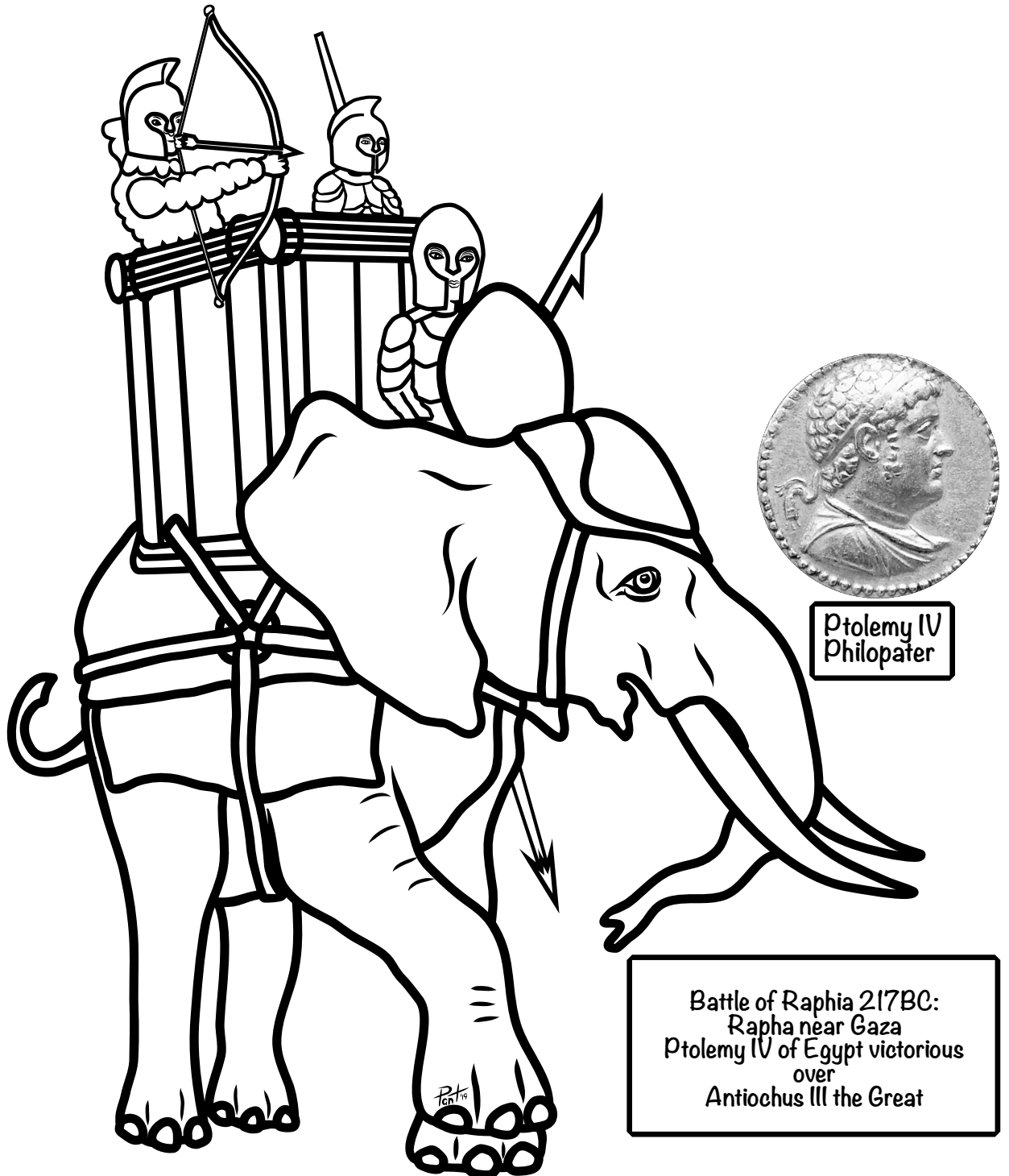


Polybius - **Battle of Raphia** Book 5 ch 86: Having secured the final victory by his phalanx, and killed large numbers of the enemy in the pursuit by means of his cavalry and mercenaries on his right wing, **Ptolemy** retired to his own camp and there spent the night. But next day, after picking up and burying his own dead, and stripping the bodies of the enemy, he advanced towards **Rhaphia**. **Antiochus** had wished, immediately after the retreat of his army, to make a camp outside the city; and there rally such of his men as had fled in compact bodies: but finding that the greater number had retreated into the town, he was compelled to enter it himself also. Next morning, however, before daybreak, he led out the relics of his army and made the best of his way to **Gaza**.



Ptolemy IV
Philopater

Battle of Raphia 217BC:
Rapha near Gaza
Ptolemy IV of Egypt victorious
over
Antiochus III the Great