavalry of the enemy, whom they thus attacked. Caesar had no cavalry this year, but this is a general description; in the next expedition his cavalry were thus defeated.

6. illi: the warriors, who had alighted.

7. expeditum receptum, "a ready retreat."

8. praestant, "display."

8. stabilitās, -tatis, f. [stabilis, firm], firmness, steadiness. 1.
 11. moderor, 1, tr. [modius, limit], manage, govern, control, guide. 1.
 flectō, flectere, flexi, flexum, tr., bend, turn, direct. 1.
 tēmō, -ōnis, m., pole (of a wagon). 1.
 percurrō, -currere, -curri, -cursum, intr. [currō, run], run along or over. 1.
 12. citō, adv., quickly, speedily. Comp., citius; sup., citissimē. 1.
 1. novitās, -tatis, f. [novus, new], newness; strangeness, novelty. 1.

10. ac, "and even."
 incitatōs, "when at full speed."
 sustinēre, "to check"; depending on cōnsuērint.

brevi, "quickly."
 11. per, "along."
 iugō: the crossbar attached to the end of the pole and resting on the horses' necks.

Chap. 34. Caesar rescues the imperiled legion, and the Britons march against his camp.

1. rēbus: ablative of means.
 nostrīs: indirect object of tulit. perturbātis agrees with it.
 novitāte, "because of the strangeness."

pore opportunissimō Caesar auxilium tulit; namque eius adventū hostēs cōnstitērunt, nostrī sē ex timōre recēpērunt. Quō factō ad laccessendum hostem et ad committendum proelium aliēnum esse tempus arbitrātus suō sē locō continuit et brevī ⁶ tempore intermissō in castra legionēs redūxit. Dum haec geruntur, nostrī omnibus occupātīs, qui erant in agrīs reliquī discessērunt. Secūtae sunt continuōs complūrēs diēs tempes-tatēs quae et nostrōs in castris continērent et hostem ā pugnā prohibērent. Interim barbarī nūntiōs in omnēs partēs dīmisē- ¹⁰ runt paucitātemque nostrōrum militum suis praedicāvērunt et quanta praedae facienda atque in perpetuum sui liberandī facultās darētur, si Rōmānōs castris expulissent, dēmōnstrā-vērunt. His rēbus celeriter magnā multitūdine peditātūs equi-tātūsque coāctā, ad castra vēnērunt. ¹¹

35. Caesar etsī idem quod superiōribus diēbus acciderat fore vidēbat, ut, si essent hostēs pulsī, celeritāte periculum effugerent, tamen nactus equitēs circiter xxx, quōs Commius Atrebās, dē quō ante dictum est, sēcum trānsportāverat, legiōnēs in aciē prō castris cōnstituit. Commissō proeliō diūtius ⁵ nostrōrum militum impetum hostēs ferre nōn potuērunt ac terga vertērunt. Quōs tantō spatiō secūti quantum cursū et

8. *continuus, -a, -um, adj.* [con-tineō, hold together], holding together, unbroken, uninterrupted, continuous. 2.

11. *praedicō, 1, tr.* [dicō, proclaim], proclaim publicly or before others; declare, report, tell of. 3.

12. *praeda, -ae, f.*, booty, plunder, spoil. 2.

14. *peditātus, -ūs, m.* [pedes, foot soldier], foot soldiers, infantry. 1.

3. *effugiō, -fugere, -fūgl, —, tr. and intr.* [ex+fugiō, flee], flee from or away, escape. 1.

5. *aliēnum*, lit. "belonging to another," = "unfavorable." *suō*, "his own," almost illustrates the corresponding meaning, "favorable."

6. *dum haec geruntur*, "in the meantime."

7. *qui . . . reliqui*: mentioned in 82, 3.

9. *quae continērent*: App. 230, a, examples.

12. *praedae facienda*: they would have been disappointed, for the Romans

had left their baggage in Gaul; 30, 5. 5. *sui liberandi*: see note on *sui pur-gandi*, 13, 14.

Chap. 35. The Britons are put to flight.

1. *idem fore, ut*, "that the same thing would occur . . . namely, that."

4. *ante*: in 21, 14 and 27, 4.

5. *diūtius*, "very long."

6. *ac*, "but"; for this translation see note on III, 19, 9.

7. *tantō spatiō quantum . . . po-*

vīribus efficere potuērunt, complūrēs ex iīs occidērunt, deinde omnibus longē lātēque aedificiis incēnsīs sē in castra recēpērunt.

36. Eōdem diē lēgāti ab hostibus missi ad Caesarem dē pāce vēnērunt. His Caesar numerum obsidum quem ante imperāverat duplicāvit eōsque in continentem addūcī iussit, quod propinquā diē aequinoctī infirmis nāvibus hiemi nāvigātiōnem subiciendam nōn existimābat. Ipse idōneam tempestātem nactus paulō post mediam noctem nāvēs solvit; quae omnēs in columēs ad continentem pervēnērunt; sed ex iīs onerāriae duae eōsdem portūs quōs reliquae capere nōn potuērunt et paulō īfrā dēlātæ sunt.

37. Quibus ex nāvibus cum essent expositi mīlitēs circiter trecenti atque in castra contēderent, Morini, quōs Caesar in Britanniam proficiscēns pācūtōs relīquerat, spē praeđae adducti primō nōn ita magnō suōrum numerō circumstetērunt ac, sī sēsē interfici nōllent, arma pōnere iussērunt. Cum illī orbe

3. *duplicō*, 1, *tr.* [duplex, double], double, increase. 1.

4. *aequinoc̄tium*, -ti, *n.* [aequus, equal + nox, night]. the equinox. 1.

9. *īfrā*, *adv.* [īferus, below], below; *prep. with acc.*, below, smaller

than. 1.

2. *trecenti*, -ae, -a (CCC), *card. num.* adj. [trés, three + centum, hundred], three hundred. 1.

5. *orbis*, -is, *m.*, orb, ring, circle; *orbis terrārum*, the world. 1.

tuērunt, "over as great a distance as their speed and strength permitted." *spatiō* is an ablative of the way (App. 144), where an accusative of extent of space would seem more natural; see H.-B. 426, c.

Chap. 36. Caesar returns to Gaul.

2. *his*: dative of reference.

3. *eōs . . . iussit*: it is not surprising to learn later that most of the tribes failed to do this.

4. *propinquā diē*: ablative absolute. As Caesar reached Britain August 27th, and the equinox then fell on Sept. 24th, he must have remained in Britain about three weeks.

hiemi . . . subiciendam, "that his voyage should be exposed to wintry weather."

8. *quōs reliquae*, "as the rest." *capere*, "reach," "make."

et, "but."

9. *īfrā*: to the south. They may have landed at Ambleteuse.

Chap. 37-38. The Morini revolt and are conquered.

Chap. 37. The Morini attack the troops from the two transports, but are repulsed.

1. *quibus ex nāvibus*: i.e. the two transports.

2. *in castra*: at Wissant.

3. *pācātōs*: see 22, 1-11.

4. *primō*: the adverb.

ita, "so very," "very."

5. *pōnere*, "to lay down."

orbe: a formation like the modern hollow square, used when troops were attacked on all sides.

factō sēsē dēfenderent, celeriter ad clāmōrem hominum circiter mīlia sex convēnērunt. Quā rē nūntiātā Caesar omnem ex castris equitātum suis auxiliō misit. Interim nostri militēs impetum hostium sustinuērunt atque amplius hōris quattuor fortissimē pugnāvērunt et paucis vulneribus acceptis complūrēs ¹⁰ ex his occidērunt. Posteā vērō quam equitātus noster in cōspectum vēnit, hostēs abiectis armis terga vertērunt magnus-que eōrum numerus est occīsus.

38. Caesar posterō diē T. Labiēnum lēgātūm cum iīs legiōnib⁹ quās ex Britanniā redūxerat in Morinōs, quī rebelliōnem fēcerant, misit. Qui cum propter siccitatēs palūdum quō sē recipereant nōn habērent, quō perfugiō superiōre annō erant ūsī, omnēs ferē in potestātem Labiēni vēnērunt. At Q. Titū- ⁹ riūs et L. Cotta lēgātī, quī in Menapiōrum fīnēs legiōnēs dūxerant, omnibus eōrum agris vāstātis, frūmentis succīsis, aedi- ficiīs incēnsis, quod Menapii sē omnēs in dēnsissimās silvās abdiderant, sē ad Caesarem recēpērunt. Caesar in Belgis om- nium legiōnum hiberna cōnstituit. Eō duae omnīnō cīvitātēs ¹⁰ ex Britanniā obsidēs misērunt, reliquae neglēxērunt. His rēbus gestīs ex litterīs Caesaris diērum vīgintī supplicatiō ā senātū dēcrēta est.

3. siccitatēs, -tātis, f. [siccus, dry].
drought, dryness. 1.

4. perfugium, -gī, n. [perfugiō, flee
for refuge], place of refuge, refuge. 1.

6. hominum: with mīlla.

Chap. 38. Labienus conquers the Morini. The army is quartered for the winter among the Belgae. A thanksgiving in Caesar's honor.

3. siccitatēs: translate by the singular.

quō . . . habērent, lit. "had not where they could retreat," = "had nowhere to retreat"; App. 230, c.

4. quō perfugiō erant ūsī, lit.
"which refuge they had used," = "the

refuge [i.e. the swamps] which they had used." For the fact see III, 28, 8.

6. qui . . . dūxerant: see 22, 18.

9. in Belgis: in readiness for the next year's expedition to Britain.

12. diērum vīgintī supplicatiō: see note on II, 35, 10, and notice the increased number of days. Caesar's two expeditions into lands where no Roman general had ever before set foot had made a wonderful impression at Rome.