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D. W. Graham, 'Symmetry in the Empedoclean Cycle' ['Symmetry'], *Classical Quarterly*, NS 38 (1988), 297–312 at 301–4.

G. Vlastos, 'A Metaphysical Paradox' ['Metaphysical'], in G. Vlastos, *Platonic Studies*, 2nd edn. (Princeton, 1981), 43–57 at 52.

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