**WATKINS (CALVERT WARD)**

(1933 – 2013)


*In Ériu* 24 (1973), pp. 80–89.

Argues that the comparison with Anatolian proves the antiquity of Celtic *n*-stem paradigm *abō* → *abens*.


*In Ériu* 27 (1976), pp. 21–25.

OIr. *socht* ‘stupor’ originally denoted a pathological state or variety of ‘sickness’; derivation from *sóktos* from root *sek-* ‘dryness’.

*Repr.* in Watkins selected writings II, pp. 560-564.


OIr. *serb* (á f.) ‘theft’ is compared to Hitt. *sēru* ‘booty’.


1834. Watkins (Calvert): The etymology of Irish *dúan.*


Derives it from *dad-nā*, cf. L *damnum*. Also on other terminology from the reciprocal context of encomiastic poetry.


Watkins (Calvert) (*ref.*)

712. Watkins (Calvert): *Varia: III. 1. OIr. *cél* and *cleth* ‘house-post’.*


Argues that *cél* (m.) ‘poet of the third highest rank’ is distinct from *di* (f.) ‘house-post, pillar’, and that *cleth* (f.) ‘house-post’ and *dli* (f.) represent an instance of paradigm split. Additionally suggests that *clíth* in *Audecht Morninn* §§21.8, 63.163 (as ed. by F. Kelly, 1976) represents an oblique case of *dí*.
3474. Watkins (Calvert): Varia: III. 2. In essar dam do ἂ?
On the word ἂ ‘wagon, cart’ and the verse which glosses it in Cormac’s Glossary, beg. In essar dam do ἂ.

Discusses other PIE parallels of ‘Act of Truth’ and cognate verbal expressions of the following four expressions: 1. Is tres fir flatamon ‘it is through the ruler’s truth’; 2. mortlithi (mórslóg no) márlichet di doinin dingbatar ‘plagues, (a great host, or) great lightnings are warded off men’; 3. gnú flatamon ‘ruler’s falsehood’; 4. ní[n]-aurdalat ána (support for emendation to ní-naurdalat anai ‘let not riches blind him’ (see F. Kelly, AM §31); 5. to-aidble éisc i sruthaib-snáither ‘with abundance of fish it is swum in streams’, taking to-snáither to be an impersonal passive rather than 2nd sg. dependent (see F. Kelly, AM §20).
Kelly (Fergus) (ref.)

In ÉtC 16 (1979), pp. 191–194.
Suggests a semantic shift from PIE abstract *sh₂g₂t- ‘satiet y’ to concrete PC *sátio- ‘swarm of bees’.
Repr. in Watkins selected writings II, pp. 622–625.

11247. Watkins (Calvert): Language, culture or history?
Discusses the Celtic background of the OIr. term nemed and the phrase fear an ais óir occurring in Classical Bardic poetry.
Repr. in Watkins selected writings II, pp. 663–673.


In Indo-Europeans in the fourth and third millennia (1982), pp. 104–120.
Repr. in Watkins selected writings II, pp. 674–690.


Also on OIr. fir ‘milk’.

Cowgill (Warren) (hon.)

Repr. in Watkins selected writings II, pp. 741–750.

In Lingering over words (1990), pp. 451–453.
On OIr. dún.
Repr. in Watkins selected writings II, pp. 751–753.

Uses Hittite comparisons to argue for a specific meaning ‘hawthorn’ or ‘whitethorn’ for OIr. rare plant name ad.

11241. Watkins (Calvert), Oliver (Lisi) (ed.): Calvert Watkins: selected writings / edited by Lisi Oliver.

Supplemented by

Rev. by
Michael Janda, in Kratylos 55 (2010), pp. 54-60 (3).


Chap. 9: Ireland and the art of the syllable; 24: Early Irish *muc*; 45: Fergus mac Léti and the *muidbris*.

Rev. by

11290. Watkins (Calvert): A note on the art of the syllable.


Offers a metrical analysis of verses 2-6 of *Fo réir Cholaim* cein a.d.fías, as ed. by Fergus Kelly, in Ériu 24 (1973), pp 1-34.


Rev. by

Watkins (Calvert) (*hon.*).

9592. Watkins (Calvert): Two Celtic notes.


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8836. Watkins (Calvert): The Old Irish word for ‘fleshfork’.
   OIr. aél

11399. Hoenigswald (Henry M.), Insler (Stanley), Jasano (Jay H.), Morpurgo
       Davies (Anna), Nussbaum (Alan), Watkins (Calvert): Reminiscences
       offered at the memorial service for Warren Crawford Cowgill.
       I. Insler; II. Morpurgo Davies; III. Hoenigswald; IV. Jasanoﬀ; V. Nussbaum;
       VI. Watkins.


11233. Watkins (Calvert): The milk of the dawn cows revisited.
       In East and West (2009), pp. 225–239.
       Discusses the semantic and morphological evolution of OIr. fir ‘milk’ and fáir
       ‘dawn’ from PIE *weh₁r₁- ‘water’.