'As you were urged in person by me and by my lord the most distinguished Cyrus, advocate, on account of the hundred artabae of corn from the old produce, vouchsafe to perform this favour and write to your sailors what they ought to do. If you order them to make the bread here and send it to the village of Ibion, write to them; or if you order them to send the corn to Ibion, again write to them. For Anoup has already taken his fifty, and the other man his fifty. Vouchsafe then to write to them by the letter-carrier what they ought to do, sir. (Addressed) Deliver to my lord and brother Askalas, captain, from Pambechis . . .'

I. π : cf. **941**. I, note.

3. Κύρου is best regarded as a proper name since κυρίου precedes in l. 2. For the σχολαστικοί cf. 902. 1, note, Gelzer, Leipziger hist. Abhandl. xiii. p. 34.

4. οφίλουσιν ποιήσουσιν is a parataxis like καταξίωσον τελείωσον,

1072. LETTER OF PHILOXENUS.

29.9 × 5.3 cm.

Fifth or sixth century.

A short letter, written in a very narrow column, relating to a pond which was in process of construction.

Φιλόξενος έν τῷ κτήματι άπα Μαρτυρίου ίερέων, πρεσβυτέρου. 15 μέλλω γάρ δεχόμενος δρκῶσε 5 τοῦτό μου περί τοῦ τὸ γράμμα άναλώματος σπούδασον ότι τί 20 ανήλωσαν φροντίσαι τοῦ νέου είς αὐτόν. ιο λάκκου τοῦ γιγνομένου $\tilde{\epsilon}\rho\rho(\omega\sigma o)$. σὺν θεῶ

2-3. Ι. Μαρτυρίω πρεσβυτέρω. 14. ϊερεων Ραρ.

'Philoxenus to Apa Martyrius, elder. On receipt of this my letter hasten to give heed to the new pond which is being made by the help of God in the priests' estate, for I am about to take an oath of them as to the expense, what they have spent upon it. Good-bye.'

19. $\sigma \iota \tau \iota$: on the analogy it will be better to write $\tau \iota$ $\kappa \iota \iota$ $\tau \iota$ than $\tau \iota$ $\kappa \iota \iota$ ι in 937. 22, as was preferred by Wilcken, Archiv v. p. 272.