

Hannibalī victorī cum ceterī circumfusī gratularentur suaderentque ut, tanto perfunctus bello, diei quod reliquum esset noctisque insequentis quietem et ipse sibi sumeret et fessis daret militibus, Maharbal praefectus equitum, minimē cessandum ratus, "immo ut quid hāc pugnā sit actum sciās, diē quintō" inquit, "victor in Capitoliō epulāberis. Sequere; cum equite, ut prius tē venisse quam venturum sciant, praecedam." Hannibalī nimis laeta res est visa maiorque quam ut eam statim capere animo posset. Itaque voluntātem sē laudāre Mahabalis ait; ad consilium pensandum temporis opus esse. Tum Maharbal: "non omnia nimirum eīdem dī dedēre. Vincere scis, Hannibal; victoriā utī nescis." Mora eius dieī satis creditur salutī fuisse urbī atque imperiō.

Posterō diē ubi prīmū inluxit, ad spolia legenda foedamque etiam hostibus spectandam stragēm insistunt. Iacēbant tot Romanōrum milia, peditēs passim equitēsque, ut quem cuique fors aut pugna iunxerat aut fuga; adsurgentes quīdam ex strage mediā cruentī, quōs stricta matutinō frigore excitaverant vulnera, ab hoste oppressī sunt; quōsdam et iacentēs vivōs succisī feminibus poplitibusque invenērunt nudantēs cervicem iugulumque et reliquum sanguinem iubentēs haurīre; inventī quīdam sunt mersīs in effossam terram capitibus quōs sibi ipsōs fecisse foveās obruentēsque ora superiectā humō interclusisse spiritum apparēbat. Praecipuē convertit omnēs subtractus Numida mortuō superincubanti Rōmānō vivus nasō auribusque laceratīs, cum manibus ad capiendum telum inutilibus, in rabiem īrā versā laniandō dentibus hostem exspirāset.

Line 3: **minimē** = “in no way”

With **cessandum** sc. **esse**. **cessandum** is used impersonally.

Line 5: sc. **esse** after **ventūrum**

Line 6: **visa est** is copulative (a grammatical = sign)

Line 7: **ait** = *dixit*

Line 8: **dedēre** = **dedērunt**

sc. *dixit* with **Maharbal**

Line 10-11: repeat *ad* with **spectandam stragēm**

Line 12: **quem cuique** = “one to another”

Line 17: **superiectā humō** - note the gender of *humus*, -i (f)

Line 17: **apparēbat** = it appeared (that) + acc. + infinitive

Line 17: **convertit omnes** - \_\_\_\_\_ caught the attention of all

Line 18: **Numidia** = a Numidian soldier (from N. Africa west of Carthage)

**Vocabulary**

**ait, aiunt** (defective verb) he said  
**appareo, apparere** - to appear  
**gratulor, gratulari, gratulatus sum** - to congratulate + dative  
**cesso** (1) to cease, to stop, to rest  
**circumfundeo, circumfundere, circumfudi, circumfusus** - to pour around, to gather around  
**effodio, effodere, effodi, effossus** - to dig, to dig out  
**epulor** (1) to feast  
**excito** (1) to stir, to excite, to rouse  
**haurio, hauirre, hausi, haustus** - to drain, drink in  
**exspiro** (1) to die, to expire, to breath out  
**iaceo, iacere, iacui** - to lie  
**insisto, insistere** - to press on, to step foot upon  
**insequor, insequi, insecuritus sum** - to follow  
**intercludo, intercludere, interclusi** - to block off  
**invenio** (4) to find, to discover  
**lacerō** (1) to cut (lacerate)  
**iubeō, iubēre, iussī, iussus** - to order  
**laniio, laniare** - to tear  
**luceo, lucere, luxi** - to be light  
**mergo, mergere, mersi, mersus** - to plunge, emerge  
**moriō, morī, mortuus sum** - to die  
**obruo, obruere** - to cover, to hide  
**penso** (1) to weigh; to think carefully about  
**perfungor, perfungi, perfunctus sum** - to preform + ablative case  
**praecedo, praecedere, praecessi, praecessus** - to precede, to go before  
**reor, reri, ratus sum** - to think  
**scio** (4) a) to know how + complementary infinitive; b) to know + acc. subjective + inf.  
**superincubo** (1) to lie on top of  
**surgo, surgere, surrexi, surrectus** - to rise  
**stringo, stringere, strinxi, strictus** - to draw tight, to close  
**suadeo, suadere, suasi** - to urge  
**subtraho, subtrahere, subtraxi, subtractus** - to drag or pull under

**sumo, sumere, sumpsi, sumptus** - to take (consume, assume)  
**superiacio, superiacere, superieci, superiectus** - to throw over  
**utor, utī, usus sum** - to use, enjoy, employ + ablative case  
**verto, vertere, verti, versus** - to turn  
**videor, videri, visus sum** - to seem, to appear

**animus, -i** (m) mind, spirit, courage  
**cervix, cervicis** (m) neck  
**dens, dentis** (f) tooth  
**eques, equitis** (m) cavalry  
**femen, feminis** (n) femur  
**fovea, -ae** (f) small pit  
**frigor, frigoris** (n) cold  
**hostis, hostis** (m) enemy  
**humus, humī** (f) ground, earth  
**īra, īrae** (f) anger  
**iugulum, -i** (n) throat  
**mora, -ae** (f) delay  
**opus, operis** (n) work, task, labour; need  
**os, oris** (n) mouth; face  
**poples, poplitis** (m) knee, ham of the knee  
**quies, quietis** (f) rest, response, cessation, quite, peace  
**rabies, rabiei** (f) madness (rabid)  
**salūs, salūtis** (f) health; salvation; safety  
**spiritus, -ūs** (m) breath, breathing  
**stragēs, -is** (f) destruction, overthrow  
**telum, -i** (n) weapon  
**voluntas, voluntatis** (f) desire, wish, will  
**vulnus, vulneris** (n) wound

**ceteri, -ae, -a** (adj.) the remaining, the rest  
**cruentus, a, um** - bloody  
**fessus, a, um** - weary  
**foedus, a, um** - vile, disgusting  
**inutilis, inutile** - useless  
**matutinus, a, um** - of the morning  
**mortuus, a, um** - dead  
**Numidius, ,a um** - Numidian, African  
**quidam, quaedam, quoddam** - some, certain  
**reliquus, a, um** - the rest, the remaining

**vivus, a, um** - alive, living

**immo** (participle) on the contrary, by no means

**minimē** (adv.) the least, not at all

**nimis** (adv.) too much

**nimirum** (adv.) without doubt

**praecipuē** (adv.) chief

**prius...quam** - earlier...than, before

**statim** (adv.) immediately

**satis** (indecl. noun.) enough