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ON THE KARTVELIAN ETYMOLOGY MATERIAL. III

Kartvelian word stock is common to the literary language and to the variety of the Georgian speeches. Even the borrowings (except from the today's condition of the Laz dialect) do not make exceptions to the rule. The variations in the roots and stems are the results of phonetic changes in all the Georgian dialects. The question is which one of the phonetic varieties can be regarded as an initial form. The laws of the language system and structure in general should explain the originality of the form, - and not only the fixed literary forms, as is often believed that if a particular word is found in the ancient Kartvelian texts, then it is regarded as original form...

This paper discusses roots and stems traced in the speech of Megrels and Laz, as, for instance: **log-in-i**, **ser-i**, **o-sar-e**; **badzgar-i**, **go-burdzg-on-il-i**, **budzg-ur-i-a**, **burdzgla** (a family name), **ghubadzgari**; **jik-i**, **jirk-i**, **jirkval-i**. The present article promotes an idea that these and many other common Kartvelian lexemes have been established through Megrel-Laz speech forms.