

We have received from Mr. Murray the July *Quarterly Review*. The articles on Professor Freeman, Pitt's War Policy, The Porson of Shakesperian Criticism (Theobald), and Professor Ramsay's Asia Minor, are well up to the usual *Quarterly* standard. That on Freeman, which is severe, was intended, one is glad to know, to be published in the great writer's lifetime. It is very able. We are not altogether satisfied with the paper on Cardinal Manning. The advice which is given to Mr. Rudyard Kipling, whose Tales are sharply criticised, is well-founded and wise. "Disestablishment," "Hymns and Hymn-writers," "Trinity College, Dublin," and "Politics and Ethics," make up a well-varied and interesting *Quarterly*. The last-named article is a review of Mr. Lilly's new book.

The third edition of that standard work, the *Variorum Reference Bible*, just sent to us by Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswoode, is a most comely and convenient volume. It contains the Apocrypha, edited by the Rev. C. J. Ball, a separate issue of which will give us an opportunity of comment later on. A Bible student may reckon himself very fortunate if he can obtain this volume and also duly use it. The Queen's Printers' publications are always of the highest as to execution in every respect.

The Rev. J. J. LIAS requests us to insert the following :

I owe Professor Driver an apology for a misquotation which was quite unintentional. I have represented him as saying that Ezekiel had "transferred unconsciously" to the past "the associations of the *future*," whereas I ought to have written "present." I cannot explain the mistake, except as being an unconscious substitution of one word for another. Professor Driver's book lay before me as I wrote, and I had no intention of misquoting him. My argument in regard to the improbability of Ezekiel being mistaken in his facts is not affected by the error, but in a note I refer to the passage as unintelligible. Of course, in its proper shape the passage is intelligible enough.

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### THE MONTH.

THE General Election is over, and Mr. Gladstone has a majority of 41. What will he do with it? The figures are :

Conservatives	...	...	268	} 314
Liberal Unionists	...	...	46	
Gladstonians	...	...	274	} 355
Anti-Parnellites	...	...	72	
Parnellites	...	...	9	

The polling has been the heaviest on record. The Unionists have gained a clear majority of votes in Great Britain as a whole, and a very large majority (71) in England. Mr. Gladstone's majority in Midlothian was reduced in a most remarkable way.

Ulster is hopeful and determined.

A splendid series of successes in the Midland Counties is due to a large extent to the vigorous eloquence of Mr. Chamberlain.

At the Canterbury Diocesan Conference the Archbishop referred, in a very practical spirit, to the influence of the Press.