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**ON SOME LEXICAL UNITS RELATED TO SPEECH
IN TAOAN DIALECT**

The speech of Taoan Georgians is very interesting in terms of lexis. We have encountered numerous significant word forms in the Taoan dialect that had become distinct from literary Georgian in the course of the centuries. Some words are archaic which are not applied in modern literary language; they have no analogues in other dialects either; another part occurs with different semantics or has parallels in other Georgian dialects.

The paper deals with the lexical units related to speech; In parallel with the forms **to speak** (ლაპარაკი), **to converse** (საუბარი) **to say** (თქმა), etc. spread in literary Georgian as well as in the dialects we have analyzed ხვარათი, იარეწობა (to speak, to talk) word forms.