



Fig. 1. STONE AT AUTUN, FRANCE.

This inscription is as follows :—

Ἰ χθύος ο[ὐρανίου θε]ῖον γένος, ἥτορι σεμνῶ
 Χ ρῆσαι λαβῶ[ν ζω]ὴν ἄμβροτον ἐν βροτέοις
 Θ εσπεσίων ὑδάτων· τὴν σὴν φίλε θαλπεο ψυχὴν
 Ἵ δασιν ἀενάοις πλουτοδότου Σοφίης :
 Σ ωτῆρος δ' ἀγίων μελιηδέα λάμβανε βρ[ωσιν]
 Ἔσθιε πῖνε [λαβ]ὼν, Ἰχθὺν ἔχων παλάμαις.

and has been translated thus :—

“ O thou divine offspring of the Heavenly Ichthus
 (Christ), use with a reverent heart when thou hast received
 the immortal life of Divine Waters among mortals. O
 my friend (who hast been baptized), quicken thy soul with
 the ever-flowing waters of wealth-giving wisdom. Come,
 and receive the honey-sweet food of the Saviour of the
 saints. Take, eat, drink, holding Ichthus in thy hands.”