history of England and a most interesting period in the life of Disraeli. He was just coming into power. Extracts from the correspondence and journal of Disraeli give a most intimate and illuminating view of this period. There are sections of the volume where the author's comment is only extensive enough to set the original documents in their proper environment and light. This method of writing history or biography has its disadvantages, but it always gives a lively and personal vital, moving quality to a book which digested material never has. It must be repeated, this is, so far, a great biography, adding much to our knowledge of Disraeli, of England and of the world. When complete it will be one of the most important additions to the literature of English history that have appeared in recent years.

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Demosthenes and the Last Days of Greek Freedom. 384-322 B. C. By A. W. Pickard-Cambridge, Fellow of Balliol College, Oxford. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York, 1914. 512 pp. \$1.50.

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