

Virgil : Aeneid VI (295-332, 384-439, 637-655, 703-718, 791-807, 817-823, 826-35, 847-853)

A Running Vocabulary prepared by Terry Bird

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Hinc via Tartarei quae fert Acherontis ad undas.

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295. hinc - from here (supply *est*) Tartareus - of Hades
fero ferre - (usually) carry; (here) lead (*fert* is 3 sing. present)
Acheron Acherontis (m) - Acheron (a river of Hades) unda - wave, water
turbidus - muddy, thick hic - here caenum - mud vastus - huge
vorago voraginis (f) - abyss gurges gurgitis (m) - whirlpool, swirling mass of
water
aestuo (1) - seethe, boil Cocytus - one of the rivers of the Underworld
Cocyto - 'into Cocytus' (poetic dative) eructo (1) - belch forth
harena - silt, sand
portitor portitoris (m) - ferryman horrendus - dreaded aqua - water
flumen fluminis (n) - river servo (1) - save, guard

turbidus hic caeno vastaque voragine gurges

aestuat atque omnem Cocyto eructat harenam.

portitor has horrendus aquas et flumina servat

terribili squalore Charon, cui plurima mento

canities inculta iacet, stant lumina flamma,

sordidus ex umeris nodo dependet amictus.

ipse ratem conto subigit velisque ministrat

et ferruginea subvectat corpora cumba,

iam senior, sed cruda deo viridisque senectus.

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300. canities (5) - white hair incultus - unkempt iaceo (2) - lie
sto (1), steti - stand; (of eyes), start, stand out of their sockets
lumen luminis (n) - eye, light flamma - flame
sordidus - filthy umerus - shoulder nodus - knot
dependeo, depependi (2) - hang down amictus (4) - garment

ratis ratis (f) - raft, boat contus - pole subigo (3), subegi, subactum - propel
velum - sail ministro (1) + dat. - attend to

ferrugineus - rust-coloured subvecto (1) - carry up-stream cumba - boat

senior senioris (comparative. of senex) - older crudus - fresh, vigorous
viridis - green senectus senectutis (f) - old-age