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COINS OF PUNIC SICILY\*

Part 3 \*\*

CARTHAGE SERIES 2-4

*Abbreviations*

ANSCV	American Numismatic Society, Centennial Volume (New York 1958)
Bisi Stele	Bisi, A. M., <i>Le Stele Puniche</i> ( <i>Studi Semitici</i> 27, Rome 1967)
Cintas Manuel	Cintas, P., <i>Manuel d'Archéologie Punique I</i> (Paris 1970)
CIS	<i>Corpus Inscriptionum Semiticarum</i> (Paris 1881-)
Crawford RRC	Crawford, M., <i>Roman Republican Coinage</i> (Cambridge 1974)
El Hofra	Berthier, A. and Charlier, R., <i>Le Sanctuaire Punique d'El Hofra à Constantine</i> (Paris 1955)
Gsell	Gsell, S., <i>Histoire Ancienne de l'Afrique du Nord</i> (Paris 1913-1928)
Harden	Harden, D., <i>The Phoenicians</i> (London 1971)
Hours-Miedan	Hours-Miedan, M., <i>Les Représentations figurées sur les stèles de Carthage</i> , <i>Cahiers de Byrsa</i> I, 1951
Kraay ACGC	Kraay, C. M., <i>Archaic and Classical Greek Coins</i> (London 1977)
Moscati	Moscati, S., <i>The World of the Phoenicians</i> (London 1973)

*Introduction*

The present article continues the treatment of the Carthaginian silver coinage, of which series I (horse/palm-tree) belonging to the years 410-390 B.C. was covered in the previous instalment (SNR 1974, 23 ff.). Here will be dealt with three further series: series 2 (head of goddess/horse with palm-tree, plates 1-9), series 3 (head of goddess/horse head with palm-tree, plates 9-21) and finally series 4 (head in Phrygian cap/lion and palm-tree, plate 22). Series 4, as discussed below, represents a parallel issue with part of series 3 and not a continuation of it. The final series 5 (Melqart head/horse head and palm-tree, here Fig. 1) will be covered in a subsequent article.

Series 1 terminated about 390 B.C., as was established in SNR 1974, 23 ff. A considerable interval must have followed before minting was resumed. It will be shown from hoard evidence that the coinage of series 2 can hardly have begun before about 350/340 – and thus more or less at the same time with the beginning of the regular gold series from the mint of Carthage itself. The size of the issues of series 2 and 3, which together form the bulk of the present article, while considerable is not extraordinary; and it may well be that the total resources of the Carthaginian state in

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