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Literary Opinions of Literary People.

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The death of Thomas Carlyle and George Eliot furnished the texts for a vast variety of conflicting literary opinions. Literary characters seem always to have regarded each other with a far greater divergence of view than the great body of common-place people have regarded them. We need not waste time reviewing the current poisonous estimates of these eminent writers in order to appreciate this truth. While living they were the subjects of this same curious clashing of contemporary judgments. Dr. Mackay wrote of the Scotch philosopher long ago: "Carlyle is like pickles: only a little of him can be tasted with any relish at a time." Macaulay wrote him down as "a man of talents, though absurdly overpraised." Jas. Hogg thought it sufficient to characterize him as "the impostor Tom Carlyle," and the author of "Noctes Ambrosianae," says: "Thomas Carlyle I excuse—he is entitled to be crazy, being a man of genius." Longfellow, in "Outre Mer," came nearer expressing, probably, the opinion that Carlyle really held of him: "Hooded and wrapped about with the strange and antique garb, there walks a kingly, a most royal soul, even as the Emperor Charles walked amidst solemn choirs under a monk's cowl—a monarch still in soul." We have heard a great deal lately of the resemblance of Carlyle to Emerson, but James Russell Lowell happily disposed of that fanciful comparison a long time ago, when he wrote of Emerson:

"There are persons mole-blind to the soul's make and style, Who insist on a likeness 'twixt him and Carlyle. To compare with him Plato would be vastly false; Carlyle's more burly, but E. is the rarer. C. gives Nature and God his own fit of the blues, And finds common sense things with mythical hues. E. sits in a mystic calm and intense And looks calmly around him with sharp common sense."

If we turn to the opinion which Carlyle passed upon other literary lights we find that, as few agreed as to his own merits so he agreed with few as to the merits of others. He pronounced Lawrence Storer to be "our last specimen of humor, and with all his faults and best," while Thackeray held that he was "a great jester, not a great humorist." Horace Walpole thought his writings were "a parody of nonsense. Goldsmith thought him a dull fellow," and Coleridge declared that he "cannot be too severely censured." Byron is lauded by Carlyle as "the teeth-grinding, glass-eyed, lone Caloyer," though Shelley thought him "a person of the most consummate genius," and Scott pronounced him "as various in composition as Shakespeare himself," and said he had "embraced every topic of human life and sounded every string on the divine harp, from its highest to its lowest powerful and heart-astounding tones." Swinburne had Carlyle's hearty detestation, and was characterized by him as "the apostle of filth." Swinburne retorted in a pamphlet by describing Carlyle as "a worshiper at every gallows that ever was erected."

These amenities between litterateurs have always been as abundant as they are amusing, when contemplated at a dispassionate distance. "You bandbox," says Kenyon to Lord Lytton, and Lord Lytton promptly retorts with "Miss Alfred." Not even Shakespeare and Milton, throned as they are to-day on a pinnacle beyond the range of controversy, escaped the contradictory estimates of critics. Byron wrote down his copy of "The Hours of Solitude" as "a masterpiece of the pen," and yet he said that "the great Puritan's poems betray a narrowness of education and a degeneracy of habit," adding that "there is no force in his reasonings, no eloquence in his style, and no light in his composition." Fox said that three-fourths of "Paradise Lost" was not worth reading. To cite one more example, how gloriously contrary are the judgments passed on the author of the great English dictionary—Samuel Johnson. Curran calls him "a superstitious and brutish bigot." Adam Smith says curtly, "He's a brute," and Horace Walpole writes of him that "with a lumber of learning and some strong parts, Johnson was an odious and mean character." Johnson, on the other hand, called the "gigantic littleness of a country schoolmaster." Goldsmith balances these by saying that "he had nothing of the bear but his skin," and Carlyle—to return to the name with which we commenced—calls him "a man of the most noble mind." Truly it may be said that if the great humor world does not know its great men, they, in their turn, do not always know each other.

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