

***Ganà*: A RELIQUARY END-STRESSED VERB?**

Ulvydas, 1969, 8, writes that the root of the word *ganà* 'enough' has taken a firm foothold in the Lithuanian language, but that this particular word was not productive as a noun and became an adverb in Lithuanian without leaving any other case. It seems to me, however, that the adverb *ganà* may be derived rather from the verb *ganėti* 'to be sufficient'. According to the Academy Dictionary [Vol. 3, p. 100] the preferred 3rd person present of *ganėti* is *ganėja*, but the form *gāna* is also apparently possible.

The Academy Grammar [Vol. 2, p. 239] gives a list of thematic verbs with the suffix *-ė-* in the infinitive and preterit, e. g., 3rd pres. *tėja* 'runs, flows', inf. *tekėti*, 3rd pret. *tekėjo*. Such verbs, called the mixed type, seem less numerous than the completely productive verbs with the *-ė-* suffix in the infinitive and all tenses, e. g., *akmenėti* 'to turn to stone' (3rd pres. *akmenėja*, 3rd pret. *akmenėjo*; Acad. Gram., Vol. 2, p. 258). Historical linguistics shows that the less regular verbs are more likely to be archaic than the more regular verbs, so a 3rd present *gāna* is probably more archaic than a 3rd present *ganėja*.

Būga, 1961, 57, proposes that at one time Lithuanian did indeed have an oxytone verbal paradigm. Doubting the primacy of etymological end-stress Stang, 1957, 156–157, assumes an original etymological mobility for certain Lithuanian verbal paradigms. Nevertheless he thinks there are some cases where the Old Prussian thematic vowel was stressed, e. g., 2nd sg. *giwassi* 'you live', 3rd person *giwa*, 1st pl. *giwammai*, pres. part. *giwāntei*. He suggests further that an Old Prussian paradigm *\*gīvō*, *\*gīvasei*, *\*gīva*, *\*gīvamāi*, *\*gīvaté* has been levelled according to the plural forms as in Slavonic. This gave rise to a 3rd person *gīvā*, which in turn produced *\*gīvāsei*, *\*gīvāmai*. I would certainly dispute in principle heavy reliance on Old Prussian evidence, but in other cases there does seem to be a macron written where one would expect a short vowel. I interpret the macron to denote an etymological stressed short vowel. Thus *perweddā* 'lead' and *popaikā* 'deceive' are not conjunctives [Trautmann, 1910, 397, 405], but are simple 3rd person present forms which are to be phonemicized as [per-vedá] and [pa-paiká] respectively [Schmalstieg, 1974, 173, 170].

Old Prussian *per-weddā* would be compared with Lith. *prì-veda* 'leads' (a mobile paradigm which could reflect an earlier end-stress, if Būga is right; *pér-veda*

'leads across' cannot be used as evidence, since *pér-* is always stressed). The Lithuanian cognate of Old Prussian *po-paikā*, viz. *paikti* 'grow foolish', cannot be used as evidence since the present has an *-st-* suffix, viz. 3rd person *paiksta*, although the circumflex root is compatible with accentual mobility (or end stress) if we are dealing with a root-type thematic verb.

Skardžius, 1935, 195 notes the following vacillations in Daukša's accentuation: *nèbjauris*, *nopkeñčia*, *praleñkia* beside *nebjaũris*, *n'opkenčia* (i.e., *neapkenčia*) and *pralenkia*. He writes further that such forms as *neapkenčia* and *pralenkia* might not be mistakes, but reflect the linguistic facts, as is shown by the contemporary hesitation between *atgręžia* beside *atgrėžia*. Again following Skardžius the accentuation (*ne*) *turimé* is attested (10X) and *túrime* (4X). In fact a marginal end-stress is well attested in the 1st and 2nd pl. present forms in Daukša's Postilla. Skardžius, 1935, 199, writes however that the forms *daliié*, *gadiná*, *giwená*, *iszriszá*, *kelaiuíá*, etc. are clear errors and compares the attested *gádína*, *wádína*, etc. It would appear to me, however, that if *turimé*, *žinomé*, etc. can reflect an earlier end-stress, then the 3rd person forms *daliié*, *gadiná*, etc. could also reflect an earlier end-stress.

*Ganà* is then a reliquary form from the 3rd person present originally meaning 'it is sufficient'. The government of the genitive case is to be expected, because the verbal successor *ganėti* governs the genitive case, cf. the example from the Academy Dictionary (Vol. 3, p. 100):

Sveikám	žmõgui	prastèsnio	vaĩgio (gen. sg.)	ganėja.
For a healthy man	simpler		food	suffices.

Used in short predicative sentences *ganà* lost its connection with the verbal paradigm and was reinterpreted as an adverb of quantity. No longer a member of the verbal paradigm it was able to retain its final stress when oxytone paradigms became mobile. This explains also why there is no oblique case for *ganà*. Being an etymological 3rd person present verb rather than a nom. sg. *\*ā-*stem noun it could, of course, have no oblique case.

The adverbial forms *daũgi*, *daũgia* 'much, many' could also have been 3rd person forms of the verb *daugėti* 'to increase, to be abundant'. Although the Academy Dictionary [Vol. 2, p. 314] does not list these as possible 3rd person pres. forms for *daugėti*, the pattern of *i-*stem or *\*je/o-*stem presents for verbs with the suffix *-ėti* is attested elsewhere. For example, the 3rd present of the verb *skaudėti* 'to hurt' according to the Academy Dictionary [Vol. 12, p. 769] in addition to standard *skaũda* may be also *skaũsta*, *skaũsti*, *skaũdžia* or *skaũdi*.

Since verbs in *-ėti* are frequently denominatives in many cases it may be impossible to know whether the adverb is derived from a verb or a noun.

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