

grammarian the effect of the work of a grammarian so much as that of a philologist who accepts grammar as a necessary part of his profession; and one misses the fresh breath that comes from his archaeological writings. In spite of sharp self-assertion here and there, he is dominated by his material rather than dominates it, and his work lacks occasionally consistency of view and firmness of touch. It would, for example, be impossible for a grammarian in grain to tell us, on page 183, that in the notorious passage (Cic. ad Att. II. 1, 12), *Paetus omnes libros, quos pater suus reliquisset, mihi donavit*, the change to *reliquerat* would have required a change of *suus* to *ejus*, and yet, on page 215, to retain *suus* with the indicative form.

*The English Catholic Nonjurors of 1715*: being a Summary of the Register of their Estates, with Genealogical and other Notes, and an Appendix of unpublished documents in the Public Record Office. Edited by the late Very Rev. Edgar E. Estcourt and John Orlebar Payne. London: Burns & Oates; New York: Catholic Publication Society.

THESE lists were prepared in accordance with an Act (1 Geo. 1 cap. 55) obliging Papists to register their names and real estates—a measure intended, no doubt, as a menace to the friends of the Pretender. That it was complied with by so many is evidence of a much greater number who evaded the law, and, as a measure of precaution, it cannot be deemed harsh for that period. It is indeed difficult to understand the object of the present publication, as the genealogical information obtainable is scanty and of no especial value. But there seems to be a fashion in England to glorify the Catholic families of the last century, for no particular reason, just as the current here is running in favor of the Huguenots, as we pointed out in our review of Dr. Baird's history.

*A Study of Dante*. By Susan E. Blow. With an introduction by William T. Harris, LL.D. G. P. Putnam's Sons. 1886. 8vo, xi and 102 pp.

THERE grows in the campagna of Rome a plant of the Jack-in-the-pulpit family which attains such perfection of development that its odor, to an unaccustomed nostril, becomes extraordinarily offensive, and a new-comer can only obtain specimens of the flower by sudden rushes at it, followed by immediate retreat from the infected neighborhood—always in danger of being overcome by the sick drowsiness it causes. Do not let us speak of an estimable author or authoress as a Jack-in-the-pulpit; do not let us refer to the

sick drowsiness caused by the perfection of their development; let us only exhibit specimens of the flower obtained by sudden rushes at it, followed by immediate retreat. We gather from Dr. Harris the belief that Dante—like the other three "world poets," Homer, Shakspeare, and Goethe—"used his vehicles of expression to reveal to all individual men their substantial manhood as embodied in the institutions of civilization." We believe we quote correctly, but the fatal drowsiness is upon us; and could that sentence read that "he never used his expressive vehicles to convey to men collectively the institutions of civilization as embodied in their substantial manhood"? Another rush, before we succumb—this time to the authoress. "It is evident"—to her, but, alas! at this moment nothing seems evident to us, except our own haste to get away—"it is evident that we may grasp the universe as an including totality, and yet apprehend very faintly its nature and end." In the present wild whirling of our brains, this sentence, the whole book, is to us as the universe. We grasp it as an including totality, we apprehend very faintly its nature and end.

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