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S. Byzantium speaking about the population and surrounding cities and Antigonea people like Pliny. And the mention of Aout Strait and Antigonea field give a clear understanding of provincial autonomy with defined borders, where the Antigonea city has given name to all the area stretching away, all around her and the people of the province. This koinon has played a special role in Kaoni, through it were passing one of its main roads linking antiquity north areas and south up to Ambraki of Nikopol.



Figure 7: Tract wall on the southeast side



Figure 8: Ancient castle stone blocks reused

## 6. Conclusions

Civic Life in Ancient South-Southwest area of Southern Illyria was preceded by a period of important proto-citizens (VII<sup>th</sup>-V<sup>th</sup> century B.C.) where fortified settlements of that period served as embryos which were cities held on and urban life developed.

Large cities encouraged the development of many other civic centers thus creating political entity and independent as a relationship that was known as Federal koinon. Butroti centers and fortified castles formed prasaibe's koinoni around the area of Kestrina (VrinA today). Antigonea with its economic and political weight withdrew its dependence on all other ancient centers of Drino's valley. Foinike in Delvina field-pit functioned not only as the center of this basin but further more. During III<sup>rd</sup> century functioned as the capital center of Epirus League. These ancient cities with their economic, social and political realm contributed strongly to the whole Illyrian-epiriot.

The ancient cities with their Economic, Social and Political realm Contributed strongly to the Whole Illyrian-epiriot. The origin and development of this ancient civilization in southern Iiris took an important place in the tradition of historical writing, and today most of the definitions made in this period are put on strong and exact archaeological basis.

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