

NEW PERIODICALS.
We receive from J. K. Simon, agent, No. 29 South Sixth street, the Spring number of *The National Quarterly Review*, edited by Dr. Dean Swift. The paper is taken from an Italian life of Diogenes, by Grimaldi, and from the lives of the philosophers, by Diogenes Laertius, giving an attractive portrait of the great cynic philosopher, whose a little examination shows to have been less black and vulgar than he is usually painted. The second essay, by the *Trove* of the question, from the protocols and diplomatic correspondence, it concludes with a very clear analysis of the motives and undercurrents that were at work in the Paris Conference. Two pleasant pieces of belittlement, on Bränger and on Coltic music, are very readable, though incomplete. Bränger's name is sometimes quoted in the many translations by the author of *The Book of the Book*, and their grace than that of the English reader; the biographical portion of the review, being simple and well composed, is satisfactory. The paper on "Coltic Music" gives less prominence than we like to the songs of the Welsh and French Coets; the review on the editor of the *Quarterly* is not so good as the author's own, but has interesting researches into the latter subject; the Marquis de la Villemareque—Articles of a generalizing, and for a quarterly, almost godly nature, are the most interesting. The *Cabinets* of England and on Grant and his Cabinet—a bit of very welcome study goes into the antiquities of America—sentences ought to be more elegant and to those of Egypt or Etruria—is the essay entitled "Successive Conquests and Races of Ancient Mexico." The promised review of the *Quarterly* is hardly to be taken this quarter, unless it is twenty pages professedly devoted to Columbia College and its history. *Review* is hardly to be taken this quarter, unless it is twenty pages professedly devoted to Columbia College and its history. *Review* is hardly to be taken this quarter, unless it is twenty pages professedly devoted to Columbia College and its history.

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