

## MISCELLANEOUS BRONZE OBJECTS

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Room

In case X has been arranged a collection of miscellaneous bronze objects, ranging in date from the sixth to the first century B. C. They include shallow bowls, called *paterae* (No. 16), ladles (No. 13) and handles of bronze vessels, selected for good workmanship and beauty of patina. Of these last, several specimens are notable.

No. 2. A foot of a vase in the form of a paw surmounted by a winged sphinx, a good example of combinations of hybrid forms.

No. 9. A pair of handles in the form of birds' heads made of bronze and painted.

No. 21. A hook arrangement, perhaps a handle, showing a dog's head bent over a plaque which is decorated with incised ornament.

No. 25. A remarkable specimen of double handle, together with attachment plaques, which show a head of Herakles between palmettes.

In case VIII are five ancient bronze helmets, two Greek and three Roman. The central helmet has one ear piece restored. Its battered and broken crown indicates that its wearer died in the thick of the fray. Of the Greek helmets, Nos. 1 and 2 are of the so-called Corinthian type which covered all the face; Nos. 4 and 5 are *piloi*, without crest or cheek pieces, the helmet of the common soldiers.